

The Sumter Watchman was founded in 1850 and the Free Southerner in 1866.

EDITORIAL ITEMS.

The New York World continues to boom. Last Sunday its circulation reached 162,505 copies.

The "Dolphin," the new boat that Roach has just finished, and which has failed in all her trial-trips.

The "arm eight" which we suppose is the new name for the warm grip upon the arms of young ladies.

Miss Cleveland, the President's sister, has written a book which will be given to the public in a few days.

Mr. J. Gould, while going out to his yacht in a small boat, one day last week, came near being run down by a tug in New York Harbor.

Silver men are trying to get up a diversion in their favor by pushing a bill through Congress authorizing the U. S. Treasurer to receive silver bullion on deposit, and giving silver certificates therefor at the market price of silver.

A severe thunder-storm passed over Washington last week, and the monument was struck four separate times.

The Keely Motor is still in the land of the living. Some days ago its owner gave an exhibition which was attended by the stockholders and some lynx-eyed reporters.

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health has been bad for some time and his death was not unexpected. We regret his death, for, all other considerations aside, it will probably delay the completion of the Capitol.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND.

More than three months have passed since Grover Cleveland became President, and the prophets of ill, who were sure of coming Democratic blunders, are in despair.

President Cleveland is but human, and must make some mistakes, but we doubt if any man could have been found to do better than he has thus far done; we do not believe many could be found to do as well.

It is true that a recent Republican Convention in Ohio under the lead of the Cincinnati Commercial has attacked the Administration, and censured the President for appointing unrepentant rebels to office, but even so strong a Republican as the Commercial Bulletin of New York, tells the Ohio Republicans that this is a bad year for making a political campaign on war issues.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL.

The newspapers in the State have unanimously agreed upon the necessity of a new deal in the election of State officers next year.

Those now in office may be, and doubtless are, sincerely anxious to serve the State acceptably, but the four or six or eight years of official life have unfitted them for really representing the people.

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With these facts in view we nominate State Senator, Joseph H. Earle as a suitable candidate for the office of Attorney General.

We in Sumter County know him, and honor him. As a Democrat, as a lawyer, as a man he stands before the people without fear and without reproach. Bold and aggressive in defense of our political rights he never hesitated, when it could avail to strike a blow for their maintenance. A born leader of men, his nomination would add strength to the ticket by arousing the enthusiasm of the rank and file—the men who do the work and bring us victory, while his well known ability as a lawyer would insure the most satisfactory performance of the important duties of so responsible an office.

sity for organizing the Black District five years ago, but the necessity no longer exists. Disband the concern and there will be no effort worth the name, to send Smalls or any such as he to Congress, but allow it to stand and it will seem to be an offer on the part of the Democrats to the riff-raff of the Counties in this District to send some respectable rascal or ignorant fool to misrepresent us in Congress.

If it were possible to conceive of their electing a decent, educated man, the need for a change would not be so great, but the wildest imagination cannot conceive of such an event. Keave or fool seems to be the limit of their choice, unless they add to the blunder by making it both keave and fool.

Reorganize the Black District and put Sumter where she will have the opportunity of aiding in the election of a gentleman.

TAXES.

D. H. Traxler, County Treasurer, closed his May collection the last of May. He reports his collections at \$5,865, against \$4,700 for the same time last year; excess in favor of 1885, \$1,165.

The South Carolina Railway charges full first-class fare going; return free, on presenting to conductor certificates of attendance from the Superintendent of Education.

The Republican clerks, postmasters, internal revenue collectors, etc., who have been discharged during the last four months to be replaced by Democrats is much larger than is generally known.

Our people paid four or five times that much and we owe accordingly. There is nothing mean about the people of Sumter County either in making or paying debts.

AN UNJUST CRITICISM.

The Sumter Watchman and Southerner says: "At the Fireman's annual parade in Camden last week, the Council were conspicuous by their absence. The merchants come in also for criticism in not allowing their clerks who belong to the white company, to turn out."

Well, we may be mistaken, but if so others were likewise in error. Here is what the Camden Journal says: "Another cause for complaint was the way in which the merchants acted. They are more directly interested in having a good fire department in town than any other class of our citizens, yet we understand that they refused to allow their clerks who are members of the department to turn out.

Kershaw News.

The road between Chestnut's Ferry and Camden is reported as being almost impassable. The Kershaw folks along the Wateree are fearing a freshet.

The Journal says the oat crop is not half an average. The wheat crop ditto. The Gazette says the crop is pretty good.

