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The Advertiser will be glad to receive the local news of all the communities in the county. Correspondents are requested to sign their name to the contributions. Letters should not be mailed later than Monday morning.

The News and Courier is running wild with headlines these days.

While all this talk about colleges is going on, we rise to remark that there is no better college than Newberry.—Newberry Herald and News.

It seems from historical data brought to light by Greenville papers, that a Laurens man founded Chicora. Rev. N. J. Holmes.

"Fare ye well, Politics!" See you later," said the Laurens Advertiser when it went to work for Chicora college for Laurens. Good work.—Newberry Herald and News.

The governor is getting into it hot. The day he was expected to be in Beaufort to deny his Charleston "threat" and the day before the hearing of the Charleston graft charges, he was unavoidably detained in Columbia, according to him, because of "official business." "Official business" becomes very pressing at times.

The people of Laurens have entered upon a campaign to raise \$75,000 to secure Chicora college, now located in Greenville. A college in Laurens would do more than any other one thing, probably, for the upbuilding of the town. The people of Laurens seem to realize fully the great opportunity that is presented to them, and seem to be in earnest in a united effort to take advantage of it.—Newberry Herald and News.

KEEP TO THE RECORD.

When making unqualified statements it is always well to stick close to the record. The Piedmont of Friday says: "And only recently Greenville has given Chicora fifteen thousand."

The facts are Greenville was asked to give Chicora six and a quarter thousand and gave it thirty-seven hundred and fifty. Clinton was asked to give Chicora twenty-five hundred and she sent them thirty-seven hundred and fifty. Laurens was asked to give Chicora a thousand and did so promptly. Greenville was to have returned to her every dollar she contributed plus an equal amount contributed by others. With the two other towns named what they gave was a free gift without expectation of immediate or remote pecuniary return. Just to keep the record straight!

LONG LIVE THE PIEDMONT.

Suppose Laurens offered \$30,000 for removal of The Daily Piedmont to that town. It would be folly to accept the offer. Probably twenty or thirty years from now Laurens may be able to support as good a paper as the Piedmont is now, but long, long before that time the \$30,000 would be wiped out meeting the deficit that would inevitably occur because of the inability of Laurens to give The Piedmont anything like the business it now gets out of Greenville. The \$30,000 would be very nice while they lasted, but they would not last very long. If the Presbyterians want to sacrifice the future of Chicora let them look only to the present and take Laurens's offer.—Greenville Piedmont.

It certainly is a pity the way Eskine college, Newberry college, Presbyterian College of S. C., Clemson college, Lander college, Anderson Female college, not to mention Princeton University, Harvard, Yale, West Point and other institutions out in "the country" are drying up. Foolishness.

PRESBYTERIAN AMBITIONS.

At a recent meeting of the elders and deacons of the Second Presbyterian church, Greenville, resolutions were passed protesting against the removal of Chicora college to Laurens. After resolving at length upon the sentimental claims which Greenville has on the college, the resolution closed as follows: "The present site is not

ple for sufficient expansion for years and small institutions have their special attraction and value." We know of no other body of men who could better express the sentiments, wishes and ambitions of the whole body of Greenville citizens towards Chicora than could this body of church workers. They know the college, they know the grounds, they know what is to be hoped for the college continues at its present location and they know what to expect. They are in touch with the whole situation.

Now listen to them. "The present site is ample for sufficient expansion." Allow us to state on the part of the citizens of Laurens that there will be absolutely no limit to our ambition for Chicora. There will be no such thing as sufficient expansion. Our ambitions are not limited. And then, "and small institutions have their special attraction and value." Attraction and value for who? Surely not for the Presbyterians of South Carolina for they want an institution where every student who applies at its doors for a Christian education may be given admittance. They do not wish to have an institution where room will not be "sufficient" for all who may desire to attend. It is quite true that Chicora, as a small college there instead of a large college in Laurens, would be attractive and valuable for Greenville. Presbyterians of this state, however, want a college worthy of the denomination in South Carolina and they now have the opportunity to secure one.

