

"Hagood" Writes Again Concerning Education

Mr. Editor: The other week I wrote a short article on education in which I barely touched on certain points that need a more lengthy discussion.

We ought to have good school houses, well equipped and centrally located. Some of them, as has been said, are poor indeed, very uncomfortable with not even a loft, with plenty of ventilation and some to spare.

This matter of consolidation is important for several reasons, but chiefly because it will enable the country to enjoy the benefits of the graded system to a much greater extent than now.

There may be a few schools that cannot consolidate with some other but only a few if we ignore township lines, which should be done for the good of the cause.

All ought to be willing to consolidate for the benefits accruing. We have tried the old system and know it is faulty indeed, so much so that many people pronounce the public school a farce.

When you want a physic that is mild and gentle, easy to take and pleasant in effect use Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets.

Fire in Wedgefield. The barn and stables of Mrs. R. B. Singleton, of Wedgefield, were destroyed by fire on Friday night last.

CLARENDON NEWS.

From the Evening Times, Feb. 20. Deputy Sheriff J. W. Herriot, in attempting to arrest William Wilson, colored, this morning on Mr. W. L. Leonard's place, accidentally shot and killed him while trying to put handcuffs on the prisoner.

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POPULATION OF SUMTER COUNTY.

Census Figures by Townships, Showing Population in 1890 and 1900.

Table with 3 columns: Township, 1890, 1900. Includes Bishopville, Mayesville, Middleton, Mt. Olio, etc.

PIANO RECITAL.

Largely Attended and Enjoyable Entertainment at the Sumter Institute.

The piano recital given in the parlors of the Sumter Institute Thursday evening was a pleasant and successful affair and was thoroughly enjoyed by the large audience present.

The candidates initiate: were as follows: N. H. Driggers, Columbus; K. O. Shand, Columbus; Larry W. Garball, Ferguson; R. J. Alderman, Acolu; J. G. Granburg, Acolu; Chas. H. Evans, Acolu; W. L. Rankin, Mar's Bluff; H. J. McLaurin, Sumner; W. H. Raigh, Mar's Bluff.

THE HOO HOOS MEET.

Proceedings of Lumbermen in Their Mystic Gathering.

South Carolina's first consecration of the order of Hoo Hoos was held in the Masonic Temple here Friday at 2:07 and 7:02 at night. The proceedings were conducted by the Grand Snark of the Universe, Wm. B. Stillwell of Savannah.

Working Night and Day. The basiest and mightiest little thing that ever was made is Dr. King's New Life Pills.

Bishopville News Items.

Bishopville, S. C., Feb. 25.—Mr. J. B. Kelley has gone to Charleston on business. A new lodge The Fraternal Union of America is to be organized here in the course of only a few days.

Pneumonia Can be Prevented. This disease always results from a cold or an attack of the grip and may be prevented by the timely use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

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Blood Hounds.

The police are circulating a subscription list in order to raise the amount necessary to purchase two blood hounds. The dogs delivered in Sumter will cost about \$75.

MAYOR'S COURT.

The following cases were before the Mayor Monday: Jos. D. Spears, drunkenness and cursing on street, \$2 or 4 days.

EVERYBODY MUST BE VACCINATED.

Board of Health Orders Health Officer to Visit Every House in Sumter.

City Board Health met Wednesday night. Present Dr. H. M. Stueck, President and Drs. S. C. Baker, J. C. Spauld and Messrs. W. M. Graham and D. W. Oatman and Health Officer B. I. Reardon.

Not Strong Enough.

At one of the clubs the other day two members were arguing about will power.

The quiet man, who was in the habit of boring all present with his pointless tales, said that his will was stronger than his friend's.

The smart one took the bet and put himself in the corner. The quiet man said in a commanding voice: "Come out of that corner!"

The March Ladies' Home Journal.

"The Only American Girl Who Ever Married a King." "The Loveliest of all Kentucky Girls." "The Anecdotal Side of Theodore Roosevelt," and "The Author's Reading at Sixty Centre," by Kate Douglas Wiggin, will have a wide reading in the March Ladies' Home Journal.

La Grippe Quickly Cured. "In the winter of 1898 and 1899 I was taken down with a severe attack of what is called La Grippe," says F. L. Hewett, a prominent druggist of Winfield, Ill.

A new star has been discovered by Anderson, at Edinburg, on Feb. 21.

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School Entertainment at Mayesville on Friday Evening, Feb. 22.

One of the most pleasant musical entertainments ever given here was presented on Friday evening, Feb. 22, by the Mayesville High School.

Status of the Cotton Market and Crop.

New York, Feb. 26.—Although the decline in Liverpool this morning was disappointing, our market was heavy at the opening and during the early forenoon, but rallied on buying by western interests.

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AN ORDINANCE.

Relating to Privies and Cesspools in the City of Sumter.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Sumter, in Council assembled and by authority of the same:

Sec. I. That on and after the 31st day of May, 1901, it shall be unlawful for any person to construct maintain or use any dry well or cesspool in the City of Sumter, as a receptacle for privy or water closet deposits.

Sec. II. That on and after the 31st day of March, 1901, it shall be unlawful for any person in the City of Sumter to cause or allow any privy deposits or foecal matter to fall, lie, or remain upon the ground, or to be buried in the ground.

Sec. III. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed. Done and ratified in Council assembled, and under the corporate seal of the City of Sumter, S. C., this 23rd day of January, 1901.

Attest: A. B. STUCKEY, Mayor. C. M. HURST, JR., Clerk and Treasurer.

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charcoal or lime in sufficient quantity to keep such boxes or other receptacles dry. No slops or liquid filth shall be permitted to go into such boxes or receptacles.

Sec. III. For convenience of citizens, and in order that this method of disposing of privy deposits may be as inexpensive as possible, it shall be the duty of the Health Officer to have suitable boxes made, and furnish them at actual cost to all persons who desire them.

Sec. IV. The Mayor shall appoint three Aldermen, whose duty it shall be to enter into contract with some person or persons to receive and dispose of all such matter as may be removed under this ordinance at some place outside of the City limits, and within two miles of the County Court House, on such terms as may appear reasonable and proper.

Sec. V. That any person who shall violate any provision of this ordinance, shall upon due conviction, be fined not exceeding ten dollars, for each and every violation; or shall be imprisoned not exceeding twenty days.

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