

## LOCAL LAONICS.

### MATTERS IN AND AROUND THE TOWN OF DARLINGTON.

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

Mr. Pogram Dargan is at the Exposition.

Middling cotton is bringing 81 at this market.

A party of gentlemen went deer hunting Tuesday morning.

Mr. Richard Pate, of Stokes Bridge, has opened a store at Cypress.

Mr. Wm. Ward left on Tuesday for Melrose, Fla., on a visit to relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Coggeshall have returned from their trip to Atlanta.

Chancellor Johnson, of Marion, was on a visit to relatives in Darlington last week.

Quite a party of Hartsville people passed through on their way to Atlanta on Monday morning.

Mr. J. R. Bowles has been called to Danville, Va., his former home, on account of illness in his family.

The grass plots immediately surrounding the Court House have been plowed up preparatory to replanting.

Miss Lillie Welsh, eldest daughter of Mrs. H. Welsh, was married in Florence on Tuesday night to Mr. Samuel Heiss.

Mr. H. J. LaMotte has moved into the house at the end of Mowry Street just opposite the one formerly occupied by Mr. J. C. White.

A collection was taken up at the Baptist Church on Sunday last for the benefit of Furman University and the Greenville Female College.

Don't fail to hear Polk Miller next Wednesday night. You will miss a treat if you do. Reserved seats are now being sold at 50 cents each.

Dr. W. J. Garner and Messrs. Claude Milling and H. G. Andrews went down to Georgetown on Tuesday to attend the wedding of Mr. W. W. Gardner.

The ladies of Mt. Elon Baptist Church are to give an oyster supper at the parsonage tomorrow (Friday) night. The patronage of the public is solicited.

The recent rain has had the effect of making the tobacco market here very lively again. During the dry spell the weed could not be handled to advantage.

The "Epworth League" met at Mrs. Gibson's residence on Friday night. A business meeting was also held at the Methodist Church on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. W. D. Woods is engaged in a hot controversy with the Columbia State on the female suffrage question. He is, as everyone knows, bitterly opposed to it.

Mr. John Reb. Drake, Smoot & McGill's popular auctioneer, went over to Sumter yesterday to sell a car-load of horses for Mr. Graham, the leading livery man of that place.

Those who heard the Rev. Mr. Child's sermon at the Presbyterian Church on Sunday night say that it was the best he has delivered yet, and that it is saying a great deal.

Delegates to the "Woman's Mission" meeting of the Welsh Neck Association are requested to assemble at the residence of Maj. J. L. Coker, Hartsville, at 11.30 a. m. on Nov. 12.

Saleday was the liveliest that has been seen here for many a day. Besides the official sales by the Clerk and the Master and McCullough & Cooley's great horse sale, Jack Smith held his usual levee in front of the Court House pretty much all day.

Henry Brown "drummed" in the Early's Cross Roads band as it passed through the Square to the Fair Grounds on Monday, and judging from his appearance, and the vigor with which he moved the sticks, he was the happiest man in the procession.

The News and Courier gives the following list of young ladies from Darlington who are attending the Winthrop Normal College at Rock Hill: Misses Mary McKenzie and Maud Parrott, Sophomore normal; Misses Lizzie Scarborough and Pearl Parrott; Miss Fanny McIver, music.

The Floral Fair will be held in the rooms formerly occupied by the Darlington Club tomorrow evening, beginning at 8 o'clock. The children will be entertained on Saturday afternoon at three o'clock. The ladies have made extensive preparations for both occasions, and the prospects are that their efforts will be crowned with signal success.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Z. Harlee left on Tuesday for the Atlanta Exposition.

Mr. Louis M. Norment has purchased Mr. H. M. Wilcox's residence on Cashua Street.

Mr. Bentley Bowles, brother of Mr. J. R. Bowles, and Miss Minnie Taylor were married on Sunday night.

There were several North Carolina wagons in town on Monday filled with tobacco and dried fruit for sale.

Dr. W. L. Galloway is going to buy a lot and build a residence here. Darlington will be delighted to welcome him back.

The regular weekly meetings of the Darlington Guards will be held hereafter on Thursday nights. Members are requested to bear the fact in mind, and to be regular in their attendance.

