

DEFENDS HIMSELF

A CARD FROM LOUIE L. CHARTRAND ABOUT HIS PARDON.

Says He Was Innocent and Was Not Given a Fair Trial When Convicted.

The following card from L. L. Chartrand, which we publish because we published the fact that he had received a pardon from Gov. Blease to restore his citizenship, explains itself. Here is the card:

"While it humiliates me a great deal to refer to the matter, I feel it my duty to my many friends to explain why the pardon.

"First—The court (police court) of Orangeburg is not a court of record (by law) and cannot take citizenship from any one.

"Second—The constitution grants to every one a fair, impartial trial by jury, when charged for crime. I begged for a fair trial and was denied even a chance to employ a lawyer. I also asked to be locked up, and my only witness summoned. That request was also refused me; and while I admit that circumstances connected me with the affair, only from a point of view, that I associated and drank (whiskey) with the parties who was guilty (which fact I found out after being discharged) I do claim that I did not have a shadow of a chance to defend myself against an unjust, unfair conviction by a man, who sat as judge to meet out justice to the accused, and not spite, or revenge, or to obtain notoriety, through the channels of justice.

"And I feel proud to be able to say, although eight years have passed since that unwarranted stain was hurled at my character, for other reasons than larceny, I am proud to know that some of the court officials who were present then, have judged justly, and have stood steadfastly to me as a gentleman. Since then I have voted almost regularly, and I held office in the service of the State; and had I not been informed by legal advice that the police court of Orangeburg could not disqualify a citizen I would of set the matter straight long ago. But feeling a clear conscience in the sight of Almighty God, and having not lost a worthy friend by the occurrence, I simply let matters stand until challenged, now that I am once more called on to uphold the dignity of dear old South Carolina, in the house burning case at North, and hearing that the old matter was going to be aired by the defence, and to avoid a legal consumption of time, or perhaps worse, I thought to settle the matter once and for all time, thus the pardon.

"Time has passed, and an all wise God has blessed me in various ways and I freely forgive those who attempted to damage my character, and for the sake of the souls that are now in eternity, I will ask the public to kindly let the matter rest where it stands, as those whose souls are in eternity cannot defend the charge now.

"Respectfully,
"Louie L. Chartrand.

P. S.—I did not serve the sentence, please note.

BANK MEETING AT HOLLY HILL.

Institution Passes Prosperous Year. Deposits Over \$130,000.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bank of Holly Hill was held at Holly Hill Friday. This bank is located in that section of Orangeburg County that was recently acquired from Berkeley County, and has been a successful institution since its organization several years ago. It has \$25,000 capital, with \$10,000 surplus and about \$4,500 undivided profits. It now has a little over \$130,000 deposits.

The following are the officers of the Bank of Holly Hill: President W. L. DeHay; vice-president, Dr. J. L. B. Gilmore; cashier, J. Francis Folk; asst. cashier, S. C. Rhame. Messrs. Moss & Lide, attorneys of this city, are the solicitors of the bank.

The board of directors is composed of the following successful business men of this county: G. M. Norris, Dr. J. L. B. Gilmore, Robert Lide, W. L. DeHay, A. B. Bennett, Dr. S. Percival Wells, J. S. Connor, M. L. Breeland, R. F. Way and J. Francis Folk.

Gone a Long Way.

The Branchville Journal says: Mr. and Mrs. Edgar H. Rawl left here last Wednesday for Frederick, Md., where they go to make their future home. Mr. and Mrs. Rawl have been residents of Branchville for about three years, and during their stay here have made many warm friends throughout the community who are sorry to see them leave, but wish for them much happiness and prosperity in their new home." The Times and Democrat wishes them good luck.

Why Not Give It a Trial.

The Charleston News and Courier proposes fig planting throughout the low country of South Carolina. It thinks that this region could compete very advantageously with Texas and California in both the fresh and preserved article, being particularly favored by much greater nearness to the large markets sought. We, too, have very little doubt that commercial fig raising can be made profitable in eastern South Carolina. Why not give it a trial?

Cause of Heat Wave.

Prof. F. P. Whitman, of Western Reserve University, thinks that the late heat wave may be due to the tall which Haley's comet left behind somewhere in this vicinity, and which according to his supposition, has made things hot.

