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Brief Records.

Safe crackers thrive on unsafe safes.

Some people are penny honest and pound rogues.

An ounce of performance is worth a pound of promise.

In handling other peoples' money money speculation is often followed by speculation.

A striking illustration of the utilitarian spirit of the age is found in the proposed selling of the old Presbyterian church property in the town of Florence and the requirement that all bodies buried in the churchyard be disinterred.

By a vote of 18 to 7 the trustees of Trinity College, Durham, N. C., at a recent meeting of the board, decided to retain Dr John S Bassett as professor of history in that institution. Bassett is the man who in a magazine article made the statement that Booker T Washington was the greatest man, save Lee, born in the South in a hundred years.

REAL ESTATE WANTED.

My facilities for buying, selling, exchanging and renting Real Estate, business properties, manufacturing properties, Machinery & etc., are excelled by no one in the State.

THE LABOR QUESTION.

SOME PERTINENT REFLECTIONS ON A VERY LIVE SUBJECT.

Our Correspondent Believes That a Crisis is at Hand—The Evil and the Remedy.

Editor County Record:— Please allow me space in your paper to say a word to my brother merchants, I shall be as brief as possible.

Brother merchants, do you ever think for a moment or realize the great injustice we are doing ourselves, our loved ones, our creditors, and (greatest of all) the injustice to our farming interest, by our very careless manner of doing business, and advancing to every little one-horse or ox fellow who can rent a ten to twenty acre patch? Stop for a moment and think how many our reckless manner of doing business have almost driven from their houses and homes, and how many would be homeless were it not for the guardian protection of the law, which allows the setting aside of a homestead.

Now, brothers, let us come together and join hands and remedy this great evil. Let us say and stand by it that we will not take any more such chances. Let us say that we will not advance to negroes on rented lands unless they have proved themselves worthy of credit, and stand by our resolution regardless of consequences. There are many of our best negroes who can farm and are worthy of our aid and should be helped, but then there are hundreds who are no more fit to manage a farm than I am to build a warship to sail on the ocean.

The crisis has come and something must be done or our grand old county is gone. We have in South Carolina as fine land for agricultural purposes as God ever blessed a people with, and it properly managed by the best class of citizens, the crops produced would be beautiful to the eye and a blessed reward to those who labor. Our poor farmers have suffered this year and many of us with them, and it has been impressed upon them that it was the tobacco trust. Now, brothers, let us own the truth and tell them that we merchants are to blame to a great extent. I admit that the trust forced the prices of low grade tobacco down very low, much lower than it should have been; yet when the few good farmers were forced with the many sorry ones to gather nothing but inferior tobacco, with this overstocking the market with low grade tobacco we could expect nothing but low prices.

Now, coming is the plain facts, we merchants ought to be blamed almost for the whole trouble. The farms can not be run successfully without labor, and as matters now stand the negro is our solo dependence. We are allowing them to come to us in the spring, make nice promises and get our goods, and then come up in the fall and pay us in excuses.

In this way we are robbing labor, and robbing ourselves and the farmers of thousand of dollars yearly. Now, as I have said, let us take no more chances with them, but let them go to the intelligent white and black farmers and work under their instructions, and in this way make a living and be a benefit to our country instead of a curse, as many of them are today.

Now, some merchant may think by adopting this plan, business will be decreased, but brother, a thousand dollar business done on a safe basis is worth more to you and your creditor than a ten thousand dollar business done on our present plan. Think of the past twenty years and you will have proof of this. Adopt the plan suggested and in less than two years instead of seeing frowns of depressions on some of our merchants and all of our farmers you will see smiles of prosperity.

I would be glad to hear from some other brother merchant, and you, Mr Editor, on this matter.

Riches come better after poverty than poverty after riches.

Fire! Fire! Fire!

When that thrilling cry goes forth to heaven it's too late to ask the question, am I insured? You want to insure in the best and strongest companies or none at all. That's the kind I represent—their combined capital amounting to over \$5,000,000. Farm property a specialty. Also insure against lightning without extra charge. Now is the time to look after this matter, as the beginning of the year approaches.

C. W. Wolfe, Kingstree, S. C.

Some men are like pins, they have their good points, yet they are apt to stick you.

Go to Kingstree Bakery for Pickled Pigs' feet.

Don't take chances of proposing to a girl on Friday; she might not refuse you.

WEEDS

Consumption is a human weed flourishing best in weak lungs. Like other weeds it's easily destroyed while young; when old, sometimes impossible.

Strengthen the lungs as you would weak land and the weeds will disappear.

The best lung fertilizer is Scott's Emulsion. Salt pork is good too, but it is very hard to digest.

The time to treat consumption is when you begin trying to hide it from yourself. Others see it, you won't.

