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A Card.

Editor Connty Record:—
 The people of Kingstree have seen fit to elect me, without solicitation on my part, to the position of intendant of this town, and I thank them for this unsought honor. Their action in this election indicates that they have some confidence in me, and it shall be my endeavor, as far as circumstances shall permit, to serve them in a way that will show my appreciation of their good opinion. I accept the position fully realizing that I am to receive no reward for my services, but perhaps condemnation. But with duty as my guide and the welfare of the town and its people as my goal I shall go forward with the other members of the council in an effort to conduct the municipal affairs in a progressive, business-like and economical way. I have no promises to make, and can only in a general way assure my fellow citizens that I shall perform my duties as best I can when all the circumstances are considered.

Respectfully,
 CHAS. W. STOLL.

Mortuary.

DIED:—On Saturday, March 12, 1904, at Salem, S. C., Wilhelmia, daughter of Mr and Mrs W M Vause, aged 2½ years. Funeral services took place at Indiantown Presbyterian church on Sunday following at 2 o'clock p. m., Rev Mr Darnell officiating.

Martin's X Roads.

(Written for last week.)
 Farmers are all busy preparing to plant. Gardens are not quite so forward out here as they are on Bennett Swamp, but gardening is the order of the day among the women folks.
 Two new neighbors have recently moved into our neighborhood, Mr Charlton Brown of Greelyville, and Mrs James of Columbia.
 Miss Ida Dukes, who has been spending some time with Mrs T E Ragin, returned home on Saturday last.
 Miss Martha Buckles of Lake City is visiting her brother Mr Lafayette Buckles.
 There was an entertainment given at the residence of Mr Brown on Friday night of last week, which was very much enjoyed by the young folks present.
 We are not able to determine as yet whether the fruit crop is injured by the cold, as the plum trees have just begun to bloom.
 Rev W B Weldon preached an interesting sermon to a large and attentive congregation Sunday afternoon at Mt Vernon church.
 HERMIT.

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GLIMPSES OF GREELYVILLE.

Record of Happenings of More or Less Interest.
 GREELYVILLE, March 14:—The 1st quarterly conference for Greelyville circuit was held here Saturday in the Methodist church. Presiding Elder Stokes preached at 11 a. m., after which the business of the conference was attended to. Rev W M Harden, of Johnsonville circuit, preached here Sunday to a large and interested congregation.
 Dr Epps' drug store is completed and all agree that it is the hand-omest building in the business portion of the town.
 Mr B D Colclough is putting up a new residence on South Main street. We are glad to welcome Mr Colclough and his family to town.
 Our enterprising mill men, the Mallard Lumber Co, are now putting in a new skidder to be used to pull logs from Black river swamp.
 Miss Irene Brailsford, who has been assisting Prof Brailsford in the school here, has accepted a position to teach at Mr S A Graham's on Santee.
 Miss Mamie Allen, who has been visiting relatives in Greelyville and vicinity for the past three months, will leave tomorrow for her home in Fairfield county. During her stay amongst us she has made many friends, who will miss her very much.
 Miss Williams returned to Sumter yesterday after a brief visit to her sister, Mrs C Q Joyner.
 Miss Eula Keels, who has been spending some time with her brother, Hon W M Keels, will return to her home in Lynchburg tomorrow.
 Mr and Mrs R S Brunson, Jr., have returned from a short visit to Mrs Brunson's former home in North Carolina. "Bob" is the station agent here and we are right glad to see him back at his post.
 Mr Leland Taylor returned home last week. He has been working in the A C L shops at Waycross, Ga.
 Mrs F Mishoe has been quite sick for several days, but we trust she will soon be well again.
 Messrs Burnett Land and Allen Barns, two of Foreston's young men, were noted here Saturday.
 Well, Mr Editor, we are still looking for you at Greelyville.
 VIDI.

A Hot Supper.

There is to be a hot supper given at the residence of Mr and Mrs G W Davis for the benefit of Muddy Creek church on Friday, March 25, 1904, 7 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend.

