

Letters will be collected from the letter boxes at 11:25 a. m., 4:40 p. m., and 9 p. m. daily.

New Advertisements. Election of Teachers—J. C. Caldwell, Chairman.

Local News.—Just received, five gross Mason's fruit jars, at the WINNSBORO DRUG STORE.

—Sheriff Ellison carried a colored woman to the lunatic asylum Wednesday. She was very violent.

—Anything you want in the line of black dress goods can be found at Q. D. Williford & Co.

—The Columbia Orchestra has been secured to furnish music for the ball which takes place on the 22nd inst.

—The blackberry season has opened. The first berries of the season were offered for sale on the streets Tuesday.

In spite of the dry weather they have ripened unusually early.

—Hon. Geo. D. Tillman has kindly presented Mr. Zion with the full set of volumes containing the official report of the latest census. These books will be a valued addition to the school library.

—Friday evening during an apparent lull in the storm, residents of town were startled by a terrific crash caused by the lightning striking the railroad track. This was followed instantly by a clap of thunder of unusual loudness.

—Everybody is wondering how Lauderdale can afford to give a handsome crayon portrait, worth at least ten dollars, to his customers free. Don't worry over it, but avail yourself of the opportunity to secure one.

—Rev. W. S. Stokes, we regret to say, is still confined to his home by illness. He was therefore not able to conduct the regular services at the Methodist Church Sunday. His many friends hope that his recovery will be speedy.

—Q. D. Williford & Co. are opening up a big job lot of gentlemen's felt hats.

—The closing exercises of Mt. Zion will take place in exactly four weeks. The last two days of the session will be devoted to the public examination of the several classes. On the evening of the final day an address will be delivered by some prominent speaker. This is only an outline of the program; possibly some changes will be made.

—The ladies' canneries will commence operation just as soon as the vegetables ripen in sufficient quantities to can. It is not probable that blackberries will be put up this year as there is not demand enough for them to warrant the expense of canning. The managers look forward to a most successful year for their growing enterprise.

—We should be glad if the pastors of the several churches would notify us when changes are to be made in the time for holding religious services. The notices may be changed at any time before 6 o'clock Friday evening. We endeavor to obtain this information as a matter of public interest, but very often we have some difficulty in doing so, hence we make the foregoing request.

—Q. D. Williford & Co. are determined to keep business up by keeping prices down.

—Mr. Henry Robertson, who lives some distance west of Winnsboro, had quite an unpleasant experience Saturday afternoon after the rain storm. He started home just as the storm was over, but upon reaching the Boro branch found that stream dangerously high. Mr. Robertson, however, made an attempt to cross, but before he had gone far realized that he had made a mistake in venturing in. It did not take long for Mr. Robertson to decide that his safety lay in getting back on terra firma, and after a struggle he succeeded in getting his mules and himself out safely, but found it impossible to save the provisions in the wagon. It was a narrow escape and Mr. Robertson is to be congratulated upon escaping without greater loss.

—As the millinery season is about over Lauderdale now offers his fine trimmed hats at cost so as to begin next season with a nice clean stock.

A PLEASANT GERMAN.—An unusually pleasant German was given in the army Monday evening complimentary to the visiting young ladies. The German was led by Mr. Win. Eggleston. Everybody present enjoyed the evening highly.

ONE OF THE GREATEST OF LABOR-SAVERS.—We call the attention of planters to the advertisement of the McCormick harvesters which appears in this issue. These machines are guaranteed to work where others fail. J. F. McMaster is agent for this County. Call on him.

COURT NEXT WEEK.—Court of General Sessions and Common Pleas convenes on Monday next. Judge I. D. Winters preside. The criminal docket is not very heavy, there being only eight prisoners now in jail awaiting trial. None of the criminal cases will be of much interest to the public.

COMMENCEMENT AT DAVIDSON.—We acknowledge with thanks an invitation from our young friend, Mr. C. S. Matthews, to attend the commencement exercises at Davidson College.

A WINNSBORO INVENTOR.—Mr. J. H. Means Deaty has invented a dust proof sash for car windows, and a patent for the same has been issued to him. We are unacquainted with the nature of the invention, but we feel sure that Mr. Deaty will make a success of it. A sash which will effectively exclude dust without preventing the passage of air will add very much to the comfort of railway travel in dusty weather.

