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LOCAL LACONICS.

MATTERS IN AND AROUND PROSPEROUS DARLINGTON.

A Column of News, tersely told, of interest to our many readers.

J. J. Ward, Esq., has removed his office to the old express office.

An exhibition of trained dogs is in progress in a tent on the West side of the Square.

Cotton is down. Yesterday good cotton brought in Darlington from 7.15 to 7.25; long staple cotton brought 7.50.

The Auditor's appointments at the several places in the County, for the purpose of listing taxes, is published in this issue.

The County Board of Control will meet to-morrow to pass upon the report of County Dispenser Floyd for the month of November.

The union services held in the Presbyterian Church on Thanksgiving were conducted by Rev. J. E. Carlisle. A large congregation attended.

The amateur performances, "A Box of Monkeys," and "The County School," will not be presented until after the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Peter Bowles has a card in this issue reminding the people that he is still here. His house, sign and decorative painting cannot be excelled.

The regular meeting of the Darlington County Teachers Association, which was appointed for the 16 inst., has been postponed until the 13 proximo.

Dargan & Thompson have removed their law-offices to the first story of the Darlington Guards new armory building, on Florence Street, beyond the People's Bank.

The company which had an engagement to present the military play, "Stonewall Jackson, on the Fortunes of War," in the opera house on Tuesday night, failed to put in appearance.

A free-tuition scholarship has been awarded this county by the Patrick Military Institute of Anderson. The notice concerning the competitive examination appears in another column.

The County Commissioners have awarded the contract for rebuilding the bridge at Black Creek Church, which recently collapsed, to Mr. J. P. Kerwin, whose bid for the work was \$119.25.

We are indebted to Mr. S. Frank Parrott, who is attending Clemson College, for an invitation to the first annual contest of the Calhoun and Palmetto Literary Societies of that institution, which took place on Tuesday.

The Darlington Guards have received an invitation to attend a grand military ball to be given by the Sumter Light Infantry, in Sumter, on the 20th inst. The Guards, accompanied by a number of their lady friends, will attend.

Mr. W. R. Atkinson, who lives near town on the Timmopville road, has brought to this office two immense turkeys, each weighing 51 pounds. Mr. Atkinson raised fourteen bushels of these turkeys upon a piece of ground 63 feet by 12 feet.

The annual meeting of the Darlington Driving Association appointed for Tuesday evening was not held at that time, as, on account of the inclemency of the weather, there was an absence of a quorum. The postponed meeting will be held on Monday evening next at 6-30 o'clock.

The Darlington Bookstore is preparing for the holiday season. Every day new and handsome goods are arriving. The proprietor of the store informs the public through THE NEWS of many things he has in stock. Parties wishing to purchase nice Christmas presents should read the list he advertises.

The many friends in Darlington of the popular Atlantic Coast Line conductor, Capt. Harold M. Brunson, were pained to learn that he was fearfully bitten by a mad dog in Florence on Saturday afternoon. Capt. Brunson left immediately after his misfortune for New York, where he will undergo treatment at the Pasteur Institute. It is hoped that his injuries will not prove serious.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Brief Mention About People You Know and People You Don't Know.

Rev. John Stout attended the Baptist State Convention in Anderson last week.

Mrs. Pauline Gerganus, of Anderson, visited her sister, Mrs. H. A. Edwards, last week.

Messrs J. E. and J. B. McCutchen and Thomas Murphy, of Lake City, visited Mr. B. O. Bristow last week.

Mrs. H. M. Beck of this city is entertaining her brother Mr. W. R. Howie of Columbia and bride, nee Miss Ola M. Cowan, of Madison, Ga.

Miss Bettie Cain and Mr. T. W. McCullum, both of Sumter, spent Thanksgiving in Darlington as the guests of the family of Dr. Parrott. On their return home they were accompanied by Miss Alice Parrott, who will visit relatives and friends in Sumter.

ACROSS THE SEA.

J. E. Nettles, Esq., Will Leave for Austria To-morrow.

J. E. Nettles, Esq., will leave to-morrow (Friday) for New York, from whence he will sail on the 13th inst., for Trieste, Austria, to which place he has been appointed by President Cleveland Consul for the United States. Our people regret that Mr. Nettles will leave Darlington. The town and community will lose a good citizen and many persons a loyal friend. But the position given Mr. Nettles is an excellent one and he is to be congratulated on his good fortune. We wish him bon voyage and hope for him a pleasant and profitable home across the sea. When he will return to Darlington, after an absence that will probably be long, he will find that the friends in his native home will still cherish a high esteem for him and will give him a cordial welcome.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

It Appears that Lamar Wishes a Dispensary.

In the News and Courier's account of Saturday's proceedings of the Legislature it appears that the following was introduced into the House: "A bill to repeal Section 4 of an Act entitled an Act to incorporate the town of Lamar in Darlington County."

This bill has a very innocent looking title, but it means a good deal. Section 4 of the town charter of Lamar prohibits the sale of intoxicating liquors within the corporate limits of the town. The desire to repeal this section can mean but one thing, namely, that Lamar wishes to have a dispensary. The bill to repeal this prohibition clause and to open the way to a State bar was introduced by Rev. J. S. DuBose, a representative from this county.