COPE HAPPENINGS.

School Closing a Grand Success.

Other Items.

Cope, May 28.—Special.—On Friday last the Cope school closed the most successful year in its history; for the scholars had all applied themselves very earnestly, and their monthly averages, and examination marks, attest the same.

That night the large hall was filled to overflowing, many having to stand, while a large number failed to gain admission.

The exercises consisted of several songs, sung in chorus by the school; declamation by the older boys, and a piano recital by Miss Hutt's music pupils, a program of which is given below:

Song—"The Slumber Boat"—Chorus. Duet—Marche Russe—Louis Ganne—Avis and Mary Thomas.

The Gypsy Dances—A. Sartorio Op. 859 No. 12—Mattie Bolten. Le Petit Carnaval Valse—Streahobog—Duet—Reta Barton and Evelyn Henery.

Little Love Song—Cartorio Op. 888 No. 4—Luella Garrick. Declaration—At His Brother's Grave—Parker Henery.

Six Hands—Bolero—Streahobog Op. 100—Connie Brickie, Reta Barton and Evelyn Henery. Military March—I. V. Flagler—Elsie Gray.

Song—My Own United States—Chorus. Duet—Mirthful Moments—H. Englemann—Lucille and Lillian Tatum. Valse Excentrique—Geog. Eggeling—Wilhelmina Smith.

Six Hands—Triumphal March from "Aida"—Verdi—Lyda Jennings, Lucille Tatum and Mary Thomas. The Boat Ride—M. Greenwald—Janie Peterman.

Step Lightly—M. Greenwald—Ella Bolten. Declaration—Freedom and Patriotism—Gerard Thomas.

Song—Carolina—Timrod—Chorus. Duet—Wedding March—Mendelssohn—Edna Jennings and Annie Laurie Thomas.

Mountain Stream—Sydney Smith—Annie Laurie Thomas. Song—Dixie—School Chorus.

The duets by little Rita Barton and Evelyn Henery, and Misses Lucille and Lillian Tatum and Misses Edna Jennings and Annie Laurie Thomas, all deserve special mention.

Miss I. F. Hutt, music teacher in the Cope school, left on yesterday for her home in Virginia.

Miss Francis Smith, assistant teacher leaves for her home tomorrow.

Mr. Winfield Clark, who is attending Osborne's Business College of Augusta, came home on Friday and returned Monday morning.

R. K. H.

FURMAN UNIVERSITY CLOSURES.

Commencement Exercises Begins on Sunday, June 4.

The following invitations have been sent out:

The Faculty and Trustees of Furman University Present their compliments and desire the honor of your presence at the Commencement Exercises, June 4 to 7.

The programme is as follows: Sunday, June 4.—8.30 P. M., address before Y. M. C. A. of Furman University and Y. W. C. A. of Greenville Female College by the Rev. C. S. Reeves, Honesa Path, S. C.

Monday, June 5.—11 A. M., declamation contest for the McMillan and Wharton medals; 8.30 P. M., exercises of Furman Fitting School, address by the Rev. Chas. W. Daniel, D. D., Atlanta, Ga.

Tuesday, June 6.—10.30 A. M., academic procession from Judson Alumni Hall to First Baptist Church; 11 A. M., baccalaureate sermon by the Rev. Furman H. Martin, D. D., Charlottesville, Va.; 8 P. M., alumni reception and banquet.

Wednesday, June 7.—9.30 A. M., rally meeting of Adelpian and Philonian societies; 11 A. M., address before literary societies by President Lincoln Hulley, LL. D., De Land, Fla.; 8.30 P. M., exercises of graduating class, oratorical contest for Durham medal, conferring of degrees, etc.

Annoying Mistake Repeated.

There seems to be a conspiracy on the part of our linotype, reporters and printers to keep the name of Mr. Andrew C. Dibble, Jr., from the list of the Orangeburg High School graduates this year. By a strange fatality his name has been omitted twice when all the other members of the class were published. Andrew is one of the best boys in the class, and we regret the annoying mistakes by which his name was omitted from a write-up of the class and from those who attended the class banquet, and hereby tender him our apology for an apparent slight, that we assure him was altogether an accident.

School House Burned.

