

Mr. Peyton Fields, of Lydia, is clerking for Mr. M. Marco.

Mr. J. H. Mason spent Sunday and Monday in Sumter.

Miss Abbie DeLorme, of Dovesville, spent Monday in town.

Messrs. Gilliland and Croxton, of Florence, spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. J. K. Blackman, of Charleston, is visiting Mrs. E. O. Woods.

Miss Mabel Odiorne, of Florence, has been spending some days in town with relative.

Mr. T. H. Parrott has returned from his new home at Williamston, and will be with us for a few days.

Mr. W. L. Pearson, of Bennettsville, is working for Mr. J. H. Mason. He is an experienced jeweler.

Miss Watson, of Ridge Springs, has taken the place in the Graded School made vacant by the resignation of Miss Royall.

The Oil Mill has enough seed on hand to run it for a long time. Cotton seed oil is now bringing a good price, and of course this means money for the mill.

Mr. Nachman, the owner of the building opposite the ones burned on Monday morning, estimates the damage to the building at about fifty dollars.

We made a mistake in crediting the article on "Emancipation Day" to Mr. Cottin, principal of the Mayo School. It was prepared by Miss M. E. Keith, one of his pupils, and was a very creditable piece of reporting.

The Bennettsville Banner has changed hands and Mr. H. B. Anderson, formerly of Columbia, is now proprietor and editor. Mr. Anderson is an experienced newspaper man and we wish him every success. He has cast his fortunes in the best section of the State and in the midst of an intelligent and thrifty people.

In another column we publish an account of a monster cargo of cotton taken from Wilmington, which reflects great credit on the business enterprise of that wide awake city. Wilmington is enterprising and progressive and is extending her trade in this direction. Outside of its business attractions it would be impossible to find a more hospitable and kind hearted set of people than the citizens of this charming place.

We have a fine fire engine and plenty of water but we badly need a paid fire department, a hook and ladder truck and the organization so perfected that orders of the Chief will be obeyed. At every fire the want of ladders is a most serious difficulty, and buildings are often endangered by there being no means of getting on top of them. A few light strong ladders would cost very little and would be of great service even without truck, as they could very easily be carried to any part of the Square.

No better evidence of the health of Darlington could be given than is afforded by the number of aged and infirm citizens that invariably congregate at a fire. They are too old to work, but they give those who do work the inspiration of their presence and the benefit of their advice. But for the salubrity of our climate and sanitary condition of our town, a large number of these venerable citizens would be resting beneath the sod. The fireman and the able-bodied citizens amidst the excitement incident to a fire are extremely careful not to run over these bent and tottering forms, whose weak and palsied hands cannot assist, but whose tremulous voices are ever ready with advice.

About one o'clock Monday morning the fire bell sounded, and it was discovered that one of the small stores, or rather shops, on Pearl Street was on fire. There were three of them very near together and it was impossible to save any of them. There was no wind and the buildings on the opposite side of the street were saved by hard work. Mr. Foreman cut a hole in the ceiling of the two story building just opposite the burning buildings, and kept the roof wet. This work on the roof saved the building. The burned buildings were the property Mr. E. Keith Dargard and were insured in the agency of Gibson and Wood. Williams and Godfrey who occupied the building in which the fire occurred were insured in the agency of Mr. B. O. Bristow. They saved nothing of their stock. The fire was beyond the reach of the hydrants and the engines could not be used.

The Week of Prayer. The services incident to the week of prayer were considering the weather, well attended and several...

Sunday night by a union service at the Baptist Church, the sermon being preached by the Rev. J. E. Carlisle, the pastor of the Methodist Church.

Visitors from a Long Distance. There were two Mormon elders in town on Tuesday. They tried to get the use of the Court House for the purpose of holding a service, but our popular bachelor clerk would not consent for our temple of justice to be used to propagate the doctrines of this misguided sect. These elders are men of good address and pleasing appearance and they will probably make some converts among ignorant people.

Special Train to Bennettsville. By the solicitation of ministers and friends living on the C. S. & N. R. R., the company has decided to run an extra train, on account of the South Carolina annual Conference that will be in session from the 11th to 18th January, 1893.

Train will leave Sumter on the 14th at 10.00 p. m., Darlington 11.11 p. m., and arrive at Bennettsville at 11.59 p. m., giving passengers the privilege of staying in coaches until day, unless otherwise provided for. Returning leave Bennettsville at 12 o'clock, but tickets good to return on any train on the 16th.

Round trip tickets from Darlington only 75 cents.

An Important Movement. One of the greatest inconveniences of the town, the extreme narrowness of Pearl street will soon be a thing of the past as most of the holders of property facing on this street have consented to give about twelve feet of their yards in order to make the street of proper width. This will make it nearly sixty feet wide which will make it a very pretty thoroughfare. So far there has been no objection, and the residents of this street deserve the highest credit for their public spirit.

Such concert of action, on the part of its citizens, has made Darlington what it is to-day. We question if there is another town in the State where the citizens work together so harmoniously to promote the growth and beauty of the town. This work will make it necessary to destroy a few trees, but they can be replaced and in a few years be prettier than the ones removed. At present the work will extend from Erven street to the railroad. The business part of the street will be widened later.

