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LAKE CITY HAPPENINGS.

WHAT'S DOING IN ABOUT THE CITY--A PICNIC.

LAKE CITY, Aug 1:—Prof G T Pugh, professor of mathematics in Columbia Female College, was in town a part of last week in the interest of that school.

Mr B F Brockinton, Jr., of Motbridge was noted here Thursday.

Mr and Mrs Horace Carter of Darlington visited relatives here some few days ago.

Mrs M A Bass, who has been spending several months with relatives in Pensacola, Fla., and Geneva, Ala., has returned home.

We were indeed glad to see again our former fellow-townsmen, Mr J B McCutchen, now of Latta. He spent more than a week with relatives and old friends, all of whom were glad to see him and would be pleased to have here permanently again. We understand that he is doing well in his new home, of which we are glad.

Mrs Lou H Grimsley of Lanes spent a day or two here last week.

Mrs A H Williams visited Mrs B M Clements in Darlington last week.

Mr W F L Steele is here from Rockingham, N C, looking after the affairs of the Lake City Mfg Co, of which he is the president.

Work has begun on Mr P D Cockfield's residence on Valley street. This is to be a two-story house of about ten rooms.

Mr Bracey of North Carolina spent Sunday in town. He did not come solely to get a drink of artesian water.

Mr Chas Burgess returned home Friday from his vacation. Supervisor J J Graham was noted here Wednesday.

Mr Ira C Gaskins has bought the Webster house and lot at the southwest corner of Valley and Church streets and will move there at an early date.

Great preparations are being made for the picnic at Farmers' Park on August 11th. The farmers who have secured the ground, and are building a nice park, are determined to make their annual picnic the chief day in the calendar of the years as they come and go. It is an occasion to look forward to and a date from which to reckon other events. Ere long the expressions, "before the picnic" and "after the picnic" will be the common method of indicating the time of other things, this being the most important of all. No pains or expense will be spared to provide interest, amusement and perfect enjoyment for all, and it is safe to predict that, barring some calamity, the occasion will be of special importance and pleasure.

Larry Fulmore got on a brand new drunk Saturday and contributed \$10 for the public benefit. Larry is an industriously constant sinner and has his lapses so regularly and often that were the punishment for his offenses arrayed in geometrical progression, he would get a life sentence within twelve months.

There was a picnic at the "African Methodist church" on the Lake Saturday and the town treasury was helped thereby. Sam and Billie Burgess were so enamored of a bottle of liquor that they cooed to each other in the dulcet tones of a calliope playing the song of a Mississippi river mate to a gang of roustabouts and walked into each others blooming features as if such things were superfluities. When the collection was taken up by Intendant Morris they dropped \$30.00 into the hat. This, however, was not a contribution to foreign

missions.
Mr M L Webster has purchased two lots at the South west corner of Lake and Church streets.

Si Martin, Walker Eaddy and John Bryant searched a negro woman's house a few nights ago and were relieved of \$15 therefor. They neglected to procure warrants and have them endorsed by the proper officer. Hence they now groan in heaviness of spirits, but the lightness of their pockets doth cry aloud to the crap shooters: "Tarry till next pay day."

"The friends of Mr B Wallace Jones, Jr., were very much alarmed about his condition last week. The matter was so serious to him that he called in a trained nurse. After a day of assiduous and tender ministrations he so far recovered that the nurse hid herself to her home in Hampton, whither he will surely follow soon. "De Cumbeber riber ain de wild goose home," and though he spend the winter under Southern skies, will wing his Northern flight at the breaking up of the ice, so also, though this young man doth tarry a season in Lake City he must turn his steps toward the Hampton fields when he feels the approach of that fever which has nothing of kinship to innocuous desuetude.

The 1st and 2nd Lake City nines had a match game Friday last. It was a daisy. The score was 29 to 7 in favor of the first nine.

Tobacco is coming in now freely. There are sales every day in all the warehouses and big ones often. Last Thursday, Friday and Saturday all three of the houses had big sales. The prices too are very satisfactory. Everybody, so far as we have heard, are highly pleased. The corps of buyers is the largest in the history of this market and things are being made to hum. The American Tobacco Co., Imperial Tobacco Co., Continental Tobacco Co., The Japanese Government, several independent manufacturers are all represented by hustling men. Besides these there are several who buy on order. Then there is William Henry Harrison, the "Bill of the Woods." Lake City is holding up and will continue to hold up her reputation as the equal of any tobacco market in the State and the superior of some that do more blowing but less satisfactory business.

