

Unclaimed Letters.

Letters in Postoffice week ending 5th of March. B-Miss Ella Brownlee, L. S. Bishop, Lano Brooks, Miss Alphon Brownlee, Ed Brown, Miss Martha Beard, Mrs. Edna Brown, C. C. Brock, Chaudier, Frederick, Freddie Foster, Wm. Franklin, H-Raf Harmon, J-Lester Johnson, L-L. Logan, M-Miss Guille Mitchell, N-Norville Row, S-H. O. Stevenson, T-Miss Janie Tolbert, W-Miss Estelle Wright, Lizzie Widans, Rev. Wm. Wylie, Alex. Waters, Y-Mrs. T. L. Young. R. S. Link, P. M.

Bicycling.

The season bids fair to be an interesting one in bicycling. Every clear and dry week is taking fresh hold upon the young folks again. C. P. Hammond has a stock on hand and will sell them on easy terms, and most any one can have a wheel this season. He is prepared with a good workman and plenty of material to fix up your old wheels.

Cotton Reports Wanted.

Mr. Cromer desires to register the name and post office address of every man in Abbeville county who gins and packs cotton, either for himself or others. Address Mr. S. F. Cromer, at Abbeville, S. C. He is sending a washing iron to ascertain the exact amount of the cotton crop, so that the farmers may know the real condition of the crop and gauge their themselves as to the prospects of a higher or a lower price of the staple.

Local Notice.

Look next week for the advertisement of S. I. Till, the new merchant, who has just opened in the Cannon store. He has some big values in Dry Goods, Shirts and Notions, Clothing and Furnishings Goods. Don't fail to see him while in the city. It costs nothing to look through his line. The yellow front.

To Sing Songs.

The Abbeville County Singing Convention will convene at the Upper Long Canoe Church at 10 o'clock a. m., the 7th and 8th April. Jos. J. Kilgore, Sec. Anderson papers please copy.

Cabbage Plants.

Prepare your ground at once for cabbage plants, as I will be receiving them next week. Succession and Wakefield are the varieties. Very Respectfully, C. P. Hammond.

For Rent.

An eight room dwelling house on Pickens street. W. Joel Smith, Jr.

Hon. Cole L. Blease of Newberry.

is sending out a letter to his friends announcing his candidacy for Lieutenant-Governor. Mr. Blease has many friends in the State and will no doubt make things lively and interesting. From the looks of the wheat and oat fields here in Abbeville and the West, we are of opinion that these crops of small grain are all right.

Dr. Montague will preach next Sunday morning and evening in the Baptist church. Union services will be held there.

Go to Bruce's Restaurant for meals at all hours.

Bruce's Restaurant is open for the Fall and Winter trade. Bruce's Restaurant is open day and night knock and the door shall be opened upon you.

Our delivery boys are on duty from 6 a. m. till 10 p. m.

We never make the excuse that our boys are out and will not deliver. We are at your order and will get you what you want. Give us a trial. Milford Drug Store, Phone 107.

Mrs. Horse Powders will put a clean hide of hair on your mule or horse.

Only 15 cents a package, at Milford's drug store, Phone 107. Fresh Fish, Friday and Saturday, T. H. Maxwell, Phone No. 1.

Why pay 25 and 30 cents for a package of catfish powders when you can get Milford's at 15 cents.

Milk Cow and young calf for sale. Apply to K. C. Wilson. Bring me your green salt hides. T. H. Maxwell, Phone No. 1.

If you want to have healthy, good size frying chickens, keep the lice off of them with Lambert's Lice, for sale at Milford's drug store, Phone 107.

Highest market prices paid for hogs. T. H. Maxwell, Phone No. 1.

CANDIDATES.

For Mayor. We are authorized to announce Dr. S. G. Thompson as a candidate for Mayor of the city, subject to the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce Mayor Jones, F. Miller as a candidate for re-election to the office of Mayor of the city, subject to the action of the Democratic primary election.

For Aldermen.

Citizens of Ward No. 3, nominate Mr. E. A. Thompson as a candidate for Alderman, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

To the Farmers of Abbeville County.

I HAVE A FEW BUSHELS OF S. T. RUSSELL'S Big Bull Brand Cotton Seed for sale. I consider it the best variety I ever planted. It stands the drought much better than any other variety I ever planted. Growth vigorous, yield excellent. I gathered 1200 pounds of seed cotton from two acres last year. Seed 30¢ per bushel. L. H. RUSSELL, March 9, 1900.

Amos B. Kester's Locals.

