The Watchman and Southron.

TUESDAY, JUNE 23.

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EXAMINE YOUR DATES.

We request each of our subscribers to examine the address on his paper, and particularly to observe the date upon it. This date shows the time up to which the paper has been paid for. Many of our subscribers will see that they have paid in advance; but there are many others who will discover that they have not.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Ordinances Town of Sumter—C. M. Hurst, Clerk.

Notice to Creditors of Bellemonte Factory—D. J. Winn, Treasurer.

Estates of Jas. S. G. and Guignard Richardson—Marion Moise, Administrator.

Personal.

Mr. Coghlan is still sick at home.

Misses Annie and Rosine Jennings are visiting in town.

J. F. Rhame, Esq., of Manning, was in town yesterday.

Mr. C. M. Stedman of Wilmington, was in town yesterday.

Mrs. Dr. Garner, of Darlington, is visiting relatives in Sumter.

Miss Minnie DeLorme, of Mars Bluff, is visiting Mr. T. M. DeLorme's family.

Miss Minnie Wilson of Mayesville, was visiting friends in Sumter last week.

Col. T. V. Walsh informs us that Hon. J. T. Walsh was taken quite ill last week.

Misses Mamie and Madge McLaurin, of Wedgefield attended the Commencement.

Col. Blanding has been suffering considerably lately from malaria. Mrs. Blanding is also unwell.

Mr. J. M. Earle of Darlington, has been spending a few days with Col. J. H. Earle's family.

Rev. H. F. Chreitzberg preached at 6 o'clock last Sunday afternoon. There was no service at night.

Capt. L. L. Fraser, Sr., of Mechanicsville, was in town last week in attendance upon the Institute Commencement.

Rev. Thos. Needham, known to so many of our readers, will be married the 30th June to Miss Virginia Lee Montgomery, of Richmond Virginia.

A card from Dr. A. L. Blanding lying before us tells us that he is doing remarkably well in Kentucky. He says he is kept busy all the time.

Miss A. A. Muldrow, of Darlington, and Miss Bettie Kennedy, of Cambridge, Ala. are spending some days with Mr. W. J. Anderson's family.

Our friend, Mr. B. R. Nash, returned home last Saturday quite unwell. We were glad to have the light of his countenance in our office this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Phillips passed through Sumter yesterday on their way to Columbia to attend the commencement exercises of the Female College this week.

Messrs. J. H. and H. C. DeSchamps, sons of Maj. DeSchamps, and Messrs. Baskins and Kilgo of Bishopville and Mechanicsville, respectively, are home from Wofford.

Mr. Leo White returned home last week from Davidson College with his father and brother whom we mentioned as having gone to Davidson to attend the commencement.

Bishop Northrop and Father Quigley of Charleston and Father Monaghan of Greenville were in Town in attendance upon the Commencement Exercises of St. Joseph's Academy.

J. R. Keels, Esq. has located in one of Col. J. H. Earle's offices and is ready and willing to see half dozen clients each day. Mr. Keels has both grit and sense, and we feel confident of his success.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Lowry, of Charleston, are visiting in Sumter this week. Mr. Lowry is representing the firm of Messrs. Lucas & Richardson of Charleston, who are now getting up advertisements for their Annual for 1886.

Rev. H. F. Chreitzberg tells us that he has received a card from Rev. Sam Jones who says he cannot visit Sumter this year. This notice will be a great disappointment to many who desire to hear this remarkable man.

We see from the Charleston shipping news that Misses Dwight, Delano and Ewell, teachers at the Sumter Institute, and Misses L. R. and Bettie Thomas, boarders, were passengers on the *City of Atlanta*, which sailed for New York on Saturday.

Mr. J. S. Keayes, with his daughter, Miss Mary Ellen, and Mrs. J. P. Ard, left for New York last week because of the dangerous illness of Mrs. Stahl, Mr. Keayes' sister. They reached there, however, too late, Mrs. S. having died the day previous.

Don't forget the Lecture Thursday evening. Gen. Moise never fails to interest and instruct.

The music Thursday evening, in the Music Hall, will be a pleasant feature of the occasion.

Dr. Crane, of Cooterboro, lost his dwelling and most of its contents by fire, on the night of the 12th instant.

Dr. Pringle's family is still deeply afflicted. He has two children very low, while the Doctor himself is quite ill.