The Edisto School building, located about ten miles from Branchville, in Colleton County, was destroyed by fire Wednesday about 1 o'clock. It is thought that the building was set by some one, as a person was seen leaving the premises shortly before the fire was discovered. This is quite a severe loss to the people of that vicinity, as they have just equipped the building with the latest improved furniture.

Gardens Are Eaten.

A note from Rowesville to The News and Courier says the thermometer registered there on Saturday 98 degrees in the shade and 123 in the sun. Gardens are about all gone, and the crops of corn and cotton are in a bad way, and unless rain falls in a few days there will be nothing made. No rain in sight and the outlook is most depressing.

CLOSE OF SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL.

Interesting Exercises Mark End of Successful Year.

With an interested audience that not only filled the auditorium of the Springfield high school to overflowing, but forced occupancy of spaces in the vicinity of the hall to a uremum, the commencement exercises of that institution were held last night. A class of 11, 9 young women and two young men, were given diplomas. The exercises last evening reached the high water mark in elaborate programs for the local institution. From the opening chorus, "Swing Song," to the closing number, "Hey Ho for Merry June," the excellent program was rendered without the slightest falter.

The two choruses, by an exceptionally well-trained and able chorus, were among the most pronounced of the evening's features.

Introduced by John I. Koon, principal of the school, Geo. B. Timmerman delivered the address of the evening. The class will be read by Miss Elda Morgan, and the class prophecy by Miss Julia Porter. The valedictory was delivered by Miss Effie Smith.

The music medal, offered by Miss Isabelle Free, head of the department of music, to the pupil attaining the most meritorious accomplishment, was presented to Miss Nena Odom, James H. Fanning presenting the trophy in a happy speech.

J. B. Smith, chairman of the board of trustees, made the report of the board, showing the school to be in splendid condition. Mr. Smith praised the faculty of 1910-11, telling of the excellent work done by the principal, John I. Koon, and his assistants, Misses Reid, Free, Voight, Uantzier and Penny. Mr. Smith announced as the faculty for 1911-12 Mr. Koon and Misses Tarrant, Reid, Phillips, Grant and Free.

The following graduates received diplomas at the hands of Mr. Koon, who delivered the sheepskins in a singularly appropriate speech: Misses Elizabeth Hallman, Eileen Hudson, Annie Lou Hudson, Beulah Jumper, Eunice Jumper, Elda Morgan, Julia Porter, Effie Smith, Lila Smith, and Martin Fanning and Rufus Morgan. B.

BOWMAN SCHOOL CLOSURES.

Commencement Exercises of Bowman High School Appropriate.

The closing exercises of the Bowman High School began with commencement address by Dr. John A. Brunson of St. Matthews on Monday evening and the Oratorical Contest by a number of pupils.

The graduating class were as follows: Misses Edith Hutto, Sadie Evans, Edna Carn, Lillie Cook, Jas. Easterling, Florence Myers.

Those winning medals were Misses Sadie Evans, best averages, penmanship, Edna Carn, drawing, Aileen Huff, declamation, Gladys Shuler, best average primary department, Anna Amelia Rast.

The following is the program: Music. Prayer. Music. Dialog—"That Ungrateful Little Negro."

Motion Song—By Primary Department. Dialog—"An Orphan Mystery."

Clyde Fair, A. D. Fair, Clarence Hutto, Marie Kliser. Music. Dialog—"The Persecuted Man."

James Easterlin, Luther Huff, Edith Hutto, Rosa Lee Sandel, Gladys Shuler. Song—"When Visitors Come Round."

Dialog—"Morgan's Money."—Jas. Easterlin, Dibble Dean, Luther Huff, Geo. Whetsell, Robt. Riser. Backwards March—By Several Girls.

Music. Dialog—"How Caesar Conquered."—Jessie Judy, Edith Rast, Andrew Stroman, Vernon Huff. Song—"Bring Back My Bonnie!"—High School Pupils.

Dialog—"The Big Hollow School."—Robt. Riser, Dennis West, Joe Parler, Vernon Huff, Ada Dean, Adele Whetsell, Lillie Cook, Sue Weathers, Amelya Rast, Louise Whetsell, Annie Phillips. Music. Address—Hon. L. W. Livingston. Announcements, etc.

Sumter High School.