The people of Greenville seem somewhat wrought up over the turn of affairs within the past week or two in regard to Chicora college. As a matter of fact they ought to be and we would think less of them if they were not, but really we can see no reason why they have any great cause of complaint nor do we doubt for a moment but that their belated efforts for Chicora will be in vain. Greenville failed to appreciate the material and spiritual advantages of Chicora so long as there was no fear of it being moved elsewhere, but now a large part of the population is up in arms because Laurens has come to the rescue in a very critical financial situation and offered to solve its troubles. Yes, Greenville is greatly stirred up over the turn of affairs but it has stirred itself too late. The opportunity has been offered on two different occasions within the past few months for Greenville to lend a helping hand, on the occasion of the raising of the \$200,000 indowment fund and when the removal of the college to another site was suggested, but both of these times she fell short of conservative estimations of what she should have done. Greenville has no kick coming. The opportunity to do what Laurens has done was offered but she failed to appreciate the critical condition of the college until other more willing hands had come and offered to solve the problem.

Our two esteemed Greenville contemporaries, The News and The Daily Piedmont, have fairly bubbled over with columns and columns of sentimental gush about the claims of Greenville on Chicora and the beneficial advantages (water, air, hills, etc.) of Greenville as a college town. The common peculiarity about all of these arguments has been that they lacked the facts to substantiate the claims of Greenville. The most plausible statement yet put forth by these stalwart fellows is that Greenville is a fine town for a college and that fact anybody will cheerfully admit. But that it is a fine town for three of them is questionable. In fact it has been demonstrated to the contrary. Recent developments tend to show that one less would work little hardship upon Greenville, would be a great boon to the other two, allow Greenville to give more time and money to million dollar cotton mills and lastly at the same time tickle to death about five of six thousand enthusiastic Chicora "fans" down this side.

Now, let's get down to a few of the arguments put forth by our Greenville friends.

A hitherto lingering doubt in the minds of some as to the wisdom of changing the location at all now bursts out with great force in opposition to the move. But here is what the committee appointed to study the different phases of the subject thought about it: "Our present site, while beautiful and convenient, it is not commodious. In our judgment the interests of the college will demand removal from it at no distant day." But on the other side is a suggestion from a Greenville member of the board: "the present plant is entirely adequate, that is to say, there is plenty space left whereon to build more buildings." Yes, plenty of room for buildings; a couple of acres more, but after all the present limited and now unsuitable, though beautiful, space is taken up with buildings where are the girls going to play or take exercise? A plenty of roof for a skyscraper or so and then some. Girls demand large athletic grounds now as the boys do and there

is neither room enough nor the right kind at the present site to afford such pleasures. Anyhow, The Daily Piedmont says: "Chicora college is growing and it is evident that more room is needed." We ourselves heartily agree with The Piedmont and also with that one Greenville citizen who claims that to put the college in the suburbs would be unwise because it would reduce the local daily attendance. Therefore, if the present site is unsuited and a suburban site is not desirable, the logical conclusion is to move the college elsewhere or pay an enormous price for a site nearer in town. Since The News has said, there is plenty of room down here at Laurens, we will be able to furnish a suitable, convenient and attractive site near or inside the city and nobody but Laurens will have to bother about the price. It might not be out of place to suggest here that experience has not shown that the larger the place the more successful the college. It is unnecessary to quote circumstances for it will occur to all that a large number of the most successful colleges in this and other states are located in small towns. Comparisons however odious sometimes serve their purpose: Of the two Presbyterian institutions of learning in South Carolina, the boys' college at Clinton and the girls' college at Greenville, which has received most support from the places in which they are located? The Presbyterian college at Clinton has received about \$50,000 from Clinton. How much has Chicora received from Greenville? Going still further—Our church in Laurens has contributed over \$12,000 in the past three or four years to Presbyterian educational institutions outside of Laurens and never once has cried out about it being right nor have they asked that it be returned because the money is to be spent "elsewhere." We daresay there is not a city in the state of South Carolina that has been as generous and unselfish in building up church institutions elsewhere as has Laurens.

The trouble about Greenville is that it's too progressive. It's too fond of million dollar cotton mills. It will be noted that all the business men that were present at the board meeting were strongly opposed to moving the college "from the standpoint that they would hate to see Greenville lose the college (quit natural) and (from a pure business standpoint." (Also quite natural. Most of the business men were from Greenville.) There is no denying that from a business standpoint the college is an attractive proposition. Laurens appreciates that and doesn't hesitate to say so.