The new barber shop (J. S. Nettles) over Ducker & Bultman is in the best of order. If you need a barber go to Nettles'.

The Library Association receive all the proceeds of the lecture Thursday evening. Let every one who can attend.

Jailer Drayton tells us that he has 11 prisoners in jail, four of whom are United States prisoners, arrested for illicit whiskey selling.

There were a number of fine paintings decorating the rooms at the Institute Commencement, and those by Miss Boucher China were remarkably good.

The street working brigade are hard at work cleaning the streets, and if they complete the job, Sumter will look much neater thereby. Some of the side streets are as grassy as the crops of some of our correspondents.

The young folks had a pleasant dance last Wednesday night at the Jervey House after the Commencement exercises at the Institute were over. And last night another dance was enjoyed at the Music Hall after the Distribution closed.

The Council have put most of the lamp posts on Main and Liberty streets, except those in the business part of town, in the middle of the street, thereby making them do double duty. We are inclined to think it a good plan, but will not come to a final decision until we find out how they and the runaway teams get along.

Cadet Andrews, the colored cadet, who is among the successful candidates for admission to West Point, is a native of Sumter County and a brother of W. S. Andrews, colored, who was at one time a member of the House of Representatives of this State. He is 19 years old, is a well-built colored lad and was appointed by Congressman Smalls.—*News and Courier.*

Cadet W. T. Andrews is the *nephew* of W. J. Andrews, who was at one time a member of the Legislature from Sumter County.

SUMTER INSTITUTE.

Programme of the 15th Annual Commencement.

Opening March.
Vocal Chorus—Boat Song, Weil.
Salutatory—Miss Annie LaFar.
Ins. Solo—Silver Bells, Pape—Miss Katie McKinnon.
Duo Piano and Organ—Last Greeting, Schubert—Misses Carson and Cooper.
Ins. Quartette—"Jolly Blacksmiths," Jean Paul—Misses Barron, Tolar, Walsh and Brogdon.
Ins. Duet—Girofle, Girofla, Blake—Misses Thomas.
Ins. Quartette—Jennesse Doree, Sydney Smith—Misses Wilson, Atkins, McKagen and Edmunds.
Ins. Solo—Qui Vive Galop, Ganz—Miss Annie Carson.
Duo Piano and Organ—Casta Diva, Bellini—Misses Bates and McKinnon.
Ins. Solo—Tourbillon, Goldbeck—Miss Mamie Fraser.
Ins. Duett—Il Trovatore, Claude Melnotte—Misses McCutchen.
Ins. Quartette—Galop Chromatique, Franz Liszt—Misses Pierson, China, McCutchen and McKinnon.
Vocal Solo—Yes or No, Kunkel—Miss Laura Thomas.
Introduction of Orator—Rev. N. W. Edmunds.
Address—Mr. W. C. Benet.
Delivery of Diplomas—Judge Fraser.
Valedictory—Miss Irene McCutchen.
Report of Committee—Rev. W. S. Bean.
Chorus—By the Graduating Class.

The entertainment throughout was very interesting, but of course Mr. Benet's address was the main feature of the evening. He commenced his speech by wittily contrasting the difference between an address before a graduating class of boys and one of girls. The "American Women" was the subject, and whether in the busy North, the sunny South, or the wide West, the speaker asserted that she was the proper study of mankind.

When America declared her independence of Britain, it was not only independence in politics but also in manners, customs and literature; and the American Woman bore a large share in this rebellion. With no example before her, no well defined path in which to walk, she, guided by her womanly instincts formulated a type, fresh, original, not always in accord with old-fashioned rules of propriety, but always attractive—the true American woman. But alas! America invented "Woman's Rights," but most surely these brawling, would-be leaders do not represent the sentiment of the mass of American Women to be found among the devoted wives, self-sacrificing sisters and loving mothers.

Female education is now a prominent part of our domestic policy. Unlike times not long passed, it is not thought sufficient that women should only know how to praise God, to knit, to sew, and to love their husbands; nor is it believed that love seldom haunts the breast where learning lies, but on the contrary female education is a popular slogan. Old-fashioned ideas are changed, and woman now can be learned without being pedantic. In literature, she has, in many departments proven man's superior, and the American Woman has done much to bring about this change.

