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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

D. J. Cahndler—Beautiful Spring, O'Donnell & Co.—Our Spring Goods. W. L. Saunders—Attention, Farmers. Singer Sewing Machine Co.—Man Wanted. The Sumter Savings Bank—Your Money is Secure.

PERSONAL.

Mr. W. O. Cain was in town Friday. Mr. J. I. Brogdon, was in town Saturday. Mr. Louis Lyons returned Friday from New York. Mr. W. A. McIlwaine has returned from New York. Judge Parry is holding court in Pickens this week. Mr. E. B. Colclough, of Rural was in the city Saturday. Dr. L. H. Jennings, of Bishopville, was in the city yesterday. Mr. J. F. Woodward, of Bishopville was in the city Thursday. Miss Eva Levey, of New York, is visiting Miss Rosie Moses. Mr. O. C. Scarborough of Sumterton was in town Thursday. Hon. Geo. M. Stuckey, of Lee county, spent Monday in town. Mr. R. C. Blanding, of Concord, spent Saturday in the city. Dr. N. G. Osteen, Jr., of Darlington spent Thursday in town. Mrs. I. Harby Moses of New York is visiting at the Nixon House. Mr. J. O. Durant, Supervisor of Lee county, was in town Saturday. Mrs. Louis Levi returned to her home in Manning yesterday morning. Mr. M. G. Ryttenberg returned from New York yesterday morning. Mr. W. H. Gaillard of the Fork, Carendon county, spent Thursday in town. Mrs. J. A. Clifton of Orangeburg is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Leroy Camp. Miss Elliott Taylor, of Vassar, Michigan, is visiting Miss Beulah Lynam. Mr. W. A. Turner, traveling freight agent of the Southern Railway was in the city yesterday. Mrs. Geo. W. Dick returned Monday night, after a pleasant visit to friends in Wilmington, N. C. Mr. Neill O'Donnell arrived in the city Saturday morning from New York after an absence of several weeks. Mrs. W. R. Scarborough, of Bishopville, is spending a few days in the city with the family of Dr. Mood. Messrs. A. A. Strauss and E. E. Thornwell, of Mayesville, were in the city to attend the lecture last night. Misses Ethel and Irene Clark of Elberton, Ga., are visiting their sister Mrs. Foster, on East Liberty street. Mrs. J. W. Guill and Miss Mary Dunne after visiting relatives here, left Sunday for their home in Mexico. Miss Dorothy Lee, of Summerville, who is teaching at Sardinia, spent Sunday in the city with the Misses Huggins. Mr. J. T. Barron, of Columbia, spent Sunday in the city, having come over to attend the funeral of Mr. J. F. Laughery. Mr. Jesse Lukens, of Philadelphia, the senior member of the Lukens Lumber Co., is in the city, having arrived Sunday morning. Mr. A. D'Ancona who has spent the winter in the city with his daughter, Mrs. M. Levi, left for the North Sunday afternoon. Mr. P. P. Finn who has been at home on sick leave for ten days went to Florence last week to resume his run on the M. & A. through freight. The Rev. A. D. Woodie, of Troy, S. C. has been called to the pastorate of Bethel Church, to succeed Mr. Louis J. Bristow. Mr. J. A. Enslow, a retired merchant, of Charleston, has removed to Sumter, and is residing with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. M. DeVeaux Moore, 326 W. Hampton avenue. Messrs. C. M. Hurst, R. S. Hood and Marion Dorn returned Saturday night from Pensacola, Fla., where they attended the meeting of the head camp of the Woodmen of the World, Southern Jurisdiction. Mr. L. L. Thomas who has been on a visit to his son Mr. F. E. Thomas, of Wedgefield for several months passed through the city last Wednesday on his return to his home near Winston, N. C. Mr. Thomas travels through the country by private conveyance. Mr. W. S. Jones left last Saturday for St. Augustine Fla., to attend the annual banquet given by the Equitable Life Assurance Co., complimentary to its agents. The agents go as the guests of the company and were entertained at the Ponce de Leon where the banquet was given on Tuesday. Rev. Louis J. Bristow who has been the pastor of Bethel Church, Privateer, for the past two years, but has recently accepted a call from the Marion Baptist Church, was in the city today. Dr. E. J. Dennis of Bishopville was in town today. Mr. Sam Nuzem and his niece, Miss Waterman, of Claremont, W. Va., are spending a few days in town. Hon. Altamont Moses went to Columbia this morning to attend a meeting of the Sinking Fund Commission.

