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## THE WILLIAMSON METHOD.

The following highly valuable paper, prepared by Mr. E. Melver Williamson of Darlington County, was published in the *Harvest* County Messenger.

For a number of years after I began to farm I followed the old time method of putting the fertilizer all under the corn, planting on a level or higher, six by three feet; pushing the plant from the start, and making a big stalk, but the ears were few and frequently small. I planted much corn in the spring and bought much more corn the next spring, until finally I was driven to the conclusion that corn could not be made on uplands in this section, certainly not by the old method, except by a loss.

I did not give up, however, for I knew that the farmer who did not make his own corn never would, so I began to experiment. First I planted lower, and the stalks were better, but the stalk was still too large, so I discontinued altogether the application of fertilizer before planting, and knowing that all crops could be utilized at some time, I used mixed fertilizer as a side application and applied the more soluble nitrate of soda later being given in this way the excellent results obtained from its use as a top dressing for oats. Still the yield, though regular, was not large, and the smallness of the stalk itself be planted thicker in the drill. This was done the next year with results so satisfactory that I continued from year to year to increase the number of stalks and the fertilizer, with which to sustain them, also to apply nitrate of soda at the rate of one ton to the acre, and to lay by early, sowing broadcast. This method steadily increased the yield, until year before last (1904) with corn eleven inches apart in six foot rows, and 111 worth of fertilizer to the acre, I made 83 bushels average to the acre, several of my best acres making as much as 125 bushels.

Last year (1905), I followed the same method, planting the first week in April, 17 acres which had produced the year before 1000 pounds seed cotton per acre. This land is sandy upland, somewhat hilly. Seasons were very unpropitious, with the most tremendous rains in May, and the dry and extremely hot weather later. From June 15th to July 12th, the time when it was needed most, there was only 5.8 of an inch of rainfall, with 47.0 of corn fertilizer. My yield was 55 bushels per acre. Rows were six feet, and corn sixteen inches in drill.

With this method, on land that ordinarily produces a good crop of seed cotton with 800 pounds of fertilizer, 50 bushels of corn per acre should be made by using 200 pounds of corn seed meal, 200 pounds of phosphate and 400 pounds of kainit, instead of the equivalent in other fertilizers, and 125 pounds of nitrate of soda, all to be used as side-application as directed below.

On land that will make a bale and one half of cotton per acre when well fertilized, a heavier broadcast should be produced by doubling the amount of fertilizer above, except that 300 pounds of nitrate of soda should be used.

In such cases there should be left on the land in corn stalks, weeds, vines and straw, from 600 to 1000 pounds of fertilizer, material not used, and the ground should be tilled from such large amounts of vegetable matter. The place of this in the permanent improvement of land can never be taken by commercial fertilizer, for it is absolutely impossible to make lands such as these any more fertile than vegetable matter.

Land should be thoroughly and deeply broken for corn, and this time in a winter broadcast, depending the soil. Oats, require a more compact soil than corn, and while a deep soil is essential to its best development, in the spring, it is as well to use open land, which in corn does not do so well, through broadcast. A deep soil will not only produce more corn, but a shallow soil will give a smaller yield.

When the broadcast corn, land should be broken broadcast, and the winter crop should be deeper than it has been before, or if much vegetable matter is to be turned under, it may be sown broadcast, and the corn may be sown broadcast, and the corn may be sown broadcast, and the corn may be sown broadcast.

Never plow land when it is wet, if for every bushel that I expect to grow you expect to have any use for it. I find the six foot row easiest to make. I have found that the best way to plant is to plant on a level or higher, six by three feet; pushing the plant from the start, and making a big stalk, but the ears were few and frequently small. I planted much corn in the spring and bought much more corn the next spring, until finally I was driven to the conclusion that corn could not be made on uplands in this section, certainly not by the old method, except by a loss.

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## THE BIGGEST YET!

MELVILLE B. RAYMOND'S CARTOON COMEDY  
**"BUSTER BROWN"**  
With MASTER GABRIEL as "BUSTER"



## OPERA HOUSE, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7th,

PRICES: Parquet \$1.50. Dress Circle \$1.00. Gallery 50c. Seat Sale Begins Monday 9 a. m.

### In the Mayor's Court.

The opening number of the mayor's court, Monday-morning, was the result of a heated controversy Saturday afternoon, in which Charlie Heppan and Mr. Jenkins arrested both men are colored, and Jenkins is said to be a hoodoo doctor. Both the Illinois and the disclaimer resulted from disparaging remarks that each made about the unfortunate passage in the other's past. Heyman complained that Jenkins had accused him of being a hoodoo doctor, and Jenkins in reply stated that he had been a hoodoo doctor, and Jenkins in reply stated that he had been a hoodoo doctor.

