THE INTELLIGENCER.

LOCAL MATTERS.

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BRIEF MENTION.

There will be no services in the Baptist Church at this place on next Sunday.

Kershaw County now has twenty-two wide-awake Democratic Clubs. Anderson has twenty-three.

The only child of Mr. J. W. Dacus, of Williamston township, died on Sunday morning, 16th inst.

We are indebted to our friend Mr. W. S. Masters for some of the largest peaches we have seen this year.

About a dozen cotton blooms have found their way to our office, but the boll from the Dark Corner still has the lead.

Trinity College, N. C., has conferred the degree of D. D. on Rev. S. Lander, President of the Williamston Female College.

The Savannah Company will meet at Grove Church, near S. F. McConnell's at 8 o'clock a. m. on the 4th of July next.

The regular meeting of the 3rd Union District of the Saluda Baptist Association will convene at Salem Church on next Friday morning.

Messrs. Orr & Tribble have moved into their new office, south side of Court House square, which is one of the pleasantest offices in town.

Mr. C. E. Horton, of Williamston, we regret to learn, fell from a wagon on Tuesday 18th inst. and broke three of his ribs. We are glad to learn that he is rapidly recovering.

The ladies of the Presbyterian Church will have ice cream for sale in the grove near the residence of Gen. Humphreys on Friday afternoon next, from 5½ to 7½ o'clock.

The proposed School Teachers' Convention meets at Anderson on Saturday, the 27th July, instead of 29th, as heretofore published. Bear this in mind, school teachers.

The political campaign in this County will begin in earnest after the County Convention meets in July. The crops will then be laid by, and candidates will appear on every hand.

A very interesting game of base ball came off on the Blue Ridge Yard last Monday afternoon, between the Carolina Collegiate nine and the "Ham Skins." The score stood 42 to 17, in favor of the latter.

The Board of School Trustees of Williamston township have notified the teachers of public free schools of that township to close their schools forthwith, and to keep them closed until further notice is given.

Our young friends T. P. Fant and C. H. Orr arrived at home last week from Yorkville, S. C., where they have been in attendance at the King's Mountain Military School. This is one of the best schools in the State.

There will be a barbecue at Maj. Elias McGee's on the 4th of July next, and preparations are being made to make it a grand success. Several persons have been invited to deliver addresses, and a gala day is in store for all who may attend.

Nancy O. Tate, wife of William P. Tate, of Walker County, Ga., died 12th day of June, after a long and painful illness. The deceased was a daughter of the late Samuel Smith, of this County. She leaves a husband and several children to mourn for her.

Mr. Samuel L. Gray brought to our office on last Saturday a fine stalk of cotton, which was twenty-five inches high, well limbed, and with one bloom and numerous squares upon it. He has a fine patch of four acres from which it was taken.

Mr. R. P. Clinkscales, from the Corner township, brought to this office on the 20th instant a half-grown boll of cotton, which was taken from one of his fields. This shows that he had a bloom by the 10th of this month, which is very early for Anderson County.

The picnic at Brown & Farmer's Store on last Saturday was a most pleasant affair. The Democrats of that section are fully alive to the interests of the party, and one of the most favorable indications is that the ladies are taking a lively interest in the perpetuity of good government.

On Tuesday afternoon, Mr. A. McC. Brown, of the firm of J. E. Adger & Co., Charleston, died at 5 o'clock at Pendleton. Mr. Brown was visiting Pendleton to improve his health, which had been poor for some time. His remains were taken to Charleston the following morning.

The picnic which was spoken of being held at Mr. R. R. Beaty's Mill on the first Saturday in July, has been indefinitely postponed. The Democratic Club of Hall township will meet at the Carswell Institute on the first Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock to elect delegates to the County Convention, and attend to other business of the Club.

The following are the officers elect of Anderson Lodge, Knights of Honor: J. L. Tribble, D.; J. W. Daniels, V. D.; J. D. Maxwell, A. D.; W. W. Keys, R.; J. R. Williams, F. R.; Dr. W. H. Nardin, T.; J. G. Cunningham, G.; J. Reese Fant, Guide; J. A. Daniels, S.; R. L. Keys, S. The installation will take place on next Wednesday evening.

The richest treat we have received in a long time was sent to us on Wednesday last by J. W. Sherard, Esq., of the Dark Corner. It consisted of a box of Wild Goose Plums, as large as guinea eggs. They were of a deep red, and for beauty and lusciousness they cannot be excelled. We advise our friends who take an interest in fine fruits to secure this plum.

