#### SOUTHRON. WATCHMAN AND THE

# The Watchman and Southron.

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3.

The Sumter Watchman was founded in 1850 and the True Southron in 1866. The Watchman and Southron now has the combined circulation and influence of both of the old papers, and is manir festly the best advertising medium in Sumter. by intuition.

Important Announcement.

The Weekly News and Courier to be Furnished as a Supplement to this Paper.

Arrangements have been made with the News and Courier Company by which we will be able to supply the Weekly News and Courier from this office as a supplement to the Watchman and Southron, to all subscribers who pay cash in advance, at \$2.50 per year, which will be a saving of one dollar apon the price of the two papers. This offer embraces the News and

Courier weekly from January to January, and our friends should send in their subscriptions without delay to enjoy the full benefit of the arrangement.

Change of Publication Day.

In order to give our readers the benefit of the latest information in our supplement by sending it out promptly on all the sites around Sumter have been arrival, The Watchman and Southron will hereafter be published on Thursday this system of water works accurately instead of Tuesday.

### THE FARMERS' MEETING.

The Executive Committee of the Farmers' Organization have instructed Mr. H R Thomas to issue a call for a meeting of the Farmers on the second Saturday in February for the purpose of effecting a permanent organization in this County. The call can be found system of water works, if adopted, it is elsewhere.

The farmer as a part and parcel of our political party can never hope to legislate efficiently upon any problem which effects their material welfare as farmers as long as they are not united. As long as they are divided in sentiment on any great question, they will be sidering the small majority who decided

pondence on this subject between themselves and various parties in the United Mr. Editor : A list of the lands forfeited to the State has just been sent to me as Master States will show In how many different ways can the water supply be had in Sumter ? Three.

That being the case, it is the duty of the Council to find out which is the best and most economical system, and to secure, when in reality they may be sold any all those "horns" so popular a few weeks since adopt that and no other. But to do this, it takes time, as the necessary inislature, at the last session passed, I believe, given place to the sunrise horn which now formation on this subject does not come an Act directing the sale of all forfeited lands, breaks the stillness of the early morn with a

Forfeited Lands,

lose their lands who have no idea that their business in hand, though the ploughman's The first way in which a water suplands are put down as forfeited lands. ply may be had is by deepening our

I advise either that the list for Sumter wells, which are forty in number. County be published in your paper for the there is a lack of the bouyant hopefulness of While it is a known fact that in the information of our fellow-citizens, or that all other years, yet there appears to be a spirit of last four or five years the water level persons who have ever been behind in paying determination to grapple the situation and to

of Sumter has receded several feet, and ine the list sent to me. that generally the wells contain a very

limited supply of water, yet it is the opinion of many citizens that the wells Counties, that only one piece has been forcan be deepened and an abundance of Union and only seven in Lancaster, while, as water obtained. If they are mistaken have said, there are 276 in Sumter County. in this, it will be the first instance on

record in which human ingenuity has failed to penetrate the earth, and make

Matters to Think About. the water supply inexhaustible. The Mr. Editor : As nearly twelve months will

town is now advertising for bids for this revolve before the legislative branch of the State Government will again assemble, it may very purpose.

The second way of supplying Sumvonr readers to the following matters; but ter with water is by running it through yet they deserve serious consideration at all pipes from some point higher than times

Sumter. We do not think that this great lack of wisdom and of virtue-many plan is feasible, but only the opinion of rimes are often committed, while adequate a civil engineer, on this subject, after unishment is seldom meted out to the guilty party. Even when the malefactor is found surveyed and the cost of establishing guilty, and the penal law is executed upon him, as by sending him to the boarding figured upon, ought to be accepted at house near the pet canal, the intended or pretended punishment fails to chasten the wrong-

its full face value. The third way of supplying Sumter produce any restraint upon others whose turn with water is to have it pumped up will come to undergo similar chastisement.

