

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.

HAGOOD.

Hagood, March 19.—Our community was shocked on yesterday afternoon by the sad intelligence of the death, in another county, where she was teaching school, of Miss Marguerite Ellerbe, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elliot Ellerbe. Her mother had been called by telegraph to her bedside with the vain hope that she would find her darling better. The next news that came was that above noted, calling the grief-stricken father to meet the remains at Florence. Just when she will be buried we have not yet learned.

God made the flowers, the beautiful flowers, that adorn and cheer our earthly bowers. God loves the beautiful flowers. He lends to buds and blossom by our side and sometimes he takes these beautiful flowers to adorn His Easter-tide.

Clip is putting in some work among us just now. These days the weather is more changeable than the moon, and whether it occasions the malady or not, it certainly aggravates it.

The high school taught by Prof. James and Miss Countenay Atkinson is doing very creditable work. There is a literary society in connection with the school, doing splendid work, of which the teachers and community are justly proud.

One may be funny without being witty. As instance, a young man in attendance on a seedy old maid notices a number of pistols in her buggy and inquires, "are you carrying all these guns to fight mad dogs?" Her reply was funny, as any one could see at a glance. "No," she said, "but to keep you men off."

SMITHVILLE.

Smithville, March 21.—The beautiful spring time is here with its bright sunny days. Peach and plum trees and the early flowers are blooming beautifully. Farmers are going ahead with their work. Many of them will plant corn in the next few days. Gardens are late owing to the cold weather and the chickens who managed to ruin quite a number of gardens in this section. No early cabbage for Easter this year.

Mrs. Lizzie McLeod, of Rembert, Mrs. L. S. Vinson and Miss Mattie James visited Mrs. H. H. Evans last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Evans have moved into their new residence.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Robertson spent last Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Weldon of Herlots.

Miss Aline Hunter spent Friday night and Saturday with her sister, Mrs. Churchill, of Sumter.

Mrs. Joel E. Davis, of Brogdon, is coming Saturday to visit her mother, Mrs. Sallie Robertson.

Miss Aline Hunter and Miss Belle McCutchen were the guests of Mrs. T. C. Robertson on last Wednesday night.

Mrs. Maggie Brown and daughter, little Miss Pearl were visitors at Mrs. H. H. Evans last Saturday.

The friends of Dr. and Mrs. T. D. Foxworth are glad to know they are very much pleased with their new home.

Dr. Carson who came here a few weeks ago is making friends rapidly. He is progressing nicely with his work. New patients are being added almost daily.

Mrs. W. S. Smith, who was desperately ill for several days continues to improve.

DALZELL.

Dalzell, March 21.—The farmers have been having fine weather to work for several days and they have been trying to make good use of it. Several have begun planting corn and a large per cent will be planted this week if the weather continues good.

The oat crop has improved since the warm days set in.

Dalzell has got an automobile fever and we don't know when it will stop. All that have not got one are wanting one, it seems. Let all have one that can pay for it.

The ladies of the Dalzell Methodist church will have a hot supper at the home of Mr. E. W. Parker, Jr., on Friday night the 25 inst. for the purpose of helping pay for the pews for the church. They have arrived and are nice. The church will soon be completed now as the inside work has

been commenced and everything in place to complete it. The public are all invited to attend the supper. Come and have a good time and help in a good cause.

Rev. J. N. Wright preached a fine sermon at Dalzell yesterday. He is an able preacher and is well liked among the people here.

Mr. and Mrs. Page Floyd returned to their home at Fair Bluff, N. C., after a visit of a few days with relatives here, this morning.

There will be service at Tirzah next Sunday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock instead of 4 o'clock as heretofore.

REMBERT.

Rembert, March 21.—We are having some beautiful weather and everyone seems to be making use of it. Corn planting is in progress by some while others seem to think that the North Pole is still lingering somewhere near us.

