

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Estate of T. D. Chandler—Citation. D. J. Chandler Clothing Co.—Cost Sale to End.

PERSONAL.

Cadet T. H. Dick is in the city. Mr. T. Scott DuBose spent yesterday in town.

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Mr. J. U. Watts, of Eutawville is in the city. Mr. T. H. Dick, Jr., of Columbia, was in the city Wednesday.

Miss Lizzie Pringle has gone to Wedgefield to visit relatives. Mr. D. A. Minor has returned from a business trip to New York.

Mr. Wilton Barrett, of Conway, is in the city for a few days stay. Mr. A. K. Sanders, of Hagood, spent yesterday in the city on business.

Mrs. D. M. Blanding and Mrs. Pinckney went to Columbia Monday. Miss Theo Gregg is visiting Mr. Fred W. Rensker, Jr., in Charleston.

Mrs. H. P. Duvall, of Cheraw, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. H. G. Osteen. Capt. J. Witherspoon Cooper, of Mayesville was in town yesterday on business.

Mrs. W. T. Costin, of Alcolu, is spending a few days with Mrs. J. M. Chandler. Miss Marie Durant went to Bishopville this morning to spend sometime with relatives.

Miss Bettie Aycock, of Wedgefield, spent a few days with Miss Theo Gregg last week. Capt. and Mrs. A. E. Hutchinson of Rock Hill, are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Geo. W. Dick.

Mr. Ernest Carson, who is attending the Charleston Medical College is in the city last week. Mrs. Dan Dove, of Kinston, N. C., after a week's stay in the city with relatives returned home Saturday.

Mr. J. L. Haynsworth and Mrs. L. Atkinson left for New York Thursday night to buy goods for the Sumter Dry Goods Co. Hon. B. Frank Kelley, who stopped over in the city on his way home from Columbia returned to Bishopville Monday afternoon.

Miss Pearl E. Winburn, of the regret of her many friends, has returned to the Montgomery, Ala., infirmary to resume her former position. Mr. Bennie Dorrity, of Columbia, some years ago an Item boy but now shipping clerk for the Columbia Duck Mill, was in the city Saturday.

Dr. Geo. W. Dick, accompanied by Mrs. Dick, left for Washington, D. C., Monday night to attend a meeting of the Southern Dental Association. Dr. W. B. Alford left Saturday night for Washington to attend the annual meeting of the Southern Branch of the National Dental Association.

Capt. R. A. Brand of Wilmington, N. C., spent Friday in town on business and his many friends were glad to see him looking the picture of health. Walter Rytinberg, whose condition has been practically unchanged for several days, passed a more comfortable night and was reported to be slightly better Monday.

The A. C. Line will have an old hess sale on March 22nd. The movement of fertilizers is heavy at present and the railroads are taxed to handle the business. At a meeting of the Gymnasium Club held last Thursday it was decided to disband on March 31st, 1904.

Collier's Weekly for sale at Osteen's Book Store. The most complete, reliable and best illustrated war news. During the month of January the local dispensary sold \$1700 more liquor than during the corresponding month last year.

The cost sale of winter clothing at the Chandler Clothing Store will come to an end on March 1st. See their new advertisement today. The jail is not crowded with prisoners at present, but there are enough cases on the criminal docket to keep the court busy for a week at least.

The Methodist ladies will give a musical at the residence of Mrs. C. T. Mason Thursday evening, Feb. 25th at 8:30 o'clock. Admission 10 cents. Program later. The telegraphic war news service of The Daily Item gives all the important news from the seat of war just eighteen hours ahead of any of the morning papers that are read in Sumter.

Mr. R. J. Bland, who was recently appointed receiver for the Horn Dry Goods Co., has taken charge of the business and is selling out the stock in wholesale lots preparatory to winding up the affairs of the concern. It is stated by The Florence Times on the authority of an engineer that there is a possibility of the engineers on the A. C. L. going on a strike unless the track work is properly kept up and this it is claimed is not being done since the trackmen went out on a strike last week.

