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TUESDAY, JANUARY 2

OUR RAILROADS

There is no question but that in certain instances the railroads are imposed upon. There are various commissions throughout the country which make railroad rulings that are really preposterous. There are railroad commissioners in the various States who play politics from the time they enter office until they get out. From the stand point of railroading their decisions are child's play. They have no idea what they are doing and apparently do not try to learn anything.

The Interstate Commerce Commission, from time to time, passes rulings which are an imposition on the railroads. They also pass rulings which keep the railroads from imposing on the public. However, there is one feature of interstate transportation that has been apparently overlooked and one of which is of vital importance to the public. A party or firm in South Carolina can order a shipment from another State and no matter how long the shipment might be delayed in transit, putting the consignee to serious inconvenience and oftentimes financial loss he has practically no recourse.

If a consignor delivers a shipment to a railroad for transportation, the railroad should be allowed a reasonable time in which to deliver the shipment to the consignee and if it delays the shipment the consignee should be paid for the loss he has sustained. In South Carolina there is such a law but delays in interstate shipments apparently has been overlooked by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

THE SUPERVISOR'S SALARY.

Since the next meeting of the legislature is to be held within a short while we presume now is the time for people, newspapers in particular, to offer suggestions to the delegation.

We believe the public in general will agree with us when we say that the salary of the county supervisor is entirely too small. It is no small man's job and the holding of same requires the keeping of a horse and buggy, which no other county officer requires. The delegation would do well to carry out the will of the people if they would have the salary of this office increased to a respectable figure.

ROCK HILL HAS AN EARLY MORNING FIRE

Originated in Ratterree Building on Railroad Avenue.

Rock Hill, Dec. 31.—One of the most disastrous fires in Rock Hill in a number of years occurred this morning about 2 o'clock. The total loss being between \$15,000 and \$20,000. Only good work by the fire department kept the flames under control and prevented even greater damage.

The fire originated in the store of Peter Elias & Bro., on Railroad avenue, known as the new Ratterree building. This store was gutted by the flames and the stock not burned was deluged with water. The fire spread to the store of John Aker, adjoining and did considerable damage here also, while the water damage will be great.

The second floor of the building was occupied by the Chamber of Commerce, the city library and the public rest room. The floor was burned through at several places, the office of the secretary, the library and rest room being also badly damaged so that they cannot be occupied until repairs are made. Many books in the library were burned while hundreds were soaked by water and it is not yet known whether they can be used again.

The Lum Lee Laundry, in the same building, was also damaged by smoke and water. The second half of the upper floor, used as a social room for the Chamber of Commerce, was also damaged by smoke and water.

Miss Hannah E. Heyman, who has been visiting relatives in Camden, has returned to her home in the city.

No. 666

SYSTEM OF FERTILIZING IN SOUTH CAROLINA WRONG

Columbia, Dec. 30.—In connection with certain correspondence with officials in regard to the railroad rates on ground phosphate, Senator Jno. L. McLaughlin, state war and commerce commissioner, said today that he had about come to the conclusion that the whole system of fertilizing in South Carolina was almost entirely wrong, because, in his opinion, "we are impoverishing our soil instead of building it up."

Senator McLaughlin was chairman of the line and phosphate commission appointed by the legislature in 1913, which made a thorough investigation of the land deposits of the state and recommended the use of the merrill on the Santee river as a cheap source of lime.

Mr. McLaughlin said today that he had recently experienced difficulty in securing a railroad rate on ground phosphate rock to small stations, and it was for this reason that he had asked the matter up with Mr. Edmund A. Felder and asked him to bring it to the attention of the department of agriculture, his understanding being that Mr. Felder was in touch with the department in this regard, and that his expert knowledge would be of great value.

"I am charged about as that as much as eight miles from my plantation station, to Bennettsville, for ground phosphate rock," said Senator McLaughlin today, "has the same shipment coming to the station from Mount Pleasant. From this, of course, is a great hardship because in going to Bennettsville it passes right by the plantation station of Everett, referred to. Fertilizers are hauled through at the same rate, and stop at the plantation station, on the ground that they are not worth the cost of the freight to a large profit out of them."

"There has been a studied effort," he said, "to prevent the farmers from finding out the value of ground phosphate rock. Our acid phosphate is composed of sulphuric acid and phosphate rock, in equal parts. I order to get a ton of the phosphate you have to buy two tons of sulphuric acid and a very much larger price. The phosphate acid in the ground phosphate rock is not available in any way in connection with crops, or plowed under with green manure. I have been using it for that purpose for a good many years, and have secured good results, but there has been an undoubted distinction in freight rates in regard to this product, and that is why I have taken up the matter with Mr. Felder and called attention to it."

