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THE LANCERN.

CENSUS FIGURES.

The Urban Population in South Carolina is Gaining on the Rural.

At the opening of the new century about 25 per cent. of the population of South Carolina lived in towns. By the actual figures supplied by the census-bureau just issued, 19 to 2 per cent. lived in incorporated places, against 15 to 2 per cent. in 1890, the number so residing being 261,463 out of a total population for the state of 1,349,316. These were the figures last June, and as the movement has been rapidly increasing since, it is certain that on January 1st, 20 per cent., or one-fifth of our people, were residents of municipalities, small and large.

On or about the same date there were some 40,000 cotton mill operatives in the state, a number soon to be increased by the addition of new mills projected or building to 60,000. A large majority of these mill hands live in unincorporated towns and villages, none of which are reported by the census. The usual estimate of mill population is a total of three people to each operative—in other words, the average operative attracts to a mill community two others besides himself. If we were to apply this ratio to the 40,000 cotton mill operatives of last June we would have a mill population of 120,000, but to allow for the number who reside in incorporated towns we shall deduct 40,000 from this total and estimate that 80,000 were then living in unincorporated mill communities. Adding this number to the 261,000 persons residing in incorporated places we have a total of 340,000 urban population, or 25 per cent. of the population of the state. If this number seem excessive we suggest that the mill community total indicated will at any rate be passed within this year, inasmuch as the close of the year will find 60,000 operatives at work in South Carolina mills and if but two-thirds work in unincorporated communities and each hand represents two persons only instead of three the result would still be 80,000. It is perfectly safe to say, therefore, that one-fourth of the people of South Carolina are townspeople.

Comparing the population in 1900 of incorporated communities only with that of like communities in 1890, we find that the number has increased from 170,135 ten years ago to 261,463 last June, an increase of 46 per cent. in urban population exclusive of mill communities, while the total population of the state increased in the decade only 10 to 14 per cent. Town population has increased, therefore, in a ratio nearly three times as fast as total population; and more than four times as fast as country population; for 80 per cent. of the incorporated towns were in 1890, 92,014 people, and in 1900, 1,078,853, a gain of 106,839 people, or nearly 11 per cent., against 46 per cent. for the incorporated towns. If we add to the increased population of the incorporated towns that of the unincorporated mill communities we will find that the strictly rural population has not increased 50,000 in the decade—a rough estimate not more than 5 per cent. against fully 60 per cent. for the towns, both incorporated and unincorporated. These figures and estimates show the drift of things in our state and sufficiently explain the increasing importance of municipal and industrial issues in our legislative councils.

There were in South Carolina last June 202 incorporated cities and towns against 1,147 unincorporated towns, showing an increase of 77 incorporations or 60 per cent. in number. The new and unincorporated mill towns erected during the decade would probably make the increase in urban communities nearer 100 per cent.

Clarendon county: Helena, Newberry county: Holly Hill, Berkeley county: Lundsenville, Abbeville county: Ludowick, Edgefield county: Ninety Six, Greenwood county: Pineola, Spartanburg county: Parkersville, Edgefield county: Sallis, Aiken county: St. George, Dorchester county: Trenton, Edgefield county: Troy, Greenwood county: Varnville, Hampton county, and Waterloo, Laurens county. Most of these decreases seem to be due to the absorptive influence of growing towns nearby.
We present below, in such form that it may be clipped for reference, a table giving the population of each municipality of the state in 1900 and 1890, as printed in the census bulletin under consideration:

Incorporations.	1900	1890
Abbeville	3,766	1,666
Aiken	3,414	2,602
Allendale	1,030	848
Anderson	4,498	3,018
Athens	107	66
Barnwell	1,533	937
Barnwell	1,339	937
Batesburg	971	587
Beaufort	4,110	3,587
Belton	826	404
Bennettsville	1,929	978
Bishopville	715	422
Blackburg	1,285	1,245
Blackstock	181	138
Blackville	1,116	962
Blenheim	176	95
Bowman	134	101
Bradley	1,208	1,001
Brookland	1,089	732
Brunson	342	470
Calhoun	209	137
Cameron	2,441	1,533
Cameron	320	210
Campobello	303	137
Carlisle	358	287
Central	349	396
Charpin	187	101
Charleston	55,807	54,955
Cheraw	1,151	975
Cherokee Falls	630	402
Chester	4,022	2,703
Chesterfield	308	210
Cibola	50	101
Clarendon	97	101
Clinton	1,859	1,021
Clio	508	287
Clover	961	287
Cokesbury	394	355
Columbia	21,108	19,533
Conway	705	677
Cope	80	101
Coronaca	230	210
Cross Hill	622	340
Cross Hill	459	210
Dartmouth	3,028	2,389
Denmark	724	402
Dillon	1,015	82
Donalds	229	210
Dorchester	147	101
Due West	631	644
Dunbar	115	101
Duhans	149	210
Easley	903	421
Eau Claire	714	402
Edisto	331	210
Edgefield	215	1,168
Elkhardt	717	101
Elkhardt	208	100
Elgin	252	138
Elmore	413	317
Eutawville	305	224
Fairfax	301	101
Florence	4,647	3,395
Foreston	224	287
Fort Lawn	308	210
Fort Mill	1,394	689
Fort Mill	1,027	210
Fountain Inn	407	212
Gaffney	3,937	1,671
Gaston	115	101
Georgetown	4,138	2,895
Glenn Springs	187	138
Glenville	113	101
Gray Court	181	101
Greelyville	252	101
Greenville	11,860	8,607
Greenwood	4,494	3,340
Hampton	1,648	308
Hampton	1,027	210
Hampton	536	318
Hartsville	243	101
Hartsville	704	342
Heath Springs	266	101
Helena	269	481
Hickory Grove	289	134
Hodges	257	355
Holly Hill	267	816
Honia Path	616	308
Irman	204	134
Jackson	103	101
Jacksonboro	805	287
Johnston	805	287
Jonesville	508	286
Kelton	70	101

THE CATAWBA CANAL.

Details of the Recent Sale of a Portion of It, and the Conditions.

In the annual report of the state sinking fund commission just issued the following in reference to the sale of a portion of the Catawba canal appears:

"During the present year the commissioners of the sinking fund have sold and deeded conditionally to Mrs James Q. Davis, of Fairfield, a portion of the Catawba canal lying in Chester county. That the title deed is in the form of an indenture, dated 4th January, 1900, signed by the commissioners of the sinking fund, grantors of the first part, and by James Q. Davis, grantee, party of the second part, whereby, upon payment of \$2,000 cash by James Q. Davis, his heirs and assigns, all of the State's right, title, interest and estate in a portion of the Catawba canal, upon the following expressed terms and conditions, to wit: That the said James Q. Davis, his heirs or assigns, shall, on or before 5th day of January, A. D., 1905, cause to be erected and operated on said canal property, hereinafter granted, a factory or factories, a power house or other improvements of the value of not less than \$150,000, for manufacturing purposes, or for the generation, development, manufacturing or transmission of electricity, to be delivered therefrom at neighboring towns, for light, power or other manufacturing purposes, as he may see fit, and in the event that he shall, on or before the said 5th day of January, 1905, in opening said canal, or developing water power on said canal is to be included in, and considered part, of the \$150,000 to be expended in improvements as aforesaid, or the said party of the second part of his heirs or assigns, in lieu of above improvements, may erect any other improvements that they may desire, to be of equal value with those above mentioned, he shall, in addition thereto, in the event that he shall, on or before the said 5th day of January, 1905, and shall be unable to complete same on or before said date, then, and in that event, the said party of the second part, his heirs or assigns, shall have five additional years in which to make said improvements hereinabove required, upon paying to the said party of the first part the sum of \$1,000 for each year necessary to complete said improvements, on the first day of each of said years; and provided further, that should the said party of the second part not expend the said sum of \$150,000 for manufacturing or other purposes, as herein stipulated, before the expiration of the periods herein limited, then the said property hereinbefore granted shall revert to the state of South Carolina, and the said state, by or through its agents, may at any time thereafter, that is to say, after such defaults, take exclusive possession of said canal property and land herein conveyed conditionally as above set forth, together with all improvements placed thereon by the party of the second part, his heirs or assigns, and in that case the said property hereon be sold and the proceeds thereof be used to pay the said debt."

"The policy of the sinking fund commission in dealings with these old canals—the use of which has been abandoned from 40 to 60 years—is to sell them to such persons desiring to acquire as may be able to satisfy the commission of applicant's ability to secure the development of the water power, and to convey upon condition that the property shall revert to the state if a certain amount of money is not expended in developing and improving the property within a time limited in the deed of conveyance. And the commission further requires of purchasers a cash consideration sufficient to prevent, if possible, the acquisition of the conditional title by irresponsible speculators."