There are complaints of whiskey-selling on Sunday, in Camden. Mr. J. S. Bowen is Express Messenger between Camden and Columbia.

The following shows the cost to the county of the June term Court, not including the Clerk's and Sheriff's Fees: Grand Jury \$69.70, Petit Jury 136.25, Witnesses 25.95, Constables 30.00.

A Darlington farmer has raised a turnip nearly 10 inches in diameter. The Florence Literary Association make their annual excursion to Lake Waccamaw next Thursday. The County Treasurer reports his collections for May at \$5,865.

State Normal Institute.

The State Normal Institute for white Teachers will be held in the city of Charleston, beginning July 21st, and continuing four weeks.

Mr. Henry P. Archer, Superintendent of Charleston City Schools; Prof. E. S. Joynes, LL. D., South Carolina College; Prof. R. Means Davis, South Carolina College; Mr. D. B. Johnson, Superintendent Columbia City Schools; Mr. W. H. Witheron, Principal Chester Graded Schools; Prof. T. D. Rudock, Charleston City Schools; Miss Edith O. Matthews, Charleston, S. C.; Miss Annie E. Bonham, Columbia City Schools, and Mr. G. W. Alexander, Principal Confederate Home School, will compose the faculty.

Lectures on educational topics will be given by distinguished persons during the term, and a rare opportunity will be enjoyed of studying the actual work of the excellent City Schools, as a supplement to the lectures of the Principal.

Board may be obtained at reduced rates both in the city and on Sullivan's Island, and may be engaged in advance of the meeting of the Institute by applying to the Secretary.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

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The closing session of the conference of Charities was held here Wednesday night. The conference has held its twelfth annual session here during the past two weeks and it has brought together many distinguished philanthropists and specialists. Its meeting on the management of prisons was attended by President Cleveland and it was remarked that this was the first time he had attended any public gathering, church excepted, since he came to Washington. The assistant Secretary of the Treasury, Fairchild, had an address before the conference strongly urging the establishment of postal savings banks. He drew from his experience of four years in the district attorney's office at New York—the terrible tale of suffering which followed the whole sale closing of private savings banks, and declared it to be his belief that it was impossible for state or national governments to so supervise private savings banks as to insure safety to depositors.

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AN ORDINANCE.

Entitled "An Ordinance to Classify the Inhabitants of Town of Sumter, liable to Street, Road or other Public Duty, and to provide for the Collection of the Same."

Be it ordained by the Intendant and Wardens of Town of Sumter in Council assembled and by authority of the same: SEC. I.—That all male persons between the ages of eighteen and fifty years, residing within the public streets of the Town of Sumter, excepting such persons as may hereinafter be exempted, are declared to be liable to street, road or other public duty, therein stated, and required to perform the same yearly upon the public streets of said Town, under supervision of the Chief of Police of said Town, as he may be directed from time to time by the Town Council, at the expense of said Town, and without compensation therefor.

SEC. II.—That the Intendant and Wardens, Clerk and Treasurer, Police men and the regular employees of said Town, Ministers of the Gospel, Teachers of Public Schools, and all other members of Fire Engines and Hook and Ladder Companies, that are working under an organization, are hereby declared exempt from street duty, and all other persons within the ages above stated, are declared to be exempt from street duty, except those who are required to report themselves in person, without delay to the Clerk and Treasurer for enrollment.

SEC. III.—That any person liable to work on the public streets of Town of Sumter, may, instead of said Street Duty, pay the sum of one and 50-100 dollars to the Clerk and Treasurer, as a commutation tax, and his certificate of payment of same, shall be taken as proof of exemption from such Street Duty, for one year ending 30th April, A. D. 1886.

SEC. IV.—That all persons liable to street duty, who refuse or fail to report for enrollment, or who refuse or fail to perform street duty, or to pay such commutation tax, as is required, charged with such refusal of failure, shall be arrested and brought before the Intendant of Town of Sumter for trial, for such refusal or failure, and upon conviction thereof, shall be liable to a fine of five dollars, or imprisonment in the Town Guard House for a term of ten days or both in the discretion of the Intendant.

Done and ratified in Council assembled and under the Corporate Seal of the Town of Sumter, this eighth day of May, A. D. 1885.

[L. S.] MARION MOISE, Intendant.

C. M. HENRY, Clerk & Treasurer.

AN ORDINANCE.

