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THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 1901.

DR. S. D. M. BYRD.

The news reached this place early Tuesday morning that Dr. S. D. M. Byrd, of Seranton, was dead. He died Monday evening about 8 o'clock very suddenly. He was in his office at the time of his death with one of his sons transacting business, and without premonition and not a word of complaint, he fell from his chair and expired. The people of the community heard of his death with the greatest sorrow, for he had lived and labored among them the greater part of his life, always ready and willing to do this part of anything that pertained to their health, prosperity and happiness. No man was ever more ready to devote his time and means to the welfare of his fellow citizens than the eminent physician and good neighbor whose death is so deeply deplored.

Dr. Byrd had lived out the allotted time to man, and his life was not one which had failed to make its impress during the period in which he moved and acted. When very young we find him a soldier in far off Kansas among those from his native State who so earnestly espoused the cause of the South when the squatter sovereignty excitement was so prominent in the political issues of that day. After his return in 1856 or '57 he located at Graham's Cross Roads—now Lake City—for the practice of medicine. His professional success was rapid and eminently satisfactory. He became so well known and so popular in the county—then district—that he was induced to enter politics, and was elected to the legislature in 1858. He served the people faithfully and well; and when the war between the States came on he was a brave and gallant officer in that struggle from beginning to end. He never shirked, and always walked in the paths that he conceived to be the paths of duty. He rose during the war from the ranks to the office of major. After the war was over he resumed his place as a physician and citizen and remained true and steadfast to the principles for which he fought. When the reconstruction measures were being enforced on the South, and their train of evils, he fought them with a boldness and pertinacity equaled by few and surpassed by none. He was a terror to the carpet-baggers and their allies in that period of our State's history. His name will go into history as doing perhaps more than any other one man towards redeeming and setting Williamsburg free from radical rule.

After the State passed into the

hands and control of the white people he was elected to the State senate, succeeding the lamented S. W. Maurice. In all his public life his services and political record stand as witnesses to his honor and ability. He was a man who was esteemed for his real worth, and was prominent in the affairs of the county, having served as democratic county chairman and in other positions of honor and trust.

At the time of his death he was actively engaged in the effort to have a monument erected to the memory of the Confederate dead of this county. Dr. Byrd was a man of many noble traits of character. He was public spirited and always ready to assist in anything that was for the good of his county and people. He was a large-hearted man, and never turned a deaf ear to those who came to him in trouble or distress.

Dr. Byrd was a native of Darlington county. He married in this county. His first wife was a daughter of Hon. N. M. Graham and his second wife was the daughter of the late lamented and widely known Cleland Belin. His second wife and several children survive him; as also his only child by his first wife. In his domestic relations Dr. Byrd was all that a man could be, as gentle and kind as a woman. He stood high in Masonry, and was at the time of his death, we believe master of Seranton Lodge of A F Masons. In this imperfect and hurried sketch of the life of our departed friend, we can only add in general terms, that he was honorable true and sincere, in all the relations of life and a patriot whom his contemporaries and acquaintances will long and lovingly remember.

### HER MAJESTY SLEEPS.

Queen Victoria, the most widely known, and best loved woman that the world has ever known, quietly passed away yesterday. She had a long and prosperous reign, and every nation on earth today mourns her death.

Queen Victoria was born in 1819, and was made Queen of England in 1839. She will be succeeded by her son, Prince of Wales, who will be Edward VII, King of England.

Kingstree is on the improve—she is climbing slowly but surely. Kingstree has perhaps more moneyed men to her size and population than any other, small town in eastern Carolina. Her moneyed men are all conservative, yet they have the money all the same, and if they ever get started and can agree upon some enterprise it wont take long to bring a bank, a factory of some kind, cotton oil mills and such other enterprises as are sorely needed. Real estate has about doubled in value in the last ten years. What we most need here is some one in whom the people have confidence to take the lead and show what can be done, and the remainder will follow. Kingstree can boast of as much intelligence as any town of like size in the State; our people are industrious, painstaking and up to-date business men; all they lack is to have their energies rightly directed and let all pull together, and we are bound to come to the front.

We sincerely trust that Miss Lucy Barron, of Manning may be elected librarian. Her mother was a native of this county, and

her fateer so closely identified with our people that we always looked upon them as Williamsburg people. None could with more grace and ability fill this position, and we trust that she may get it by an overwhelming majority.

We are watching with a zealous eye the course of our legislators, and hope each of our representatives may make a record of which we shall all feel proud.

### The Graded School.

The second term of the graded school has begun with an enrollment of 124. This is flattering when we consider that it includes practically every child in the school district. The present management endeavors to do its best, and hopes to hold the confidence of the people.

The purpose of education is to stimulate the growth of moral character; not puritanic, but that which nearest approaches the strongest man in present citizenship. To cultivate such a spirit it is necessary to disregard some of the traditional tendencies of teaching and add what will better make a man than manufacture a machine. There are some in today's world that cannot move unless a belt is applied.

The parents must supply their children with the books we require. Some forget that for need of a dollar's worth in books a child may lose a year's time in school and gain enough discouragement for life. Most children have active minds until dulled by teachers and deadened by "adopted" books.

We shall depart from the old course in some particulars, especially in reading and literature, and shall give children text books based on human rather than heavenly action. Our judgment shall be controlled in all cases by the best methods suited to our conditions of the greatest teachers of to-day. However, we are always looking for "more light."

