The Times and Democrat.

COMMITTED SUICIDE.—Mr. Elliott H. Erick, a prominent citizen of the Pine Grove section of our County, and for a number of years a consistent and active member of Trinity Luthern Church, committed suicide last Friday by blowing out his brains with a shotgun. Mr. Erick was a most estimable gentleman, and leaves a large family to mourn his death. He was in easy circumstances, and his friends know of no cause why he should have taken his life.

ANOTHER FIRE.—The stables and outbuildings of Representative Ira T. Shoemaker, in the Fork, were destroyed by fire one night last week. A large quantity of corn, fodder, oats, and four mules were burnt up with the buildings. The fire was undoubtedly the work of an incendiary, and we hope the miscreant may be caught and punished to the fullest extent of the law. Mr. Shoemaker was in Columbia attending to his duties as a member of the Legislature when the fire occurred. His loss is very heavy.

A COMPARISON.—From the annual report of the County Commissions of Aiken County we learn that the Public Printing cost that County last year $540.92. The Public Printing in this County cost, for the same period, $826.00. This is quite a showing in favor of our County. As Aiken has two papers and Orangeburg only one, it shows that the TIMES AND DEMOCRAT is doing the square thing by the County, and not gouging it because it happens to have a monopoly.

THE LUNATICS.—From the annual report of the Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum it appears that there are now 603 patients in that institution, of whom 21 are from Orangeburg. The total expenditure for maintainance and improvement for the year amounted to $223,244.14, and the average cost of each patient is $141.94. There were 240 patients admitted during the year. An appropriation of $133,000 is asked for the current year. Let everything that is possible be done for these unfortunates.

THE LIABILITY OF RAILROADS.—The Supreme Court of the State has decided that the stock law does not change in any way the liability of railroads for injury to stock. In Jones *vs.* Columbia and Greenville Railroad, which went up from Abbeville, the Court held that the law in Danner's Case still applies in this State. That law is that whenever it is proved that stock is killed by a railroad the law presumes negligence and holds the road liable for damages, unless it can prove, by affirmative testimony, that it exercised due care. In Simkins *vs.* the Columbia and Greenville Railroad, a case that went up from that County, the same doctrine is laid down.

LOOK FOR THE COMET.—The Brooks comet of 1812 is now visible in the evening. It is in the Northwest, and is pursuing a path that will soon bring it into the constellation of Cygnus in which the Swan is across the milky way. On December 13th it reached the maximum brightness of 1812, and by the 14th of January will become four times brighter. Its closest approach to the sun will be on January 25th, after which it will be seen no more for seventy-one years. It has shown some remarkable features unknown in any other comet. About the 20th of September it brightened rapidly and threw out a considerable tail. The light was of unusual density and, at one time, became of a smoky color. In a few days the tail and brightness suddenly disappeared. Several times since a feeble tail has been observed to form and fade again.

A SAD AND FATAL ACCIDENT.—Last Saturday while Mrs. Ann Barton, the esteemed wife of Col. D. R. Barton, of the Fork, was superintending the preparation of dinner, her dress took fire from the kitchen stove. She ran out and screamed for help. This brought to her assistance her husband and Mr. Jerome McMichael, who succeeded in extinguishing the flames, but not until Mrs. Barton was terribly and fatally burned. Medical aid was of no avail, and she lingered in great agony until Sunday morning when she breathed her last. Mrs. Barton was about sixty years old, and was a most excellent lady. She was a devoted member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for many years. Her remains were taken to New Hope Church, where her funeral services were conducted. They were then interred in the yard adjacent to the Church. A large number of friends attended her funeral. Col. Barton and Mr. McMichael got their hands badly burned in trying to subdue the flames.

WHY IS IT THUS.—A young man is allowed by the strictest moralist an intermediate time in which to sow his wild oats; but who ever admitted the same necessity with girls? We say that man should have his amusements—his clubs, cigars, horse races, flirtations and liquorings, but supposing our woman and girls come to us recking with tobacco? Supposing they addicted themselves openly to nips of grog and absinthe when their spirits were low? Supposing they sat down to quiet rubbers of whist or ecarte, gambling away their household just to while off dull hours? We demand so much of excellence of our women that the worst of them are better than the average man. I have known some women who were social outcasts, and who, in point of heart, conduct and general moral rectitude, might have furnished stuff for the making of very upright gentlemen indeed. They have fallen, it is true; but what a fearful penalty they have paid for that fall, while by comparison the kindred penalties of men are so slight. If a young man gets mixed up in some disgraceful entanglement, breaks a heart and throws a young girl on the streets after having ruined her life, people say of him, compassionately, by and by: "He was so young when he did it, and now he has turned over a new leaf," but if an inexperienced girl, a mere child of sixteen or seventeen comes to harm through a moment's weakness, born of too much love and over-confidence in her betrayer, who ever thinks of pleading her youth as an excuse? Who ever urges seriously that a girl has turned over a new leaf? Who urges upon her any necessity of doing so?