Just received a good lot of seed corn: "Golden Dent," "White Dent" and "History King" also seed potatoes and all kinds of small seeds, including watermelon netted nutmeg, flower seed, etc.

A big variety of flower pots, all sizes. Large quantities at abundance. No. 2 crimped top, No. Rochester No. 2, 3 for 25¢. Large size Rochester for stores and halls 30¢, 3 for 50¢. Lantern globes 10¢, 5 for 25¢.

A nice assortment of apples and oranges. Try "Bromant-gel-on" and you will want more of it. The most delicate jelly preparation.

When in need of anything in the drug line call on me right when you ring No. 107 and the boys at the cotton and all telephone line will do the rest. Only try them. Milford's Drug Store, Phone 107.

Our aim in business, as well as in life, is to be prompt, polite, attentive and deliver all goods ordered of us, at the earliest moment possible. Only try us once and you will be sure to call again. Milford's Drug Store, Phone 107.

See C. P. Hammond's large stock of Bicycles. Wheel repaired promptly at C. P. Hammond's.

Indigo Blue Prints 5c per yard at Smith's Dry Goods and Millinery.

All goods delivered free when bought at The Speed Drug Co.

Fresh loaf bread every day. T. H. Maxwell Phone No. 1.

Dr. Hill's headache powders both old and new style at Speed's.

Mr. George Clark can always be found at the Speed Drug Co. He is now thinking up the most enticing summer drinks you ever tasted.

Our prices are right, our goods are right, and our attention when you buy from the Speed Drug Co.

HEADLINE

Display of New Spring Goods to Surpass all Former Exhibits!

We again extend a cordial invitation to the Ladies to call and inspect our Stock.

The Merits of our Stock Cannot be Set Forth in Cold Type. It must be seen to be Appreciated!

WEDNESDAY, March 28-29. THURSDAY, March 28-29.

Our Millinery Department Will blaze with all the New Shapes and Rich Colors of the Season.

New Dress Goods! New Silks! New Embroideries! New Laces!

WASH DRESS MATERIAL in great variety. Every shelf and counter in our store is now loaded with one of the most attractive and up-to-date Stock of Spring Goods we have ever shown.

Very respectfully,

R. W. Hadadon & Co.

Free Advertising.

"Charleston, Augusta and Walhalla are making efforts to draw crowds to their respective cities at dates and herein stated. It is the reason that we do not know recollect them. The country printer has a good time boasting things generally. Different times different cities need free advertising. Then when we have circulars from the Confederate Veterans camp as long as the 22nd and 23rd Sunday School Conventions need advertising. Christian Associations and Women's Temperance Unions and other organizations need advertising for the parading of names before the public are in constant evidence with never a proposition to pay one cent for the same. Mark Hammond is credited with saying that when he wanted anything he paid for it. These associations and these promoters of occasions for the parading of names might well follow Mark's example in this particular, at least, and pay for what they want. We have no objection to any of the advertising for the enterprises mentioned, though they are all good in themselves."

Religion and Poss.

An incident told by the Rev. V. B. Carroll in the Homiletic Review makes apparent the necessity in this transitional period of getting the negro in wardly right in order that his relationship to society may be right. We were driving out one Sunday from Decatur, when we came upon a negro with a club in his hand and a freshly killed possum on his shoulder. We stopped to examine his prize, and the Colonel said: "My friend, do you know it is Sunday?" "Sartin, boss." "Are you not a religious man?" "I are. I use just on my way home from church." "And what sort of religion have you got that permits you to go hunting on Sunday?" "Religion, religion?" queried the man as he held the possum up with one hand and scratched his head with the other. "Does you 'spect any black man in Alabama is gwine to tie hisself up to any religion dat 'lows a 'possum to walk right across de road ahead of him and git away free? No, sah! A religion which would bent a little when a fat 'possum heads you off couldn't be 'stablished round about here by all de preachers in de universe."

A Matter of Taste.

If women only knew it, they waste a great deal of strength by undue expenditure of emotion on small occasions. Part of the training of our young girls should be along lines of self-repression, in the way of the quiet manner, the restrained speech, the tranquil expression of face and the respectful carriage of the body. A young husband, accustomed to the calm gentleness of a mother who might easily have been mistaken for a friend, was to express himself volubly, and to fly into frantic states of mind when there was apparently little reason for vehemence.

When the Shoes are Damp.

Much advice is given from time to time in regard to the care of the youngster's shoes as they come in from school wet and misshapen from contact with wet pavements and the unconfessed wading in puddles, which is sure to delight the heart of the small boy. But with all this advice about keeping the children's shoes in good condition, those belonging to the older people are usually allowed to take care of themselves, though they may be of even greater importance and quite as often damp.

