The Press and Banner

By Hugh Wilson.

Wednesday, March 4, 1885.

Where the Cotton Goes.

Below we give a statement of the shipment of the cotton from Abbeville during the last season, from which it will be seen that we are nearly 1,800 bales ahead of the shipments at this time last year, and about 1,000 more than in 1882-3. In 1881-2 the shipment from this point reached the highest figures 14,000. The following year the crop fell off greatly, but we seem to be regaining ground, despite the fact that the Augusta and Knoxville Road has varried off much of the crop which came here previous to the construction of that highway.

In 1882 about 14,000 tons of guanos were sold from this place. In 1883 not more than 1,000 tons were sold. In 1884 the sales amounted to about 700 tons, and Mr. Hammond, dealer in the article, estimates a considerable falling off from these figures, in this season's sales, and places the figures at 600 tons or less. The shipments of corn to this point are largely in excess of last year's shipments. The shipments of bacon is not more than last year.

SHIPMENTS OF COTTON FROM ABBEVILLE.

	September.	October.	November.	December.	January.	February.	Total.
To Baltimore	21	134	108	105	33	6	407
West Point	107	542	451	112	2	....	1,217
Norfolk	51	74	57	85	....	37	307
Charleston	188	2,311	1,883	1,547	393	113	6,345
Philadelphia	20	....	....	....	....	1	21
New York	....	398	393	657	83	58	1,589
Fall River	....	....	....	....	....	29	29
Total	390	3,459	2,991	2,506	421	245	9,908

This Week's "Press and Banner."

We ask attention to some interesting articles in this issue of the *Press and Banner*. The statement of facts as to the condition of General Grant, the greatest of all the Northern generals and the most magnanimous military chieftain in modern times, will be noted by every one, and the recital of the sad story of the deplorable condition of F. J. Moses, one of South Carolina's governors in Radical times, furnishes a remarkable instance of the mutations of fortune. Once powerful, but now an abject convict, with none to do him honor, and with none to sympathise with him when feeble and helpless. The frauds upon our farmers in the fertilizers which they buy may open the eyes of some of our farmers, and impress upon them the necessity of preparing and making their own fertilizers during the winter months. Besides the articles on fertilizers many useful hints as to stock, bees, horticulture, and farm work will be of value to those of our friends who seek to become independent in the pursuit of the noblest of all the professions. In addition to these matters, on our local page will be found interesting arrays of local and personal dots from Ninety-Six, Greenwood, Coronaca, Due West and other places. A correspondent discusses railroad matters with energy and vigor. The temperance people will relish the article taken from a Georgia contemporary which explains how liquor license builds up a town. That article is followed by some statements and reflections on the fact that prohibition does prohibit. Devout and sentimental readers will find some choice poetry, while everybody may find home constructed editorials and locals, of which we speak as to quantity, and not as to quality.

Drain your Land.

Our readers will find an interesting order from the County Commissioners in reference to the removal of the trash, trees, rafts and timber from the streams on their land. As we have had no rains lately, the water must be very low, and the last month has been so warm that we know that the temperature of the water must be delightful and that none of our readers will mind cleaning out their streams during the present month. With the water at a temperature just above the freezing point, and with the stream just small enough to be confined within its banks, we are sure that nobody will, at the command of the County Commissioners, hesitate to wade right in up to the armpits after a log or chunk, or possibly an old stump that may be giving the rushing stream a curve. Our people during this delightful operation may contemplate the wisdom of the Legislator who conceived the idea of sending his constituents into a swollen stream after a log during a winter month. In times that are past we have seen boys throwing sticks into streams during the summer, that small dogs might bring them ashore, and it may be the statesman thus conceived the idea of compelling the farmer to swim into the swollen stream in cold weather in order that he might witness the fun of seeing his neighbor tug at an old stump which had floated down on an iceberg and lodged in the stream on his place. The wisdom of the Legislator who would entrust a law requiring a man to plunge into a swollen stream during a winter month for no more important work than that of rescuing a floating chunk, would entitle him to a closer blood relationship to Solomon than that of first cousin.

Rheumatics, walk down to the stream, wade in, and get that chunk out of the water.

"His License Didn't Read that Way."

Last Sale Day we had on our public square two itinerant salesmen who sold their goods at auction from their vehicles. The strength of their lungs and the glibness of their tongues paled Mr. Leroy Wilson's effort to get up an old fashioned sale of land in the regular orthodox way. Seeing that the salesmen had taken possession of the square in front of the Court House and that the people were giving them almost their entire attention, an officer was finally sent to them requesting them to occupy another part of the square further from the Court House door. This request was granted, and they moved to the upper corner of the square, and it seemed that the move only had the effect of increasing the crowd that surrounded them, and Mr. Wilson was becoming exceedingly lonely in front of the Court House door, as he pathetically announced that he was going to sell valuable lands, but the crowd either had no money to invest in such unprofitable securities, or were more interested in buying a box of medicine or a dozen silk pocket handkerchiefs for a dollar. Mr. Wilson, despairing of obtaining attention, appointed the town marshal as minister plenipotentiary extraordinary to negotiate a cessation of the unusual exercises. After giving the diplomat a respectful hearing, the spokesman of the salesmen merely remarked that his "license didn't read that way," and proceeded at once to the selling of his wares. They met with such success that they are going to give our people another chance to invest.

