

The Watchman and Southeron.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1904.

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

It begins to look as if Tom Watson, of Georgia, and his Populist followers are better entitled to the name of Assistant Republicans than were the Palmer and Buckner soreheads in 1896. Mr. Watson is in reality working for the election of the Republican ticket and his efforts may result in placing some of the doubtful western States, which would otherwise go Democratic, in the Roosevelt column. Mr. Watson is unquestionably the most brilliant of the Presidential candidates, and by some people he is classed as the ablest and most statesman-like, also. He has been regarded as somewhat of a crank, owing to his extreme Populist views, but in the South, at least, he has received credit for sincerity and honesty of purpose; but if he goes over to the Republicans and accepts office from them as a reward for his assistance in this campaign, the people of the South will lose the faith in him that they have had. It would be a great pity for Tom Watson to follow in the footsteps of John G. Capers and others of as respectable antecedents who have bartered their talents for Republican patronage. It is difficult to understand Tom Watson's motives. He does not need money, for he is a wealthy man from a southern standpoint; he has nothing to gain in the way of notoriety, for he is already known from one end of the country to the other; he can have no hope of election, for he is not a fool. The greatest office the Republicans could give him would be to detract from his reputation, as his acceptance of it would mark him as a place seeker.

Sam Marks, the Darlington negro who is under sentence to be hanged next month, has been carried back to the penitentiary for safe keeping. Sheriff Scarborough still having fears of a mob. Sheriff Scarborough may be justified by conditions existing in Darlington in running back and forth to Columbia with his prisoner, but it creates a very poor opinion of the might and majesty of the law to have the High Sheriff dodging around the country.

We are in receipt of Farmer's Bulletin No. 198, issued by the United States Department of Agriculture. It treats of strawberry culture for home use and for market, and should be in the hands of every farmer and gardener. Copies can be procured from the Bureau of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

If a more thorough investigation than has yet been made shall establish the fact that there is a large and easily accessible deposit of rock suitable for road material within a few miles to this city, and adjacent to the Bishopville public road, the good roads problem for Sumter will be nearer a satisfactory solution than the most sanguine good road advocates have dared to hope. Members of the committee of public works of the City Council have made a preliminary investigation and the surface indications are that there is sufficient rock in the deposit to macadamize miles of road, and that it can be mined and crushed at a minimum expense. They estimate that the rock can be put on the road where it is to be used for less than is now paid for the rock used for macadamizing the streets of the city. If this estimate can be proven correct there is no reason why the public roads radiating from this city cannot all be macadamized within a few years. The city will, with the co-operation of County Supervisor Seale, make a thorough investigation of the matter and if they are satisfied that the rock deposit is as extensive as they now have reason to believe it is, their purpose to experiment with the rock to determine whether or not it can be cheaply mined and converted into macadam. They will, before going into road building on a large scale, give the rock a thorough test to ascertain by use if it will make a good road and stand the wear and tear of traffic. It is to be hoped that the investigations and experiments to be made will all prove satisfactory and that the building of permanent roads will begin at an early day. Of course it will require a large expenditure of money to build macadamized highways, but it will be money well spent, and every mile that is built will be worth to the county four fold its cost. The day of sand beds and mud holes has passed and the community that is content to endure bad roads cannot hope to progress or to prosper.

The government crop reports indicate that the cotton crop is not only not as great as some of the professional cotton estimators have made it, but that it will be harvested much earlier than last year's crop. If the crop should prove to be less than ten and three quarter million bales there will

be a scramble for cotton before many months have passed and prices will soar upward.