The attention of farmers is directed to the advertisement of Mr. W. L. Saunders who offers improved seed for sale. O'Donnell & Co's embroidery sale has been the biggest sort of a success, and there has been a rush for the embroideries from the day the sale commenced. See the new advertisement for something new about the sale.

MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. R. Sep. Whilden, on North Washington street, this (Wednesday) morning, Mr. J. Rollin Kolb to Miss Annie Whilden, the Rev. Louis J. Bristow officiating.

DEATH.

Privateer, March 11.—Mrs. Matt. G. Ramsey died at her home in Privateer township on Tuesday night and was buried at Bethel Church Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Ramsey was Miss Miranda Nettles, a sister of Mrs. M. A. Huggins of Sumter. She was in the 64th year of her age and had been a consistent member of Bethel Baptist Church for nearly a half century. She had a large family connection and was a most lovable woman. For the past ten years she has been a confirmed invalid, and her death released her from her suffering.

A SMALL FIRE.

The fire department was called out Sunday afternoon to extinguish a fire at Mr. N. P. Lenoir's residence on Harby avenue. When the fire was discovered the rear wall of the kitchen was burning from the floor to the ceiling, and before the hose wagon arrived there was reason to fear that the house would be destroyed. A few minutes work with a stream of water sufficed to extinguish the flames and the damage was found to be insignificant. The necessary repairs can be made for \$25 or \$30. The fire is supposed to have started in the ceiling.

Sewerage Committee.

Mayor Pro Tem Hurst, acting under the resolution adopted at the meeting of Council on Wednesday night which empowered him to appoint at his leisure a committee to investigate the sewerage matter and if they see fit employ a sanitary engineer to make a survey of the city and a profile map, has appointed the following committee: D. J. Chandler, Chairman, Geo. W. Dick and G. F. Epperson. Dr. S. C. Baker, of the Board of Health will also be a member of the committee.

PRIZES OFFERED.

The Dick Anderson Chapter of the U. D. C., has offered two prizes of \$5 each to the pupils for the higher grades of the graded school of the best composition on some subject relating to the Southern Confederacy.

Jordan Dicks Dead.

Jordan M. Dicks a well known negro of the community, died Monday after several months sickness, of consumption. Dicks was a baker by trade and for a number of years conducted a bakery on his own account with success.

THE BLACK RIVER UNION.

Meeting to be Held With the Dudley Baptist Church, March 27-29.

DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.

Friday morning, conducted by Secretary Huggins.

Saturday morning, conducted by Joel E. Brunson.

SERMONS.

Introductory, Friday, by C. C. Brown.

Intermediate, Saturday, by J. J. Myers.

Final, Sunday, by L. J. Bristow.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION.

The union meeting: a. Its Sphere and Activities; b. Its Value to the Churches. Opened by A. J. White and F. M. Satterwhite.

A Baptist Church: a. What Constitutes it, and Why; b. Its Mission, and Why. Opened by B. L. Broadway and John O. Gough.

Missionary Work: a. Its Spirit, Progress and Power; Opened by J. D. Huggins; b. Some Facts Concerning (a) State, by C. P. McKnight, (b) Home, by A. P. Hill. (c) Foreign, by Chas. L. Cuttino.

What is meant by the Biblical Term "Brotherly Love"? Opened by James E. Tindal and Joel E. Brunson.

Intemperance, Its Nature, Evils and Remedy. Opened by E. L. Wilkins and M. A. Connors.

Woman's Work in the Church. Opened by B. P. Cuttino and G. T. Gresham.

The meeting of the Union to be held in March will be the first of the year, and the annual election of officers will take place at the beginning of the session of Friday morning. Delegates are earnestly urged to be present at 11 o'clock that morning, and to remain throughout the entire meeting.