"In disposing of this property the commission has been very judicious, and has so far issued only three title deeds, to wit: (1) A title deed, some years ago, for the Lockhart shoals canal,

on Broad river, which resulted in the development of the property by the Lockhart Mills company, with a capital stock of \$650,000.

"(2) A conditional title deed on the 25th of May, 1897, was executed conveying to Mrs. S. A. Boyleston a part of the Catawba canal, running through her property, one condition being that Mrs. Boyleston, her heirs or assigns, on or before 31st January, 1903, erect and operate upon said canal property a factory of the cost and value of not less than \$150,000, and in failure thereof the property to revert to the state. This title deed is in the form of an indenture, signed by the commissioners of the sinking fund, grantors, parties of the first part, and by Mrs. S. A. Boyleston, party of the second part, grantee.

"(3) The conditional title deed to James Q. Davis, above set forth, of a portion of the Catawba canal adjoining the Boyleston canal grant. "When the activity in mill building now obtaining in South Carolina, it is hoped that more of these old abandoned canals of the state may be judiciously sold so as to be developed and largely increase the taxable values and industries of the state."

Editor's Awful Plight.
F. M. Higgins, Editor Seneca, (Ills.) News, was afflicted for years with Piles that no doctor or remedy helped until he tried Bucklen's Arnica ointment. The ointment wholly cured him. It's the surest Pile cure on earth and the best in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25 cents. Sold by Woods Drug Co.

Coffee Drinking.
Coffee drinking by children was the subject of address recently by Dr. I. N. Love in a recent meeting of the New York County Medical Association. He said: "The catarrhs with which parents would permit even babies to drink coffee is remarkable. This was often done through a desire to give the children a warm drink in the morning. The ill effects of this practice were frequently met with by the physician. Such children early showed poor digestion and irritability of the nervous system. He had been surprised to find how common this was, even among the well to do and the solidly physicians gave the matter due consideration. He was of the opinion that this habit was a means of developing in these persons, as they grew older, a desire for something stronger. The exceptional individual of excellent inheritance and strong physique, and with a well poised nervous system, could use coffee and tobacco from an early age without marked detriment, but should always be borne in mind that these cases were decided exceptions. The child should have no stimulant, just as the thoroughbred colt should have no whip, but oats or other wholesome food."—Spartanburg Herald.

Robbed the Grave.
A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, and I continually back and sides; no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now well. I know that I saved my life and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at the Woods Drug Co.

All re-districting bills have been continued until next session. The argument now is that there is plenty of time for the passage of such a bill. At the next session, it will be held that it will be unfair to make new districts so close on to the beginning of a new campaign.—Yorkville Enquirer.

For the weakness and prostration following gripe there is nothing so promptly and effective as One Minute Cough Cure. This preparation is highly endorsed as an unfailing remedy for all throat and lung troubles and its early use prevents complications. It is made to cure quickly. Pryor & McKee.

That Throbbing Headache. Would you quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their marvellous merit for Sick and Nervous Headaches. They make pure blood and strong nerves and build up your health. Easy to take, try them. Only 25 cents, Money Back if not cured. Sold by Woods Drug Co.

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Etta Jane Letter.

ETTA JANE, Feb. 11.—The rain came again last night and put a stop to the few ones that have been seen as yet, and those farmers who have failed to sow may have a long time to wait for an opportunity to do so. Wheat looks well for the time of year—generally good stands of it. Farmers will have a prospect of getting worked, although some say that they will reduce the area of their crops. We have heard but little before.

Mr. Robert Franklin died near his place last Wednesday, at the age of 101 years. He was born February 14, 1800. He came to this county from North Carolina several years ago. He was a poor, obscure man.

It is sad for us to announce the death of our friend J. Wesley McKeown, who was killed on the S.C. and G. E. R. R. near Yorkville last Tuesday night. Mr. McKeown was an army comrade and messmate of our comrade and we know whereof we speak when we say that he possessed all the elements of a first class gentleman and soldier. He was too dear to let the approaching train, and coming round a short curve, it knocked him off the track before he knew of its presence. He was buried at the family burying ground near here last Thursday, in the presence of one of the largest congregations we have ever seen there. On a subsequent occasion, he had moved to Blacksburg, Va. and taken charge of the Air Line hotel, where he and his daughter expected to make their future home. He was a good farmer and had one of the best farms in York county. It is situated at Smith's ford on Broad river. He leaves a family of seven children, three boys and four girls, to mourn his loss. Fortunately his children are all about grown. They have the sympathies of the entire community.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Estes will celebrate the fortieth anniversary of their wedding next Wednesday, the 13th inst. They were married near Rossville in Chester county. Mrs. Estes was a daughter of Mr. Burrell T. Bishop, late of Chester county. J. L. S.

