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 Proprietor.  
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**To The Press and Banner.**  
 Replying to THE ADVERTISER our esteemed contemporary, The Abbeville Press and Banner says:  
 "But our good friend and able contemporary forgot to tell us that thirteen years ago, the State of South Carolina had licensed 999 bar rooms, in which the News and Courier stated that 5,000 men were employed.  
 "When about 100 or 108 dispensaries were opened, the 999 bars were either closed or kept open unlawfully, the immense capital, 900 houses, and 4,500 men removed from the destructive side of the public economy, and were ready to enter upon the industrial or useful pursuits.  
 "If any State has closed more than nine-tenths of its bar rooms in the last thirteen years, we are not informed of the fact.  
 "We entirely agree with The Laurens Advertiser in believing that good men see this liquor business from a different point, and, like the Advertiser, we yield equal honesty and conscientiousness to all who speak their convictions, be they what they may.  
 "Another great benefit to the sobriety of the different communities lies in the fact that liquor is not sold by the drink. It is not sold on a credit, and sundown the dispensaries are closed until sunrise next day. They are not open at all on Sunday.  
 "It is not possible that 100 dispensaries could sell more liquor and could make more drunkards than would 1,000 barrooms, kept open until late hours at night and where it could be bought on a credit.  
 "The increase in the sales may be accounted for by the diminishing opposition to the dispensary. The dispensary sells liquor cheaper than the bars sold it in former times, but the opposition to the dispensary was so great that many people sent to other States for it. The Inter-State Commerce so protects the drinker that there is no such thing as depriving him of liquor, if he wants it.  
 "The apparent evidence of the increased consumption of liquor in this State is accounted for in realization of the fact that cheaper and better liquor can be had at the dispensary than can be had in the barrooms of other States.  
 "Another matter. The dispensary gives full measure, which was not always done by licensed bars in former times. "Sixes" and not "quarts," we believe, was the rule in many cases.  
 "The fair treatment of its customers, the cheapness and the pureness of the liquor, has broken much of the former opposition to the dispensary.  
 "The dispensary gives us prohibition for half the time.  
 "We do not know whether the Laurens Advertiser favors prohibition or license system.  
 "But here's three cheers for the newspaper that can be fair."  
 We regret that actual figures are not available with which to answer The Press and Banner but those we shall use will be within the range of accuracy. Let us examine The Press and Banner's argument.  
 As to "999 barrooms." Admit. Whiskey is now sold in about 39 of 41 counties. Before the Dispensary days there were more "dry counties," several more. Whiskey is sold from about 75 dispensaries. There are probably as many more "beer privileges" and tourist hotel privileges. In considering the success of the Dispensary scheme, account must be had of the "tigers." In Charleston the number is estimated at from 250 to 400. Large and small, there are probably an average of from 25 to 50 in Greenville and Columbia. The Press and Banner would testify to their frequency in Greenwood. Judging from the number of seizures reported each three months by the constables there must be at any and all times from 5 to 20 men engaged in handling "contraband." In Abbeville town there is perhaps not one. But take the coast and border towns,—Beaufort, Port Royal, Georgetown, Conway and villages along the North Carolina and Georgia lines—is there any in which whiskey is not always to be had for money and at all hours? Unless conditions have changed, whiskey is sold freely by "tigers" in Greenville and Columbia. We know that it was a few years ago. Several thousand dollars worth of whiskey was seized in Greenville county at one place about two years ago. An average of five tigers to each of 38 counties aggregates 190. Add 350 for Charleston, Columbia and Greenville and you have 540. Include 150 dispensaries of one kind or another and you have a total of 690 places where liquors are sold.—Meanwhile a large percentage of the people are patronizing the barrooms and liquor stores beyond the State who formerly bought within it. Our opinion is that there are perhaps 1,000 "tigers," big and little, amateur and professional, black and white, in the State.  
 As to the men employed. The dispensaries employ about 300. The "tigers" perhaps 500 to 1,000 a part or all of the time of each. Indirectly engaged in the whiskey business are 123 members of county boards of control. About 70 regular constables. How many extra constables, paid by the job, as informers, etc., we can't guess. Add the members of the State Board of Control and the employees of the big State dispensary and you have some hundreds more.  
 Due solely to the existence of the dispensary is a distillery in Columbia the expenses of which are said to be about ten thousand dollars a working day. One-third of this goes to the Government for stamps. We do not know how many men it employs. Besides there are a number of smaller distilleries largely supported by dispensary patronage.  
 If the dispensaries and tigers number about as many as did barrooms, the number of employees are about the same. Meanwhile we are supporting

