

COUNCIL MEETING.

City council held a regular meeting at 8 o'clock p. m., Wednesday. Present—Mayor Geo. W. Dick, Aldermen H. D. Barnett, R. F. Haynsworth, E. W. Hurst, W. G. Stubbs and R. K. Wilder.

Absent—Aldermen P. P. Finn, H. W. Hood and C. G. Rowland. Messrs. Wesley Bradford and G. C. Warren, of the Sumter Light Infantry, requested that their company be given all licenses from attractions and concessions incident to their approaching gala week, as their expenses were greater than they had expected and they feared they would not be reimbursed by receipts if restricted to their share of amount realized from the amusement company with which they had made a contract. The request was granted.

Mr. F. A. Bultman, secretary of the Sumter Electric Light, Ice and Power Company was present to inquire what action would take in reference to the recent report of Professor W. M. Riggs. He stated that his company is willing to comply with the recommendations made. Council decided to take no action at this time.

Messrs. H. F. Wilson, M. Moise and C. L. Cuttino presented a petition from citizens asking council to straighten that portion of Church street between Broad and Live Oak streets, and if necessary to expend a reasonable sum of money for that purpose. These gentlemen stated that Major Wilson had recently acquired the Gaillard property at northeast corner Broad and Church streets. One of the purposes of his purchase being to allow the city an opportunity to make this important improvement. The price of the property was high and the purchaser cannot afford to donate the large portion required for the street, but offered to sell it for \$322, which disposes of the entire Church street front at the same rate as was paid for the entire property. Action was deferred to a full meeting of council.

Minutes of November 15th, were read and approved.

Mr. Haynsworth, for the committee on Public Works reported that the stone culvert at Turkey Creek was nearing completion, and improvement of streets progressing as well as can be expected under existing circumstances.

The mayor stated that the Civic League had requested the adoption of an ordinance to regulate the handling of trash and garbage in the business section so as to prevent trash barrels and boxes from being placed on the streets and sidewalks. They further requested that council would have shade trees planted wherever the league would suggest. The work of the league was favorably considered, and will be assisted by council.

The mayor stated that he desired to lay a cement sidewalk on Caldwell street, in front of his office and residence and was willing to pay half the cost if the city would pay half as is done with other citizens whenever requested. The request was granted. Council then adjourned.

PEITION IN BANKRUPTCY.

Filed in the U. S. Court by Creditors of the Sumter Department Store.

Charleston, S. C., November 22.—In the U. S. District Court yesterday Greenwald, Friedman & Co., the New York Millinery and Supply Company, and the Broadway Bargain House, through their attorneys filed a petition in involuntary bankruptcy against the Sumter Department Store of Sumter, S. C.

The Sumter Department Store is ordered to show cause on December 2 why it should not be adjudged bankrupt.

Sluggish Liver a Foe to Ambition. \*You cannot accomplish very much if your liver is inactive as you feel dull, your eyes are heavy and slight exertion exhausts you. Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup stimulates the liver and bowels and makes you feel bright and active. Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup does not nauseate or gripe and is mild and very pleasant to take. Orino is more effective than pills or ordinary cathartics. Refuse substitutes. Durant's Pharmacy.

Authorities differ about the size of sleeves. But without doubt the popular taste is inclined to cling to small sleeves. People are not very enthusiastic about big, full sleeves. And they certainly are anything but pretty.

G. B. Burhans Testifies After 4 Years. \*G. B. Burhans, of Carlisle Center, N. Y., writes: "About four years ago I wrote you stating that I had been entirely cured of a severe kidney trouble by taking less than two bottles of Foley's Kidney Cure. It entirely stopped the brick dust sediment, and pain and symptoms of kidney disease disappeared. I am glad to say that I have never had a return of any of those symptoms during the four years that have elapsed and I am evidently cured to stay cured, and heartily recommend Foley's Kidney Cure to any one suffering from kidney or bladder trouble." Durant's Pharmacy.

PROBABLY NEAR THE MARK.

Table with 3 columns: States, Est. Crop 1905-06, Crop 1904-05. Rows include Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, N. Carolina, S. Carolina, Tenn. & Ok. Ter, Tex & Ind'n Ter, Est. Total.

Our correspondents report that the crop from the beginning of the season has not prospered at any time as was expected and that much land was abandoned after planting was finished, on account of wet weather and scarcity of labor for cultivation.