"In this connection, I would like to call attention to a report I made several years ago to the legislature in which the South Carolina phosphate rock, it does seem to be a pity for us to be sending money to Tennessee for ground phosphate rock, when we have the finest phosphate rock in the world right here in South Carolina. While the Tennessee rock runs high, or in phosphoric acid, it is a harder rock, and not so soluble as the South Carolina rock. When that was the trouble about the hogging mill, I recommended that the presentary contracts be used in mining phosphate rock and lime."

Mr. Felder told me today that he was trying to induce some of the fertilizer companies to put in a plant for working the South Carolina rock. I wish they would do this, because then we would have an interstate rate that would be satisfactory and fair to people who live out in the country, and do not get their freight in the larger towns. "The use of lime, with velvet beans, peas, and soja beans, will allow the lime to sweeten the soil, and then plow under with ground phosphate rock, is the scientific method of farming and improving your land all the time."

"It does seem to me," says Senator McLaughlin in his letter to Mr. Felder, "that in view of the high price of fertilizer and the difficulty in securing the same, and also of the great superiority of ground rock, which used in connection with stable manure or green crops, that the Washington law that was authorized to give the farmers a square deal. It is a manifest impossibility for me to haul ground phosphate rock in bulk eight miles from Bennettsville, and there is no reason why the use of phosphate rock cannot be set off on the side track just as the railroad authorities are acting in the interest of the fertilizer trust. I am writing you at length on account of the large quantity which you handle, and also on account of your close contact with our commissioner of agriculture, in the hope that you may be able to accomplish what I have failed to do."

NOTICE OF OPENING BOOKS OF SUBSCRIPTION:

On the 15th December 1916 and until the 1st January 1917, at the offices of Henry and McClure Advertising Company will keep open its books for the subscription of \$40.00 for the \$30,000 authorized increase to the Capital Stock of the said Company.

DIRECTORS:
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J. K. HENRY,
Chas. W. C. Dec. 8, 1916.

BIGGEST LIFE POLICY NOW IN EFFECT.

Railroad Company in Addition Provided Accident and Sickness Insurance for All Employees.

New York, Dec. 31.—The largest life insurance policy that was ever written goes into effect at midnight tonight, when approximately 35,000 of the 40,000 employees of the Union Pacific Railroad automatically become policy holders. They were insured without cost to them, or without medical examination, through the group insurance plan of the Equitable Life Assurance Society. Through the Continental Casualty Company of Chicago, they are also insured against accident and sickness losses.

All of the employees of the Union Pacific System who have been in service for a full year become under the plan, regardless of age, occupation or physical condition. The total insurance amounts to about \$70,000,000 and will cost the company approximately \$750,000 per annum in premiums.

Under the group plan the Equitable provides insurance equivalent to that of a single policy of \$2,000 on every employee. The financial plan provides group health and accident insurance covering payment of medical expenses and hospitalization on the same basis.

W. A. Day, President of the Equitable, said that this transaction sets a new record in both the life and accident insurance business. The financial plan of the Equitable has insured 35,000 employees. There have been some cases in which electrical time has been lost by the group insurance.

The first large group policy was written by the Equitable in 1912, when a \$100,000 plan was provided for employees of Montgomery Ward & Co. This record was exceeded when the Standard Life Company insured 100,000 employees. Since then the record has been broken by the B. F. Goodrich Company of Akron, Ohio, which has maintained policies on 150,000 employees.

The group plan insures the lives of employees without medical examination and without cost to the insured. During the holiday period some fifty firms and corporations distributed \$1,000,000 of such insurance to their employees. It is estimated that at least 20 per cent of the men who are thus insured would not be acceptable risks if they applied for individual policies, either because of age or physical shortcomings.

Every employee of the Union Pacific will receive a policy after giving his name and place of birth and names of his beneficiaries. There is practically no solicitation or other office expense in connection with the plan, and the policyholders subsidize the company to make a low rate on the average risk. The cost of the life insurance is about \$10 per year for each \$1,000 of insurance, and that of the accident policy about as much more.

Group insurance is now exempted from the New York State law from the total business which a company can write each year. The Equitable has sold the full \$170,000,000 of regular insurance allowed it, besides \$300,000 under the group plan in addition to the "Union Pacific" arrangement.

INSURANCE COMMISSION MAKES RECOMMENDATIONS.

Columbia, Dec. 26.—The commission appointed by Governor Manning to recommend a revision of the fire insurance laws of the state, in view of what has been termed the present "insurance middle" thought transmitted its report to the governor. The recommendations of the commission look towards an entire new fire insurance code for this state.

"The first law recommended is a building code proposed to be enforced in all incorporated cities in the state. The code proposed is similar to that already in force in forty odd towns in the state. It is by no means so complex as that in force in a number of the larger towns, but a simple code applicable to the smallest municipality.

"The next law recommended is one providing for the investigation of all fires to determine the responsibility for the fire. It has nothing to do with the insurance on property but deals entirely with the cause of fires and proposes to impose fines in case of those guilty of criminal negligence in causing a fire. "The next law is one providing certain qualifications for fire insurance agents. It will do much to eliminate the irresponsible agents, the purpose being to protect the intelligent and the sane. It will prevent all agents from overinsuring property or from dealing unjustly with the insured or with the company.