Messrs. W. D. Coggeshall & Co. will sell at the D. S. McCullough stables on Saturday, Nov. 16, one of the finest car-load lots of horses and mules that has ever been brought to Darlington.

A very large number of Darlington people went down to Florence to see Sells' Circus on Tuesday. The crowd under the big tent was simply enormous. The circus is said to be an unusually fine one.

Fire broke out at Mr. C. Moon's planing mill about 2 p. m. on Tuesday. A hole was burnt in the roof, but the flames were extinguished before much damage was done, and without the alarm being sounded.

The Rev. R. W. Lide will preach at the Union services to be held at the Methodist Church next Sunday night. His subject will be "Some of the principles involved in a proper (or Scriptural) observance of the Lord's day."

An important meeting of Palmetto Lodge, No. 11, K. of P. will be held at Lydia on Wednesday evening next, Nov. 13. The Chancellor Commander and Mr. D. S. Pate, K. of R. & S., earnestly urge a full attendance of all the members.

All the Confederate Veterans in the County are requested to meet at the Darlington Guards Armory tomorrow (Friday) for the purpose of forming an Association. The meeting will be an important one, and a full attendance is earnestly urged.

The young people will have a German on Saturday night in the rooms formerly occupied by the Darlington Club, availing themselves of the presence of the celebrated Italian band from Columbia, which comes here on account of the Floral Fair.

The telegraphic news indicates that the Democratic party encountered a perfect "Waterloo" in the States where elections were held on Tuesday. Massachusetts, New Jersey, Ohio and Maryland went Republican by heavy majorities.

Col. E. R. McIver, while out hunting on Tuesday, met with a serious accident. His gun, it is supposed, was too heavily loaded, for it "kicked" so severely when discharged that the Colonel's shoulder was dislocated and his collar-bone was broken.

Mrs. W. H. Kennedy, mother of Mrs. Thomas H. Rogers, died at her home in Williston on Friday. While she had been sick for some, she had gotten considerably better, and the end came very unexpectedly. Mrs. Kennedy was a Miss Merritt, of Ridge Spring.

C. S. Nettles, Esq., has moved into the Russell house, on Cashua Street, just opposite Dr. B. C. Norment's residence, and the family of the late Mr. D. S. McCullough has moved into the Presbyterian parsonage, just made vacant by the removal of Mr. Nettles.

Messrs. McCullough & Cooley had a big horse sale on Monday. They will have two others on Saturday next—one here, and the other at McCall & Jones' stables in Florence. Their horses are really very fine, and deserve much higher prices than they seem to be bringing, but everything is cheap these days.

Dr. Chemucere, the distinguished Jewish Rabbi from Augusta, who is to conduct services here once a month, delivered a remarkably fine lecture at the K. of P. hall on Sunday which delighted all who heard it. The Sabbath School which he organized here recently is in a flourishing condition, and all the children who attend it are making encouraging progress.

Ex-Congressman Murray addressed a large crowd of colored people at the Fair Grounds on Monday on the subject of the registration laws, and a collection was taken up afterwards to assist in testing their constitutionality before the United States Supreme Court. A brass band was in attendance at the meeting, and a regular old-fashioned political love-feast was held.

"Pawnee Bill's Wild West Show" appears in Florence on the 16th. His show bills are now adorning the boards here.

The Court of Common Pleas was adjourned sine die by Judge Gary on Saturday night. No business of public interest was transacted.

Mr. J. E. Norment's next extensive "write up" will be on Sumter. Mr. Norment is gaining a big reputation in this particular line of journalistic work.

The tobacco pack barn of Mr. R. M. Nettles, near Florence, was destroyed by fire on Monday night. Mr. Nettles was absent at the time in Darlington. He lost 10,000 pounds of tobacco. The property is said to have been uninsured.

Mr. Green Wadford, one of the most highly respected citizens of the Oats neighborhood, died on Tuesday night, and was buried in Wesley Chapel Cemetery yesterday afternoon at three o'clock. Mr. Wadford was 77 years old. He was a useful citizen, and will be greatly missed in the community in which he lived.

While the band was playing on the streets on Monday, a horse became very much frightened, and attempted to run. Several by-standers caught him, and one of them was thrown up against a telephone pole with such violence that an iron spike in the pole was bent by coming in contact with his head. The negro made no complaint whatever, and laughed at the idea of calling in a doctor.