The Enterprise Wood Dispensary and Chemical Co has, in addition to the products which it has all along been turning out, gone a step further and is adding the manufacturing of certain medicines. It has placed upon the market a balsam under the name of "Southern Pine Balsam," which lays claim to being a most excellent remedy and is meeting with favor whenever introduced. Application has been made for the registration of the trade mark used on the packages containing this medicine. The chemist of this company is now at work on other curatives besides a disinfectant and germicide and as rapidly as perfected these articles will be given to the public. Why cannot we have right here in Williamsburg an establishment that manufactures many of the most useful and commonly used remedies. Now the North and West get the money we spend for these things. Had we not better keep this money at home?

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GREELYVILLE GLINTS.

Newsy Letter From our Busy Writer.

GREELYVILLE, July 31: We have been blessed with several good showers and the crops look very much refreshed. If there is a good crop made, our merchants expect to do a big business this fall. They are getting in goods in larger lots than ever before. They must think people will have plenty of time to sit down, by the quantity of chairs bought—our firm having bought a solid carload of chairs alone.

The picnic by the two Sunday schools on last Thursday was quite a success and was enjoyed by old and young alike. The rain caused the crowd to break up sooner than it would otherwise have done, but after the rain was over there was a game of ball between the local nine and the married men in which the old men were defeated by a score of 3 to 20. The best of humor prevailed and both players and spectators enjoyed the fun.

Nearly all of Greelyville went to Corinth Sunday to hear the Rev Mr Bartha, an evangelist from Virginia. It being the fifth Sunday, there was no preaching here.

Some mention was made in this correspondence sometime ago of Mr Edward Spann's crop. At that time I had only seen his crop from the public road. Since then I have had the pleasure of visiting Mr Spann's place and of going over his crop and I must say it is the finest I have seen anywhere. He has forty acres of cotton of the latest improved King and cluster varieties from which he expects to get fifty bales and I expect he will get them. He also has some young corn that with favorable seasons will make forty to fifty bushels to the acre and the condition the whole crop is in shows that Mr Spann is a hustler.

Messrs C E Hilton and R B Hogan visited Charleston and the Isle of Palms Monday.

The Rev Mr Justus, pastor of the Methodist church in Kingstree, spent about two hours in our town this morning. This was his first visit and he seemed very much pleased with what he saw of Greelyville.

Mr W H Spratt of Foreston was in Greelyville to-day.

Mr M D DeLorme has secured the services of young Mr Westcoat of Walterboro. He began working in the store this morning. We are always glad to welcome young men among us and we hope his stay here will be so pleasant and profitable that he cannot be induced to leave us again.

Mr and Mrs T W Boyle have gone on a visit to Mrs Boyle's daughter in Alabama. Mr Boyle expects to be back in about ten days. Mrs Boyle will stay longer. VIDI.

As to a Presbyterian Manse.

At the Manse building meeting at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning although a very small number of the members of the church was present, the sum of \$263 was subscribed towards the building of said manse or parsonage, with the promise of more from others this and next week. Members of Union and Central churches will no doubt help also, as it will be their manse as well as ours, only giving the pastor of the group of churches a home at the county seat, with the advantages and conveniences of life in a good-sized town. Many can help in work, hauling, lumber, brick paint, etc., who may not be able to give much, if any, ready money. No doubt, many of other denominations would be glad to contribute to such a worthy purpose—it being indirectly, if not directly, for the good of the pub-

lic at large—a manse being absolutely necessary to the securing and keeping of a pastor. The church wants a large house—two to four rooms of which with folding doors—so as to have a large reception room for church sociables, etc. So come up good people with your encouragement in a substantial way and let's show other towns what Kingstree can do when there is concert of action among her people.

A Social Affair.

There was a "Book Party" given at the residence of Mr H D Reddick Friday evening by Miss Annie Reddick, complimentary to her visiting friend, Miss Sadie Johnson of Florence.

The following were the invited guests:—

- Miss Massey Lee Estes—Tom McUtchen.
- Miss Lila Hammet—Ernest Evans.
- Miss Florie Jacobs—Benton Montgomery.
- Miss Cora Daniel—J H McDavid.
- Miss Odessa Montgomery—Louis Stackley.
- Miss Thetis Stackley—R K Wallace.
- Miss Louise Harper—Ernest Epps.
- Miss Flossie Harper—Peal Epps.
- Miss Nita Whitehead—Gay Justus.
- Miss Jimmie Britton—Lamar Montgomery.
- Miss Sadie Meyer—Gus Justus.
- Miss Mamie Montgomery—Harry Britton.
- Miss Mabel Snider—Heyward Scott.

Each young lady was dressed to represent a book—guesses were made of the book she represented. Misses Thetis Stackley and Nita Whitehead tied for the first prize—it was won by Miss Thetis Stackley. Miss Mamie Montgomery got the booby prize. Misses Florie Jacobs, Lila Hammet and Louise Harper tied for the consolation prize—Miss Lila Hammet received the same.

Miss Flossie Harper's "book" was the hardest to guess. It was "All Sorts and Conditions of Men."