Don't wait until you can't deceive yourself any longer. Begin with the first thought to take Scott's Emulsion. If it isn't really consumption so much the better; you will soon forget it and be better for the treatment. If it is consumption you can't expect to be cured at once, but if you will begin in time and will be rigidly regular in your treatment you will win.

Scott's Emulsion, fresh air, rest all you can, eat all you can, that's the treatment and that's the best treatment.

Advertisement for Scott's Emulsion featuring an image of a man carrying a large fish on his back. Text includes 'We will send you a little of the Emulsion free.' and 'SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, 409 Pearl St., N. Y.' and 'Be sure that this picture in the form of a label is on the wrapper of every bottle of Emulsion you buy.'

HEAD ABOUT TO BURST FROM SEVERE BILIOUS ATTACK.

'I had a severe bilious attack and felt like my head was about to burst when I got hold of a free sample of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. I took a dose of them after supper and the next day felt like a new man and have been feeling happy ever since.' says Mr J W Smith of Julliff, Texas. For biliousness, stomach troubles and constipation these Tablets have no equal. Price 25 cents. For sale by Dr D C Scott, Kingstree; Lake City Drug Co., Lake City; Dr W S Lynch, Scranton.

Money makes the mare go and the automobile makes the money go.

Go to Kingstree Bakery for Pickled Tripe.

REVOLUTION IMMINENT.

A sure sign of approaching revolt and serious trouble in your system is nervousness, sleeplessness or stomach upsets. Electric Bitters will quickly dismember the troublesome causes. It never fails to tone the stomach, regulate the Kidneys and Bowels, stimulate the Liver, and clarify the blood. Run down systems benefit particularly and all the usual attending aches vanish under its searching and thorough effectiveness. Electric Bitters is only 50c, and that is returned if it don't give perfect satisfaction. Guaranteed by Dr W L Wallace, Druggist.

Go to Kingstree Bakery for new Mackerel.

Women are seldom up-to date in the matter of birthdays.

When in need of buggies call on S J Taylor Greeleyville, S. C.

RECTOR OF ST. LUKE'S.

ASHBURNHAM, ONTARIO, TESTIFIES TO THE GOOD QUALITIES OF CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDIES.

ASHBURNHAM, Ont, April 18, 1903.—I think it is only right that I should tell you what a wonderful effect Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has produced. The day before Easter I was so distressed with a cold and cough that I did not think to be able to take any duties the next day, as my voice was almost choked by the cough. The same day I received an order from you for a bottle of your Cough Remedy. I at once procured a sample bottle, and took about three doses of the medicine. To my great relief the cough and cold had completely disappeared and I was able to preach three times on Easter Day. I know that this rapid and effective cure was due to your Cough Remedy. I make this testimonial without solicitation, being thankful to have found such a God-sent remedy. Respectfully yours, E A LANGFELDT, M. A., Rector of St Luke's Church, To Chamberlain Medicine Co. This Remedy is for sale by Dr D C Scott, Kingstree; Lake City Drug Co., Lake City; Dr W S Lynch, Scranton.

Nowhere can you get more for your Tobacco than at the King Warehouse, Lake City, S. C., They will close Saturday, Dec 19th, for the holidays.

Advertisement for Hotel Iroquois. Text includes 'ELECTRIC CARS FROM DEPOTS + PASS THE DOOR, + HOTEL IROQUOIS, NO. 362 KING STREET, CHARLESTON, S. C.' and 'Centrally Located. Newly and Elegantly Equipped. RATES \$1.00 and 1.50 PER DAY. Special Rates to Permanents.'

Advertisement for The Handling of Shirts, Collars and Cuffs. Text includes 'And all other work in our laundry, is done with the express purpose of giving our patrons the most complete satisfaction. That's why we have so many "steadies" and that's why you should send your bundle with P. S. COURTNEY, AGENT, KINGSTREE, S. C.'

Advertisement for Laurens Steam Laundry. Text includes 'LAURENS STEAM LAUNDRY. 500 FREE SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED WRITE TO-DAY TO GA.-ALA. BUS. COLLEGE, MACON, GA.'

LEGAL NOTICES.

Trespass Notice.

All persons are forbidden to enter on lands of Harmon and Perry.

Trespass Notice.

All persons are hereby warned against hunting, cutting wood from or in any way entering on or trespassing on my land.

Trespass Notice.

All parties are hereby warned against hunting, fishing or in any way trespassing upon the lands of the undersigned in Sumter township. Parties disregarding this notice will be dealt with as the law directs.

Trespass Notice.

All parties are hereby warned against hunting, fishing, trapping, cutting wood or trespassing in any manner whatever on the lands of the undersigned, situated in Lawe's township. Parties disregarding this notice will be dealt with as the law directs.

