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Easter.

Last Sunday was Easter, and the day was beautiful indeed. A goodly number of our people attended the religious services in the various churches.

The Methodist church was beautifully decorated with flowers, and devout worshippers filled the pews.

The Associate Reformed church never appeared more beautiful or more attractive. Flowers, the most beautiful of the plant creation, were much in evidence and in great profusion.

The service was in the beauty of holiness in the sweetness of love, and in reverential devotion, while the choicest of Nature's plant creation, reminded the worshippers of the Saviour's love for both us and the flowers.

In his spirituality and his temporality he likened himself to the lily of the valley and the rose of Sharon. He and they were the best exemplars of the Creator's wisdom and goodness.

Nourish of earth could so near approach our Saviour's purity or bear sweeter incense from our own hearts to Him who first loved us. Sweet music by the choir crowned the whole and carried our souls in devotion to the adorable and ever living Head of the church.

Flowers are always associated with the best and the sweetest emotions of the human heart. Flowers are always welcome, whether at our birth, or in our joys, or in our sorrows. The All-wise Creator bids them bloom as beautifully at the humblest cabin and to send out as sweet odors from the door of the cottage as from the gardens of prince or potentate.

We decorate our homes with all that would please the eye or gratify the taste or elevate our thoughts. Then why should not the holy temple be decorated and ornamented with those things which would not only please the eye and gratify the taste, but which would in themselves lead our souls to the contemplation of pure and holy things? Why should our churches, so often present the most gloomy and the most forbidding walls?

Thoughts of our Saviour always suggest thoughts of flowers, and the sight of flowers lead to increased love for the Saviour. It is beauty and in holiness they are inseparable. And flowers should be seen in our churches even as they are seen in our homes.

Death of a Young Mother and Beloved Wife.

Mrs. Willie Godbold Bowie, the beloved wife of Mr. James S. Bowie, of this city died last Wednesday afternoon, April 11, 1906.

Nothing on this earth is sadder than the separation of happily married young people. And no bereavement could be greater than that of the loss of the mother of young children.

Mrs. Bowie came to Abbeville some three years ago as the happy bride of our respected townman, Mr. James S. Bowie. They never ceased to be lovers. For each other their hearts were full of devoted affection and tenderness. The birth of their son two years ago gave joy and hope alike to both. The child brought added happiness. Now, there is an infant girl in that home. But the mother and the queen is no more. Her soul, the jewel of the casket, is gone to our home beyond the stars.

During her short stay in Abbeville, Mrs. Bowie made friends of all of those whose pleasure it was to know her, and many are the eyes that were tear-bedimmed because of her departure from amongst us. In her daily intercourse the fragrance of her sweet life was a benediction to all.

On Thursday afternoon religious services, suitable to the occasion, were conducted in the Presbyterian church by the pastor, Rev. J. Lowrie Wilson, D. D.

"Rock of Ages, cleave for me," sang above a coffin lid, Underneath, and softly hid, All life's joys and sorrows hid.

She was borne away to the garden of the shades at Long Pine, and we have of her only the recollection of a sweet life.

The pall-bearers were: Messrs. Ringan Thomson, Calvert Tomson, S. J. Link, T. G. White, J. Allen Smith, Jr., E. L. Dargan.

The motherless children will henceforth be in the care and love of Mr. Bowie's mother and his sisters. They will come back to Abbeville from Chicago and live in the house with Mr. Bowie.

Monument to Capt. Wirt.

The U. D. C. of Georgia propose to build a monument to the memory of Capt. Wirt, keeper of the Andersonville prison, who, after having been convicted of cruelty to Union prisoners, was executed in November, 1865. It is now contended by his relatives and friends that he was innocent of the alleged offense. The articles which appear in the Athens Banner make interesting reading.

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Death of Robert Cochran.

Robert Cochran, aged 69 years, died at his home in Abbeville on Thursday, the 12th of April, 1906.

Mr. Cochran had long been a sufferer, and for several months he had been confined to his room. About two weeks ago he became so weak that he was unable to appear at the funeral of his wife. His spiritual adviser, the Rev. Mr. Shive, to whom he said, words to this effect: "I would be glad to live, and I would be glad to be well again, but if it is the divine will that I go hence, I am willing to die, I put my whole trust and confidence in our Saviour."

All his life Mr. Cochran had lived in the purity of holiness. The promise of the Master that those "who seek me early shall find me," is assuring to that loving Father who doeth all things well. As a communicant, deacon, treasurer and elder of Upper Long Cane church he was always faithful and his life was always so correct that none ever doubted the sincerity of his profession of faith in the Redemption offered by our Saviour. He lived a blameless life, and was beloved by all who knew him.