by machinery into a reservoir. But this is not the only impediment in the way of reform. There is often great difficulty R. D. Woods & Co., of Philadelphia. and delay in proving the guilt of a criminal have offered to erect water works in o the satisfaction of a jury of his peers, and Sumter for the sum of twenty thousand dollars. The maintenance of their interests to hold sway. Moreover the cause

of the culprit seems mostly to be in the best said, will cost the citizens of the town of hands. All legal ingenuity and astuteness be did go from the country. of Sumter annually very near three are exhausted in his defence; so that the thousand dollars, which expense would necessitate the levy of 33 mills on all taxable property-within a quarter of that he may go back into the confidence and absorbed right smart moisture. Good moisa mill of being as much as we are now assessed by the town. Therefore conutterly incapable of accomplishing any- this question in favor of water works, against a plain statute has recently been com- We'll throw out the suggestion without

Letter from Guv. MT. CLIO, February 1, 1887.

The Christmas Jubilee is a thing of the The Executive Committee of the Farmers' for Sumter County. I find by this that there misty past. The hilarious sound of the fire are 276 parcels of land in Sumter County cracker and snap pistol is long since hushed

day to any one applying for them. The Leg- are silent and put aside (and inside) and have urday in February, [the 12th.] The repreand under that Act many persons will or may degree of regularity that portends serious large.

> merry whistle or blithesome song may not address the meeting.

sound consistent with the fact. Although their taxes shall come to my office and exam- "root hog or dic." It is to be hoped that the and Courier. Come up and subscribe. effect of last years disasters will be to teach

I find from the list sent me that no lands another valuable, needed and beneficial lesare forfeited in Abbeville, Chester or York son. It is "a dear school" but, it is said a certain class of scholars "will learn in no feited in Lexington County, only three in other." The merchants appear to be carrying on their customers with few eliminations. "back balance" attached, and there is apparently less of that feverish anxiety to hunt

the place where "dey teks leens." Rigid economy, judicious management,

constant, strict and devoted attention to our own business, will do more towards solving the agricultural problem than all the legislater's ink that can be expended on the subject. As regards that labor question we would hint that "hands" are plentiful enough, but be. Jerusalem ! what an amount of muscle is lost in this land of ours. Plenty of bands don't always signify plenty of labor, and that's just partly "what's the matter with Hannah "

Farmer and factor went for each other with soft gloves in the News and Courier of 19th. Those letters struck us as being written in good taste, with good sense and the proper doer into reformation ; nor does the example degree of suavity. That of "Fair play," the factor, has the ring of honest candor about it which struck others than ourselves, and we would like to and him just to- to look at him. He explains that cotton loses in weight | urday, the 12th of February, inst., to elect because it is "a vegetable production." We note, however, that he ignores a very sharp point in "Sumter's" letter in regard to the these last are sometimes inherently incompe- farmer who went down and had himself tent, or suffer their preindices or affections or weighed, and who "lost several pounds from his usual weight.' Now "Fair play" can scarcely claim that

the farmer was a "vegetable production" We have sometimes been to Charleston our-

guilty, by hook or crook, may escape condem- selves and can certify that it is not a dry town, nation, be purged of criminality and set free, at least we never went through any orying process." On the contrary we have sometimes bosom of society. What a glorious uncer- ture too. (Hit's a vegetable production) but tainty there often is in the law! Are our we don't think it would affect our weight not. Now, to a case in point: A crime affects the scales instead of the cotton.

### Call For Farmers' Meeting.

WEDGEFIELD, S. C., Feb. 2, 1887. To the Furmers of Sumter County :

Organization have instructed me to issue a forfeited. In looking over this list I feel sat- and a more deep and abiding interest is now call for a meeting of the Farmers for the purisfied, that either there are numerous mistakes taken in crackers and snaps of a very differ- pose of effecting a permanent organization in in the list, or there are persons now resting ent type and character. The fox hunter's this County. I therefore beg each club in in the security that their lands are all safe and horns and Christmas horns and - in fact the County to send a full delegation to a meeting to be held in Sumter on the second Sat-

> sentation from the Clubs will be one delegate Fellow-Citizens of Sumter and Adto every fifteen members and one delegate at

**REGISTERED BULL.** 

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not add one cent to your necessary expenses.

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SCHOOL BOOKS, MISCELLANEOUS Books, Blank Books, Copy Books, Memo-

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Photographic, Autograph and Scrap Albums

Playing Cards in variety and Marriage Certi-

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Jan. 20.