At the last regular meeting of Beaverdam Division, No. 105, Sons of Temperance, the following officers were elected to serve the ensuing quarter, and will be installed on July 6th at 3½ o'clock p. m.: J. D. Kelly, W. P.; J. T. Rogers, W. A.; D. J. Owens, R. S.; Miss Sallie Owens, A. R. S.; Miss Fannie Drennan, F. S.; J. W. Rogers, Treas.; Evia Elrod, Chap.; C. I. Drennan, Con.; Miss Lou Rogers, A. C.; M. P. Rogers, I. S.; A. F. Martin, O. S.; J. M. Duckworth, P. W. P.

We are requested to announce that a meeting of Rock Mills Democratic Club will take place at Providence Camp Ground Saturday, July 13th, at 2 o'clock p. m. Col. E. M. Rucker, Judge J. P. Reed, Maj. E. B. Murray and Col. J. W. Norris have been invited to address the Club. Members are requested to be punctual in attendance, as business of importance will be transacted, a part of which will be the election of delegates to the County Convention. The public generally are invited to attend this meeting.

ST. JOHN'S DAY.

In every clime where Free Masonry casts her mantle of charity, and extends the hand of brotherly love, the Fraternity is accustomed to celebrate the festivals of St. John the Baptist and St. John the Evangelist. While the cycles of time move on apace, while kingdoms and empires have been cast down and forgot, while Egypt's once mighty cities lie entomed in eternal sand, Masonry, coeval with and ante-dating written history, perpetuates in eternal memory, and preserves to the Craft the work of the true, the beautiful, the good. The 24th of June is a festive occasion, set apart by the craft to worship the Grand Architect of the Universe.

On last Monday a large number of the fraternity assembled at the Masonic Hall, and there formed in procession, with Hon. J. L. Orr as Marshal, assisted by J. R. Williams, and unfurled their standard of "Faith and Hope," "Charity and Wisdom," "Strength and Beauty," and marched in time to the stirring strains of the Anderson Cornet Band to the Carolina Collegiate Institute. It being a busy time, there was not an unusually large crowd in attendance, but a sufficient number was present to make the occasion both interesting and pleasant.

J. F. C. DuPre, of Abbeville, was the first speaker, and gave an interesting history of the rise and progress of the Order. He claimed that its origin was coeval with Adam, was known and practiced by Noah, and continued by his descendants in its purity until the building of the tower of Babel. That after the curse was pronounced upon them, those who had not participated in the "crime" continued the pure Freemasonry, and the other established a spurious system. That these two followed parallel currents till the building of King Solomon's Temple. That they were then united and blended into one, and have so continued to this time. He next instanced some historical facts which occurred from the completion of the temple until the change in 1714. Then briefly and concisely noticed some of its leading doctrines and principles—the belief in a God, the immortality of the soul, the resurrection of the body. He next explained its principle tenets—brotherly love, relief, truth—and insisted that its object was to make man wiser, better and happier. He denied that Free Masonry is a church, or a religion, and denied and replied to the objection that it is a "secret society," and then closed with an earnest exhortation to the craft to prove their faith by their works.

Maj. John B. Moore was the next speaker introduced. He began by discussing the etymology of Masonry.—Showed how many different nations had claimed its origin. He then claimed its origin from the building of King Solomon's Temple. The subject of Masonry was then discussed by the degrees from the Entered Apprentice to the 9th, or Royal Master's degree. That the Entered Apprentice represented Youth, the Fellow Craft, Manhood, and the Master Mason, Old Age. That the Master Mason discovered that truth was lost, and that the Royal Arch Mason found it, and the "Cryptic" Mason showed how it was found. He then spoke of some of the objections to Masonry. That if the uninitiated condemn us no Mason will oppose you, but will pity you and pray for you, because you know not what you do. And he closed by paying a beautiful tribute to woman, in which he claimed that the virtuous, true and good woman was man's beau-ideal of Masonic perfection. That she need not be initiated by us, for she was already initiated by the God of her creation.

Dr. R. F. Divver was the next speaker. He spoke of the utility of Masonry. That it was something to be practiced outside of the tiled recesses of the Lodge room. That it was a system which taught sublime truths, and painted grandly the beautiful, the good, the pure. He then discussed what Masonry was. That it had been beautifully represented to be a system of morality, veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols. That the order was founded on the great masonic doctrines of a God, and the immortality of the soul. He then proceeded to discuss the teachings of Masonry. He said that a good Mason is a good man and neighbor, and that it was not every man who wore the badge of a Mason on the lappel of his coat that is a true Mason, but that it was the sober, the temperate, the good man that makes the true Mason. He then dealt some heavy blows at those who brought reproach upon the order by drunkenness. In concluding, he claimed that the order had been foremost in promoting plans for the moral and intellectual elevation of our race.

