

since the King's Mountain Chapter of D. A. R. has undertaken the work, there is no longer any reason to doubt its successful carrying out. Further details will be published later on. In the meantime, subscriptions may be made to Miss Moore at Yorkville, or to THE ENQUIRER.

Now that there is no longer any danger of complications, THE ENQUIRER will take occasion to state the law as to commutation street tax in Yorkville. For a number of years past, the town council has been proceeding somewhat irregularly in the matter, and the present council has followed its predecessors. The rule heretofore has been \$2.50 and more if not paid within a given length of time, in lieu of six day's work, etc. Under the old charter, the council had authority to impose a "reasonable" commutation tax. The amount was not stated; but as a presumption of law it would not be fixed beyond the amount the legislature had prescribed for the county. The present charter prescribes specifically that the town council has the same powers with regard to the streets in the town as the county commissioners have with regard to roads in the county. The county commissioners have power to make those subject to road duty work four days, giving them the alternative of paying \$2. There is provision in the law for punishment in the event of failure to pay. THE ENQUIRER has all along believed that the town council should hold strictly to the law in this matter, and a representative of THE ENQUIRER spoke to members of council on the subject before the current ordinance was passed. No attention was paid, however, to the information, and we make the matter public now so that by this time next year everyone will be able to know his legal rights. The all important issue involved is the strict observance of the law.

PEKIN CAPTURED.

Instead of Months the Work Was Accomplished in Weeks.

The allied forces entered Pekin on last Wednesday. It was expected that there would be a long hard fight of it between Tien Tsin and the Chinese capital, and the news of the quick capture came as an agreeable surprise. General Yamaguchi, of the Japanese forces, told the story to his government on Thursday as follows: "The allies attacked Pekin early yesterday, opening with artillery on the eastern side. The wall was obstinately held by the enemy. The Japanese and Russians were on the northward of the Tung Chow canal. The Americans and British were on the south side. At nightfall the Japanese blew up the two eastern gates of the Tartar city and entered. In the meantime the American and British entered the Chinese city by the Tung Pien gates. Detachments of each force were sent towards the legations and opened communication. All the ministers and their staffs were found safe. The Japanese loss was over 100 killed, including three officers. The losses of the allies have not been ascertained. Four hundred Chinese were killed."

Subsequent dispatches tell of the flight of the Empress Dowager and the Emperor from Pekin before the allies entered.

Washington dispatches describe the administration as being very much relieved by the course events have taken. While this government has assented to the arrangement whereby Count Waldersee was to have been commander-in-chief of the allied forces, it is not understood that the United States is committed to take part in hostilities beyond Pekin. As this government sees it, China is responsible to us for the expense we have been at, the lives lost by our troops, the discomfort to which Minister Conger and people have been subjected, and also for damage to property of missionaries. A good damage bill will be put in on account of all these items, and China will be required to pay this bill. That is the way the matter looks at this time.

It is not unlikely that the fall of Pekin is really the beginning of the troubles in China. It is the avowed purpose of all the powers to be satisfied with a restoration of order throughout the empire; but it is quite possible that having gotten their armies into the coveted field, it will be quite a while before they take them out. This applies to the United States as well as the other nations. Subsequent dispatches add some confusion to the situation as described above. A British dispatch says that General Young Lu prevented the emperor from leaving Pekin, and that 30,000 Chinese are now making a last stand in the inner city, which is surrounded by the allies and being bombarded.

Pekin really consists of two main cities, the northern, or Tartar city, and the southern or Chinese city. The legations are in the extreme southeastern part of the Tartar city and adjoining the walls of the Imperial city.

