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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

O'Donnell & Co.—Real Comfort.
D. J. Chandler.—Socks.
Sumter Clothing Co.—The Alverstone Sack.
Ryttenberg & Sons.—Profit by Experience.
Schwartz Bros.—The News of this Friday.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. D. M. Michau is in the city on a visit.
Drs. W. B. and E. P. Alford have gone to their home, at Dillon, on account of the illness of their father.
Rev. R. A. Lapsley has been in the city on business for a day or two.
Mrs. John J. Fowler left yesterday afternoon to visit friends and relatives in Sumter, S. C. Later this week she will attend the South Carolina State Fair at Columbia, S. C.—Wilmington Star.

Among the visitors in Columbia this week, the following from Sumter are listed in the State:
Mr. E. E. Aycock of Wedgefield is here with Mr. W. T. Aycock.
Col. Altamont Moses of Sumter is here for the fair.
Mr. Emile P. Moses and Mr. Wm. Graham of Sumter are in the city for the week.

Mr. J. W. Branson of St. Louis, is in the city.
Mrs. Kingsmore has gone to Dovesville on a visit.
Rev. J. D. Huggins of Paxville was in the city Monday.
Mr. J. B. Tallon of Lee county was in the city Monday.
Mr. J. D. Newman of Elliotts was in the city Monday.
Mr. W. M. Reid of St. Charles was in the city Monday.
Mr. J. J. Branson of Concord was in the city Monday.

Mr. R. T. Gillespie, of Rock Hill, is visiting his sister Mrs. T. B. Jenkins.
Miss Allie Zemp of Camden has been visiting Mrs. J. A. Mood the past week.
Mr. J. H. Levy went to Columbia yesterday to attend the Convention of Retail Grocers.
Mrs. S. J. Nettles, of Daflington is in the city on a visit to her niece, Mrs. N. G. Osteen, Jr.,
Mr. Tyler D. Philpott of Florence, S. C., has accepted a position with the Sumter Specialty Company.
Mrs. Charles Edmondston, and Mrs. Wm. E. Harper (nee Georgia Edmondston), are visiting at Maj. H. F. Wilson's.

Miss Bessie Hughson left last Monday for the Ashton neighborhood, in Shiloh township, where she will teach school.
Miss Sue Bec Jones, after a pleasant visit to friends and relations in the Brogdon neighborhood has returned to the city.

Miss Susie Belle LaMotte, after spending some time in Wilmington, N. C. with relatives, has returned to the city.

Mrs. Eli Jackson has returned to her home in Orangeburg county. She was accompanied by her little grandson, Charley McGrew.

A. M. Lee, Esq., of Charleston was in the city Friday. Mr. Lee is a large land owner in the Stateburg section, and farms on an extensive scale.

Miss Hattie Rowland from Laurens has been elected a teacher to fill the vacancy in the Graded School, and arrived in the city Sunday afternoon.

Rev. A. M. Fraser, D. D. of Staunton, Va., was elected by unanimous vote Moderator of the Synod of Virginia at the annual meeting on Tuesday.

Rev. R. M. Marshall, Jr., who was ordained at St. Michael's church in Charleston last Sunday by the Right Rev. Ellison Capers, will serve the churches at Summerton and Bradford Springs.

Mr. W. H. Ingram who has just returned from a trip to the North was in the wreck on the Seaboard near Alexandria, Va., few days ago. He was considerably shaken up, but escaped without injury.

The Rev. Henry H. Covington who was born and reared in Bennettsville, but now rector of Sumter Episcopal Church, is attending the Convocation and will have a very large crowd to hear him next Sunday, as he is very popular here and is regarded as one of the brainiest young men ever reared in this county. His talented father, Harris Covington, who is buried in Hebron Cemetery, was one of the ablest advocates who ever practiced in the Pee-Dee court. Judge Hudson says that the son has decidedly a brighter mind than the father.—Bennettsville Correspondence News and Courier.

Messrs. Willie Bultman, Eugene Moses and Josh Harby have sent horses for exhibition at the State Fair.

Attention is directed to the advertisement of Schwartz Bros., in this issue. They have some specials for Friday.

Game Cock Lodge No. 17, K. of P., meets tonight at 8 o'clock. After the meeting the brethren will enjoy themselves socially in a "smoker."

The auction sale of fine cattle advertised to take place at Graham's stables today was held as advertised. The attendance of bidders was not large owing no doubt to the bad weather. Consequently competition was not spirited and the cattle sold low, much below their value, it was claimed by the auctioneer.