THE *North American Review* for January presents a table of contents possessing in the highest degree the character of contemporary human interest. First, the opposite sides of the question of "Ecclesiastical Control in Utah" are set forth by two representative men, whose competence for the performance of the task undertaken by them respectively admits of no doubt, viz: President John Taylor, the official head of the Mormon Church, and the Hon. Eli H. Murry, Governor of the Territory of Utah. Senator John I. Mitchell writes of the "Tribulations of the American Dollar," recounting the strenuous efforts of the people of the United States to extinguish the national debt, and contending that it is our imperative duty to-day to settle definitely the question, whether we shall have dollars of unequal commercial value in circulation. In an article entitled "Theological Re-adjustments," the Rev. Dr. J. H. Rylance insists upon the necessity of eliminating from the formularies of belief and from the current teachings of the churches, whether of the pulpit or in the Sunday school, doctrines and all statements of supposed facts which have been discredited by the advance of exegetical scholarship and by the progress of natural science. Senator Henry W. Blair, taking for his theme "Alcohol in Politics," declares his belief that another irrepressible conflict is at hand, and advocates the submission to the people of an amendment to the United States Constitution prohibising the manufacture, sale and importation of intoxicating liquors. No one who read in the December *Review* the first half of "The Day of Judgment," Gail Hamilton's incisive review of the domestic life of Thomas Carlyle, will forego the pleasure of perusing the latter half in the current number. "Evils Incident to Immigration," by Edward Self, is a forcible statement of the mischiefs wrought by the importation into our social and political life of an enormous annual contingent from the lowest stratum of the population of Europe. Finally, the subject of "Bribery by Railway Passes is discussed by Charles Aldrich and Judge N. M. Hubbard. Published at 30 Lafayette Place, New York, and for sale by booksellers generally.

Local Dots.

The cold weather has a mark effect upon the wood pile.

The New Year will bring some changes in our town.

Next Tuesday is Christmas. The old gobblers had better look out.

The beautiful sunset on last Saturday evening attracted general attention.

Mr. Kiak Robinson has started to build on his lot next to Dr. Reeves' residence.

The Methodist Church was closed last Sunday, the pastor being absent at Conference.

Miss Stokes, of Pawley's Island, is visiting Mr. James Stokes' family near Rowesville.

Miss Anna R. Moss, of the Fork, spent last week in town visiting Dr. Raysor's family.

Rev. T. M. Galphin preached a telling sermon last Sunday on "Selfishness." We hope it will do good.

Miss Viola Hydrick, who has been visiting friends on Santee for some time, has returned home.

The Baptist Sunday School at Jamison will hold a Missionary Mass Meeting Dec. 23 at 3 o'clock p. m.

Mr. A. I. Cook, who lives about four miles from town, killed a hog last Monday that weighed 451 pounds gross.

Mr. Allen B. Parler, of Felderville, has gone to Jamersville, Wis., to learn telegraphy in a school at that place.

It is said that Orangeburg was the first County to respond to the call for funds to defend the persecuted Democrats.

There is great opposition on the part of some of our citizens to the proposition to issue bonds on the authority of the town.

Oranageburg County has 21 lunatics in the asylum at Columbia, but the number that is not in the asylum is unknown.

Miss Anna Pascal, Miss May Candler and Miss Susie Candler, three charming Augusta young ladies, are visiting Miss May Postell.

Look out school teachers! The school Commissioner has put on his war paint and feathers and is busy inspecting the County schools.

A weekly newspaper in New York, edited by a woman, is called *Man*. This, however, is not the only man edited by a woman.

Our merchants must be a race of gamblers, or busines must be very dull, as we never have heard so much complaint about the dull times before.

To make a good egg-nogg it is necessary to use first quality liquids, and these can be obtained at James Van Tassel's. Call and get what you want.

The Sunday School of the Baptist church at St. Matthews, will have a Chistmas tree on Christmas day at 6 o'clock p. m. The public are cordially invited.

There is no town in South Carolina which has better church and school facilities than Orangeburg, and can surpass it in an honest and hard working population.

Mr. Geo. J. Parlor, who left our county about fourteen years ago and went to Texas, has returned home. Our young men go off, but sooner or later they come back.

Debt is an awful thing, and we would advise our Town Council to move slow in the matter of issuing bonds. A mortgage sticketh closer than a brother. It never sleeps.

Mr. J. D. Wolfe has about completed his neat and comfortable residence in the western part of our town, and will soon occupy it. We congratulate him and his family upon their comfortable home.

We are pleased to announce that the Rev. Dr. Raysor, who has served as Presiding Elder of this District during the past year has been reappointed to the same field for another year, by the Conference.

The days are about as short now as they ever get in this latitude, being only a little more than ten hours from sun to sun. But the scale will turn next week, and the long winter evenings will begin to shorten as the daylight increases.