Der CODT.

The Hon. Jas E. Tindal will be invited to H. R. THOMAS.

Only S2.50 a year for the Watchman and BOOK, STATIONARY AND TOBACCO Southron and the Charleston Weekly News and Southron and the Charleston Weekly News and Courier. A series of excellent love stories Don't send abroad for books or any of these bave just been commenced in the Weekly News supplies you may require. Buy from me and I will seil to you as cheaply as you can pur-

chase anywhere in the United States. Help me in my old age and infirmity, and it shall THE MARKETS. SUMTER, S. C., Feb. 3, 1887. I am not striving to accumulate wealth but merely desire to provide a comfortable sup-

COTTON.-About 50 bales were sold dur-ing the week ending the 3d. The market port for myself and family. W. G. KENNEDY, closed firm. We quote: Ordinary 8; Good Ordinary 8; Low Middling 8<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; Mid-dling 8<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>; Good Middling 8<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Feb. 2, 1887.

COTTON .- Market closed steady. Sales 250 bales. Quotations are : Strict Low Middling 9; Middling 91 : Strict Middling 91.

**MEXICAN PENSIONS.** CAN GIVE FROM ORIGINAL DIS-

charge Roll of Company A, Palmetto Regiment, details of service necessary to draw Pensions under the late Act of Congress. J. D. BLANDING. Feb. 3. FOR SALE OR RENT.

BIBLES AND TESTAMENTS. A FINE ASSORTMENT OF BIBLES and Testaments, in large print at Sumter Book Store, kept by THE FARM OF THREE HUNDRED acres-half cleared, formerly occupied by F. L. Zemp, near Stateburg. Residence and

out buildings in good order. ICHABOD AND OTHER POEMS. F. L. ZEMP, JR., Apply to Feb. 1 Camden, S. C. FOR SALE AT THE SUMTER BOOK



SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SUM-SHERIFF'S SALES. A ter Agricultural Association is called to meet in the Court House in Sumter on Sat-**B**<sup>Y</sup> virtue of Sandry Executions, to me directed, will be sold at Samter C. H.,

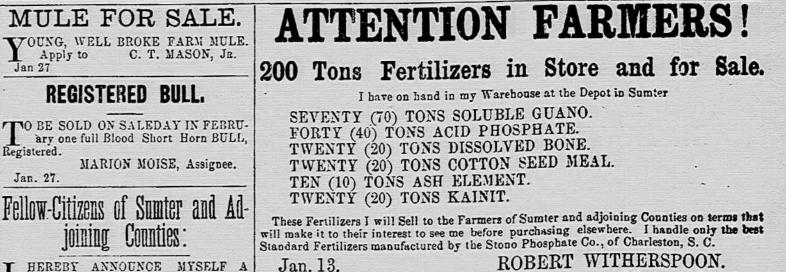
officers for this year. The Executive Committee will meet at 11 o'clock before the Association is called to order. By order of the President.

Feb. 1, '87. 2 Sec. and Treas. S. A. A. NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

CLERK & TREASURER'S OFFICE. SUMTER, S. C., Jan. 28, 1887.

DROPOSALS FOR DEEPENING THE Fire Wells of Town of Sumter are invited, and must be on file in this office by the





TO THE PUBLIC:

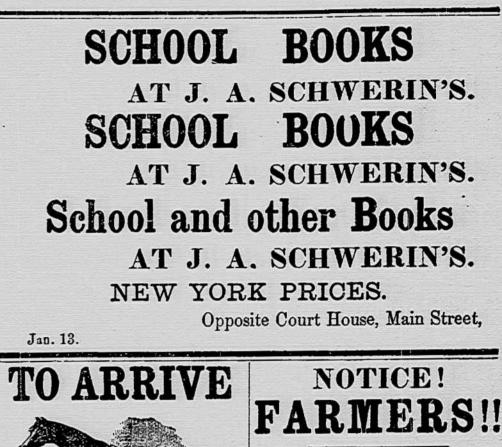
Office at A. White's.