It is impossible to do the speakers justice in such brief outlines.

The speaking being over, the crowd repaired to the beautiful grove where the baskets, whose swelling sides were almost ready to burst with good things, were brought out and their contents discussed with enthusiasm by the whole crowd.

The fraternity again formed in procession and returned to their hall, and closed the festival of the day.

MAKE YOUR RETURNS.

We are requested by our County Auditor to republish the following appointments. They are made for the convenience of tax-payers, and by meeting the assessor at the time and places named and making their returns, a trip to Anderson may be saved:

Honea Path—1st, 2nd and 3rd July.
Belton—4th, 5th and 6th July.
Martin—At Reuben Clinkscales' Mill, 8th and 9th July.
Dark Corner—At Sherard's Store, 10th and 11th July.
Fork—At W. T. Grubbs' Store, 12th and 13th July.
Pendleton—18th, 19th and 20th July.

After the 20th day of July next, all Returns received are Additional Returns, and a penalty of fifty per cent. is added, except in cases where tax-payers have a lawful excuse.

On Thursday and Friday nights last Anderson was treated to a fine representation of the Cantata entitled the "Haymakers." The piece is divided into two days' work. The first day the reapers mow the hay, then the girls turn it. Then they have a rustic dining, which was splendidly represented. In the evening the dairy-maid comes, (not to milk the cows,) and at night Snipkins, a city fop, who is rusticating, comes to serenade his Katie, the dairy-maid, but is interrupted by the "Katie-dids," and leaves in disgust. The second day the hay is turned, then piled and hauled away, an approaching shower facilitating matters perceptibly. It was given for the benefit of the Episcopal Church Rectory, and reflected great credit on Miss Lizzie Morris, its head, and the different ladies and gentlemen who participated. The music throughout was in perfect tune, and the voices in beautiful accord. Such entertainments are very instructive and refining, and should be more liberally attended, as it is seldom we have anything approaching it in Anderson.

Pianos at the McSmith Music House for $150, Greenville, S. C. †

BARBECUE IN THE DARK CORNER.

Col. Elias McGee requests us to say that every arrangement will be made to make the barbecue which comes off at his house in Dark Corner township, on the 4th of July, a grand success. The Western Cavalry Regiment, all the citizens of the County, but the ladies especially, are invited to attend and bring their baskets to help out the barbecue. Good order will be enforced. The following speakers have been invited to be present and address the meeting: Gen. S. McGowan, Col. J. S. Cothran, Hon. J. P. Reed, Hon. J. L. Orr, Dr. W. C. Brown, Maj. John B. Moore, B. F. Crayton, Esq., Col. E. M. Rucker, E. B. Murray, Esq., Gen. W. W. Humphreys. The people of the Dark Corner are noted for their hospitality, and those who attend will doubtless enjoy a pleasant day.

TOWNVILLE.

A solitary bale of last year's cotton crop was brought here and sold last week by Mr. Sam. Grant.....Several schools, including the Academy here, will resume on the 1st day July proximo .....Latterly a very large Sunday School was instituted at Smith Chapel, Methodist, with Mr. Dickert, of the Lutheran persuasion, as Superintendent. .....The population of this place, as shown by a late census, is 155—79 whites and 76 blacks.....Tom. Clark, of Fair Play, the contractee, (or "or," which ever is correct,) who conveys the mail between Pendleton and a point in Georgia, *via* this place, lost a valuable horse here from colic while on a regular trip last week.....There will be preaching in the Presbyterian Church here on next Saturday and Sunday, the 29th and 30th, by the Revs. Dr. Adger, of Pendleton, and Prof. Riley, of Adger College. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed on Sunday.....The best yield of wheat in this locality, so far, is ten bushels to one sowed, (without manuring,) and the worst turnout falls on a colored man in this place, who declares he "didn't got *two bundles*" from a bushel sowed.....Elias Mason, residing on "nubbin ridge," a few miles from this place in Oconee, has dispatched nine rattle-snakes at as many different times within the past two or three months. One of them attacked him whilst he was plowing, and had fastened its fangs in his breeches leg near the foot, and was thus being dragged along before he discovered it. On killing it he found it to be fifteen years old. You can set him "head" as a snake-killer.....Nannie Tribble, twelve years old, who is a member of the Baptist Sunday School here, of which Mr. E. P. Earle is Superintendent, memorized perfectly *four hundred and forty-one* Bible verses, in the short space of one week. This speaks well, and is sixty-five verses ahead of Mattie McCarley, of the Presbyterian School, whom I alluded to latterly. D.