The County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners will see the provisions of the drainage law complied with, so far as the act requires it of them.

The following wholesome resolution was proposed at the meeting of Board on Monday and ordered to lie over for consideration at the next meeting:

Resolved: That hereafter whenever practicable, contracts awarded by any member of Board shall contain a clause providing that the contractor or contractors in each instance shall forfeit from the amount of the contract a sum not exceeding $200 per day for every day the work contracted for remains unfinished after the day set for its completion, unless sufficient excuse be shown to the contrary.

The application for the admission of Alex. Baskin to the Poor House was considered and the order passed that he be admitted.

The Superintendent of the State Lunatic Asylum reports that four inmates from this County are harmless and can be properly cared for by their friends or at the Poor House. Two of these are white females. The Commissioners have taken the steps necessary to their removal as required by law.

The consideration of petitions on file for roads and bridges was postponed till next meeting.

A Ball Down His Leg.

Mr. David Keller, of this village, accidentally discharged his pistol one day last week while it was in his hip pocket. The ball ran down the fleshy part of the leg until it reached a good position opposite the knee where it concluded to settle down. Dr. Hill was called, who examined the wound and extracted the ball, which was only a little way under the skin. Mr. Keller is considerably hurt, but the wound is in no way dangerous. Mr. Keller's accident is only one more proof of the advantage of carrying pistols. The health of the town is unusually good, and the doctors seem to be doing but little. The ball will not hurt Mr. Keller much, and he is contributing to the prosperity of the town by giving the Doctors a job. Mr. Keller is one of our nicest young men and we wish him a speedy recovery. While congratulating him on the fact that he did not hurt himself worse than he did, we really thought that all such good men as he is had quit the business of carrying pistols.

Aiken's Comedy Company.

This company is billed to play in this place on next Friday night, March 6th. They have been making a successful tour of this State during the past month, and in every town in which they have played have been favorably received and given satisfaction. They were in Winnsboro week before last and in Chester last week. Of their performance in Winnsboro, the *News* says: "They raised a good deal of laughter while here, and as that is perhaps the measure of success in comedy, they may be said to have succeeded very well. 'Naval Engagements,' the leading play of the evening, was very well rendered. No one doubts the fact of 'Admiral Kingston's' having a prototype in real life. Nor was 'Mary Mortimer' all fiction either. The farce which concluded the entertainment was very good." The music is one of the chief attractions of the occasion, they are said to have an elegant orchestra.

The Little Workers.

The Little Workers is the name of a society recently organized at Greenwood, South Carolina, by Rev. H. C. Smart. This society is composed of young folks from four to eighteen years of age. This includes that class of Sunday School scholars which has heretofore, to a very great extent, remained comparatively idle in the great work of home and foreign missions. The object of organizing this society is to give the children something to do. This will make them love and understand one another better. There is plenty to good work every where for the children to do and let them do it. It will teach them to better appreciate the great duties and responsibilities of life. We believe the organizing of the Little Workers Society will eventually result in the accomplishment of much good. We wish them God-speed in their noble work.

List of Teachers.

The following persons having passed a satisfactory examination are recommended and authorized to teach in the public schools of Abbeville County:

WHITES.

First Grade—Miss Nannie E. Calhoun, Miss Lelia McDill, Miss T. Eiwell, Mr. J. R. Clinkscales.

Second Grade—Miss Odessa Mitchell.

COLORED.

Second Grade—W. S. Lott, J. C. Pressley.

REJECTED.

A. R. B. Edwards, S. M. McCants.

Hagood's Hay.

Governor Hagood has turned out to be a veritable philanthropist, while growing rich. Having laid aside official honors he devotes his energies to the raising of Bermuda grass, which is cut, baled and sent here to such of our needy farmers, as can give the proper security on which to get credit. Our own lands are just as good as Governor Hagood's but we neglect to plant ours, while he gives the proper attention to his. He is growing rich selling our farmers what they could grow as well as he can.

The Montery School.

The Rev. H. C. Fennel opened the Montery School last Monday, with a good attendance of scholars. Being a well educated man himself, he is thoroughly prepared to impart an education to the youths who may seek his tuition. He expects to make the school first class in every respect, and will prepare his scholars for any college, male or female. The community is to be congratulated on securing the services of so competent a teacher.

New Firm.

Messrs. W. E. Bell and B. F. Galphih have formed a copartnership in the millinery business. With strict integrity, a thorough knowledge of the business and a determination to sell that which will make the heart and women still more beautiful, and which will make the plain maiden irresistibly charming, their success is assured.

Colt Show.

