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### McMASTER CHOSEN INSURANCE COM.

Columbia Newspaper Man Elected to New Position by the General Assembly.

Columbia, March 4.—Mr. F. H. McMaster, of Columbia, was elected insurance commissioner this afternoon and will be the first to hold the new position, which carries a salary of \$2,500 per year. The office was created at the present session of the General Assembly, and under the Act the commissioner is charged with all duties pertaining to insurance companies which now devolve on the Comptroller General and other State officials and with new duties imposed by the Act.

The contest for the office has been quite spirited and there were a large number of candidates, all of whom were actively at work as well as their friends. It took four ballots to elect. The two houses met in joint session this afternoon at 4 o'clock and began to ballot, the following being the result of the first ballot:

F. H. McMaster, 37; W. H. Gibbs, of Columbia, 15; A. J. Fox, of Lexington, 6; J. R. Lindsay, of Newberry, 7; E. Capers, Jr., of Summerton, 12; L. F. Townsend, of Union, 4; J. A. Campbell, of Marion, 14; H. S. Baird, of Darlington, 5; W. M. Hutson, of Aiken, 6; R. B. Cole, of Barnwell, 15; J. W. Mitchell, of Columbia, 2; N. O. Pyles, of Columbia, 1.

The second ballot was as follows: McMaster, 44; Gibbs, 9; Campbell, 18; Fox, 5; Lindsay, 17; Kohn, 6; West, 7; Capers, 10; Townsend, 3; Baird, 4; Hutson, 9. Total, 152. Necessary to choice, 77.

The names of Messrs. Fox, Kohn and

West were formally withdrawn after the second ballot. The third ballot resulted as follows: McMaster, 59; Campbell, 17; Gibbs, 6; Lindsay, 19; Capers, 14; Hutson, 3; Cole, 26. Total, 149. Necessary to choice, 75.

The names of Messrs. Capers, Campbell and Hutson were formally withdrawn after the third ballot. The fourth ballot resulted as follows: McMaster, 84; Cole, 45; Lindsay, 17; Gibbs, 3. Total, 147. Necessary to choice, 75.

Mr. McMaster having received a majority he was declared duly elected insurance commissioner. The joint assembly then dissolved to meet at noon tomorrow to continue the balloting for United States Senator.

Mr. McMaster is one of the best known and most popular young men in the State. He is a native of Fairfield county, a graduate of the South Carolina College and holds a diploma in law from that institution. He was at one time in partnership with Senator F. H. Weston, at the Columbia bar, and later entered the newspaper business in Columbia. As business manager of the Charleston Evening Post he made an excellent record. Several years ago he became circulation manager of The State, in which position he has also done good work. He now holds this position. Mr. McMaster during his residence in Charleston represented that county in the House of Representatives and he has always taken an active interest in public matters. He has an intimate knowledge of insurance matters, having been private secretary to Mr. Edward L. Gernand, general agent for the Mutual Life in South Carolina at one time, and later Mr. McMaster was special agent for the Mutual Life. He is fully competent to fill the position, both by character and ability.

J. H.

### DATE FOR REUNION FIXED.

Will Be Held in the City of Greenville Next August.

The Confederate Reunion will be held on August 11, 12 and 13, these dates having been selected at a meeting of the veterans and other citizens held in the Board of Trade rooms last night. The sentiment of the meeting was practically unanimous in favor of holding the reunion in August this year.

A committee consisting of Messrs. P. T. Hayne, G. H. Mahon and J. A. McCullough was appointed to confer with Captain W. D. Starling, commander of Camp Hampton, of Columbia, about the number of veterans to expect at the reunion, and a number of other matters.

The preliminary meeting of the reunion will be held on the night of August 11 in the Chieora College auditorium. The parade, which is always one of the main features of the reunion, will probably be held on August 13, the last day, which is Thursday.—Greenville News, 6th.

### It Does the Business.

Mr. E. E. Chamberlain, of Clinton, Maine, says of Bucklen's Arnica Salve: "It does the business. I have used it for piles and it cured them. Used it for chapped hands and it cured them. Applied it to an old sore and it healed it without leaving a scar behind." 25c. at Laurens Drug Co.'s and Palmetto Drug Co.'s drug stores.

