

Wednesday, Sept 9, '91.

The Sumter Watchman was founded in 1850 and the True Southerner in 1866. The Watchman and Southerner now has the combined circulation and influence of both of the old papers, and is manifestly the best advertising medium in Sumter.

The Colored Farmers Alliance has perfected an organization of the cotton pickers throughout the South, and unless the planters will pay \$1.00 a hundred for picking, will set on a strike. Such a movement will work great hardship to the planters at the present price of cotton. The Colored Alliance has discovered the chief end of labor organizations.

If there is any doubt about Sumter being the best market and the leading place of this section, it should be entirely removed by the persistency with which editors from neighboring towns drum our merchants for advertisements. Darlington, Manning and Bishopville were all represented here on one day last week. Gentlemen, we are glad to see you for advertising Sumter's merchants you are helping to build up Sumter.

The Congressional party has obtained full control of affairs in Chili, and although the country is still in a chaotic state, they are laboring industriously to restore the old order of things. Judges deprived of office by Balboa have been restored, and the other branches of the Government will soon be in working condition. Balboa made his escape across the Andes into the Argentine Republic.

The annual European war scare is now at its height. Turkey has consented to allow Russian war ships to pass through the Dardanelles from the Black Sea to the Mediterranean, thus violating the treaty of Paris. England is protesting vehemently in consequence, Russia is massing large bodies of troops on the Austrian frontier, and things generally are upon a very warlike basis. We believe, however, that it is more of a scare than anything else. The great powers are too evenly matched to afford war, the issue would be too uncertain.

Russell Harrison, son of President Harrison, walked into the office of the collector of the Port of New York the other day and demanded a U. S. revenue cutter to go down the bay to meet his wife and Mrs. McKee, who were expected to arrive from Europe. The collector told him that he could not let him have a cutter, as it was against the rules. Russell then commanded that the Secretary of the navy be telegraphed for permission. This was done, and the Secretary refused to grant his request. It is said that Russell then exhausted his vocabulary of profanity. The next day the Secretary weakened and Russell got the cutter, met his wife and Mrs. McKee down the bay, took them from the steamer and landed them at the U. S. Wharf. Moral: they did not have to undergo the inspection of revenue officers, and there is no telling how much goods they smuggled in free of duty.

Lecture by Judge Fraser. The lecture by Judge Fraser before the Epworth League, on last Thursday night at the Methodist Church in this city, was well attended, and those who did not go missed an address that could not have failed to have been instructive. The subject of his address was the life of Anton Barr as compared with that of Jefferson Davis. After giving a short history of the lives and work of both men, and the results achieved by each, he admonished the young men to adhere to the home teachings and doing this they would become better and wiser men, and that uprightness throughout life was the surest road to success and the means of leaving an honored memory to posterity. The Epworth League is doing a good work, and if it continues in the line it is now pursuing the impression made upon the younger generation will have lasting effect. Such an address as Judge Fraser's is calculated to cause thought, and when a person is set to thinking on the right line the battle is won. The result will be an intelligent citizen.

Record of Rainfall. We are indebted to Dr. W. W. Anderson, of Stateburg, for the following record of the rainfall for the months of July and August for the years 1881 to 1891, inclusive. It will be seen that there has been an enormous increase, especially since the earthquake year of '86. This record was made at Stateburg:

Table with 2 columns: Year, Rainfall (Inches). Rows for 1881-1891.

The following is the record of the mean temperature and rainfall for the year 1891, also furnished as by Dr. Anderson from his record made at Stateburg, S. C.

Table with 2 columns: Month, Temperature, Rainfall. Rows for January through August.

Which Proves the Hardness of a Negro's Head. Last week a young buck negro got in his liquor, as he expressed it, and did not care a cent whether the Central Railroad train ran on schedule time, or not. So he sits himself down on the track about four miles from this city, and did not bother himself to move out of the way when the evening special came along. As Providence favors the taking care of a drunken man, it happened that nothing but his head came in contact with the engine. He was knocked into the ditch, with nothing more serious than a badly bruised head. He is about as usual, and says he feels all right except his head is a little sore.