Dr W S BOYD, Dr I N BOYD, Dr J C BOYD, T B GOURDIN, P G GOURDIN, Mrs I P MOUZON, Mrs MENA S BOYD, Mrs C I GOURDIN, Mrs S R COLCLOUGH, ESTATE W B GOURDIN.

Registration Notice.

The office of the Supervisors of Registration will be opened on the first Monday in every month for the purpose of the registering of any person who is qualified as follows: Who shall have been a resident of the State for two years, and of the county one year, and of the polling precinct in which the elector offers to vote four months before the day of election, and shall have paid, six months before, any poll tax then due and payable, and who can both read and write any section of the constitution of 1895 submitted to him by the Supervisors of Registration, or who can show that he owns, and has paid all taxes collectable on, during the present year, property in this State assessed at three hundred dollars or more.

Notice to Creditors.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA. COUNTY OF WILLIAMSBURG. By W E Hanna Esquire, Probate Judge. Whereas B C Whitehead made suit to me, to grant him Letters of Administration with will annexed of the Estate of and effects of R R Statts, these are, therefore to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said R R Statts deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Kingstree, Williamsburg County, S C on the 21st day of December next after publication thereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted. Given under my Hand this 8th day of November Anno Domini, 1903. Published on the 12th day of November 1903 in the County Record. W E HANNA, Judge Probate. W. C.

Tax Notice.

TREASURER'S OFFICE WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY. KINGSTREE, S. C., Oct 5th, 1903 The tax levy for the fiscal year 1903 is as follows: For State - 5 mills For School - 3 mills For Ordinary County - 4 mills For Roads - 1 mill 30 mills on value of all stock in Anderson, Suttons and part of Penn Townships. 3 mills on value of all property in School Districts Nos. 15, 16, 23 and 24. 2 mills on value of all property in School Districts Nos. 19, 20, 21 and 22. 1 mill on all property in No. 18. A capitation tax of one dollar on all males between the ages of 21 and 60 years unless constitutionally exempted. A commutation tax of two dollars may be paid by those liable to road duty. I will be at the following places on the days mentioned below for the collection of the said tax: Kingstree, October 15 to 24 inclusive. Cades, October 25. Lake City, 27 and 28. Scranton, 29. Prospect, 30. Venter, 31. Lamberts, November 2. Rome, 3. Morrisville, 4. Kingstree, 5, 6, 7, and 9. Lanes, 10. Greeleyville, 12 and 13. Kingstree, 14. Indianrown, 16. Kingstree, 17 to Dec 31 inclusive. G W JOHNSON, County Treasurer.

Advertisement for We Want 1,000 Young Men to qualify for good positions. Text includes '500 FREE SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED WRITE TO-DAY TO GA.-ALA. BUS. COLLEGE, MACON, GA.'

Notice to Creditors.

All persons having claims against the estate of A J Smith, deceased, will present the same, duly attested, to the undersigned, and all persons indebted to the said estate will make payment to MR. PAUL W. SMITH, Administrator. Nov. 10.

Partnership Dissolution.

The partnership heretofore existing among the undersigned under the firm name of J L Stuckey & Co., is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All parties indebted to said firm will make payment to A H Williams & Co. and with in thirty days. November 23, 1903. J L STUCKEY, A H WILLIAMS, JOHN A GREEN, J L STUCKEY & Co. I will continue the business of J L Stuckey & Co under my own name. I thank my friends for the patronage given the old firm and I ask a continuance of the same to me. J L STUCKEY.

Auditor's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that I will be at the following places on the dates herein mentioned for the purpose of taking tax returns for the fiscal year commencing January 1st 1904. All parties are requested to be prompt in making returns in order to avoid the penalty as required by law. All sales and purchases of real estate since last returns must be reported by seller and buyer. This will avert the following penalties: Kingstree, January 1, 2, and 4. Saltes, 5 and 6. Lanes, 7. Greeleyville, 9. Harpers, 11. Trio, 12. Suttons, 14. Taft, 15. Greeleyville, 16. Kingstree, 18. Cowards, 19. Scranton, 20. Lake City, 21 and 22. Kingstree, 23 and 25. Mouzons, 26. Gowdy's Store, 27 and 28. Cades, 29. Kingstree, February 1. Kingstree, Cedar Swamp, 2. Bloomingdale, 3. Morrisville, 4. Rhens, 5. Kennedys Store, 6. Kingstree, Church P O, 8. Mingo, 10. Lamberts, 11. Ards X Roads, 13. Johnsonville, 13. Prospect, 15. Altman, 16. Concord, 17. Kingstree, 18 to 20 inclusive. J. J. B. MONTGOMERY, County Auditor. Nov. 10.

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