It was indeed sad to witness the heart-rendering sobs of the loved ones who met the body of Miss Margaret Ellerbe, at Rembert's on the 19th inst. Our heartfelt sympathies go out to them in their grief and sorrow, and may they ever remember that she can't return to them, but that they through trust, faith and obedience can go to her, and may this stroke of the Divine hand be the means of drawing all of her associates through the strait and narrow gate, which leadeth to life everlasting, where they can clasp the hand of her whom they have laid away to rest, around the great white dazzling throne of our blessed Lord and Master.

Mr. Editor, with the present high prices, the push which we will be in and the enormous crop of lecturing candidates, we tremble to think of our financial condition when the summer is ended, but we say come on boys with your list of fair promises and start the ball to rolling; but I would advise you to come by railroad as all of our public roads leading out from here are almost impassable. In fact, some places on the Providence road and also the road across McLeod's Mill are dangerous. The R. F. D. mail carrier is forced to travel these roads every day; but I suppose the county has a plenty of funds to pay for stock, buggies and harness broke up in these places, and the mail carrier has a government job and it really makes no difference so far as the public is concerned. Let us hope that we will have a large list of candidates this go-round, and especially those who aspire to the supervisor's office, from which we can fill these important offices.

Mr. Editor, it is wonderful indeed, the vast number of good, fair minded and fair promising, high and intelligent citizens of the county, that we have got, at least every two years. Mr. W. J. Young, one of our county commissioners living within a few miles of these places has been repeatedly notified of their condition—but we see nothing as yet from which we might hope for relief. I guess we will have to seek higher authority.

ELECTION AT SUMMERTON.

Dr. D. O. Rhame Re-elected Intendant—Other Matters.

Summerton, March 21.—The municipal election was duly concluded on the evening of the 15th with the following results: Intendant, Dr. D. O. Rhame; Wardens, Messrs. D. B. Davis, H. A. Richbourg, H. R. McIdeau, and H. A. Tisdale. It was thought for some time previous to the day of election that no one would oppose Dr. D. O. Rhame who offered for re-election to the office of Intendant, but it was found upon the eventful morning that another prospective ticket was being worked "on the quiet," which at the polling precinct became known as "The Insurgents Ticket." This ticket presented Mr. O. G. Keels for Intendant and practically the same list of wardens; the regular ticket as represented above gained an overwhelming victory with an out-turn of forty odd votes against some fourteen or fifteen. Summerton is indebted to the previous government for good results, and she has every reason to hope for a continuance thereof during the ensuing year.

The immense fertilizer receipts which the planters of this section are having are gratifying inasmuch as the indications are encouraging, but an indirect result has been rather annoying. The Northwestern train has been from two to three hours late every morning for the past week, and the rural mail carriers have been obliged to make their trips without the day's mail. These delays have been attributed to the probable heavy fertilizer shipments, together with spring goods. We could not get along without these nor can the business man but be inconvenienced by late mails. Our hopeful citizens are still peering into the future for a glimpse of that passenger and mail train conceded to be something of a necessity to growing Summerton.

Summerton and surrounding community has always been considered especially appreciative of fine horses, and we shall not dare make accusation that such appreciation is being

diminished, but we fear that there is an instrument of mobility which will soon come in to claim its share of attention. Indeed, not a few around town begin to prefer the "honk-honk" to the old-fashioned neigh. Mr. J. Ashby Richbourg is the second purchaser of an automobile in Summerton, but we make no doubt that ere long they will be quite common.

The ladies of the Cemetery Auxiliary Association have recently received quite a number of plants to be placed in the Evergreen Cemetery. We understand that this association has a good membership, and it is very evident that some if not all are working faithfully with an undertaking which is unquestionably a most praiseworthy one. A co-operation on the part of the lot owners is all that is needed to achieve at least a small measure of success.

We regret to learn of the probability of the removal of Mr. S. M. McCollough and family to another part of the State. Mr. Colclough, having sold out his hardware business here, expects to open a similar establishment in some other Carolina town. Let the prompting motive be what it may, it is a source of deep regret to see good citizens going away.

Just here, however, we might on the other hand note with satisfaction and pleasure the return of Mr. W. H. Anderson and family, not for their usual visit but for permanent residence. Mr. Anderson has for the past eight years been in Mississippi representing the J. B. Holst Co. as cotton buyer. He will do a similar business in this territory. Mr. Anderson is a good business man, and Mrs. Anderson will be remembered as being one of Summerton's most popular young ladies, their residence here is very welcome.