The store of W. J. Andrews on West Liberty street caught afire Thursday, and but for the prompt arrival of the hose wagons and the quick work of the firemen there would have been a serious fire, as the building is old and inflammable and would have made a fire that could not have been confined to the single building. All telephone companies having been placed under the control of the Railroad Commission the patrons will have somebody to complain to when the service becomes so unsatisfactory as to be unbearable. It is true that complaints to the commission may be as unproductive of good results as the ordinary "kick" so frequently made in the past, but it may afford some satisfaction to the kickers who become weary of their complaints being treated with silent contempt or derision.

MARRIED.

On Feb. 17th at 11 a. m. at the residence of the bride's father, Miss Su E. Ross of Sumter county to Rev. J. W. Smith of Kershaw county, Rev. H. C. Bethea officiating.

DEATH.

Mr. Thomas B. Jenkins died at his home on West Liberty street at 3 o'clock this morning after a long illness aged 54 years. The funeral services will be held from his late residence at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning. He will be buried by Hollywood Camp, Woodmen of the World, of which he was a charter member.

Mr. Jenkins was not a native of this city but had made his home here for nearly thirty years and was one of our best known and most popular citizens. He was born in Richland county and spent much of his early life at Ridge Spring. He leaves a wife and four sons. Mrs. Hallie Carson Cuttino, wife of Mr. R. Dozier Cuttino, died Thursday about 12 o'clock, after a protracted illness, aged 31 years. Mrs. Cuttino was a daughter of Capt. E. S. Carson, and was one of the most attractive and popular young women of Sumter. Her death, while not unexpected is, nevertheless a great source of grief to her many friends. She leaves a devoted husband, an interesting family of little children and a large number of relatives to mourn the untimely summons that removed her from her sphere of usefulness in this life, where she was so greatly beloved and where her presence seemed to be so essential to the happiness of so many others.

Mr. T. Duncan Chandler died at his residence on Broad street on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock after a short illness. Mr. Chandler moved to Sumter about twelve years ago from the Wells' Cross Roads section of Sumter county. He leaves a wife, who was Miss Minnie Anderson, and five children. The funeral services were held at the Presbyterian Church at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon by Rev. N. W. Edmonds. Little Alma, the eldest child of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Fishburne, died in Columbia at an early hour yesterday morning, aged four and a half years. The funeral services were held in Columbia at 5 o'clock p. m. yesterday. The little girl was ill for about three weeks with measles, followed by an abscess of the head. An operation was performed ten days ago as the only hope of saving her life, and at first she rallied and it was hoped that she would recover. But she soon grew worse again and sank steadily until the end this morning. The little one was an unusually bright and attractive child, and was the idol of a large circle of relatives and friends, and her death is a crushing blow to her parents to whom the sincerest sympathy of their many friends in Sumter goes out.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. M. Fromberg died on Saturday. The funeral services were held on Sunday and the interment was at the Jewish Cemetery. Protracted Services Closed. The services which have been conducted at the Presbyterian Church during the last week by Dr. McLees and Rev. Wardlaw, evangelists of the Synod of South Carolina closed Sunday night. It is a rare privilege the people of Sumter have enjoyed in listening to such serious and the large congregations each day, both afternoon, and night, was evidence of appreciation of the opportunity. Dr. McLees' sermons are beautiful in their simplicity, and presented with such feeling and earnestness that his hearers are always deeply impressed. The congregation would gladly have had the meeting continued, but it was impossible as the Synod has appointed a meeting for Kingstree and Dr. McLees goes to that place to continue his work. As a result of the services seventeen members were added to the church on Sunday, and there are several others who will be received later.