When this is accomplished every effort ought to be made to widen South Main street, at least as far as the C. S. & N. R. R. This should be done before the erection of brick buildings will render it costly.

"The Clemenceau Case." Alex. Dumas' masterly production was given at the Opera House, on Thursday night, by one of the best, if not the best, companies that has ever visited Darlington, and those who were not present missed seeing a very thrilling performance by fine actors. We sincerely trust that they will visit Darlington again, and if they should come they will be greeted with a full house. The audience was not a large one, but this was owing entirely to the hard times and to the fact that the town has, on several occasions, recently, been imposed on by poor companies. Mr. Michie, the efficient manager, uses the utmost caution in making contracts, but of course it is entirely impossible not to be caught occasionally. He has every reason to congratulate himself on the success of the Clemenceau Company, and can rest assured that our people appreciate his efforts to furnish the town with really good entertainments. We make a point of never giving praise unless it is deserved, but we could not well say too much in favor of this splendid company, and trust that they may meet with the success they so richly deserve. Some of the parts are difficult to act, but these fine actors are equal to the task of doing full justice to this masterpiece.

Wadesboro's New Road. It becomes more and more evident every day that Wadesboro will soon have another railroad, and a very important one at that. And the beauty about it is, our citizens will not be asked to pay for it, for the builders propose to furnish the money for its construction. A recent issue of the Baltimore Sun contained the following information about the proposed new road:

"The Atlantic Coast Line has made preliminary survey for a new railroad from Wadesboro, on its Chester and Salisbury branch, to Winston, N. C. The road will be ninety miles long and penetrate the valley of the Yadkin river, which has one of the most remarkable water powers in the country, the fall being about 800 feet to the mile. At Winston the new road will connect with the Roanoke and Southern Road, a branch of the Norfolk and Western, which has its terminus at that place. The building of this connecting line will give the Norfolk and Western a southern outlet for the products of

the Poconthas coal fields, and therefore the Norfolk and Western is in close sympathy with the enterprise and will aid in its construction and operation. It is said that the Coast Line and Norfolk and Western intend to bond mutually for a term of years the bonds for the construction of this new link. When completed the road will be owned and operated by the Atlantic Coast Line. The work of construction will be commenced as soon as the located surveys are completed and will be pushed to a rapid completion."—Wadesboro, N. C., Messenger and Intelligencer.

Robbery and Arson. On Thursday night of last week the barn of Mr. Arthur Garner, at Syracuse, was set on fire and with all its contents was consumed. The same night the depot at Lamar was robbed and burned. Mr. Garner's loss was about five hundred dollars, and the depot and contents about fifteen hundred dollars. Mr. Garner had no insurance on his barn. We have not been able to learn whether the depot was insured or not.

On Sunday night the barn of Mr. E. L. Gray, of Lamar, was set on fire and with all its contents was a complete loss. Mr. Gray lost two fine horses, all of his corn and forage and everything in the way of plantation implements that he had. The loss is a severe one to Mr. Gray, especially at a time like this. He is one of the best citizens of the County and will have the sympathy of everyone. Mr. Garner is a very popular and worthy young man and his loss is also a heavy one.

On the affidavit of Mr. Gray, Trial Justice Morris issued a warrant for the following persons, all colored: Harrison Graham, John Dukes, John Williams, Balty Dukes, Hardy Morris, John Thomas, Caleb Boston, Nick Bristol. They are now in jail. Sheriff King, his deputies and the citizens of Lamar deserve credit for their prompt work in arresting them all. There seems to have been a regular gang organized for robbery and arson. Communities that have been lynching men for just such crimes as this should learn a lesson from the law abiding citizens of Lamar and let the law take its course.

Keep Down the Acreage. If the cotton planters of the South can be so fortunate next year as not to produce more than eight million bales of cotton, they will be on the high road to fortune. The present crop will fall short of last year's over two million bales. While this may be regarded as a misfortune by some people, we have no doubt that it will prove a blessing. Had this present crop approximated that of last year, cotton would now be selling at six cents. This price would have impoverished the South and ruined our people.

We have had a narrow escape from bankruptcy. Our planters—forced by the starvation prices that prevailed last season—were compelled to curtail the cotton acreage. They planted more grain and other food crops. The harvests were good. The enforced cotton acreage and the large yield of other crops have resulted advantageously. If the same wise policy is pursued next year, the price of cotton will be ten cents; and our farmers will be free from debt.

Like the grain growers of the West, the cotton farmers of the South have been impoverished by over-production. This should be avoided. We know that our Allied friends maintain that it has not been over-production, but under-consumption that has caused the decline in the price of wheat and corn and cotton.

But the fact that a nine million bale crop sold as low as 64 cents, and that a possible seven million bale crop has sold as high as ten cents would seem to conclude the argument in favor of the theory that over-production brings starvation prices. In any event, the cotton producer will make no mistake next spring if he does not depart from the policy pursued at the beginning of the present year. The more grain and food crops the south produces next year, the more independent will our farmers be a year hence.—Augusta Chronicle, 1893.