"A REIGN OF TERROR."

Soon after crossing the "Keowee" we noticed that on the sound of our horse's footsteps reaching any little hamlet, heads would be cautiously poked out of the doors or round the corners of buildings, followed by a seemingly hurried consultation, and the men would either become invisible, or their fleeting forms would be seen making for the woods on the mountain sides. This was almost *invariably* the case on nearing and crossing the North Carolina line. At last we reached a vicinity where we were well known, and where resided several whom we knew were not engaged in illicit whiskey making, and on enquiring the cause of such conduct we were told that all in the mountains were afraid of the Revenue officers, as it mattered not whether innocent or guilty, that they were sure of being ill-treated, and would be compelled to act as guides or receive a round of curses and abuse hard to bear, besides risking their lives if willing to be guides.

From all accounts the killing of Ladd was a most brutal and uncalled-for act, as all in his neighborhood are confident the officers fired first, and shot him in cold blood. They all deplore the present state of affairs, but at the same time it is easily perceived that there is a spirit of depredation being felt that may, if not soothed, tend to serious consequences, not only to the mountain people, but to the high-handed Revenue officials. Surely, Collector Brayton can use some discretion as to the sort of persons he employs to protect the Revenue. And if he can only induce the scum and low down whites to execute his orders, he can certainly put them under the command of some officer who will restrain their thirst for blood and propensities for abusing old women and children, a frequent practice of theirs when on a raid. E. X. E.

THE FORK DEMOCRACY.

TOWNVILLE, June 25.

The meeting of Club No. 1 at Farmer's Store, on last Saturday, was a decided and pronounced success. The attendance was much larger than was anticipated in view of the busy season with the crops, and a most encouraging feature of the day was the attendance of a fair proportion of the Fork's most charming ladies. The good women of the country are not probably conscious of the degree of wholesome enthusiasm which their presence on such occasions inspires. Cols. Orr and Rucker each paid a handsome tribute to the zeal and interest which they, the State over, manifested in the political crisis two years ago, saying that the positive spirit which they exhibited in the historic days of '76—the centennial of the nation's birth—was the prime stimulus which led to the remanding to Carolina's own sons the pilotage of the dear old ship of State.

It was previously intended to elect delegates to the County Convention at this meeting, but upon consultation it was deemed advisable to hold a call meeting for that purpose on the first Saturday in July, which would afford time to swell the membership, thus entitling the club to larger representation. At present the club has ninety-two members, and at the next meeting the list will doubtless reach one hundred and twenty-five.

Col. E. M. Rucker, Maj. Murray, of the INTELLIGENCER, Col. J. L. Orr, Hon. H. R. Vandiver and Hon. B. F. Crayton were present, and delivered pertinent addresses upon the issues before the people. I would like to individualize these speeches, but space prevents. I must say, however, that Messrs. Murray and Orr gave some wholesome advice and information to the colored men, a handful of whom were present. Here, too, I will say that several colored men have enrolled themselves as members of this club, and that there is a likelihood of several others joining.

At the close of the speaking several tables were spread with delicious and appetite whetting edibles in super-abundance, to which it is needless to add ample justice was done. The Fork ladies have a peculiar and coveted knack in making "good victuals," and the sterner, brawny element, the "horrible men," have a still more peculiar knack in gulping the "good things." I don't pretend to say that they are anacondas, but that they are epicures, and do enjoy a "square meal" of delicacies, and who doesn't? They appear to be guided in this respect by that trite phrase which says: *Dum vivimus vivamus.*

As the evening wore away the young people had a lively dance at Mr. Farmer's residence, and so enjoyable indeed was the entire day, that the club proposes to have a similar rally, though on a larger scale, sometime in August. W. A. D.

WILLIAMSTON FEMALE COLLEGE.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.