THE DISPENSARY LITIGATION.

Arrangements for the Cases to be Heard by the Supreme Court.

[Darlington Cor. News and Courier.]

The lawyers interested in the prosecution of the various dispensary cases all over the State had a meeting in Columbia Tuesday for the purpose of arranging important matters in the conduct of these now famous cases. Among other things three lawyers were selected to argue these cases before the Supreme Court when it meets on December 14. Messrs J. P. K. Bryan, of Charleston, S. W. Melton, of Columbia, and C. S. Nettles, of Darlington, had the honor of having the management of these most important cases placed in their hands. Printed arguments will be filed by each one of these gentlemen, which will be supplemented by oral arguments when the Court convenes.

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.

"Dixon is the most vacillating man I ever met. He never sticks to one thing a month at a time."
"I guess you never loaned him a tanner, did you?"—Detroit Tribune.

OUR LAWMAKERS.

WHAT THEY ARE DOING AND UNDOING FOR THE PEOPLE.

The Dispensary Question Promises to Cause Much Discussion—Judges Elected.

The Legislature of South Carolina met on Tuesday of last week. The Governor's message was read in both houses. Nothing of importance to our readers was done on this, the first day, save the introduction into the Senate of a bill to repeal the dispensary law and provide for the liquor traffic under a high license.

On Wednesday of last week the bill to abolish the dispensary and adopt a high license system was introduced into the House. In addition to this the following new bills of interest to our readers were introduced into the House: To provide that school teachers' certificates issued by the county board of examiners shall be good and valid for the term of the life of the holders of said certificates, unless revoked by the board of examiners for cause; to exempt all cattle, hogs and sheep in this State from taxation for five years from the first day of November, A. D. 1894. In the Senate on the same day a bill was passed to prohibit prize fighting. This bill had passed the House during the last session. A joint resolution abolishing the office of School Commissioner and a bill to prohibit the killing of opossums between April 1 and November 1 were indefinitely postponed by the Senate.

Thursday was Thanksgiving and the Legislature did not meet on that day.

On Friday the House passed the salary reduction bill to go into effect on January 1, 1894. A bill to provide for the Australian ballot system was introduced into the House and a bill to repeal the Act providing for county boards of examining physicians was introduced into the Senate.

On the same day a joint session was held for the election of one Associate Justice of the Supreme Court and five Judges of the Circuit Court. Lieutenant Governor Eugene B. Gary, of Abbeville, was elected Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, defeating the present incumbent Judge Sam'l McGowan and Speaker Ira B. Jones. Fon. W. C. Benet, of Abbeville, was elected Judge of the First Circuit, defeating the present incumbent Judge J. F. Izlar. Judge Jas. Aldrich was re-elected Judge of Second Circuit without opposition. Hon. R. C. Watts, of Laurens, was elected Judge of the Fourth Circuit (of which Darlington is a part), defeating the present incumbent Judge J. H. Hudson and ex-Judge C. P. Townsend. Judge I. H. Witherspoon was re-elected Judge of the Fifth Circuit, over A. G. Brice, of Chesler, and O. C. Jordan, of Aiken. Attorney General D. A. Townsend, of Union, was elected Judge of the Seventh Circuit over the present incumbent Judge W. H. Wallace. It was a clean sweep for the "Reformers." Competent and honest Judges were turned down simply because they do not belong to the "movement." It will be noted that Judges-elect Benet and Watts do not reside in the Circuits over which they will preside.

On Saturday a bill to apportion the poll and educational taxes in proportion to the assessed value of property was referred by the House to the committee on judiciary. The object of this bill is to give the white people, who are the larger taxpayers, the larger portion of the school funds. The following bills of interest were also introduced into the House on the same day: To amend the Act regulating the traffic in seed cotton in Darlington, Marlboro and Marion; to repeal Section 4 of the charter of the town of Lamar; to provide for a Confederate Home, appropriating the grounds and buildings of the South Carolina College and Citadel Academy for that purpose.

On Monday a bill was introduced into the House which in effect would be a compromise

between the dispensary and the old liquor system.

On Tuesday the Legislature attended the Augusta Exposition and only a short and unimportant session of the Senate was held on Tuesday night.

A DOMINO PARTY.

A Pleasant Social Entertainment on the Tapis.

A domino party, which promises to be a very large and successful affair, will be given by the young men of Darlington in the Guards Armory on the evening of the 26th inst. The promoters of the entertainment held a meeting on Tuesday evening, when the following committee were selected: General Chairman, Dr. Will J. Garner; Committee on Invitations, T. H. Spain, Chairman, Eugene Vaughan, E. M. Wells; Committee on Dancing, R. L. Dargan, Chairman, J. C. Keys, C. M. Ward; Committee on Arrangements, S. H. Wilds, Chairman, P. J. Boatwright, Claude Milling.

THE COUNTY NEWS.

Matters of Interest In and About Hartsville.

Miss Bertha Lucas is visiting friends in Orangeburg county.

Rev. J. W. Perry attended the Baptist Convention last week.

