

LOCAL LAONICS.

MATTERS IN AND AROUND THE TOWN OF DARLINGTON.

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

The name of Lisbon Township has been changed to Lamar.

Mr. J. D. Haynsworth has returned from Florida. He is still very unwell.

We had very heavy rains on Sunday. Overcoats and fires were in demand.

Mr. P. J. Boatwright has returned to his post of duty much improved in health.

The Rev. R. A. Child left yesterday for Lake City, to attend the District Conference.

The many friends of Gen. W. E. James will regret to learn that he is quite sick at his home near Palmetto.

There were no services at the Baptist Church last Sunday morning, owing to the fact that the Rev. Mr. Lide was not well.

The game of ball between the Darlington Guards and the "Giants" on Thursday last resulted in a victory for the former by a score of 8 to 2.

Rev. R. W. Barnwell is much better. He is an enthusiastic cultivator of roses, and will be one of the chief exhibitors at the Floral Fair to-night.

A protracted meeting will be begun at the Methodist Church on Sunday next. Mr. Child will be assisted during the meeting by the Rev. Dr. Clifton, of Charleston.

Owing to the very inclement weather, the "Sunbeam Society" did not have their meeting on Sunday afternoon. They will meet on next Sunday at the Baptist Church.

The epicures of Darlington have begun a systematic warfare on frogs. Capt. Porgy would think them very sensible; he needed little more to make "a feast fit for a king."

The Town authorities desire us to state that, owing to the indulgence granted tax-payers by allowing them to pay half of their taxes now and other half in the fall, there will positively be no extension of time for payment this year. The books will close on May 25.

At the annual meeting of the State Medical Association, which has just been held in Columbia, Dr. W. J. Garner was elected third Vice-President. This is an honor for so young a Physician, and one that gives pleasure to his friends.

Prof. F. C. Woodward will deliver his address here on the 24th of May. The subject of it will be "The Literary Development and Literary Influence of the English Bible". It is expected that a large crowd will be out to hear the distinguished and entertaining lecturer.

Testimony in the McLaurin-Wilson election contest is now being taken in the Court House here on the part of McLaurin. C. S. Nettles, Esq., represents McLaurin and W. T. Andrews represents Wilson. The Notaries are R. L. Dargan for McLaurin and R. F. Jackson for Wilson.

Mr. L. C. Glenn has at his disposal a scholarship in Converse College, good for two years, and worth about \$50 a year, which he will be glad to award to some young lady who wants it. Should there prove to be more than one desirous of obtaining it, a competitive examination will be held.

Letters addressed to the following persons remain uncalled for at the Darlington postoffice and are advertised as "dead" for the week ending April 29: Messrs. Dean Pearce, Center Jackson, Huger S. Byrd, Timothy Law, W. L. Antes, William Carter; Mrs. J. B. Edwards, Mrs. Flora Nettles, Miss Mary Caskey.

Everybody in this community, and in fact, in every community in the State, is looking forward with the deepest interest to the proceedings that are to take place before United States Judge Goff to-day and tomorrow, when the cases involving the constitutionality of South Carolina's election and dispensary laws will be elaborately argued.

Messrs. Moorhead, Cox & Co., whose new advertisement appears in this issue, guarantee to the people of Darlington that they will sell groceries in unbroken packages, for cash, at prices "as low as the lowest". Having taken a stand from the very first day they began trade in Darlington in the foremost rank of our business houses, what they say really means something, and the public will subscribe their own interests by hearkening to it.

The last meeting of the Timrod Literary Club was held at the residence of Mr. Geo. H. Edwards, the President. Capt. W. C. Coker had been invited by the club to make a talk on a subject of his own choice. He selected the social and political conditions of this State just previous to the Revolution. The address was both interesting and instructive.

House-keepers would do well to read the advertisement of Messrs. Coggeshall & Co., for they will be sure to find it interesting. This well-known firm, which has been doing a "rushing" business in Darlington for the past few years, is now offering some veritable bargains which are attracting considerable attention. Only to call at their store, is to be convinced.

There has been another change in the schedule on the Coast Line worse again for Darlington, as is always the case when a change is made. The six-hour run from Darlington to Columbia by means of freight trains most of the way, which could formerly be made any morning in the week except Sunday, is now limited to a "three-times-a-week" schedule.

The public are requested to bear in mind the fact that the Floral Fair opens to-day, and that the most important portion of the programme takes place to-night. The ladies have made extensive preparations for the event, and the prospects are that it will be a very brilliant one in every respect. A full programme was published in our last issue. To-morrow will be "Children's Day."