The colt show in May is being discussed. Messrs. A. M. Hill & Sons offer free lot and stable room for all colts which may be brought here for exhibition, but do not propose to furnish feed. We had a good show last year, and we hope to have a still better one this time. Bring in your fine colts.

There's No Place Like Home.

A son of William Boller, colored, a tenant on Mr. Thos. Knox's place, ran away from home before the extreme cold weather. He came home a few days ago with his feet so badly frost bitten that his toes are falling off. Drs. Mabry and Hill have been applied to to cut off both feet.

Sales.

The Master in Equity, Mr. J. C. Klugh, made his first sales last Monday.

F. W. Wagener & Co. against W. M. Higgins, house and lot, $100, to Mrs. Mary Jane Henry.

Jemima Dukes against H. M. Spikes, 256 acres, $1,275, to A. J. Salinas & Son.

Drawing it Fine.

Messrs. S. B. Marshall and A. W. Smith were on a trade for a mule, the price of which had been agreed upon, but the trade was knocked up because neither would furnish a plow line with which to take the animal home.

MRS. EDWARD WILLIAMS, formerly Miss Anna E. Guffin, died at home in this county, on the morning of the 25th of February, 1885, leaving two children and a husband to mourn her death. We are informed by one who knew her from her infancy, that she possessed those lovable traits of character which go to make up the blemished woman, the dutiful wife and the affectionate mother. Those who knew her mourn her death.

MRS. LUCY THOMSON has a Jersey calf. It has been named Cleveland. Our readers remember the fate of the Misses Cater's hogs which were named Cleveland and Hendricks respectively. We are afraid that "Cleveland" is too big a name for one lonely Jersey calf. If that calf lives it will be a special wonder. Big names ruin children and often kill hogs and calves.

DR. FRANK E. HARRISON, an efficient druggist, has assumed the duties of his profession at the store of Messrs. Cothran & Perrin, where he will have an ample supply of the newest and best medicines from which to compound prescriptions. Careful and accurate, he will serve the public faithfully in his line.

REV. J. L. MARTIN will leave for Memphis to fill for three months the place in the Second Presbyterian church to which Dr. Boggs has been invited. Dr. Boggs not being able to accept the position until the first of June—his engagement in the Seminary lasting until that time.

MR. S. B. MARSHALL was in town Monday. He may be set down as a citizen of Florida. He owns some valuable lands and orange groves in Florida, and contemplates taking his family to the "Land of Flowers" at an early day. We are sorry to lose so good a citizen.

MR. F. A. BUCHANAN of Greenwood was in town yesterday, the first time he has been here in several years. A man that comes to the village as seldom as he does ought to get rich, and if nobody comes oftener than he does the town would soon get awfully poor.

THE time for the payment of town taxes without penalty has been extended to the first of April. This is the farthest limit to which the time will be extended without penalty. It is hoped that every citizen will attend to this matter at once.

THE Rocky River church communion which was appointed for next Sunday has been indefinitely postponed on account of the failure of Mr. Burkhead to fulfill his appointment. The usual religious services will be held at the time appointed.

COL. H. T. WARDLAW has been down to Chappell's with mud dog and we suppose took a look at Gov. Hagood's farm to estimate the length of time the ex-Governor could feed the mules and horses of Abbeville County.

MR. A. W. SMITH has returned from an extended trip to the West. The creditors of Messrs. Seal, McIlwaine & Co. will be sorry to hear of this, as he expects to be after them during the remainder of the spring.

THE Literary Club will meet at the residence of W. L. Lee, Esq., on Friday night next. M. L. Bonham, Jr., Esq., will read the essay. Subject, "Mystery." The annual election of officers will take place.

MR ROBERT SMITH is a good friend to the *Press and Banner* and we are always glad to see him when a hearty welcome to our sanctum. The latch string of our door always hangs on the outside to him.

DR. L. T. HILL has moved into the office recently occupied as a barber shop on Main street. Dr. Hill has been quite sick for a week. For such indisretion several men have already been killed.

THE cottontail who have had nothing to do since the first of last November are anxious to begin a new crop as soon as the sunshine and March winds shall have dried off the ground a little.

THE hot supper for the benefit of the Methodist church Tuesday night of last week was a great success, notwithstanding the inclement weather. A handsome amount of money was realized.

MR J. M. BAKER, of Lowndesville, is off for New York, where he will give his energy and attention to the study of stenography. He will stop at Washington to witness the inauguration.

WHERE the culvert from the public square empties into the spring branch a few loads of rock are needed to prevent the undermining of the brick wall, over which the water falls.

WE hope our Walnut Grove correspondent will write again. We misplaced his letter and hence his request to forward the *Press and Banner* has not been complied with.

Since the cot crop promises to be so short this year, every farmer ought to plant an extra amount of corn in order to make up for the shortage in the oats.

MR. JOSEPH J. DARLINGTON was expected to arrive at Due West last Saturday to spend a few days while on his way from Newberry to Washington.