PRAYER MEETING INCIDENT.

Pistol Used to Convert Lunday Willson to the Paths of Rectitude. At First Rock church last Sunday, while waiting for prayers and other religious services two young colored gentlemen had a slight misunderstanding. One of them, a young man named Lunday Willson, had a pistol in his pocket. It happened to fall out of his pocket and was picked up by one of the other young men. The incident was reported to the pastor, who took steps to ensure that the pistol was returned to its owner and that the matter was settled peacefully.

KINDLY NOTICE.

The News and Courier Notes the Success of the Press and Banner Job Office. News and Courier. The Abbeville Press and Banner has been so successful in its business that it is compelled to increase the equipment of its job printing department. During the last ten years it has put in a number of new presses, and it has also increased its staff of workmen. It is now given an order for a new Gordon press and in order to make room for it the Press and Banner has moved to its present quarters. It is now housed in a building which is one of the finest in the city. It is now equipped with the latest machinery and is prepared to do any kind of printing work that is required of it. It is now in a position to do any kind of printing work that is required of it. It is now in a position to do any kind of printing work that is required of it.

Cure for Gape in Young Chickens.

Young chickens are not troubled with gapes until about four weeks old. In the evening before the hen and her brood enter the coop, pour about a gill of crude petroleum over the floor of the coop. During the night the fumes from the oil will kill the worms and the corn from being forced by the pressure of the coop. This is no theory, but has been tried, and the result was stated above. The chickens were cured of gapes, and grew nicely without further trouble from gapes.

The very latest novelties in Millinery at Smith's Dry Goods and Millinery.

BUILD YOUR NEST LOW.

Advice to Girls from Mary Lowe Dickinson, General Secretary of the King's Daughters and Sons. One who had been listless while a bright girl announced most ambitious aspirations and purposes for her own life, answered gently, "You may be right, dear child, but do not forget that the singing birds build low." If your flight is above the roof trees, if your hearts are to be high up among the wind-whirled boughs, the home nest cannot fail to suffer loss. And apart from the loss to those who remain, the daughter who goes out often finds that the nest she has made is not so safe as she thought. There are colder winds on the mountain crags, and it is the birds of prey that build their nests on high. After all our thinking and talking of progress for man or woman, it is true that nothing ever comes to us that is as sweet as the life of home. Let women seek largest culture, the broadest freedom, the highest service. All goes well while they keep the home love warm. When that love wanes, it is time to pause. We are building our nests in the wrong place. Singing birds are to make melody, first, for our nearest and dearest, and when our nest is too good for the home we are placing our nests too high.

The Dignity of Service.

All life may be made divine, yet the divinest thing of all is service. To lay aside the garment, to be girded with a towel, to wash the disciples' feet has about it a dignity which is centered in the Almighty throne. It was because Jesus "came from God, and went to God" that the memorable scene at the last supper was even a possibility. Service is as the very nature of God, which nature must express itself, and when manifested on earth, it spells sacrifice. To perform the work of a servant was not beneath the divine dignity, but was that dignity expressing itself in a superlative way. If we may so say, service was in the blood of the Son of God, and was there because he was also the only begotten Son of God. Jesus was great enough to do any act of service, and it is because we are "not great that we think any duty small." When the everlasting Son came from the bosom of the Father to serve us, he took upon him the form of a servant, and the sure way to enter into the joy of his sonship, is still to do the work of a servant. The way to ascend is to first go down. The secret of power is helpfulness. The road to the throne always passes by the hill called Calvary, and a life spent for others has the music of a tune which is the music of heaven.

Four and Twenty Blackbirds.

You all know this rhyme, but have you ever heard what it really means? The four and twenty blackbirds represent the four and twenty hours. The bottom of the pie is the world, while the crust is the sky that over-arches it. The opening of the pie is the day dawn, when the birds begin to sing, and surely such a sight is fit for a king. The king, who is represented as sitting in his parlor counting out his money, is the sun, while the gold pieces that slip through his fingers as he counts them are the golden sunbeams. The queen, who sits in the dark kitchen, is the moon, and the honey with which she regales herself is the moonlight. The industrious maid, who is in the garden at work before her king, the sun, has risen, is day dawn, and the clothes she hangs out are the clouds. The birds, who so tragically end the song by "nipping off her nose," are the sunset. So we have the whole day, it not in a nutshell, in a pie.

Sugared Pop-Corn.