On account State Fair Columbia, S. C. the Atlantic Coast Line will run special train from Marion, S. C., to Columbia and return, Oct. 28th and 29th, leaving Sumter 9.10 a. m., arrive Columbia, 10.40 a. m., leave Columbia, 7.55 p. m., arrive Sumter 9.30 p. m. W. J. Craig, G. P. A.
J. T. China, T. A.

MARRIED.

Married Wednesday, the 14th instant at the home of Mrs. H. B. Grimbail, in Charleston, Mr. Charles H. Lesesne of Greeleyville to Miss Kate Ebel Habernicht, of Charleston. The bride is a talented and popular young lady, and for a number of years taught in the Sumter Graded Schools. Mr. Lesesne is a prosperous young farmer. Their future home will be near Greeleyville.—Kingstree Record.

Mr. C. Douglass Weeks, formerly of this city, but for some years past of Newberry, was married to Miss Nancy Pool, of that city, last Thursday evening at half-past eight o'clock in the First Baptist Church of Newberry, Rev. G. A. Wright officiating. In the account given of the wedding the Newberry Observer has the following to say of the newly-married couple:
"Newberry has never had a wedding in which more people were sincerely interested. The bride and groom are both very popular, having numerous friends among old and young, and are highly esteemed by all who know them. The bride has lived all her life in Newberry, except the years spent at college. The groom is a native of Sumter, but has made his home in Newberry for several years and is thoroughly identified with the business life of the city, being a member of the firm of Gilder and Weeks. Many good wishes attend the happy couple."

A Coming Marriage.

Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Gertrude Jennings and Mr. M. S. Chase of Florence, at the Presbyterian Church, this city on Wednesday evening, November 4th at 8 o'clock.

DEATH.

Mr. E. Stehle, who formerly conducted a bakery in this city, but removed to Charleston some years ago, died at 9 o'clock this morning at the home of his son-in-law, Mr. J. A. Schwerin, in this city. The funeral will take place at 8.30 tomorrow morning at Mr. Schwerin's residence, after which the body will be taken to Charleston for burial.

DEATH OF MRS. SCARBOROUGH.

The following notice is from a special dispatch in the State, and tells of the death of a lady well known to the old inhabitants of Sumter as Miss Miranda Miller, a daughter of the late Col. John B. Miller, and sister of the late Dr. John I. Miller of this city.

Ridge Springs, Oct. 25.—Intelligence reached here on Sunday morning of the death of Mrs. M. E. Scarborough in Arkansas. Mrs. Scarborough was a Miss Miller, from an old Sumter county family, and relict of Mr. Wm. Scarborough of Columbia, an artist and eminent portrait painter. For a great many years Mrs. Scarborough had made her home with the late Dr. John B. DuBose and family, who married her only daughter. She was well beloved in this community, was a charitable woman, and did much to the establishing of Grace church (Episcopal) at Ridge Spring.

She was 82 years of age. Only two weeks ago Mrs. Scarborough, accompanied by her sons, went to Arkansas. She was a gentle lady of the old south.

Death of an Infant.

The infant child of Captain and Mrs. J. V. Harker, who lives just across Jeffrey's a few miles from the city died this morning. The little one will be taken to Adkins tonight for burial.—Florence Times.—Oct. 23.

The Meeting at Bartlette Street Church.

The meeting that has been carried on in during the past two weeks at Bartlette street church by Dr. H. P. Fitch, State Evangelist, closed last Friday evening.

It was a most successful revival. The church was in most through accord with the good doctor, and during the meeting last night he took occasion to say that in all his previous evangelistic work he had never had more satisfactory congregations. Of course he refers to behavior and interest. He said that not a solitary incident occurred that jarred on his feelings or marred the solemnity of the services during the two weeks of his work.

Twenty-two candidates for baptism and membership had been received up to Friday night, at which time several others, presented themselves. It is thought the accessions to the church will be between twenty-five and thirty. The church was comfortably filled at every night service and at times crowded, and Dr. Fitch carries with him from Sumter, loving good will from many breasts. His work here will live for years in the hearts and memories of the members of Bartlette street church, and more especially of those who have been brought to a knowledge of Saving Grace through his instrumentality.
W. F. Rhame.

The Meeting at the First Methodist Church.

For the Item: With last evening's service closed a series of meetings at the First Methodist Church, which has been conducted there both afternoon and evening for the last two weeks.

Bro. Brunson from Manning who is a fluent and earnest speaker, preached the word of God, and the interest taken was shown by the large and appreciative congregations which assembled at each meeting daily. The gentle wooings of the Holy Spirit were manifested by the large number who went to the altar for prayer, saying by that act that they wanted to know Christ, and to live the life of peace, joy and gladness, which is known only to those who live close to Jesus.