- COMMITTEE:**
 Mrs R B Woodbury,
 " G W Davis,
 " D N Johnson,
 " J G Eaddy,
 " F E Huggins,
 " Z T Eaddy.
 Miss Leila Davis,
 " May Van Keuren,
 " Adell Van Keuren,
 " Mary Pope.
 Mr R K Johnson,
 " H Edward Eaddy,
 " P C Bradham,
 " D P DuRant,
 " Chas Haselden.

It's a wise old saw that cuts with its wisdom teeth.

LIFE AND TIMES IN LAKE CITY.

WEEKLY WINNOWING OF TOPICS OF THE TOWN.

The Next Term of Court—As to School Libraries—Many Other Items of Interest.
 LAKE CITY, March 15:—T E Burch, the popular sheriff of Florence county, spent Thursday in our town.
 Mr R J Poston of Moultrieville stopped over in town a while last Thursday morning.
 At the supper Tuesday night given at the Star warehouse for the benefit of the Methodist parsonage, hot supper, coffee, oysters and ice cream were served. The affair was very well attended and those present seemed really to enjoy themselves. The net returns after paying all expenses were \$38.
 Mr Toney White of St Clairsville, Ohio, was here two nights last week with his phonograph and moving picture stereopticon. The show was well attended both nights and was pronounced by all the best of its kind seen in small towns.
 Judge W E Hanna paid us a pleasant visit one day last week.
 Mr W W Kennedy, of the Hebron neighborhood was in town Friday.
 Mr R E Morris has been elected principal of our town school. He accepted the position and entered upon the discharge of his duties last Monday. Mr Morris is so well known in this section as a man and as a teacher that it is unnecessary to say anything about him in these respects. We wish him abundant success in the position just assumed.
 Mr Mason Brunson, who is now traveling agent for that greatest of Southern dailies, The News & Courier, spent Monday in town in the interest of that paper. We understand that he succeeded in arousing the interest of quite a number.
 Dr A H Williams went on a trip south Monday. He will visit Cottageville, Charleston, Savannah and perhaps other places before he returns.
 The infant son of Mr and Mrs O T Hall died last Sunday. The little one's body was taken to Danville, Va., for burial, Mr Hall accompanying it.
 Miss Maria Croft, who had been spending a few days at home, returned to the Columbia Female College Monday night.
 Mr Arthur Jones went to Florence Monday night as special passenger route agent.
 S W G Shipp, Esq., of Florence spent Monday night in town, going on to Kingstree Tuesday.
 As there seems to be doubt in the minds of a good many as to the time when our next term of circuit court meets, it will perhaps be of public interest to give the date. Court will convene on Monday, April 18, and will be in session two weeks, if so much time be necessary. This date may be relied upon as correct. An act was passed at the last session of the General Assembly changing the time for the holding of our courts, but that act does not go into effect until August 1st, 1904, consequently our spring and summer terms for this year are not affected, but remain as fixed by the act of 1903. The summer term will be held June 27.
 Having had several inquiries about the public school libraries act, which was passed at the re-