Louis Bristow, For Committee.

Read D. J. Chandler's spring announcement to the wearers of stylish clothing.

The sale of unclaimed freight at the A. C. L. depot will begin Monday morning next.

There was a false alarm of fire from Green street Sunday morning that called out the fire department.

Photographer Blanchard who has conducted a gallery in the Bultman building for the past several months has removed to Columbia.

The Spectre Party at Mrs. J. D. Graham's residence was well attended last Thursday night and was quite a successful and enjoyable affair.

The merchant who wants to be progressive and keep up with the procession cannot do so unless he advertises in the Item and Watchman and Southern.

The report got abroad Monday that Andrew Peters, the veteran hackman, was dead. Peters has been very sick for ten days, but was still living this morning.

Congressman Lever gives notice of a competitive examination for a cadetship at the Naval Academy at Indianapolis to be held in Columbia on the 28th instant. This is an opportunity for some bright boy to secure an education in the best institution of its kind in the world at the expense of the government and afterwards to enter the navy as an officer. The notice is short, but Mr. Lever was not notified to make the appointment until a few days ago, and he made his announcement as soon as possible.

A TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.

Fly Wheel Bursts at Lukens Lumber Mill.

MR. JOHN F. LAUGHERY KILLED.

As the result of the injuries received in the accident at the saw mill of the Lukens Lumber Co., Friday afternoon, Mr. John F. Laughery died at Dr. Mood's infirmary at 9:20 o'clock Friday night. He was removed to the infirmary immediately after the accident and efforts were made to give him relief, but he did not regain consciousness, even momentarily.

The accident occurred at the saw mill where the ordinary work was going on as usual. The regular hands were at their usual posts, the machinery was working as well as usual and there had been not the least intimation that there was anything wrong. Mr. Laughery, who was general manager of the business and whose duties seldom carried him to the saw shed, had just stepped into the shed with a friend, Mr. Flippin, who he was showing over the plant.

They were standing close together beside the engine, and about opposite the big ten foot fly-wheel, which was on the other side of the engine. When they had been standing there but a few moments watching the saw mill in operation, the governor of the engine suddenly refused to act, the engine's speed increased so terrifically that the big fly wheel, weighing about six thousand pounds, burst into fragments and the pieces were hurled forward and upwards with the force of cannon balls. The roof of the mill, just above the wheel, had a great hole torn in it and some of the pieces of the wheel that passed through the roof were picked up more than a hundred yards from the mill. Most of the fragments of the wheel were projected upwards or in a straight line forward from the wheel, but one small piece, about five inches square, was thrown sidewise and striking Mr. Laughery on the right side of the face and forehead with terrible force, crushed the cheek bone and skull, the bones being forced into the brain. He fell instantly, Mr. Flippin, who was standing beside him, catching him as he fell. No one else was hit by the flying fragments and it seems wonderful that all escaped where such ruin was wrought.

It is said that Mr. Laughery realized what was wrong with the engine instantly and made a movement toward it to shut off the steam but was struck down before he had time to do so. Mr. Charles Joyner, the sawyer, also realized the danger and ran to the engine and shut off the steam, but the wheel burst while he was in the act of stopping it, and his presence of mind and bravery in the face of such nerve paralyzing danger was unavailing to prevent the disaster and its terrible result. It was over so quickly that there was scarcely time for a thought and the danger had passed before most of the hands realized their peril.

Mr. Laughery was removed to the office of the company and doctors summoned by telephone. After he had been examined by Drs. Cheyne, Stuckey and Archie China, who declared his injuries to be mortal, he was taken to Dr. Mood's infirmary and the wound dressed, and he was made as comfortable as possible. But there was no hope from the first and the end came at 9:20 o'clock.

Mr. Laughery was a native of Pennsylvania, but came to Sumter about eighteen years ago and was from that time identified with the lumber business which he has successfully managed for a number of years. He leaves a wife, who was with him at the end, but no children. He was an enthusiastic secret society man, a member of Claremont Lodge, A. F. M., and Beulah Chapter, R. A. M., of this city, a Knights Templar and a Shriner, as well as a member of other orders.