The Rev. J. L. Stokes, who has had charge of the Marion Street Methodist Church in Columbia, during the past four years, has been appointed by the Conference to succeed the Rev. W. R. Richardson as pastor of the Methodist Church of our sown.

A Texas debating society debated the question: "When a watermelon vine runs on to another man's land, who owns the melons?" The referee decided that the colored man who lived about a mile and a half from the two farms owned the melons.

The Columbia *Register* exhibited commendable enterprise in publishing the South Carolina Conference appointments twenty-four hours in advance of any other paper in the State. We are enabled by this enterprise to publish the appointments this week.

A southern paper says that a census of southern editors shows two captains, seventeen majors, seven generals and 1,826 colonels. There are no privates and no officers below the rank of captain. The above paragraph is not true. Neither of the editors of this paper has a military title, and don't want any.

Our people can prepare for a grand treat in the dramatic line. The old Richmond and McElreth Combination is billed to play at the Masonic Hall four nights next week. This company is well known to our people, having played here the two past winters, and need no commendation from us.

We have often heard singing that we could not exactly say what was the matter with it. A young lady relieved us of our dilemma recently by saying that the singing referred to sounded to her like it came from a long distance and was tired. That expresses our sentiments exactly. Tired singing is an abomination in the sight of the Lord, and ought to be given a rest.

As the cold blasts of Winter howl about us, let us think of the poor and seek to gladden their homes with the kind sympathies and material blessings of warm and loving hearts. As far as as we can prevent, let not a single desolate hearth stone be found in our midst when the merry carols of Christmas morning are heard. Let all who have share of their abundance with those who have not.

At the close of a concert not a thousand miles from Orangeburg, while a young gentleman was struggling with his hat, cane, overcoat, opera glasses and his young lady's fan, all of which he was trying to retain on his lap, a suspicious looking black bottle from the overcoat pocket fell on the floor with a loud thud. "There!" he exclaimed to his companion, "I shall lose my cough medicine." That was presence of mind.

Rev. W. R. Richardson, who has been the faithful and beloved pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of our town for several years has been sent by the Conference to take charge of the church at Abbeville Station. Mr. Richardson is a fine preacher, and an excellent gentleman, and his congregation at this place gives him up reluctantly, but they are pleased to know that he has been appointed to a good charge.

Dots from Elloree.

Editors Times and Democrat:

As you are receiving dots from other portions of the County, I give you a few from this side.

The farmers are busy sowing wheat and oats, while it is most pleasant weather. There will be a much larger acreage sown this year than there was last year.

It is no longer a question of doubt among the industrious farmers whether they must continue extensive cotton planting, or more of home consumption, such as, corn, wheat, oats, peas, rice, potatoes, &c. It is an evident fact, that a continuation in the former, without modification, that is, planting every successive year more cotton and less corn, wheat, oats, &c., destruction and abject poverty among the Southern planters are inevitable.

The gathering of the crops are about finished, and a far better yield there is than was expected.

Prof. T. E. Mitchell re-opened his most flourishing school here last September. The Academy has been enlarged, and is well equipped with desks and seats, which facilitates so much, both teacher's and scholar's work. There are now in daily attendance fifty-five scholars, and more to come.

ALPHA.

Wasting Money.

ORANGEBURG, Dec., 17, 1883.

Editors Times and Democrat:

Do the people realize the amount of money that is wasted every year in making and unmaking laws? Here we have the Legislature in session for an indefinite time at the expense of some $800 a day, and, still worse, the Congress going on at the delightful rate of $6,000 for the session for each Congressman. And for what? For each body every year to undo, to a considerable extent, what was done by the previous body, and to add little or nothing besides. The fact is, most of our knotty litigation proceeds from our having too much law, and yet every year we add statute upon statute to make confusion doubly confused. And who pays for all of this? The people who are toiling with their plows and their anvils to make a living for their families. Of course laws are necessary for the regulation of society, but there is no occasion for our Legislatures, either State or National, to meet so often or prolong their sessions so long. The waste of money is outrageous, and, instead of order, confusion is the result. Once in two years, if *necessary*, is enough for either the State or National Legislature to meet, and, even then, there ought to be a legal limit to the sessions. A constitutional amendment to this effect would be a blessing to the people in saving money in their pockets. We have two staring evils in our Republican government, namely, too many elections, and too much legislation. REFORMER.

"Pay as You Go."

ORANGEBURG, Dec., 15, 1883.

Editors Times and Democrat:

The new Town Council seems to be disposed to make improvements. There are loud talks of straightening Russell street, opening new streets and building additional fire wells; and now, in connection with the above, a bill has been presented to the Legislature to make the way clearer for our Council to borrow money, and to increase the limit of taxation to ten mills. Improvements are desirable, of course, but it seems to the writer that it would be wiser to be moderate, especially at this time.