A large falling off in the yield is reported from all the states, save North and South Carolina and parts of Georgia. In Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas and localities in Texas the yield will be so small as to amount to disaster to many planters. Picking has progressed well under favorable conditions and the crop has been ginned and marketed rapidly.

Very truly, Latham, Alexander & Co.

THE STATE HOUSE CASE.

Issues of Long Standing to Be Determined.

Columbia, November 23.—One of the remarkable and most interesting cases of recent years is that of the State of South Carolina against the contractors and architect who worked on the State House and completed it in its present shape. The rucus about the work has been going on for full five years and now the issue is squarely before a jury of this county.

Under direction of the General Assembly Messrs. Robert Aldrich, of Barnwell and T. Y. Williams, of Lancaster, as a special committee, were charged with the duty of bringing a suit against McIlvain-Unkefer Company, as contractors and Frank P. Milburn, as architect. This special committee, after going over the field and the testimony, arranged with Messrs. Mitchell & Smith, of Charleston, and Clark & Clark, of Columbia, to represent the State in its suit for \$200,000 against the contractors and architect. Mr. Henry M. Smith, of Charleston, and Mr. Washington Clark, of Columbia, are in charge of the conduct of the case for the State. Mr. Milburn is represented by Messrs. Barron & Ray and Nelson & Nelson and one of the contracting firm—Mr. Johnson—is represented by DePass & DePass, the other members of the firm evidently being indifferent to the cause. The complaint alleges conspiracy between the contractors and architect, and it is this phase of the question which accentuates the interest in the fight.

Every step of the case is being hard fought and from the drift of the contest this morning the defense expects to try and gain a non-suit and thereby let the case fall.

The jury was gotten together with much more ease than was expected and contrary to general expectation the case was promptly started at the opening of the court.

Nature Needs But Little. \*Nature needs only a Little Early Riser now and then to keep the bowels clean and the liver active, and the system free from bile, headaches, constipation, etc. The famous little pills "Early Risers" are pleasant in effect and perfect in action. They never gripe or sicken, but tone and strengthen the liver and kidneys. Sold by all druggists.

A few days ago Mr. A. A. Dantzier, a prosperous and enterprising farmer of Elloree, had the misfortune to lose his gin house and all contents by fire. Inside the gin house there were between thirty-five and forty bales of unginned cotton. In addition all of the machinery was destroyed, including engine, boiler, saw mill, grist mill, etc. Altogether the loss will amount to something like \$5,000, and Mr. Dantzier had no insurance on any of the property destroyed.

But Few are Free. \*But few people are entirely free from indigestion at this season of the year. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is not only the best remedy to use because it digests what you eat but because it also enables the digestive apparatus to assimilate and transform all foods into tissue-building blood. Kodol relieves sour stomach, heart burn, belching and all forms of indigestion. Sold by all druggists.

HOMICIDE AT TINDALS.

Flanders Johnson Killed by His Wife Who Shot His Head Off.

From the Daily Item Nov. 23.

Flanders Johnson, a negro tenant on the plantation of Mr. J. M. Tindal near Tindal's station, was shot and instantly killed about 8 o'clock this morning by Ophelia Johnson, his wife. A shot gun was the weapon used and the lead took effect in Johnson's head. There were no eye witnesses to the killing, it is reported, except a little negro girl who was playing in the yard when the tragedy occurred in the house.

The girl stated shortly after the killing that Johnson and his wife were having a fuss and that she took down the gun and a struggle over it ensued. During the struggle the gun was discharged and Johnson fell to the floor, his brains having been blown out.

The woman says that the killing was an accident, but so far as reports obtainable at this time show, she has made no detailed statement. Coroer Flowers went out to Tindal's as soon as notified to hold an inquest.

At the inquest the testimony of the girl was of a character to indicate that the killing was a deliberate murder, but the woman insisted that it was an accident.

The verdict of the jury was that the said Flanders Johnson came to his death from a gun shot wound at the hands of Ophelia Johnson.

LIVED TO BE 117.

Esau Davis, of Lee County, Dead. The Father of 51 Children.

Bishopville, November 23.—Esau Davis, an old negro of the Elliot neighborhood, died yesterday at the advanced age of 117 years.

He was the father of 51 children, most of whom are alive. This is reliable, as the information comes from a respected citizen of the county, whose character for exactness and veracity is well established.

Old "Uncle Esau" belonged in the old slavery days to the Thomson Green family, of this county, and was a capable and trustworthy servant. He was well cared for by the neighbors, white and colored, during the last years of his life.