Seed oats; Edwards & Co.

A Most Useful Association.

THE NEWS job department has just finished a pamphlet entitled the "Rules, Regulations and By-Laws of the Darlington Tobacco Association." These rules and regulations are for the purpose of compelling the local tobacco men (warehousemen and buyers alike) to conform strictly to business methods. Under them, all tobacco must be sold for cash, the sales commencing at 10.30 a. m., and closing at 5.30 p. m., with an intermission from one to two o'clock for dinner. The Association has purchased for the use of both warehouses a test 50-pound weight, and have a committee to test the warehouse scales every morning, thus assuring both planters and buyers correct weights. Mr. I. S. Burch has been elected President of the Association, Mr. Robert Hairston, Vice President, and Mr. R. H. Treway, Jr., Secretary and Treasurer. We are very glad to know that such an Association as this has been formed, for no business can move smoothly without system. There are now fourteen local buyers registered in the Association, which brings about strong competition on every grade of tobacco. There are a number of large orders here to be filled just now, and the local tobacco men expect to buy up all the tobacco they can put their hands on, and they expect to pay good prices for it, too.

If you want the best flour buy our "Snowball"; Edwards & Co.

Death of Dr. Pearce.

The death of the Rev. D. M. Pearce, D. D., at Timmonsville, S. C., last Friday morning was a great loss to his race, not only in this section, but throughout the State. He was born and reared near the town of Darlington, and in youth was highly esteemed for his honesty and truthfulness. He showed great determination in his efforts to acquire knowledge, and was anxious to learn from every one all that he could. He spent six years at the Benedict Institute in Columbia, and two or three years in Dr. Corey's school at Richmond, Va., from which institution he graduated with honor. So thorough was his training, and so marked his attainments, that he was honored about a year ago with the degree of Doctor of Divinity. At the time of his death, Dr. Pearce was principal of the colored Graued Schools at Timmonsville, and pastor of the colored Baptist Church at that place. His funeral services were held at the colored Baptist Church here, and addresses were made by the Rev. I. P. Brockington, the pastor, Dr. A. C. Osborn, the President of Benedict College, and the Rev. R. W. Lide, the latter of whom taught Dr. Pearce, when a boy, his first lessons. Dr. Pearce had acquired considerable property, and his estate is estimated by some to be worth six or eight thousand dollars. He was an honor to his race, and did a good and faithful work.

We are agents for two of the largest carpet mills in the United States. All carpets are sewed by electricity. We make them, and put them down, and can save you from 10 to 25 cents per yard on your carpets; J. D. Baird.

### High Praise for the Exposition.

Editor, Darlington News:

The Atlanta Exposition is a magnificent success. It not only deserves the patronage of the South, but he who fails to visit it will let escape him a most unusual opportunity for delight and benefit. It is Chicago to those who did not go there, and to those who did, it serves to reilluminate that matchless picture, and to throw upon the mind's canvas one of its own peculiarly charming and beautiful. Everything is ready and complete; the city is abundantly able to provide for all comers, and rooms and board are readily secured at reasonable rates. Beware of "catch pennies," and the Fair is easily and cheaply seen. The great preacher Moody is here for thirty days, and will give services every evening. PEGRAM DARGAN. Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 5, 1895.

A man's suit can be bought for \$2.50 at Edwards & Co.

### Official Sales.

The following land sales were made by the Clerk of the Court on Monday last, in the case of W. C. Coker and others vs. J. D. Sparrow and others, 208 acres to W. C. Coker for \$420; Mary Byrd, et al., vs. Rocky Kelley, et al., 248 acres to C. S. Nettles, attorney, \$1,800; Philip Kalmus vs. Joseph Rosenberg and A. Weinberg, 46 acres to Philip Kalmus for \$625; John Siskron vs. F. G. Keith, et al., two lots in the town of Darlington to J. Siskron for \$55. In the case of C. B. Edwards, et al., vs. L. C. Cameron, et al., the sale was withdrawn, as was also the sale in the case of Bollman Bros. Co. vs. William Dalrymple.