In the first place, bonded debts are bad, as the experience of most towns and cities that have tried them will demonstrate. We need go no further than Columbia to cite an example. Let us undertake only such improvements then as we have the cash in hand to pay for. The old adge is a good one, "pay as you go."

In the second place, high taxation should be avoided. It injures a town in scaring off capital, and, besides this, people don't want to pay rent for their own houses in taxes. Taxes have to be watched and kept within reasonable limits.

In the third place, this would be an unfortunate time to increase taxes. Prohibition in itself must necessarily make taxes higher, and all the additional burden of taxation will be attributed to this source. Prohibition will have it all to bear. At any rate let us move cautiously, and, by all means, before any important step is taken, let the taxpayers be heard from. TAXPAYER.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.—At the regular meeting of the Town Council last week a considerable amount of business was disposed of. The Treasurer's report was read and received as information. It showed a very small balance in the Treasury. The result of the recent election in favor of "No License" was declared, and the protest of the "License" party read. The grounds of this protest were, as stated by us in a former issue, that the election was held on the 30th of November, which was not the *month* specified in the Act, and that the polls were not opened at the legal hour.

An ordinance was passed for the straightening of Russell street, which is certainly an important step, and one in which considerable interest will be felt.

The Independent Fire Company, colored, was brought up to show cause why its charter should not be taken away, the charges being absence from fires as a company, and failure to make the monthly reports required by the Board of Fire Masters. At the request of the Company, with a view to reorganization, further time was granted to answer.

A resolution was passed to amend the charter of the town so as to make a clearer and more definite provision for the issuing of bonds by Council for borrowed money, when required, and to increase the limit of taxation from five to ten mills. This matter is now in the form of a bill before the Legislature.

The County Commissioners presented a protest against Council using the Jail as a guard house.

The Board of Health was appointed, the names being the same as we reported in our last issue.

The report of the Board of Fire Masters was read, and contains much of interest to our citizens. A strong appeal was made for more fire wells. The Board recommends that four more wells be made and located as follows: One on Glover street, near Capt. M. Glover's residence; one on Whitman street, near Gen. Izlar's; one on Russell street, near Mr. H. R. Bank's residence, and one adjacent to the Factory, near Mr. Cornelson's. The Board also recommends that the hose of the Young America Fire Engine be increased from 700 to 1,000 feet. It was further recommended that a better system of fire alarm be adopted, a large bell being fixed in some central place, and that a rattle be substituted for the firing of pistols at fires. The report was not acted upon, but left for future consideration.

The Mayor stated that two policemen would be dispensed with on or after the 1st of January.

Alderman Kohn offered a resolution to tax drummers $2 a day, or $10 a year. He also offered a resolution that Council take charge of Seller's Avenue, extend Treadwell street to Webster's Avenue, and receive Webster's Avenue as a street. The consideration of both of these resolutions was deferred to a future meeting.

It will be seen by the above proceedings that a good many live matters have been taken up which will give our citizens something to think about for a while and discuss.

AN HONEST MAN.—The Abbeville *Medium* says: "Jackson Burt, colored, who lived near Greenwood, has gone to Florida. He was a subscriber to the *Medium* and five months behind in payment. He is an honest man however, and left the money to pay up. This is a solid fact and we deem it worthy of mention because many persons would never think of paying after they were safely out of the State." The TIMES AND DEMOCRAT has a number of colored subscribers, who pay up promptly every year.

Levi James, a Choctaw Indian, who was convicted last November of the murder of Jas. Fulton was shot on Thursday at Scullyville Court House, Indian Territory, in accordance with the Choctaw law. The prisoner sat on a blanket and the sheriff held one hand and a deputy the other. Another deputy took position five paces distant with a Colt's revolver, deliberately aimed and shot James through the heart. James died in two minutes. He was educated and of good family. He leaves a white wife and five small children.

Taylor, the wizzard, got a $90 house in Paso del Norte, and then, saying that he would show the assemblage a trick that would open their eyes, termed "The Mystic Man, or the Disappearance," he brought out a large box and said: "I will now shut myself up in this box; the trick is to find me." Five minutes later everybody knew that he had escaped from the rear with the receipts of the evening and a coat belonging to an employee of the theatre.

Two New York widows—"wealthy and highly respectable"—are entertaining the public with a curious law suit. They both live in Caledonia, Genesee County, own adjoining farms, and quarreled about the line fence; and when one had an Irishman dig a post hole where she thought it ought to be, the other sallied out and stopped proceedings by putting her foot in the cavity, turning her back to the enemy and leaning well over on her own land so as to avoid committing trespass. This proved too much for the digger's feelings and she marched up and routed her antagonist with a sound kick. Hence the lawsuit and a lot of amusing testimony.

News of the Week.

Senator Beck's bill which proposes to restore Jefferson Davis to citizenship does not seem to be attracting much attention from the bloody shirt organs. We don't suppose Mr. Davis is losing any sleep over the result of the bill.