Entitled "An Ordinance to prohibit the Carrying of Concealed Weapons." Be it ordained by the Intendant and Wardens of the Town of Sumter in Council assembled and by authority of the same: SECTION I.—That from and after the passage of this Ordinance, it shall be unlawful for any person to have and carry upon his or her person any concealed weapon—bowie knife, sword cane, dirk, razor, pistol, revolver or fire arms of any description whatever, within the corporate limits of the Town of Sumter, South Carolina, and upon conviction thereof, shall be liable to a fine of five dollars, or imprisonment in the Town Guard House for a term of ten days or both in the discretion of the Intendant, besides forfeiture of the weapon to the town. Provided, that nothing herein contained, shall apply to any policeman, or other officer in the discharge of any duty as required by law.

SEC. II.—That this Ordinance shall go into immediate effect, and all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances not in accordance herewith are repealed.

Done and ratified in Town Council assembled this 15th day of May, A. D. 1885. [L. S.] MARION MOISE, Intendant.

AN ORDINANCE.

Entitled "An Ordinance, to Require all owners of property in Town of Sumter, liable to taxation to make return of their property under oath to the Clerk and Treasurer, and for the purpose of assessing the same." Be it ordained by the Intendant and Wardens of the Town of Sumter, in Council assembled and by authority of the same: SECTION I.—That in conformity with authority by Act of Legislature app'd, Dec. 24th, 1883, all persons liable to taxation in the Town of Sumter, shall during the month of June of each year, make return of their property under oath, to the Clerk and Treasurer of said Town, upon a form prescribed by the Town Council, and shall also state the kind and number of vehicles kept for hire or profit, and shall render the correct number of dogs kept on premises, occupied by the taxpayer or owner, the proprietor of premises being required to return all dogs kept thereon, with such other information as may be required, which Return shall conform to the rules that apply to Returns made in other parts of the State, and be filed in the Office of the Clerk and Treasurer, for the purpose of taxation for one year, from 1st October, 1885.

SEC. II.—That in case of failure or refusal by any person to make returns as required, or to make proper returns as to valuation, &c., or to make returns as to failure or refusal, may be required to appear before the Town Council of "Town of Sumter," to answer under oath, concerning his, her or their property, liable to taxation, held as owner or otherwise, and shall also state the kind and number of vehicles kept for hire or profit, and shall render the correct number of dogs kept on premises, occupied by the taxpayer or owner, the proprietor of premises being required to return all dogs kept thereon, with such other information as may be required, which Return shall conform to the rules that apply to Returns made in other parts of the State, and be filed in the Office of the Clerk and Treasurer, for the purpose of taxation for one year, from 1st October, 1885.

SEC. III.—That in case of failure or refusal by any person, liable to taxation, to make returns within the time above mentioned, or to appear and answer, concerning his, her or their property, liable to taxation, held as owner or otherwise, and shall also state the kind and number of vehicles kept for hire or profit, and shall render the correct number of dogs kept on premises, occupied by the taxpayer or owner, the proprietor of premises being required to return all dogs kept thereon, with such other information as may be required, which Return shall conform to the rules that apply to Returns made in other parts of the State, and be filed in the Office of the Clerk and Treasurer, for the purpose of taxation for one year, from 1st October, 1885.

SEC. IV.—That a Board of Assessors to consist of five citizens of Town of Sumter, shall be elected by Town Council, whose duty it shall be to meet within ten days after 30th day of next, to assess the Returns made to the Clerk and Treasurer, and assess at its true value all property Real and Personal; that the right of appeal shall exist from the action of said Board of Assessors, to the Town Council, provided such appeal be made in writing and filed with the Clerk and Treasurer, within ten days after notice of any change in any Returns made in pursuance of this Ordinance. Compensation of members of said Board of Assessors, to be fixed at Two Dollars per day.

SEC. V.—That all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances, contrary to this Ordinance, are hereby repealed.

Done and ratified in Council assembled and under the Corporate Seal of the Town of Sumter the 15th day of May, A. D. 1885.

[L. S.] MARION MOISE, Intendant.

C. M. HENRY, Clerk & Treasurer.

REAL ESTATE AGENCY.

The undersigned having made arrangements for the printing of several thousand pamphlets descriptive of the physical and mental characteristics of the States of the South, and desiring to sell the same, in the country, to parties desirous of purchasing, he offers the same, at a low price, and is anxious to dispose of real estate, may be so to great advantage, by calling on us at our respective offices, at the following places: J. H. BOWMAN, Agent, Sumter, S. C. D. B. ADAMS, Agent, Charleston, S. C. J. H. BOWMAN, Agent, Sumter, S. C.