The Triennial Convention of the Episcopal church will have little time left for the consideration of other matters if it undertakes to settle the divorce and lynch law questions during the present session. Both are evils of gigantic proportions, the one debasing the standard of morality and making of the marriage tie a thing of no sanctity, to be put on and off at will, the other breeding a disrespect for law and order and leading rapidly and inevitably to a state of anarchy. If all the churches would set their faces sternly against evil practices in high life as well as among the poor, if the leaders of the church would hold aloof from the immoral and vicious rich, as they do from the degraded poor, there might be some hope of the rehabilitation of society by the action of great church assemblies; but so long as social position and wealth serve as cloaks for flagrant immorality, such as the wife swapping among the New York Society set, the divorce court serving as a sort of woman's exchange, the most solemn enactments of the supreme legislative bodies of a dozen great denominations will be non-effective. The Archbishop of Canterbury correctly diagnoses the situation—there is a decided lack of religious and moral earnestness among the people at large. Infidelity may not be as blatant and aggressive as it was in the day of Tom Paine, but there is a corresponding indifference, apathy or lack of zeal on the part of the nominally religious—or to be exact in the use of the term, we should say, the church members. With a large percentage of church members—observation leads us to believe—religion is not a vital, an all absorbing belief; with many it is only one of the incidentals, a matter of good form, since this is a Christian country, consequently it follows that the edicts of church assemblies have no distinctly perceptible influence. We believe, however, that the clergy of the Episcopal church who are making the fight for the adoption of a more stringent canon on the marriage of divorced persons, are working for righteousness and decency and their labors will not be in vain. The courts may continue to make divorce easy, but if the church refuses to be a party to the immoral practice by making remarriage with the church's sanction impossible, a great good will be accomplished. Society respects the appearance of respectability, at least, if not the strict observance of the moral law; and since, to most people, marriage is still a religious rite, the refusal of the church to countenance the marriage of divorced persons may have a weighty influence socially, if it does religiously. We doubt its effect from a religious standpoint, because we do not believe any person with a sincere respect for the teachings of the founder of the church would seek either an easy divorce or a quick remarriage. Those who go through the divorce court mill and make haste to be married again respect and fear the opinion of society more than they do the canons of the church, or the Word of God.

The Populists who are working with might and main to defeat Parker have opened expensive headquarters in New York and Tom Watson is stumping the West. A suspicion is entertained in some quarters that these assistant Republicans are being assisted financially by the Republicans who have an overflowing treasury.

It is a rather curious coincidence that since the retirement of Mr. Yates Snowden not a single member of the editorial staff of the News and Courier, Charleston's leading newspaper, is a native of that city. All of them, we believe, with one exception, are up country men and he is a Virginian.

The letters from County Chairman E. W. Dabbs, Congressman Lever and Congressman Finley, which we have published, should not only receive careful consideration from Sumter County Democrats, but should influence many of them to contribute as liberally as their means will permit to the Congressional campaign fund. The future of the South is at stake in this campaign and if we can do anything to obtain control of one house of Congress we should spare no efforts to do the thing necessary. If it is money that is needed we should make sacrifices to provide the money.

If the Republicans elect Roosevelt and also secure a majority of the members of the House of Representatives, they will be in a position to carry out Roosevelt policies in the South without let or hindrance; and that they will override the laws and constitution, if necessary to the accomplishment of their purposes, their record proves beyond question. Their purpose is to secure absolute control of all branches of the government, and to do this they will balk at no injustice to the South. Our representation will be reduced and the negro issue will be revived with greater virulence than ever. If the Democrats can

secure control of the House they will be able to act as a check upon the Republicans and prevent the further encroachments of the President, who shows a disposition to rule as an autocrat.

LIST OF FALL FESTIVAL CONTRIBUTORS.

The Public Spirited Citizens Who Have Given to Make the Festival.