There is a clergyman in Tennessee called the "satisfying preacher." If a congregation is discontented he is sent for, and so atrociously bad is he that after hearing him once or twice the congregation is entirely satisfied to keep the pastor it has.

It is stated that the Hon. Samuel J. Tilden will make a gift of his Gramercy Park residence, library and collection of pictures to the city of New Nork for a public library, which he proposes to endow liberally. The property, books, pictures, etc., are valued at $1,000,000.

Queen Victoria is said to be passionarely fond of walnuts, and has to have a dish of them by her side constantly. A great many other people would be fond of walnuts if they didn't have to pick out the meats. The Queen of England and Empress of India has some one to do it for her.

Fifty surgeons probed ineffectually for the bullet that entered the hip of George H. Fredericks, of Fort Wayne, in the battle of Okolona, Miss., twenty-one years ago. The other day he felt a sharp pain just above the right knee joint. He worked the flesh with his finger and out came the ball.

Col. Tom Henry, Democratic Clerk of the Kentucky Court of Appeals, replies, in an interview, to the charge that he had be on a drunk for nine days. He says it's a big lie, he was only drunk seven days. Such slanders of official character should be stopped. A seven day's drunk is a small matter in Kentucky.

The Fort Mill correspondent of the Rock Hill *Herald* says: "Mr. L. D. Johnson, who left for the 'Lone Star' State about twelve months ago, returned a few days since to his old tramping grounds thoroughly disgusted with Texas. He says that henceforth and forever South Carolina will be good enough for him."

A wealthy young man of Natick, Massachusetts, while much the worse for drink, hired a horse. He fell asleep in the vehicle while the stablers were harnessing the horse, and they let him sleep in the stable. When he awoke he said he had used the quadruped well, and fed him at Newton Little Falls. He paid $3 for his drive and went off satisfied.

The fears entertained as to the opening of the public debt question in Virginia in consequence of the incoming of a Democratic administration have been set aside by the adoption by the new Legislature of a joint resolution accepting the Act of February, 1882, known as the "Riddleberger bill," as an ultimate and unalterable settlement of the debt issue of the State.

Governor Pattison, of Pennsylvania, has vetoed the bill providing for the pay of the Legislature for the extra session, on the ground that the Legislature did not attend to the business for which it convened. This establishes a precedent dangerous to men who make a living out of politics. If legislative bodies are to be paid only when they have done their duty, how few would ever get a cent!

Galveston has a vigilance committee that threatens to make the climate of Texas warm for gamblers. The gamblers of Dallas meantime, are making as strong a fight as has been made by those of St. Louis, where they have displaced the chief of police, who was not their vassal. The Dallas gamblers are demanding a change of venue, on the plea that they cannot have a fair trial in Dallas County.

A dispatch from Paola, Kansas, says that George Orr, a youth of seventeen years of age, went Thursday afternoon to the house of Monroe Trumble, an old blind man living near there, and after a short conversation shot and killed him and brutally beat old Mrs. Trumble about her head and face, and then fled after robbing the house of $80. A posse of twenty-five citizens are searching for the murderer.

A special from Monterey, Mexico, says: "Senator Quintana Mayor of New Laredo, was to-day ordered to be arrested as one of the principals in a recent train robbery on the Mexican National Railway. The authorities of Tamaulipas refused to surrender him. Other prominent officials are involved, and the affair is assuming a serious national aspect. Several of the robbers escaped through the delay and indiscretion of the officials."

Man born or woman is of few days and no teeth. And, indeed, it would be money in his pocket sometimes if he had less of either. As for his days, he wasted one-third of them, and as for his teeth, he has convulsions when he cuts them, and as the last one comes through, lo! the dentist is twisting the first one out, and the last end of that man's jaw is worse than the first, being full of porcelain and a roof-plate built to hold blackberry seeds.

While some workmen were engaged in cleaning out the river Joann, one of the small streams of Rio, in Brazil, they found a very old cedar chest buried in the mud. When opened they found it to contain many valuable articles, such as lamps, swords, works in gold and diamonds. Those articles were taken at once to the museum. They are supposed to have belonged to the Jesuits, who threw them in the stream when pressed in their flight from Rio.

A Bostonian was recently rescued from drowning, and with difficulty resusciated. Without thanking his rescuers, or refering in any manner to his narrow escape, he pulled out some bank notes from an inside pocket. With a look of despair he exclaimed: "Oh, my God! my money is spoiled." Not until one of his friends had demonstrated to him beyond doubt that his bills would not shrink in value on account of soaking did the terrified man recover calmness.

In York County Me., recently, a man died who had one doctor treating him for pyæemia and another for Bright's disease. Each determined to settle the question of disease by a post mortem without letting the other know it. Just as the kidney doctor had uncovered the coffin the blood-poison man drove into the graveyard with his assistants, and the two disputed so long over the question of possession that they were surprised and nearly captured by a party from the village who had been attracted by the light of the moving lanterns.