"Probably the most interesting proposal to the public is that of the rating law. The law proposed differs from the Lane-Odom act in that while this act prohibits companies and does not clearly permit the co-operation of the companies in respect to the inspection and classification of risks and the furnishing of advisory rates by a common agent, the present law specifically permits the companies to establish rating bureaus and enter into agreements concerning them, but it requires that these agreements shall be in writing and shall be filed with the insurance

commissioner and open to public inspection.

"It permits perfect freedom on the part of the companies in that no company is required to be a member of a rating bureau. The principle of state supervision set forth in the Lane-Odom act is continued in the proposed bill but by a different method. In the proposed bill the insurance commissioner is to act as an intermediary between the companies and complaints as to rates and only in case his efforts should fail to bring about a satisfactory adjustment in the matter referred to a commission of five, two appointed by the insurance interests, two by the insurance commissioner or the party interested, and one by the governor. This commission shall have the right to review and pass upon the rates, and excessive or unreasonable rates. The interests of the local companies are particularly safeguarded, and it is hoped that their growth will be encouraged.

"The commission without attempting to regulate the amount of mutual license fees finds that the great variation in license fees in the municipalities of the state works injustice which is reflected in the rates paid by the citizens. Therefore, the commission recommends that license fees be required to fix license fees for insurance companies on a fixed and invariable percentage basis. "This will be equitable to the small company or to the new company just entering and attempting to establish itself. The commission recommends the repeal of the value policy law, but in its stead proposes an enactment which will require the speedy settlement of claims and the immediate payment of such amount as the company will admit as just and proper, leaving only the difference to be adjudicated.

"Another enactment proposed is one making the insurance commissioner the sole arbiter of insurance companies to accept service in case of suits and providing means for this process.

"The bill does not represent the ideas of any particular member of the commission but has been marked with harmony throughout. There has been give and take and the bill is a composite one representing what the nine members of the committee believe to be the best laws for enactment at the present time."

Fort Mill, S. C. Jan. 1.—How many settlers in a gallon of whiskey? was the curious subject of a local pharmacist by a Charlotte man who was accompanied by a State constable who has been stationed at the local express office here for some days past. The Charlotte man had received a package of whiskey or rum and had braved the elements to come to Fort Mill to get it when it was noted that the package was said to contain a certain number of bottles. Neither the consignee nor the constable familiar with the more modern system of liquid measures, hence recourse was had to the tables. It was found that the quantity did not exceed the limit allowed by law and the shipment was delivered.

LOST—Hound dog, black with tan legs. Answers to name of Lead. Lost Woodward church neighborhood.

Return to or inform Semi-Weekly News or W. E. Conley, Lowryville Route 2.

A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

To every Man, Woman and Child, in Chester and Chester County is the wish of

Yours Truly,
W. R. NAIL,
Chester, S. C.

START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT

by buying your Furniture from us. We give coupons with all cash sales. Save the coupons, they will be valuable to you. Mr. A. L. Estes was awarded the prize December 30, 1916.

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Happy New Year!

We wish to thank our patrons for their patronage during the past year and extend them the most cordial greetings for the New Year.

We strive to please by rendering our patrons the best possible service obtainable.

We thank our patrons for all additional work we have been given, through the good words they have spoken for us. Your co-operation along this line has been deeply appreciated.

We shall further strive to deserve your continued patronage, friendship and commendation.

T. D. ATKINSON'S BARBER SHOP

"ON THE HILL"

Victor Concerts

Klutz Department Store is giving Victor and Victrola Concerts now daily. You are invited to come to hear them. They are FREE.

Klutz Department Store

"ON THE HILL"

Washington, Dec. 20.—That the federal trade commission's efforts to relieve the shortage of news print supply and lower the price of that commodity will fail was indicated today.

Replies to the inquiries sent out at the instance of the commission to discover if publishers would cut down their paper supplies for next year began coming in today.

They indicated that the publishers are demanding as much paper for 1917 as for 1916 and there is reported to be an absence of any spirit of co-operation and willingness to relinquish paper stocks to save the small publishers, upon which the commission depended for success.

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NOTICE OF FINAL DISCHARGE.

Notice is hereby given that G. W. Chitty, Administrator of the estate of A. A. Boone, deceased, has this day made application unto me for a final discharge as such Administrator and that the 15th day of January, 1917, at 10 o'clock A. M., at my office, has been appointed for the hearing of said petition.

Judge of Probate Chester, S. C.
December 15, 1916.

TRESPASS NOTICE.

All persons are hereby warned not to hunt, fish or otherwise trespass on the lands owned, or controlled by the undersigned.

Anyone caught hunting on these lands will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. This means every body.