The following merchants have agreed to close their stores at seven o'clock every evening, except Saturdays and Factory nights, from now until Sept. 1: N. L. Harrell, Edwards & Co., Coggeshall & Co., Moorhead, Cox & Co., S. A. Woods & Co., J. D. Joye, Sligh & Rucker, Woods & Milling, Welling & Bonnoit, B. O. Bristow, McCall & Burch, Brunson, Lunn & Co., Blackwell Bros., J. D. Baird and Miss Maggie Jones.

Sunday School Convention Called.

We have been requested to publish the following notice: "A convention of all white Sunday School Workers of Darlington County will be held in the Presbyterian Church at Darlington, on Wednesday, the 15th day of May, at 12 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of considering the expediency of organizing an Interdenominational County Sunday School Association. All Pastors and Superintendents of Schools, without regard to Denominations, are earnestly requested to attend said convention and bring all information as to numbers enrolled and average attendance of schools under their charge."

Straw hats, all grades and prices, at Blackwell Bros'.

Memorial Day.

Memorial Day will be observed here with appropriate ceremonies, and it is hoped that our people will gather in large numbers to honor the memory of those who died for their country. An interesting feature of these occasions in Darlington is the presence of a number of Confederate veterans, who form part of the procession. The following committees have been appointed: On decoration, Mrs. G. W. Dargan, Mrs. H. T. Thompson, Mrs. E. T. West, Miss M. E. Boyd, Miss Virginia Williamson, Miss Mary Zimmerman, Miss Bessie Lide, Miss Ruth Alexander, Miss Alice Parrott, Miss Laurie Law, Miss Ida Law, Miss Emma Edwards, Miss Florie LaCoste, and Messrs. R. E. Wilds, W. D. Coggeshall, E. R. Cox, P. S. Wilds and Eugene Vaughan. The committee on marking graves consists of Mrs. L. V. Zimmerman, Mrs. J. G. McCall, Miss Lalla Charles, Miss Mary Wilds, Miss Annie Williamson and Miss Eva Charles. The following programme will be observed: At half-past four o'clock on the afternoon of the 10th inst., all interested in the observance of the day are requested to meet at the Baptist Church, where there will be prayer and music, after which the procession of children, in charge of Miss Corinne Player, and escorted by the Darlington Guards, under the command of Lieut. John E. Boyd, will proceed to decorate the soldiers' graves at the Baptist, Presbyterian and Methodist Churches. All will then assemble at the Confederate monument, where there will be a recitation by Miss Annabel Johnson and music by the children. She ceremonies will conclude with the decoration of the monument. In accordance with this arrangement, the Darlington Guards will march from the Armory at 4.15 o'clock. The Confederate Veterans of Darlington County, under command of Gen. W. E. James, are requested to assemble at the Armory at 4 o'clock.

Tobacco Growers' Association.

The regular monthly meeting of the Tobacco Growers' Association held on Tuesday was largely attended, and the greatest interest was manifested in the meeting. The President, Gen. W. James, being absent on account of sickness, Mr. M. S. Haynsworth, the First Vice-President, took the chair. Fully two hundred members were present. Mr. R. H. Rogers opened the meeting by reading a carefully prepared essay on the work for May. Mr. D. M. Smoot followed with some valuable information and suggestions. Messrs. S. A. Gregg and J. C. C. Brunson, of Florence, made informal talks which were received with marked attention by all present, and which, besides being interesting, were replete with valuable observations that showed a minute study of the cultivation of tobacco, and an accurate knowledge of the entire subject with which they were dealing. The meeting lasted nearly two hours and a half and the interest was kept up to its very close. The next meeting will be held on the last Tuesday in May, and it is to be hoped that it will be attended as well as this one was.

Flour! Flour! Bought before the rise in price, for sale at Blackwell Bros.

Marriage of Miss Me'a Williamson and Mr. Robert E. James.

[Reported for THE NEWS.]