A sociable was given at Mrs. M. A. Kilgore's last Tuesday night.

The Columbia Oil Mill is erecting a cotton seed shed at this place for the benefit of its customers.

Thanksgiving was duly observed at this place. All the stores were closed and the clerks and business men had a rest.

Several of our young people attended a sociable at Mr. W. H. Moore's last Friday night. They report an enjoyable time.

Mr. W. A. Reckling, Columbia's gifted artist, spent a few days here recently, and put several of our citizens' "countenances on paper."

Mr. Kenneth Chapman has opened a small fruit store in the J. L. Bennett's building, formerly occupied by Mr. Silas Register as a restaurant.

The Atlantic Coast Line is arranging to put in a "Y" at this place for the purpose of turning the engine around here, so as to avoid running backwards.

Mr. W. V. Moore is selling out his stock of goods preparatory to discontinuing business at this place. He will concentrate his efforts on his business at Ashland.

Mr. J. W. Davis has bought out the undertaking department of Mr. W. V. Moore and those needing anything in this line can be accommodated by calling on him.

We learn that Mr. B. H. Marshall of this place, contemplates opening a store at Lydia. He does not however propose to quit Hartsville, but will continue to serve his friends here also.

On Thursday last a negro woman, named Martha McIver, left her children in the house and in attempting to build a fire one of them was burned so badly that it died that night. The child was about seven years old.

Hartsville came very near having a serious fire last week. While placing cotton into the cars at the depot the hands discovered that some of it was on fire, just in time to save the whole lot of about seventy-five bales. Where is the fire company?

Rev. J. A. White preached his farewell sermon on last Sunday at Damascus. Mr. White has made many friends this year on this circuit who regret to have him leave. We hope that the Conference will provide a good home and pleasant work for him next year.

UNA.

Rev. G. T. Gresham attended the Baptist State Convention.

Miss Janie Harrell died on the 9th of last month and her remains were interred on the day following at Mt. Elon. The announcement of her death was sent to THE NEWS at the time

but it failed to reach the paper in time for publication.

The ladies of Mt. Elon will give a hot supper at the school house at this place on Friday night, the 15 inst. There will be a quantity of fresh oysters for all who will be fortunate enough to be present. The public generally are invited to attend.

JASPER.

Messrs J. B. and J. R. Sansbury have manufactured about 20,000 fine brick.

Mrs. M. L. Carter, who has been sick for several months, still continues unwell.

Most of our farmers have sown pretty liberally in small grain and those who have not will do so soon, we think.

Miss Mary Jordan is in Wilmington visiting her sister Mrs. Revelle, who has been ill with typhoid fever. We learn that Mrs. Revelle is now better.

Mr. G. D. Norris sets a fine example in the way he raises stock. He takes good care of them and they are all healthy. He raises besides plenty of corn, potatoes, oats rye and bacon with cotton enough to get other comforts.

The people in this community are rather gloomy. They raised a half crop of cotton and all of that has gone for low prices. There is no money with which to meet the hard times. Even the churches find it difficult to pay the pastors for their good work. But we must not murmur, for a better day awaits us in the future.

Mr. E. F. Sansbury has killed one fine hog and he has nine more ready for the slaughter. We hope that hog and hominy will be more abundantly raised in the future. We cannot afford to buy meat at high prices with cotton at low prices. We have several farmers around here who raise provisions in plenty. They live at home and are not so dependent upon cotton.

NETTLES'S MILL.

We have a prosperous Sunday-school at New Providence. All who wish to do so are invited to attend.

Your correspondent visited the upper part of Chesterfield recently and found the people complaining though they are about out of debt and have fat hogs to kill.

The session of the schools at Oak Grove and Horse Pen have begun. Miss Sue Burn is in charge of the former and Miss Emma Byrd the latter. Both are good teachers.

In consequence of the hard time and the crop failure some of our small farmers will not be able to farm another year unless a change takes place. We hope that better times will come. We know of some who are without bread and sufficient clothing and have no work.

There should be unanimity among our people as to the time for turning out stock. Some have already turned out their hogs and this is troubling others who are not ready to do so. We should suggest to those who have hurried in this matter to close in their hogs again and on the 20th inst let all in the community turn out their stock. Our community has always been a peaceful one and this plan would tend to keep it so.

HIGH HILL.

Mr. N. B. Jordan is erecting a dwelling for himself.

Mrs. I. F. Redick has been ill with malarial fever for several days.

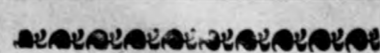
Miss Florence Harlee, of Florence has charge of the school here.

Mr. C. L. Odum has just returned from a trip to Williamsburg.

Miss Peoples, of Tillers Ferry, who has been visiting Mrs. J. A. Kelley, will return to her home Monday.

The delegates from this place to the Welsh Neck Association, which met with Mt. Elon Church, have much to say in praise of the people of that section. Judging from the way some of them talk, some of you girls up there may look out.

Mr. J. M. Rhodes, of Swift Creek, enlisted in the United States Army at Fort McPherson, Ga., last week.



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 \$5.

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 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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