Now is the time to dig round your peach trees, take out the worms at the root of the tree, and fill up with strong oak ashes and cotton seed.

IN naming the streets of Due West, the avenue which runs near the Female College has been named "Cleveland" street. We are amazed.

MESSRS. W. H. PARKER, L. W. White, T. C. Seal, T. P. Cothran, and L. W. Smith are off to Charleston to attend the railroad meeting.

IT is suggested if a ditch was cut on each side of the road in the flat at the foot of the Bible Hill, that a better road would be had.

LAST Saturday was the warmest and the most beautiful day that we have had this winter. Rain fell on Sunday morning.

REV. W. R. BUCHANAN will preach at Shiloh, on the Abbeville circuit, on next Sunday, second Sunday in March, at 10 o'clock.

COL. M. O. TOLMAN was in town last Monday, an educated gentleman of the old school, he is much respected by our people.

INSIDE blinds have been put in the windows of the New Hotel which add to the beauty and comfort of that structure.

REV. W. L. PRESSLEY preached last Sunday morning and evening in the Presbyterian church at this place.

MR. SAMUEL WHARTON, a most substantial and well to do farmer of Anderson county, was in town yesterday.

MR. B. F. SMITH brought his big engine to the flat over the depot, preparatory to putting up a grist mill.

DR. HAWTHORN of Atlanta has been invited to preach the commencement sermon at Due West.

MR. T. W. MCMILLAN left town yesterday with a load of seed oats, which he expects to sow to-day.

PERSONS in want of a nice dwelling can be accommodated on application to Mr. Knox.

A child of Mr. J. H. Baskin is quite ill at the home of Capt. John G. Edwards in this town.

CAPT. BONHAM was off for several days recently, taking in Columbia, Aiken, and Barnwell.

DR. WADDELL, of Coronaca, came to town last Saturday and remained over until Monday.

MRS. JAMES A. SHILLITO, after a sickness lasting for two weeks, is now able to be up.

REV. MR. RUSHTON has given up the work on the Abbeville circuit, and will go hence.

JUDGE COTHRAN was at home last Friday. He is holding Court this week at Union.

MR. L. H. RUSSELL is putting a new fence in front of his residence on Main street.

A good milk cow is wanted at the New Hotel, for which the cash will be paid.

MR. R. W. HADDON went to Charleston yesterday to attend the railroad meeting.

MISS NETTIE RUSSELL left Abbeville last Saturday to visit friends at Belton.

MR. WM. A. RICHEY, of Hodges, died last Thursday, aged about fifty years.

MR. LEMUEL BELL, who is at college at Due West, was in town last week.

MR. J. D. ALEWINE's bond was accepted by the Clerk on Wednesday last.

DR. W. M. GRIER will preach in the Presbyterian Church next Sunday.

WORK has commenced on the Spartanburg and Asheville Railroad.

DR. MARSHALL has declined the idea of taking the Central Hotel.

MRS. J. W. ROBERTSON is having a new fence put around her lot.

MR. H. E. BONNER, of Due West, was in town on Saturday last.

DR. H. D. WITSON will be absent from his office for several days.

MRS. R. M. HADDON went to the Northern markets yesterday.

MR. W. P. KENNEDY, of Due West, was in town yesterday.

MISS FANNIE MARTIN is off to McCormick on a short trip.

MRS. JAMES TAGGART is expected to come home to-day.

MR. ARCHIE KENNEDY spent last Sunday in Abbeville.

MR. W. T. BRANCH has gone to the inauguration.

MR. BENET was off to Laurens Court last week.

THE oat crop is reported to be almost ruined.

MR. HENRY PENNEL has pneumonia.

As soon as possible plant a corn crop.

MRS. CHARLES EVANS is sick.

REV. JOHN GASS is in town.

Real Estate Transfers.

Alice Cason to S. E. Quattlebaum, house and lot, 1st township, $550, Dec. 25, 1884, bounded by T. T. Beacham, Augusta road and others.

M. L. Bonham, Master to John R. Kay, 113½ acres, 7th township, $34, Feb. 16, 1885, bounded by J. T. Kellar, A. Stevenson and Estate Thos. Smith.

M. L. Bonham, Master to John R. Kay, 129 acres, 7th township, $74, Feb. 16, 1885, bounded by Estate Thos. W. Smith, Cobb land and S. R. Lomax.

Cyrus H. McCormick, Jr., to W. C. Ludwick, 1 lot, 16th township, $125, Nov. 13, 1884, bounded by lot No. 10, block K and others.

Cyrus H. McCormick, Jr., to Permetia L. Ludwick, 1 lot, 16th township, $125, Feb 28, 1884, bounded by Main street, lot No. 9, block N.

John P. Phillips to Michael A. DeLoach, 1 lot, 1st township, $125, Nov. 17, 1884, bounded by C. & G. R. R.

Daniel Holden to Jas. Cothran, Jr., 2½ acres, Edgefield county, $18.66, March 15, 1879, bounded by Jas. Cothran, Jr., Daniel Holden and others.

