



The County Record.



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Positively No New Display Advertisements Will be Received, or Old Ones Changed, Later Than Tuesday Morning.

LOCAL ITEMS OF INTEREST.

AFFAIRS CAUGHT BY OUR LOCAL REPORTER AND NOTED.

Written in Condensed Form and Printed in Like Manner for the Sake of Our Weary Readers.

See candidate's announcements. The last few days have been spring weather.

The small-pox excitement has about subsided.

Read important ordinance passed by town council.

Several members of Mr. W. R. Funk's family are sick this week.

Mr. Ed C. Epps has been on the sick list for the past week.

John A. Kelly, Esq., attended court at Manning last week.

Mr. McIver Gregg is suffering from an attack of la grippe.

Mr. L. L. Rodgers, of Chapman, was in town Monday and called to see us.

The water gauge at Black river now reads 10.2—the highest so far this season.

The average smallpox patient would rather be sympathized with than pitted.

Salesday, Monday, brought but few people to town. There was no property offered for sale.

It is not, "Have you seen Georget?" any more, but, "Have you been vaccinated?"

The county board of equalization will meet the second Thursday, 13th inst. at Kingstree.

Rev. Mr. Martin preached to a large congregation Sunday morning in the Methodist Church.

The supervisor and two commissioners, constituting the county board, met in the office of the former on Monday.

Rev. Mr. Dunlop delivered an eloquent discourse in the Presbyterian Church Sunday afternoon.

We received two letters Wednesday too late for publication this week. They will appear in our next week's issue.

Several new cases of smallpox are reported at Lake City, but they are confined to the houses under quarantine.

Mr. J. W. Arms, formerly a type-setter on THE RECORD force, has gone to Darlington to take a position with the Darlington News.

A new postoffice has been re-established in the lower part of the county, called Outman, with W. C. Hemmingway as postmaster.

Mr. J. G. McCullough, of Benson, was here Saturday surveying some land for Mr. H. D. Reddick. Mr. McCullough is quite efficient and accurate, and his work is beginning to be appreciated.

Mr. J. W. Coward, of Fowlers, made us a pleasant call last Saturday. Mr. Coward contemplates entering the lists as a candidate this summer, and will make a lively for some of the boys.

Dr. Snider announces that he will necessarily be called away to Orangeburg on next Monday on pressing business. He will be absent from his office until the following Saturday.

Mr. Louis J. Bristow, who is well remembered here as the editor of this newspaper, has recently written some interesting special articles for the News and Courier. Mr. Bristow is at Louisville, Ky., taking a course of theology with the view of entering the ministry.

Why patronize non-resident fire insurance agents, who never spend a dollar to the good of the town, when by applying at this office you can obtain a policy in the Equitable, a strong Charleston company seeking Southern support, or a half dozen other of the strongest companies in the world.

Benson Budget.

Mr. C. W. Wolfe spent Sunday with friends in the neighborhood.

Capt. J. E. Scott, who has been unwell for some time, is somewhat better at this writing.

Mr. N. D. Lesesne, of Kingstree, spent Sunday at Capt. J. E. Scott's.

Miss Rhoda, eldest daughter of Rev. S. J. McConnell, has been critically ill for some time.

Mr. Lamar McCullough has begun the erection of a dwelling. This looks rather suggestive.

The Sunday-school at Cedar Grove Baptist Church was reorganized last Sunday with a good attendance.

Two dances were given last week by the young folks, one on Tuesday night at Mr. W. M. McCreas, and the other at Miss Mary Grayson's Thursday night.

Mrs. R. W. Humphries returned to her home at Ridgeville, S. C., last Friday.

Rev. W. S. Martin occupied the pulpit at his regular appointment here last Sunday afternoon.

We have had an abundance of bad weather during the past month, and the farmers have done very little up to date. Ploughing has been retarded on account of too much rain. The weather is better now, and we hope they will soon be able to commence planting.

The past winter has been the coldest for several years past. We have had snow seven times, which is very unusual for the Sunny South. If snow is any indication of a good crop year, this year will certainly be a prosperous one for the farmers.

It is to be hoped that the farmers will not over-do in planting cotton, as a big crop will probably mean 5 cents cotton next fall. It should be the motto of every farmer to make a plenteous crop of grain. If the grain crop is neglected and all cotton planted the grain will have to be bought. Thus it is indispensable we should look well in that direction and plant largely of grain and less of cotton. W. S. G.