MR. EDITOR: Stepping into the large, commodious chapel of this institution on Wednesday evening last, quite a pleasing scene met our gaze. The hall was already fast filling. On the stage was a number of ministers of various denominations from all over the State. The rostrum was tastefully decorated. In letters of silver, just above, we see, "What hath God Wrought?" Immediately on the left of this "72," on the right "78." A powerful interrogatory! Many changes have taken place even in this short space of time. Taking a retrospective view through these years of this College's life, we see some mistakes, a few sad incidents, but upon the whole it is a pleasant view. She is a child yet, and all children make mistakes. The faculty should be congratulated on their success. Mr. Lander has just cause to be proud of his *child*.

At half past eight Rev. S. A. Weber, formerly of this institution, now of Orangeburg, S. C., arose to deliver the annual sermon before the Young Ladies Christian Association. For one hour he held a heterogenous mass of humanity, literally crammed into the hall—some very uncomfortably seated, and others not seated at all—perfectly spell-bound. Such good order we never saw before, not even in church. The singing was splendid. Mr. Lander's pupils are noted for their singing and penmanship.

On Thursday morning we had the address before the Erosophic Society. Before the address was in order came some very fine music on piano, organ and bells. We took no notes, and consequently cannot mention names as we would like. Maybe it is well we cannot. Like Col. Rucker's average young man of the age, we might get ourselves into a scrape. Hon. E. M. Rucker was the orator for the day. A happy selection. The Colonel speaks with less effort than any one we ever heard before. We are sorry we have not room for his speech. It was a finished production, and was listened to throughout with the profoundest attention.

Amongst all the beautiful performances and singing which followed Col. Rucker's speech, we cannot refrain from noting specially that exquisite rendition of "Break, Break, Break," by Miss Tommie Hall.

The performance for the morning was closed with the Graduating Exercises. The class consisted of five—Misses Hollingsworth, Vesta Mauldin, Mamie Mauldin, McMakin and Hall. The class by their own vote decided to graduate in calico dresses. This, we were informed by Dr. Lander, is to be a feature of the school hereafter. All are to wear calico dresses without jewelry. In accordance with this rule, the young ladies appeared in plain calico, made up simply but tastefully. We shudder to think what havoc that class might have played with the hearts of the beaux present had they been dressed as graduates usually are. They did valiant service as it was. Dr. Lander should try hereafter to arrange it so that the prettiest girls in school should not all graduate at once. We think the whole audience sympathized with the President when he stepped forward and with tears in his eyes delivered the following

BACCALAUREATE ADDRESS.

DEAR CHILDREN—There is no affectation in me when I say, "The melancholy day has come, the saddest of the year;" for, though these scenes and circumstances have in them many elements of joy, as in this juncture I review the past, and realize to some extent the meaning of this hour, there crowd themselves upon me clashing emotions of pleasure and of pain, of which the painful much predominate.

The last year, the last lesson, the last opportunity, the last interview—these words would not suggest so serious thoughts, if we but knew that every previous privilege had been improved, and every previous lesson had been duly taught and learned. But, as I gaze upon you now, I can not well repress the rising fear that by some dereliction on my part, some sad misapprehension of your special needs, I may have left the work of your development too much imperfect, and thus have fastened to you for all time to come inseparable evidence of my neglect. But then it gives me real joy to feel that, in our mutual intercourse throughout, you have evinced a laudable desire to cultivate your intellectual powers, improve the privileges you have had at hand, and be in readiness for any post of duty that may be assigned you on the stage of active life.

You come to-day to swell the number of a noble band. Scattered indeed, how widely! but everywhere a blessing; filling here a faithful teacher's chair, or there dividing a fond husband's care and joy, or lingering still beside the native hearth, to strengthen cords of pure affeciton and elevate the aims and aspirations of the household—your alma mater points to-day with pardonable pride to those who heretofore have occupied your place, and says, "These are my jewels." In their name, I give you cordial welcome to their midst, and bid you constantly to vie with these your elder sisters in every practicable effort to adorn society and bless mankind.

From '72 to '78, what hath God wrought! Saying nothing now of the hundreds of undergraduates who from time to time have received more or less benefit from attendance on our labors here, think for a moment of the incalculable possibilities of blessing represented by the twenty-nine who, having earned them well, have borne away these parchment testimonials of our favor.—Twenty-nine centres of wholesome Christian influence; twenty-nine cultivated characters, to shed forth with moon-like gentleness the reflected brilliancy of the Sun of righteousness;—who shall count the heavy hearts made glad, the clouds of ignorance and sin dispelled, the brilliant blessings every way dispensed, by these our boasted twenty-nine?