Another case, not of longevity, but of that success in raising a family that would gladden Mr. Roosevelt's heart is that of George Wilson, a colored farmer of Spring Hill Township, who is 62 years of age and the father of 25 children by two wives.

WRECK ON PENNSYLVANIA.

A Fatal and Very Costly Railroad Accident.

Harrisburg, Pa., November 24.—One man was killed, five injured and twenty-five freight cars, two postal cars, one baggage car and one Pullman car were totally wrecked as the result of a rear end collision of two west bound freights and the subsequent collision of a passenger with wreck on the Pennsylvania railway this morning at Thompsontown. D. C. Huntsbee, the brakeman, of Harrisburg was the only one killed.

The Williamsburg Vote.

Kingstree, November 23.—Full reports from the various polls are now obtainable and the total vote on the question of "dispensary" or "no dispensary" in Williamsburg county shows a majority of 85 votes in favor of "no dispensary."

Place and advertisement in the columns of The Daily Item and get results.

Bilious Attack Quickly Cured.

\*A few weeks ago I had a bilious attack that was so severe I was not able to go to the office for two days. Failing to get relief from my family physician's treatment, I took three of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and the next day I felt like a new man.—H. C. Bailey, editor of the News, Chaplin, S. C. These tablets are for sale by all Druggists.

George McD Barrett, of Bishopville, had his sentence changed from three months' imprisonment to a fine of \$100. Barrett was a magistrate in Lee county, who was convicted of failure to turn over certain collected funds to the county authorities.

There is undoubtedly more whiskey coming into Darlington county than before the dispensary was voted out, though we see few evidences of drinking in and around Hartsville. We have heard, however, the considerable whiskey is coming in on the railroads and some of this is evidently being sold. We would like to call the pointed attention of all officers whose duty it is to enforce the law, to this matter and to remind the citizens that they should show an interest in bringing the offenders to justice.—Hartsville Messenger.

No Case of Pneumonia on Record.

\*We do not know of a single instance where a cough or cold resulted in pneumonia or consumption when Foley's Honey and Tar had been taken. It cures coughs and colds perfectly and do not take chances with some unknown preparation which may contain opiates, which cause constipation, a condition that retards recovery from a cold. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar and refuse any substitute offered. Durant's Pharmacy.

A GOOD CORN CROP.

Mr. J. M. Woodley's Crop Averages 51 1-2 Bushels to the Acre.

Mr. J. M. Woodley, of Dalzell was here Thursday and in the course of conversation with a representative of this paper the subject of crops came up, and in reply to an inquiry concerning his corn crop this year he gave the following figures: He planted 175 acres in corn and has gathered 4,600 bushels from 90 acres, the remaining 85 acres being yet to gather, but the yield will be about the same average per acre.

The following statement in detail will be interesting: 1 field 6 acres, 312 bushels, 52 bushels per acre. 1 field 25 acres, 1,225 bushels, 53 bushels per acre. 1 field 37 acres, 1,710 bushels, 46 bushels per acre. 1 field 20 acres, 1,160 bushels, 58 bushels per acre. 1 field 2 acres, 133 bushels, 66 bushels per acre.

Total number acres 90; total number bushels 4,640; average 51 1/2 bushels per acre; 85 acres more to gather.

MAKE THEM MOVE ON.

A Gang of Thievish Gypsies in the Country.

A tribe of Brazilian Gypsies struck this town last Friday, and they are now roving about the country. They are a bad lot and should not be tolerated. While here they robbed a respectable colored man from the Kimini section, Stephen White, at Coffey & Rigby's stables. The woman that approached White uttered some gibberish which he could not understand, and while muttering this linga she ran her hand in White's pocket and abstracted \$15. He of course protested and she gave him back \$1. White did not know what to do, he was paralyzed with fear; he was hoodooed, conjured or something, and were it not for the interference of others the Gypsies would have gotten off with the swag. Policeman Huggins was appealed to, and after considerable searching among the women of the tribe he at last had the right one identified and she was arrested and put into the lockup to return White the stolen money and pay the town a fine of \$5.

The news of the woman's arrest reached the camp and her friends came protesting her innocence thick and fast. "De lady no steal! she Christian! she daughter of Mary de mudder of Jesus!" crossing their breasts as they uttered these protestations. And when they found the officer hardened against their appeals they told him "to keep de lady for de debt," and with what was like oaths they departed. They changed their minds, however, and came back, paid the money required, and took "de lady" out, going away pronouncing maledictions upon the heads of Policemen Huggins and White, telling Huggins that he would "die in a month." White did not relish this "bad mouth" and was willing to give "de lady" back what the policeman secured from her for him.