- The Finance Committee desire to publish the following list of subscriptions to the Sumter Fall Festival for the information of the public. This list is by no means complete as the committee has not been able up to this time, to make a full canvass of the city. Other contributions will be published as the committee receives them:
- O'Donnell & Co. \$100 00
  - Sumter Dry Goods Co. 100 00
  - Harby & Co. 100 00
  - B. J. Barnett & Son, 75 00
  - Hotel Sumter, 75 00
  - Hotel Jackson, 50 00
  - The Minor Store, 50 00
  - D. J. Chandler Clothing Co. 50 00
  - Kennedy Bros. 25 00
  - Wells & Edens, 25 00
  - Sumter Brick Works, 25 00
  - Levi Bros. 25 00
  - Levy & Moses, 25 00
  - R. F. Haynsworth, 25 00
  - S. C. Baker, 10 00
  - Edgar Skinner, 10 00
  - D. J. Craig Co. 25 00
  - Whidden Furniture Co. 50 00
  - H. G. Osteen & Co. 10 00
  - Marion Moise, 10 00
  - I. C. Strauss, 10 00
  - Ducker & Bultman, 25 00
  - Bultman Bros. 25 00
  - H. Harby, Jr. 5 00
  - J. A. Renno, 10 00
  - White & McCallum, 30 00
  - Shaw & McCollum, 25 00
  - J. A. Mood, 10 00
  - C. C. Brown, 10 00
  - W. B. Boyle, 25 00
  - G. W. Dick, 25 00
  - Dr. Walter Cheyne, 10 00
  - Dr. Archie China, 10 00
  - R. L. Edmunds, 5 00
  - J. L. McCallum, 5 00
  - O. L. Yates, 2 50
  - E. T. Windham, 5 00
  - C. S. Curtis, 3 00
  - C. D. Lide, 3 00
  - Jacob Bradwell, 3 00
  - DeLorme's Pharmacy, 15 00
  - E. S. Miller, 5 00
  - O. B. Davis, 10 00
  - Sam B. Mitchell, 10 00
  - W. D. Shaw, 7 50
  - H. B. Cartis, 25 00
  - Sumter Bottling Works, 2 50
  - E. K. Friar, 50 00
  - Crosswell & Co. 50 00
  - Sumter Banking & Merg. Co. 5 00
  - W. H. Seale, 10 00
  - L. D. Jennings, 5 00
  - J. E. Gaillard, 5 00
  - H. W. Hood, 2 50
  - D. W. Cuttino, 5 00
  - D. G. Zeigler, 35 00
  - Geo. J. Shore & Bro. 10 00
  - E. A. Bultman, 5 00
  - R. L. Cooper, 10 00
  - Cash Grocery Store, 5 00
  - E. C. Haynsworth, 25 00
  - R. D. Lee 5 00
  - W. H. Yates, 15 00
  - A. A. Strauss & Co. 10 00
  - H. F. Wilson, 5 00
  - R. J. Bland, 5 00
  - A. B. Stuckey, 5 00
  - D. D. Moise, 2 50
  - S. D. Cain, 5 00
  - C. M. Hurst, 10 00
  - S. H. Edmunds, 5 00
  - W. S. Reynolds, 5 00
  - J. A. Scherwin, 5 00
  - E. W. Vogel, 20 00
  - China's Drug Store 15 00
  - Sibert's Drug Store 2 50
  - P. M. Parrott, 10 00
  - J. W. McCoy, 100 00
  - H. J. McLaurin, Jr., 5 00
  - Bob Robinson, 15 00
  - L. W. Folsom, 10 00
  - J. D. Blanding, Jr. 5 00
  - T. W. Lee, 25 00
  - W. M. Graham, 5 00
  - G. L. Ricker, 10 00
  - Sumter Insurance Agency, 25 00
  - Penn Lumber Co. 5 00
  - J. H. Clifton, 10 00
  - J. W. McKeiver, 15 00
  - Sumter Grocery Co. 10 00
  - Citizens' Insurance Agency, 25 00
  - Burns Hardware Co. 5 00
  - J. D. Wilder, 5 00
  - T. V. Walsh, Sr. 5 00
  - C. W. Birnie, M. D., 10 00
  - Dr. C. P. Osteen, 15 00
  - Cuttino & Chandler, 5 00
  - Frank B. Grier, 5 00
  - Bartow Walsh, 10 00
  - Sumter Clothing Co. 25 00
  - Booth Live Stock Co. 5 00
  - T. B. Fraser, 10 00
  - M. Green, 10 00
  - V. H. Phelps, 25 00
  - Stubbs Bros. 6 00
  - J. D. Jennings, 10 00
  - Costin & Williams, 15 00
  - A. D. Harby, 25 00
  - H. G. McKague, 2 50
  - Schwartz Bros. 75 00
  - W. E. Harris, 10 00
  - Mrs. R. Strauss, 5 00
  - E. B. Hogan, 5 00
  - Perry Moses, 5 00
  - V. Gazes, 5 00
  - O. E. Bostick, 2 50
  - J. F. Pate, 10 00
  - T. C. Scaffe, 7 00
  - M. Fromberg, 5 00
  - Sam Lee, 15 00
  - Geo. D. Shore, 25 00
  - R. I. Manning, 10 00
  - Beck Bros. 15 00
  - F. C. Manning, 5 00
  - S. M. Pierson, 1 00
  - D. M. Campbell, 2 50
  - W. F. Jenkins, 2 50
  - T. S. Gregory, 10 00
  - Knight Bros. 400 00
  - City Council, 10 00
  - J. R. Ligon, 5 00
  - H. C. Haynsworth, 10 00
  - H. L. Scarborough, 25 00
  - Sumter Saving Bank, 10 00
  - H. M. Stuckey, M. D., 100 00
  - First National Bank, 75 00
  - Bank of Sumter, 25 00
  - Southern Cotton Oil Co. 25 00
  - L. B. Durant, 1 00
  - J. M. Barwick, 2 00
  - A. D. Owens, 1 00
  - C. M. Gregg, 1 00
  - Eddie Pitts, 2 00
  - H. R. Hammond, 2 00
  - L. E. White, 1 00
  - W. J. Stoumeyer, 1 00
  - Sam Newman, 1 00
  - W. H. Hodge, 2 00
  - W. J. Hall, 1 00
  - W. D. Hatfield, 1 00
  - J. E. Flowers, 1 00
  - J. M. Breggon, 50
  - W. C. Boll, 2 00
  - Nick Britton, 1 00