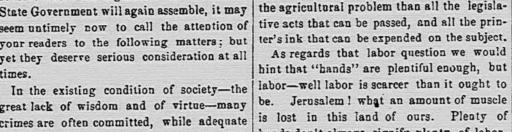
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SUMTER, S. C., Jan. 31, 1887.

Before this advertisement catches the eye of the Mule-buying public I have received another Car Load of Choice Broke Mules, which can be seen at the same old stand on February 2d. 1887.

## H. HARBY.





JOHN S. RICHARDSON.

thing but compromise legislation, and compromise legislation never yet settled any great question and never will. Unorganized public sentiment is in-

capable of doing anything either in County or State politics. A law which is simply the reflection of unorganized public sentiment is a poor orphan. No one will own it. No one will stand up to it. Farmers: here is your great drawback. In union there is strength-great strength. Then it is your business to develop and organize with that conviction in view. This can only be done by standing by the machinery of organization, and by working it for all that there is in it. The organization of the farmers is a very important one. It is a part of the machinery of the State Government. The new bill passed by the House provides that the Board of Agriculture shall consist of ten persons who shall be agriculturists, and which Board shall elect the of this State, and could go into court Commissioner of Agriculture, who likewise must be an agriculturist. Therefore the farmers are fast becoming a very important factor in our politics.

We have the utmost confidence in the good judgment and hard common sense of the farmers of Sumter County. The best element of our population is to be found among them. We know that when they have assembled in council for deliberation that they will rise to the dignity of their manhood, and class prejudices will be eliminated from their debates, and principles, which ought to live, will be the things discussed by that worthy body.

THE QUESTION OF WATER WORKS.

the order of the Town Council of Sumter a special election was held to ascertain whether a majority of the voters of the town of Sumter were in favor of issuing bonds to the amount of twenty thousand dollars for the purpose of creating a water supply and perfecting the fire department. The following question | than get his assistance. was voted upon :

"Shall the Town Council of Sumter be authorized to borrow Twenty Thousand Dollars (if so much be necessary) by an issue of the Bonds of said Town to that amount payable in twenty years, and to bear interest at the rate of six of creating a Water Supply, and perfecting the Fire Department of said Town ?" YES or NO.

the Council have not felt warranted in mitted, as I fully believe, but I might fail to establishing such an expensive system of works upon the tax-payers of the The case is one of unlawful cohabitation. The parties have been threatened with the "Law"

(?) but smile in your face. These wicked It is very questionable, even if Coun- ones reason thus: "I b'leve sich or sich a lawyer cin git me out of most any scrape. I cil were very anxious to issue bonds to am on short rations anyhow, and ef da care the amount of twenty thousand dollars me to Columbia I git plenty to eat, an work aint so hard. More dan dat, da can't keep for the purpose of having a water supme dare always. I be back some time." Now. ply, whether they would have the right Mr. Editor, when the laws of our land become a farce, and lose their protection and primitive effito do it. In the first place this quescacy, our civilization goes down. ARISTIDES.

The Teacher's Institute.

tion of issuing bonds for this purpose should have been voted upon exclusively by voters who are tax-pavers. Pursuant to a call of School Commissioner Voters, who have nothing, should not Wilder the Local Institute for the benefit of be entitled to a say on this question. This is equity. What right has A, Mayesville, S. C., Jan. 30, 1887. who does not own a dollar in the world. to vote for a levy of 33 mills tax upon

Rev. W. B. Williams. Mr. J. T. Wilder was elected Chairman, and L. S. McSwain was the property of B, who does not wish was requested as Secretary. to pay any such a tax. B would have On motion the order of exercises was good grounds for protesting against any such an infringement of his rights guaranteed to him in the Constitution

through. and ask to be protected. In view of all these facts, we are inby Mr. MacSwain, and Prof. Stokes. informed that Council has thought it advisible to make baste slowly before taking a decisive step in this matter,

sioner and the course pursued by them on the water question is approved of by some an outline of Busy Work for Primary Schools. The hour of adjournment having arrived of the largest tax payers of our town. be Institute was adjourned till two, P. M.

our Public Schools."

was tendered to the Baptist Church of Mayes-

On motion of Prof. Stokes, the thanks of

be Institute were offered to all, who, not

On motion the Institute adjourned sine die.