The Matrons Book Club met on last Friday afternoon with Mrs. Jno. W. Lesesne. The feature of amusement enjoyed was an advertisement contest which consisted of representations minus any apparent clue as to the product advertised. We are told that all of the ladies seemed familiar with the pictures advertising hair fixtures, etc. Mrs. Lesesne, assisted by Mrs. H. A. Richbourg served a delightful salad course. The club meets next with Mrs. J. M. Plowden. Miss Marie Fewell, of Rock Hill, S. C., spent a few days last week with her sister, Mrs. Carlisle Ragin.

Mr. C. M. Davis made his first trip of any length in his automobile on Friday, having driven to Manning accompanied by his daughter, Miss Bertha Davis.

First Week Jurors.

The Jury Commissioners met Saturday and drew a jury for the first week of court, which convenes on Monday, April 4th, Judge Klugh, presiding. The following were those drawn:

- S. F. Stoudevire.
- W. M. Graham.
- W. J. Lawrence.
- W. A. Player.
- B. R. White.
- M. E. Rivers.
- W. R. DuBose, Sr.
- J. T. Hodge.
- J. T. Tallen.
- E. T. Windham.
- C. S. Curtis.
- Ferd Levi.
- J. A. Locklair.
- W. C. Towles.
- Walter Ballard.
- W. M. Broadway.
- A. W. Weldon.
- P. B. Emanuel.
- T. B. McManus.
- Randolph Plummer.
- C. W. Kingman.
- E. H. Moses.
- Robert Muldrow.
- R. W. Muldrow.
- E. G. Gibson.
- E. L. Owens.
- R. F. Keels.
- J. K. White.
- Tom Cox.
- L. E. White.
- R. F. Haynsworth.
- T. L. Jones.
- S. F. Moore.
- W. R. Shelor.
- E. W. McCallum.
- J. H. Burgess.

Grand Jury List.

The following are the grand jury for this year. The first six are those who hold over from last year.

- R. M. Jones.
- J. B. Britton.
- C. J. Gaillard.
- S. W. Stubbs.
- W. R. DuBose, Jr.
- W. D. Carson.
- J. D. Mellett.
- J. R. Brunson, Jr.
- W. D. Pate.
- Wm. W. Ramsey.
- G. G. Tweed.
- H. V. Reid.
- W. E. Gibbs.
- H. B. Mellett.
- A. M. Brogdon.
- A. R. Flowers.
- E. P. McNeill.
- E. F. Miller.

Harmony Presbytery is called to meet in the Presbyterian church of this city Friday morning at 11 o'clock for the purpose of dismissing Rev. J. E. Wallace to the presbytery of Manning.

FIRE IN BISHOPVILLE.

Cohn Bros. and E. W. Tisdale Suffer Loss—Live Stock Burned.

Bishopville, March 18.—A serious fire occurred in town last night which destroyed the livery, feed and sales stable of Cahn Bros., a small two-story frame store and garage of E. W. Tisdale, together with mules, horses, harness, buggies, wagons and feed. The fire was not discovered until it was too late to get all the stock out. Five mules which were secured came

out scorched and otherwise burned. Six horses and two mules were destroyed in the flames together with a number of buggies and wagons. The garage, near the stables, owned by E. W. Tisdale, was burned. His new car was saved without considerable damage.

Cohn Bros. had \$1,500 on the building and \$1,000 insurance on the stock; will sustain a loss above the insurance, of about \$1,000. Mr. Tisdale's loss is about \$1,000, insurance unknown.

These buildings were situated on

the corner of Main and DuRant streets and were of wood structure. The new stables of E. W. Tisdale, near by, caught fire several times, but were saved.

D. W. Kennedy, one of the Aiken county dispensers has been removed as the results of a shortage of \$67.65 in his accounts.

Governor Ansel has offered a reward of \$200 for the person or persons who burned Harbinson college Abbeville. The Abbeville city council has offered a reward of \$300.

# EASTER!



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