

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE.

NEWSY LETTERS FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENTS.

Items of Interest From all Parts of Sumter and Adjoining Counties.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Mail your letters so that they will reach this office not later than Tuesday morning. When the letters are received Wednesday it is almost an impossibility to have them appear in the paper issued that day.

BROGDON.

Brogdon, May 1.—On Saturday last we had a most delightful visit to the beautiful town of Manning. As we passed along the public road we could but note the great improvements in some of the homes since our last trip through those parts. The neat residence of Mr. W. M. Davis, with its porches adorned by climbing roses and a yard full of the choicest flowers, graceful evergreens and lovely ferns was much to be admired. Mr. Davis is one of our best farmers, as is seen by his field of corn near the roadside, which is quite superior in size and color to any we have seen this season. Stopping a short while in Alcolu we were particularly struck with Mr. D. C. Shaw's elegant home, which has recently been remodeled and painted green (nature's lining)—being the predominating color of this lovely home. While there the electric lights were turned on and a scene of beauty presented itself.

Mr. Hinson has also remodeled and painted his residence which is very pretty indeed.

Upon reaching Manning we were charmed with the beautifully shaded streets and fine houses. Perhaps the season of the year had something to do with our enjoyment. Things are always prettier and we perhaps more appreciative during the flower season than any other time of the year.

Farmers around Brogdon have finished planting their crops and seem to be getting good stands.

Gardens are doing nicely; peas and cabbage are coming in.

Mr. Geo. Brogdon of the Atlantic Coast Line Company, paid a short visit to his father's family recently.

Mrs. Allen and children of Waycross are visiting in the neighborhood.

Miss Vaughan Gritton, who has been teaching here for some time past, has closed her school and will return today to her home in Laurens, much to the regret of her numerous friends.

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Bryan of Alcolu and Miss Eula Epps of Kingstree visited at Mr. W. T. Brogdon's yesterday.

LOUELLEN.

Louellen, May 1.—Our community is in fair health. Have we not been busy, though some are, or ought to be, busy yet till they are through planting, your correspondent among them.

If reports are true the crop of candidates for Justice of the Peace will be abundant.

It is about time that this section of the country be represented in some of the big offices.

One or two marriages in our community have taken place; a Mr. Truesdale to Miss Kathleen Sanders, eldest daughter of William Sanders and Mr. Bruce McLeod to Mrs. Manly Allen.

Now that the drought is broken our small grain, which was suffering badly, is looking much better.

Mr. G. H. Lenoir of Camden passed through our community en route to Latta in Marion county.

We feel pained to learn of the death of Mrs. Helen Brown Sibert. The world is poorer by her absence from it. None but pleasant recollections are associated with her. Dr. Brown is passing through deep waters just now, but he will be sustained.

Messrs. G. W. Wingate and the Crosswell brothers of Dalzell and Eastman, spent the day of Saturday last at Durkin's mill fishing, but we had not the pleasure of meeting them. Wingate is a good angler, when he fails you might as well put up your line. There is a miller in these parts who is skilled, too, but he ought to be he has so much practice.

The acreage of cotton here may be slightly increased over last year, but it is very slight.

Have been handling some bees, but not with gloves off. They are no respectors of persons, as I have reasons to know. A swollen neck and ear, an eye almost closed are my witnesses.

Bees regard the proprietries more than some of us. It was in vain that I endeavored to get a tremendous swarm to dispossess a weaker colony. They just would not do it.

I tried to be a utilitarian, but those bees would not help me a bit. Here was a great big swarm for which I was perfectly willing and ready to sacrifice a very weak colony. Did you ever see the like among people? When a bee gets up your pants if you have a bit of life in you it will show itself then. I know what I am talking about. I have read of bees in peoples' hats, but they are not to be compared to a bee in your pants. Hagood.

WEDGEFIELD.

Wedgefield, May 3.—The Wedgefield Democratic club met on last Saturday afternoon and reorganized, re-electing the following officers:

President—Dr. M. R. Parler.
 Vice President—J. C. Singleton.
 Secretary—E. E. Aycock.
 Delegates to County Convention—E. E. Aycock, F. E. Thomas and W. B. Troublefield.
 Member of Executive Committee—J. B. Ryan.

It being a representative gathering of the community a matter was brought to the attention of the club, though not political, but of much more importance, it being the condition of the public highway near the Wilson place, south of our town.

The following committee was appointed to appear before the county board and memorialize said board asking assistance of the county chain gang to better the unsanitary conditions existing at and near above named place as the result of stagnant water and no means of outlet. The following compose the committee: A. E. Aycock, J. B. Crouch and W. H. Ramsey.