List of Jurors.

GRAND JERY

PETIT JURY.

J. T. WILDER, Chairman.

ville, for the use of their building.

eing teachers, kindly assisted.

Mexican Pensions.

Col. James D. Blanding, who was Lieutenant of Company A, and Captain in the Palmetto Regiment, has the original Discharge Roll of the Compapy, which was made out at the time of the discharge in Mobile, Ala., in July, 1848.

The President having approved the Mexican Pension Bill lately passed by

On the 8th day of June. 1886, by Congress, it is now a law, and those L. S. MACSWAIN, Sect'y. entitled to its benefits should file their The following are the Grand Jurors drawn claims at once.

for the year, and the Petit Jurors for the Feb-Col. Blanding's position in connection uary Court : with the service in the Mexican war Merry Durant, c., Concord ; Sebastian W. eminently fits him for looking after the interests of his fellow soldiers and their beneficiaries, and they cannot do better W. Lenior, Stateburg; Joseph P. Richard-

Rev. H. F. Chrietzberg, in the Creek; H. A Raffield, Jr, Providence; W.

Christain Advocate under date of K. Parnell, Carters Crossing; Godfrey Wac-Chester Jan. 25, says: The kind people of this charge gave us a most Jeff. Preston, c., Providence; Caleb Neil, c., cordial welcome on the 29th, of Decem- Privateer; R. C. Tisdale, Privateer. ber. A committee of gentlemen met us at the train and turned us over to a

ville : W. G. Kennedy, Sumter; C. L. Tis- ary 10. who introduced us into a cozy, well dale, Swimming Pens; W. H. Bryan, Proviand neatly furnished home. Abundant dence; Nelson Peterson, c., Bishopville; provision for the inner man was in Isaac McLauchlin, c., Swimming Pens; H.A.

charge. Well, well, this matter will never be settled by fault-finding. Just so long as the prove it especially in the face of so many legal factor and merchant have the long end of the difficulties, and, therefore, I must let it pass. hand-stick, just so long will the farmer tote the weight.

> Once on a time a mortgage was something to be avoided and dreaded. People were afraid of 'em, but now people appear to be only afraid that they may not find a feller that'll take a mortgage, and we mortgage everything from a jews harp to a gin house for a few months' rations.

We believe to goodness it's toting these heavy mortgages that keeps our stock and lands so poor. We know an old mule that has never stepped without carrying a mortgage and he will never fatten, and now he ain't able to carry anything but the mortgage, scarcely. GUY.

An Acceptable Appointment.

the Teachers of Sumter County, met at STATEBURG, S. C., Feb. 1, 1887. Mr. Editor : The recommendation of Capt. The Institute was opened with Prayer by Jas. Carson as trial justice for our section by

our Senator and Representatives, could not have been bettered and is a guarantee of honesty and justice to black and white, rich and poor. And I hear the others very highly changed so that the regular programme was spoken of by those who know them. There followed till one o'clock P. M., then adjourned will be no muttering this time, no suspicions for one hour, then reassemble and go straight of friends rewarded or votes paid for, or enemies punished, but there will be a hearty Prof. J. P. Gibbs, Bradford Springs, then acknowledgment of an earnest desire of these read a paper on Reading, followed by remarks public servents to do their duty to their fellow-citizens who trusted them. This would Mr. L. S. MacSwain, Mayesville, illustrated not be worth noticing, as it is no more than

some Methods in Arithmetic, followed by ought to be expected, but it is so very reclass exercises by the County School commis- freshing after some past experiences, and then we are so peculiarly fortunate in getting Prof. G Edwin Stokes, of Bishopville, gave | Capt. Carson, that I cannot help exclama-

Minor.

tions of delight, and believe that at the next election they will receive the "well done good and faithful servants" from the people, which Institute met pursuant to adjournment, and they well deserve. STATEBURG. after Roll-call, with appropriate responses to

Yesterday I had a horrid cold. I used Dr. names. Mr. J. T. Green, of Sumter read a Bull's Cough Syrup, and to-day I am as well most interesting address on "The Needs of as ever.