- J. L. Nunnamaker, 1 00
- J. H. Grady, 1 00
- Geo. F. Ogg, 1 00
- S. Y. Delgar, 1 00
- J. R. Clack, 2 50
- D. W. Gregg, 1 00
- T. V. Walsh Jr. 5 00
- J. T. Wetherly, 1 00
- Robt. D. Bradford, 1 00
- Ed. L. Smith, 1 00
- W. J. Morgan, 1 00
- B. A. Hussey, 1 00
- C. E. Rose, 1 00
- T. E. Tisdale, 1 00
- F. M. McLeod, 1 00
- H. W. Lucius, 1 00
- R. S. Bradwell, 2 00
- T. H. Bell, 1 00
- G. R. Phillips, 1 00
- T. W. Windom, 1 00
- J. P. Commander, 1 00
- L. J. Leonhirt, 1 00
- A. F. Anderson, 1 00
- J. T. China 1 00
- Mrs. Andrena Moses 10 00
- Dr. Van Telberg-Hofman 10 00
- H. J. Lawrence 5 00
- G. Vandoros, 5 00
- N. G. Osteen, Jr., 5 00
- T. C. Cuttino, 10 00
- Sumter Drug Co. 5 00
- S. F. Osteen 1 00
- Witherspoon Bros. & Co., 25 00
- W. P. Williams, 1 00
- James Brown, 50
- A. R. Drayton 50
- Frank Jervey 50
- Fred Thomas, 50
- J. H. Bowman, 50
- Morgan Pierson, 1 00
- Eli Johnson, 1 00
- C. F. McFadden \$15 00
- G. A. Leonhirt 1 00

Do you need a Mower, Rake, Harrow, Wagon, Buggy, Harness, Plow or anything in the line of Farm Implements? See W. B. Boyle. He sells them right. Sept. 28-3t

Woodman Unveiling.

The members of Hollywood Camp, No. 19, Woodmen of the World, assembled in large force at the Masonic Temple last Sunday at 12.30 o'clock for the purpose of unveiling the monument recently erected by them to the memory of Mr. J. B. Jones, who was a member of this Camp.

At the cemetery gate the procession was formed, marched into the grounds and took position in wedge shape about the monument. The music was furnished by the Second Regiment Band and a male choir.

Mr. S. H. Edmunds delivered the oration, which was thoroughly appropriate to the occasion and commanded the closest attention of all who were present.

Mr. D. L. Rambo read with good effect the poem, "Oh Why Should the Spirit of Mortal be Proud."

The ceremony was entirely of a religious character, suited to the Sabbath day, and was opened with prayer by Dr. C. C. Brown.

The members of Holly Wood Camp are zealous in their devotion to the order and to each other. Many of them came long distances to show their respect to the memory of a deceased brother.

Farm Machinery.

The D. M. Osborne Co. Mowers, Rakes, Harrows, Plows and other farm implements kept in stock and can be supplied on short notice.

Also, Wagons, Buggies, and Harness. Prices low and reasonable terms to approved purchasers.

