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LOCAL LAONICS.

MATTERS IN AND AROUND PROSPEROUS DARLINGTON.

A Column of News, Tersely Told, of Interest to Our Many Readers.

The regular meeting of the Knights of Pythias will be held on Tuesday night.

Dr. W. J. Garner has been elected vice-president of the South Carolina Club for this circuit.

The President has issued a proclamation designating Thursday, November 30, as Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. J. C. Garrison, who has been a State constable since the dispensary law went into effect, has resigned.

The Court of Common Pleas is still in session. It is engaged in the trial of no cases of public interest, however.

Anyone wishing to rent a good two-horse farm should read Mr. E. C. Lide's advertisement in this issue.

Mr. S. Manne's grocery store on Pearl street has been closed by a chattel mortgage, held by the Bank of Darlington.

There has been no material change in the cotton market for several days. Middling cotton brought 71 cents in Darlington yesterday.

A german, which promises to be largely attended and a very enjoyable affair, will be given in the Guards armory to-morrow (Friday) evening.

A new street has been opened, extending in rather an indirect line from Pearl street, near Loafers' Bridge, to New street, near Mr. W. A. Parrott's residence.

Dr. A. T. Baird has abandoned the idea of building, as was announced in a recent issue, and has purchased the residence of Mr. J. A. Bearon in east Darlington.

The Sumter Freeman, in a recent issue says: "A rumor is afloat that the Charleston, Sumter & Northern Railroad is about to go under control of the famous Plant System".

Rev. R. W. Barnwell, the new rector of the Florence and Darlington Episcopal Churches will conduct his first services in the church at this place on Sunday evening next, beginning at 8 o'clock.

Governor Tillman has appointed Mr. W. F. Wilkes, who lives in the lower part of this county near Timmonsville, a member of the board of control in the place of Mr. Geo. Just Brown, resigned.

The annual races of the Florence Driving Association are now in progress and several of Darlington's best horses are among the participants. The Darlington Driving Association expects to hold its first regular races next month.

At a meeting on Friday of the creditors of Capt. E. W. Cannon, of Hartsville, who recently made an assignment, Mr. C. K. Rogers was made "Creditors' Agent" and Messrs E. K. Dargan, H. T. Thompson and T. H. Spain "Creditors' Committee".

Mr. J. A. McInnes, of Charleston, will locate in Darlington for the purpose of conducting a first-class blacksmithy. He will make a specialty of shoeing fine horses and doing work in the higher branches of the business. He has had many years of experience and comes to Darlington highly recommended.

The people of Sumter will give a grand ball on the 29th inst., the occasion being the opening of the new armory of the Sumter Light Infantry. An invitation to attend has been extended to the people of Darlington through Mr. R. L. Dargan. The C. S. & N. Railroad will give excursion rates.

The exhibition of chrysantheums which Mrs. C. S. McCullough made at her residence on Friday last was quite a success. A large number of her friends called during the day to inspect the exhibit and no better evidence of the beauty of the flowers can be had than the expressions of admiration elicited from those who saw them. THE NEWS returns thanks to Mrs. McCullough for a large box of very handsome specimens of this popular flower.

BAPTIST NOTES.

Delegates Elected to Welsh Neck Association—Visiting Clergymen.

The annual convention of the Welsh Neck Baptist Church is now in session at Mt. Eion Church in this county. The following delegates were elected on Sunday last to represent the Darlington Baptist Church: Rev. John Stout, Messrs W. C. Coker, J. P. Coleman, D. M. Smoot, F. C. Luke, A. A. Gandy, Louis J. Bristow.

Several distinguished Baptist divines stopped over in Darlington on Sunday, en route to attend the convention, Rev. Charles Manley, president of Furman University, Rev. J. L. Vass, superintendent of the Connie Maxwell Orphanage, and Rev. A. J. S. Thomas, editor of the Baptist Church. Mr. Vass preached in the Baptist Church in the morning and Mr. Manley in the evening and Messrs Vass and Thomas made addresses to the Sunday School.

At the church conference on Sunday, when delegates were elected to the association, the pastor of the Church was instructed by a unanimous vote to invite the next State Baptist convention to meet in Darlington.

A word to the wives is sufficient. Dry Goods. Norment & Co.

A QUEER HABIT.