A Thousand Tongues.
Could not express the rapture of Annie E. Springer, of 1125 Howard st., Philadelphia, Pa., when she found that Dr. King's New Discovery had completely changed her career of a hacking cough that for many years had made life a burden. All other remedies and doctors could give her no help, but she says of this "Royal Cure"—"It took me out of my pain in my chest and I can now sleep soundly something I can scarcely remember doing before. I feel so wonderful. Its use has been throughout the Universe." So will every one who tries Dr. King's New Discovery for any trouble of the Throat, Chest or Lungs. Price 50 cents. Cure—100 bottles free at Woods Drug company.

Miss Carrie Nation, the famous bar-room smasher, is raising can to west with her little hatchet. It usually takes her about 20 minutes to wreck a joint. She is a holy terror to the joint keepers. We suggest that Gov. McSweeney discharge about half his state constables, and give Mrs. Nation a job. She will do more toward destroying blind tigers in a day than the whole Bittern, and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now well. I know that I saved my life and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at the Woods Drug Co.

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A Reminiscence.

A pretty and almost forgotten incident of reconstruction times is recalled by Dr. H. H. Means, secretary of the sinking fund commission, then a cadet under Col. Ashby Coward, at the King's Mountain Military School, at Yorkville. "It is the story of a 'Yankee'—an officer of the United States army—who won the friendship of the almost hostile southern people.

"A company of United States soldiers were camped at Yorkville, in the winter of 1862, between the moonshiners in the mountainous part of western York. This was in 1873, before the political revolution of '76, and things were unsettled. The presence of the soldiers excited uneasiness, which at times approached the danger point.

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FRIDAY, FEB. 15, 1901.

The house did right in tabling the resolutions condemning Senator McLaughlin for voting for the army bill and the ship subsidy bill. The State now wants a resolution offered endorsing his vote, to make a test of the matter. This would furnish no test, as the resolutions would, of course, be tabled also, as it ought to be.

Recently we advised the Kershaw people, who were longing to see some paying enterprise established in their town, to try a dispensary. The Era said they had a dispensary, but did not seem excited with it as a town builder. Now we see that the dispensary has been closed on the charge of \$700 shortage in the last quarter. This was discovered by Inspector Boykin, but Dispenser Hough and the county board made an investigation; declare the accounts are all right, and challenge the state board to find anything wrong, offering to deposit in the meantime money to cover the alleged shortage.

We don't know anything about Dispenser Hough or his business methods, but we suggest that it is possible that he may have gotten into this trouble by an attempt to run the business according to law. Perhaps he is charged up with profits that he might have made by ignoring restrictions.

MARGINALIA.

Innocent enjoyment is wholesome for anybody. It gives us up and makes us see the bright side of everyday humdrum occurrences; our lives are the happier because our tempers are made sweeter, and because we are happy we render others happy. The man who is unable to see the humorous side of life is to be pitied; he grows serious and gloomy over what his more fortunate fellow gets a hearty laugh out of.

The great humorists of literature have done more than make people laugh. They have cultivated men's tastes; they have changed our notions about what is laughable; under their spell coarseness gives way to refinement. Such a man is Mark Twain making us laugh without leaving us blushing over the coarseness of his humor.

But the humorist, like the poet, is born not made. It requires a great deal of sense and keen judgment to be a humorist; to be funny as we call it requires neither. To make a successful clown requires more native ability and cultivation possibly than the average man possesses. A blockhead can, and often does, make people laugh at him. A bumptious wag can always find somebody to laugh at his still-born witticisms. Did you ever see a neighborhood funny man? When he begins to speak silence reigns; when he finishes gasping all must laugh. What little wit he has is just so funny.

A little wit is a dangerous thing. It is twice dangerous: it maketh him that speaketh foolish, and him that listeneth and giggleteth no less foolish.

The Legislature.

Tuesday the house passed Senator Graydon's bill on domestic railroads. The appropriation bill also passed its final reading. There was a local fight over the bill of Senator Brice to provide that bill courts in the Sixth circuit must open on Tuesdays instead of Mondays. The delegation from Chester and Cherokee favored the bill. Lancaster and Fairfield opposed it, and York was divided, the senator favoring the bill and the representatives against it. The bill was intended to give the solicitor more time. It was killed.