GOOD NEWS FOR LAKE CITY.

An Authentic Report that the Post office will be Reopened Soon.

Washington, March 1—Special. Senator McLaurin has received the following letter from Attorney General Griggs, which will be interesting reading to the citizens of Lake City:

"I have this day advised the Postmaster General that there is no objection on the part of this department to the re-establishing of a postoffice at Lake City, S. C. I trust this will be satisfactory to you."

This decision of the Attorney General practically ends the protracted struggle over the Lake City postoffice and opens the way for Postmaster General Smith to carry out his original intention of reopening the office with a lady as postmaster. The whole South Carolina delegation has lent a willing hand to secure relief for the law-abiding citizens of Lake City, but Senator McLaurin has been consistent and persistent in his efforts to have the office re-established, and the result is particularly gratifying to him. Postmaster General Smith has been in sympathy with Senator McLaurin in this matter from the very beginning, but he was handicapped by adverse reports from his subordinates in the department of justice.

Senator McLaurin to-day secured the establishment of a new postoffice at Outwood, with W. C. Hemmingway, postmaster.

Washington, March 3—Special. Senator McLaurin had a long interview with Postmaster General Smith to-day relative to the opening of the Lake City postoffice. The interview lasted nearly an hour, during which the subject was fully and freely considered. As a result Postmaster General Smith promised that the office should be opened without delay and the appointment of Miss Jones is assured. Postmaster General Smith reasserted his desire to remove this office from the realm of partisanship and to have it conducted in the future as a non-partisan office, in the interest of the law-abiding people of Lake City. Senator McLaurin assured the Postmaster General that the appointment of Miss Jones would be entirely satisfactory to the patrons of the office and he expressed the hope that there would be no further difficulty in the administration of the Lake City office.

In this connection it is due to Representative Norton to say that he has rendered valuable assistance in bringing about the solution of this problem. Mr. Norton was also at the postoffice department to-day, and has been informed that the case has been disposed of substantially in accordance with the wishes and desires of the patrons of the office. Representative Norton will leave here to-morrow to spend some time in his district, looking to the establishment of a rural free delivery system, in which he has taken such an active and effective interest. While at home he will look after other interests in his district and at the

same time look over his political fences and see that they are all in good order.—R. M. L., in News and Courier.

An Example to His Race.

R. A. McCullough, one of the best colored citizens of Williamsburg county, died at his home near Greens February 25th, in the 53rd year of his age. He died within three miles of where he was born and raised, and had spent all of his life in this neighborhood, where he had gained the friendship, confidence and respect of both white and colored, and had accumulated considerable property for a man of his race. His estate is worth from \$2,000 to \$2,500, all of which he earned by industry and economy. He made his will and divided his property among his children. The writer knew him well, having done more or less business with him for twenty years, and always found him honest, upright and prompt to pay any and all debts he contracted. He was never known to be in a lawsuit of any kind, always attending strictly to his own business. He belonged to Mr. J. A. McCullough, who taught him good manners in youth, from which he never departed, and which made for him many friends. His life was constantly an example for the rising generation of his race. If they will let their lives be such as was R. A. McCullough's, we would have no use for jails and court houses, nor would we ever hear of another colored man being lynched in South Carolina. He was a great sufferer for some time before he died, but bore his sufferings with patience, and told the writer several times that he was ready to die, that all was well with him and his Master, and I trust it was.

W. D. BRYAN.

Greens, March 5, 1900.

Married

February 22, 1900, by Rev. S. T. Russell, Mr. D. M. Elliott to Miss Inez Nesmith, all of Williamsburg county.

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Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is not recommended for everything but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble it will be found just the remedy you need. It has been tested in so many ways, in hospital work, in private practice, among the helpless too poor to purchase relief and has proved so successful in every case that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of this paper who have not already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root and how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The regular fifty cent and Home of Swamp-Root, dollar sizes are sold by all good druggists.

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- 1,000 Boys' Spring suits, ages 16 to 19 years, at \$5 per suit, worth \$9.
- 1,000 Boy's Spring Suits, ages 16 to 19 years, at \$7 per suit, worth \$11.
- 2,000 Children's Spring Suits, ages 5 to 16 years, at \$2.50 per suit, worth \$4

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