How much to "wave the bloody shirt," or, as Mr. Frank Hatton phrases it, "how high to elevate the ensanguined garment," was the subject of a prolonged discussion at a late cabinet meeting. General Arthur was the inquirer after information to use in preparation of his message. Chandler, Teller and Brewster were known to be in favor of the highest attitude, while Lincoln was that way inclined. Gresham wanted to know how the cat was going to jump before committing himself. Folger desired time for his judicial mind to operate, and Frelinghuysen was without views.

Application was made to Governor Pattison of Pennsylvania, a few days ago for the arrest of Mrs. Belan, *nee* Miss Mary Solomon, for many years a young society belle of Brooklyn. On account of technical informalities in the papers the requisition was refused, with permission to renew it when the facts in the case were placed before Governor Pattison. The charge of bigamy is prefered by the lady's husband, Henri Benedetti Belan, a wealthy New Orleans merchant, now living in New York, where he has acquired residence for the purpose of beginning the prosecution. Three years ago she eloped from her parents' home with her husband, and about a year after her marriage she ran away, it is asserted, from her husband with Simon Johnes, the clerk of the hotel in New Orleans where she and her husband were living.

Markets.

ORANGEBURG, S. C., Dec. 19. 1883.

There has not been much doing in cotton the past week. It may be quoted as follows

Ordinary	8 @
Good Ordinary	8⅝@8¾
Low Middling	8⅝@8½
Middling	9⅝@
Good Middling	@

Country produce may be quoted as follows:

Rough Rice, per bushel	$1.05@ 25
Corn, per bushel	90@1.00
Wheat, per bushel	1.00@1.50
Hay, per hundred weight	1.00@1.10
Oats, per bushel	80@ 70
Syrup, per gallon	50@ 57
Eggs, per dozen	15@
Chickens, each	15@ 20
Butter, per pound	20@ 25
Wool, per pound	20@ 25

BARGAIN COLUMN.

Prepared Expressly for Close Buyers—To be Read Every Week.

Smoke Manhatta.

Manhatta Cigars are the best.

Deep Rock in Syphons at Patrick's

Charlie Brunson sells Manhatta Cigars.

For bargains in tobacco go to Van Tassel's.

The very best coffee 8 pounds for $1 at Van Tassel's.

Fresh Boston and Milk Biscuits at T. C. Hubbell's.

The best bargains in Dry Goods at Theodore Kohn's.

Ladies' Hand Sewed Shoes only at Theodore Kohn's.

Large assortment of Millinery at Theodore Kohn's.

South Carolina Penitentiary Shoes at Theodore Kohn's.

Blankets from $1 to $10 a pair at Theodore Kohn's.

B. B. Owen & Co. offer Grand Bargains this week.

The best $2.00 Corn Whiskey in the State at Van Tassel's.

Can goods of every description at Jas. Van Tassel's. Cheap.

Read Charlie Brunson's advertisement for Christmas goods.

Medicated all wool Scarlet Undershirts at Theodore Kohn's.

For the cheapest and best Groceries in town go to T. C. Hubbell's.

Hosiery and Underwear for ladies and gents cheap at Cornelson's.

Sugar, Flour and Bacon sold cheap for money by Charlie Brunson.

If you want the best five cent Cigar in the world smoke Manhatta.

Fresh Strawberry Jumbles, and all other Cakes at T. C. Hubbell's.

White and Colored Blankets at cost to close them out at Cornelson's.

The celebrated "Pearl" Shirt is sold only by Cornelson. Its a daisy.

Large white head Northern Cabbages and Irish Potatoes at Van Tassel's.

Go to Van Tassel for your sugars. He is selling the best 11 pounds for $1.

Smoke Van Tassel's "Belle of Orangeburg," the best five cents cigar in the city.

Manhatta is put up 25 in a fancy box for $1. The very thing for a Christmas present.

Shull & Bro, have now got their Restaurant open and in full blast. Give them a call.

For sale. 100,000 No. 1 Black Cypress Shingles. Apply to J. Hesse Andrews.

Blankets! Blankets and Cloaks are being closed out with a rush at cost by Cornelson.

Holmes & Couts' famous Sea Foam Wafers. Five and six pound cans at T. C. Hubbell's.

Prepare for cold weather. Go to Theodore Kohn's for your Cloaks, Jackets and Circulars.

Theodore Kohn's Overcoats for this season are of the latest style and superior workmanship.

Take a look at James Van Tassel's flour before buying elsewhere. He has it from $5.00 up.

Cloaks at New York prices at Brunson & Dibble's. This is a fact. For the proof try them.

New Consignment of sugars just received by Geo. H. Cornelson that he is offering very cheap.

Call and examine the display of Holiday goods at Brunson & Dibble's. The most attractive in town

We want you to come and examine our Stock of Goods before buying from any one. B. B. Owen & Co.

One of the greatest wonders of the age—the remarkably low prices on every thing at Brunson & Dibble's.