Mrs. Kate Barringer,
Mrs. L. M. Douglas,
Miss M. E. Conwell,
Miss Marion Durbin,
Mrs. W. E. Corryell,
Mrs. May Hughes.

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Miss Anna Hudson, of Columbia, spent the week-end in the city the guest of Miss Anne Lee.

The Hampton Terrace, a half-million dollar winter hotel situated on Carolina Heights, in North Augusta, just across the Savannah river from Augusta, Ga., was destroyed by fire early Sunday morning.

STRAYED OR STOLEN Light cream colored cow, with horns, small eye. Left Sunday night. Return to Georgia Coleman, 136 McLure Street and receive reward.

C. G. Trakas, proprietor of a candy and fruit store in Greenwood, and a relative of the Chester Trakas was severely cut Saturday afternoon by Peter Gollard, colored.

Mrs. W. W. Brice and children of Chester spent Wednesday in York, the guests of Mrs. W. M. Kennedy - York News.

Mr. Edward Waring who spent the Xmas holidays with his parents in Savannah, Ga., left last night for New York after stopping over with Mr. Geo. M. Walker for a few days.

To the surprise of his many friends Pastor James H. Machen read his resignation at the close of service Sunday morning, December 24. As yet the church has not seen fit to accept his resignation and an effort will be made to have Mr. Machen reconsider his resignation at least for the time being. Mr. Machen has been pastor of the York Baptist church for something over four years and has done a splendid work for the church and the community.

He is to be congratulated on the work that has been accomplished. His people are very devoted to him and it will be with regret that they allow him to leave for other work - York News.

A small cottage, belonging to Rachel Gaston, colored, on Cemetery street, was destroyed by fire Saturday night about nine o'clock.

Mr. J. O. Barber, of Richburg, spent yesterday in Chester.

Mr. J. L. Mize, of Richburg, was a Chester visitor yesterday.

Dr. T. L. Lucas, of Columbia, was his sister, Mrs. H. L. Crankshaw of Atlanta. The table was pretty in Christmas decorations. A tempting course luncheon was served.

Miss Lucy Douglas, of Hancock, Mich., is visiting her brother, Mr. M. Douglas.

Miss Minter Love left yesterday for Charlotte, near which place she is teaching school.

Miss Simpson, of Clinton, is visiting Miss Stewart Shannon.

Mrs. Arthur Colvin, who has been seriously ill at her home on the Columbia road a short distance from the city, entered the Chester Sanatorium last night for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Hafner and son, Robert, returned to the city Sunday morning after having spent several days visiting various points in Florida.

Misses Annie Thomas and Dorothy Beery returned to their home in Wilmington this morning after having spent the week-end with Miss Hazel Scarborough.

Miss Sallie Stone left last night for Rock Hill where she will visit her mother.

Miss Margaret White is visiting in Rock Hill.

The contract for the erection of the iron bridge over Catawba river between Fort Mill and Rock Hill is to be let January 17th.

Dr. and Mrs. G. Dawson Heath and little son left Monday morning for their home in Birmingham, Ala. after visiting relatives in the city for the holidays.

Mrs. J. L. Young and little son, Leiland, of Clinton have returned to their home after spending a few days with Mrs. Young's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Abell at Lowville and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davidson of this city.

Mr. D. H. Bewley returned to his home in Anderson Monday after spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. S. W. Kluttz.

Miss Nettie Spratt has gone to Greenwood to resume her duties as teacher in the graded schools of that place.

Mrs. Motte Barnes and children have returned after their home in Anderson spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. W. F. Fletcher.

On last Thursday Mrs. L. T. Nichols entertained at a beautiful

appointed luncheon in compliment to her sister, Mrs. H. L. Crankshaw of Atlanta. The table was pretty in Christmas decorations. A tempting course luncheon was served.

Mr. Tom Spratt left last night for Clemson to resume his studies after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Spratt.

Mr. William Rosborough left Monday for Atlanta after visiting his mother, Mrs. W. H. Rosborough.

Mr. DeWitt Kluttz, who spent the holidays here with his father, Mr. W. A. Kluttz, left this morning for Philadelphia to resume his medical studies at the University of Pennsylvania.

\$50 and \$60 STEEL RANGES, weight 48 lbs. Price \$25 and \$30 with reservoir and high closet. Term cash with order or \$5 cash with order and balance C. O. D. or on time for gilt edge notes with interest added. Chester Stove and Range Co. 100 Lacy Street, Chester, S. C.

Mr. P. Dare White, who for some time past has been with the shoe department of the Rodman-Brown Co., has accepted a position with the Kirkpatrick-Belk Co., at York, his home town.

An enjoyable meeting of the Forty-two club was on Friday afternoon, when Mrs. Richard Cousar entertained the members of the club. There were six tables arranged in the living room and dining room which were very attractive in their Christmas decorations of red and green, with bowls of white narcissus. The hostess was assisted in keeping score by Miss Bertha Stahl and Mrs. J. S. Day and at the conclusion of the games a delicious supper and coffee was served. Mrs. R. G. Hill assisting the hostess. Mrs. H. L. Crankshaw of Atlanta was an out-of-town guest.