About that fine Greenville air and water, electric lights and we might add, gas. We people of Laurens are rather proud of the healthful record of our city. Our air is as pure as any, our water cannot be criticized, our electric lights get out of whack some times but they are above the average, but as to gas we are a little shy, as can be certified to by recent developments. We work, say little and then explain afterwards. (As per this lengthy epistle.)

To the moral claim of Greenville very little weight can be attached. The Presbyterians of the state purchased outright a majority interest in the college and the property is theirs to deal with as their consciences dictate to be best. What Greenville has given to it in the way of financial and moral support has been amply returned to Greenville by the college itself. The college has contributed as much or more to the prosperity of Greenville than has Greenville contributed to the college, so the obligations are mutual.

Laurens, in all seriousness, has a strong claim for a college that has not hitherto been stressed very much. Maybe, it has been because of a certain pride involved in a discussion of such a claim or it may have been for other reasons. But Laurens wants a college to fill a gap in the educational system of the county as have nearly all progressive cities in South Carolina. She feels the need of an institution in her midst that will impart that refinement and culture, that interest in and appreciation of, history, language, literature, and the fine arts as is only acquired where a source of such culture exists and where rich and poor alike can enjoy its advantages. The work of a Christian college is to create such an atmosphere and we know of no better field to work in than in one that is not already so supplied.

But we have no misgivings about the Presbyterians standing by the resolutions they have passed. The matter was thoroughly discussed at the trustee meeting and the board would not have submitted a proposition to Laurens if there was any question about rescinding it. We believe that these gentlemen weighed the matter carefully and considered it from every standpoint before coming to a conclusion and we are sure, that after allowing Laurens to put forth a tremendous effort to meet the terms laid down, they will abide by their decision.

CHICORA NOT ON THE BLOCK.

Very voluminous arguments have been put forth by the two papers of Greenville in regard to the removal of Chicora college to Laurens. We wish we had space to print them all, but of course the limitations of a weekly paper forbid. We would not consider that we had dealt fairly with them, however, if we went at length into an argument about the matter and not print anything on the other side. We have therefore selected one good long one by The Daily Piedmont, one that is so good that even the Piedmont itself ran it twice. We feel, therefore, that we would be doing the right thing by printing for a third time this editorial thought so much of in Greenville. We will make only one comment upon it. It will be noted that "The dream of Greenville Presbyterians has been etc. Now, right there is the "rub." Greenville has been working all day on her million dollar cotton mills and other enterprises denoting thrift and material progress, but only dreaming at odd times of Chicora. Here is the Piedmont's editorial in full:

Why not? Was, or can there be any logical reason advanced for its removal to Laurens that would not apply with equal force to Anderson, Spartanburg, Rock Hill, Greenwood, Gaffney or even to Greer, Easley, Belton or anywhere else.

If the offer of Laurens in cash and acres of land is increased by some other community, is it fair to the college to give Laurens the preference? Certainly no place but Greenville has any preferential claim on Chicora, for Greenville built the institution and has nurtured it to the present time.

A few years ago when the Presbyterians were disturbed by the greatly reduced attendance at the Columbia Theological Seminary, a city of another state made quite a handsome offer for the removal of the institution into their midst. This city was much larger than Columbia, deservedly had the reputation of making the enterprises, that it got behind, succeed. The Theological Seminary was not by any means the outgrowth of or builded entirely by Columbia's gifts, yet, when the question of its removal came up a gentleman we have in mind objected most strenuously to such action, and we understand that while he admitted the legal right of the church to do this, he said that they would perpetrate a great moral wrong.

"Whose ox is gored" makes a great difference. The gentleman who objected so strenuously to the removal of the Seminary, a citizen of Columbia, with home and interests there, appears in Greenville as the champion and leader of the forces who fought for the removal of Chicora. Up to the present time Greenville has put up all of the actual cash that has gone into Chicora. The Synod of South Carolina has only incurred some debt. Surely this action is comparable to that of the Mexican who will take a good sure gaited horse, ride him hard all the day, and when night comes he takes his silver mounted saddle, the service of the steed has enabled him to buy, and place it carefully away; but the poor horse is bit a hard lick with the heavy bridle that the pain of it may urge him—far "om the "casa" or camp, to seek for his grass and water.