The following sales were made by the Master: E. Silverstein vs. S. Marco, 1,033 acres to E. Silverstein for \$1,700; W. A. Carrigan vs. R. F. Jackson, 152 acres to W. A. Carrigan for \$625; J. C. Lampley vs. Sarah Dudley, 60 acres to J. C. Lampley for \$400; L. E. Carrigan vs. Wm. Bostick, 12 acres to S. J. Warriner for \$25.

### "An Evening of Story and Song."

As already announced Mr. Polk Miller, of Richmond, will appear at the Armory on Wednesday evening next, Nov. 13. This attraction is not included in the regular "lecture course," and those holding season tickets will have to pay just as others do—fifty cents for general admission. Seats are now being reserved without extra charge. Mr. Miller is the best delineator of the old Southern plantation negro that has ever appeared on the Southern stage, and in his description of his "boyhood's happy days down on the farm" he introduces the most side-splitting stories, and reproduces in a realistic manner those old plantation melodies, accompanied by the banjo, which carry the old time Southerners back to the days of their childhood, and gives to those who are not familiar with the negro the very best opportunity of hearing the pure negro dialect from one who knows it, not from study nor from reading it, but from having been in contact with that race all his life.

The entertainment is in no sense a lecture, but is rather "an evening of Story and Song." If you would enjoy a hearty laugh, Mr. Miller comes prepared to furnish the incentive. Attention is called to the list of endorsements from press and personal notices which have been printed in circular form, and will be distributed among the people of Darlington this week. When it is considered that Mr. Miller has been before the public but two seasons, it must be conceded that the impressions produced in all sections are most satisfactory.

Read what the Richmond Times says of Mr. Miller's entertainment: "The old plantation negro is rapidly becoming a thing of the past. 'Old times have changed, old manners gone,' and under new conditions the peculiar characteristics which made the Virginia plantation negro so simple, amusing, and lovable are being lost. In a few years he will be only a tradition, and in a few years more the tradition will be gone. It is impossible to put in type or on canvas the manner, language, pronunciation, and intonation of the old-fashioned negro. Nor can they be rendered by any but one who has been long familiar with them, and only then by one who has a genius for such renditions. To those who remember the old time negro, the anecdotes, songs, and banjo performances of Mr. Polk Miller are inexpressibly delightful. The mirror is held up to nature and the past is brought back in vivid freshness, with a thousand memories associated with the negro and the days of Auld Lang Syne. Those who have never known the plantation negro have an opportunity to catch a glimpse of him through Mr. Miller's genius which may never be repeated, and certainly cannot be surpassed, in another man."

New line of matting, rugs and carpets at J. D. Baird's.

### The Hartsville Train.

The Hartsville train leaves that place in the morning at an unearthly hour—4.30 o'clock. The people of Hartsville are making an earnest effort to have it leave there at 6.30 o'clock under the next change of schedule, which is to take place in a week or two, and they have written to Mr. Kenly, the accommodated General Manager of the Coast Line, on the subject. When the leaving time from Hartsville was originally placed at 4.30 o'clock, there was a reason for it, but that reason has long since ceased to exist. Then connection was made at Florence with passenger trains for Charleston, Sumter and Wilmington. The first named train has since been taken off; the one to Sumter has been changed into a freight train, so that passengers from Hartsville to Sumter take the C. S. & N. when they reach Darlington anyhow; while connection could still be made with the passenger train for Wilmington if the Hartsville train left that place at 6.30 o'clock. The people of Hartsville are caused serious and unnecessary inconvenience by a continuance of the present arrangement, and we feel sure, therefore, that the railroad authorities will relieve them from it as soon as they have looked into the matter.

If you want a lamp, toilet set, or water set cheap, call on J. D. Baird.

Shoes from 30 cents up at Edwards & Co's.

### RIVERDALE.

The protracted meeting at New Chapel closed last Thursday evening.

The Riverdale school opened on Monday with Miss Margaret Ervin in charge.

Messrs. Walter and Henry Dargan, Robert Ervin and Benton Dargan left on Saturday last to attend the Atlanta Exposition.

Mr. A. W. Ferrill, who has been assisting Mr. D. M. Smoot with his tobacco, left last Friday for his home at News' Ferry, Va.

Cupid has been at work in our midst, and it is rumored that Hymen is about to steal away one of the reigning belles of Riverdale.