Announcement cards reading as follows, have been received in the city, and will be read with interest, by the many friends of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Horne announce the marriage of their daughter Magbille.

Miss Thomas Edger Archer, Friday, the 29th of Dec. 1916. Middleton, Va.

WEEKLY CLUB CALENDAR.
Daughters of American Revolution - Mrs. J. J. Stringfellow, 11 A. S. Wednesday.
Forty-two Club - Mrs. I. C. Cross - 3:30 P. M. Thursday.
Gasmans' Club - Monday evening, January 8th.

DEATH OF MR. B. C. GREGORY.
The many friends of Mr. Benjamin G. Gregory will regret to learn of his death which occurred at the residence of his nephew Mr. E. W. Pegg, on Saluda street, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Gregory has been in bad health for some time and recently retired from the mercantile business on account of his health. He was sixty-three years of age. On until about two years ago Mr. Gregory was engaged in farming and since that time has been associated in the mercantile business with Mr. Pegg.

Mr. Gregory was a devoted member of the Presbyterian Church. The interment was made at Saluda, the former home of the deceased.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary B. Gregory, and several children.

COL. WATSON MAKES SPLENDID SHOWING

Columbia, Dec. 30 - "I am greatly gratified at the showing this department has made this year," said Col. R. J. Watson, of the department of agriculture, commerce and industries, today. "Heretofore, the legislature has made direct appropriations for the department, and we have each year for several years passed and kept the department self-sustaining. This year the general assembly made only two appropriations aggregating \$4,000, which had to be by law, and authorized the operation of the department with its added new lines of work from its own income. The balance above a sufficient amount to provide continuity of operation to be paid into the general account of the State. Under this authorization we brought the work of the department to the end of the year with a cash balance on hand of \$15,680.00 practically \$12,000.00, after paying the direct appropriations for the year 1917. It is estimated that for the next year to safeguard our operating expenses, as contemplated by the act, the sum of \$5,800.00 to the credit of the department, paid over to the state treasurer to be credited into the general account of the state to the sum of \$10,000.00 cash. Under this arrangement this year it has been possible to do a much greater amount of work at a much less overhead expense, and we have more than realized my expectations as expressed to the committee of the general assembly."

THE OLD OUT, THE NEW IN - NOW 1917 IS

Department of One and Arrival of the Other Featured by Variety of Sensations Experienced.

Some men vouch with approval of the matter, in fact, some of them have kept them in a most "portable" state of mind. Those who have had the foregoing, however, had a big "feeling" since they were in the sleeve, because they were in reality, even very sorry.

It is claimed, that some of the fairer sex were very serious about the matter, in fact, some of them went so far as to shed a few tears all right because "it was gone."

But it is gone, and even if it did get some of our prominent citizens in a "feeling" state, it must be said that everybody seemed to take its going with more or less "glad to get rid of it," than is ordinarily known when the old year passes out and a big "feeling" since they were in the sleeve, because they were in reality, even very sorry.

PNEUMONIA SERUM FROM HEALTH BOARD

New York, Dec. 30 - Health Commissioner Haven Emerson announced last night that the department would supply for the treatment of labor pneumonia the serum treatment which has been perfected by the Rockefeller Institute. The search, he said, had been made to prove to be the means of lessening materially the death rate from pneumonia in New York City, which amounts to 10,000 lives a year.

The Health Department now distributes antitoxin for the treatment of tetanus, diphtheria, and meningitis. The pneumonia serum will be made at the Rockefeller department's farm at Otisville, N. Y., where the other serums distributed in New York City by the department are made, as well as tetanus serum for the use of the army hospitals of the army hospitals of Europe.

There are two general types of pneumonia - bronchial and lobar. Bronchial pneumonia attacks children and aged persons; lobar is the acute kind and is rapid in its action. The serum the Health Department will make and distribute is for the treatment of type of pneumonia, which constitutes about 60 per cent. of all cases.

"The department," Dr. Emerson explains, "wishes to make it very clear that it is not going to be a business of treating pneumonia. It is not going to be a wholesale physician. What we will do is to diagnose any pneumonia case upon submission, and when it is found to be of a certain type we will supply the serum for the treatment, and assist, if needed by, in its administration. It must be borne in mind that the serum is for the treatment of one specific kind of pneumonia and is worse than wasted in other kinds. Furthermore, it must be used early in the case to produce results."

The serum has been perfected under the direction of Dr. Rufus Cole of the Rockefeller Institute, whose experiments in treating pneumonia have been going on for six years. For two years the institute has been treating cases with its serum, and the Health Department has been watching the results closely.

The first announcement of the Rockefeller serum was made two years ago.