The speaker made a vigorous assault upon the co-education of the sexes. He regarded it as a calamity and did not believe the true women of the country approved of so pernicious a habit. He believed it to be wrong in theory and practice, and an injury to both mind and body.

The realization of Woman's Rights as defined by the prominent advocates of that ism was so far away in the dim future as to hardly merit discussion, but there were rights which woman *should* claim. Her life, her time, her love, her work should be assessed at their real value, and payment in full cordially rendered. Married women, in this country at least, give up a right which should always be claimed by her—the right to lead in society. In France, marriage opens the door to society, in America it closes it. This should not be.

The speaker strongly opposed any criticisms upon the habits and customs of society whenever endorsed by woman, because in that domain she is infallible and should reign unchecked.

The address was a decided success, and excepting that portion criticising the pulpit and press, most warmly received.

The report of the examining committee was most flattering to the Institute, and the commencement exercises closed with convincing proof that this flourishing institution of learning was rapidly growing in usefulness and popularity.

Misses Clem China, Florida Cooper, Annie Flowers, Annie LaFar, Irene McCutchen, Melle McCutchen and Manette McCutchen were the graduates. Misses Annie LaFar and Irene McCutchen were chosen to represent the class in the Salutatory and Valedictory addresses and each acquitted herself charmingly. The enormous quantities of bouquets were one especial feature of the evening, and it looked at times as if the entire class would be hidden behind the breastwork of flowers that was being steadily built up in front of the graduates. Capt. Auld who was master of ceremonies in announcing the programme, promised to keep count for us but he exhausted his arithmetic and had to give it up. There were something under 10,000.

Calisthenics.

The Calisthenics exhibition at the Sumter Institute last Tuesday evening was greatly enjoyed by the audience. There were four classes, and one scarcely knew which most to admire; however, we believe that the third class went through their many and complicated maneuvers with greater regularity than the others, though where all did so well it is difficult to make a choice. The fourth and last class presented a charming appearance. But after all, the little girls in the first and second classes deserve most credit, for without having the training the older classes had, they showed almost equal proficiency.

The Weather.

	6 A.M.	12 M.	6 P.M.	
June 15—	76	93	87	Clear.
June 16—	76	95	90	Clear.
June 17—	76	86	77	Cloudy with rain.
June 18—	72	82	78	Cloudy.
June 19—	63	87	81	Clear.
June 20—	65	89	82	Clear.
June 21—	66	92	87	Clear.

Married.

Sunday morning, 21st instant by Rev. C. C. Brown, Mr. W. C. Ivy, proprietor of the *Mountain Banner*, of Rutherfordton, N. C., to Miss Bertell Brunson of Sumter. Our best wishes go with our young friends to their North Carolina home, and we bespeak for the fair young bride a cordial welcome to the hospitable homes and hearts of the good people of Rutherfordton.

Deaths.

Mr. J. P. Hurst, youngest son of Mr. S. F. Hurst of Sumter, died Tuesday, 16th inst.

Mr. Jackson Bramlett, of Manville, died the 17th instant, in the 74th year of his age.

Mrs. J. H. Fowler, sister of Mr. Willis Brown was buried yesterday in Manning. She leaves a husband and five children.

A Curiosity.

An ear of corn, which is seven ears, all in one shuck and united at the base, was grown in Mrs. B. A. Brunson's garden this Spring. It is a genuine curiosity.

Cotton Blooms.

Mr. R. F. Hoyt yesterday morning brought us the first cotton bloom of the season. It came from Legrand Davis's. Mr. Hoyt says he saw a large number of blooms in the field.

Mr. Scriven Davis brought us two blooms picked Saturday from the field of his father, Mr. Spencer Davis, of Zoar.

Mr. R. P. Monaghan says he had quite a number of blooms a week ago.

St. Joseph's Academy.

The exercises at St. Joseph's yesterday evening were of the usually interesting character. The rooms which were prettily decorated with the handiwork of the pupils, were densely crowded by an admiring audience.