J. F. Pucket and others to R. R. Pucket, 41½ acres, 9th township, $250, Jan. 19, 1885, bounded by R. A. Crawford, Estate Wm. Jay and others.

R. R. Pucket and others to Jas. W. Puckett, 76½ acres, 9th township, $360, Jan. 19th, 1885, bounded by J. F. Pucket and Estate W. P. Sullivan.

J. W. Pucket and others to J. F. Pucket, 41½ acres, 9th township, $250, Jan. 19, 1885, bounded by R. P. Cresswell, Jas. Pucket and others.

R. P. Cresswell to Jas. H. Walker, 114 acres, 9th township, $400, Jan. 28, 1885, bounded by R. P. Cresswell, W. G. Kellar, James Pucket and Joseph Pucket.

"A NEW FACE AT THE DOOR, MY FRIEND."

Stirring Notes About the Atlants of South Carolina---Rushing Trains and Busy Merchants--- Welcome Endorsement of the "Press and Banner"--- Our Correspondent's Modest and Graceful Bow.

Rev. Mr. Matthews, pastor-elect of the Presbyterian church, has entered upon his work.

Trial Justice Giles committed a small colored boy to jail last week for having stolen a watch and a dog.

Mr. R. P. Blake has moved into his new house.

The painter's brush is now being applied to Mr. D. C. DuPre's handsome residence.

Mr. J. R. Leavell will occupy the dwelling recently built by Mr. Blake.

The oat crop is seriously injured by the continued cold weather.

We thought house rent was comparatively cheap (where it could be had) in our town, but we are informed that several parties have already offered $400 for a store that has heretofore rented for $275. Doubtless it is some one who sees the advantages our town offers to business men.

The proceeds of the Little Workers entertainment footed up the nice little sum of $62.

There are in Greenwood four different schools for white children. Is there another place on this continent so divided on the all-important subject of education?

Rev. Mr. Alexander of North Carolina is on a visit to relatives here.

We thought Greenwood "previous" enough but Ashville comes to the front with twenty-six applicants for the appointment of post master.

Two or three warm days last week caused the small boys to hunt up their fish hooks, roll up their pants and start for the branch.

The good people of this section are emphatic in their condemnation of the result in the Ferguson trial. We will all have to carry pistols to defend our persons if murderers are to go unpunished.

Messrs. J. T. Simmons & Bro., and Calhoun & Hughey have exchanged stores. The former are now at No. 1 Broadway, the latter in the stand where Dr. E. R. Calhoun sold drugs for a number of years.

About 2000 bales of cotton have been shipped from this point. Upwards of 200 car loads of corn and bacon have been shipped to merchants here, a great deal of which has been sold at wholesale.

We regret to learn that Dr. Parks is quite sick.

Mr. J. W. Payne will carry in connection with his dry goods business an immense stock of millinery under the supervision of Mrs. P. Stevens.

The trains on the Augusta & Knoxville rail road now make connection with Columbia & Greenville trains for Laurens and Augusta.

Several new brick stores and a number of dwellings will be built here this summer. All we lack of being a city is a few more houses, a good school, a live newspaper, and a few thousand more people.

The "Canonites" continue to come to our "Egypt" from far off to buy corn, because our merchants have plenty at 65 to 67 cents.

The return of a few "Arkansaw travelers" has thrown a damper on the exodus to that land of "milk and honey."

The happiest darkie we have seen lately was one who had returned from Arkansas. He was rejoicing with his friends that he could not find a purchaser for his mule before he left here; having heard, I suppose, how much higher some parties had to pay on their return than what they could sell for to buy left.

While endeavoring to shoot a dog one night last week, Mr. J. L. Hinton put a ball through the palm of his hand inflicting a painful though not serious wound.

The high ground which the *Press and Banner* has taken in regard to the punishment for crime, is received with commendation by our people.

Our enterprising friend T. F. Riley has not yet abandoned the idea of a $15,000 hotel, and we verily believe it will of necessity be built.

It would be a source of great satisfaction to us if we were able to write a newsy letter for the *Press and Banner* every week, instead of a dull, prosy routine of locals. However, we expect to give your readers all that does happen in this section. If nobody is assassinated or runs away and gets married its not our fault. We ask the indulgence of your readers until somebody else is murdered, which according to the precedent of Ferguson and ten sworn jurors, won't be at long intervals.

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MAP OF BUSY LIFE IN AND ABOUT THE TOWN OF NINETY-SIX.

Miscellaneous Items in Reference to the People and their Varied Doings in that Trade and Educational Centre.

The young men of Ninety-Six will give a grand ball on the 19th of this month. The Abbeville editors are invited.

It is feared that the oat crop is seriously injured. This will be hard on our people, as their annual revenue from this crop is considerable.

Prof. Graves, assisted by the accomplished Miss Mamie Stuart, is getting along nicely with his school.

The school house has been painted by Prof. Hodges; are beginning to yield abundantly.

