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Printers Wanted.

Two or three printers can find employment on application to the Press and Banner office.

That Reorganization.

We still hear a word or two now and then on the subject of a reorganization of the Democratic party. The objections, as far as we have seen, come from those who claim the right to speak for the party. These gentlemen seem to forget that the people do the organizing, and that reorganizing may be the special benefit of those who are so vociferous against it. When Hampton was elected to the rear, he nor his followers took part in it. They objected. It is possible that the State and the National Democratic party may conclude to reorganize, despite Mr. Bryan and his satellites. Without the body the head does not count. In politics, it is sometimes the people who do the counting and the voting, too.

Thanksgiving Service.

By agreement among pastors of churches in town, Thanksgiving Services will be held tomorrow morning at ten o'clock in the Presbyterian church. Rev. T. W. Sloan will deliver a sermon appropriate to the occasion. The public is most cordially invited to attend. All attend the services in the morning, and then spend the remainder of the day in innocent pleasure. We may eat a good dinner, if we have it, but we should not dedicate the day by cruelty to animals, or by a drunken debauch. We are not expected to do about with long faces, but we should observe the day in a becoming manner.

BIG BLOW IN TEXAS.

That Didn't Move Housetops or Sink Ships. Leesburg, Camp, Co. Tex.

Dear Sir: I left my native home in November, 1875, and I have been somewhat a wanderer ever since, in Tennessee, Kentucky, Illinois, Arkansas, Mississippi, Indian Territory, and east in Texas. And I have been traveling in this Grand Country for the last six years, and this year is the best crop of everything that it ever has made. The people are glad they have not made any more, they cannot gather what they have made, and the prices is good, cotton from 5 to 9 cts., corn, 50 per bushel, sweet potatoes 50 per bushel, and the largest and the largest yield per acre this county ever had. The farmers are making up their ribbon cane crop now and it is very fine. We had a killing frost on the 15th. W. J. Smith.

A. M. E. CONFERENCE.

Next Gathering of Church People From All Parts of the State.

The Columbia Annual Conference of the A. M. E. Church will meet in Abbeville this morning at ten o'clock in the Methodist Church. A large number of ministers are already in town, and it is expected that the meeting will be well attended. The conference is held annually, and is one of the most important events in the life of the church in this section. The meeting will be held in the Methodist Church, and will last for several days. The public is invited to attend.

Haddon's Locals.

For Christmas—50 dozen ladies handkerchiefs 10 to 50 cents. 50 dozen new stamped center pieces for Christmas work-lace, thread and embroidery to match. 50 dozen ladies and Misses kid gloves all shades 75 to 95 cents. 50 pair new lot sofa cushions very attractive. Silk and wool baby caps. New goods arriving almost daily, give us a call and you will not regret it. Respectfully, R. M. Haddon.

Locals W. Joel Smith.

If you need a pair of scissors or shears we've something new, the patent tensioning, which causes them to cut to the point longer than the old style kind. Big lot of saddles and bridles just received, all on us for South Carolina Mountain and grade half patent flour at \$1.00 per bushel. Toys! Don't fail to look at our large stock of trunks from the cheapest to the best. Our line of china plates, cups and saucers and fancy articles. We have the largest stock of toys in the city. The best leather canvass horse collars. W. Joel Smith & Son.

J. S. Cochran's Locals.

Candy for Thanksgiving, at Cochran's. We needed L. L. raisins, currants, citron, and figs at Cochran's. Log-Cabin maple syrup and Mountain wheat, at Cochran's. Prop N. C. syrup, something like that. Outwaded a new lot of pickles, preserves, pepper sauce, leao pernis sauce, salad dressing, mustard prepared and powdered, and other tomato catsup, the best at Cochran's. Tomorrow mince meat, leaugh tongues, veal, deviled crabs, lobsters, shrimp, "chicken" Salmon, Armours sliced bacon, fruit and dessert, peaches, corn and tomatoes, all new pack at Cochran's. Red, white, and black pepper, cloves, spice, cinnamon, sage etc. at Cochran's.

Some Uses for Borax.

Sprinkle places infested by ants with borax and you will soon be rid of them. Blankets and furs put away well pinked with borax and done up airtight, will never be troubled with moth. A little borax put in the water before washing red or red bordered tablecloths and napkins will prevent their fading. Ringworms will yield to borax treatment. Apply a strong solution of borax three times a day; also dust on the fine, dry powder very often. Silver spoons and forks in daily use may be kept bright by leaving them in a strong borax water several hours. The water should be boiling when they are put in. Put a teaspoonful of borax in your rinsing water; it will whiten the clothes, and also remove the yellow stain on garments, that have been laid aside for two or three years. For washing fine, nice flannels, nothing will cause them to look so nice as borax in the water, a table-spoonful of borax to a pail of water being the right proportion. Always wash baby's little skirts, shirts, etc., in this. Always wash baby's mouth and gums every morning with water in which you have put a pinch of borax. It keeps the mouth fresh and sweet, and prevents that uncomfortable affliction, sore throat, with which so many poor babies are troubled when their mouths are not kept perfectly clean.

There is a Time for all Things.