A Sumter Mule that 'Just Took On To' a Colored Man.

The mules of Sumter county must have a very queer habit or else a colored man, who was arrested here on Thursday last on the charge of stealing one of those animals, belied the character of the one he took. Mr. J. P. Kilgore, of Bishopville, recently had a mule stolen from him and on Thursday Isaac Mack, colored, was arrested in Darlington for having the animal in his possession. When questioned about the matter Mack denied that he had stolen the mule and said that it had met him on the road and "just took on to him". Mr. Kilgore who came over for his mule, thought, however, that Mack had better tell the Court about the queer "taking on" habit that the mule has and "just took on to him" (Mack) and carried him back to Sumter.

Mrs. S. J. Nettles desires to rent three rooms in her residence.

FELL IN A WELL.

The Drowning of a Little Colored Boy in Mechanicville.

Ramie Ervin, the eleven-year-old son of William Ervin, colored, met his death at his home in the Mechanicville section, on Sunday afternoon, by falling in a well. He was drawing a bucket of water when the chain broke and he was thrown in headforemost. There was about six feet of water in the well and the little fellow was drowned. Nothing was known of the affair until the boy was missed and it was not until the next day that his body was taken from the well. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict in accordance with the above facts.

Worsted patterns in gingham new and stylish. Norment & Co.

A BARN DESTROYED.

Fire Inflicts a Severe Loss Upon Mr. J. T. Suggs

Mr. J. T. Suggs, who lives in Philadelphia township, lost his barn by fire on Thursday night. The building was a very large structure. He also lost by the fire two hundred and fifty bushels of corn, a lot of fodder and peas and all of his farming implements. There was no insurance on the property and Mr. Suggs's loss is, therefore, very heavy. The fire is thought to have been of incendiary origin.

To arrive—two striking novelties in kid gloves. Norment & Co.

MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride, in Darlington, S. C., Tuesday, November 14, 1893 by Rev. John Kershaw, of Sumter, Augustus Henry Hayden, Jr., M. D., of Charleston, S. C., and Mary Sparks, daughter of the late A. C. Spain, Esq., of Darlington, S. C.

THE PROTEST

IN THE DARLINGTON POSTOFFICE MATTER NOW READY.

Practically Unanimously Signed by the Business Men of the Town—A Political Rumor.

The Darlington postoffice matter still occupies the attention of our people. The protest of the business men of Darlington against the appointment of Mr. J. M. Waddill, which has been practically unanimously signed, is now ready, together with other papers necessary to the case, to be submitted to the authorities at Washington. Mr. Waddill has also prepared a petition. The protest will be forwarded to Washington as soon as the Postmaster General, who has been communicated with, signifies his wishes as to how and when it shall be presented.

The following, which appeared in the *Sunday News*, we publish for what it is worth. The rumor referred to was not brought back from Washington by the committee, as the interview incorrectly states, but originated in South Carolina and is very commonly believed in Darlington and elsewhere in the State.

"A Charleston business man who has recently returned from a trip to the Pee Dee section reports an unusual awakening of interest in national politics in Darlington, where, as has been published in the *News and Courier*, a cousin of Congressman McLaurin, J. M. Waddill, has been appointed postmaster. As a matter of fact, the *News and Courier* carried the first information of the appointment to Darlington, and the news fell like a bomb-shell on the unsuspecting community. The gentleman referred to says that the people of Darlington blame Senator Butler for this appointment, and, whether justly or unjustly, are bitter as gall against him. They have great hope of a revocation of the appointment since the commission, through the intervention of a committee of business men who hurried immediately to Washington, has been "held up" for investigation. This committee has, it seems, picked up some political straws at the National Capital, and are predicting the direction of the wind.

"Senator Butler's course for the last few months, said he, has been a puzzle to more astute men than myself, but these gentlemen think they have unraveled a skein that has a solution of the problem at one end. They are inclined to believe that our senior Senator has given up the race for the Senate, and will gracefully surrender his seat to Governor Tillman, making no fight for it, and we may assume that he is laughing in his sleeve at the threats which are being made of the desertion of his friends from his standard. He does not wish their support for the Senate, for he has other fish to fry. In short it is the belief now prevalent that Senator Butler would like to be "Governor Butler" and will enter the arena for the Democratic nomination with the support of the new made friends on the other side of the fence.