Florence Wants it Too. The Florence people want to have another railroad built, and are agitating the question of building a road from that place to connect with the Charleston, Sumter and North...

The Elsie Stone English Comedy Co. will appear at Academy of Music one night only, Sept. 15. Secure your seats at once.

Misbehavior at Church.

Providence, S. C., Sept. 2, 1891. Mr. Editor: In justice to the young men of Providence, please allow me space in your valuable paper to state that the young men referred to by Rev. Chandler (in his sermon last Sunday) as behaving disgracefully, were visitors from Sumter and elsewhere.

TAX NOTICE.

THE TRESURER OF SUMTER County gives notice that his books will be open from the FIFTEENTH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1891, to the FIFTEENTH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1891, for the collection of Taxes for the fiscal year commencing November 1st, 1890, in Sumter County.

TAX NOTICE.

THE TRESURER OF SUMTER County hereby gives notice that his books will be open at his office in the city of Sumter from the 15th day of October to the 15th day of December, 1891, except on the following named days, when he will attend at the places named, either in person or by deputy, for the collection of Taxes for the fiscal year 1890 and 1891.

WORK AT POOR HOUSE.

OFFICE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, COUNTY OF SUMTER. SUMTER, S. C., Sept. 9, 1891. THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS will let out to the lowest bidder thereon at Poor House, on September 25th inst., at 11 o'clock A. M., the re-shingling of said Poor House. Specifications made known on day of letting. The Commissioners reserve the right to reject any bids.

State of South Carolina, COUNTY OF SUMTER.

By T. V. Walsh, Esq., Probate Judge WHEREAS, JOHN C. PARNELL made suit to me to grant him Letters of Administration of the Estate and Effects of Mrs. ANN F. PARNELL deceased.

HARDWARE.

R. W. DURANT & SON, (OLD RELIABLE) Offer a full line of goods consisting of nearly everything needed For Household, Plantation and Mechanical Use, And at prices to suit the times. We buy largely for CASH and sell close. Come in and see the Prettiest and Largest Stock Outside of the Large Cities. Carriage and Wagon Material, Wheels, &c.

WANTS.

ADVERTISEMENTS of five lines or less will be inserted under this head for 25 cents for each insertion. Additional lines 5 cents per line. WANTED-TO SELL HOUSE AND LOT on Republican Street. Apply at his Office. WANTED-Pupils for private school by Miss J. F. Hurst at residence on Liberty street, opposite Monumental Square. Terms reasonable. Sept. 2-11.

CONVERSE COLLEGE.

For young ladies, situated in the city of Spartanburg, S. C., 1,000 feet above sea level, climate bracing, water pure and beautiful. The finest and best College building in the South, with a gymnasium, lighted by gas and a good stand for store or boarding house. Apply to Mr. S. E. Barrie, Wedgefield, S. C. Aug. 26, 41.

MASTER'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, COUNTY OF SUMTER, IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS. Eliza Kelly-Plaintiff, against Mary Jane Kelly, Robert Kelly, Anderson E. Kelly, Alexander Kelly and Charles Kelly-Defendants.

MASTER'S SALE.

State of South Carolina, SUMTER COUNTY, IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS. Antonette E. Dixon-Plaintiff, against William Henry Dixon, O. C. Scarborough, assignee, and Richard D. Lee, agent for creditors-Defendants.

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New Attractions ARRIVING EVERY DAY AT Levi Bros.,

Latest Styles in DRESS GOODS and TRIMMINGS.

We call your attention especially to the articles herein named: Double-width Cashmeres, Henriettas, Albatrosses, Glorias, Serges and Alpaca, at any price from 25c. to \$1.50 per yd. Delicate Shades Cashmeres and Henriettas from 25c. to \$1.00 per yd. Flannel Triots (heavy weight) 38 in. from 25c. to 40c. per yd. Plain Flannel 36 in. from 20c. to 35c. per yd. Plaid Flannel Suitings (extra weight) 38 in. for 60c. per yd. 6-4 Brocades from 12 1/2 to 16 1/2 per yd. 50 Dress Patterns, 8 yds. each, (double width) no two alike, 75c. per yd.