The redistricting bill was continued. A number of bills passed second reading, some were continued and more were killed.

port. He said Winthrop already received a liberal appropriation, and if labor or convicts were needed there, let the college pay for them out of the funds it now receives. The convicts are needed elsewhere, and this simply amounts to an additional indirect appropriation, and he thought that unfair. We know how these things run, and if we give the college 25 convicts this year the college may want as many more next year. He did not want to be understood as fighting Winthrop, but he thought this was unwise and unfair.

A bill making it a misdemeanor to carry any fire arms less than twenty inches long or less than three pounds in weight passed second reading.

The senate child labor bill passed third reading and was sent to the house.

On a proposal to pay W. A. Barber \$1,000 for legal services in the litigation in the agricultural hall case there was considerable discussion. Mr. Graydon opposed the proposition, saying Mr. Barber's services were rendered without proper authority. The history of the case is well known. Senators Brice and Glenn favored the payment of the sum, saying the amount had been earned and it was nothing but justice that it should be paid. The committee's recommendation to pay the fee was adopted.

The appropriation bill passed with a few amendments. A proposition to increase the pay of the clerk of the superintendent of education from \$600 to \$1,150 was agreed to.

WEDNESDAY.

The house refused to concur in the senate amendment raising the salary of the clerk of superintendent from \$600 to \$1,150.

The senate cut out the \$100,000 for the free public schools. The amendment was read.

Mr. Hardin said: "I hope the house will agree."

Mr. Stevenson said: "All in favor of the amendment will say 'Aye' and all opposed 'No.'" The viva voce vote was taken and the 'ayes' had it, and in less than a minute the house agreed to the senate amendment, cutting out the \$100,000 for public schools. It was done so quickly that scarcely anyone realized that the house had so gracefully receded from its position as to the \$100,000 for the public schools.

The house did not agree to the senate proposition to pay W. A. Barber a fee of \$1,000 for services rendered in the agricultural hall case in the U. S. supreme court.

The following bills passed final reading and were sent to the senate: To limit the number of acres of land which any lien, or any corporation controlled by aliens, may own within the state.

To make township assessors equalizers of property.

To create a state board of entomology.

To provide uniformity and equality in the assessment of property returnable for taxation by persons, firms or corporations engaged in textile industries, etc.

To authorize the board of trustees of Clemson college to promulgate and enforce rules and regulations for the guidance of the veterinarian of said college.

To protect keepers of boarding houses.

To admit jury declarations in civil cases, subject to the same rules of evidence in force in criminal cases.

To amend the general statutes relating to damages caused by defective highways, causeways and bridges, now appearing as section 1,169 of the revised statutes of South Carolina.

As to pensions of widows of Confederate soldiers and sailors.

As to township boards and their compensation.

panies to be organized with a capital of \$25,000, and to relieve them of the obligation to deposit \$10,000 with the State treasurer for the security of their policy-holders.

To repeat an act relating to fees and salaries of the county officers of the several counties of this State.

The house adopted a resolution to adjourn at 12 o'clock Saturday night. Mr. Stevenson stated that he would construe this to mean not later than 12 o'clock Saturday night. He would not permit nor recognize any juggling with the clock and the house must work so as to adjourn not later than midnight on Saturday if the resolution was to stand.

SENATE.

Among bills passed by the senate was the one against carrying firearms less than 20 inches long or less than 3 pounds in weight. The bill to apportion the profits derived from the sale of liquors was taken up. The real object of the bill, Senator Brice said, was to take from the counties of Marlboro, Greenwood, and York, which have no dispensaries, their share of the dispensary school fund or force them to establish dispensaries, and he thought this too small a thing for the senate to do. He moved to indefinitely postpone the bill. Continued to next session.

The house refused to adopt the conference committee's report, which had agreed to pay Mr. Barber's \$1,000 fee rejected by the house.

Yesterday the two houses compromised on \$150,000 for pensions.

Salvage of Land.

If not previously disposed of we will sell, at public auction, before the Court House door, at Chester, S. C., on the first Monday in March, the tract of land composing the Conner and McCarty places, containing one hundred and twenty-five (125) acres, more or less, lying in the suburbs of Richburg, S. C., 6 1/2 of a mile from center of the town. Terms of sale, cash.