The only complete Shoe Store in town is Cornelson's. Don't buy your shoes until you go and look at his stock.

Black Cashmeres and Dress Goods of all kinds offering at greatly reduced prices to close them out by Cornelson.

Clausen's Steam Bakery being again in operation I am prepared to furnish my customers with Bread at the Variety Store.

Sweeping reductions in prices in every department, at Brunson & Dibble's. Don't fail to call on them before making your Christmas purchases.

Two car loads of new Flour just received by Cornelson. Take a barrel home with you and try it. It is the best Flour ever sold in Orangeburg.

Don't forget that B. B. Owen & Co. need the money that is owing to them, and that they have a large Stock of Goods. Buy from them and you will save money.

Just received at E. C. Shull & Bro.'s the finest lot of Rye and Corn Whiskey ever brought to Orangeburg. Give them a call. They always guarantee satisfaction.

Do not buy your Groceries, Liquors, Tinware, Crockeryware, or Glassware, before pricing at Shull Bros., as you can save 10 per cent, by purchasing your goods from them.

Simons' Hepatic Compound is an excellent remedy for all diseases of the liver. For sale, wholesale and retail, by Dr. J. G. Wannamaker. Try a bottle, and be convinced of its worth.

☞Prescriptions carefully and accurately compounded at Dr. J. G. Wannamaker's Pharmacy.

ROYAL

BAKING POWDER

Absolutely Pure.

This powder never varies. A marvel of purity, strenth and wholesomeness. More economical than the ordinary kinds, and cannot be sold in competition with the multitude of low test, short weight, alum or phosphate powders. Sold only in cans.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER Co.,
Nov. 1-11 mos. 106 Wall St., N. Y.

Dissolution Notice.

The Partnership heretofore existing between Dr. J. W. Lowman, A. R. Able, and Vashtine J. Hartzog, under firm name of Lowman & Co., at St. Matthews, S. C., is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Dr. J. W. Lowman will continue the business in his own name, and will receive and receipt for all sums due the firm, and pay all demands against the same.

J. W. LOWMAN.
A. R. ABLE.
V. J. HARTZOG.

St. Matthews, S. C., Nov. 20, 1888. 3

WANTED!

COTTON SEED! COTTON SEED!

I will pay 16½ cents cash per bushel for 10,000 bushels Sound Dry Cotton Seed delivered to me at this place before the first of next November,. Will exchange Cotton Seed Meal for Cotton Seed.

A. F. H. DUKES,
Sept 20-3mos Branchville, S. C.

OFFICE HOURS ON SUNDAY AT DR. J. G. WANNAMAKER'S DRUG STORE:

From 9 to half-past 10 A. M.

From half-past 5 to 7 P. M.

Tournament at St. Matthews.

On the 25th instant the Young Men of St. Matthews will give a Tournament for the public pleasure. Any person desirous of riding will please notify the committee, who will take pleasure in giving any information wanted.

Committee.

J. A. BANES, J. H. HENAGAN,
J. R. PAULLING.

THEODORE KOHN,
THEODORE KOHN.

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SWEEPING REDUCTIONS

In All

DEPARTMENTS!

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As the season advances we find that we have still an immense Stock on hand; with a view of clearing out the same we have made General Reductions in all Drpartments. Just how sweeping these reductions are, a visit of inspection to the Great

EMPORIUM OF DRY GOODS

Will best prove.

Ladies' Cloaks, Jackets and Jerseys.

Extrordinary values. Special reference is made to Cloaks and Jackets because of the attractions offered, as the result of the reductions

Dress Goods! Dress Goods!!

Positive bargains in the latest styles of Dress Goods.

We have made great reductions in our

Trimmed Ladies' Hats.

Also, Untrimmed at the lowest prices in town.

From now on until the whole stock is closed out

Mens, Youths and Boys' Clothing

Will be sold at prices unheard of in the history of Orangeburg. All those in want of any styles of Clothing will do well to call on me for the same.

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SPECIAL BARGAINS.

We have reduced the price on our entire stock of Blankets 25 cents on the dollar. Buggy Robes also greatly reduced.

Our stock of OVERCOATS is too large, and they will be sold before Spring at almost any price in order to clear them out. I mean businesss.

Very special attention is called to the great Shirt sale going on at the Emporium. A first-class Shirt, linen bosom, reenforced, is sold at the nominal sum of 65 cents. Ask for the Favorite Shirt.

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☞Notwithstanding our immense sales of SHOES we are not satisfied, and have resolved to still further increase our sales by making positive reductions in our whole Shoe Department.

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Last, but not least, we beg to inform the citizens of Orangeburg and adjacent counties, that the DOMESTIC SEWING MACHINE took the premium at the late State Fair over all competitors, and is the "star that leads them all." It is beyond doubt the best machine in the world.

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☞Those in search of solid bargains should not fail to call at the Great Dry Goods Emporium of

Theodore Kohn.