Our Line of Dress Silks IS COMPLETE, AND OUR Trimming Silks

ARE SURPASSED BY NONE IN THE CITY. The attention of the ladies is respectfully invited to our stock of Notions and Fancy Goods. Those doing fancy work can find anything needed in that line viz: Embroidery (silk and cotton) Knitting Silks, Filling Silks, Wash Silks, Chenille, Chenille Cord, Arrasene, Fancy Tassels, Fringes and Balls in all shades, Silk Lacings and Dress Cords.

ZEPYR, GERMANTOWN WOOL, SAXONY WOOL, ETC., FELT IN ALL SHADES at \$1.25 pr. yd. LADIES JERSEYS' at and below New York Cost. Gents can be furnished with anything in the line. Clothing, Hats, Caps, Neckwear, &c., At Lowest Cash Prices. We carry a fine line of SHOES which we sell at low figures and guarantee satisfaction. We would also call attention to our Hardware, Crockeryware, Harness, Fancy and Staple Groceries.

We will pay the highest market price for your cotton, either here or at your nearest depot. All orders by mail promptly attended to. Samples sent on application and satisfaction guaranteed at all times. Our polite and attentive salesmen will take pleasure in showing you around and will make prices for you

LEVI BROS., MAIN ST. SUMTER, S. C.

New Goods. DUCKER & BULTMAN, RELIABLE AND

First Class Grocers, AND DEALERS IN General Merchandise,

Ask a comparison of prices in all lines. Have been doing business successfully at the same stand (opp. Court House) for 13 years, and will spare no efforts, now and in the future, in continuing to please the already large number of customers, (including some very close buyers) in this city and county, and from adjoining counties, whose patronage has been liberal. New and seasonable specialties constantly arriving in their GROCERY DEPARTMENT. New Mackerel in 10 lb. kits, and at retail. New Pickled Salmon. New Dutch Herring. New Canned Vegetables, Fruits and Fish. Great assortment in imported groceries. In fact we have everything to be found in a first class, full up stock.

Dry Goods, Notions, &c.,

Give this part of the store a look before purchasing elsewhere. Competent and polite salesmen to serve you, no trouble to show goods, and less to sell them. You will find Dress Goods in all the latest styles, shades and quality; proper and elegant trimmings to match. One of the largest and best lines of SHOES in the city for Men's, Ladies' and Children's wear.

Big Job Lot of HATS just opened. Clothing, Trunks, Valises, Bagging and Ties, Heavy Groceries, All at Lowest Prices at Ducker & Bultman's.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS Experience

IN BUSINESS.

Think We Know the Wants of the People.

Depression in the Money Market, Low Price of cotton, Plenty of capital, Spot cash purchases, Light Expenses,

ENABLE ME TO SELL GOODS LOWER THAN ELSEWHERE.

An Examination is Solicited.

JOHN REID, Main St. SUMTER, S. C.

WATCH THIS Space in next issue and you will be much benefited.

DESCHAMPS BROS.

LOOK AT OUR Engravings! Oil Paintings!

We have purchased an immense line of PICTURES from a Factory going out of business and have marked them At Prices that Will Startle You. Fine Engravings, \$1.10 to \$2.40 Large Oil Paintings, 26x40 \$1.40 Imported Oleographs, 75c. to 80c.

THE MARKETS. SUMTER, S. C., Sept. 9, 1891. Cotton-Receipts for week ending September 9th, about 300 bales. Following are the quotations: Low Middling 6 1/2 @ 6 1/2; Middling 7 1/2 @ 7 1/2; Market firm. CHARLESTON, S. C., Sept. 8, 1891. Cotton-Market steady. Low Middling 7 1/2 @ 7 1/2; Middling 7 1/2 @ 7 1/2; Good Middling 8 1/2 @ 8 1/2.