Like most men of his age, he enlisted in the Confederate army, and his record was as a private warrior as has been his life since the close of the war.

Until recently he and his family lived on their farm some three miles East of Abbeville. Becoming feeble and unable to look after his farming operations satisfactorily, he came to town about a year ago. His children are: Mr. A. B. Cochran, Monroe, Ga., Mr. J. R. Cochran, Farmington, Ga., Mrs. W. J. McKee, Due West, Mr. J. S. Cochran, Mr. C. L. Cochran, Misses Annie, Hannah, Sadie and Carrie Cochran, of this city.

Rev. C. Shive conducted religious services at Upper Long Cane Church, and the burial was in the presence of many friends and relatives.

And so a good man has passed away. Those of us who knew him will know him no more. His labor is finished; and the night cometh when no man shall work.

"An Ideal Agency."

Largely through the efficiency and the activity of Mr. C. D. Brown, their local agent, good feeling exists between the people and the Southern road. As a result of this good feeling Mr. Brown has been enabled to be of great service to the company. Under the local management previous to his coming there was a lack of friendliness to the road, but Mr. Brown has skillfully performed the best service for both the people and the road. He and his clerk, Mr. F. L. Morrow, are so active for their road and so efficient in the discharge of their duties that the business of this town with the road has been greatly increased.

A fact which should, and no doubt is, very gratifying to both Mr. Brown and Mr. Morrow, is the recognition of their worth by the officials of the road. The traveling Auditor of the Company was in Abbeville on the 3rd of the present month. After examining the books and the conditions at this station, he reported to headquarters as follows: "To express it in a few words: This is an ideal agency."

A New School.

The Editor of the Abbeville Press and Banner wishes to establish a school for preaching. He desires to occupy the chair of English, so as to instruct the clergy as to the use of proper words to express ideas. He says many preachers do not know the difference between "Sabbath" and "Sunday," and they use these words indiscriminately. He also says there is too much profanity in the pulpit and the name of God is taken in vain by all preachers. The Editor will have a hard time straightening out preachers. He will make enemies of some of them. We, from our personal experience, can advise him never to attempt to reform a preacher's English, pulpit methods, or morals after he is 45 years old.

We shall await the results of the Editor's lectures with much interest, for if he pioneers the way and saves his scalp, we have a few lectures for the young preachers that we will give, provided it is safe.

MR. AIKEN DEFENDS THE RURAL CARRIERS.

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LOWNDESVILLE.

Lowndesville, April 18th, 1906. Dr. H. F. Hoyt of Commerce, Ga., came over Monday, and has since been the guest of his son-in-law Dr. A. J. Speer. Mrs. Hoyt has been here since Monday.

Mr. H. Curtis Fennel who has been night Telegraph Operator at McCormick for the past few months has just left on Monday and went to Mississippi where he will work until the next week.

Mr. John Hutchison one of our townsmen had a step-dog which he and his family thought much of. It was dead a few days ago, and bit two of his children but as the skin was not broken by the bites it is hoped there will be no serious results will follow. The dog after having come to several near by places and bit the dogs and other animals that he could find. It was later killed together with the animals bitten.

In the near past, by action of Council and by order of the Board of Health, a new street was opened leaving Depot street, between the homes of Messrs. R. W. Collier and D. K. Cooley, and coming out into the road beyond the old home of Mr. James M. Latimer and the late home of Mr. D. L. Barce. It is called Lucile Avenue, in honor of the only girl of Dr. O. K. Kipstick. The Doctor has already improved several lots along the new street.

Miss Lella Moseley went to Anderson Friday to spend several days.

The weather conditions have been such for the past few weeks as to enable the planters to advance rapidly in the preparation of their lands—an occasional shower of rain kept the ground in good fix. Much corn and cotton have been planted. Partly because of the scarcity of labor, and perhaps other causes, the planters this year, have prepared a part of their lands, planted them, and then prepared other lands and will plant them, so as not to have all of their crops to need work at once.

On Saturday the ladies of the Methodist church carried some potted plants and open ground flowers to the church and tastefully arranged them in and about the chancel for Easter, which it was then expected to observe the next day at 11:30 a. m. in appropriate Easter service at 11 a. m. in the service for that hour was called in, because of the funeral services of one of our citizens which were to take place in the Presbyterian church at that hour, a further account of which will be given below.

Miss Frances Herring, one of the assistants in the High school in this place, went to Anderson Friday and remained there until yesterday evening.

Mrs. J. Fulton Clinkenscope, of Troy, came up a few days ago, then on to the home of her venerable father, Mr. Frank Clinkenscope in the Fork.