"This, he says, does not seem improbable in the light of much that has transpired and the opposition developed in the reform ranks to those gentlemen who have been prominently mentioned as probable recipients of this honor from their party. However, the end of the story is not yet.

"Our senior Senator is not believed to have relinquished his claim on Senatorial honors. It is a nice thing to be Governor of such a State as South Carolina, and to have one's portrait in the gallery of famous men who have held this exalted position; it is indeed a nice thing, but two or three years is enough and it is a still nicer thing to be a United States Senator, so we may imagine our Senator-Governor again-seeking honors after several years of much glory and much harder work, again the candidate for Senatorial honors, when the term of the Hon. John Laurens Manning Irby expires.

"Now, continued he, you newspaper men are on the look-

out for such jumps of the cat and you may keep your eyes open on this matter and should you conclude that there is any probability of the truth of those conjectures let the eager and expectant public know. In the meantime you may publicly state that the city of Darlington is practically in a state of ferment over the appointment of Waddill as postmaster. It was all that I heard in the store and on the curbing. The business men are determined to leave no stone unturned to keep Waddill out of the postoffice."

With reference to Mr. Waddill's politics we publish the following letter from his brother to the *News and Courier*.

To the Editor of *The News and Courier*: I beg that you publish this card in the interest of justice. I am not desirous to appear in print, but John M. Waddill, of Darlington, is being made to suffer for my acts, and I think it right that the public should know the facts as they have been.

I was appointed by Governor D. H. Chamberlain in 1876 as sheriff of Marlboro county to fill an unexpired term. I ran on the Republican ticket in 1876 and was defeated. Since then I have had nothing to do with politics and have been merchandising in this county and town. I exercise my right as a citizen to vote for whom I please and have voted three times for Cleveland.

John M. Waddill has always been a Democrat and voted the Democratic ticket. He was railroad and express agent at Society Hill for years, and discharged his duties with great satisfaction to the patrons of the companies. At that time the moneys to move the cotton crop of Marlboro county came through his office, and no doubt the citizens of this county who had dealings with him would bear cheerful testimony to his business capacity and affable dealings. He being of recent years before the public has caused the mistake of putting him in my shoes.

Very respectfully,
Geo. M. WADDILL.
Bennettsville, Nov. 10, '93.

Mr. Waddill has not always voted for Democracy, for he admitted himself that, while he did not vote the Republican ticket in 1876, he did not vote for Hampton, who that year redeemed the State from the negroes.

A VERY SAD DEATH.

A Lady, but a Short Time a Wife, Passes Away.

Mrs. Fannie Lee, the wife of Mr. G. O. Lee, a young merchant and citizen of Lydia, died on Monday. She was the daughter of Mr. John Bell, of Kershaw county. She was only about twenty-three years old and had not been married more than a year. The union, so happily begun and so soon and so abruptly severed, makes the death particularly sad and draws the sympathies of everybody to the young husband in his bereavement.

Three of the very best papers of their kind in the country, the *Weekly News and Courier* and the *Southern Cultivator*, and THE DARLINGTON NEWS will all be sent to any address for one year for \$2.45.

An Editor's Opinion.

"We have looked somewhat into the merits of the fourteen different typewriting machines on exhibition. It is very interesting to see the various experts manipulate the keys of their particular make, each claiming superior features. It seemed to us for the one great duty required of a typewriting device by all business men, viz, to knock out from twenty-five to one hundred letters per day, there is nothing yet built that can stand the racket equal to a Caligraph. We see no advantage in the fancy work that some of the others claim to do."—*The Irrigator*, DeLand, Fla., September, 1893.

THE DARLINGTON NEWS job office makes a specialty of fine job work of all kinds, particularly of wedding and ball invitations. The character of the work is identical with that to be obtained in Charleston or Columbia and the prices are guaranteed to be the same that prevail there.

THE COUNTY NEWS.

FROM ALL SECTIONS AS TOLD BY OUR CORRESPONDENTS.

Chronicles from Clyde—Religious Meetings in Progress—Teachers and Schools.

Mr. D. D. Johnson has been quite unwell for a few days.

We have almost finished gathering our short cotton crop.

If nothing happens some of our boys will raise enough pork.

We are glad to have the Hartsville boys visit our section.