### Don't frown—look pleasant.

If you are suffering from indigestion or sour stomach, take Kodol Peppermint Cure. It is a natural remedy for all such ailments, and it is a natural remedy for all such ailments, and it is a natural remedy for all such ailments.

### In Memory of Better Alexander.

Dearest Butler, thine last left us. Gone above this awful globe. To be with the scores of angels standing in their golden robes. The wrath of God that was his due. If you and friend was left. And by his light, not long ago. His debt was truly paid.

### We feel the sorrow coming down into our weary heart.

And that it is our Father's will. That we should from him part. We feel the loss of this dear one. Can never come to our memory die. To this perpetual form on high. Where our own memory stays. We'll read the meaning of our tears. To the friend with us we love best. To the friend with us we love best.

### Dr. Mack Accepts Call.

Rev. Dr. J. B. Mack, of Providence and pastor of the First Baptist Church, has accepted a call to the College Park Presbyterian church near Atlanta, Ga. He will leave for his new pastorate next week. Dr. Mack has lived in Fort Mill for about twenty five years and is one of the ablest and most popular preachers in this section.

### A Lively Tussle.

With that old enemy of the non-Occupation, often ends in Appendicitis. To avoid all serious trouble, with this new Life Pills. They perform results that surprise you. They are sold by all Druggists.

### Deals in Real Estate.

The following are some recent transfers of real estate as recorded in the clerk of court's office: Ruth H. Cowan to E. H. Ferguson, one third interest in 191.3 acres, part of old John Brady estate. R. A. Sawyer to R. M. Crawford, one house and lot on Branch street. Geo. L. Kennedy to A. D. Williams, one lot in Hestercock. J. C. McAdams to C. C. Edwards, 312.5 acres on Sandy River. Mrs. L. Irene Dunlap to C. C. Branch, 141 acres near Fort Lawn. H. H. Starbuck to A. M. Alben, 140 acres, just beyond city limits on Lancaster road. Mrs. S. L. Mattoon to A. M. Alben, one lot on West End. Mrs. Mattie M. Bryson to Mrs. Fannie M. Caldwell, fifty acres on Little Rocky Creek. J. A. Young to John Young, 49.5 acres on Rocky Creek. Mrs. Alice Robinson to C. W. Huggins, one lot near Lancaster street. Jas. M. Sayre to W. Hart Kee, 21 acres near Rodman. Artetha Bush to Central Relief Society, two acres on York road. H. H. Starbuck to A. M. Alben, one house and lot near Ehrlich's quarter. Frank C. Baster to Mrs. Alice Robinson, one house and lot in East Chester. J. N. Whiteside to Dr. J. F. Atkinson, 20 acres. R. C. McFadden to Dr. J. F. Atkinson, 1 acre, part of R. Martin McKinstry lands. Pleasant Hammett to W. R. Gardner, one lot on L. & C. Railroad at Fort Lawn. M. and C. W. Tennant to R. H. Ferguson, two thirds interest in 101.5 acres, part of old John Brady estate. T. G. C. York county, to E. M. Neely, 200 acres, Black Jack place. Mrs. C. M. Pryor to A. J. Williams, four tenant houses and lots near Ashford street. M. S. Lewis to Janie Douglas, one lot on York Road. C. C. and R. G. McAlley to W. S. McAlley, 193.5 acres on Bull Run Creek. Reception in Florida.

## An Appeal to the City Council

To suspend indefinitely the ordinance against blocking the public streets, so far as it relates to Wall Street. We give our word that it shall be opened from the hours of 3 p. m. until 9 a. m. The rest of the time we will have it blocked by the farmers' wagons buying HIGH-CLASS GROCERIES and SUPPLIES at

## Actual Wholesale Prices in Original Packages for Cash Only

96 pounds Fresh Botted Meal, \$1.25 per sack.  
First Patent Flour, 4.75 per barrel.  
North Carolina Black Spring Oats, 60 bushel.  
Red Rust Proof Oats, 54c bushel.  
3 Car Loads Corn, 69c per bushel.

The greatest opportunity ever offered consumers to buy at merchants' cost prices. Come and we will convince the most skeptical.

## Chester - Wholesale - Grocery

J. R. Alexander and R. E. Sims, Mgrs

## A Big Sensation In Chester

W. R. NAIL, the Red Racket Store Man, is actually selling Fine Chocolate Candy at 20c a pound and the 20c Candy at 10c a pound.

We have just received 1,489 pounds of this Candy. When you want Candy at HALF PRICE, see the

## RED RACKET STORE People

Main Street, Chester, S. C.

## LABOR BEING SCARCE, YOUR BEST HELP IS IN

## GASOLINE ENGINES

Some one to pump water to your lawn—It's a Gasoline Engine. If you want to saw wood—It's a Gasoline Engine.

Make known your wants and we will do the rest. W. O. McKEOWN & SONS, CHESTER, S. C.

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