The weekly meeting of the teachers of the Presbyterian Sunday School is held at the residence of Col. J. H. Rice on every Thursday evening. The lessons for the succeeding Sabbath are in this way thoroughly understood, and the teacher thus prepared is more competent to teach these important exercises.

Messrs. Moore & Lipscomb have received a carload of stock from the City by the Sea. Don't know their programme, but hear they are going to plant heavily.

The excitement over the result of Ferguson's trial is subsiding somewhat, yet there lingers in the mind of every man, the idea that our castle of justice is a mere play house, and that life, sacred in the past, is now a plaything.

Our esteemed friend Dr. L. T. Hill and family, of Abbeville, spent several days with Col. Johnson last week, father of Mrs. Hill. The liberties and hospitalities of Ninety-Six are always free to such visitors as Dr. Hill and family.

Mr A. Mc. Turner the proprietor of the best hotel in the country has been indisposed but is convalescent.

Col. J. P. Philips and wife are still boarding with Mrs. Jones.

Mr. F. M. Pope and wife have returned from the New Orleans Exposition. They were highly pleased with their trip and advise everybody who can to go.

Messrs. E. Y. Sheppard, R. G. Johnson and N. M. Johnson have not yet returned from their trip to the Exposition.

A registered Jersey heifer eighteen months old has recently been sold at Ninety-Six for four hundred dollars.

Mr. S. M. Davis is extending his business and is now prepared to execute all orders left with him. He makes the best gin and condenser sold in the market.

The merchants here are doing a larger business than ever before.

Mr. W. H. Frazier reports an addition to his herd of Jerseys of a solid fawn colored heifer. He is lucky.

There is quite a boom among the Jersey men in and around Ninety-Six.

Messrs. J. B. Rinard and Madison Richardson left for the New Orleans Exposition last Friday.

William alias Sebron McGhee, a colored Baptist preacher, was before Trial Justice Moore last week for fleeing on other folks property. Compromised.

Miss T. Elwell has commenced her school in "Cow Grove." Her patrons are quite fortunate in securing her services.

Trial Justice John R. Moore spent a few hours in Ninety-Six last Friday looking after some violators of the law.

Presiding Elder Kirkland preached a very interesting discourse in the Methodist church on last Sabbath.

Prof. Geo. C. Hodges, our efficient County School Commissioner, paid Ninety-Six a flying visit on last Saturday. Hope he will come again soon.

EAST END.

INTERESTING RAILROAD MEETING AT DONALDSVILLE.

Preachers and Picket Fences---Visitors and Returning Pilgrims---The Man Who Uncovered His House---The Phœnix Hotel.

DUE WEST, S. C., March 2, 1885.

Dr. Reed preached a good sermon in the Associate Reformed church Sabbath morning.

The new picket fence running along Main street in front of Erskine College is finished, and the paint is now going on. It is an improvement to the campus.

Mr. J. M. Galloway, of White Oak, S. C., is visiting his mother's family. He will remain about a week.

Messrs. W. T. Cowan and J. D. Brownlee returned Saturday from the New Orleans Exposition. They report it as a big thing and were well pleased. It was raining all the time they were there, the sun only appearing once.

Mrs. Polhill and her son, Mr. T. E. Polhill, from Macon, Ga., are expected in a few days to take charge of the Phœnix Hotel.

Mr. J. E. Todd was caught during the wet weather last week with all the cover off of his house, and had to move his furniture out. He is having a second story put on and is pushing the job.

The towns above us have spoken out on the railroad. Donalds, Honea Path and Belton have all been heard from, and will send delegates to Charleston. We happened in on the railroad meeting at Donalds last Saturday and was surprised to see the number of persons there. Not only all the live active men of the town were out but quite a number of the best citizens of the township were present and expressed themselves as heartily in favor of the road. Mr. Gabriel Mattison, the energetic and wide-awake citizen, was made chairman of the meeting and heartily chdorsed the present movement. You may put Donaldsville down in favor of the road. They are willing to grade so much of the road or pay a tax. A gentleman in the meeting said he would be willing to pay 10 per cent. on his property rather than miss the road. This means business. The feeling now is that if Charleston fails to do anything at the coming meeting, the road will be let go to the Sheriff's block and a new start taken *de novo*. Should nothing be accomplished at the Charleston meeting it is hoped that Abbeville will not decide her terminus until all the towns now interested can have a meeting.

CHEERFUL CORONACA COMMENTS.

Delighted Farmers --- Attempts to Wreck a Train --- Pulling Candy and Splitting Rock.

CORONACA, S. C., March 2, 1885.

Monday morning March 2d opened out beautifully clear and calm and makes the farmers' faces look more pleasant than for some time past.

Miss Bessie Hill, who has been spending some time with Mrs. Stuart, took the train Saturday for her home in Georgia. A number of young men of the town has the sympathies of the community.