Auction Sale and Free Exhibition. On motion of Prof. Stokes, a vote of thanks

> Everybody interested in horse flesh [and who is not?] will be glad to learn that the McCafferty Bros., whose recent sales of Texas borses in Columbia have attracted wide attention, have decided to hold another sale at the same place. It will be the last sale of this kind in Columbia this season, and will occur on Thursday, February 10, at 10 A. M., on a vacant lot near the Market, secured for the

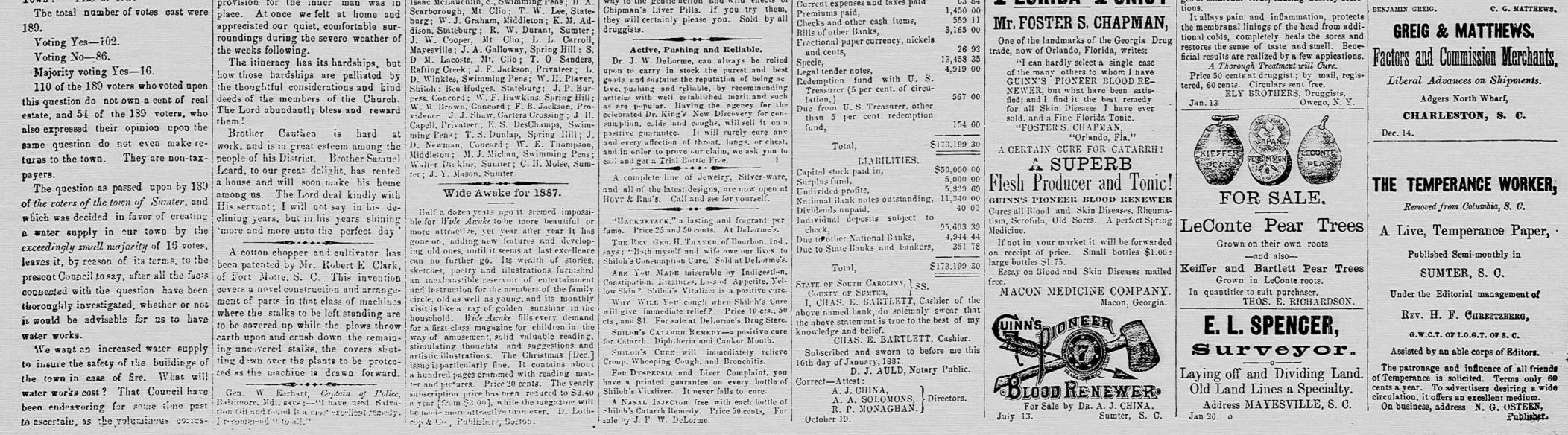
> It is intended to make this sale ahead of all previous ones. Fifty head of fine Texas horses, and mares with foal, will be sold to the highest bidder without reserve. Terms cash, and everything as represented, or no

A point worthy of notice is that these are James, Rafting Creek : A. S. Brown, Swimnot the ordinary Texas "ponies," so-called, ming Pens; W. P. Mathis, Providence; R. but are far superior, being stock sired by good Kentucky stallions, of gentle mising, in son, Privateer; R. J. Brownfield, Provisize fourteen to fifteen hands high, and in all dence : D. Z. Osteen, Privateer ; H. J. respects valuable animals for any use a horse Harby, Sumter; T. D. McLeod, Rafting can be put to-riding, carriage use, or for work.

An interesting feature promised is a free tor, c., Swimming Pens; E. W. Rivers, Priexhibition by genuine cowboys from the vateer : Jesse E. Tisdale, Swimming Pens; plains in expert riding, throwing the lasso, catching a horse therewith while running at full speed, etc.

This is an opportunity to secure good stock at a low price, and our people should not let J. R. Phillips, Providence; J. I. Lesesne, per centum per annum, for the purpose number of smiling energetic ladies. Swimming Pens; H. Wilson Bradley, Mayes- it slip, but be present in Columbia Febru-

> Harsh purgative remedies are fast giving tures, way to the gentle action and wild effects of



ers.