County Republican Convention. The Sumter County Republican Convention which met on Saturday was like the majority of the meetings held here in years past. There were two factions contending for control and the honors and emoluments that follow, and as they could not harmonize, a split resulted, and two conventions were held, both electing delegates to the State and district conventions. R. H. Richardson was chairman of the regulars, and was backed up by former Congressman Geo. W. Murray. The bolters claim to have had a majority of the delegates, but they were so unfairly treated in the preliminary organization, that they could not submit and withdrew. The Richardson faction had the machinery of the organization and the majority were helpless. The second convention organized with W. J. Montango as chairman. They styled themselves the Roosevelt Administration-Deas-Capers Convention. National Committeeman Capers, State Chairman Deas and the Administration were endorsed. Capers, Deas and Balock were endorsed for delegates at large and W. T. Andrews for district delegate to the National Convention. In the Richardson Convention former Congressman George W. Murray and R. H. Richardson made bitter speeches denouncing Capers as a lyncher and an enemy to true Republicanism. All who support Deas and Capers came in for a share of this denunciation. The bolters claim that Richardson and Murray are fighting, not only Deas and Capers, who have recently buried the hatchet and are making common cause to control the party in this State, but are opposed to all who give them aid and comfort, no matter how high they stand in the councils of the party. Masonic Banquet. The annual banquet of Claremont Lodge, No. 64, A. F. M., will be held at the Hotel Jackson this evening, February 24th, immediately after a meeting of the Lodge at the Masonic Temple. The Lodge will be called on at 8 o'clock and the members are requested to be punctual in attendance.

McDONALD FURMAN.

Mr. McDonald Furman died at the old Furman homestead in Privateer township at 12 o'clock Friday night, after a protracted illness. He had steadily and rapidly grown weaker for more than a week and the anxious watchers at his bedside feared that each day would be the last. The lamp of life burned lower and still lower in his enfeebled frame and, at the midnight hour, flickered and went out. From Monday before he had been unconscious and he was mercifully spared all suffering at the end. Mr. Furman was a man of remarkable gifts and while he never held a political office nor became in any sense what is commonly known as a public man, no man was more widely known throughout the State than he. He devoted much of his leisure from early youth to the study of history, local and State history in particular, and possessing a remarkably retentive memory his mind became a veritable store house of historical lore, much of it possessed by himself alone, for he had gathered it from old documents, pamphlets, newspapers and traditions handed down by word of mouth from generation to generation. He was the most accurately and widely informed man respecting the genealogy of the people of South Carolina, in general, and of Sumter county in particular that the writer ever met. He gave much time and research to the Indians who once inhabited South Carolina, and the extent of his knowledge of the subject was remarkable when the paucity of historical writings, treating of it is taken into consideration. He was an unusual character, sui generis, and to those subjects that appealed to him he gave an intense interest and an enthusiasm that appeared to be unflagging, and for this reason he was not always understood by casual acquaintances. His interest in the schools of his community and of the county was sincere and practical and he was a frequent and always welcome visitor to many of them. His lectures to the school children bore no resemblance to the stereotyped talks to children so frequently inflicted upon schools by perfunctory visitors, but were ever interesting and filled with facts not found in text books. The schools and the school children of Sumter county have lost one of their sincerest and most helpful friends in the death of Mr. Furman. As a man and citizen he was true and loyal to what he conceived to be the best interests of the community. He was firm in his convictions strong in his likes and dislikes, and to his friends, candid, outspoken and as true as steel. Those who knew him best, best appreciated his worth, and to them his death is a real loss and a real grief. But his death is not only a loss to that small circle of friends whom he honored with his regard, but to the State as well, for few men of his generation had done so much to arouse interest in our own long neglected history, and while he leaves no weighty volumes from his pen he wrote a great deal for the newspapers and his store of information was cheerfully and freely drawn upon to aid others, and he was frequently called upon by writers on historical subjects.