LYNCHBURG.

Lynchburg, S. C., May 4, 1906.—Rain is much needed over this section to bring up the late planted cotton corn. Gardens are badly damaged and in some places they are almost a failure as the consequence of the long, dry spell.

The prospect for a good oat crop is blighted and in some places nothing like an average crop will be made without early and copious showers.

More hay has been shipped to this point this season than ever before in one year, and the demand for it is steady and undiminished.

Another mad dog was killed in this town a couple of days ago. It appeared to be a genuine case of hydrophobia. Old Mr. Frank McIntosh was off in his field not long before the mad dog was killed, and hearing the cry, "jock cut, mad dog!" he looked around and saw the dog slowly approaching him. Having nothing to defend himself with, he ran to a large old tree and attempted to climb it, but the tree was far too large to reach his arms around it, and so he acceded only a few feet when he gave out or let his hold and fell back to the ground, catching on his feet, which, ever faithful in time of need, took the old gentleman back to his mule which he had first lost sight of. He then took care of himself and the mule too. The old gentleman is generally quite fearless, but a "mad dog" was too much for him, and who could blame him?

Our little town is moving along finely now, and out of twelve stores, eight are doing a rushing business. There is some talk of building and operating a trolley line from this place to Shiloh and from there to that prosperous section, known as the "Truelleg Section," but, of course, this enterprise is not reduced to a certainty.

Hon. D. E. Smith returned here from Washington considerably fatigued, but left again this morning for some place in North Carolina.

Our Graded School Commencement was the 17th instant. The teachers have labored hard and faithfully, and need the rest ahead of them. Prof. Brunnon has not been at all well since that big K. or P. dinner in Mayesville on the 26th, but says he ate continuously and we believed it, as "his word is his bond," truly. We will say more about our school later, but will say this: Every body is pleased with the management and progress of this school.

Mr. Walton J. McLeod is visiting Mr. H. S. Toons in Red Springs for the purpose of recuperation after a spell of fever.

Mr. D. Geo. Kilpatrick has accepted a situation in Clio, Marlboro County, and will be missed in this town.

Hon. T. G. McLeod was in town yesterday and day before.

Mr. Stokes, father of Messrs. J. G. and G. W. Stokes, whom I reported very ill recently, is some better.

Mr. Barni Kennedy, of Sumter, is now a resident of this town.

DALZELL.

Dalzell, May 5.—Miss Jennie Richard's school closed yesterday; she will spend some time with friends in the Mechanicsville section before returning to her summer home near Asheville.

Misses Louise Gillespie, of Dalzell and Miss Roberta Hall of Providence will unite in having their school picnic at Providence Springs next Friday. This social gathering is looked forward to with great pleasure by both young and old of this community for when these accomplished young ladies' names are associated with an undertaking it means success in every sense of the word.

Dalzell will not have a baseball team this year, but the fans out here are very much enthused over the prospects of Sumter playing league ball this summer. We feel assured with such men as Chap Huger, Willie Bultman, Dr. McCutchen and others behind the gun Sumter will wind up at the top of the ladder. Columbia has taken our justly deserved name of "Game Cocks" from us and sorry to say abused it to some extent, for the word within itself means victory, and Columbia seems to be doomed to the cellar, but if Sumter intends to put a last and winning team in the field then we will suggest the very appropriate little name of the "Reos," if

anyone wishes to know the full meaning of the word they will have to ask Tom Jenkins, because when he passed Dalzell the other day he was going so fast we couldn't catch it.

DU BOSE CROSS ROADS.

DuBose Cross Roads, May 6.—An occurrence of an unusual character took place about this section a short time since, but I was not informed of it until too late for your last issue. Three young men riding in a buggy, coming from towards Bishopville going towards Sumter behaved themselves in a very unseemly manner from Carter's Crossing to Scarborough's Mill. They were not very particular in the use of language and their conduct was in keeping with the same. Several instances are mentioned to me, where ladies had to retire into their dwellings, while they were passing. It has been a long time since anything of the kind has happened about here and it is very objectionable. I heard the names of two of the party, but I have forgotten them and am glad I have. I write this by request.

Mr. Magnus Cummings on the Star Route and Mr. Willie Watson on the R. F. D., are about as prompt, faithful and accommodating in their duties as any two men you will find in the State.

Mr. T. Scott DuBose's baby is still very sick. Miss Brunson, the trained nurse, was taken sick a few days after she got to Mr. DuBose's and had to go back to Sumter.

Mr. Tom DuBose's family are improving, but still sick.

REMBERTS.