Mr. Eugene Mitchell, who has been living in this city for several months, will return this week to Mt. Bethel, Sullivan's township. Mr. Mitchell has been occupying with his family a cottage on Hampton street.

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### LOCALS

Mrs. R. E. Hughes and Mrs. Cozby went to Fountain Inn last Friday, to spend a few days with Mrs. Robert W. Davis.

Madame Gadske and David Bisphan are the two great stars who will sing this spring at the Spartanburg Music Festival.

Mr. John Kellet, of Fountain Inn, was among the visitors in the city yesterday. He was returning to his home after accompanying his sister, Miss Annie Kellet, to Phoenix, Ariz., where she will spend some time.—Greenville News, 6th.

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### CITATION.

The State of South Carolina, County of Laurens—By O. G. Thompson, Probate Judge.

Whereas, E. E. Mitchell and E. E. Simpson made suit to me to grant them letters of administration of the estate and effects of E. G. Mitchell. These are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said E. G. Mitchell, deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Laurens C. H., S. C., on the 20th day of March, 1908, next, after publication hereof, 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, 4th day of March, Anno Domini 1908.

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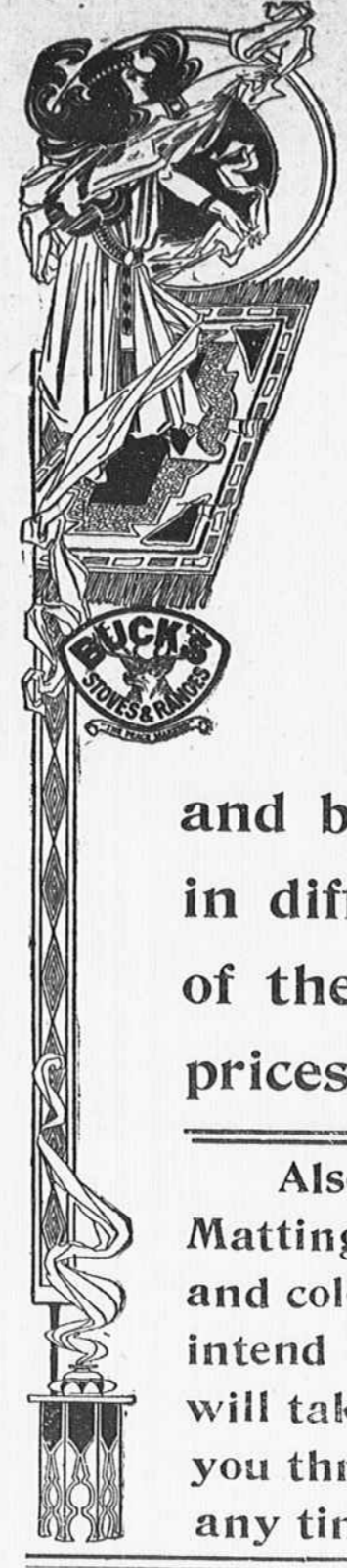
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Red Hot Prices	Red Hot Prices in Our New Annex.	We handle nearly everything you need and sell same goods for less money.
Yard wide Sea Island 5c	5 cakes Polo Soap 10c	\$1.50 Men's Pants, your choice of the lot \$1.25
Best 6 Cord Spool Cotton 5c	1 Big cake Buster Soap and Spoon 5c	3000 pair Men's Pants, big values 1.69, 1.98, 2.25, 2.97, 3.48, \$4.39. The above pants are worth 50c to \$1.50 per pair more than we ask for them.
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6c Calicoes 5c	Piedmont Cigarettes 4c	Big values in dress shirts, 25c, 39c, 43c, 48c, 89c.
Special lot Linen Collars for men, 1-2 price 5c	18 lbs. granulated Sugar \$1.00	50c Underwear 38c
35c quality Silk Ties 25c	20c pound good Coffee, parched, Red Hot 15c	25c Underwear 19c
25c Silk Ties 19c	8 lbs. good Coffee \$1.00	
200 yds. Chambray to go 5c	10c pound Lump Starch 5c	
2 spools thread (good) 5c	5c package Celluloid Starch 4c	
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