Thirty-one boys and twenty-two girls will be graduated from the Sumter High School this year. We believe that this is the greatest number ever graduated in one year from any graded schools in South Carolina. The News and Courier. The News and Courier says of the 53 members of the graduating class have expressed their determination to go to college and 24 boys will attend higher institutions of learning. Of the remaining 18, nine are undecided. This means that of the 53 only 7 have definitely decided not to go to college. This is certainly a fine record. Orangeburg High School graduates 21 girls and 17 boys this year, which is high water mark for it. We are glad to see so many boys graduating and every one of them should go to college if possible. We need plenty of educated men to lead in all the works of life.

Dots From Two Mile Swamp.

There was a day of pleasure at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. J. Dukes on Ascension day, with a large crowd of friends and relatives.

A most sumptuous dinner was served, and in the afternoon music and singing was rendered by a large number of young folk.

Later, the young folks took a pleasant straw ride.

This occasion was enjoyed by both young and old, while all hearts were wishing for rain.

A Friend.

BELIEVE IN THEIR SCHOOL.

Pine Hill Has Made Most Wonderful Strides in Education.

The patrons, electors, and freeholders of school district No. 41 on Saturday, May 20th, voted an extra assessment of three mills for school purposes, thus giving their already splendid school a mighty impetus upward. This is the district containing the well known Pine Hill High School, already one of the largest and best equipped rural schools in the State.

About two weeks previous to this special election and on the heels of a petition therefor, already sufficiently signed, a meeting was held at the school house before which addresses along progressive educational lines were made by Maj. Jas. R. Crouch, of Port Motte, and Principal D. H. Marchant, Jr., of the school. Besides these a number of recitations and musical selections were rendered by the school.

This meeting previous to the election was held for the purpose of discussing the crowded condition of the school and of taking steps looking to its enlargement for the session of 1911-12. This extra levy will therefore be used in the employment of a fourth teacher.

The people of Pine Hill District are justly very proud of their school which is a valuable investment to the community looking at it from purely a financial standpoint. A glance at the recent statistics of population for Orangeburg County shows that Liberty Township in which the school is situated gained about 25 per cent. in population as compared with 13 per cent for the whole State. This means that folks have moved in to take advantage of the school. The freeholders already have an extra tax of 4 mills and this extra levy of 3 mills constitutional tax makes their levy 10 mills. Some enterprise this. The vote stood 26 for and one against.

The school for 1911-12 will employ regularly for eight months, four competent teachers; will conduct a musical department as heretofore; and will have considerably over 100 pupils. This is a rural school record that we believe can not be surpassed in the entire South.

The teachers for the past year are D. H. Marchant, Jr., Misses L. Lizzie Fuller and Oressie Collier. The faithful trustees are Geo. S. Davis, B. P. Gue and J. W. Sheppard.

VERY SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

The Branchville School Closed on Thursday Night.

The closing exercises of the Branchville High School Thursday night marked the end of one of the most successful years in its history.

The sermon before the graduating class was preached last Sunday by the Rev. Mr. Davis, of the First Baptist Church, of Orangeburg. The remarks of the speaker were especially appropriate to the occasion, and during the discourse he was given the undivided attention of the congregation.

On Tuesday night a public recital was given by the music class.

The annual address on Wednesday night was given by Prof. A. G. Rembert, of Wofford College. The address was replete with sound advice to the parents of the importance of putting into the hands of the children "good books."

Thursday night the exercises of the graduating class were held, the following receiving diplomas: Misses Ollie Dukes, Anna Bellinger, Eula Dukes; Messrs. Grover Edwards, Augustus Hayden and Wilber Steedly.

The following were the teachers for the past year: Prof. T. E. Dukes, superintendent; Miss Evelyn Albright, of Chester, principal of the High School; Miss Leah Townsend, of Florence, seventh grade, Miss Lila Grier, of North, fifth and sixth grades; Miss Ida Slemers, of Charleston, third and fourth grades; Mrs. Volina Dukes, primary work, and Miss Irene Woolvin, of Abbeville, Ga., music department.

WEEK END SUNDAY EXCURSION.

Charleston and Isle of Palms via Southern Railway.