Those who were fortunate enough to be expected at the marriage of Miss Meta Williamson had the pleasure of seeing an old-time home wedding, one of the kind which always gives pleasure. The decorations of the house and grounds were in admirable taste, displaying the beautiful roses for which the Southern country is so celebrated. The rooms were full of the friends and relatives of the bride and groom, many of whom were friends by inheritance, they having witnessed the marriages of the parents of the young couple. At the appointed hour, preceded by their young friends, and attended by little Miss Margaret Edwards, a niece of the bride, who, in a charming way, acted as flower girl, Mr. R. F. Williamson, the bride, Miss Meta Williamson, entered the room to the strains of the "Wedding March" played in a most skillful manner by a sister of the bride. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Wilson McKay, of Sumter, who had come over for the occasion. After the supper was served there was the good old-time search for the ring in the cake, which was won by the young sister of the groom. The key-ring was won by a young lawyer, who seemed highly elated at his luck; the bachelor button was won by a young man of uncertain age, who was so crestfallen at his misfortune that he would not tell that he had it until it was found out by one of his friends. During the evening there was some music, both instrumental and vocal. Mr. R. E. James sang in his usual charming way, and a little brother of his, a boy about eight years of age, sang several songs in a manner that would have done credit to many older singers. There was also some very fine instrumental music by accomplished performers. The young married couple left on Wednesday for a short trip, after which they will make their home in this county, near Palmetto.

The Women of Columbia.

We heartily endorse the following editorial which appeared in the News and Courier of Friday last: The women of Columbia will publish a newspaper on the 10th of May, Memorial Day, in aid of the Columbia Hospital, the Columbia State having liberally given them that one day's issue to help the cause along. It is a good cause and deserves the most generous assistance. The Columbia Hospital is supported by the work of the women of that city, although its benefits are not confined to the sick of that city. It is open to all who need the best treatment and skillful nursing. Patients from other States and from other countries have been received into its wards. In the space of fifteen months one hundred patients have been treated there, and of this number twenty-five received medical attention, nursing and board free. The Hospital has no money except what the noble women who have undertaken its support can make and the gifts of the charitable. The women are making a hard effort now to augment their resources and ask the most liberal support from the merchants and business men in their journalistic undertaking. They wish to make the Woman's Edition of the State pay, and ask for advertisers and readers—the more the better. Mrs. Thomas Taylor and Mrs. H. W. Richardson are the publishers of the paper and will receive and acknowledge all advertisements and subscriptions. The publishers are especially desirous of enlisting the good offices of the country press and wish to include the people of the whole State in the promotion of the charity. We most heartily commend the work of the Women of Columbia to the generous consideration of all the people of the State.

Spring suits, nice, clean stock, for \$4, at Blackwell Bros'.

COGGESHALL & COMPANY.

STOP AND ASK TO SEE OUR PICTORIAL \$5 BOOKS. WE GIVE 'EM AWAY. We've One For you.

ALSO REMEMBER THAT WE STILL OFFER FREE

A beautiful crayon or water color photograph of your **SWEETHEART, RELATIVE or FRIEND.** when you have purchased goods to the amount of \$10 for cash.

Your choice of either or both of the above excellent opportunities is sufficient within itself; but coupled with the following

•BARGAINS. there should be no hesitancy on your part where to buy your

Groceries, China, Glassware, &c.

NOTE THESE.

We offer to close out a lot of extra good table California peaches in 3lb cans @ 16¢ cents per can.

A COFFEE OF EXCELLENT CUP QUALITY AT 25¢. POUND.

For nice pies we offer our 3lb can peaches and apples @ 10 cts. per can, or \$1.10 per dozen.

Mince meat @ 8 cents per pound.

Seedless raisins @ 15 cents for 1lb cartons.

Washed currants @ 8 cents for 1lb cartons.

NONE SO GOOD AS Heinz's Tomato Catsup @ 25 cents, East India Pickle @ 30 cents.

NEW EVAPORATED FRUIT.

Apples, 9 cents per pound; Nectarines, 10 cents per pound; Apricots, 10 cents per pound; Prunes, 10 cents per pound; Peaches, 12¢ cents per pound.

FRESH SARATOGA CHIPS AT 15 CENTS A BOX.

40 POUNDS OF BUCKWHEAT FOR \$1.

25 pounds choice light sugar for \$1. Imported French sardines, 10c.

SPLENDID ASSORTMENT OF CANDIES.

Call and examine our select assortment of crackers and cakes.

SPECIAL—Holmes & Coutts' "gem" soda wafers in 1lb cartons, 10c.

The famous little "Brownies" in 1lb cartons (printed), the latest thing out in crackers; a special delight to little folks.

Our butter is the best in the land, and the beauty of it is that it is always the same—25 cents per pound.

Tenney's, Fry's, Mailaird's, Baker's and Van Houten's Cocoa in stock.

IN HOME PRODUCE WE OFFER:

Tomatoes, 2lb cans, 10 cents each, or 95 cents dozen;

Extra " 2lb " 15 " " " 60 " " " 1.75 " " "

Sifted Stringless Peas, 2lb cans 10 cents each, or \$1.10 per dozen;

Country Water-ground Meal, Hominy and Cracked Corn.