Mr. Dudley Byrn who knows the worth of a square meal for both man and beast, says Thomas Arnold would have made mighty by letting Mr. Agnew have the little calf at his own price the first time he went to see it.

Mr. Charles Witzel, an experienced rock mason, has located near Coronaca and opened a granite quarry on Mr. T. H. Klugh's place.

Miss Susie Anderson, of Waterloo, is visiting Mr. J. S. Anderson and other relatives and friends in town.

Mrs. Walden, wife of the conductor on the G. L. & S. R. R., arrived at Coronaca last Saturday. She will board at Mr. W. W. Klugh's.

The young people had a candy pulling at Mr. J. S. Anderson's last Friday night. All the attendants seemed to enjoy themselves very much.

Mr. A. C. Collins is again slowly convalescing.

Miss Lucy Pinson, after an absence of about three months, arrived last Saturday, just from New Orleans. She expressed herself as being delighted with the Exposition.

Two attempts were made last Thursday to throw the train off the track on the G. L. & S. R. R. between Coronaca and Waterloo. The first by placing an old piece of truck across the track, and the next by piling wood across it.

Mrs. James W. Blake and Miss Bettie Blake, of Ninety-Six, are visiting Dr. Waddell's family.

Mrs. David Aiken leads the community in gardening. While her English peas are not ready for sticks, they are up and growing.

Mr. J. S. Anderson is still merchandising near town.

Mr. T. J. Pyles, Sr., is again able to set up.

The up passenger train ran off the track between Coronaca and the Saluda river one day last week. No one was hurt.

Mr. Gaines preached in the Baptist church last Sabbath at 11 o'clock.

QUILL.

ABBEVILLE, LIKE CHARLESTON, IS ASLEEP

Abbeville Must be Aroused From Her Slumbers, and go to Building a Railroad to Greenwood.

In this progressive age while many of our towns and cities are keeping pace with the times in the building of railroads, electric telegraph and telephones, others again seem asleep to their interest and allow many golden opportunities to pass unnoticed. Such is and has been the case of our seaboard city, Charleston, and our sister town of Abbeville seems to be sailing in the same boat. If, whereas, we, the citizens, etc., and resolved that we pledge ourselves, etc., would build railroads Abbeville Court House would have built the Cumberland Gap railroad long since. Let me say to our Abbeville friends, this enterprise is too large. It may be built in the far future and our children's children reap the benefits of this extension, but not in our day. Now what our sister town desires is cheap freights, that she may compete with other neighboring towns, and to obtain that she lifted place herself in a position where she will not be at the mercy of one line alone. Now it is known that the Abbeville branch, commanding as it now does, all the freights as far as the Savannah River, barely pays expenses. Probably within the next twelve months it will loose all of the carrying trade of that section by the completion of the Greenville Valley railroad. Now suppose Abbeville constructs a line lapping the Augusta and Knoxville railroad at Verdery, giving all or a portion of her already depleted carrying trade to this new branch, would it not be suicidal in the Columbia and Greenville road to continue running its trains with comparatively nothing to do? The track would of necessity be taken up and the road discontinued, leaving Abbeville in no better condition than before. But suppose she comes to Greenwood. What would be the result? Why, she would tap the Columbia and Greenville, the Greenwood, Laurens and Spartanburg and the Augusta and Knoxville roads—have two routes to Greenville, three to Charleston, Savannah and Port Royal, being a part and parcel of the Central system, would have all she desires, and would not be seriously hurt if her branch to Abbeville was taken up. Greenwood has cheaper rates than Verdery, or even McCormick. In fact our rates are less than any town in upper Carolina, which enables our merchants to undersell any of our sister towns, and make a good profit. Corn they are selling at 67½ cents, best patent flour 6 and 6½ cents and bacon 7 cents. So we say to our sister town drop your Verdery scheme, drop your Cumberland Gap scheme, and let us put our shoulder to the wheel and build the Greenwood and Abbeville road.

A FRIEND TO ABBEVILLE.

The Way that Liquor Builds up a Town.

Athens Banner.

