

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 Monday when intended for Wednesday's paper and not later than Thursday for Saturday's issue. This, of course, applies only to regular correspondence. In case of items of unusual news value, send in immediately by mail, telephone or telegraph. Such news stories are acceptable up to the hour of going to press. Wednesday's paper is printed Tuesday afternoon and Saturday's paper Friday afternoon.

SMITHVILLE.

Smithville, March 26.—We had a rain and wind storm on Thursday morning accompanied with a considerable amount of hail. The stones being small but little, if any damage was done.

Corn planting is the order of the day with those who prefer a genuine home-made article. Some think they can make cotton enough to buy every thing regardless of price. When, oh when, will the farmers of the Southern States realize the importance of making as near everything at home as possible. If they would only reduce the cotton acreage say one third and plant that in grain what a difference it would make. The farmers have the world in a sling if they only knew it.

Mrs. and Mrs. Payne of Macon, Ga., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Smith.

Mr. T. C. Robertson spent Tuesday in Camden.

Mrs. F. Tom Grier and daughter, Miss Minnie, visited Mr. and Mrs. James Robertson recently.

Mrs. Calvin Wactor and Miss S. Fivett, visited Mrs. T. C. Robertson recently.

Mr. D. J. Robertson spent Monday in Camden.

Mr. C. T. Evans and family attended divine services at McLeod's Chapel last Sunday night.

It has been said that preachers do love chicken but judging by the lovely cabbage and other good things in the garden of Rev. J. E. Strickland, he must be herbivorous as well as carnivorous.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Shiver spent last Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Robertson.

Mrs. D. J. Hatfield spent several days last week with her mother, Mrs. W. J. Hatfield, of Bradford Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Robertson visited relatives in this vicinity in last Sunday.

DURANT.

Durant, March 27.—Eugenia Colclough, colored, became violently insane on Tuesday and was taken to Sumter and placed in jail to await the decision of the physician before being taken to the asylum.

Miss Mattie Gaillard has been spending sometime with relatives in Summerton.

Mr. James Reaves represented New Harmony church at the meeting of Presbytery which was held at Mt. Zion this week.

A cyclone passed through here Wednesday night. The depot was lifted from its foundation and a house partly completed, belonging to Mr. Joe DuRant, was carried some distance and put safely upon the ground.

MANNING NEWS NOTES.

Items of Local and Personal Interest Tereely Told.

Manning, March 29.—Mrs. Thomas Nimmer, a native of Beirut, Syria, but a resident with her husband and seven children of Manning of 13 years and who is a remarkably beautiful woman of the oriental type will in a day or two pay a long promised visit to her sister Mrs. E. M. Fuller, of Brooklyn, N. Y. She has many friends in Charleston, Sumter and Columbia.

Much to the regret of the younger social set of Manning, Mr. Jack Levy has returned to his home at Atlantic City, N. J. He has relatives in Manning, Sumter and Philadelphia, and many friends in those towns, as well as in Charleston, who admire him for his sterling qualities.

Mr. J. Lide Wilson and his accomplished wife and family have removed to Miller, Ga., much to the sincere regret of their hosts of friends.

Mrs. C. S. Rigby, of Gastonia, N. C., and the winsome Miss Lillian Harvin, are visiting relatives in Manning.

Mr. W. E. Selby, of Mayesville, a former accountant of this town is a guest of Mr. C. E. Wilkins.

Miss Lula Harvin of the Columbia public schools is on a brief visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Marvin.

Mr. J. F. McClure, Jr., one of Anderson's financiers, is in Manning on business.

The petite Martha Davis is visiting

O'DONNELL'S

SPRING ANNOUNCEMENT.

The mercantile business is a legitimate form of speculation, in which we are sometimes forced even to deal in futures by placing orders for our requirements several months ahead. It was our good fortune not to have placed any advance orders for our Spring stock, for our buyers found prices lower when in market than they could have placed orders at any time previous to going. No one need find fault with the prices of dry goods, they are cheaper than they have been in several years, and with the exception of a few Staples, are as cheap as they were when cotton sold in the 5's and 6's. We have no trouble in pleasing our friends as to price, and as for variety it is very confusing, being the largest and best assorted stock we ever placed before the people of Sumter and surrounding Counties. We buy our goods for cash, taking advantage of all discounts, and our buyers labored earnestly in getting the best the market could afford, so we feel no hesitancy in saying that it would be hard to find anywhere a better line of goods to select from than we are offering.

WHITE GOODS.

This is the strong point in our Dry Goods Department.

AT 10 CENTS.

We are selling an excellent Madras in 10 to 20 yard lengths. Mill ends—Goods that can not be duplicated for less than

15 Cents.

AT 20 TO 25 CENTS.

Our line of Mercerized fancies are very strong and we don't think can be excelled.

10 CENT INDIA LINON.

This is a number that every merchant makes a leader of in his white goods stock, and we found one we thought so well of we bought

100 Pieces.

Somebody may have a better one, but if they have, it is the best there is in town.

PERSIAN LAWN.

We have a very strong line of these from

10 to 35 Cents

but wish to call particular attention to a 45 inch special value on which we can get no duplicates

At 15 Cents.

40 INCH LAWN.

These are getting to be very popular. We have excellent values

At 10, 12½ and 15 Cents.

SILK ORGANDIES.

We are offering a line of these in a beautiful assortment of patterns, the actual value of which is 50 cents,

At 25c the yd.

FANCY WASH GOODS.

This is a line to which we pay a great deal of attention and one that will stand as much tubbing for the money as can be found any where. The assortment is complete, embracing everything the market affords from

25 Cents down.

We have an extra special value in this line a fancy batiste, in an excellent assortment of patterns, 32 inches wide

At 5 Cents a Yard.