Rev. J. B. Holley preached at Mechanicsville last Sunday afternoon. He will conduct services here again on the second Sunday in December, at 3.30 o'clock p. m.

Messrs. J. E. Russell and W. W. Isgett have been elected delegates from Mechanicsville to the Welsh Neck Baptist Association which convenes at Hartsville on Tuesday, the 12th inst.

A movement is being made to establish a border school near Mr. Wm. Ervin's for the benefit of the people living in the extreme corners of Darlington, Mechanicsville and Palmetto townships. A school is greatly needed in that vicinity, and we hope every parent will realize the importance of helping to get it up.

Our dollar tourist hat is the prettiest we have seen; Edwards & Co.

Your pictures framed cheap at J. D. Baird's.

### HOPEWELL.

Mrs. Susan Brown, an aged lady of this section, is quite ill.

Farmers are about through gathering the crops and sowing oats seems to be the next thing in order.

Our public school is progressing very well under its present management, with an average attendance of forty pupils.

Mr. F. V. Huggins, of Florence, passed through here recently on his way home after a brief visit to friends at Cypress.

Mrs. E. C. Huggins went to Florence on Monday last to spend some time with her sister, Mrs. R. McLendon, of that city.

Miss Fannie Reynolds has been very sick for several weeks, but is better at this writing, and hopes are entertained that she may speedily recover.

### PHILADELPHIA.

Dr. J. P. Parrott went to Britton's Neck last week on a fishing excursion.

We expect Presiding Elder E. T. Hodges to preach for us next Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m.

Miss Winnie Daniel, of Edgefield, while on her way to her school at Mont Clare, spent several days here last week with her friend and school-mate, Mrs. Beulah Dowling.

Mr. W. T. Yarborough and Mrs. Martha Meiggs were married on Wednesday, Oct. 30th, at the home of the officiating clergyman, the Rev. B. F. Parrott.

Mrs. T. P. Raines, W. A. Dowling and F. A. Dowling, Jr., of this place, and Mr. Walter J. DuBose, of Cypress, all left on Tuesday to "take in" the Atlanta Exposition. A pleasant trip to them!

On Wednesday, the 30th ult., the Rev. J. Sydney Beasley, of McColl, S. C., and Miss Alma E. Garner, of this place, were married at the home of the bride's father, Mr. J. F. Garner, the Rev. R. A. Child officiating.

A man's overcoat for \$1.25 at Edwards & Co's.

### SOCIETY HILL.

Mr. T. H. Coker has opened a small grocery store at this place.

There are two strangers from the North sojourning in our little town.

Dr. T. P. Bell, of Nashville, preached at the Baptist Church last Sunday.

Mrs. John Scott, of Greensboro, N. C., is visiting her parents, Capt. and Mrs. W. A. Carrigan.

The Welsh Next Baptist Church has had its baptistry put in fine repair—bricked and cemented—so that it bids fair to last many years.

County raised seed oats and seed rye for sale; Bright Williamson.

### Primary in Florence.

[News and Courier.]

Florence, Nov. 4.—The primary election for Senator from this county to fill the unexpired term of the lamented Dr. J. O. Byrd was held on Saturday. There were three candidates in the field, J. E. Pettigrew, and T. C. Willoughby, of Florence, and D. H. Traxler, of Timmons-ville. The county executive committee met in the Court House to-day and tabulated the votes as polled: There were 767 cast, of which Pettigrew received 323, Traxler 276, Willoughby 169. It required 383 to elect; the second primary has been ordered for Saturday, November 9. At the Florence poll the vote stood: Pettigrew 189, Traxler, 28, Willoughby 11. Pettigrew and Traxler will be the only two candidates now, and from the present outlook Pettigrew will be elected.

Ladies, you can save money by buying your carpets from me; J. D. Baird.

### A Prosperous Planter.

[J. E. Norment in News and Courier.]