ATTENTION S. L. I.

IF YOU ARE HEREBY OBLIGED to assemble in front of the Post Office, without arms, EVERY MONDAY AFTERNOON, at 7 o'clock, for drill. By order D. J. WILSON, Captain. J. H. CHANDLER, 1st Sergt. June 9.

EXAMINATION OF TEACHERS.

Office of School Commissioner, SUMMER, S. C., June 13, 1885. THE SECOND REGULAR EXAMINATION of applicants for certificates to teach in the public schools of this County, will be held at this office on THURSDAY and FRIDAY, JULY 21 and 22, 1885. All applicants for certificates for white applicants, Friday exclusively for colored applicants. No other examination can be held during present year.

By order of Board of Examiners, J. DIGGS WILDER, School Commissioner. June 15.

NOTICE.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of the Sumter Agricultural Association will meet in Music Hall, Town of Sumter on SEPTEMBER 21, inst., at 11 o'clock. A full attendance of members is earnestly requested. By order of JOHN H. FURMAN, June 16 President.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.

WE HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that the partnership heretofore existing between us under the firm name of Trainer, Wire & Co., has this day been dissolved by the expiration of the time for which it was contracted. DAVID E. TRAINER, C. N. WIRE, JESSE LUKENS, ISRAEL REIFSNYDER. June 12-31.

SUMTER BARBER SHOP.

REMOVAL. THE UNDERSIGNED informs his customers and the public generally that he has removed his Barber Shop to the room UP STAIRS OVER THE STORE OF DUCKER & BULTMAN, where he solicits a continuance of patronage.

GOOD NEWS FROM CHARLESTON!

McLOY, RICE & CO., OFFER FOR THE Summer Months THE FOLLOWING UNPRECEDENTED BARGAINS:

- 100 Beautiful White Lawn Suits from \$3.40. 1,000 Ice Blankets, single 25 cents, double 50 cents. 100 Dozen Men's Silk Clocked 1/2 Hose, 25 cents, worth 50 cents. 500 Dozen Misses Fancy Clocked Hose, 15 cents, worth 30 cents. 2 Cases White Marseilles Quilts, \$1, worth \$1.50. 150 Dozen Huckaback Towels, \$3 per dozen, worth \$4. 200 Dozen Unlaundried Shirts, all sizes, 50 cents—pronounced by The Working Man, "The Best Shirt in America for 50 cents."

Condensed Masters Sales.

The following Master's Sales for July 6th not being officially published in this paper are given in condensed form, for the information of our readers. Wm. H. Clark, et al, Plaintiffs, vs. Elijah L. Sherwood, et al, Defendants.

"That lot of Land with the dwelling house and other improvements thereon, situate and being in the town of Sumter, in the County of Sumter, and State of South Carolina, containing one acre, more or less, bounded on the North by lands now or formerly occupied by T. J. Coghlan; East, by Harvin street of said Town; South, by Canal street of said town, and West, by lands owned or occupied by E. C. Green, Jr., and Charles M. Hurst, Jr."

Terms of Sale—One-half cash, the balance on a credit of six months from the day of sale. The time portions to be secured by the bond of the purchaser and a mortgage of the premises sold, and the purchaser to insure the dwelling house on said premises, for an amount at least in the sum of such credit portion, and assign the policy of insurance to the Master, to secure said bond. The purchaser to have the option to pay all cash. The purchaser to pay for all necessary papers and for recording mortgage.

Kelia J. Carson, Plaintiff, vs. Mary Ann Oxendine, James Oxendine, Catherine Benenahley, Martha Jane Oxendine, Annelle Oxendine, Annie Oxendine and Others, Defendants.

All of that parcel of land in the said County and State, containing Fifty-Three (53) Acres, more or less, bounded partly on Long Branch, and by lands of Dr. J. C. Spann, John N. Frieron and by lands conveyed to Nelsa Benenahley by Thomas Benenahley, and represented by a plat annexed to the deed executed by said Thomas Benenahley, to Charles Oxendine, and made and certified by James P. McIlwain, Deputy Surveyor.

Terms of Sale—Cash. Purchaser to pay for necessary papers.

"MONEY MADE!" Buy the "STITCHING" Sewing Machine. Price \$20.00. Sent free of postage on receipt of \$10.00. Sample Copies, 50 cents each.