WM. W. BODDIE.

### SHERIFF'S SALE.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.  
WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY.  
D. E. MIXON, et al.,  
vs.  
PERCIE E. SAULS, et al.

Pursuant to an order of the Court of Common Pleas made in the above cause 25th September, 1899, and to me directed, I will offer for sale at public auction in front of the court house in Kingstree, S. C., on the 7th day of February, 1901, within the legal hours of sale:

All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land, situate, lying and being in the County of Williamsburg, State of South Carolina, containing one hundred and sixty-seven acres, more or less, and bounded as follows: north by lands of G. M. Smith and Elly Collins, east by land of the estate of Samuel Kirby and Louis Jones, south by land of T. L. McClam and west by land of G. M. Smith.

Terms: one-third cash, balance in one and two years. The credit portion of the purchase money to be secured by a bond of the purchaser and a mortgage of the premises bearing interest from day of sale and providing for payment of attorney's fee in case an attorney be employed to collect same. Purchaser to pay for title and stamp. G. J. GRAHAM, S. W. C.

### SHERIEF'S SALE.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.  
WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY.

By virtue of an execution to me directed, I have levied upon and will sell for cash for taxes on the first Monday in February next, before the court house door in Kingstree the following described land to wit: 435 acres of land in Sumter township belonging to Miss A. E. Brockinton and J. S. Brockinton and bounded as follows north by Edmond Burgess, Mike Burgess and Ladson Epps, South by Sharper Fulton east by S. R. Moutzon and March Fulton and west by estate W. D. Coker.

G. J. GRAHAM, S. W. C.



IF YOU WANT IT, COME AND GET IT.  
First, by purchasing your Horses, Buggies, Wagons and Harness from us. Second, in doing that you buy cheaper of us than elsewhere. Third, you get better values for your hard earned dollars, as we sell nothing but what we make good if it does not come up to our representation.  
We have just received a car load of the famous ROCK HILL and CAROLINA BUGGIES, which we are rapidly selling at cyclone prices. Also a carload of the renowned one and two horse AUBURN WAGONS.  
We thank you for your liberal patronage in the past, and promise you good treatment in future business.  
See Hawkins on Court House Square. He will treat you right.

Thomas & Bradham,  
KINGSTREE, S. C.

### Announcement.

We enter the new year with feelings of gratitude to our customers, and in order to make room for our large stock of

Spring and Summer Goods,  
We will sell for the next thirty days our immense stock of  
**SHOES, HATS, CAPS, Men's and Boys' Pants,**  
At extremely low prices for cash.

We also have a few COMFORTS and BLANKETS to close out cheap.

### Hardware and Groceries.

We are prepared to offer you better bargains in farm implements than ever before, and our stock of groceries is always fresh and complete. Come and be convinced that we stand squarely behind every article sold, for they must come up to our representation in every respect.

Always yours to please,

### W. T. WILKINS.

### GREAT BARGAIN SALE

### OVERCOATS & CLOTHING

CLOSING OUT OUR ENTIRE LINE OF CLOTHING AND OVERCOATS

### To Make Room for Spring Goods

Prices Marked Down \$2 to \$4—Regardless of Cost.

Don't Let this Chance go by.

Julia Marlowe Shoes. Battle Axe Shoes.

EVERY PAIR GUARANTEED.  
Shoes of Every Description.

Our 1.00 Ladies Shoe is Guaranteed

ALL LEATHER—LOOK AT IT.

### GAGG, OLIVER & CO.,

Dealers in General Merchandise,  
KINGSTREE, S. C.

### For Exchange.

I have several car loads of Cotton Seed Meal on hand which I wish to exchange for Seed, or will sell for Cash,  
L. P. KINDER,  
Kingstree, S. C.

### Notice of Discharge.

Notice is hereby given that on the second day of February, 1901, I will apply to the Judge of Probate of Williamsburg county for a final discharge as Administrator of the Estate T. W. Huggins.  
J. D. COX,  
Administrator.  
January 7th 1901.

### Wanted.

10,000 cords of good hickory to be delivered at Rowsville and Denmark, S. C. For particulars, address  
JOHN F. SIMMONS,  
Dec. 6, 1900. Rowsville, S. C.

### Georgetown & Western Railroad Co.

PASSENGER DEPARTMENT.  
Time table in effect January 1, 1901.  
WESTWARD.

	Daily.	Daily Ex. Sunday.
Georgetown.....	5.30am	4.00pm
Lanes.....	8.00am	5.21pm
Charleston.....	1.00am	8.30pm
Sumter.....	9.40am	
Columbia.....	11.00am	
Florence.....	9.30am	7.55pm
Norfolk.....	5.15pm	10.25am

EASTWARD.

Georgetown.....	10.50am	8.20pm
Lanes.....	8.40am	7.00pm
Charleston.....	7.00am	4.15pm
Sumter.....		5.85pm
Columbia.....		4.15pm
Florence.....	8.00am	
Norfolk.....	9.00am	2.20pm

Connections made at Lanes with Atlantic Coast Line trains and at Georgetown with all steamers on Pee Dee, Black and Waccamaw rivers, including service between Georgetown and the celebrated summer resort, Pawley's Island.  
A. B. HARRIS, Acting Supt.  
W. R. Buie, Gen. Pass. Agent.