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TO RENT.

A lot and house, two story, in the town of Richburg on easy terms. If desired, a one horse farm can be had in connection with it.

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I have some good three to six year old, home-raised Mules for sale. They have been learned to work. They are acclimated and will stand more hard work than most. Will sell for cash or on time, with satisfactory security. Apply to

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Of reading about closing out advertisements, and goods sold for less than cost, yet they manage to live.

Our New Spring Clock
The Largest and Best we ever had, will be here soon. What we have left of hats we will sell at ONE-HALF price.

OUR MILLINERY IS NORTH now making Pattern Hats. We will have the best display ever seen here and prices will be lower than ever.

With ample capital we can buy from the best houses for cash that always talks. We have to pay no rent and our expense account allows us to undersell as we underbuy.

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Heating Stoves
I am making this big reduction to close out the balance of my stock to make room for Spring and Summer Goods. I haven't many left, so come quick, if you want a bargain.

I have a full assortment of the **Celebrated Star Leader Cooking Stoves** all marked in plain figures. One price to everybody. High grade stoves, each solid on a 10-year guarantee base and at a price below the ordinary cheap stove.

Paul W. McClure, Agent for Star Leader Cooking Stoves.

Announcements

The following girls are contestants for the two weeks' course in Claremont College offered by THE LANTERN free to the girl who receives the largest number of votes by subscribers, each paper paid for in advance counting a vote:
Mary Owen, of Chester.
Frances Livingston, of Landsford.
Kathleen Caldwell, of Alliance.
Lena Hardin, of Chester (P. O.)
Marie McCrorey, of Banks.
Bessie McKeown, of Hallsville.
Miss Wrennie Peay, Chester.

I HAVE JUST RECEIVED A JOB IN

FINE MADRAS CLOTH

is a quality for 10c.

Also White and colored Dimity, Percales, White Homespun, Ch. Muslin, Fine Mulls and Welt P. K's at 3 to 4 cts a yard under value—Perfect goods. I also have the—

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I have ever shown. The price will do your heart good.

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Of Course You Do.

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Our Repair Department

Has just been refitted

And in order to convince the public of the quality of our work we will for the next 30 days, do all Watch, Clock and Jewelry Repairing at Special Prices.

GIVE US A TRIAL.

The Theiling Co.

We make a Specialty of difficult Repairing.

For Sale—House and lot on Centre street. Apply to Mrs. Jas. K. Marshall.

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I desire to say to my patrons and friends that I am constantly receiving fresh supplies of

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and everything in this line that one would reasonably wish, which I am selling at as low price as can be obtained. I appreciate the patronage of all, and shall endeavor to please, both in quality of goods and prices.

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Is winning us patrons from the rank and file of all the credit houses of this city. The level-headed, broad-minded men who aim to keep pace with the aggressive march of progress in these eventful times are watching and learning. They feel the ledger's terrific wear and tear and long to throw off the galling yoke. They have the same high aspirations as the cash on delivery advocate, and are free to confess that the past is hopelessly lost, but they mean to redeem the irreclaimable in the brilliant future, and they go at it with a savage intensity and an earnest enthusiasm that means SUCCESS. A visit to our store will convince you that there is always a wheel within a wheel.

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TO RIDE OR DRIVE FOR SALE OR HIRE.

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BUGGIES, CARRIAGES WAGONS and HARNESS.

Never mind about the price. Select what you want. We will agree on the price.

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We will half-sole your horse's feet to make them last. We will mend your vehicles, and trim and paint them to make them look new.

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We deliver all goods promptly

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W. A. CRAWFORD, Main door to New York Station.

I AM RETIRING from business today, having sold my entire stock to Orlando Tyler, Mrs. L. E. Stanback, and others. Owing to pressure of business I am not able to attend to this line of trade. I respectfully ask all who have accounts on my books to call and settle same on or before the 15th inst. I desire to thank you for your liberal trade during my brief period of business in the city, and bespeak for all a happy and prosperous New Year. Respectfully,
J. S. STANBACK.

FRIENDS, ONE AND ALL,
GREETING: Having purchased the Groceries of J. S. Stanback, we venture upon this enterprise with great hope for the future. We propose to sell out the present stock at a little above cost, and ask our friends to give us their trade. Respectfully,
TYLER & CO.