Twenty-nine! So soon! So young! So promising! Must I subtract already one from our small number? Must I record it only twenty-eight? Last christmas Ida left us. Though thoroughly imbued with laudable desire for further culture, while in the very act of prosecuting her design to make herself still more a blessing to her kind, her earthly race was ended, and she was but too soon transferred to the Heavenly arena. And yet I make no subtraction. We still have twenty-nine: for from that higher sphere, she looketh down, and doubtless more than ever scatters benedictions through the house made saddest by her unexpected leaving. Truly, she being dead yet speaketh. Let us who still survive bear ever in our minds the earnest question, "Wherefore are we spared?" and let us too remember that the time is short, and that the school you enter now, the school of experience, the school of duty, the school of real life, knows no vacation on this side of Heaven.

Go then, my children, to the posts assigned you in the providence of God. Go forth bowed down and lifted up. Feel ever, as you now feel, your slender preparation, nay, your utter inability to meet the stern responsibilities of life alone; but, at the same time, trust firmly in the blest assurance that you can do all things through Christ Jesus the Lord. Then "trust in your Heavenly Father, and bravely your mission pursue." * * * * * *

In the afternoon, at 4 o'clock, Prof. J. G. Clinkscales made a masterly effort before the Alumnæ. His speech was replete with wisdom, wit and humor. We think we see in the near future a time when Williamston can point with pardonable to Prof. Clinkscales as her most noted offspring. He is certainly a promising young man. By the way, he is just now in his honeymoon. As to whether a man who is just married can make a better speech than before, we leave his hearers to judge. We have never tried it. His theme was "Female Culture," and was ably discussed in a speech of one hour and a half in length.

We were pained to see the Alumnæ wearing mourning. Since last met one of their number has been removed by death. After a sad, touching song by the association, "In Memoriam" of Miss Ida Jones, their deceased sister, the exercises were closed. B. WARE.

Physicians now admit that "The shield is nobler than the spear." How much better then to shield the system against billious attacks, by using DR. HARTER'S LIVER PILLS, than to cure the disease when firmly seated.

ELECT YOUR BEST MEN.

MR. EDITOR: Gov. Hampton, in his address to the people of Anderson in March last, advised them to send their best men to the Legislature. He repeated his advice in his recent speech at Ninety Six, congratulating the people of Abbeville and Edgefield upon the nomination of McGowan and Bonham.

The Columbia *Register*, in a recent issue, says: "It was a decided hit made by Gov. Hampton in his speech at Anderson when he told the people of South Carolina to pick out their best men and send them to the Legislature—make them go into the service. He was giving advice which has since found a lodgment in every nook and corner of the State. And if we read the signs of the times aright, the people are preparing to act upon the suggestions by demanding the services of the very best men who are not now in office. It is no time for selecting Legislators with reference to *expediency, locality* or *occupation*." The italics are my own.

In my judgment, then, it is folly to select members of the Legislature by reason of their occupation or their residence, and far more damaging to choose them "for their availability on the grounds of expediency. It is the best men that are wanted to deal with the intricate questions before the next Legislature. The men who are best adapted to the work before them, because of their training, industry and devotion to the State. Men of brains and of character, with the will and determination to do what is right, regardless of the effect it will have upon their popularity." The Winnsboro *News and Herald*, taking up the theme, says: "It is extremely important that each county should send her best men to represent her. This is the advice given by Gov. Hampton, and it would be uncommonly good advice by whomsoever given. In choosing representatives to consult for the good of the State, people should lay aside personal prejudices and vote for those who can do the most good."

Gen. McGowan, responding in a speech to a serenading party at Anderson on the 10th, said: "When the proper time comes for your primary election, go out and nominate your best and most suitable men for office, especially for the Legislature, without reference to whether they want it or not. Do not be governed by who is most anxious or who has electioneered most. Select them because they are the proper men—not because they want to serve; not because you wish to honor them, but because you wish to take care of yourselves." All this is most excellent advice, words wisely spoken; and it becomes the people of Anderson, who delight to be called the "Banner County" in all matters of progress, to decide whether they will heed the advice and elect their best and most suitable men, or whether we will elect those most anxious for office and who electioneer the most. We shall see. DEMOCRAT.

EDUCATION—NO. 1.