many barrooms in other States and paying town policemen and sheriffs to give a good part of their time to protecting the State's liquor business from competition by individuals.  
 We think Georgia has closed more than nine-tenths of its barrooms in 10 years. Outside of the large cities it has closed nearer 100 per cent, we think.  
 As to the night closing. A young man drops into the dispensary about sundown. He must buy at least one bottle, half pint, quart or more. He and his friends usually drink the supply during the night. In a barroom he may take one drink or he may a dozen by 12 o'clock. From a dispensary he cannot buy one drink at a time. He must buy at least six ordinary drinks if he drinks at all.  
 "Not sold on credit in dispensaries." Are you sure of that? Our contemporary must be under the impression that dispensers as a rule strictly obey the law.  
 As to "the full measure" the dispensaries do no more than other liquor dealers. Sometimes Augusta, Ga., dealers sell five bottles for a gallon and sometimes they sell four. In any event you pay, to reputable dealers, for the amount you get; not the number of bottles. The dispensary will sell not a dram more of whiskey for the same money than will other whiskey merchants. The Press and Banner simply has not investigated this point.  
 As to the "cheapness and pureness" of liquor, there is dispute. It is certain that the so-called testing of dispensary liquors is farcical.  
 Senator Tillman as good as admitted this at Gaffney when he advised that the law be changed to compel the dispensary to bottle all the stuff it sold.  
 That the dispensary gives us prohibition half the time is our contemporary's favorite claim. But when the law compels the purchase of a whole bottle in the daytime if any purchase be made, it seems rather that the law tends to force prohibition away for the whole night.  
 That bottle must be consumed.  
 If the Press and Banner will send a reporter to Laurens he will find that large quantities of dispensary liquor are consumed here every night. He will find moreover that more than one man has been a regular drunkard in this town since the dispensary became the law, that more than one death has resulted from excessive drinking and that drinking is not unknown here now.  
 The Advertiser is not a prohibition newspaper but in such a county as this and in any county where there is no large city we believe that far less liquor will be consumed than under the dispensary.  
 If you don't believe it, go to Clinton. Clinton has never had a dispensary and has had no bars in many years.—Clinton has 3,000 people; Laurens 5,000. Laurens drinks at least 50 to 100 times as much liquor a day as Clinton.  
 Meanwhile, in this article the most important positive objections to the dispensary law have not been touched upon.  
**The Episcopal College.**  
 The Committee that was appointed last summer to see what could be done in the effort to locate the Episcopal College in Laurens has again taken up the work in good earnest. They are determined to find out what can be done by April 1st.  
 They are going to do their duty and it remains with the citizens of Laurens to say whether they will give the necessary support.  
 We have had nearly a year to think about it and every one should understand fully the importance of the proposition.  
 As a matter of civic pride we ought to be glad to aid in the establishment of the school, but as a matter of business we cannot afford to leave a stone unturned.  
 If a person owns \$1,000.00 worth of property in Laurens now, would the establishment of such a school increase the value of that property to \$1,100.00 or over. If so, such a person contributing \$100.00 for that purpose would be out nothing. We think it a perfectly safe proposition to say that the increase in value would be more than that.  
 The property holders are not the only ones to be benefited. It will be of infinite value to every individual in the city and county. To parents who have girls to educate it will save board and traveling expenses and besides enable them to retain the home influences over their children.  
 We can not undertake to enumerate the advantages of such an institution. They ought to be sufficiently apparent to every thinking man and woman in Laurens. This is their opportunity and it is their last opportunity. If they are going to act they must be up and doing. Don't wait for your neighbor. Do your duty to your city and to your family. This is your affair, more than another's. It is your child and your property that is affected.