Sugared pop-corn is a delight to most children, and for those living in the country corn is available abundant. Take one teaspoonful of butter, three of water, and one teaspoonful of granulated sugar, put into a kettle and boil until ready for candy. Then throw in three quarts of corn that is nicely popped, and stir briskly until the candy is properly distributed over the corn. Take the kettle from the fire, and stir the corn until it has cooled a little, and each grain is separate and crystallized.

Relieving Choked Cattle.

Choking in cattle is usually caused by swallowing a potato, apple, piece of turnip or carrot, or a piece of corn-cob. No matter in which part of the gullet it is lodged, it causes great distress. The animal coughs, saliva runs from the mouth, eyes bulge out, back is arched and bloating also takes place. If it is in the upper part of the gullet the animal soon dies from suffocation. If it is in the middle or lower part the animal may live for several days. If it is in the upper part of the gullet give a little oil and then rub the hand up and down the throat to scatter the accumulation. It may be necessary to give a little oil several times, and continue the rubbing, as it may take some time to overcome the choking. In case no oil is at hand a similar attempt may be made by pouring down some water. If the obstruction cannot be forced up or down by oiling and rubbing the gullet, use a probang which is made of spiral wire which is made of leather and which will bend with the neck. There is also a gag to put in the mouth, with a hole in the center through which the probang passes. Oil the probang and let one man take hold of the animal's horns or ears, while another passes the probang through the hole in the gag and back into the gullet. Press gently until the object is felt then by steady pressure it will pass into the stomach. Too much force should not be used for fear of rupturing the gullet. No unyielding article should be pressed down the gullet, as it is almost sure to rupture it. If a probang is not convenient take a piece of rope about three-fourths to one inch in diameter, fray out a little of the end and tie a piece of string around it to form a soft knob, grease this well and it will supply the place of a probang. In cases where an animal cannot be relieved by this treatment, cut down on the gullet with a knife, making an incision and removing the material. Clean the wound and bring the edges of the gullet together firmly and sew with silk thread or catgut, letting the ends hang out of the external wound, bring the edges of the skin together, but a bandage around and keep it wet with cold water for 24 hours, and it will usually heal. Give the animal soft food for some days, and if a probang was used and the gullet not cut give soft food two or three days.

March 28th and 29th Opening Smith's Dry Goods and Millinery.

An Evil. The oldest and most experienced Christians needs to keep a close watch over his thoughts, his words, his actions, his heart, and the company he keeps. Recently we heard a thoughtful Christian man confess to an utter loss of respect for a certain minister of the gospel and doctor of divinity, because the speaker had been so unfortunate as to be present in a little circle of friends, whom his clerical friend had undertaken to entertain by relating an anecdote. The story might have been listened to if it had come from another source; but coming from one whose name was great enough to do any act of service, and it is because we are "not great that we think any duty small." When the everlasting Son came from the bosom of the Father to serve us, he took upon him the form of a servant, and the sure way to enter into the joy of his sonship, is still to do the work of a servant. The way to ascend is to first go down. The secret of power is helpfulness. The road to the throne always passes by the hill called Calvary, and a life spent for others has the music of a tune which is the music of heaven.

W. W. BRADLEY, Auditor.

March 10th, 1900.

Dr. Hill's headache powders will cure a headache in 30 minutes. On sale at Milford's Drug Store, Phone 107.

Dr. C. C. Gambrell will be glad to have his friends call on him at The Speed Drug Co.

"Accuracy, neatness and dispatch" is our motto in prescription work. The Speed Drug Company.

Call for Dr. Neuffer, Dr. Harrison, Dr. Hill or Dr. Gambrell can be left at the Speed Drug Co.

Dr. Mitchellner will be glad to see his friends and acquaintances especially the young ladies at the Speed Drug Co.

Wood's Garden Seeds, the best on earth are sold by the Speed Drug Co. Call and get some before all are sold.

Flow stocks, hames, buck bands, etc., old price at Glenn's.

Special Sale Shoes - 10 pairs Ladies Shoes, lace and button, a little off in style. They must be sold to make room for our new spring stock at Hudson.

Cedar Springs - L. A. Ramsey, Richard Sonley, J. B. Brown, Jr., Abbeville - P. A. Cheatham, W. E. Lesley, A. B. Morse.

Diamond Hill - Max Below, J. D. Murdock, Crowther.

Lowndesville - J. H. Baskin, B. A. Wilson, J. M. Hucklebee.

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All persons having complaints must present them first to the Township Board and then to the County Board.