The funeral services were held at his late residence at 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon, and his body was carried to Ligonier, Pa., on the train leaving at 6.15 p. m., for interment.

FUNERAL OF MR. LAUGHERY.

The Last Sad Tribute Paid to His Memory by Hundreds of Friends.

The funeral of Mr. John F. Laughery was held at his late residence on South Main street at 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon, the brief and touching services being conducted by Rev. C. C. Brown, pastor of the First Baptist Church, the Lutheran congregation of which Mr. Laughery was an influential member, being at present without a pastor. The services were attended by hundreds, the attendance being the largest perhaps, ever seen in Sumter at a funeral at a private residence.

Claremont Lodge, No. 64, A. F. M., of which the deceased was a member, attended in a body, and there were besides the hundreds from this city quite a number of his friends from other places.

The floral offerings were very numerous and handsome, the Elks sending one of the handsomest.

The pall bearers were: Honorary—J. T. Barron, Marion Moise, Dr. J. A. Mood, E. W. A. Bultman, A. C. Ducker, W. T. Williams and Charles Joyner.

Active—A. Pereira, T. J. Flippin, C. G. Rowland, E. S. Carson, Abe Ryttenberg, John Laverty and J. W. Alexander.

The remains, accompanied by Mrs. Laughery, her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Keffer, and Mr. A. Pereira left on the 6.15 train for Ligonier, Pa., where the interment will be made. Mr. Thomas Wilson a close personal friend of Mr. Laughery, joined the party at Florence.

The tragic death of Mr. Laughery cast a gloom over the community, and he will be sadly missed by the many friends he had made during his residence of thirteen years in Sumter.

Mr. Laughery came to this State about eighteen years ago and was in the employ of Mr. D. W. Alderman at his Alcolu mill for three years. He then removed to this city to work for Lukens & Reifsnnyder and after a few months was made superintendent of their mill. Later on after the death of Mr. Reifsnnyder, he purchased an interest in the business and continued in charge of the business as resident manager. Under his administration the business grew and prospered, and the company acquired extensive timber interests in Georgia and Florida. Mr.

Laughery was a man of fine executive capacity and business ability, and his place will be hard to fill in the community and at the head of the business he had conducted so successfully.

He carried \$20,000 insurance on his life and leaves, besides the insurance, an estate that is said to be worth fifty to sixty thousand dollars all of which he accumulated by his own exertions since coming to Sumter.

PARTING THANKS.

In her farewell words to me, Mrs. Laughery begged me to return her hearty and unfeigned thanks to all those kindly souls who have heaped attention upon her in her deep affliction, to those who have visited her by day and by night, and to those who, in a great multitude, attended the farewell exercises at the home of her departed husband, on Sunday afternoon. She desires to have me assure her friends that their kindly feeling for the dead will help her to bear up under the burden of her grief.

March 16. C. C. Brown.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Turkey Creek Canal to Be Surveyed-- Police Salaries Increased Five Dollars A Month.

City Council held a regular meeting Wednesday evening, March 11th. Present: Mayor Pro Tem E. W. Hurst, presiding; and Aldermen W. H. Epperson, G. F. Epperson, Dick, Finn, Chandler, Schwerin, and Boyle. Absent: Mayor A. B. Stuckey and City Clerk C. M. Hurst. Alderman D. J. Chandler acted as Clerk of Council.

Minutes of meeting of February 15, were read and confirmed.

Special committee on fire alarm was granted further time.

Alderman G. W. Dick chairman committee on deepening and widening Turkey Creek Canal submitted a written report. On motion of Alderman Finn this committee was continued with full power to act in reference to employing engineer to make the survey, and to advertise for bids to do the necessary work. The committee was also instructed to request the county of Sumter and all property owners to be benefitted by this work to pay their share of all expenses incurred. Dr. Van Telberg-Hofman of special board of health committee on Turkey Creek Canal was present and urged the prompt improvement of Turkey Creek Canal as a sanitary necessity.

A communication from police committee was read recommending that the salaries of all police officers be increased five dollars per month. On motion of Alderman G. F. Epperson the recommendation of the police committee was adopted to take effect from March 1st 1903.