—Try some of our yellow field corn, —planting after cutting grain.

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Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.



TO THE ASYLUM.—Sheriff Ellison, in obedience to instructions from Superintendent Babcock, of the State Lunatic Asylum, carried a violently insane colored man down Monday. This is the second patient that has been sent to the asylum within little more than one week. Insanity among the colored element of our population is becoming alarmingly common.

First Lady.—Is it possible that Lauderdale is really giving a fine crayon portrait free to his customers?

Second Lady.—Yes, it is true, the crayon is a work of art and will make a handsome ornament for any home. Go and look at the sample, they will take pleasure in showing it to you.

SALES DAY.—Monday, June 5th, was sales-day. As is usually the case at this season of the year there was very little personal property or real estate to dispose of. The following tract was disposed of by the Clerk of Court: Case of A. Sidney Smith vs. Elizabeth Bramham et al. Undivided two-thirds interest in 205 acres. Bid in by plaintiffs' attorneys for one hundred dollars.

THE EXECUTION STAYED.—Friday next, June 9th, is the day set for the execution of the Atkinsons who were convicted at the last term of Court for the murder of J. H. Clump. An appeal was made to the Supreme Court by their attorneys, Messrs. Ragsdale & Ragsdale and Jas. G. McCants. The execution of the sentence is therefore stayed pending the action of the Supreme Court.

—Twenty fresh boxes tanglefoot fly paper, just received at the WINNSBORO DRUG STORE.

A MOONLIGHT PICNIC.—The young people, accompanied by Mrs. T. P. Bryson and Mrs. J. R. McMaster, went on a moonlight picnic to Flat Rock Tuesday night. The only mishap was the breaking down of one of the wagons loaded with picnicers. Unknown to any of the party the tires left two of the wheels, and had not the backing of one of the horses' heads it would not have been known until the wheels crushed down. The accident might very well have been serious.

ARE YOU MADE MISABLE by Indigestion, Constipation, Dizziness, Loss of Appetite, Yellow Skin? Sui-loc's Vitalizer is a positive cure.

WORK ABOUT THE DISPENSARY.—We understand that a number of persons who signed the petitions of applicants for the position of county dispenser are now anxious to withdraw their signatures from the same. These signatures, it is claimed, were given upon condition that the sentiment of the community favored the establishment of a dispensary, and now that most of our citizens have declared so strongly against it, these signers are protesting their right to have their names stricken from the "little lists," what is going to be done about it? The interesting questions in connection with the provisions of the Evans laws multiply daily.

PERSONALS.

Mr. Ed Gaillard is up for a week's holiday.

Mr. R. J. McCarley, of Columbia, was in town Friday.

Mrs. McBride Smith went to Chester Monday afternoon.

Miss Sallie Wright is visiting Dr. and Mrs. J. R. McMaster, Jr.

Mrs. B. J. Quattlebaum left Wednesday for a visit to relatives in Ridge Spring.

Miss Mattie Bratton, who has been visiting friends in town, left Wednesday for Columbia.

Dr. D. E. Jordan left Monday afternoon to attend commencement at Davidson College.

Mrs. E. B. McMaster has returned from an extended visit to her daughter, Mrs. Chapman, of Middleborough, Kentucky.

Mr. Geo. R. Robertson, of this County, returned home Saturday after a two months' visit to relatives in Arkansas.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Rucker, of Columbia, who have been visiting Mr. W. R. Garrison's family, returned home Monday.

Miss Cora Willis, who has been visiting the family of Capt. T. J. Curston, returned to her home in Charlotte Sunday. Miss Ada Curston left the same day for a visit to Miss Willis.

Misses Fannie Creight and Mary McKeown, both of whom are members of this year's graduating class, returned from the Salem Female Institute Friday morning. They were accompanied by Mrs. M. E. Leavelle and Miss Nannie Jordan, who went on several days ago to attend commencement. Miss McKeown, whose home is in Florida, will spend the summer with Miss Creight.

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A PLUNGE TO DEATH.

THE MORNING PASSENGER TRAIN GOES INTO A WASHOUT BELOW RIDGEWAY.

Engineer W. J. Germany and His Fireman Killed—Express Messenger Holmes Seriously Injured.