The Hon. E. R. McIver, who was State Treasurer in Governor Richardson's administration, and who was twice the president of our State Agricultural and Mechanical Fair Association, has always been one of our best posted and most intelligent farmers. The ability and success which characterized Col. McIver's public career has made him so well known as to render any further remark here unnecessary. For two successive terms, 1882-1886, he represented Darlington County in the Legislature, and was chairman of the agricultural committee during his entire tenure of office. Col. McIver's farming and timbered lands number 2,000 acres, and where he directs the work there are many things worth seeing. Sixty five acres of fine cotton looks most interesting at the present quotations. The Truitt variety is the favorite, and on fifteen acres a bale per acre had been gathered, and again were these same acres white unto the harvest. On a hillside pasture were thirty-five cows, eighteen of which were pure Jersey, the finest kind, and seventeen grade Jerseys. Forty Southdown sheep were having a fine time growing wool that would be shipped at the proper time. A fine orchard was here also, and the barns stables and outhouses were particularly well built and arranged. Two registered Essex hogs, the only registered pair in South Carolina, perhaps, "Miss Sarah 2d" and "South Carolina King," fat and large, looked even happier than the proverbial pig in the sunshine.

Boy's suits going at bargains; Edwards & Co.

### Death of Miss Rosa Lucas.

[News and Courier.]

HARTSVILLE, November 4.—This community was saddened by the death of Miss Rosa Lucas last Thursday night. She was the eldest daughter of Dr. B. S. Lucas, and a young lady of fine character and accomplishments. Her remains were interred at the Wesley Chapel cemetery to day. Her greatest ambition from early life was to be a thorough and competent teacher. After graduating quite young at the Columbia Female College she taught several years in Greenville County, where she began her life work. She afterwards went to Cambridge, Mass., where she took a special course in English and literature at the Harvard Annex, and on her return she took a special course in stenography and typewriting at Columbia. Afterwards she accepted a position as teacher in the Welsh Neck High School, which place she filled acceptably.

Will arrive in a few days; something new in lap-boards; ladies, do you want one cheap? J. D. Baird.

### Darlington in the Convention.

[News and Courier.]

Mr. Parrott said that by the time limit there could be no selection from one plan or the other. He would be one of the last to vote for the disfranchisement of a Confederate soldier. He thought the Patton plan should be adopted.

Mr. Parrott was opposed to the Clayton amendment, and out of the deep respect he had for women, he would say that if the right to vote could not be had on any other conditions, they should spurn it. Let them take it on the right terms or not at all. It is urged that our political conditions need this suffrage. It is urged that it is a necessary evil. On these conditions women should spurn it.

Mr. Burn said that he was not a special pleader, nor could he say that he was an advocate of woman suffrage, but he could say that the remarks of the gentleman from Richland had gone beyond what was required and at least did not indicate a chivalrous spirit. That while he might feel compelled to vote against the amendment offered, yet he could not detract anything from the worth of woman and the work she had done for South Carolina and for civilization in all ages. That she refined everything she touched, and may be it was because she was not in politics that politics were so dirty. The argument that women could not defend their country might be refuted, and the time might come when women would use the rifle as did the little woman in Buffalo Bill's show. While he felt all he said, he would have to vote against it, because of the wishes of his constituents.

Mr. Miller, of Beaufort, asked Mr. Burn how he could make such a speech as that and then vote against the woman suffrage bill? (Laughter.)

Mr. Burn replied that he would vote so because his constituents wanted him to do so.

The first of the amendments to the section that were introduced last night came from Mr. Parrott, of Darlington, which reads:

"All electors, otherwise entitled to the right of suffrage, by action of this Convention, and pay taxes on property to the amount of two hundred dollars or more, and who represent a family, as the head thereof, shall have the right to cast two votes in all elections of this State."

In offering the amendment it was not a reflection on the committee's report. It antagonizes no man's plan. It only broadens the base. It brings in other votes that he thought would be needed. It may come to pass that these votes will be needed to insure white supremacy. He urged that the additional vote would come from the rural districts. He wanted to provide for the people at home. We had better consider, and consider well. Are you sure that the pending propositions insure white supremacy? This is a reserve force that he feared would be needed at no distant day. All he wanted to do was to provide for an emergency.

[Mr. Parrott's amendment was lost. Editor, News.]

Senator Irby and Mr. Perritt put themselves on record again in the closing hours of the debate as being unqualifiedly opposed to a property qualification. Senator Irby said he was "opposed on principle to a property qualification of even ten cents." Mr. Perritt said that in Darlington County "resolutions were adopted, and the delegates promised that they would not vote for a property qualification. He would be forced according to his promise to vote against any property qualification."