MR. EDITOR: "Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding," is as sound in theory to-day as when it first fell from the lips of Solomon. Since that time, however, the world has seen fit to make it read, "Happy is the man that findeth money, and the man that getteth goods." Such doctrine is pernicious, and should not be countenanced. Wisdom and understanding is man's best merchandise. As men become educated they learn to be wise. People that are ignorant know nothing of the blessings of an education, and not unfrequently are disposed to look upon it with contempt. Others, again, have a mistaken idea of what education is, and think the child or man who is able to repeat whole books from memory is, therefore, educated. Some people would have you cram a child's head with the words of a book just as a good domestic would stuff a chicken before baking, and then have everybody to fall down and worship the calf. In days of more successful pedagoguery the average country school teacher's success was measured by the length of the *birch* he used, and the number of useless phrases he had learned, by dints and blows, the child to repeat from memory. His great object in teaching was to cram the contents of the book in the child's head regardless of utility or practicability. In such teaching, or education, (call it such,) there is both fraud and humbuggery. The world has done well to call such pedagogues, and immortality has been bestowed upon them by Washington Irving in the ludicrous character of Icabod Crane. Happy for the country that this class of teachers is fast dying out, and the places that once knew them will soon know them no more forever. The education of the young has been left entirely to the whims or caprice of their natural guardians. If children are sent to schools in the country, in many instances it is for the purpose of getting them out of the way at home. No attention is paid to any systematic course of study. The child goes to school for a few days, is then stopped. While such a system of schooling is continued, the great number of children will grow up in ignorance.—With all the boasted civilization of the North a dread of communism is beginning to take hold of the people. This spirit of communism will not be confind there alone, like water, it will seek its level, and will permeate every community where ignorance prevails. "We make a great mistake," said the statesman Calhoun, "in supposing all nations capable of self-government." Was he not right? Do men know how to govern themselves by innate ideas of government? Do we not have to be trained, educated and governed at home around the fireside in order to keep down endless confusion in the family circle? What families are governed the best, the ignorant or the educated? What nations are governed best, those that are governed by brute, physical force, or those that are governed by high moral and mental strength? Government is of divine origin. The world was made to to be governed, whether by few or many. That people is governed best by a government whose subjects know best how to govern themselves. And the question, "Should education be compulsory?" is beginning to receive a more serious consideration among the thoughtful. A government that seeks to protect minorities as well as to concede the rights of majorities, must look with distrust on everything that tends to breed a spirit of communism; and how to avert it will soon be a question more fraught with interest with statesmen than the subject of enfranchising 8,000,000 of ignorant negroes to exercise the rights of suffrage at the ballot box. If instead of such a universal suffrage the great philanthropist, and the party of great moral ideas, had bent its energies to bring about a universal education among all the ignorant classes so as to elevate and ennoble the poorer elements of society, white and colored, then that party might have done a work which should last. It is a bad thing to give a child a sharp knife. Nine cases out of ten it will cut itself. So it is bad policy to put power into the hands of those who know not even the first principles of government. The power they will use to their own destruction, and to the destruction of him who gives, unless some means be used to avert it. If our government should be overthrown by communism, it is scarcely entitled to sympathy. It has been nursing a poisonous reptile in its own bosom, whose fatal fangs may be felt at no distant day, unless the monster is killed.

A CARD.

MR. EDITOR: It would seem from the representations of my friends, that I have been very unfortunate in defining my position in reference to my possible candidacy for the Senate. When I said I would not be the one "to open the ball" in the early part of May, I intended to intimate that I thought it too early then for the canvass to begin. But when I also said that whether I became a candidate later must depend upon the number of those of my own political faith who might seem to wish it. I desired to be understood as placing the matter where I thought it properly belonged—with those whose duty it was to select candidates; and personally, as neither declining nor seeking the position. Regretting to have to appear again to say even this little, I am,

Respectfully,
B. F. WHITNER.

A meeting of the Eastern Savannah Democratic Club was held at Davis' Mills on Saturday, June 8th. In the absence of the President, Maj. E. J. Earle, by request, presided.

On motion of B. A. Davis, the President was authorized to appoint a committee of three to nominate delegates to the County Convention. The following named gentlemen were nominated by the committee: Messrs. B. A. Davis, Benjamin West, R. McConnell, Reuben Burriss and William Jones.

Messrs. A. N. Sanders, John Rainey, B. West, P. K. Norris and E. W. Stewart were appointed on the executive committee, charged with completing the roll of the Club.

The Club then adjourned to meet on second Saturday in July.