The institute at that time emphasized the point Dr. Emerson made last night - that it is not a business of treating pneumonia.

MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION ENJOYS PROSPEROUS YEAR

The Chester County Farmers Mutual Insurance Association held their annual meeting at the Court House yesterday and a large number of stockholders were present. The election of officers resulted in selecting all the old officers, which were as follows: S. T. McKee, President; R. O. Atkinson, Vice President; Walter Simpson, Agent and Treasurer.

The following gentlemen constitute the board of directors: R. O. Atkinson, Baton Rouge; W. B. Boyd, Blackstock; A. F. Pearsley, Chester; W. C. McFadden, Landford; J. M. Boulware, Rossville; J. R. Row, Lowville; A. M. McKee, Hazelton; N. H. Stone, Habelville.

As usual the association showed an excellent business for the past year and now has over \$1,192,517.00 insurance in effect. The assessment for the past year was 10 cents. For the year 1917 it will be 35 cents. Premiums collected during the past year amounted to \$4,804.57. The clerk paid out during the year \$4,901.08 as follows: Losses by fire, \$3,555.45; Losses by wind, \$100.00; Office supplies, \$24.45; S. B. Lathan, auditing books, \$5.00; Adjusting losses, \$27.00; Returned premiums, \$8.85; Abstracts and printing, \$50.25; M. Master, \$14.00; Taxes, \$35.50; D. C. Heyward, \$40.61; Borrowed money, \$507.27; Clerk and Treas. salary, \$500.00.

The following gentlemen were appointed as a committee to look after the representation of the association in the Chester county magazine being conducted by The South Carolina News: J. R. Red, S. B. Lathan, R. O. Atkinson, J. W. Bigham and Walter Simpson.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE

By virtue of an order of the Probate Court of Chester County, S. C., we will sell at public auction at the residence of Theodore M. Darby about eight miles north of the city of Chester, on Tuesday, January 16, at eleven o'clock A. M., all of the personal property belonging to the estate of John O. Darby, dec'd., consisting of one horse, one buggy, gasoline engine, cotton gin and press, corn mill, manure spreader, plow, etc.

Terms of sale: Cash.
Z. GRHAM DARBY and THEODORE M. DARBY Administrators of the Estate of John O. Darby, dec'd. January 2, 1917. T-29

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This is a prescription prepared especially for MALARIA or CHILLS & FEVER. Five or six doses will break any case and if taken then as a tonic the Fever will not return. It acts on the liver better than Calomel and does not grip or sicken. 25c

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The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of Dr. J. C. Watson and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. All Croup, Coughs, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, and all other ailments of Infants and Children - Experience against Experiment.

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Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is pleasant, it is substance. Its age is its guarantee. It destroys Worms and always gives strength. For more than thirty years it has been in constant use for the relief of Constipation, Flatulency, Wind Colic, all Teething Troubles and Diarrhea. It regulates the Stomach and Bowels, assimilates the Food, gives healthy sleep and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea - The Mother's Friend.

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- We carry all sizes and colors
- 10c Delightful Cup Coffee
- Royal Society Thread Come
- 7 1/2c
- See the new packages. They
- 50 cts. guaranteed Window
- are surely beautiful. Shades, all colors 39c
- We are exclusive agents in
- See those \$4 to \$5 Jap Art
- later for Men's and Boys' Squares, 9x12 feet, only
- leather Trousers. The guar-
- \$2.98
- anteed pants.
- We have a great variety of new
- styles in Men's "Emery"
- Shirts
- \$1.50 two-yard wide Congo-
- leum at \$1.15
- 10c
- 15c yard-wide Percale at 10c
- 20c

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AT CLOUD'S

We find that we have on hand after the holiday rush quite a few lots of goods that we are anxious to close out before inventory. Below note some of the goods and the very low prices:

- SHOES.
- COATS.
- SWEATERS.
- 18 LADIES' COAT SUITS LEFT.
- DRESSES.
- BOYS' CLOTHING.

BUY THE BEST SHINGLE
the market affords if you want the worth of your money. Cheap grades mean early repairs, and frequent repairs cost heavily in the long run.
COME AND SEE US
when you are ready to buy shingles. We have them bought right and will sell them right.
SATISFACTION IN PRICE AND QUALITY GUARANTEED TO ALL BUYERS.
Chester Machine & Lumber Co.
THE YARD OF QUALITY

See us for a general line of dry goods of all kinds. We can save you money.
E. E. CLARK

A rich, hot cup of INSTANT POSTUM with sugar and cream is a most delicious beverage.

Try it!—particularly if you are one of those with whom coffee disagrees.

A dozen years ago POSTUM drinkers were comparatively few. Today, this table drink is served on railway trains, on ocean steamers, at leading hotels and restaurants, and millions use POSTUM instead of coffee at home.

POSTUM has become popular because it is popular to be healthy.

“There’s a Reason”

TAX RETURN NOTICE FOR 1917.