Exchange Notice.
We will give 200 lbs. Cotton Seed Meal for 300 lbs. Cotton Seed.
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Which was established in the City of Chester 20 years ago. It is the leading barber shop of the city. Up-to-date fixtures and guaranteed work. Good shaves and a high hair cut. Prices to sell the time.
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LOCAL NEWS.

Mr. R. Sidney Davidson spent yesterday in the city.

Mrs. Tom Moore, of Columbia, is visiting Mrs. C. H. Brennecke.

Dr. H. E. McConnell returned from New York last Monday.

Miss Louise Poppenheim, of Charleston, is visiting Mrs. Jno. G. White.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. P. Hunter, of Lancaster, are spending a few days in the city.

Miss Jeanette Hill, of Carlisle, is visiting the Misses Davidson on York street.

Mrs. W. Holmes Hardin, and daughter, Miss Annie, went to New York last night to spend several weeks with Mrs. W. A. Barber.

Rev. H. C. Buchholz, the popular pastor of the Chester Baptist church passed through town Monday on his way to Kershaw to assist the pastor there in a series of meetings.—Lancaster Enterprise.

We notice that Mr. W. R. Nail's new and magnificent furniture delivery wagon is now on our streets. The lettering on each side of wagon reads thus: "Visit W. R. Nail's Furniture Palace, Phone 103."

Mrs. Drennan, of Richburg, visited her sister, Mrs. R. B. Allison, last week. Miss Annie Moberly, of Blackstock, is visiting relatives here, Capt. and Mrs. R. M. McCrorey. The Kershaw dispensary has been closed for several days, pending an investigation into its condition.—Lancaster Review.

If you want a cheap plug mule or horse for \$10, \$15, \$20, or \$25 call on Jos. Wylie & Co.

Episcopal Church.

The Rev. J. W. Cantej Johnson will hold services at the Episcopal church next Sabbath at 11 a. m. and 4:30 p. m.

Cotton Market.

Spot cotton, N. Y. 9-16
February futures 9-11
May futures 9-15
July futures 9-15
Chester, S. C. 9-18

Married in Ireland.

Mr. J. L. Carroll has received a letter from his son, B. Holme Carroll, bringing the news that he was married Feb. 5th, to Miss Sarah Prenderville, at Termany, County Cork, Ireland. He is in the British army and has a commission as instructor of musketry. It required diligent work to gain this position. He gets good pay, is in good health, and is well pleased.

The Art Exhibition.

The exhibit of the Art club, opened yesterday afternoon over THE LANTERN office, is a magnificent display. It will delight any one who has any taste for art. Even though one have not the ability to appreciate individual pieces of work, yet he cannot fail to be entertained with the taste displayed in the general decoration of the room. A very pleasing feature of the exhibit is that it is all the work of local artists. Every one who can should see this collection this evening, 3 to 10 o'clock. Admission is only 10 cents, and light refreshments are served free.

Claremont Scholarship Contest.

The vote in the Claremont scholarship contest stands at this date as appears below:

Miss Mary Owen 1418
Princess Livingston 517
" Kathleen Caldwell 510
" Lena Hardin 336
" Marie McCrorey 1022
" Beulah McKeown 1028
" Wrennie Peay 307

Tuesday, Miss McCrorey ran by the two that were ahead of her. There has been no change of relative positions, since, except that Miss Peay takes Miss Hardin's place. All are going in a walk and any one who is in the lead with little effort and encouragement of friends.

Appeal.
Notice is hereby given that all persons having occasion to climb the stairway leading to the second floor of the Henry & McClure building are requested, in the name of decency, not to spit on the steps or floors as the ladies are holding an art show in one of the rooms. Then when the ladies get through, there will still be gentlemen occupying the rooms. If, however, you must spit and haven't your handkerchief, spit on the open floor or steps, and not against the walls and baseboards, where cleaning is much more difficult. If you do not regard the feelings of refined people, don't put them to unnecessary trouble.

Spinsters' Convention.
The Spinsters' Convention at the open house last Tuesday night was a great success. The house was full of people, and the old maid—some of them were not dead old though—made everybody laugh. The way the motions were put, responded to, and "unanimously carried" was very amusing. All voted both in the affirmative and negative, and the manner in which they signified their wish was by raising the hand and saying "a-man." Prof. Makeover's remodeling, as operated, furnished a great deal of fun. When the spinsters have another entertainment they will have a good house assured.

See Jones & Co.'s Window of 24 silk patterns, now going at \$2.98.

Death of Mr. Davis.