**Mr. Barksdale Resigns.**  
 Mr. R. Beverley Herbert, of Columbia, has been appointed clerk of the department of immigration in place of Mr. C. Douglas Barksdale of Laurens, who resigned several days ago.  
 Mr. Barksdale was appointed clerk when the department was established, but found that his personal business at Laurens necessitated his remaining at home and he tendered his resignation several days ago.  
 In announcing this change Mr. Watson said: "It was with mutual regret that Mr. Barksdale's resignation was tendered and accepted. Mr. Barksdale found some time ago that his business affairs at home would require his undivided attention and that it would be necessary for him to return to his home. In the office of the department he has been an exceedingly valuable man, and it was with sincere regret, both personally and officially, that his resignation was accepted, and that our pleasant relations have been severed. In selecting Mr. Herbert for the vacancy I have acted, as I see it, for the best interests of the department, as Mr. Herbert possesses exceptional qualifications and has had experience which peculiarly fits him for the work. His labors in Great Britain for the department last summer were productive of most gratifying results and proved beyond question his fitness for the position he now takes."—News and Courier.  
**Yorkville Wants Clinton College.**  
 Yorkville is going to make the effort to have the Presbyterian College at Clinton brought here. Yesterday some one suggested that the College and the idea took like wild fire.  
 The present visit of Dr. and Mrs. Neville to Yorkville for the Glenn-Carroll nuptials has brought out afresh the immense popularity in this entire section of the president of Clinton College, and his charming wife and family. Their arrival here yesterday and reception at the depot was in the nature of an ovation.  
 A large element of the people in and out of Dr. Neville's old congregation keep insisting that they be brought back to Yorkville, and yesterday when it was suggested that the Nevilles and the College be brought here the suggestion struck a popular chord and a movement with that end in view was soon taking shape.  
 Of course, while Dr. Neville loves this people, as they love him, he can say nothing in this matter.  
 With Yorkville's prestige of fifty years as an educational centre, and the splendid K. M. M. A. property available as a nucleus, the removal of Clinton College can be made more than a dream.  
 The worth of a College to this city and community is hard to estimate.  
 It is too early yet to give anything definite as to what has been done, and the progress made, but it is understood that several gentlemen have expressed a willingness to contribute liberally towards the undertaking.—Yorkville New Era.  
 Dr. Neville after mature deliberation decided that it was the call of duty for him to give up the pastorate at Yorkville, which he had served acceptably for twelve years or more. In July last he came to Clinton. Highly complimentary as the desire for his return is, Laurens County likewise needs all the men of his kind she can get and all institutions like the College at Clinton and we must oppose the movement of our contemporary. Dr. Neville made his first visit to our city March 5th and won scores of friends.—EDITOR ADVERTISER.  
**BEST REMEDY FOR CONSTIPATION.**  
 "The finest remedy for constipation I ever used is Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets" says Mr. Eli Butler, of Frankville, N. Y. "They act gently and without any unpleasant effect, and leave the bowels in a perfectly natural condition. Sold by The Laurens Drug Co. and Dr. B. F. Posey."  
**Items from Tylersville.**  
 TYLERSVILLE, March 13th.—We had a nice little rain Thursday, which was pleasing to the farmers.  
 Mr. Robbie Simmons visited his father last Sunday.  
 Mr. Elwood Dillard visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Dillard last Sunday.  
 Rev. Mr. Hook of Laurens preached a very interesting sermon on Missions Sunday evening at Sandy Springs.  
 Miss Pearl Sanders visited Miss Annie Pulley last Wednesday.  
 We are sorry to hear of the illness of Mr. C. A. Pulley.  
 Mrs. D. M. Sanders was in your city Friday.  
 Miss Alma Peterson has returned home after a visit to her sister, Mrs. Otto Garrett.  
 Mrs. Mary Allison, accompanied by little Miss Ora and Roy Powers visited Mr. Tom Powers of Ora Sunday.  
 There is a lot of grippe in this vicinity.  
 Mrs. Sallie Garrett visited her parents Saturday and Sunday. IRE.  
**Money at Seven Per Cent.**  
 In amounts from Eight Hundred Dollars up, we are authorized to lend some money at seven per cent. interest. The security must be a first mortgage on farm lands, and the loan must not exceed forty per cent. of the value of the land. Parties desiring cheap money had better see us at once.  
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**Special Primary Election For Solicitor.**  
 By order of the Chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee, and in conformity of a recent Act of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, providing for a Special Election for Solicitors in the Eighth and Ninth Circuits, a Special Primary Election will be held in Laurens County for Solicitor for this, the Eighth Circuit, on Tuesday, the 21st day of March, 1905.  
 The following named persons have been appointed to act as Managers at the several precincts:  
**MANAGERS.**  
**LAURENS TOWNSHIP.**  
 Club No. 1—W. H. Gilkerson, A. C. Todd, L. G. Balle.  
 Club No. 2—W. M. Irby, E. P. Simpson, J. W. Thompson,  
 Watta Mills—J. N. Culbertson, J. C. Boyd, J. D. Sexton.  
 Laurens Mills—C. P. Martin, John Cannon, James Chestnut.  
**HUNTER TOWNSHIP.**  
 Clinton, No. 1—R. P. Adair, T. R. Owings, Edgar Nabors.  
 Clinton Mills—E. Y. McQuown, J. M. Rickman, Elbert Benjamin,  
 Lydia Mills—John A. Smith, W. H. Wofford, Jas. Richey.  
 Mountville—P. B. Richardson, Hewlett Sullivan, Ed Adams.  
 Goldville—John Meadors, Wm. Cole, W. P. Adair.  
 Hopewell—J. J. Young, J. L. Crawford, J. E. Boyd.  
**YOUNGS TOWNSHIP.**  
 Pleasant Mound—J. B. Cosby, Arthur Stevens, I. W. Stewart.  
 Youngs Store—C. D. Martin, C. R. Wallace, Paul Abercrombie.  
 Stewart's Store—Robt. Jones, Cook Henderson, B. E. Leonard.  
 Cook's Store—W. P. Coker, J. C. Cox, Butler Cooper.  
**WATERLOO TOWNSHIP.**  
 Ekom—L. C. Culbertson, T. C. McDaniel, Y. A. Godfrey.  
 Mt. Pleasant—W. W. Fowler, W. H. Pinson, Guy Moore.  
 Waterloo—J. E. Henderson, Joe M. Pearce, D. C. Lmth.  
 Tip Top—W. J. Anderson, Henry Sims, John A. Puckett.  
 Daniel's Store—J. C. Martin, J. H. Culbertson, Robert Ellis.  
**JACKS TOWNSHIP.**  
 Renno—J. C. McMillan, W. E. Bell, P. H. Copeland.  
 O'Dell Church—Watts Dean, Joe Payne, Tom Dillard.  
**SULLIVAN TOWNSHIP.**  
 Tumbling Shoals—Lee Chapman, J. A. Baldwin, J. Hamp Hellams.  
 Princeton—M. B. McCuen, J. L. Traynham, J. T. Machen.  
 Brewerton—John B. Pitts, T. J. Crawford.  
**DIAL TOWNSHIP.**  
 Woodville—S. O. Babb, J. S. Wham, W. L. Abercrombie.  
 Shiloh—R. C. Wallace, F. D. Bolt, J. H. Wolf.  
 Gray Court—W. H. Barksdale, D. L. Brooks, W. W. Yeargin.  
 Dials Church—J. H. Curry, D. B. Godfrey, R. R. Owings.  
 Power—V. A. White, R. C. Owings, W. S. Power.  
**CROSS HILL TOWNSHIP.**  
 Cross Hill—W. L. Miller, J. Y. Matthews, P. B. Smith.  
**SCUFFLETON TOWNSHIP.**  
 Ora—W. B. Harmon, Nat Wallace, A. Y. Thompson.  
 Langston's Church—J. Wilson Blakeley, Bob Donnon, F. W. Little.  
**TO THE MANAGERS:**  
 Those who serve as Managers for the Primary Election are also expected and will be appointed to serve at the Special General Election on April 11th, for which services they will be paid per diem and mileage as in all regular elections.  
 G. P. SMITH,  
 County Chairman.