The Salutatory was delivered by Miss Mamie McGraw. We suppose that it is somewhat difficult to write an original Salutatory, as there is a well defined path which is followed by those who attempt one, but Miss McGraw strayed outside the beaten path to some extent, and treated the listening audience to a well written and exceedingly well delivered essay. We must especially compliment her delivery. Clear, distinct and deliberate, not a word was lost. This was followed by a welcome song by the entire school, which gave evidence of much practice. The perfect time was remarkable. We cannot pretend to give even a brief mention of the music which followed. Solos, Duos, Trios, Quartetts, &c., both instrumental and vocal, filled the rooms with melody. The Misses Monaghan, Stehle, McGraw, Collins, Levi and others whose names we cannot recall have the sweetest of voices, and showed remarkable proficiency upon the piano. The musical part of the entertainment closed with a Cantata in which the whole school participated. Miss Nona Collins as the Queen of Fairies and Miss Sallie Levi as Queen of Flowers were very lovely. The closing tableau was considered by the audience as the most attractive feature of the evening.

Miss Pamella Collins delivered the Valedictory. We regretted not being near enough to hear it, for the lovely essayist doubtless did credit to her mind as well as heart in its composition.

The usual prizes and honors were distributed. The two graduates recieved each a gold medal, while honors were awarded all the scholars except two or three whose terms at school were too short to admit of distinction.

Bishop Northrop in a few words of pleasantry dismissed the audience. He said he was no speaker and therefore could not make a speech, was no orator and could not make an oration, was only a preacher and was quite sure that the audience did not wish to hear a sermon. He might have made a little talk but Miss Collins had taken the only idea he had intended amplifying, and that was the necessity of combining science and religion, in educating the young. Give both head and heart their proper training if we wish successful results. He thanked the Sisters for preparing so delightful a feast, and the girls for serving it so well, congratulated them upon having such faithful teachers, and congratulated the teachers upon pupils who have so completely done their duty, that they, with a few exceptions were crowned with wreaths of victory.

Father Monaghan called out the program, Bishop Northrop delivered the prizes and honors. Fathers McNeil and Quigley were in attendance.

Suicide and Inquest.

Mack Evans, colored, who lived a mile beyond Blanding's Mill, committed suicide by hanging himself last Wednesday night. He has been partially demented for more than a year, and his family became alarmed at his absence Wednesday night and organized a searching party which soon found him hanging to a dog-wood tree about 100 yards in the rear of the house. The Inquest brought out no facts tending to implicate any one, and the jury found a verdict of suicide by hanging. The deceased was very industrious when in health, and had accumulated some property, having a home and small tract of land unencumbered. He leaves a wife but no children.

This is a Fact.

Gen. E. W. Moise will deliver his Lecture on his Western trip next Thursday evening, in the Music Hall. There will positively be no postponement. Music will be furnished by the ladies. Admission 25 cents.

Meeting of the Ex. Committee of the Farmers' Association.

We regret an error in the advertisement of the meeting published last week. It should have been Saturday, 27th instant. We hope our correction will reach all in time to enable them to attend.

The Smithville Excursion.

The trip to Smithville, N. C., on the 1st bids fair to be very successful. Quite a large number of tickets have been engaged. Arrangements have been made for board at from $7 to $10 per week. The price of tickets for the round trip is only $3.50, good to return any time in 10 days. Every one who is able should go and get ten days of delightful sea breeze, fishing and bathing.

Too Late.

Several of our correspondents this week were just in time to be too late, not having been received until we were full, and their favors are necessarily postponed till next week. The present mail arrangement is responsible for much of these delays. One letter we received this morning was postmarked at Rembert, Saturday, 20th inst, and we got it at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Portraits.

Mr. W. C. Kops of the well known Photo Copying House of Tallman & Co., Auburn, N. Y., is in Town for a few days and can be found at the Jervey House. Those of our citizens who are in need of fine work in India Ink, Water Colors, Crayon, Pastel, Porcelain and Oil Paintings are now afforded an excellent opportunity for procuring the same. Tallman & Co. have no superiors in their line of business and their work is guaranteed to give satisfaction. Their specialty consists in life-sized portraits in any of the above work, made from all kinds of small pictures and their prices will be found much lower than those of many houses furnishing inferior work. Mr. Kops will call upon our citizens soliciting work in his line and will deliver the same himself in about three weeks after orders are given him. Judging from the reliability of this house and the character of the work they produce, we doubt not that he will meet with success.

Special.