In accordance with the law, tax books for the return of all real and personal property for the year 1917 will be open on Monday, Jan. 14, 1917, and will be closed on Feb. 20, 1917, after which the fifty per cent penalty will be attached to all delinquents.

Sec. 1, Art. 283, of the General Assembly of South Carolina, provides as follows: “It shall be the duty of all persons to make returns of all personal property and return all new property that has changed hands, real and personal property. For the greater convenience of persons residing in different portions of the county, I will be at the following points on the dates assigned, after which I will be the duty of all persons to make returns: office continually prepared to take returns:

- J. S. Stone’s—Monday, Jan. 8th, 10 A. M. to 12 M.
- A. Ross Durham’s Store—Monday, Jan. 8th, 2 to 3 P. M.
- Blackstock—Tuesday, Jan. 9th, 9 to 11 A. M.
- Cornwell—Tuesday, Jan. 9th, 1 to 3 P. M.
- W. A. Gladden’s Store—Wednesday, Jan. 10th, 9 to 11 A. M.
- E. A. Hagedale’s—Wednesday, Jan. 10th, 1 to 3 P. M.
- Mrs. W. P. McCullough’s—Thursday, Jan. 11th, 9 to 11 A. M.
- Great Falls—Thursday, Jan. 11th, 1 to 3 P. M., at Keister’s Store and 2 to 5 P. M. at Republic Cotton Mill Store.
- Baconville, Friday, Jan. 12th, 10 A. M. to 12 M.
- Richburg—Friday, Jan. 12th, 2 to 5 P. M.
- R. H. Ferguson’s Store—Saturday, Jan. 13th, 10 A. M. to 12 M.
- Landsford—Saturday, Jan. 13th, 2 to 5 P. M.
- Fort Lawn—Monday, Jan. 15th, 10 A. M. to 2 P. M.
- Walker’s Store—Tuesday, Jan. 16th, 2 to 4 P. M.
- Edgemoor—Wednesday, Jan. 17, 9 to 11 A. M.
- Lando—Wednesday, Jan. 17th, 1 to 3 P. M.
- J. G. Hollis’ Store—Thursday, Jan. 18th, 9 to 11 P. M.
- Redman—Thursday, Jan. 18th, 1 to 3 P. M.
- Lovelyville—Monday, Jan. 22nd, 10 A. M. to 12 M.
- E. Foster-Carter’s Store—Monday, Jan. 22nd, 2 to 4 P. M.
- Willsburg—Tuesday, Jan. 23rd, 10 A. M. to 12 M.
- White’s Store—Tuesday, Jan. 23rd, 2 to 5 P. M.
- Leeds—Wednesday, Jan. 24th, 10 A. M. to 12 M.

persons as possible will meet me at the respective appointments mentioned above, so as to avoid the rush. While I am taking returns at the various places my assistant will be in the office and will take your returns.

M. C. FUDGE,
County Auditor.

PAINFUL COUGHS RELIEVED.

Dr. King’s New Discovery is a soothing, healing remedy for coughs and colds that has stood the test of nearly fifty years. For that cough that strains the throat and saps the vitality try Dr. King’s New Discovery. The soothing pine balsams and mild laxative ingredients soon drive the cold from the system. Have a bottle on hand for winter colds, croup, grippe and bronchial affections. At your Druggist, 50c.

LOANS NEGOTIATED ON FARM LANDS.

Wanted you to know that we at Mortgage Company making loans in South Carolina on improved farm lands in amounts of \$500 and over on 5 year terms.

On loans of less than \$1,000 the interest rate is 7 per cent; and amounts of \$1,000 and over 6 per cent.

We ask no money in advance for anything, and charge no inspection fee. If you want to get a loan handled quickly, write or see us.

CHESTER REALTY & INVESTMENT CO.

M. C. FUDGE,
Loan Correspondent.
Pri. tel. forbn.



J. A. BARRON,
Undertaker and Embalmer.
Successor to Childs & Barron.
Phone 44.
Chester, S. C.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FINAL DISCHARGE.

Due notice is hereby given that at 10 o’clock A. M. on Wednesday, January 10th, 1917, I, as Executor of the Estate of John R. Alexander, deceased, will file on behalf of the Estate in the office of the Honorable E. W. Wise, Judge of Probate in and for the County of Chester, State of South Carolina, a final return as guardian of John Woods, minor, and will thereupon apply for a final discharge for said Estate as such guardian.

H. B. CALDWELL, Executor.
John R. Alexander, Deceased.

OUR RESOLUTIONS.