These creatures went on to Jordan, and we hear they went through the pockets of Dr. Wilson but got only twenty cents, and from a colored blacksmith \$20. The authorities should jedge these people and not permit them to carry on their depredations. They are a dirty-looking lot of pretending fortunetellers and thieves.—Manning Times.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson

It is announced that the reorganization plan for the Union and Buffalo Mills will succeed.

"I Thank the Lord!"

\*Cried Hannah Plant, of Little Rock, Ark., "for the relief I got from Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It cured my fearful running sores, which nothing else would heal, and from which I suffered for five years." It is a marvelous healer for cuts, burns and wounds. Guaranteed at all druggists; 25c.

Checkers

\$1.00 at all dealers. Sample free. Checkers Medicine Co., Winston-Salem, N. C.

PENNYROYAL PILLS

Original and Only Genuine. SAFE, Reliable, Ladies' Remedy for CHICKEN'S ENGLISH in KID and Gold metallic boxes, sealed with blue ribbon. Take no other. Refuse Dangerous Substitutes and Imitations. Buy of your Druggist, or send 4c. in stamps for Particulars, Testimonials and "Relief for Ladies," in letter, by return Mail. 10,010-11-12-13-14. Sold by all Druggists. Chickester Chemical Co., Medicine Springs, P. O. Box 112, PA.

Biliousness and Sick Headache

quickly cured by

ORINO Laxative Fruit Syrup as it sweetens and tones up

the stomach and acts as a gentle stimulant on the liver and bowels. It will positively cure chronic constipation. ORINO clears the complexion of pimples and blotches.

Refuse substitutes. Price 50c. DURANT'S PHARMACY.

Horses & Mules! Horses & Mules!!

More Horses and Mules and Better Horses and Mules.

Two carefully selected carloads just in. They are right, the price is right and they need selling badly.

A full line of Buggies, Wagons and Harness always on hand.

I sell the celebrated MILBURN WAGON.

Respectfully,

A. D. HARBY.

TWO CAR LOADS...

Received Tuesday, October the 17th,

Two Car Loads

OF CHOICE

HORSES AND MULES.

Four Matched Pairs of Horses in the Lot.

Booth Live Stock Co.

A FAIR PROPOSITION.

If you have PROPERTY FOR SALE, it is my business to sell it for you. But in order to make the sale, I must have the matter in business shape.

Write me for Description Blank, sign the contract on the back of same, and return to me. If the price given is reasonable, I will advertise and sell the property for you.

The contract I wish you to sign is as follows:

The State of South Carolina, } County of Sumter.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ hereby list for sale the within described property with R. B. Belsler for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months from date and authorize him to negotiate a sale for same at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars per acre or \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for the whole property, on terms as follows:

And further agree that during the period herein above mentioned, I will not offer the said property to any one at a price lower than that above specified, nor on terms more favorable than above authorized, and that I will refer all applicants to R. B. Belsler. Provided it is understood and agreed, that I shall have the privilege of revoking the authority above conferred after having given thirty days written notice of such intention; but no attempted withdrawal will be effective under this agreement without such previous notice.

And further, in case of sale made by R. B. Belsler, or through any agency employed by him, whether through personal solicitations, by advertising or otherwise; or if he has in any way contributed to a sale of said property, even though concluded by myself, I agree to pay to said R. B. Belsler, as compensation for his services in effecting the sale, \_\_\_\_\_ percent, commission on the purchase price for said property, to be paid to him immediately upon the receipt of the first installment paid in by the purchaser of the said property.

Witness my hand and seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1905.

I HAVE DEMAND for several NICE FARMS, E. g. : A 10-horse farm in high state of cultivation in good community.

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW R. B. BELSER, REAL ESTATE BROKER, HARBY BLG COURT SQ PHONE NO. 309.

DALZELL MERCANTILE CO., Dalzell, S. C.

Come to Dalzell and call on us for your Fancy Groceries, Dry Goods and Notions.

Just received full line of Windsor and other fancy candies, put up in 1 and 1-2 lb. boxes. Prices 75c. per lb.

SPECIALTIES :

Fresh Cream Cheese, fresh Butter, Macaroni, Evaporated Apples, best Columbia River Salmon, Can Peaches and Oysters, and, also, Evaporated Cream.