Miss Belle Carlisle died very suddenly Saturday morning at the home of her brother, Mr. J. Marion Carlisle, near Milton. Her remains were brought here yesterday and were interred by her pastor, Rev. S. Hamilton, in the cemetery at 11 a. m. in the presence of a full house of the relatives and friends of the deceased. At the close of the service the body was taken to the cemetery near by, among her loved ones gone before. A good Christian woman is gone.

Landers District Summer School.

Excellent Faculty Selected.

The summer school for Abbeville, Greenwood, Laurens, Newberry and Saluda Counties will be held this year at Lander College in Greenwood.

A strong faculty of experienced instructors under the leadership of Mr. W. H. Hand of Chester, recently elected as assistant professor of Pedagogy in the University of South Carolina, has been elected. The following is a list of the faculty with their subjects:

W. H. Hand, S. C. College, Superintendent and Instructor in Pedagogy.

E. L. Hughes, Greenville City School, Illustrative Geography.

B. E. Geer, Furman University, English.

A. Mason DuPre, Headmaster Wofford Fitting School, Mathematics.

W. E. Black, Saluda Public Schools, Physical Geography and Physiology.

H. B. Dominick, Fountain Inn Public Schools, History and Civics.

Miss Hattie Goldsmith, Greenville City Schools, Primary Methods.

Miss Mary McGhee, Lake Forest City Schools, Ill., Sight Singing and Normal Teaching.

The sessions will be held in the Lander College building where there are excellent equipments, lecture rooms, a library, an auditorium seating 1,000 people, parlors, dining room, and dormitories. The price of board will be \$12 for the full session. There are accommodations for about 115 boarders in the College building.

Arrangements will be made for others in private homes near by. Those who wish to engage board in the College should engage rooms in advance. Arrangements will be made for a series of addresses by prominent educators in this and other States. A notable event will be the address by Preston W. Search, author of "The Ideal School," an educator of national reputation, who comes to this State for a series of lectures at the State summer school at Winthrop College.

Further announcements of the school will be made within a few weeks. Meanwhile it is requested that all teachers make their plans to attend this school. Special rates are being arranged with the railway systems entering Greenwood. The date is placed early in the summer, so that teachers may have a full vacation after the school before the opening fall work.

The local Secretary will answer any inquiries addressed to him at Greenwood, S. C.

State of South Carolina COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE.

Probate Court.

P. L. McColvey, Executor of Estate of James McColvey, deceased, Plaintiff, against The Trustees of the Estate of Dr. John De LaHove, et al., Defendants.

Complaint to Sell Lands to Pay Debts.

In pursuance of an order from the Probate Court, I will sell at public outcry at Abbeville Court House on Sale-day in May next, for the payment of debts, the following described real estate belonging to the estate of James McColvey, deceased, situate in said State and County, to-wit: All that tract or parcel of land lying and being on Romley Creek, waters of Savannah River, in Abbeville County in State aforesaid, containing

Five Hundred Acres, more or less, and bounded by lands of T. G. Baker, A. W. Cole, Thomas Brock, and others. Sold at the risk of former purchaser.

R. E. Hill, Judge Probate Court.

Apr. 10, 1906.

Cheated death.

Kidney trouble often ends fatally but by choosing the right medicine C. H. Wolfe, of Bear Grove, Iowa cheated death. He says: "Two years ago I had Kidney Trouble, which caused me great pain, suffering and anxiety, but I took Electric Bitters, which effected a complete cure, I have also found them of great benefit in general debility and nerve trouble, and keep them constantly on hand, since I find they have no equal." P. B. Speed druggist, guarantees them at 50c

Remember, Link's is the place to get Geo. M. Smith's long staple cotton seed. It will pay you to plant a few bushels of them.

At Dargan's 5 and 10c Store are to be seen the greatest line of Stoves and Ranges that are manufactured. The Enterprise Stove and the National Ranges are superb cookers and are the ideal stoves for the ideal southern homes that we are all so proud of. Our prices, too, would please you greatly.

A few regular \$1 grade negligee shirts going at 69 cents. S. J. Link.

When leading physicians said that W. M. Smith, of Pekin, Ia., had a curable consumption, his last hope was dashed; but Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, kept him out of his grave. He says: "This great specific completely cured me, and saved my life. Since then I have used it for over 10 years, and consider it a marvelous throat and lung cure." Strictly scientific cure for coughs, Sore Throats or Colds; sure preventive of pneumonia. Guaranteed, 50c and 1.00 bottles at Speed drug store, Triabottle free.

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