cent session of the General Assembly, I think that it will be of general interest to give the substance of that law. Omitting details, the act provides that whenever the patrons of a public school raise \$10, the county board of education must contribute \$10 and the State board \$10 for the purpose of establishing a library for such school. This money, \$30 in all, is then used by the trustees of the library in buying books, which books must be selected from a list adopted by the State board. Not more than twelve such libraries may be established in any county in any one year, and the county board must designate the schools for which libraries may be established during each year. That is, if the patrons of more than twelve schools raise the specified amount, \$10, the county board shall declare which twelve shall be given libraries. One library may exchange books with another, but changes shall not be made oftener than once in six months. These are, I believe, the leading features of the act.
 Editor Wolfe was in our town bright and early Monday morning.
 The truckers are getting in quantities of crates and cups preparatory to the opening of the strawberry season.
 Mr N L Overstreet has purchased the lot between Mr J H Blackwell's and Mr E W Yates' residences.
 When a young lady goes to work for herself she usually receives an invitation to knock off and keep house, and we notice that the invitation is very often accepted.
 The news of the death of R Means Davis was received here with genuine sorrow. A good many of our people knew him personally, and all by general repute. The writer feels that in Prof Davis' going away he has lost one of his best friends and most highly respected teachers. Prof Davis was one of God's noblemen, a gentleman and a scholar.
 Mr J C McElveen says he wants to extend his hearty thanks to the people of this town and community for the splendid patronage they have given him since he came among us. He is gratified—almost surprised. He ought not to be. In the first place THE RECORD gave him a good "send-off" when he opened up. Again, when a first rate man, a straight-as-a-shingle fellow like Cleve McElveen comes to this place all the people are glad and give him their encouragement and that in no uncertain manner.
 In what respect is THE COUNTY RECORD like wine? Improves with age. (We may be pardoned for suggesting that it is well re(a)d; that it exhilarates without intoxicating; that it takes work to produce it; that it is a luxury and oftentimes a necessity, and finally, that, as "in vinov'eritas," there's truth in it—Printer's Devil). W. L. B.

Card of Thanks.

The family of the late Mr J S Howle desire to express our hearty thanks to all our friends and neighbors for their many kindnesses shown us during the illness of the one who has gone away. We assure them that we appreciate their tender assistance and comfort.
 L. H. HOWLE,
 For the family.
 Lake City, S. C., March 12, 1904.

Meeting at the Presbyterian Church.

There will be a series of meetings carried on at the Presbyterian church in Kingstree, beginning on Friday March 25, by Rev R G McClees, the Synod's evangelist, and Rev F H Wardlaw.
 Service Friday, 25th, 8.30 p. m., 8 o'clock p. m., and Saturday, 26th, 8.30 p. m. The opening services will be conducted by Mr Wardlaw. Mr McClees will come on Saturday and preach throughout the following week. The singing will be led by Mr Wardlaw. The people of all denominations are earnestly invited to attend.
 Mr Wardlaw is well known as an organizer in general, and a leader in songs in particular; and Mr McClees is blessed with a power and fluency of expression given to but few men in these parts of the Master's vineyard.

Services at Black Mingo Church.

On Tuesday night, March 22, Rev H G White of Marion, S. C., will deliver an address on the subject: "Missions in the United States". We trust that we may have a large congregation to hear Brother White on this very important subject. Come prepared to give something for home missions.
 The Tuesday night prayer-meeting at our church began, I think, with about 8 members; now we have 40 or more.
 Most truly yours,
 H. B. JONES,
 Pastor.
 Morrisville, S. C.,
 March 14, 1904.

Venters and Vicinity.

VENTERS, March 9:—The 1st quarterly conference of Johnsonville church was held on Friday, March 4, at Muddy Creek church. Services on Thursday morning were conducted by Rev H L Singleton, who preached a fine sermon both morning and evening. Rev J F Way of Rome circuit preached on Friday at the request of Dr Stokes. His sermon was highly praised by those who knew him.
 Dr Stokes preached at Prospect Sunday at 11 a. m., his subject being, "The Bible". After the sermon the pastor took up a collection and raised \$50.
 The hot supper given a week ago was a success, \$56.75 being raised clear.
 Mrs—Haselden of Johnsonville died last Friday morning after being ill for about 18 days. She was buried at Lake Chapel on Saturday by Rev Daniel Durant.
 Mr L L Ard is quite sick at this time, also Mrs Brown in the neighborhood of Jay. Dr Hemingway is kept on the go day and night attending to his extensive practice. H.

New Advertisements.

Notice to Teachers. L Stackley, New Spring Goods. Louis J Stackley, Ice Cream Garden. Miss C P Langley, Charleston, Ladies' purchasing Agency. W T Askins, Lake City, All kinds of Spring Goods. Kinder & Hirsch, Gents' Clothing and Furnishings.

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