Along with this mental food—interspersed with music on the piano by Misses Jacobs, Daniel and Flossie Harper, delicious refreshments were served—in the shape of ice cream, cakes, candies, figs and peanuts—up to a late hour—when a reluctant good night was said to the honored guest and most pleasant and able hostess—all present voting the evening one of unalloyed pleasure, and wishing for many more occasions of like character.

COX COLLINGS.

Personal Paragraphs Picked Up By a Cox Correspondent.

Cox, July 31—We had a fine rain Friday afternoon and crops are looking much better.

Mrs A S Stewart has returned to her home at Effingham after spending several days with relatives here.

Mr and Mrs Oxam Cusaac of Sardis visited relatives here last week.

Mr and Mrs M D Myers of Beulah were the guests of Walter Cox's family recently.

Mr and Mrs M H Hicks of Cowards were here yesterday.

Ezra White of Beulah is visiting relatives here.

Mr and Mrs Homer Singleary of Libertá were the guests of L N Jones' family here yesterday.

Miss Emily Cox has returned from a pleasant visit to relatives at Beulah.

Mrs G C L Cox and children of Lucile were here last week.

Mr and Mrs R B Myers of Friendfield were the guests of Mrs J D McGee Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Nesmith of Lake City spent Sunday with J B Parrot's family.

NEWSY LETTER FROM SCRANTON.

A FEW DOTS PICKED UP BY OUR BUSTLING CORRESPONDENT AROUND SCRANTON.

SCRANTON, Aug 1: Miss Lula Byrd returned to Hartsville last week after spending several days in town with parents and friends.

The Bethlehem Union Meeting convened here Friday and continued until Sunday. There were many delegates and visitors from all portions of the county. The services were conducted by Revs Truluck and Evans, which made the meeting very interesting. The next Union will go to Parum church.

Miss Annie Coker of Lynch visited friends in town last week.

Misses Minnie and Leila Byrd, who have been spending some time with friends at North, returned home Monday night.

Mr and Mrs Eugene Hill of Lake City were in town last week as the guests of Mr Winslow Wright.

Mr Corlie Ward and — Brown were in town Saturday from Friendfield.

Miss Ola Coward and brother, Connie, of Effingham were in town Tuesday morning.

Miss Addie Cannon visited friends in Lake City this week.

Mrs W W Graham of Cowards, accompanied by her two accomplished daughters, Misses Bertie and Mattie, was noted shopping on our streets Monday afternoon.

Misses Belle and Sue Carter came over from Lake City for a short while Monday afternoon.

Miss Nina Baker is in town this week visiting her sister, Miss Ozela who is confined to her bed with malaria fever.

Miss Lillian Poston, one of Coward's charming young ladies, was in town Saturday of last week.

Mr M R Matthews visited parents and friends at Cowards Sunday. He likes them so well that it took him until Monday morning before he could return.

Miss Estelle Coward spent last week with friends and relatives at Cowards. M R M.

A Dispensary Advocate's Views.

Editor County Record: Ever since the fall of man sin has existed in the world in one form or another. Whether the world has grown better or worse during the thousands of years that have elapsed—since Adam was driven from Eden, it is not the province of this article to say; the fact remains that there is a great field of work to be accomplished before sinful men are all gathered within the fold of Christ. Man is prone to do evil, and the gospel of righteousness is the only means that will save him from his sins. No system of legislation will do it.

One of the great evils that curse the world is intemperance. This is an axiomatic proposition. Men will drink whiskey no matter whether they live in Kansas, Maine or South Carolina. This is because no law is effective that goes beyond the temper of the times and the sentiment of the people. Prohibition is a theory and not a practical, actuality except when it is sanctioned by the awakened conscience of the individual himself. It would be just as rational to undertake to eradicate any other evil by law as to cure a depraved appetite of the thirst for whiskey by the same remedy. In either case the effort would be a failure. You cannot legislate sobriety into people any more than you can morality. The saving grace of the gospel is the only efficacious antidote for this moral malady.

There is a movement now on foot to vote the dispensary out of the county. It is argued that the dispensary corrupts public morals, debauches men and endangers society. These are general propositions applicable alike to the whiskey business under any form of management. To close the dispensary will not put

whiskey beyond the reach of the people, and the result sought by the prohibitionists will not be accomplished in this way.

It takes only 24 hours to get a jug from North Carolina, and instead of being satisfied with a small bottle of dispensary whiskey, a gallon or more will be ordered, and what is not needed for "personal use" will be dealt out "on the quiet" to ready purchasers, thus adding to the evil of intemperance the cognate crime of illicit selling. This was the case before the dispensary was established and it is fair to assume that the same condition will obtain after it is abolished, perhaps in a magnified form.