The eighty-four mile spot, a point on the C. C. & A. Railroad just two miles below Ridgeway was the scene early Friday morning of the most horrible accident which has occurred on this road in many years. The early morning combination freight and passenger train was derailed and Engineer W. J. Germany and Fireman Henry were both killed, while express messenger Holmes was so seriously injured that it is feared he cannot recover. The details were very difficult to obtain, but we give the following account as it was heard here. It was impossible for us to get a man to the scene of the accident, as the south-bound train had left before the news reached us.

The ill-fated train passed Winnsboro about thirty minutes late and the engineer was probably doing his utmost to make up the loss. At the eighty-four mile spot, two miles below Ridgeway, the track had been undermined by the heavy flow of water and into this break the engine went at full speed carrying with it the engineer and fireman, neither of whom had time to do anything to save himself. The engine turned over and buried beneath its weight both of the occupants of the cab, and from the positions of their bodies when found it is safe to say their death was instantaneous. Several of the freight cars immediately behind the engine were thrown from the track. It is thought that the wonderful escape of the passengers is due entirely to the fact that these cars being between the locomotive and the passenger coaches received the full force of the shock. Express Messenger Holmes doubtless received his injuries by being thrown violently against the side of his car or being crushed by some of his heavy freight.

Washouts on this road are very rare and none of the train officials suspected anything of the kind or apprehended a wreck from that cause. The north-bound train passed safely, but at that time the water, which was rushing along the bank like a torrent, had not done its work.

The bodies of the victims could not be gotten from beneath the wreck for several hours.

No trains passed the washout Friday, and all passengers, mail, express, etc., had to be transferred.

Blame cannot, of course, be attached to the railroad company, as it was one of those unfortunate accidents which are bound to occur.

Jack Germany, who met death at his post of duty, was perhaps the most popular and widely known engineer on this division, and the railroad company has suffered a very severe loss. He was a member of the 12th Regiment, and throughout the war did gallant service with that command.

LATER.

Passengers on the north-bound train, which did not arrive here until nearly eight o'clock Friday evening, say that the wreck is a most fearful looking sight. The washout is fifty feet or more wide. The fireman's body was badly mangled. Germany was found seated in his place. His body gave evidence of scalding. Holmes is not so badly injured as was first thought.

RIDGEWAY NEWS.

A Bogus Drummer Gets in Some Good Work.—Other Notes of Interest.

RIDGEWAY, S. C., May 25.—In consequence of the recent rains, the farmers in this section are sticking close to their work, and consequently this wide-awake town, just now, presents a very dull appearance.

Complaints of bad stands of cotton in this section, and the plant is making rather a poor show, on account of the cool nights and mornings. However, the past three or four nights have been very favorable to the growth of vegetation, and there is quite an improvement in not only field crops, but also in gardens—the latter have certainly been at a standstill until the last few days.

We were disappointed in the Gordon Light Infantry not securing the prize in the late contest at Columbia. It would be far one of the best drilled companies in our State "to give it up." You must try them again the first opportunity that offers.

A few of our citizens were taken in last week by a young man, calling himself "A. Kennedy," and is now on the loose. He claims to represent the house of Wannamaker & Co. Several suits of clothing were ordered through him from his house, and about ten per cent paid down, to pay commissions as he claimed. The young sharper pocketed the ten per cent, promising that the clothing would be here in a few days and that he would take great pleasure in renewing his visit to the wide-awake city of Ridgeway. The clothing has failed to arrive and Wannamaker & Co. disclaim having any such a travelling salesman in this territory.

What are you doing about the dispensary? We are of the opinion this place will certainly oppose its being located here, and if Winnsboro opposes its location here Fairfield will be apt to be a dry County as far as the dispensary is concerned.

Politics very quiet here, but when Butler's and Tillman's campaign opens, the political pot will boil over. The last campaign won't be a circumstantial case in the State is a No. 1 graded school, which could be had here very easily, if the citizens would all put their shoulders to the wheel. Without a good school, which will run nine or ten months during the year, families will certainly not move into any place, but several of this kind, this place would be filled to overflowing.

We were pleased to see our Winnsboro friends, who paid a flying visit to our town on their bicycles a few days since. The roads are fine and rest assured we will be glad to see you at any time.

Success to The News and Herald.

RIDGEWAY HAPPENINGS.

RIDGEWAY, S. C., June 1. During the past week our town has been a little dull so far as trade is concerned, but the young people here are always on the lookout for something which will give them some enjoyment.