See me for anything you need. W. B. Boyle. Sept. 28-3t.

In the Recorder's Court.

The city profited by the disorderly conduct of negroes last Saturday to the extent of \$146.00.

The following is a copy of the Recorder's docket on Monday:

Joe Fuller and Sylvester Barnell, disorderly conduct and carrying concealed weapons; guilty, fined \$15.00 each; Geo. Watts, public drunkenness, \$2.00; E. A. Jenkins, riding bicycle without a light, \$2.00; Wade Capers and Horace Jackson, fighting, Capers not guilty, Jackson forfeited \$5.00 bond by non appearance; Reid Clark, drunk and cursing, \$5.00; Washington Haynes, cursing on the street \$5.00; Enoch Spann, same offence \$5.00; Israel Moses, cursing and public drunkenness, \$1.00; Sam Jones, running horse on Bee Street, \$1.00; Geo. Murray, Ed. Benjamin, Lewis Jackson, Wm. Bunn, Chas. Davis and Joe Flemming, gambling, Murray, Benjamin and Davis found guilty and fined respectively \$25.00 and the other two \$20.00 each. Moses Pierson and Lewis Jackson fined \$3.00 each for non-payment of Street Tax.

NOTICE.

The Farmers' Gin Co., located near old C. S. & N., depot is now ready to gin all cotton as fast as it comes, and hereby solicits a share of the patronage of the public and friends. Aug 25-tf Farmers Gin Co.

Dance Wednesday Night.

Seldom have the prospects for a dance been brighter than they are for the one that will be given in the Armory Hall this evening. A number of visitors are in the city and from all indications there will be the largest attendance of the year; and, as Prof. Schumaker's Orchestra has been engaged, the success of the event is assured. Dancing will not commence until after the play, "Happy Hooligan," which will be produced at the Opera House that evening.

The Second Regiment Band will furnish music every day during the Fall Festival. This will prove one of the most pleasing and attractive features of the entertainment that will be provided for the visitors. Sumter people have become so accustomed to the Second Regiment Band and the excellent music it furnishes that they do not appreciate it as much as a visitor would.

If baby's health is dear to you. Then let me tell you what to do. Ere pain has racketted tender frame. Just let "TEETHINA" ease the same.

"TEETHINA" Allays Irritation, Aids Digestion, Overcomes and Counteracts the Effects of Summer's Heat, Regulates the Bowels and makes teething easy, and costs only 25 cents. O. 5-2t.

**OUR SECOND**  
Car horses and mules due to arrive Friday Oct. 14th.

Bought in St. Louis, at the World's Fair, conceded to be the largest horse and mule market in the U. S. If you want a good selection see this bunch before they are picked over.  
**SPECIAL.**  
Several choice drivers and family broke harness horses.  
Ten (10) smooth young mules.

South Carolina Rust Proof seed oats, the heaviest on the market, 65c per bushel.

**Booth Live Stock Co.**

**Our Carpet Department.**

At this season of the year every housekeeper is interested in beautifying her home and making it comfortable for the approaching Fall and Winter. In this connection there is nothing more necessary than

**Good Floor Coverings**

And our carpet department offers unusual attractions in this line. If it's matting you are looking for we have an excellent line to select from.

**Japanese at 15, 18 and 20 Cents.**  
**Chinas at 15, 18, 20, 25 and 35 Cents.**

We picked up several rolls of China Mattings in single pieces at

**Very Much Under Price**

And we are prepared to give unusual bargains in them. Grass wire matting in a large assortment of patterns

**At 35 Cents.**

In carpets, we have a large and complete assortment from

**25 Cents to \$1.25 a Yard.**

Floor oil cloths from

**25 Cents to \$1 Per Yard.**

Art squares from

**\$3 to \$10.**

Rugs in endless variety and the prettiest assortment of patterns we ever handled from

**\$1 to \$6.**

Window shades in all colors and at prices to suit. If interested in anything in the carpet line it will pay you to look through our stock before buying.

**O'DONNELL & COMPANY.**

**The First of the Season.**

A choice car load of horses and mules just received and need selling. Among them are some extra nice drivers, some good smooth, full made work horses and a few nice mules. All young and sound. I will appreciate a look from you whether you are ready to buy or not.

Respectfully,  
**A. D. HARBY.**