Rembert, May 7.—We had a fine rain last night and it is still raining this morning. This is the first time our land has been wet since planting time and good stands of cotton will now be had throughout the entire community. Oats were needing gain badly, but this rain will make them and where soda has been applied they are looking well and I trust a fine crop will be made.

The Cotton Growers' Association of Reeling Creek met here last Saturday and I am glad to see the interest taken as shown by the attendance at meetings. One good feature we have adopted is the president appoints a member at each meeting to either give us a talk or write an essay on any subject he may select pertaining to agriculture. W. C. Harlee read an essay on "Hog Raising" in this community last Saturday and the president appointed W. J. Young to either give us a talk or write an article to be read before the club at our next meeting on any subject of his own selection. So let us turn out gentlemen as it will repay you to hear Mr. Young's address.

McLeod's church Sunday school will celebrate "Children's Day" next Saturday, the 12th inst. The exercises consisting of a very pretty program will commence at 11 o'clock, after which a basket picnic will be held on the church ground. Bethesda church Sunday school has been invited to unite with us and other friends and relatives outside of the neighborhood will also attend.

MAX.

Max, S. C., May 7.—We had a good rain Friday afternoon and a gentle shower is falling this morning.

Some of the farmers are chopping cotton.

Mr. Basil Floyd, who has been quite sick, does not seem to improve.

Misses L. Bertie Truluck and K. Ellen Burgess, who have enjoyed a visit at Mr. A. J. Goodman's since Friday, have returned to their respective schools, this morning. Lynchburg and Timmonsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Green and children, accompanied by Miss Hettie Tomlinson, of New Zion, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives here. They also attended preaching at Bethel yesterday.

Mrs. Sarah Bryan, who has been spending some time with her brother, Mr. B. F. Brockington, will return to her home at Plantersville tomorrow.

MANNING ITEMS.

Chief of Police E. P. Briggs of Summerton is after the fire fiends who have recently been applying the torch to stores and other buildings in that thriving town, and he passed through here today from Sumter. Chief Briggs tells us that he has now locked up Jim Brunson, and the evidence against him is strong.

Died yesterday morning after an illness of about two weeks, Mrs. Hermon Orene Dickson, nee Jenkinson, aged about 25 years.

Died at her home near New Zion, last Sunday night, Mrs. Daisy Buddin, wife of Mr. E. J. Buddin, aged about 35 years. The funeral took place at New Zion Monday.

BISHOPVILLE NEWS NOTES.

There will be a congregational meeting at Mt. Zion church next Sunday, May 5th, for the purpose of calling a pastor. Rev. Hugh Murchison is expected to moderate the meeting and preach to the congregation.

Mr. R. E. Dennis is having a second story put on the old family residence

and otherwise improved. When completed it will be a pretty modern residence.

Henry Wilson, who has been in the employ of Mr. J. W. Weatherly went to the Cohen livery stables and got a horse and told the young men that Mr. Weatherly had sent him for the horse. He went to Camden and tried to sell the horse and got until some other trouble there and was arrested and put in jail. Mr. Cohen heard where he was and had a warrant issued charging him with horse stealing. He is now in jail here. Drinking was the cause of it all.

The water works is progressing nicely now. The tower is up and the reservoir is being put together and they expect to flood the mains today or tomorrow for the purpose of cleaning them and test the pumps.

It is still dry around us although there have been good rains at Sumter and Camden. Very little cotton is up and what is up looks as if it will die. Bad stands of corn are reported and the oat crop is suffering at its critical period.

Rev. V. R. Gaston, former pastor of Mt. Zion church, left last week for his new home in Virginia. The whole community hate to see him and his excellent family leave, but pray God's blessing upon him and his work in his new field.

STATEBURG.

Stateburg, May 7.—Mrs. M. S. Burgess and Misses Mary and Daisy Burgess of Sumter came up on Friday to spend a few days at Mrs. Charlie Pinckney's.

Mr. W. D. Frierson left for Charleston last evening.

Miss Anna P. Burgess spent Saturday and Sunday in Sumter.

Mr. Early Mellette spent Sunday at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Pinckney gave a delightful fish fry to several of their friends on last Saturday. The party drove many miles to the Wateree Swamp and there they enjoyed a good old time fish fry. Among those who went were: Mr. Tyre Stuckey and family, Mr. Screven Moore and children, Mrs. Burgess, Misses Mary and Daisy Burgess, Mr. Elliott Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Carson, Miss Grace Carson, Mr. E. F. Holmes, Miss Annie Holmes and Miss A. N. Moore.