Rev. J. A. White preached an excellent sermon at New Market, on Sunday, taking his text from Romans VIII, 16.

Some of our farmers are sowing wheat this year. They say they will try to raise their own hogs and hominy next year.

The session of Morman School began on Monday of last week with Mr. Geo. Wright as teacher. He is a good man for the place.

Miss Cornelia Laramore, of Marion county, took charge of the public school at Clyde on Monday. She is as good a teacher as can be found.

We are informed that Mr. R. E. Parnell, who moved to Sumter county last year, will return to this section. We will give Bob a hearty welcome.

Our Pond Hollow friends are having a good deal of preaching just now. Mr. H. T. Jones is carrying on a Baptist meeting and Messrs Grantham and Smith an Advent meeting. The members of both of these denominations wish to organize churches in Pond Hollow.

HARTSVILLE.

Mr. W. K. Bell is preparing to erect a residence near Mr. H. Lide Law's.

Miss Bannie Bryant, of the Leavensworth section, is visiting in town.

The session of the free school at Damascus began on Monday, November 13.

Miss Maud Carraway, from near Jovann, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. W. Stognall.

Mr. E. D. Wright and family, who went to Spartanburg about a year ago to reside, have returned to their old home to live.

Hartsville should organize a fire company of some description. We have nothing of the kind here now and fire is as likely to burn Hartsville as any other town. Whoop this matter up, *Messenger!*

Mr. F. C. Hyman, the popular cotton buyer of Sprunt & Son, has been transferred from Hartsville and Mr. W. B. Stephens has taken his place. Mr. Stephens has purchased cotton here before and he has many friends in Hartsville who welcome him back.

RIVERDALE.

Some of our people went to Columbia last week to attend the State Fair.

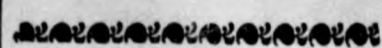
Miss Hannah Byrd has returned to All Healing, N. C., to pursue her studies in Jones's Seminary.

The Angel of Death invaded the home of Mr. W. W. Isgett, on Tuesday of last week, and carried off in his embrace little Belle. The bereaved family have our heartfelt sympathy.

A lot of new Dry Goods just in. Norment & Co.

Resisted Arrest

William Meetze, of Columbia, secured the privilege of selling light drinks at the State Fair last week, but Governor Tillman, claiming that he sold strong drinks, ordered his arrest for violating the dispensary law. Meetze, however, refused to be arrested without a warrant, so the Governor, taking a number of constables with him, went to Meetze's stand and insisted on his being arrested. Meetze said he would go on a warrant but cursed and swore that he would kill the first man who crossed his counter to attempt to arrest him without a warrant. He defied the whole crowd and he was not arrested. The next day a warrant was served on him and he submitted to arrest and gave bond. Meetze in the last election was a red hot follower of Tillman.



Special Bargains

FOR THE NEXT

Thirty Days

Dress Goods Department.

We have a few nice dress patterns left that we will sell out very cheap; former price \$1, now \$80 cents. A good many remnants—just enough to make a nice dress for a child—at bargain prices.

Cloak Department.

Cloaks for ladies and children; newest styles and lowest prices. In these goods we will make you special prices.

Rugs! Rugs! Rugs!

Smyrna, 18 by 30 inches, at \$1.25.
Smyrna, 20 by 54 inches, at \$2.
Smyrna, 26 by 54 inches, at \$2.50.
Smyrna, 30 by 60 inches, at \$3.50.
Smyrna, 36 by 72 inches, at \$4.50.
A few velvet rugs left: 27 by 63 at \$2.75; 36 by 72 at \$3.

If you will come in and see these goods you will observe at once that they are very cheap.

Now is the time if you want to see what you can do with a dollar. We are going to sell them.

Gents' Furnishing Department.

Judging from the way we are we are selling this line we must have the nicest lot in town. This year we are making a special run on \$10, \$12.50 and \$15 suits, and they are beauties for that price. All we want you to do is to come in and try them on and see

How Nicely They Fit!

Hat Department.

Another lot of Tourist and Youmans's hats just in—newest styles and shapes.

Collars, Cuffs, Gloves and Neckwear in abundance.

Shoe Department.

Everybody knows the reputation we have in this line, so it is not much use to say anything else except that we are still giving our customers the best shoe for the money we can get.

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