On motion of Alderman Schwerin the Chief of Police was ordered to enforce the ordinance against gates and doors swinging on or opening on sidewalks.

A letter from Mr. R. B. Belser, Manager of Sumter Telephone Company, was read in regard to the improvement of the telephone service of said company and was received as information.

Doctors S. C. Baker and Van Telberg-Hofman of Board of Health, and Dr. C. C. Brown were present and addressed council as to the necessity of making a survey of the city to find out the cost of constructing a sewerage system; the making of profile maps, detailed drawings, and other information relative thereto in order that citizens might intelligently vote on the subject at some future time. The matter was discussed at length, and on motion the Mayor Pro Tem was instructed to appoint a committee of three with full power to employ a competent sanitary engineer to make a survey of the city, and an estimate of cost of a sewerage system, with all necessary maps, etc. Dr. S. C. Baker of Board of Health was requested to serve on said committee.

Street Commissioner White reported that two hundred and fifty feet of extra fifteen inch pipe would be required to complete work ordered on Salem avenue and West Liberty street. The City Clerk was instructed to order the pipe.

Request of citizens for fire hydrant at corner of Haynsworth street and Salem avenue was read and referred to committee on public works.

On motion of Alderman W. H. Epperson a pitcher was ordered for pump on Court House square.

A letter from Mr. J. D. Wilder was read requesting that the name of Mill street be changed to Kendrick avenue, and action deferred until next meeting.

Chairman W. B. Boyle of committee on streets reported that nothing had been done towards extending water mains on Broad street and asked for further time, which was granted.

The following bills were referred to the finance committee: H. Harby, \$3.50, J. Ryttenberg & Son, \$6.50, Sumter Planing Mills \$1.17.

There being no further business Council adjourned.

WANTED.—A man to sell Sewing Machines. A No. 1 contract to right kind of a man to start on, with good chances for promotion. Experience not necessary. Call on or address THE SINGER MFG. Co., 1326 Main Street, Columbia, S. C. March 18-4t.

WANTED.—Respectable young women to learn cigar making. \$6 to \$8 per week can be made in two months time. Endorsed by the ministers of Charleston. Board secured for girls from the country. AMERICAN CIGAR Co., Charleston, S. C. March 11-6t.

ATTENTION, FARMERS! Plant the Winners.

GROWN especially for planting seed from the choicest and most highly improved seed of its variety.

I have for sale Russell Big Boll Cotton Seed. Improved King Cotton Seed. Excelsior Cotton Seed. Improved Upland Rice. Georgia Buck Sweet Potatoes. The King of all Bread Corns, and the old reliable Gourd Seed Stock Corn. Make your wants known to W. L. SAUNDERS, Stateburg, S. C. March 18-1m.\*

Beautiful Spring!



We're not quite sure whether she's here or not—but shrewd buyers are already making their selections from our lines of Smart and Snappy Spring Suits. It's nice to have first choice and to wear the new things first.

A real Spring day will catch you in that old Winter suit, if you don't look out. You take no risk in buying here, for, if you're not satisfied, there's no ifs, ands, whys or wherefores—you get your money back at once, if you want it.

**D. J. CHANDLER,**  
'Phone 166 - Sumter, S. C.

Spring Styles Now Ready.

We desire to call your attention this week to our Clothing and Furnishing Department.

We are showing the newest shapes for spring in our well known

HOWARD HATS.

No imitations that are "just as good" or "almost the same" with another name, but the genuine Howard that you have always bought, with Our name as guarantee. We are receiving daily our stock of

Spring Clothing.

Showing all the lines we have always carried, including Strouse & Brother's High Art Clothing. We have sold this line unceasingly for over 20 years. You will note the special attention we have given to our

Hosiery Department.

Fancy weaves and dropstitch goods being again the style, we have laid in a very desirable assortment. It will be a pleasure to show them to you.

J. RYTTEBERG & SONS.

In our custom made clothing we have the new spring styles, and sell under this guarantee: "If they fit and are satisfactory they are yours; if they don't, they are ours."