BRUNSON & DIBBLE.

1881 1883

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On entering upon another year we desire to return thanks to the public for their liberal patronage. Our effort has been to place within their reach the very BEST GOODS at the LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES. We buy direct from the manufacturers, North and East, and thus save to our patrons 20 to 25 per cent. usually paid to jobbers and middlemen. We have the BEST EVIDENCE OF THE APPRECIATION OF OUR EFFORTS by the PUBLIC in a constantly increasing trade, so that this season we have deemed it prudent to increase our force, and are now prepared to offer CASH BUYERS FACILITIES POSSESSED BY FEW HOUSES in the State. Our

DRY GOODS DEPARTMENT

Is complete in every particular. To Dress Goods and Trimmings we call especial attention. Ladies in search of Fine Cashmeres are requested to make an examination of our line before purchasing, as we are confident that we lead the town on Cashmeres. Our stock of Laces, Lace Goods, Ribbons, Velvets, &c., is assorted to suit the most fastidious. Call and see them.

We would call the attention of the gentlemen specially to our

LARGE STOCK OF CLOTHING.

The Senior member of the firm has had a large experience in this line, having had the management of the Clothing Department of one of our neighbors for nine years, and this experience has enabled him to make his purchases with a view of filling the special wants of our trade. Call and you will be convinced of his success.

SHOES! SHOES!! SHOES!!!

In Shoes we show the same complete Stock it has always been our pleasure to present to the People of Orangeburg. Our lines of Ladies and Gents' Custom Made Shoes are the same that have given such universal satisfaction. The Heiser Hand Sewed Shoes for Gentlemen are still the Leaders in this line in the town. In

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS

Our Stock is fuller than ever. We still handle the "Liberty" Unlaundried Shirt at $1, which has no equal for Fit, Neatness of Make and Durability.

CLOAKS.

Ladies in need of this useful Garment are particularly invited to examine our Stock. These Goods speak for themselves, and need only to be seen to be admired.

TRUNKS.

This line comprises the cheapest as well as the best. No one wanting a Real Good Trunk or Valise should fail to make an inspection of these goods before purchasing.

Our Stock of

HATS AND CAPS

For Men and Boys is as complete as ever.

In conclusion remember that we keep everything to be found in a First-Class Dry Goods House. If you don't see what you want, ask for it. We take great pleasure in showing our Goods, and consider it no trouble. We assure you of the best attention from polite and efficient salesmen.

Brunson & Dibble,

Corner Russell and Market-Streets.

Orangeburg, S. C

Thousands of Dollars

Are wasted on physicians' fees by the dyspeptic, the rheumatic, the bilious, and the nervous, when a Dollar expended on that unapproachable vegetable tonic and altertive

Simons' Hepatic Compound or Liver and Kidney Cure

woule in every case effect a radical cure.

☞If you are bilious, tongue coated, bad breath, head hot, dull or aching, stomach heavy or sour, if bowels inactive and passages hard and occasional looseness, if your sleep is broken (tossing about in bed), if you get up unrefreshed, if your skin is sallow, eyes yellow, if heavy, dull pains in back and limbs, if you are drowsy, indisposed to talk or act, if any one or more of these systoms, take a dose of SIMMONS' HEPATIC COMPOUND, and you will get immediate relief.

Diseases of Kidneys, Bladders, &c., ARE CURED BY

SIMONS' HEPATIC COMPOUND, OR LIVER AND KIDNEY CURE.

This preparation acts finely upon the kidneys, being powerfully pluretic. Suffers with the gravel, and other similar affections, are advised to try this medicine, and our word for it, the result will be satisfactory. For sale everywhere.

DOWIE & MOISE, Proprietors,
Wholesale Druggists, Charleston, S. C.

☞For sale in Orangeburg by Dr. A. C. DUKES. Feb 8-1yr

AT PATRICK'S PHARMACY,

Russell St, Near R. R. Avenue,

Will be found a choice and well selected Stock of Pure Drugs, Patent Medicines, Toilet Articles, Soaps, Perfumery, Trusses, Cigars, &c., &c.

PHYSICIAN'S PRESCRIPTIONS I MAKE A SPECIALTY and compound them with care and neatness any hour day or night.

Thanking my customers and friends for their liberal patronage in the past, I hope to merit a continuance of the same by fair and honest dealing, handling none but the Purest Drugs.

Deep Rock and Soda Water.

A pure article needs no recommendation, it will speak for itself, as well as the many thousands who drink at my Fountain can testify to the superiorty of my SODA WATER. This season I have added Tuft's Celebrated CRESCENT DRAFT STAND for dispensing Mineral Waters, from which will be drawn that most popular and pleasant of all Mineral Waters, Deep Rock, in its virgin purity. Your family physician will not hesitate to recommend it.

A chemical analysis together with testimonials from eminent physicians furnished on application.

☞Will draw