BLACK AND COLORED DRESS GOODS.

We are very strong on this line, especially black goods of which we carry a very complete assortment in plain and fancy.

All Wool Batiste, 38 inches, colors and black

50 Cents Yrd.

All Wool English Serge, 38 inches, black and colors

50c Yard.

50 inch Sicilians, a full line of colors,

50c Yard.

Satin Prunellas 42 inches wide

\$1.00 Yard.

A full line of Voiles, black and colors

\$1.00 to \$1.50 Yard.

SILKS! SILKS!! SILKS!!!

We are improving this Department every year and have some excellent values for this season.

20 inch Jap Silks in white, pink and light blue

25 Cents Yard.

27 inch Jap Silks in white only

43 Cents Yard.

27 inch black Jap Silk, Lyons dye water proof

47 Cents Yard.

Shunting, a very late novelty, in a beautiful assortment of patterns at

50 Cents Yard.

Don't forget our 98 cent Taffeta. No one has ever produced a better one at the price.

EMBROIDERIES.

What shall we say as to this line, we might pass it over without comment for we are well known as THE LEADING EMBROIDERY HOUSE OF THE CITY.

We will only add that the stock is up to its usual standard and that means a great deal.

VAL AND LINEN TORCHON LACES.

The values we are offering in these goods, edgings and insertions to match.

At 50c the dozen yds.

Seems to astonish those who see them.

All Silk Taffeta Ribbons.

Widths up to No. 80, at 10 Cents the Yard.

CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

Have you ever seen anybody who bought clothing from us that was not satisfied? That's what makes this Department so popular. A smiling customer is the best advertisement any house can have, for he shows by his expression that he is well pleased, and you never see any grum faces hanging around our Clothing Department. We are carrying a line now as good as the best. We have it to do, our trade demands it. See what we are showing this season in

MEN'S FANCY WORSTEDS AND SERGES.

Single and Double-breasted, they are all half lined with Alpaca, and the best numbers hand-tailored, in all the beautiful shadings of Brown, Green, Gray and Tan.

Prices \$25 Down.

A Splendid Line of Men's Trousers up to \$7 00.

Made with side buckles and belt straps. These are cut full with open seams, and wide outlets.

Youth's Suits.

A very Superior line, at

\$8.50 \$10 and \$12 50

in all the new shades.

Boy's Knee Suits.

A big stock to select from, sizes up to 17 years.

Prices \$1 to \$6.50.

Our Juvenile Suits.

In plain and Knickerbocker sizes, 3 to 8, at

At \$1.50 to \$3.50.

Are very nobby. We have some excellent values in boys blue serge pants at

50 Cents.

Shoe Department.

Our shoes speak more eloquently for themselves than any one can for them. They have style, comfort, and wearing qualities and that is what people buy shoes for, and that is why we do the shoe business we do, because we have the goods.

The Reed line of Ladies Oxfords is very swell this season. Their ankle strap pump is the nobbiest shoe on the market.

Prices \$2 to \$3.50.

Young Man

You want to see our line of

Just Right Oxfords

before investing in your Easter footwear. If not you will fail to see the nobbiest line of footwear in town. They are in Pat Colt, Gun Metal and Kid.

Prices \$3.50 to \$5.

It is practically impossible to do justice to a stock like ours in an advertisement, and in this we have only given a general idea of our Spring offerings, and cordially invite you to call and see us when in need of anything in our line.

ODONNELL & CO.,
SUMTER, SOUTH CAROLINA.

her mother, Mrs. Anna M. Davis for a brief stay.

Miss Corinne Barfield, a beautiful and talented young woman is on an extended stay in Brunswick, Ga., visiting her aunt, Mrs. Levy.

Mr. L. W. Woodward, of the Woodward Lumber Company, of Augusta, Ga., who have the contract for the erection of our imposing Court House, is a guest at the Central Hotel.

Hon. A. W. Jones, comptroller general, was in Manning on the 26th on official business.

Hon. J. Fraser Lyon, attorney gen-

eral, is in Manning on professional work.

Mr. James R. Parker of the North Carolina Home Insurance Company, of Raleigh, is here in the interest of his company.

Mr. W. H. Mobley, of Columbia, was in Manning in connection with dispensary matters.

Mr. P. G. Bowman, of the Sumter Banking and Mercantile Company was in Manning Friday.

The charming Miss Lou Gaillard, of Silver, was here on the 27th, much to the gratification of her friends.

Mr. S. A. Barnes, a master builder of Foreston, was in Manning Saturday.

Dr. C. E. Gamble, a well known physician of Turbeville was in town.

Mr. James P. Adams, a prominent merchant of Kingstree, was here on the 27th.

E. L. Hirsch, Esq., an attorney of Kingstree, was here on legal business.

Mr. C. A. Bickstaff of Atlanta, representing the Florida Home Insurance Company, spent several days in Manning.

Mr. Paul Arrington, of St. Paul, a

social favorite in society in Summerton and Manning, spent several days, much to the edification of his friends.

On the evening of the 27th, Trinity Cross Roads, between Manning and Alcola, installed a Camp of the Woodmen of the World.

Alderman R. M. Masters, was here in the interest of his contract on Court House.

Mr. E. D. Sallinger, the affable representative of the News and Courier, was here on the 25th.

Mr. Nicholas Itner, of Atlanta, one of the leading contractors of the

South and who has the contract for the graded school house building is here stopping at the Central Hotel.

Mr. A. R. Pruett, of Montgomery, Ala., is in Manning, in the interest of a large manufacturing concern.

A delightful silver tea was given at the First Baptist church on Tuesday evening. Admission a piece of silver.

Everybody should remember the date appointed for "Clean Up Day" by the Civic League. A little work by every householder will give the town a different appearance.