Inside that is what is called the forbidden, or Sacred, or Purple city. Each in turn has its own walls, those of the latter measuring two miles in circumference, and being faced with yellow tiles. Within the inclosure are the palaces of the emperor and the Imperial family, with gardens and a lake, and the island where the emperor was imprisoned, and also the magnificent temple of the imperial ancestors, the offices of the cabinet, etc. To the north of the Forbidden City is a height known as Prospect Hill, surrounded by five temples and also enclosed. Within the Imperial City are also the Bell Tower, with its famous bell weighing over fifty tons, the Drum Tower, with quaint instruments for the measurement of time, the Lamassery, enclosed with gardens, containing a huge gilt statue of Buddha and

accommodating a thousand or more Mongol and Tibetan monks; the Temple of Confucius and also the Examination Hall, the arsenal and the residence of various high dignitaries. Until very recent years China had refused to receive the ambassadors within the Forbidden City, but decided in 1894 to admit the "barbarian" ambassadors within the stately portals. On the 12th of November of that year the seven European ministers then in Peking were received in the palace itself.

MERE-MENTION.

A Russian transport ran on a reef at Chemulpo last week and was towed to Port Arthur by a Japanese cruiser. Wm. J. Bryan has asked for the organization of Democratic clubs throughout the country on Saturday, September 1. The population of Greater New York, as indicated by the count just completed, is 3,437,202. An armed mob took a Negro from jail at Darien, Ga., last Saturday, and shot him to death. The Negro was charged with attempting criminal assault on a white woman. A delegation of Cubans called upon the President last Saturday to get information as to when an independent government would be established in Cuba. The delegation did not give out what the president said, but it was very much encouraged. The French minister of foreign affairs is considering the question of proposing an international diplomatic conference, to be held in Paris, for the purpose of arriving at some agreement with regard to united action in China. George Ferris, a Wyoming mine owner, who was about to sell his holdings for \$2,000,000, was killed at Rawlins, Wyo., last Sunday in a runaway. A Chicago dispatch says that 62,000 frogs were sold in that city last Saturday. The demand for frog legs is said to be away ahead of the supply. Bunch Taylor, a famous rifle shot who served in the Spanish war and was wounded through the lungs, died in Washington last Sunday, from trouble caused by the wound. Trooper Chadwick, of Robert's horse, has been awarded one of the swords given by the queen to the four bravest soldiers in South Africa. Chadwick is an American and was a member of the boat crew that cut the cables at Cienfuegos during the Spanish war.

Two thirds of Kansas, west of the easternmost tiers of counties, is experiencing one of the most severe droughts in the history of the state, and the general opinion is that the Kansas corn crop will be the smallest, in proportion to its requirement, for feeding that has been raised in many years. In 1899 it was 225,000 bushels. Secretary Coburn's report of conditions on August 4 indicated a yield this year of about 145,000,000 bushels. Since then there have been two weeks of hot, dry weather, which has materially reduced conditions, and the most liberal estimates of well informed men on "Change do not exceed 100,000,000 bushels, while many place the crop at not over 75,000,000.

AT THE CHURCHES.

BAPTIST. REV. J. B. BOZEMAN, PASTOR. Prayer meeting on Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

PREBYTERIAN. REV. W. G. NEVILLE, PASTOR. Prayer meeting this evening at 8.30 o'clock.

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD. REV. J. C. JOHNS, RECTOR. Services this afternoon at 6.30 o'clock.

TRINITY METHODIST EPISCOPAL. REV. J. M. STEADMAN, PASTOR. There will be prayer-meeting this evening at 8.30 o'clock.

ASSOCIATE REFORMED. REV. ROYCE H. GRIER, PASTOR. There will be no prayer meeting this week.

Special Notices.

Meeting at New Bethel. A protracted meeting will be held at New Bethel, near Olive, on Friday, Aug. 24th, at 8 o'clock p. m. Rev. E. C. McDowell, of Monticello, S. C., will assist the pastor. All are cordially invited to attend. H. R. CHAPMAN, August 22 was 2t.

Picnic at King's Mountain Chapel. On Friday, August 24th, at King's Mountain Chapel, there will be an Educational Mass Meeting and Picnic. Addresses will be made by Rev. J. M. Steadman, W. W. Lewis, Esq., and others. The public is cordially invited to attend. Come and bring your baskets well filled. S. H. BOOTH.