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## PROCLAMATION.

NOTICE OF ELECTION.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

To the Commissioners of State and County Elections for Abbeville, Greenwood, Laurens, Newberry and Saluda Counties, in the Eighth Judicial Circuit:—

Under and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, entitled An Act to Assign the Present Circuit Solicitors to the Proper Circuits in Order to Conform to the Provisions of an Act entitled "An Act to Divide the State into Ten Judicial Circuits and Arrange the Same, and to Provide for the Elections of Solicitors for the Eighth and Ninth Circuits approved February 20th, 1905, notice is hereby given that a Special Election will be held in said Circuits on the 11th day of April 1905, for the purpose of electing a Solicitor for the Eighth Judicial Circuit for the term expiring at the General Election in 1908.

Now, therefore, you are hereby directed and required to hold said Special Election for Solicitor of the Eighth Judicial Circuit on the said 11th day of April, 1905, for the term to expire at the General Election of 1908.

The polls are to be opened at the various places of elections in said Circuits on Tuesday, the 11th day of April, 1905, and the said election shall be conducted in accordance with the laws governing General Elections.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal to be affixed at Columbia, this 20th day of February, 1905, and in the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth year of the Independence of the United States of America.

D. C. HEYWARD,  
 Governor.

By the Governor:  
 J. T. GANTY, Secretary of State.

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## Final Settlement.

TAKE notice that on the 16th day of March, 1905, I will render a final account of my acts and doings as Executor of the estate of Mary A. Casey, deceased, in the office of Judge of Probate of Laurens County, at 11 o'clock a. m., and on the same date will apply for a final discharge from my trust as such Executor.

All persons having demands against said estate, will please present them before that date, proven and authenticated, or be forever barred, and all persons indebted to said estate must make payment to the undersigned before that date.

T. R. DESHIELDS,  
 Executor.

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**WANTED**—You to list your property for sale or rent with M. L. Copeland.

**CASTORIA.**  
 Bears the Signature of

**State of South Carolina,**  
 COUNTY OF LAURENS.

WHEREAS, Carroll M. Miller made suit to me, to grant him Letters of Administration of the Estate of and effects of Hattie M. Miller.

THESE ARE THEREFORE to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and Creditors of the said Hattie M. Miller, deceased, that they be and appear before me, in Court of Probate, to be held at Laurens, S. C., on the 31st of March next, after publication thereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted.

Given under my Hand this 11th day of March, Anno Domini, 1905.

O. G. THOMPSON,  
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