Well might there be added...

A PLACE FOR ALL THINGS!

The Time is now and the Place to Make Your Fall and Winter Purchases is

At Rosenberg's.

They assure you they can be of great use to you, and await the opportunity to prove it. Their accumulative experience in buying and the ready cash have placed them in command of the lowest possible prices, the benefit of which they propose giving to those who do their trading with them. The satisfaction they have given their many customers for the past 25 years is a splendid endorsement of their fair dealing, and a guarantee as to the grade of goods they handle. Never before have they been so thoroughly in possession of Bargains in almost anything that you need.

Clothing! Clothing!

We are offering an All-Wool Black Clay Worsted Suit for \$9. Also have about 100 Blue Serge Suits in single and double breasted at same price. Have just received a big line of Overcoats at very lowest prices.

Hats! Hats!

Big line of John B. Stetson Hats just received, in all the latest styles. You all know that there is no better made. In Shoes we are in a position to save you money. We have on hand a big line of the celebrated Bay State Shoes. Our stock of Gents Furnishing is here to show for itself.

We ask that you come in and look over our Stock of Underwear before buying. Big stock of Children's Underwear on hand. Remember that it will not cost you one cent to look even if you do not buy, for we take pleasure in showing you over our stock. Yours for business,

Rosenberg & Co.

THE LITERARY CLUB.

Orators and Oratory as Viewed by Essayist and Editor.

The Literary Club met last Friday night at the home of Mr. J. Allen Smith. Rev. J. T. McInnon was President. Mr. W. W. Bradley, Secretary. The essayist for the evening was Dr. J. Lowell Wilson, who chose "Orators and Oratory" as his subject. He thought the power of expressing emotions in striking and appropriate language was one of the greatest gifts that had been bestowed upon man. He said that orators, like poets, were long ago made, yet no quality of the human mind was more susceptible of cultivation than the art of oratory. He believed that oratory when cultivated to its highest development was inferior to no endowment with which man is blessed. It gave its possessor a power over others which no other person could hope to win. Whether in the forum, or pulpit, or Legislative halls no power was greater than that of speaking in an eloquent and effective manner. Oratory had controlled the destinies of nations and sealed the fate of individuals. Oratory had brought comfort to the foot of the Cross, or driven the erring to destruction. Oratory had brought nations and individuals to their knees, and had brought peace or misery according to the trend or bent of the mind of the orator. The essayist named a number of orators, both living and dead. Among others he spoke of William Jennings Bryan, of Rev. Dr. Thompson of Charleston, of Rev. Dr. Jerrido, of Rev. Dr. Hix, and others whose names he do not now recall. During the discussion which followed the reading of the essay, one member asked for the distinction between oratory and eloquence. It seemed to strike the club all in a heap, and for a moment, the members could not catch their breath. It seemed that a man might make an impassioned and effective speech under certain circumstances, which he could not make under other conditions. It was, then, the enthusiasm of the audience, inspired the eloquence of the speaker, and sometimes the enthusiasm of the audience was more eloquent than the words of the orator. Another member contended that eloquence consisted more in the words when written and read, than in the speaker's voice than the member of the speaker. A member cited an eloquent address by Rev. Dr. Thompson. When speaking to the returned soldiers, he likened the State of South Carolina a widowed mother, welcoming her sorrowful children home after the bloody conflict. A member thought—but he didn't say it—that speeches of that line were all more or less inspired by Webster's speech atunker Hill. That speech seems to have permeated and inspired either directly or indirectly all the speakers on that line. A member said, judging from the effect of Bryan's recent speaking, he did not measure up to the highest standard of the orator. A member thought—but he did not say it—that Bryan had said very little that would be remembered longer than any else. A member said that a man might be eloquent without saying anything that would be remembered. A member spoke of Booker T. Washington as an orator of note. A member cited as one of the best pieces of eloquence that he had ever heard, was the sermon of Dr. Jerrido on "The Judgment." It so impressed him that he couldn't sleep that night. On the subject of that sermon, another member thought—but he did not say it—that Dr. Jerrido's sermon on the judgment was poor enough. The preacher had but slim Bible authority for the exercise of his imagination. The sermon of that night, a spectacular show of the judgment is doubtful. One member said Ben Hill, of Georgia, was a greater orator than Benton who attacked the South in the Senate. Hon. M. L. Bonham, of Anderson, was cited as an eloquent orator. The name of Henry Grady was mentioned as one of the greatest orators of the South. And the name of John Temple Graves was not forgotten. The discussion during the evening was as notable for what was not said, as for what was said. The meeting was an exceedingly pleasant one.

SPECIAL DECEMBER ATTRACTIONS!

We have purchased an immense line of TOYS and request our friends to call early and make their selections before the stocks are broken. We have many hundreds of TOYS, ranging in price from one cent to five dollars, and it is only necessary for you to call and look through the largest stock in the County, and you will be sure to find many things to delight the Little Folks, and your pocket book will not be badly hurt. And please remember that in putting in this tremendous stock of TOYS we have by no means neglected our other lines. We have Boots, Shoes, Clothing, Shirts, Underwear, Hats, Blankets, Dress Goods, and in fact everything that goes to make up a full stock of Dry Goods and Groceries as good as the best and at prices as low as the lowest. We await your commands,

W. Joel Smith & Son. COME AND GET THEM!

JUST A LITTLE MONEY...