On Tuesday night a large crowd of young people assembled at the Presbyterian Manse, where ice cream was served and a game called the "seuss" was carried on. This was something new to our correspondent, but from the way the young people entered into it, there must have been something quite amusing. The proceeds, which were intended for some benevolent object, amounted to about \$12.

On Wednesday night, about 8:30 p. m., wagons filled with picnicers were seen rolling along, their destination being the hospitable dwelling of Mr. E. W. Parker, where there was to be a moonlight picnic. This writer was one of the many who had the pleasure of attending this one, and must say it was certainly the most enjoyable picnic we have ever attended.

By 9 p. m. some fifty or seventy-five young persons (the sexes about equally divided) had assembled, and a lively time they had of it. Music, promenade, plays, and of course much soft talk, was the manner in which the time was passed, until about eleven p. m., when the bell was sounded and the crowd prepared to a lengthy table arranged for the occasion, upon which were placed an abundance of eatables, suited to the taste of the most fastidious. It would have done you good to see how the crowd enjoyed this part of the program. As the writer sat at the table, he enjoyed seeing the others indulge. Upon the whole, it was a most enjoyable affair. Everything passed off without anything happening to mar the enjoyment of each and every one.

Two nights in succession is pretty tight on human nature, but notwithstanding this the young men, as usual, meet and have a fine game of baseball every afternoon excepting Saturday, and appear to enjoy it hugely. Ridgeway can boast of as nice a set of young men, and pretty young ladies as can be found anywhere.

KARL'S CLOVER ROOT will purify your blood, clear your complexion, regulate your bowels and make your hair clear as a bell. 25c and 50c. Sold at the Winnsboro Drug Store.

WOODWARD LOCALS.

WOODWARD, S. C., June 3.—It seems as though a regular wet spell has set in. It began raining about 4 o'clock this afternoon and for about an hour it fell in torrents and is still raining at this hour, 8 p. m. This is the third hard rain we have had since the heavy, washing one that fell on last Sunday night. Only about one day's ploughing was done this week. So much rain is very much against the crops, particularly cotton, which had made a little start to grow when the rains commenced, but seems now to be at a stand still. Grass is making its appearance in full force and from now on the farmers will have a lively time cradling it.

Miss Jennie Johnston, a young lady from Lincolnton, N. C., who is teaching school near here, received a telegram on yesterday morning apprising her of the death by lightning on the evening before of her sister, Mrs. Crawford, of McCormickville, York County. Upon receipt of the sad news, Miss Johnston immediately started by private conveyance to the now stricken home of her sister.

Steve Kelly was up before the Trial Justice Court this morning for violation of contract. The jury found him guilty, and in default of a fine of fifteen dollars and cost was committed to Sheriff Ellison's care for twenty-five days.

The sad news of the terrible railroad accident that occurred near Ridgeway on yesterday morning, in which Mr. Jack Germany, the well known and popular engineer, and his fireman lost their lives in such a shocking manner, was received here with profound sorrow. Mr. Germany had some warm friends in this vicinity, some of whom were his comrades in arms during the late war, and who are deeply pained at the shocking termination of his useful career.

Mr. R. J. McCarley, lawyer of Columbia, was here as a yesterday and bought a lot of cotton.

Book's Cotton Root COMPOUND.

Seasonable Goods.

WE HAVE NOW IN STOCK A beautiful line of white goods in Plain Lawns, Checked Mullins, Satin Stripes—prices from 5c. to 25c. per yard. These goods are very cheap.

Silk Finish Foulards, Colored Piques, Percals, Cotton Challies, Satteens, Outings, Gingham and Prints, in great variety of spring colorings, and at prices to suit your pocket-book.

A handsome stock of Silk Mitts and Gloves, in blacks, tans and light shades, from 25c. to 50c. per pair.

If you want a nice Parasol at a low price, we can please you.

Stainless Black Hose at 25c., good value. Half Hose 20c.

Ladies' Sleeveless Vests from 10c. to 50c.

OUR SHOE DEPARTMENT will supply your wants in a way that will please you. See our line of Slippers. They are good quality, stylish and cheap—black, tan and red.

A big line of Straw Hats, cheaper than the cheapest. Just in—Fur Hats in erusa and tourist.

Come and see us.

CALDWELL & BUFF.

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