"A penny saved is a penny earned," said Ben Franklin. But by subscribing to the *Columbia Weekly Register* you will save not a penny but a whole dollar a year. The *Weekly Register* is a fifty-six column paper, (eight pages,) chock full of the latest telegraphic news, well selected miscellany, correspondence from all parts of South Carolina, poetry full local news and legislative reports from the capital of your State. Its utterances are careful, honest and fearless, and always in the interest of the people. Beginning in July the *Weekly Register* will publish 100 Stories from the pens of the foremost American and European Novelists. Address and make all remittances payable to C. A. Calvo, Jr., Proprietor, Columbia, S. C. No postage stamps taken. Send P. O. order, check, or registered letter.

Dyspepsia Can be Cured.

There is perhaps no disease so prevalent as dyspepsia or indigestion, and one too, that up to the present time, has baffled the skill of the most eminent Physicians. Two-thirds of the chronic diseases have their origin in dyspepsia. The symptons are loss of appetite, loss of flesh, a feeling of fullness or weight in the stomach, occasionaly nausea and vomiting, acidity, flatulence, dull pain in the head, with a sensation of heaviness or giddiness, irregularity of bowels, low spirits, sleeplessness, sallow skin, derangement of kidneys, and not unfrequently palpitation of the heart. If you are suffering with any of these symptoms

DR. HOLT'S DYSPEPTIC ELIXIR
Will Cure you.

For sale by Dr. A. J. China. Physicians are invited to call and see formula.

Mayesville Items.

MAYESVILLE, S. C., June 22, 1885.

Mr. Editor: We are all peaceful and quiet. The tigers and coons have all gone to their holes; our baying hound has disappeared and I don't hear even a dog bark.

Mrs. Wilson, mother of Mrs. Dr. Hudson, died Saturday morning in Sumter and was buried at the Mayesville Cemetery yesterday (Sunday.) She was followed to her last resting place by a large number of friends and relatives.

Mr. Paisley's school closed last week, and he left on the 18th for his home at McLean's-ville, N. C. He has made many warm friends in Mayesville whose good wishes, if they could avail, would make his path through life all sunshine and flowers.

Mr. Joel E. Brunson and family have returned home, accompanied by Dr. J. A. Mayes.

Trade is brightening, and we all wear smiling faces. The prospect of a good crop has had a wonderfully cheering influence upon the people.

Mr. Editor, you must allow me space to say something of the Salem Mills, owned by Capt. J. E. Atkins here in Mayesville. They consist of Grist, Flour, Saw and Planing Mills. The flour Mills have a smut machine and the best of bolting cloths. There is also a corn crusher, Cotton Seed crusher, and a gang of bracket saws run by the same machinery. He runs two gins—sixty and seventy saws—and can turn out from 35 to 40 bales per day. His prices are low and his work is good, Capt. Atkins is also arranging for a rice pounder. Mr. J. C. McKinney has put up a fine set of elevators for the Mills, and they work well. Harvey McLeod is their competent and obliging manager. Harvey Fleming is Engineer, while Capt. Atkins bosses everything and keeps matters lively.

In regard to the question propounded to me, as to who Melchizedek was, I suppose I will have to acknowledge that I don't know. But I am not alone in this respect, for even the Doctors of Divinity are not agreed among themselves who this misterious person was. Some have thought that he was Shem, the son of Noah; others that he was the Son of God incarnate for a season; others that he was the Holy Spirit in a fleshly tabernacle; and yet others, that he was some eminently great and pious man, whom God had specially consecrated as King and Priest as a type of Jesus Christ. His geneology was not to be found in the Levitical roll and hence his descent could not be traced.

"Without father, without mother, without descent," &c., I think I am excusable for saying I don't know who Melchizedek was, for,

"Who shall decide, when Doctors disagree,
And soundest casuists doubt, like you and me."

All I can be sure about is, that he was not a "poor farmer;" but we hope all our readers will seek to copy after him, who was King of Righteousness and King of Peace.

DUGGAN.

Shiloh Items.

Rev. J. M. Pike preached the funeral of Mr. J. J. Rowland last Sunday, in the Methodist Church at Lynchburg, to the largest congregation that has perhaps ever assembled in that building.

Mrs. Mack Frierson died last week leaving a large family of children.

Mr. Byron Truluck lost his youngest child some days ago. Mr. T. M. Smith is very ill. There is a good deal of sickness in the neighborhood, and our young Doctor, McElveen, has his hands full.