We are all making our resolutions for the coming year today—worthy ones, too, with enough wise thoughts and wise intentions in them to make the world as good as new, provided we stick to them out. We did the same thing last year, and the year before, and probably every twelve months for the greater part of our lives, but in some way we do not seem to have made very much progress in putting them into effect. What about our present resolutions? Will they fall by the wayside and be trampled upon and choked by the dust of life? The outcome depends upon ourselves, upon our strength of purpose and our sincerity of intention. God is ready to do His part in aiding us to fulfill our resolutions, but the trouble is that we are not ready at all times to do our part. Perhaps, in the first enthusiasm we make an honest effort to practice the wise resolves we have made, but human nature is very weak and just at the moment when we need to be the most persevering and the most determined we relax our efforts and by degrees we drift back into our old ways. We find it rather inconvenient at times to do all that we planned to do; the variety of interests which make daily demands upon our time and energy leave us, but limited opportunities for putting into active operation some of the many good resolutions which were so easily and thoughtlessly assumed. We had neglected to take into account, in other words, the fact that the carrying out of many of our good intentions necessitated a spirit of sacrifice on our part; consequently when the unexpected happened and we were forced to make our choice we chose the line of least resistance, and “going” was the New Year resolution.

Perhaps the trouble is that we make too many resolutions; we attempt to do too much because at a distance it seems so easy to do certain things. Perhaps it would be better if we were to make but a single New Year resolution and then proceed to carry it out in conditions and under all circumstances. Even then we would find difficulty in adhering to it strictly, but with the exercise of sufficient will power and a realization of what we were trying to do ever before us it does not seem that the enforcement of a single good resolution would be beyond our power of accomplishment. There are so many worthy things that we can resolve to do during the coming year—some of them would make better resolutions than others, but others would mean needless effort and unremitting zeal, but whatever work we undertake during the year just opening before us, we can at least do our best to carry it to completion. John A. Schleicher, writing in the last issue of Leslie’s of the present year, makes a few suggestions which are so good that we cannot resist the temptation to pass them along:

“To dry a tear, to coax a smile, to lighten a frown, to brighten a day, to lift a fallen one—to strengthen our faith, to encourage a doubter, to be true to God and man. These are the guideposts on the pathway of life that point to the shining stars and that should make the New Year the happiest of our lives.”

If we cannot conscientiously make all these resolutions today, we can at least make one of them. The choice is ours, and surely there is no one who reads these lines who would refuse to assume the responsibility if only of one of them. Some may come easier to us than others; some may appeal to us more than others; some may be disposed of, if we choose to look upon it in that way, in a comparatively short time; others may require long hours of effort and courage, and patience, and perseverance, and earnest faith and shining hope and broad charity to achieve, but in the end the reward of duty nobly done more than compensates for the sacrifices undergone. We need to keep our eyes fixed on the “shining stars”; they will lead our way here below. They keep up our courage when the crowds hard upon us; they renew the faith that is in our hearts when we are tempted to despair; they led us here when we see their glimmer through the darkness. It may be that through the agency of the resolution we make for the year that light outside the door we shall be able to do something better with our lives than we have hitherto done—to make larger use of our talents, to get more out of life, to understand what life means after all. If we let these things alone we shall have set our feet in the right path, and that is but the beginning of a new life of usefulness to others and good to ourselves. Let us then be careful of the resolution we make today, and having made it persist in carrying it forward in its wise and careful enforcement.—Sunday News.

HOW TO CHECK THAT COLD.

When it is painful to breathe and fever sends chills up and down your back, you are in for a cold. A timely dose of Dr. Hill’s Pine Tar Honey will stop the sneezing and sniffles. The pine balsam looses the phlegm and clears the bronchial tubes, the honey soothes and relieves the sore throat. The antiseptic qualities kill the germ and the congested condition is relieved. Croup, whooping cough and chronic bronchial affections quickly relieved. At all Druggists, 25c.

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Phone No. 6.

“Ten Degrees Down!”

But the shrinkage of the mercury doesn’t concern your comfort if you’ve been furnished with a Perfection Smokeless Oil Heater. It stands for preparedness against sudden weather changes. Gives comfort insurance when the furnace has an off day. Drives away those little fall chills that a coal fire’s too expensive to cope with.

Warm the bedroom, bathroom, and library. You can carry it anywhere, and it’s always clean, shippable and good-looking.

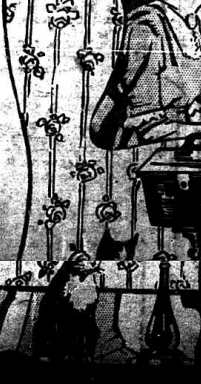
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Rheumatic pains and aches get into the joints and muscles, making every movement torturous. Relieve your suffering with Sloan’s Liniment; it quickly penetrates without rubbing, and soothes and warms your stiff muscles. The congested blood is stimulated, the action is simple, application will drive out the pain. Sloan’s Liniment is the only preparation that quickly effects it. It does not stain the skin or clothing. Get a bottle today at your Druggist, 25c.

LOST—Herald Book, blank with ten last.

Answering name of reader in Woodward church newspaper. Return to or inform. Romulus, N.Y. or W. E. Conley, Lovelyville, Ky.