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Deafness Cannot be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free. F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, 75 cents. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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WHEREAS WILLIAM SADLER has applied to me for Letters of Administration on all and singular, the goods and chattels, rights and credits of MAGIE WILSON, late of the county aforesaid, deceased:

These are, therefore, to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said deceased, to be and appear before me, at our next Probate Court for the said county, to be holden at York Court House on the 28th day of AUGUST, 1900, at 10 o'clock a. m., to show cause, if any, why the said administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand and seal, this 19th day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred, and in the 125th year of American Independence.

W. H. McCORKLE, Probate Judge of York County. August 15 w 2t

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, York County. By W. H. McCorkle, Esquire, Probate Judge of York County.

WHEREAS Mrs. NANCY E. MATTHEWS has applied to me for Letters of Administration on all and singular, the goods and chattels, rights and credits of S. A. MATTHEWS, late of the county aforesaid, deceased:

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Given under my hand and seal, this 18th day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred, and in the 125th year of American Independence.

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STOP! READ! MY stock of SHOES for Ladies must be closed out without delay, and when I say "must be closed out" that is just what I mean. So to prove that I'm not talking through my hat, and to show you and "the other fellows" that I'm "on the war path," I am going to quote prices on Ladies' SHOES: \$1 Ladies' Button Shoes for 75 Cents a Pair. \$1.25, \$1.35 and \$1.50 Ladies' Button Shoes for \$1 a Pair. \$1.50, \$1.98 and \$2.00 Ladies' Button Shoes for \$1.25 a Pair. \$2.50 and \$2.75 Ladies' Button Shoes for \$1.50 a Pair. I have a small assortment of Silk Bosom Shirts, suitable for the warm weather, which I am going to close out at only 39c. each. Palmetto Hats, usually sold at 12c and 15c, to get at 10c. Palmetto Hats, usually sold at 10c, to get at 7c. All of My Straw Hats Must Go at once, together with my ENTIRE STOCK of SUMMER GOODS. Profits will be thrown aside, and my customers will be the recipients of the greatest BARGAINS yet offered. See my line of Men's Shoes. I sell Hamilton-Brown Shoes. H. C. STRAUSS.

W. B. MOORE & CO. How About Your Watch? Does it keep the correct time? Or do you have to set it every twenty-four hours? Do you know what is the matter with it? Bring it to me and let me put it in correct-time-keeping order. It may be dirty and need cleaning. It may have a cog broken. It may have a screw loose, or it may only need regulating. Bring it to me and no matter what ails it, I can set it in first-class condition. My charges are very moderate and the work will be done promptly. I also repair Jewels and Clocks. For anything in my line see me. I can and do make and repair Spectacles, Eye-glasses, Spectacles and Eye-glasses. I can suit anyone with Glasses or Frames. THOS. W. SPECK, JEWELER AND OPTICIAN. WHISONANT, CASTLES & CO., HICKORY GROVE, S. C.

DOMESTIC SEWING MACHINES in stock and sold on easy terms. Also cheaper makes. See us. DRAW CUT MOWING MACHINES and the THOMAS RAKES cannot be equalled in many points. We want to see you about a Mowing Machine this season. It will pay you to see us as we are in position to save you money as well as make you terms.

CHAMPION GRAIN DRILLS. We have probably sold more of these Drills than any other Drill sold in the county, and it has been done without our canvassing for them. We have sold them from the store as we would sell a pocket-knife. To see them work and know their simplicity, change of feed, etc., is to pronounce them the best.

DO YOU WANT A COOKING STOVE? If so, say so. We have them bought right, and will sell them the same way. Now, see if we don't. Try us!

PAINT AND OIL. We probably sell more Paint and Oil than anyone in this section, and can furnish you any kind you want; but do not know of any that stands equal to "MASTIC."

FURNITURE! FURNITURE! We keep our stock up and constantly add to this department. You cannot do better. Ask to see one of our \$20 bargain Suits, Rockers, etc., in full stock. Steam Engine Fittings, Belting, Packing, Lacing, etc., in stock.

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