"SOUTHERN BIVOUAC," B. F. Avery & Sons, Louisville, Ky. OPIUM. JOSEPH KNOWLES, Proprietor of the "SOUTHERN BIVOUAC," has for sale the following goods, to be had without payment, 3000 Yds of the best quality of the "SOUTHERN BIVOUAC" OPIUM. Sent free of postage on receipt of \$1.00. Sample Copies, 50 cents each.

Special Notice.

CITIZENS of Town of Sumter, are requested not to PASTURE CATTLE or animals of any kind on the public streets or lots within the corporate limits. On and after 15th instant, all Cattle, Horses or other Stock of every kind, found grazing on streets or public lots, whether in charge of an attendant or not, will be taken up and held at expense of owner.

By order of Council. C. M. HENRY, Clerk and Treas. June 9.

ATKINS' MILLS, Mayesville, S. C.

THE UNDERSIGNED will have his WHEAT MILL in operation by the 20th of May. It is one of STRAUB'S QUEEN'S OF THE SOUTH, and has FRENCH BURR STONES of the finest quality.

His FEED MILL is in splendid condition. It turns out the best feed, directly from the unshucked ear, through grinding and mixing the shuck, corn and cob, and thereby adding at least 25 per cent. to the feeding value of the corn.

O'CONNOR'S BAKERY BOOMING.

The undersigned informs his friends and patrons that he has RE-OPENED HIS BAKERY, and is now located in the STORE ADJOINING B. J. BARNETT'S, where he will keep a FULL and COMPLETE ASSORTMENT of every article to be found in a FRESH CLASS BAKERY. He will make a specialty of FRUITS, CONFECTIONERY and FANCY GROCERIES. He is in daily receipt of fresh goods. A continuance of past favors is respectfully solicited and satisfaction guaranteed. F. J. O'CONNOR. April 14.

CHINA GIVEN AWAY FREE.

DUCKER & BULTMAN. Pieces that cannot be bought for less than 75 cents at any Crockery Store. Worth 60 cents each. You can get them now without any cost.

USEFUL PRESENTS GIVEN AWAY!

Beautiful imported hand-painted Dresden China Plates, Cups and Saucers, Majolica Pitchers, Plates and Pickle Dishes, with each pound can Gem Chinaware Baking Powder! Each piece of Chinaware is worth all you have to pay for this Celebrated and Well Known Brand of Baking Powder. Take a half dozen cans and secure a complete set of plates or cups and saucers, at once.

DUCKER & BULTMAN.

AN ASSORTMENT OF PICTURE FRAMES.

Photographic Gallery, Photographs of Children a Specialty. G. H. LEWIS, Photographer. Dec 9.

The Latest!

FRESH ARRIVALS. LOWEST PRICES. STOCK REPLENISHED DAILY.

Since announcing the arrival of my SPRING AND SUMMER STOCK, I have been daily receiving New Goods of the Latest Styles, which are being displayed at Prices Lower than in the Early Spring.

Call and See The Prettiest Goods OF THE SEASON.

A. A. SOLOMONS.

May 26. J. B. CARR, NEXT DOOR NORTH OF MONAGHAN'S, Main Street, Sumter, S. C. OFFERS A CHOICE STOCK, EMBRACING DRY GOODS AND GROCERIES, BOOTS AND SHOES, NOTIONS, CANNED GOODS, TIN-WARE, WOODEN-WARE, &c., &c., &c.

All of which will be sold at the same low prices, that have made this store popular with cash buyers. The patronage of the public is invited. J. B. CARR.

D. J. WINN, DEALER IN.

Clothing, Piece Goods, Hats, Gloves and Gents' Furnishing Goods and Underwear, Main Street, Sumter, S. C. SEWING MACHINES.

I am selling the CELEBRATED WEBB SEWING MACHINES as follows: Plain Table, 1 Drawer and Cover, \$20 Cash. \$22, One-half Cash, balance October 1st. Drop-leaf, 2 Drawers and Cover, \$23 Cash. \$25, One-half Cash, balance October 1st.

THE IMPROVED LONG ARM HARTFORD, the Best Sewing Machine ever yet offered, at equally reduced rates and liberal terms. All our machines are warranted in every respect and satisfaction guaranteed in every purchase.

Having no agents canvassing the country at heavy expense, consequently we can save you from ten to fifteen dollars by purchasing from us. We have our usual Stock of CLOTHING, GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS, HATS, NECK WEAR AND PIECE GOODS, and will be pleased at all times to serve our friends and the public generally. May 19, 1885. D. J. WINN.