...And We Will Load You with Goods!

If you have not yet been one of the fortunate ones to find us, we want to inform you that for the next ten days we are going to hand out lots of rare bargains, and if you want to buy more goods for the money, come. It is quite an easy thing to make such claims as the above, but as evidence of the fact we are going to quote just a few prices:

- ... DRY GOODS. ... Jeans 8, 12-1-2 cts., and upward. Good 4-4 Sheeting at 4 1/2 cts. per yard. Heavy 4-4 Sheeting at 5 cts. per yard. Domestic for 4 1/2 cts.

- ... SHOES. ... Good Shoes for 75 cts. per pair. Better ones for \$1, and still better ones.

- ... TINWARE. ... Wash Pans at 4 cents. 14 quart Rincing Pans 12 cents. 4 quart Buckets 8 cents.

- ... CROCKERY. ... A full set of Good Cups and Saucers for 20 cents. Everything relatively cheap, and if you need Flour, Sugar, Coffee, Ham, or anything else in the way of Staple or Fancy Groceries, come. We simply guarantee you satisfaction. Very truly,

H. M. TATE & CO.

The Union Services. Several years ago protestant Christians of this city, organized what they called a union meeting. Services were suspended in all the churches once a month, except in the appointed place for the union services, where all would attend. The union meetings have been held alternately in the churches of those members who entered into the agreement. Last Sabbath night the union services were held in the Associate Reformed Church. It was a stormy, inclement night, and the congregation was small. Dr. J. Lowell Wilson of the Presbyterian church, and Rev. T. H. Flemmons of the Baptist church, were present with the pastor, Rev. T. W. Sloan. They sang some of the sweetest pieces to which anybody ever listened. Dr. Wilson delivered the sermon, taking for his text: "A willing people in the day of power." A large stock of crepe paper for lamp shades, lampshades and interior decorations at DuPre's Book Store. Many different designs of floral decorated crepe paper at DuPre's Book Store. Impression paper for fancy work at DuPre's Book Store. These paper for making flowers, 20 different tins can be found at DuPre's Book Store. You can find some very pretty baskets at DuPre's Book Store. Photograph, and Autograph Albums at DuPre's Book Store.

For Sale!

THE HASKELL ESTATE, containing Three Thousand [3,000] Acres, more or less, lying on the waters of Little River, and situated in Flatwoods section, in Abbeville County, will be sold, either as a whole, or in tracts. The Sabard Air Line Railroad runs through the place and has a flag station on this property. A fine old dwelling of ten rooms, in good repair. Property exceptionally well watered and wooded. Parties wishing information, will call on, or communicate with, L. C. HASKELL, Agt. Abbeville, S. C. Nov. 28, 1900, 3m. Get a box of fine cigars from Speed, if you want to enjoy Christmas.

Bargains in Furniture!



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IF YOU WANT TO SEE THE HOTTEST LINE OF Furniture, Pictures, Matting, Rugs, Art Squares, Toilet Sets, Lamps, Screens, Shades, Curtain Poles, And everything in the Furniture line call on us. Yours for furniture.

J. D. KERR, Abbeville, S. C. ROSENBERG BLOCK.

HADDON'S Winter Trade Bulletin!

Now is the Time for Bargains, and Haddon's the Place to Find Them.

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Black Goods. 5 pieces Fine Imported Figured Black Goods to be sold regardless of cost.

BARGAIN COUNTER. To close out all Short Ends in Dress Goods Regardless of Cost. See Center Table.

HADDON'S

Our floor oil cloth is the prettiest in design and cheapest in price on the market. McDill & Lyon. Go to Speeds and hear the music. Its fun. Do you know Speed has the finest line of Christmas goods ever brought to Abbeville. Call and see them. Now is the time to buy something nice for Christmas from Speed. Our line of patent medicines is complete, and we are offering inducements to cash buyers. A. M. Hill & Sons will receive a car load of the celebrated Studenbaker wagons this week. They are the leading wagon of the world. They will be all sizes to suit the farmers. \$7000 worth of shoes to be sold at a bargain at Cobb & McDavid. Enamored Calif. Viol Kid, Box Calif. Zarah Calif was in Flower? DuPre, the Book Store man has them for sale on easy terms. Have you read Double Thread, The Reign of Law, Prisoners of Hope, When Knighthood was in Flower? DuPre, the Book Store man has them for sale on easy terms.

Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL whom it may concern that the undersigned members of the Presbyterian church, will apply as soon as the legal requirements have been complied with to the Secretary of State for the State of South Carolina for a certificate of incorporation for the Afro-American Presbyterian church. This is day of November, 1900. Rev. J. H. Gee, Kershaw, S. C. Rev. A. E. Reed, Chester, S. C. Rev. G. S. Alford, Dillon, S. C. Rev. E. W. Williams, Abbeville, S. C. Robert Bell, Abbeville, S. C. O. B. Alford, Dillon, S. C.

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