FOR SALE. Building lots in the Eastern part of the town. These lots all front on wide streets upon which shade trees are being planted, and are the most desirable sites for residences in the town. The most distant ones are only half mile from the Square. The lots are elevated and the location very healthy. Apply to W. D. Woods, or Gibson & Woods.

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taking on coal and cargo at Southampton to over 20 feet. This ship proceeded from wharf to sea without an accident of any description, which speaks well for the work of the government engineering department.—Wilmington Star.

The National Conservatory of Music of America.

The Semi-Annual Entrance Examination of The National Conservatory of music, Nos. 126 and 128 East 17th Street, New York, will be held as follows:

Composition:—January 9th, 1893, from 9 a. m. to 12 m.

Piano and Organ:—January 10th, 9 a. m. to 12 m., and 2 to 5 p. m.

Harp, Cello and all other Orchestral Instruments:—January 11th, from 9 a. m. to 12 m.

Violin:—January 11th, 2 to 5 p. m.

Voice:—January 12th, from 9 a. m. to 12 m.; 2 to 5 p. m.; and January 13, from 8 to 10 p. m.

Chorus:—January 13th, from 8 to 10 p. m.

The object of the National Conservatory of Music being the advancement of Music in the United States through the development of American talent, applications for admission into the classes of the Conservatory are hereby invited. It is expected that positive aptitude shall be shown by the candidates for admission, without regard to the applicant's stage of progress, and that his or her desire to receive the instruction imparted in the Conservatory shall be the outcome of a serious and well-defined purpose. The successful candidates will enjoy the tuition of the best teachers that can be engaged, and, after graduation, will be afforded opportunities of making known their accomplishments, thus securing engagements. The conditions of admission as to fees, etc. (varying according to the classification of the pupil), are determined by the Board of Directors. Instruction in all branches will be given free to students whose talent and circumstances warrant it. The course embraces tuition in singing, Operatic and Miscellaneous, Solifeggio and Theory of Music, Stage Department, Elocution, Pencil and Italian, Piano, Organ, Harp, Violin, Viola, Cello, Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon, French Horn, Cornet, Trombone, Harmony, Counterpoint and Composition, History of Music, Chamber Music, Orchestra and Chorus.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dargan had the misfortune to lose their infant daughter on Saturday. It was eight months old. "Ere she could blight or sorrow fade, Death came with friendly care; The opening bud to heaven conveyed, And bade it blossom there."

A Sudden Death. Mr. G. W. Bass, of the Swift Creek section, died very suddenly on Friday after an illness of only two days. He had contracted a severe cold but none of his friends deemed it at all serious. He leaves a wife and nine children to mourn his loss, besides a large number of friends and relatives. He was 42 years old at the time of his death. His remains were interred at the Rhodes family cemetery.

CAPE FEAR RIVER AND BAR. Good Work of the United States Engineers—The Increase in Foreign Trade. Wilmington has made good progress in the past ten years in its direct trade with European ports. Yesterday, Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son cleared the British steamship Huntell, for Bremen with ten thousand bales of cotton. This is the largest cargo ever shipped from Wilmington. Messrs. Sprunt & Son were pioneers in developing the direct foreign trade by steam from this port. They chartered the Barne-more in September, 1881, of 801 tons register which cleared the following October with 3,458 bales of cotton, 673 barrels spirits and 550 barrels rosin for Liverpool. This steamer was an experiment, and a costly one, and resulted in a sharp loss to the charterers, but the same firm renewed the experiment in 1884, during which year Mr. C. P. Mebane, ship-broker also chartered several steamers for Messrs. Williams & Murchison for direct trade with Europe. At that time Wilmington was comparatively unknown to steamship owners, and the Cape Fear River was considered dangerous for steamship navigation. Since then United States engineers have worked wonders in the river and bar improvements, resulting in closing the New Inlet and deepening the river from 12 to 18 1/2 feet, and the bar from 15 to 21 1/2 feet. The work, under Maj. W. S. Stanton, is progressing most favorably, and the port of Wilmington owes much to the skillful administration of this efficient engineer and his predecessor, W. H. Bixy, resulting in steadily deepening the river channel and bar, which Maj. Stanton intends ultimately to bring to twenty feet at low water, if Congressional appropriations are continued for that purpose.

About two weeks ago Messrs. Sprunt & Son cleared for Bremen the British steamship Holyrood, which left on heap tide in charge of Pilot J. W. Craig, drawing 18 feet 4 inches, which was increased by

Returns of Property For Taxation.

Notice is hereby given that the office of the Town Clerk will be opened on Monday, January 9, 1893, at the office of the Probate Judge for the purpose of taking all the returns of property in the town of Darlington, and will continue open for a term of thirty days, ending February 8, 1893.

Owners of property are required to return under oath, not only personal property, but also all real estate, specifying the same by street and number wherever possible, and also all investments in stocks, bonds, money, and securities, whether controlled as agent, guardian, administrator, or trustee, either in the town or invested out of it.

All male persons between the ages of 18 and 50 are liable to street duty, and must make returns for the same. A penalty of 50 per cent will be expected for all failures to make returns as above specified.

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