Between twenty-five and thirty young people and children were received in full connection with the church. Quite a number confessed Christ, and we trust that every heart was awakened and filled with an earnest desire for a truer, sweeter life.

Our own faithful pastor, I am sure, has been encouraged and abundantly blessed. We hope that the good influence began in the hearts and lives of our people will grow and live throughout all Eternity.
October 26. A Methodist.

MAYOR'S COURT.

The Mayors' court on Monday again tussled with the problem—who struck Julius Wilson. There can be no question that Julius was struck and struck hard unless he fell down and stepped on his eye.

On Saturday night 10th inst., Julius started up Main street in company with Wilson Newman. At the corner of Hampton Avenue he suddenly fell to the sidewalk and was taken up bleeding and insensible. From that time his left eye has been sightless. William Newman promptly reported that Sam Franklin had done the deed. There was bad blood between Franklin and Wilson. Franklin had promised to get satisfaction. There were other negroes around, but none of them would testify against Franklin who had half a dozen friends to prove an alibi. There was some corroboration of Newman's statements, and the general belief is that his story is true in every respect. The alibi theory was strongly sustained and created the "reasonable doubt" of the law which warranted acquittal. This is the second man tried and acquitted of this serious assault, committed under light of an electric lamp on Main street, in the presence of several witnesses. It is a good illustration of the extreme difficulty of getting at facts through webs of falsehood woven by ready perjurers. Likewise a fair example of truth and right among the average citizens of the African gender.

An Appeal to the Law-Abiding.

As the hunting season is now about to open, we feel constrained to ask of every law-abiding citizen of both town and country to put forth every effort to suppress the unlawful selling of quail.

It is a well-known fact that if the game law is not rigidly enforced, the time is near at hand when we will have none of the birds left. Whereas if they are only killed for home consumption, there remains for us and posterity, not only the source of the sportsman's keenest pleasure, but an appetizing luxury for the working man and all.

Needless to say that heretofore there has been a great deal of this lawlessness in this section of the state; and now we would appeal especially to the land-owners to do all in their power to prevent it,—and also do we urge our worthy policemen that they keep their eyes ever open for the apprehension of such narrow minded illegality. E.

The Sumter Transfer Co.

Mr. C. W. Hayes who has conducted a general transfer sale and feed stable here for a couple of years has sold out to a new concern by the name of The Sumter Transfer Co., who have considerably enlarged and added to the present business.

E. A. Edwards and E. A. Jenkins two energetic and hustling young men are proprietors of the new concern.

The improvement of Main street is progressing satisfactorily and we shall soon have a first class roadway from the railroad to the city limits, a distance of about a mile and three quarters.

A New Negro Paper.

The Defender, a seven column four page paper, published in the interest of the colored people of South Carolina, made its appearance on the 15th instant. It is published by the Defender Publishing Co., of this city, and W. T. Andrews, for a number of years principal of the Lincoln School, has charge as editor and manager. The paper should succeed, if the colored people extend to it the proper support, for it is well edited and begins with a liberal advertising patronage from the business men of this city.

Dispensary Profits Divided.

The County Board of Control at their meeting Monday divided \$1,940 of dispensary profits as follows:
City of Sumter, \$871.01.
Maysville, 98.98
County of Sumter, 970.00.

Special Trains on the Southern Railway for the Fair.

ON OCTOBER 28 AND 29.

The Southern Railway will run trains as follows:
Lv. Camden, 6.45 a. m.; Lv. Sumter, 7.00 a. m.; Ar. Columbia, 8.50 a. m.
Returning train will Lv. Columbia, 8.30 p. m.; Ar. Sumter, 10.10 a. m.; Ar. Camden, 10.45.

Cotton Fluctuating.

Futures are reported to be lower today, and consequently prices are quoted about 15 points off from yesterday's prices, although sales have been made today at 10 cents, the same as yesterday.

The train going to Columbia this morning was crowded with people supposed to be going to the fair.

When you want something nice in the confectionery line go to the Greeks and ask Mr. George for Vanilla Alakuma. He makes it and it is fresh and good.

Parents should give careful attention to the proper protection of the feet of their children, as well as their own. Something of interest in this line will be found in the advertisement today of D. J. Chandler.

People who have wood to sell find ready sale, and the demand is hard to supply. The lumber mill which usually sells quantities of blocks, has not been sawing lately and has sold out all its stock of firewood.

At the Bartlette Street Baptist Church Monday night 20 persons were baptised who have united themselves with the church during the revival meeting conducted by the Rev. Mr. Fitch, and which closed on last Friday night.