In view of this state of affairs the question suggests itself, "what good will be accomplished by the abolition of the dispensary, and who will enforce the law if the dispensary is voted out, and if it is enforced at all who will pay for its enforcement? The occasional visit of a dispensary constable will not be sufficient and few people are willing to incur the odium of playing the "spy act" on their neighbors.

Again, what will become of the profits ("blood-money" if you will), arising from dispensary sales? Will it accrue to the school fund of the county or will it go to enrich the distillers and dealers of North Carolina? How many thousand dollars will the county lose per annum in this way, and how will the deficiency be raised? If whiskey is such a prolific source of crime, how will the cost of our criminal courts be paid after our people have ceased to drink dispensary "booze" and substituted "Mountain Dew" from North Carolina? These are questions that should be of interest to the tax-payers.

Here are some figures reproduced from the last annual report of the commissioner of internal revenue for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904. These figures speak for themselves and show how "prohibition prohibits."

"Retail liquor dealers in Kansas, 2,862; wholesale liquor dealers, 23; brewers, 2; retail dealers in malt liquors, 335; wholesale dealers in malt liquors, 108.

"In Maine the figures are: Retail liquor dealers, 430; wholesale liquor dealers, 5; brewers, 3; retail dealers in malt liquors, 558; whole sale dealers in malt liquors, 22.

"Now, in neither of these states can liquor be sold as a beverage, under the law.

In South Carolina the figures are: "Retail liquor dealers, 512; wholesale liquor dealers, 7; brewers, 1; retail dealers in malt liquors, 55; wholesale dealers in malt liquors, 9.

Of course, in South Carolina there are a large number of beer privileges, and all dispensers take out United States licenses. These have to be deducted from these figures to show how many blind tigers we have in this State.

They have prohibitory laws in Kansas and Maine, but judging from the above figures they don't have prohibition. Poor old South Carolina, with that horrible incubus, the dispensary, saddled on her, is to be congratulated on not playing the howling farce presented by these prohibition States.

The objection urged by many against applying dispensary profits ("blood-money") to the cause of education is anything but rational. There is no moral nor sane reason why this money should not be applied to a good cause. If it is true that two equal opposing forces produce a neutral effect, then it logically follows that the use of the dispensary profit in the cause of education will result in an educated sentiment against the evils of intemperance, a sentiment which will eventually crush the dispensary out of existence, and which the institution itself had been indirectly instrumental in propagating. There certainly cannot be any valid objection to the dispensary placing a cudgel in the hands of its enemies to break its own head, if we would destroy it. But the wholesome sentiment of temperance is not the product of a day, but the growth of a generation, and until it has attained maturity we cannot hope to see the reform accomplished which the prohibitionists are seeking to bring about.

This article is not written to con-

done the evils of the dispensary. I admit it has had as well as good features. Nobody, not even its most ardent advocates, claim that the system is perfect. But as the solution of a problem that has baffled the genius of the ablest thinkers for all time, it is the best that has ever been devised. It handles whiskey under restrictions and regulations that eliminate the obnoxious features of the old barroom system, obviates the "wide-open" conditions which obtain wherever the mockery of prohibition prevails.

Magistrate Moves His Office.

Magistrate R K Wallace has moved his place of holding court to the third floor of the "Gourdin-Gamble sky-scraper." We will now, far from the tramping crowd, hear the eloquence of our young barristers, the lucid charges of Hizzoner to the jury and his stern sentences to the dungeons below—the while tempering mercy with justice, where possible. A gown, a gown, for our Judge a gown!

Progressive Kingstree.

Another new store in town, Scott & Jacobs. Messrs W R Scott and M H Jacobs are the members of the firm. They will hold forth in the building next to the P O., lately vacated by P S Courtney & Co. They will carry several lines of goods—may open up next week. Mr Montie Jacobs will be the manager—Mr Scott continuing in the cotton seed business. May good fortune attend them.

Through an oversight the Quarterly report of Bank of Lake City failed to appear in last week's issue of THE RECORD.

Statement of The Bank of Lake City, Lake City, S. C.

At the Close of Business July 15, 1905.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$50,129.55
Furniture and Fixtures	\$48.84
Cash and in Banks	11,368.14
	\$61,546.53
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock Paid in	\$20,000.00
Undiv'd Profits ex. Paid	5,142.98
Deposits	43,188.60
	\$68,331.58

State of South Carolina, }
County of Williamsburg, }
Personally appeared before me E. W. Yates, of the Bank of Lake City, who on oath says that the above Statement is correct to the best of his knowledge and belief. E. W. YATES, Cashier.
Sworn to before me this 24th day of July, 1905. W. J. McALISTER, Notary Public.

Correct-Attest: J. A. H. Williams, J. A. Green.

Dr M D Nesmith will be absent from his office from July 30 until August 6th.

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