An excellent ribbon cane syrup, and all grades Darlington Smoking Tobacco.

Fresh supply of leading brands of Hams, Breakfast Bacon, Chipped Beef, Tongue, &c., received fresh every week, which we offer at lowest prices consistent with the market fluctuations.

Upon examination you will find similar bargains in our

Wholesale Department.

Bacon, Flour, Sugar, Rice, Lard, Cottoleone, Molasses, Soap, &c.

AT LOWEST PRICES.

We are headquarters for

GRAIN, HAY and MILL FEED.

We have just received two car-

loads of A No. 1 Timothy Hay—

Also shipment of Rice Flour.

Wheat Bran, Rock Salt, &c.

for cattle.

Pratt's Food

For Poultry and Stock.

Bowker's Animal Meal

for Chickens and Pigs, ALWAYS IN STOCK.

WE LIGHT THE CITY!

Don't forget "we are the people" who sell the

Lamps, Lamp fixtures, &c. You will find a complete line at all times from 25 cents to \$10 and \$15.

We carry the largest assorted stock of China, Glassware and House Furnishing Goods in the Pee-

Dee section. You can secure your Spoons, Knives and Forks from us as we have made a recent addition to our stock.

We continue to call for you to inspect our stock and send your orders along with our present customers, and see that we give

"VALUE FOR VALUE."

Goods delivered promptly free of charge to any part of the city. Best attention given our country friends or their orders. We make it our business to please you. Satisfaction guaranteed. We invite you to wear out our threshold.

RESPECTFULLY,

Coggeshall & Co.

We NEED Money!

We MUST HAVE Money:

We are going to have

•• MONEY ••

If selling goods at a low figure will get it,

We have the Largest Stock in Darlington,

and if PRICE and QUALITY cut any figure, we will sell the stuff,

We Mean Business:

We want your trade and are going to have it.

LOOK @ AT @ THESE @ PRICES:

- 50 pieces good shirting prints at 4 cents a yard.
- 100 pieces Indigo and Turkey red prints at 5 cents a yard.
- 50 pieces seersucker gingham at 5 cents, worth 10 cents
- 50 pieces yard wide bleached homespun at 5 cents a yard worth 8.
- 50 pieces yard wide fruit of the loom at 6 cents a yard or bolt.
- 5 bales yard wide Sea Island at 5 cents a yard, worth 7.
- 3 pieces black Henrietta cloth, 46 inches wide, at 39c., worth 60.
- 3 " " " " " 46 " " " 55c., " 75.
- 3 " " " " " 46 " " " 55c., " 85.
- 3 " " " " " 46 " " " 75c., " \$1.
- 2 " " " " " 39 " " " 50 formerly 75.
- 500 yards China silk, all shades, at 20 cents a yard, for this week.
- 50 silk parasols at 75 cents, for this week only.
- 50 white bed spreads, slightly soiled, **BELOW COST.**
- 10 pieces Turkey red Damask at 19 cents, worth 40.
- 10 pieces unbleached 10 quarter sheeting at 13 cents, worth 20.
- 50 pairs Charles Heiser's hand-made shoes at **\$3.50** a pair.

WE HAVE ENTIRELY TOO MANY SHOES AND WE ARE GOING TO SELL THEM, EVEN IF WE HAVE TO LOSE A FEW HUNDRED DOLLARS BY DOING SO.

Gold Dollars for 50 cts.

is what we are giving the public in our clothing room. Never in the history of the American people has clothing been so cheap.

With seventeen years' experience, and being familiar with all the best lines in the country, we are in position to give you anything you want in **CLOTHING**, from the finest fabrics of the foreign looms to the cheapest domestic goods, made up in all the latest styles by the finest manufacturers in this country. No old, shop worn goods, but **NEW, STYLISH GARMENTS.**

WE HAVE \$10,000 WORTH OF CLOTHING

"Hence the unheard of prices below.:"

- 100 union cassimere sack suits for men worth \$5.00, for \$2.50.
- 100 all wool, black and colors, sack suits for men, worth \$10.00 for \$5.00.
- 50 imported clay worsted, regent sack suits for men, worth \$18.00 for \$10.00.
- 500 pairs good working pants at 50 cents a pair.
- 500 suits for boys from 4 to 16 years of age, from \$1.00 to \$5.00.
- 200 dozen 21-hundred linen collars, in all the new styles, at 10c.

The Finest Line of Gents' Ties and Gents' Furnishings in the City.

We Guarantee Prices Against any House in this State.

RESPECTFULLY,

SLIGH & RUCKER.

Florence, S. C. AND Darlington, S. C.