Attention of visitors to the Fair is directed to the notice of special trains by the Coast Line and Southern Railway on the 28th and 29th (Wednesday and Thursday).

Train on Coast Line leaves at 9.10 and returning arrives at 9.30.
On Southern, train leaves Sumter at 7.00 and returning arrives at 10.10.



For men, who take as good care of their feet as they do of their head, we have lines of Hosiery that are

EXCELLENT.

You wouldn't wear any kind of a Hat—don't wear any kind of Sox.

A great many men who ought to know—don't know what splendid Hose we sell for

10 cts., or 3 pair for 25 cts.

15 cts., or 2 pair for 25 cts.

25 cts., or \$2.75 per dozen.

A full line of FALL and WINTER weights in all-wool Socks at 25 cts. and 50 cts.

BOYS' HOSE.

Good values at 10 cts., or 3 for a quarter—sizes 6 to 10.

We want every mother to see our "Rock PROOF" hose for boys. The best we've ever seen for the price—20 cts. the pair.

D. J. CHANDLER,

Phone 166 - Sumter, S. C.

THE NEWS OF THIS FRIDAY

Is a Demonstration of the "Fitness" of Things.

It Illustrates Our Superiority

As no assemblage of words possibly could. Every line indicates a saving—not of just a few pennies, but a sufficient amount to interest you in the supremacy of this best of stores

Wide variety, of course; that is always the rule here. Such selling—prices considered—should bring the biggest business yet—On Friday.

Black Dress Goods.

5 pieces 42-inch black Sharkskin, worth 65c, on sale at 50c.
3 pieces 36-inch heavy black Taffeta Silk, worth \$1.10, sale Friday, 93c.

SHOES { Lady Hampton at \$2.50.
{ Dorothy Dodd at \$3.00.
Style, quality, fitting, that is simply perfect.

Sale of Fine Embroideries—not a piece in lot worth less than 25c, many 30 and 35c qualities, all Friday, 19c.

Housekeepers, Buy! 25 dozen pure linen Huck Towels, never sold less than 25c—a towel bargain, surely, Friday, 19c.

100 small Carpet Rugs, Fringed, on sale Friday at 25c.

Do you need a walking skirt? There will be a sale Friday of about 100 ladies' Walking Skirts—a great variety, and prices less than material alone would cost.

Stole Venice Collars—We have secured a large sample line greatly under price. Quick selling of these Friday.

Comforts—Sale on them Friday at 98c, \$1.29, \$1.49; worth \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.

10 dozen ladies' silk finished ribbed Vests of fine sea island cotton, at 47c.

Another shipment ladies' flannel Shirt Waists, colors, garnet, navy and black, at 79c.

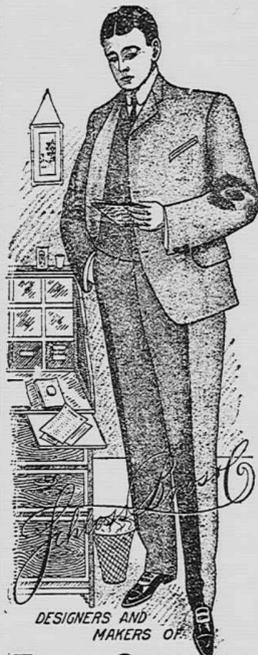
100 dozen ladies' heavy black Hose, really better than you've ever seen sold at 10c, Friday at 8c.

20 pieces extra heavy Canton Flannel, worth 12 1/2c, Friday at 9c.

Will also show what \$5 will buy in Ladies' Cloaks.

SCHWARTZ BROS.

THE KIND THAT HELPS YOU ON IN THE WORLD.



That's the kind of Clothing we sell. It is made by Schloss Bros. & Co., "the Best Clothes makers."

It is hand-tailored throughout. It is cut on the newest lines. It is correct in every particular.

Every garment is shaped to fit perfectly, and so made as to hold its shape.

In linings, collars, buttonholes, and all the details of finishing each garment, is fully up to the "merchant tailor" standard, and a sight better than much of the stuff that the masquerades as merchant tailoring.

THE "Alverstone" FINE CLOTHING SACK

Is a prosperous looking suit, and for business and general wear it constitutes a gentleman's ideal of excellence and moderation. What do you think of such a suit as this in rich, warm Cheviots and Fashionable Mixtures at so low a price as

\$12.00?

Don't forget us when you are in need of anything in Shoes, Hats and Furnishings. We carry the very best quality of above. Drop in and let us talk it over.

SUMTER CLOTHING CO., OUTFITTERS.

Phone 170.