The entertainment given by the members of the junior branch of the Auxiliary at the residence of Mrs. S. R. Flud on last Friday afternoon, proved a great success, in spite of the bad weather. Great credit is due the president of the branch, Miss Tillie Flud, who in her untiring efforts, had provided abundant amusement for the young and old alike. When arrangements for the entertainment were being made the "inner man" was not overloaded! Delicious refreshments were served by very attractive young ladies.

DURANT.

The closing exercises of Miss McFaddin's school were held at the school house May 4. The children showed in many ways the excellent training they had received during the year. The debate was one of the most entertaining features of the evening. The subject: "Is it Right for Men Without Children to Pay School Tax?" was so well handled that it was with difficulty the judges decided in favor of the negative. Mr. Henry Reaves and Miss Kate Gaillard were on the affirmative and Misses Carrie Reaves and Maggie Montgomery on the negative. Miss Virginia Durant and the music scholars furnished the music for the occasion. After the exercises ice cream was served.

Miss Edith McFaddin spent Friday night here as the guest of Miss Witherspoon.

Mr. J. M. Plowden returned this week with his bride to Summerton where Mr. Plowden is in the mercantile business.

Mr. Robert Chandler was among the visitors here last week.

Rev. W. J. McKay spent Friday night with friends here on his way to Brevington church to assist Mr. Grier during communion services.

The latest entry into the centre ring of the summer campaign is L. M. Ragin, who announces for secretary of State along with Representative M. P. Tribble, of Anderson, and J. E. Norment, the governor's private secretary, and he adds interest to the race. Mr. Ragin served several years as State Senator from Clarendon and was later chief clerk in the secretary of state's office under Col. D. H. Tompkins, who before that served as Governor Tillman's private secretary. Since he left the secretary of state's office Mr. Ragin has been engaged in the mercantile business in Columbia.

Our Cotton Crop.

Washington, May 7.—Full returns of the South Carolina cotton crop for the year 1905 by counties have just become available from the department of commerce and labor. Orangeburg county leads the state with a total of 75,355 bales; Spartaunburg, second, with 56,401 bales, and Anderson third, with 55,754 bales. Sumter produced 32,440; Lee, 27,022; Clarendon, 30,964; Darlington, 27,948; Florence, 27,756.

SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Items of Interest Condensed and Paraphrased for Quick Reading.

A very sad and in all probability a fatal accident occurred a few miles from Easwell on Mr. Johnson Black's place Wednesday morning about 10:30 o'clock. Mr. Calvin Creech, a son-in-law of Mr. Black operates a turning lathe for Mr. Black, the power for which is obtained from a gasoline engine. At the time of the accident Messrs. Johnson Black, Hasin Black and Calvin Creech were near the engine. Mr. Creech in shutting off the engine in some way got his left arm caught in the driving wheel and in an instant was hurled from his feet. Before the others present could give him any assistance his arm was broken and mangled in a dreadful manner and his skull across the forehead was badly crushed in and his face lacerated in several places. Drs. E. L. Patterson and R. C. Kirkland were sent for immediately and have been giving him every possible attention. It is not expected, however, that he will recover. Mr. Creech is about 23 years of age, is married and has two children.

Three midshipmen dismissed from the naval academy for hazing have been recommended by the president for restoration to the Academy with a loss of one year. The midshipmen are Worth W. Foster, a member of the first class, and George H. Melvin and Richard L. DeSaussure, members of the third class.

Mr. W. H. P. McMurray, an excellent citizen, and successful farmer who lives five miles north of Lancaster, lost his two barns and stables by fire Wednesday night about midnight. Three of his five horses also perished in the flames. A lot of glass, farming implements, fodder, etc., were also burned. Mr. McMurray's loss is fully \$1,500. He had no insurance. He is satisfied that the fire was the work of an incendiary.

At a meeting of the board of trustees and faculty of the Medical College of the State of South Carolina, held recently, the letters of resignation of Dr. Francis L. Parker, as professor of anatomy and also as dean of the faculty were read and, after considerable discussion, were accepted.

Mr. A. C. Jones, of Newberry, some time ago announced with positiveness that he would make the race for governor. He now finds that "circumstances will not permit" him to make the race. There were few who ever thought he would make the race.

The school patrons of Willis School district, Marlboro county, met Friday and discussed the matter of using dispensary funds. A vote was taken and it was unanimously decided to support to trustees in the refusal to accept the dispensary funds.