By R. E. Hill, Esq., JUDGE OF PROBATE. WHEREAS, W. R. Bullock, C. C. C. P., has made suit to me, to grant him Letters of Administration of the Estate and effects of JESSE TUBMAN, late of Abbeville County, deceased.

These are therefore, to cite and admonish all singulars the kindred and creditors of the said Jesse Tubman, deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to show cause if any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court, this 10th day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one, and the 134 year of American Independence.

Published on the 14th day of March, 1900, in the Press and Banner and on the Court House door for the time required by law. R. F. HILL, Judge of Probate.

NOTICE!

WILL LET TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, ON FRIDAY, 30th Inst., at Eleven O'clock a. m., the re-building of approaches to MARTIN'S MILL BRIDGE. Specifications made known on day of letting.

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The State of South Carolina, COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE. PROBATE COURT.

In the Matter of the Estate of Dr. J. T. Baskin, Deceased.

ALL persons indebted to said estate must settle without delay, and those holding claims against the estate must present them proper verified to A. G. BASKIN, March 21, 1900. Agt. for Legatee.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS.

To Canvass the Returns of Real and Personal Property of Abbeville County.

What is Expected of Them.

THE RETURNS OF THE VARIOUS Townships will be forwarded to the Township Board of Assessors by or before March 10th; they will then have until March 24th for examining the returns. Forward the returns to this office by the 24th or 25th of March, if possible. It is clearly the duty of this Board to scrutinize each return carefully and see that each item of property listed thereon is assessed at its true market value. There is no rule to return property at 66 2/3 per cent of its actual value. Where parties are suspected of having credits above their indebtedness or any other character of property that does not appear on their sworn return, it is the duty of the Board to enter such property or report the case to the Auditor for investigation. The Township Boards are hereby requested to mark at the head of each return, the school district in which each tax payer's property is located and where the new survey divides a tax payer's land to write on the return approximately the amount in each school district. In every instance where there is a material change in the return of an individual be sure to notify the party, so that he may have the power to appeal to the County Board of Equalization. The County Board of Equalization will hold its annual meeting in the Auditor's office Tuesday, March 27th. Give below a list of the members of the Township Boards; the Chairman will be a member of the County Board. So many individuals declined to serve last year that we are not certain that this list is accurate. There have been some new appointments made to fill the vacancies: Donalds - W. J. Donald, L. A. Shannon, E. L. Waldrop. Dr. West - G. N. Nickles, J. Will Ashley, J. Harvey Clinckales. Long Lane - J. H. Greene, Samuel P. Pressly, J. R. Lomax. Smithville - J. E. Lomax, who will serve with the Board in Long Lane Township. Indian Hill - S. O. Young, who will serve with the Cedar Spring Board. Cedar Springs - L. A. Ramsey, Richard Sonley, J. B. Brown, Jr. Abbeville - P. A. Cheatham, W. E. Lesley, A. B. Morse. Diamond Hill - Max Below, J. D. Murdock, Crowther. Lowndesville - J. H. Baskin, B. A. Wilson, J. M. Hucklebee. Magnolia - C. G. McAllister, S. C. Riley, Robert Heister. Mill Springs - J. T. Horton, S. S. McBride, J. H. Watson. Bordeaux - T. J. Britt, J. K. Deason, Samuel Edmunds. All persons having complaints must present them first to the Township Board and then to the County Board.

Master's Sale.

The State of South Carolina, COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE. COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

Trustees of the Estate of Dr. John DeLa Howe, Plaintiff, against C. F. Mills, Defendant.

BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE made in the above stated case, I will offer for sale at public outcry at Abbeville C. H., S. C., on Sale day in APRIL, 1900, within the legal hours of sale, the following described property, to-wit: All that tract of land situate, lying and being in the County and State aforesaid, containing

One Hundred and Twenty-Seven (127) Acres,

more or less, bounded by lands of W. P. Wideman, S. W. Addison, George Harvey and Jerry McCombs.

TERMS OF SALE - One-half cash, balance on a credit of twelve months, with interest from day of sale until paid, secured by bond of purchaser and a mortgage of the premises, with leave to the purchaser to pay all Cash. Purchaser to pay for papers.

WALTER L. MILLER, Master. March 13, 1899, 11

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HERE'S YOUR MONEY.

Money Looking for Lawful Heirs. Houston, Texas, Feb. 9, 1900. Editor Press and Banner: Dear Sir - I am looking for the heirs of James Minor and Emaddock Nyle, who are supposed to have lived in your State about 1840. Any information will be received with thanks by your courts truly. Hox 327, Henry Malmgren.

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