Greenville is the horse of this illustration, strong, active and sure-footed, full of mettle but not vicious, minds the bridle well and understands even the pressure of a kindly knee, but will not take the whip or spur, and to be awkwardly ridden by the careless or inexperienced is resented. Chicora—the saddle—earned by the horses hard work and fitting him well, is to be taken far away and tried upon a new horse, a younger one maybe, but untired and unbroken. Of course a fresh, well groomed steed looks good for a new start, but the horse on which you have journeyed safely thus far had better be well considered before you discard him for another.

Sometimes even a well intentional rider or driver will condemn the action of his horse, when his own lack of experience, awkwardness or nervousness is the cause of the animal's going wrong. Wouldn't it be well for the trustees of Chicora to look at its affairs from this viewpoint? Have the citizens of Greenville always been unresponsive, does all the fault rest with them? Has the contact of the college's management with the community always been diplomatic and tactful? If soreness has been engendered, have adequate attempts been made to cure the wounds?

These matters are simply suggested, that while Chicora is before the public, all things that would make for its highest welfare might receive due consideration.

The question of the removal of Chicora college having been agitated, probably it would be well to place a few facts before the public that some people are not familiar with.

Greenville has more Presbyterians living in its midst than any other city or community in South Carolina.

Greenville Presbyterians give more of their means to the support of the churches than any other city or community of this denomination in any other city of the state.

Greenville, as a city, is growing more rapidly in population and wealth than any other community in the state.

lar, less wealthy and less progressive city? Would you think it morally right to sell out your benefactor even though a "mess of pottage" is offered that—in your estimation—would appease a present hunger?

As an act of common justice, to be morally as well as legally right let the Synod of South Carolina give back to Greenville that which it gave, Greenville to assume all of its indebtedness, then let Laurens or any other town, that in the opinion of some of the trustees might be a better location, give to them a college.

The dream of Greenville Presbyterians has been for a strong college of their denomination, to be developed in their midst from the material, that for several years, has been gathering in Chicora. Little did they think that the very means that they thought would bring the consummation of their hopes—the transfer of the property to the Synod of South Carolina—would be welded as a club for the smashing of all such hopes.

Surely the gentlemen voting for the removal of the college will take further thought before this matter is entirely closed.

NOTICE OF SALE.

State of South Carolina, County of Laurens.

By virtue of a distress warrant to me issued by E. Sitgreaves, as Agent, against W. H. Kerr, Jr., for rent in arrears I will sell at Laurens, South Carolina, before the Court House door on August 1st, 1912, at 11 o'clock, A. M., at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash at lot of furniture and household goods levied on as the property of W. H. Kerr, Jr.

S. C. Reid, Bailiff for E. Sitgreaves, Agt. July 15, 1912. 51-3t

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SHOULD PRODUCE MORE.
The Advertiser today publishes at length charges brought by Thos. B. Felder, Jr., of Atlanta, against Governor Bleasie, the charges being supported by alleged dictagraph testimony. The Advertiser does not pretend to say from the records whether the charges are true or whether the evidence is trustworthy. We await further developments and more testimony.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

For Sale—We have a lot of air-slaked lime on hand. Valuable for sanitary purposes. 75 cents per barrel. Special prices made to farmers in tons lots for fertilizer use. Call or write Gray & Easterby. 39-tf

Notice—Byrdville Dairy and Stock Farm jack now ready for service. Colt to show. Will appreciate any patronage. 34-tf

Lost—A folding black purse between Laurens Trust company's office and home of Mrs. W. T. Dorroh. Contained a small sum of money. Reward for its return to the Advertiser office. 51-tt-pd

For soreness of the muscles, whether induced by violent exercise or injury, there is nothing better than Chamberlain's Liniment. This liniment also relieves rheumatic pains. For sale by all dealers.

As To Probate of Wills.

Under a recent act of the legislature, every executor, devisee, legatee, trustee, guardian, attorney or other person, having in his possession, custody or control any last will and testament, or codicil of any person hereafter dying, shall within thirty days after notice or knowledge of the death of the testator, deliver such last will and codicil to the Judge of the Probate Court having jurisdiction to admit the same to Probate.