Mr. A. M. Woods, mindful of the increasing amount of oats raised each year, purchased a full set of machinery for making oat meal and will be ready in a few days to turn out a first-class article of that nutritious diet.

Worthy of Attention.

This is the time of year that the farmers usually plant their stubble ground in peas, and to all such who have not already laid in a supply of Ash Element we advise them to write at once to Dr. F. L. Frost, of the Ashley Phosphate Company, Charleston.

The Ash Element, *as made* by the Ashley Co., is a complete mineral Fertilizer adapted to all crops. It is made of a *variety of only active and hearty* materials; and, considering its efficiency and low price, it is the most paying Fertilizer in the market,—whether used for present results on crops or for permanent improvement of the soil. Its use will abundantly benefit both you and your land.

The following will show how it is esteemed by some of their customers:

Judge R. H. Hardaway, Thomasville, Ga., writes: It would do you good to see the corn where I used the Ash Element and peas last year. It looks black, like that on canebrake land. I shall make corn enough on my little 15a. farm to last me three years.

Mr. E. N. Chisolm, Orangeburg Co., S. C., says: If I could gather all the peas from the field on which I applied your Ash Element (100 lbs. per a.,) they would pay me better than any crop I have. The growth is remarkable. I have never seen anything like it.

Very Remarkable Recovery.

Mr. Geo. V. Willing, of Manchester, Mich., writes: "My wife has been almost helpless for five years, so helpless that she could not turn over in bed alone. She used two Bottles of Electric Bitters, and is so much improved, that she is able now to do her own work."

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NOTICE.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of the Sumter Agricultural Association will meet in Music Hall, Town of Sumter on SATURDAY, 27 inst., at 11 o'clock. A full attendance of members is earnestly requested.

By order of JOHN H. FURMAN,
June 16 President.

Rafton Creek Items.

REMBERT'S, S. C., June 22, 1885.

Mr. Editor: Plenty of rain and flourishing crops. The outlook for farmers is good.

Oats are all harvested and will yield two-thirds of a crop.

The fruit yield promises to be abundant—better than for several years.

The prospect for watermelons is bright, potatoes also are good. (We are all right, Mr. Editor, in the eating line.)

Miss E. Sanders of Greenville, is visiting in this community, and our young men are glad to know that she will prolong her visit through the Summer.

Miss Mamie Young was in this neighborhood a few days ago.

Mr. Arthur G. Rembert of Laurinburg, N. C. High School is home.

The Game Cocks and Providence Base Ball Clubs played a match game last Saturday, resulting in a score of 21 to 30 in favor of the Game Cocks.

Miss Nellie Moore is quite ill with typhoid fever. RAFTON CREEK.

Items from the Fork.

FORK, June 23, 1885.

Mr. Editor: The Doctors in this section are very busy, for there are quantities of sickness. Dr. Pringle's family, especially, being sufferers.

After our refreshing showers, the grass in the crops seems to be more benefitted than the crop, and farmers are leaving the corn to *shoot* its way out, while they are conquering that in King Cotton.

The turkey division of Mr. J. S. Durant's poultry crop was visited some nights since by the foxes, which captured and carried off only thirty-two little turks and three old ones. I am sorry to hear of Mr. D's calamity, for some people mightily like turkey dinner after a preacher has been called in for a special purpose.

Misses Fleetwood and Louise Durant, of Marion, are paying Miss Annie Durant a visit—I hope a lengthy one, to allow our farmer boys to finish the work on their farms for some of them are already planning for a trip to Marion. "To the victors belong the spoils?"

I have heard of one cotton bloom in this section, and the worthy farmer who found it, says, before he could stop his blamed old mule he mashed it off. I think it's so.

Very truly, X.

Providence Items.

PROVIDENCE, June 16, 1885

Mr. Editor: Rev. Mr. Garriss was installed pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Tirzah last Sunday by Rev. Messrs. Gregg and Edmunds. Sumter and Wedgefield were well represented in the congregation. Mr. Garriss has fallen into good hands for Tirzah is a flourishing Church with a strong membership.

Crops are fine and the grass is about subdued. Hands are working well—better this year than usual. I have not heard of a single arrest being made for breach of contract, and they are very faithful to employers. So much for Democratic rule. But they will not give up their watch meetings. Sit up all night and sing and shout.