The anti-Prohibitionists have at last fallen back on that hoary old argument, that was toothless and baldheaded when Methuselah was a barefoot boy, viz: That to vote liquor out of a town is to cripple its business and cause the places to go to pieces. We propose to expose the fact that the abolition of the later-day pop skull will everlasting play smash with several profitable industries in our midst, and our people should carefully consider the injury they are doing these classes before ruthlessly robbing them of their devil-given rights. The most serious sufferers will be those poor hard-working liquor-sellers, who have to retail spirits at only $6 per gallon that actually costs from $4.14 to $4.75. These parties will perhaps turn their attention to groceries and provisions, and be forced to work at a starvation profit of from 10 to 20 per cent. No wonder they do battle under the black flag. Then women will become unprecedented sons of toil, our lawyers. Over half of their business should be credited to liquor, and prohibition will result in driving a large number of them into other vocations of life. Our sheriff's fees will be greatly cut down while John Tuck, who has charge of the county chaingang, will heave a moan as he sees one by one of his convicts go, and sigh when he finds no more felons to conquer. Our courts of justice will get through their business in one-half the time, and of course this means a reduction in the pay of jurors, bailiffs and other officials. It will be wonderful, but what is the rights of a great people where is the individual prosperity of a few men is at stake! Then there are our undertakers. Even they would feel the chastening hand of prohibition, for the rum mills grind out a goodly portion of their trade. The coroner would have to rely on the honors attached to his office for pay and the juries seek the quiet shades of private life and to pull the bell-rope over some Georgia mule. Yes, it won't be long before you will see the dry rot taking root in Athens. Those street corner howlers will be turned into making an honest living and the reeling toper, instead of being escorted to the station-house, will quietly wend his way homeward when the shades of night veils the earth. The sound of the hammer, the machinery, and the din of trade will succeed the yell of the drunkard and the rubicond faces of whisky-soaked humanity. Peace, order and prosperity will usurp the place so long held by strife, discord and misery. Even the women and children will soon begin to show the effects of the "dry rot" in their bright faces and elastic tread. Athens will doubtless become a place of resort for George our men who like to get on a drunk and raise a row. This class must hunt other quarters while staid, sober people will come here, with pockets full of greenbacks, anxious to buy dry goods and groceries, etc. The attendance at our college will be doubled, and at least $75,000 a year thus added to the trade of Athens. Those sections of our city now given up to liquor dealers will be filled with nice stores or prosperous little factories. In fact you will see the evidences of "dry rot" on every hand, so that in five years time our population may run down to only 20,000. The $100,000 annually spent now for liquor will keep up free schools, pave our streets and build all the railroads we need. Instead of being reiters, our colored population will have most cottages of their own and a ragged half-starved woman or child will be a rare sight on the street. But when we consider that results of this "dry rot" will cost us the luxury of liquor, those delicious headaches the next morning, all the attendant consequences of the traffic, can we afford to take the step? Prohibition will force our sons to grow up sober and honored men, instead of drunken wrecks. Our daughters will have industrious and prosperous husbands, and not debauched outcasts. In fact, we will have a thrifty, moral community, instead of our streets being lined with the wrecks of what might have been good and worthy citizens, had the blighting hand of intoxication not fallen upon them.

Prohibition Prohibits.

(*Wesleyan Christian Advocate.*)

Mr. Editor—Since prohibition and temperance have come to be subjects for the Church papers and the pulpit, I desire to state a few facts, and ask if I have labored hard to gather up, if ever one year ago I became interested in the answer to the question: "Does Prohibition Prohibit?" I feared where I had the story of so many jugs going into prohibition sections, and the statement that prohibition increased the drinking. I thought if this was true, we had better change our policy, and work for a law requiring every merchant to sell it, and the preacher and temperance lecturer to become agents for it. But the answer to the question will show that we are pursuing the right policy.

We have at this writing, ninety-four prohibition counties in Georgia. But in some of those counties there are little towns that are not prohibition, and in some counties that are not prohibition there are prohibition towns. So that we can average at least three prohibition counties. Now, by constant labor, I find that those counties before prohibition, had an average of one hundred men who would use and have used big bottles, on an average of one half gallon of intoxicating spirits per day, the year round. But the footing up of this is so startling, (but true, however,) I put it down to twenty-five instead of one hundred, giving us twelve men in ninety counties making use of one gallon per day the year round. Now this does not mean that one man drank that much, but drank and gave away, on all occasions, electioneering schemes, etc., to this amount. This gives us 4,380 gallons in one of the ninety counties. Multiplied by 90, gives us 394,200 gallons; allowing 50 gallons to the barrel, makes 7,884 barrels, the amount used before prohibition, and not used now. Leaving in each of those counties, allowing it to sell at $2.00 per gallon, $8,760 to buy meat and bread with. Now sir, this is not an exaggerated calculation. But lest some one should doubt, we have a witness. The witness is the government record as to the traffic in Georgia. This shows one-fourth less sold in Georgia for 1881 than 1883, and some of the wholesale dealers say, privately, that this is the effect of prohibition in the ninety counties. Thus the question is answered beyond the shadow of a doubt. Now, sir, with this showing before us, shall we go on? Let every good man and woman in Georgia answer.

This brings us to the consideration of another question. We would merely ask at this writing: Is prohibition a better policy with these facts, than moral suasion? Those alone who love to be persuaded can answer in the negative. Now in conclusion, I would ask one other question, hoping it will not be lightly thought of. What does prohibition prohibit? The mere selling and drinking of liquor? No! but suffering and sorrow of every kind, in time and in eternity. Yours in the cause.u

F. H. CRUMPLER.

With 50? Justification or Excuse.

[*Seneca Free Press.*]

According to the various reports we have seen of this case the shooting of Mr. Benedict was without any justification or excuse.

The Bridal Veil.

We're married, they say, and you think you have won
Well, take this white veil from my head and look on me;
Here's matter to vex you, and matter to grieve you—