S. CUNNINGHAM, Sec. pro tem.

There will be a meeting of Garvin Township Democratic Club at Bishop Branch School House on the 29th day of June, (the fifth Saturday,) at one o'clock, for the purpose of electing delegates to the County Convention, and also for the purpose of electing officers to serve during the coming campaign. Our Representatives, H. R. Vandiver and R. W. Simpson, and Lieut. J. P. Glenn will deliver addresses on the political issues of the day.

Every Democrat in the township who desires a continuance of the economical rule of the Democratic party instead of the galling and disgraceful robber rule of the disgusting Radical party is earnestly invited to be present. And it is to be hoped that the ladies, ever faithful and true, will honor the meeting with their presence, and thereby increase its success.

W. J. MARTIN,
J. A. CARSON,
F. E. WATKINS,
A. N. RICHARDSON,
J. W. KNIGHT,
} Executive Committee.

June 12th, 1878.

Martin Township Democratic Club will meet at Clinkscales' Mill on Saturday, 29th inst., at one o'clock p. m. A full attendance of the members is desired. Every voter in the township is invited to attend this meeting. Good speakers will be on hand, and several addresses may be expected. Delegates to the County Convention will also be elected.

REUBEN CLINKSCALES, Pres.
GEO. M. MCDAVID, Sec.

BROADAWAY DEMOCRATIC CLUB.

There will be a meeting of Broadaway Democratic Club on Saturday the 13th of July, at 2 o'clock p. m. A full attendance of members is requested, as the election of delegates to the County Convention, together with other important business, will be transacted.

THOS. ERSKINE, President.
S. J. BROWNE, Secretary.

There will be a meeting of Hunter's Spring Democratic Club on Saturday, the 6th of July, at 3 p. m., for the purpose of electing delegates to the Convention, which meets the 16th prox. Maj. B. F. Whitner and others are expected to address the Club on that occason. We hope all the members of the Club will be present.

J. BELTON WATSON, Pres.
R. M. BURRISS, Sec.

COLORED SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC.

The St. Paul Baptist Sunday School of this place will have a picnic on the 4th of July next. Addresses will be delivered by several white gentlemen. Quite a pleasant time is anticipated. All other Sunday Schools throughout the County are invited to attend. The ladies are requested to bring their baskets with them.

REV. E. E. TERREL, Co. Sup't.

J. W. Harris, of Henderson, Texas, says: "My daughter had the Third-Day Ague for several months, her case baffled all treatment. I was in despair; DR. HARTER'S FEVER AND AGUE PILLS was recommended to me, my daughter commenced using them, and before she had used all of the Pills, she was cured. 50

Some music dealers North will say and put more on paper and send it all over the country than they dare tell you to your face. Do not be humbugged, but come to Mrs. McSmith's music house, Greenville, S. C., and we will surprise you by our low prices for the very best Pianos and Organs. †

OBITUARY.

WADE H., son of Dr. J. T. and Mrs. McFall, died on the 18th of May, 1878, aged eighteen months.

Another darling lies sweetly sleeping,
Little loved one early blest,
Free from care, and pain, and sorrow,
We should rejoice he is at rest.

His dark eyes, like angels beaming,
Never more will meet our own;
Oh, his absence makes most dreary
Our once cheerful, happy home.

Vainly do we try to find him,
Vacant is his little crib,
Our precious darling in the churchyard,
Low is laid thy little head.

Side by side in heaven's bright region,
Three little angels sing and soar,
Welcomed by the Lord of heaven.
There they live forever more.

IF
The Woman who rejoices in salad and ice cream, hot cakes and warm pie;
IF
The Student who eats hastily and sits down at once to active mental labor;
IF
The Business Man who bolts his food in eager haste and hurries to his counting-room;
IF
The Hard Drinker could look at the delicate glands, swollen and festered with disease, that cause the throbbing brain;
IF
The Lawyer, the Minister, the Merchant, and all who lead sedentary lives and are subject to Dyrpepsia or Indigestion, Constipation and Headache;
IF
These only knew what MERRELL'S HEPATINE FOR THE LIVER will do for their relief, and how quickly it cures—there would be much less suffering than at present.
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A. LESSER.
June 27, 1878 41 3m

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SORGHUM MACHINERY—The Celebrated COOK EVAPORATOR and VICTOR CANE MILL, offered lower than ever before. Call and examine.
TOZER'S AGRICULTURAL ENGINES have never been excelled, if equalled, and we are now ready to receive orders.
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All we ask is an examination of our prices, the quality of the machinery, terms, &c., before buying elsewhere.
SULLIVAN & CO.
May 30, 1878

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