In your mention of crops through this neighborhood, you missed some of the best. Mr. C. H. Williamson has a hundred acre field which is magnificent. Messrs. Rembert, Dixon and Jenkins also have fine crops.

The fruit crop is pretty good.

Everything quiet and the weather sizzing hot. VOX.

WOMEN

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Clears the complexion, and makes the skin smooth. It does not blacken the teeth, cause headache, or produce constipation—*all other Iron medicines do.*

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Attorney at Law,
SUMTER, S. C.

AN ORDINANCE.

Entitled "An Ordinance to prevent prisoners Confined in Town Guard House, or Others, from Cutting, Breaking, Mutilating or Destroying the Doors, Windows or any part of Guard House or any Furniture therein and to Punish 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 from and after the publication of this Ordinance, it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, confined in Town Guard House or otherwise, to cut, break, or in any way mutilate or destroy, the doors, windows or other portions of the Guard House of Town of Sumter, from within or from without, whether for escape or otherwise, or to break or destroy any articles of furniture for use therein, and any person or persons, doing or attempting such cutting, breaking, mutilating or destroying, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be liable to a fine or imprisonment in Town Guard House at discretion of the Intendent for each and every offence.

SEC. II.—The Chief of Police, shall promptly report to the Intendant any and all violations of this Ordinance, and shall bring before him for immediate trial such person or persons as may be charged with any violation thereof.

Done and ratified in Town Council assembled, and under the corporate seal of Town of Sumter, this 2d day of June, A. D., 1885.

MARION MOISE,
[L. S.] Intendant.
C. M. HURST, Clerk & Treasurer.

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April 9

EXAMINATION OF TEACHERS.

Office of School Commissioner,

SUMTER, 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 2d and 3d, 1885.

Thursday exclusively 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,
June 16 School Commissioner.

IN STORE.

BEST TIMOTHY HAY.	LIME, (a fresh car load.)
MIXED OATS.	CEMENT.
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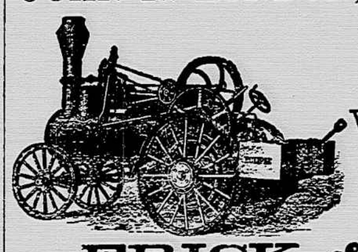

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April 7 x Sumter, S. C.

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 portion 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.

Kezia J. Carson, Plaintiff, vs. Mary Ann Oxendine, James Oxendine, Catherine Benenhaley, Martha Jane Oxendine, Camille 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. Frierson and by lands conveyed to Noah Benenhaley by Thomas Benenhaley, and represented by a plat annexed to the deed executed by said Thomas Benenhaley, to Charles Oxendine, and made and certified by James D. McIlwain, Deputy Surveyor."

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

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 other purposes."

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 "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 for that purpose, and shall thereon make full statement of all property, Real and Personal, owned by them, him or her, or in possession as Husband, Wife, Parent, Guardian, Trustee, Executor, Administrator, Agent or otherwise; shall also state business, profession or calling if engaged in any special business; shall 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 each tax-payer 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 County Auditor's Office, to be filed in 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., the person so failing or refusing, may be required to appear before the Town Council of "Town of Sumter," to answer under oath, concerning his, her or their property, liable for taxation, held as owner or otherwise, and as to all other matters required by Section I of this Ordinance, and said Town Council may correct all returns, and assess at its true value, all of such property liable to taxation.

SEC. III.—That in cases 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, and other matters above set forth, before said Town Council when summoned, as provided for in Section II of this Ordinance, the Clerk and Treasurer shall, as by said Act authorized, make out a return and assessment from the Books of the County Auditor for Sumter County, of the Real and Personal property of such person or owner or otherwise liable to taxation, and shall add thereto a penalty of twenty percentum for such failure or refusal, which penalty shall be collected with the taxes assessed.

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 June next, to equalize 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, is 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 18th day of May, A. D., 1885.

MARION MOISE,
[L. S.] Intendant.
C. M. HURST, Clerk & Treasurer.

LAND FOR SALE.

A CHOICE FARM of Seventy-five Acres about 3 miles North of Mayesville, adjoining lands of J. H. Wilson, G. H. Andrews and others. Apply to
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