It will be remembered that the Catawba Indians are now making claim for considerable property in York county. The agent of this tribe has already been there, and made a study of the claim. He appeared before the committee of the general assembly and presented the claim, but received so little encouragement that he proceeded to denounce things in a pretty lively style. The inference is that the Catawbas will take their case to the Federal courts, and judging from the verdict that has been secured through the Federal courts, involving something like four million dollars, those bringing the suit are no doubt encouraged, and the State, or the property holders involved in the Catawba district, will have to do something to protect their interests.

CURE FOR DRUNKENNESS.

Orrine Treatment Is to Be Used at Home Without Publicity, or Loss of Time From Business.

Thousands of persons who really want to quit the use of whiskey or beer, realize that they cannot do so without medical help, yet they can not afford the time or perhaps the money to go to a sanitarium. Happily a new cure for drunkenness has been discovered which is to be taken at home and costs less than the average drinker will spend in a day.

In using Orrine there is absolutely no publicity, as the remedy is sold by the leading druggist in nearly every city and town, or it can be sent by mail. Sure relief is positive when Orrine is used. So uniformly successful is this treatment that in every box is a registered guarantee which entitles you to a refund of your money if Orrine fails to effect a cure.

Orrine is in two forms, No. 1, a secret remedy, absolutely tasteless and odorless which can be given in food or drink without the patient's knowledge; No. 2 in pill form for those who wish to be cured. The price, either form, is \$1 a box. Send to the Orrine Co., Washington, D. C., for free booklet and consultation blank.

The desire for liquor is soon destroyed after Orrine treatment is commenced, and before long the patient is freed from the terrible drink craving, and the drink will not be missed.

Orrine is for sale by DeLorme's Pharmacy.

COAL STRIKE IS OFF.

MINERS AND OPERATORS HAVE AGREED.

Action of the Miners' Sub-Scale Committee Was Ratified in New York Yesterday—Peace for Three Years More.

Scranton, Pa., May 8.—Peace is assured in the anthracite coal fields for the next three years. An agreement to continue the award of the strike commission for a period of three years was entered into in New York yesterday by the operators and the miners' sub-scale committee was ratified at the final session of the mine workers held here this morning.

The men will go back to work a trifle disappointed perhaps, but conscious of the fact that they have not gone back a single step and are maintaining conditions more satisfactory than at any time in the history of the organization.

Several points, not apparent at first glance, were obtained by the miners yesterday. One is that the pact signed yesterday is the first agreement ever made by the anthracite mine president and secretary as officers of the anthracite union for the men in that organization. In addition to this President Mitchell has secured the verbal promise from the operators to look into the cases of the lowest paid workers with a view to remedying the wage injustice complained of.

The ratifying of the agreement was unanimous. Following this action another vote was taken directing that work be resumed Monday next and repair men go back on Thursday. The convention adjourned shortly after. Mitchell presided. He will issue a statement later in the day formally calling off the suspension.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Schedule of Exercises Arranged By Committee.

Memorial Day will be appropriately celebrated in Sumter on next Thursday. The Daughters of the Confederacy always have charge of these exercises, which are held to keep forever green the memory of our Confederate dead. The attractiveness of the programme is increased every year.

The following was given as the plans to be followed this year:

All little girls under 13 years of age are requested to be at the Armory Hall at 4:30 o'clock, each one carrying a wreath or a bouquet with which to decorate the soldiers graves.

Five wagons have been kindly promised to be sent to the hall to take the little girls to the cemetery, and a six-seated hack will be at the band hall at 4:30.

Ceremonies will begin promptly at 5 o'clock. The line of march will be as follows:

Band.
 Veterans.
 Sons of Veterans.
 Daughters of the Confederacy.
 Children of the Confederacy who will take charge of the flower girls and assist them in decorating the graves.
 The Sumter Light Infantry and Graded School company.
 All Daughters of the Confederacy are requested to wear badges and carry flowers.

Programme.

March from gate at 5 o'clock.
 Prayer.
 Music while graves are being decorated.
 Address.
 Music.
 Salute.
 Taps.

W. T. P. Sprott, proprietor of the Foreston, S. C., Jersey Stock Farm, will exhibit a pair of his fine Registered Duroc Jersey Pigs at Mr. W. B. Boyle's stables on Saturday, May 19th, for the purpose of taking orders. All interested in fine hogs will call and see them. Price reasonable. 5 9 1t

The chain gang is at work on West Liberty street, putting down a clay roadway. The gang is camped near the first mill.

A PUFF

As far as this restaurant is concerned is wholly unnecessary. Our reputation is already established in the community. Those who want

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 Come here and get it.
 It isn't guess work with our patrons. They know to a certainty that food and variety will meet every expectation. It costs but little to test it and to satisfy an appetite.

THE SUMTER RESTAURANT.

E. J. Brunson, Proprietor.
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