Mr. W. A. Davis died Tuesday night, after protracted illness and much suffering, which he bore with remarkable patience. Funeral services were held at the Methodist church Wednesday afternoon, by the pastor, Rev. T. E. Morris. A large number of people paid their respects to the memory of the man whom all honor in life. Burial was in Evergreen cemetery.

A Senation in Asheville.

Special to News and Courier.
ASHEVILLE, February 11.—For the first time in ten years the Buncombe county jail is silently guarded by two military companies and a sheriff's posse of seventy men. Usually Asheville is impressively quiet. The cause of this military and martial surveillance is that Sheriff Lee has in his custody four burglars and perhaps murderers, whose lives Judge Shaw, now holding criminal court here, has declared will be fully protected through the law. On Friday night two white men, R. S. Gates and Frank Johnson, with two negroes, Harry Mills and Ben Foster, held up Samuel Alexander, assistant postmaster at Emma, three miles from Asheville, and with pistols compelled Alexander to open the safe. In an unguarded moment, caused by the scampering of a cat, one of the robbers lowered his pistol. Alexander quickly grabbed the weapon and shot Foster and Johnson. The Meantime Alexander was shot through the abdomen. Later the four robbers were arrested in Asheville by Police Capt. Jordan and his aides.

To-day solicitor Ferguson presented indictments to the grand jury, which soon brought in true bills against each robber.

To-morrow young Alexander was to have been married, but yesterday it was decided that the marriage ceremony be performed that afternoon, which was done. The bride tonight is nursing him, and the chances are that her husband will not survive another day.

Great indignation is manifested and a lynching party is now on the program. Governor Aycock has ordered out both military companies here to guard the jail and Sheriff Lee has his posse on hand. There is no excitement.

Judge Shaw and Solicitor Ferguson are universally commended for their prompt action looking to the prevention of any lynching. The prisoners will suffer the full penalty, which is hanging, if left to trial by jury.

"Book-keeper"—Lady desires set of books or work as an assistant. Address "P." this office. 2t

Homicide at Fort Mill.

FORT MILL, Feb. 14.—W. R. Bradford, captain of the Fort Mill Light Infantry, and editor of the Times, shot and killed John McCord, colored, this afternoon. Bradford's mother was quite sick, and negroes were making a noise just behind her house. He went to see about it. McCord drew a pistol on him and snapped it, and when shot by Bradford fell with the pistol in hand. McCord has been in frequent rows, and was a very dangerous negro.—Special to The State.

There is always danger in using counterfeits of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. The original is a safe and sure cure for piles. It is a soothing and healing salve for sores and all skin diseases. Pryor & McKee

Don't Monkey With the Wires.—Wednesday night, as Capt. W. G. Austin and family were returning home from the Methodist church, his son James took hold of the wire which turns on the arc light in front of Mrs. Aldrich's residence and received a shock which caused him to cry out and fall in a helpless condition to the ground. Capt. Austin was some two hundred yards behind and heard the cry. He hurried on and found his son almost paralyzed from the shock. The moon was shining and the lights had just been cut off. It is the habit of the boys when the lights go out to take hold of these wires and try to turn them on again, and the current, having been shut off a minute, perhaps, before the young man grasped the wire, doubtless saved his life. He felt no serious effects from the shock next day except a soreness the muscles of his legs. Boys, and men, too, should be careful about coming in contact with wires hanging around electric lights.—Greenwood Journal.

It Was Bunkum.

The house's ready acceptance of the senate's action in striking out the \$100,000 appropriation for the public schools inserted by the house indicates that those were right who held that this amendment was originally adopted for bunkum and with the understanding that the senate would take the responsibility of eliminating it. The legislative game of football has some interesting features.—The State.

Tea in South Carolina.

The American Tea company, which is to begin the planting and culture of tea on a large scale in this state near Rantowles, in Colleton county, has filed its return with the secretary of state and obtained its charter. The capital stock is to be \$60,000. The officers are Augustus C. Tyler, president, and Roswell L. Trimble, vice-president and treasurer, both gentlemen being of New London, Conn.—The State.

Millions of people are familiar with DeWitt's Little Early Risers and those who use them find them to be famous little liver pills. Never gripe. Pryor & McKee.

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Surprises.
Klutz' New York Racket cheap almost give away price on all sorts of Winter goods is a real profitable surprise to all people who are carefully anxious to make a big haul in of a great many good Winter goods for a very little bit of an outlay of cash.

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