O. G. Thompson, Probate Judge.

Candidates Cards

For Clerk of Court.
I hereby offer myself as a candidate for the office of Clerk of Court of Laurens county, pledging myself to abide by the platform of the democratic party and to support the nominees thereof.
Respectfully,
C. A. POWER.

The friends of Mr. Chas F. Brooks hereby announce him a candidate for the office of Clerk of Court of Laurens county, and pledge him to abide by the results of the Democratic primary and to support the nominees thereof.

To the voters of Laurens County: Fully appreciating your support in the past and with my record as a public official before you, I take pleasure in announcing myself a candidate for re-election for Clerk of Court for Laurens County, S. C., and will abide the result of the Democratic primary.
JOHN F. BOLT.

For Auditor.
I hereby offer myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of auditor of Laurens county and promise to abide by the platform of the democratic party and to support the nominees thereof.
Respectfully,
J. WADDY THOMPSON.

We, the many friends of O. C. Cunningham, hereby announce him as a candidate for the office of Auditor of Laurens county, subject to the rules of the Democratic party.
"MANY FRIENDS"

For County Commissioner.
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for County Commissioner of Laurens County, subject to the result of the Democratic primary election.
J. E. HITT.

I hereby announce my candidacy for re-election as County Commissioner of Laurens county, subject to the result of the Democratic primary election.

Having been solicited by numerous friends, I hereby offer myself for re-election to the office of County Commissioner for Laurens county, subject to the democratic primary.
W. F. BAILEY.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of County Commissioner and promise to abide by the result of the Democratic primary.
AUSTIN ABERCROMBIE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for county commissioner of Laurens county, subject to the rules of the democratic primary.
Respectfully,
L. D. CURRY,
Gray Court, S. C.

For Sheriff.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Laurens county, subject to the result of the Democratic primary.
W. S. BAGWELL.

I hereby offer myself as a candidate for Sheriff of Laurens County and pledge myself to abide by the results of the Democratic primary.
J. THOMAS PEDEN.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff of Laurens county, pledging myself to abide by the platform of the Democratic party and to support the nominees thereof.
JOHN D. OWINGS.

For State Senator.
At the urgent request of friends, I have consented to become a candidate for the office of State Senator for Laurens county I will abide the result of the democratic primary election.
O. P. GOODWIN.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Senator from this county, pledging myself to abide by the platform of the Democratic party and to support the nominees thereof.
R. D. BOYD.

For House of Representatives.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the House of Representatives from Laurens county and pledge myself to abide by the results of the primary election.
W. R. RICHEY, SR.

I hereby announce my candidacy for re-election to the house of representatives of Laurens county, subject to results of the Democratic primary election.
J. H. MILLER, M. D.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of representative from this county in the legislature of the state subject to the rules of the democratic party.
H. S. BLACKWELL.

The friends of Joseph G. Sullivan, of Tumbling Shoals, respectfully suggest him as a suitable candidate for the House of Representatives, and can vouch for his interest in the welfare of the common people. Subject to result of Primary Election.
FRIENDS.

I hereby announce myself as candidate for the House of Representatives subject to the rules and results of the Democratic primary.
W. W. CAMPBELL.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the house of representatives from Laurens county, subject to the rules of the democratic party.
W. C. IRBY, JR.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the Legislature of South Carolina, from Laurens county, subject to the primary election.
E. R. AYCOCK.

Magistrate.
I hereby announce myself as candidate for the office of Magistrate in Waterloo Township, and promise to abide by the results of the Democratic primary.
ARTEMAS C. LONG.

For Magistrate.
At the solicitations of many friends, I hereby announce myself as candidate for the office of magistrate in Laurens township, subject to the rule of the democratic primary.
R. H. DONALDSON.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Magistrate in Laurens township, subject to the rule of the democratic party.
JAS. H. SULLIVAN.

I am a candidate for Magistrate for Laurens Township, and will appreciate the vote and influence of every citizen in the township who may favor me with his support in the primary.
W. T. CREWS.

For Coroner.
The friends of Mr. R. O. Halstron hereby place his name before the people of Laurens county for the office of Coroner, pledging him to abide by the principles of the democratic party and to support the nominees thereof.