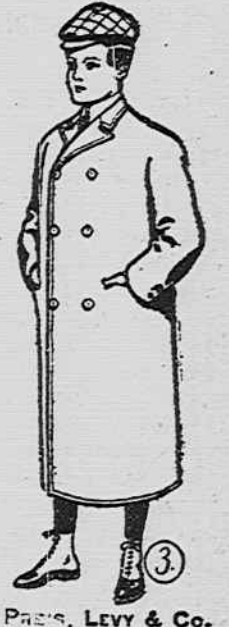
The following sketch of Mr. Furman, prepared by himself for "Men of the Times," gives in concise form an epitome of his life. "McDonald Furman, son of Dr. John H. and Mrs. Susan E. (Miller) Furman. Born March 1, 1863, in Privateer township, Sumter county. His early education was obtained in the common schools of the neighborhood. He then entered the Greenville Military Institute, remaining there until 1882, when he entered the South Carolina College. While there he was one of the editors of the college magazine. He is a member of the Southern Historical Association of South Carolina and the Historical Society. Has several times been a member of the county Democratic conventions. He was the originator of the Columbia, S. C. Centennial, held in 1891 and the George Bancroft Centennial, held in 1900. He is an author and lecturer on historical subjects. He never married." The funeral of Mr. McDonald Furman was held at Bethel Church, in Privateer on Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, the service being conducted by Rev. Mr. Lide. A large number of the members of Game Cock Lodge, K. of P. was present, the following Knights acting as pall bearers: L. I. Parrott, S. A. Harvin, Tom. E. Hodge, H. D. Tindal, B. Walsh and William Kolb. In spite of the very inclement weather a large crowd was present to pay the last tribute of respect to their friend, but many from Sumter who desired to attend were prevented from doing so.

There never was another man like McDonald Furman, who died Friday night at his family homestead in Privateer township, Sumter county, after a protracted illness. Possessed of a peculiar personality, and a mind of unusual bent, he lacked only a little of being a genius. Upright and sincere, independent and original in his views, indefatigable and untiring in his researches into South Carolina history and genealogy he had become widely known by his contributions to the press upon matters which interested him, or which were topics of current discussion. Mr. Furman was one contributor to whom the columns of the State were always open. Whatever his name was signed to was "O. K." in this office, and he fully appreciated the liberty accorded him. It has been many months since he was able to write and now he will write no more. A kindly gentleman and a patriotic citizen is lost to South Carolina by his death.—The State.

It is said that the prospective candidates for county offices, that is to say, those who are quite willing to hold a lucrative office if their friends and fellow citizens will elect them, but are not quite ready to enter into a scramble on an uncertainty so early in the season, are feeling around to ascertain what their chances are. The idea that high prices for cotton will both increase the cotton acreage and curtail the crop of candidates is a fallacy, and the crop of candidates will be as great and the quest for office just as eager as when cotton was worth only five cents. If the voters don't believe it let them keep their eyes open and watch the office seekers and hand shakers getting busy. Signs of election year are already to be seen all around us.



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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA. COUNTY OF SUMTER.

By Thos. V. Walsh, Esq., Probate Judge. Whereas, Mrs. Mary M. Chandler made suit to me to grant her Letters of Administration of the Estate of and effects of T. Duncan Chandler. These are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said T. Duncan Chandler, deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Sumter C. H., on March 10th, 1904, next, after publication thereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted. Given under my Hand, this 23d day of February A. D., 1904. THOS. V. WALSH, Judge of Probate.

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PLANTATION SUPPLIES.

Judging from the manner in which this department of our stock is moving it would appear unnecessary for us to say anything about it. We have heard it said that "Goods Advertise Themselves"

And this expression can truthfully be applied to our case. Our January business in this department has been A Record-Breaker

And while February is a shorter month, we want it to show equally as good results. We find some difficulty in keeping up our stock, and while there are times we may be out of an article it is only temporary. We have now on hand and to arrive, bought direct from

- Manufacturers and Packers 50,000 Pounds of Bacon, 20,000 Pounds of Lard, 1,000 Bags of Grits, 600 Bags of Meal, 2,500 Bushels of Corn, 1,000 Barrels of Flour, 500 Bushels of Seed Oats, 100 Barrels of Sugar, 300 Bags of Rice, 100 Bags of Coffee, 50 Barrels N. O. Molasses, 25 Barrels Georgia Syrup, 100 Boxes of Soap.

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