Effective Sunday, May 28th, and continuing during the summer season, Southern Railway will have on sale regular summer excursion tickets to Charleston and Isle of Palms, S. C., with final limit October 31st, 1911. Also Week-end tickets will be sold on Saturdays and for Sunday morning trains, beginning Saturday, May 27th, final limit to leave destination before midnight the following Tuesday.

Also cheap Sunday Excursion tickets sold only for Sunday morning trains from Columbia, Augusta and intermediate stations to Isle of Palms and Sullivan's Island, S. C., good returning on last train leaving Charleston 8:15 P. M. Sunday night, date of sale.

For information as to rates, etc., apply to Ticket Agents, or J. L. Meek, Asst. Gen. Passenger Agent, Atlanta, Ga., or W. E. McGee, Division Passenger Agent, Charleston, S. C.

Winthrop Commencement.

We have received an invitation to the commencement exercises at Winthrop College, which comes off on June 4 to 6. A large class of young ladies will get their degrees and diplomas and go out into the world to make it better.

The Spirit of '76.

Francis Lynde has shown us a most compelling hero in "The Master of Appleby," a story of Colonial times, and has plucked from those warring days bits of adventure that are both brilliant and thrilling. Selling at fifty cents at Sims Book Store.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

PICKED UP ALL OVER TOWN BY OUR REPORTERS.

What is Happening Here and There.

Local Items of Personal Interest to Our Readers.

The Motion Picture magazine for June have arrived at Sims Book Store.

The Times and Democrat wishes all teachers and pupils in Orangeburg County a pleasant and profitable holiday this summer.

Needles are small and easily lost, but just secure a small bottle to keep them in and you will not be bothered that way any more.

For five cents you can get a brush that will help wash the vegetables for the table, before cooking. Saves wear and tear on the hands.

Twenty-one girls and seventeen boys compose the graduating class of the Orangeburg High School this year. Orangeburg is proud of that record.

The mails are now burdened with invitations to commencements. God bless the young people who are sending them. May all the laudable hopes and aspiration for the future be realized.

The Senior Editor of The Times and Democrat will attend the State Press Association meeting at Columbia this week. The meeting will begin on Wednesday evening and close Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. William Jennings who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Jennings, have gone to Sumter to spend a few days. They will return to their home in New York some time this week.

We are indebted to Misses Mary C. Dibble and Lucile Davis and Mr. J. West Summers for invitations to the commencement of the Orangeburg High School Thursday and Friday nights of this week.

Remember, brother farmer, says the Farm Journal, that the hot weather and hard work tax the strength of your wife. She will enjoy going to the store with you and riding slowly home in the cool of the evening.

When putting away your furs and woollens for the summer, brush them thoroughly and air them, then sprinkle them liberally with black pepper to preserve from moths. There is no disagreeable odor and the pepper is usually on hand.

Among the graduates of the Law School of the South Carolina University this year we notice the name of our young fellow townsman, Mr. John Henry Hydrick. We congratulate him on finishing his course, and wish him a long and successful career at the Bar.

If the Editors don't have a good time in Columbia this week, it will not be the fault of President Kohn and his committee of arrangements. They have made ample provisions for the entertainment of the press gang, and all the Editors have to do is to enjoy the good things provided.

We are indebted to President W. M. Riggs for an invitation to the commencement of the Clemson Agricultural College, which takes place on June 11 to 13. This is the fifteenth commencement of the college. A large class of young men will graduate.

The following invitations have been issued: Mr. and Mrs. F. J. D. Felder request the pleasure of your company at the marriage of their daughter, Pearl Evelyn and Rev. Samuel Wenfield Danner, on Thursday, June 8, 1911, high noon, 49 East Glover Street, Orangeburg, S. C.

The commencement exercises of the Rowesville High School will be held in the auditorium of that school in Rowesville Thursday evening, June first at eight o'clock. The members of the graduating class are Misses Georgeann Salm, Alma Ackerman, Ruth Simmons, and Messrs. Jimmie Boone, Theo Boone, Sidney Bowman, Bennie Simmons, Harold Funchess and Carlisle Phillips.

Several young ladies are expected to visit in this city sometime this week and numerous parties will be given in their honor. Among those who will probably come are Miss Peacock of Jacksonville, Fla., who will be the guest of Miss Kittie Salley, Miss Henderson of Greenville, Miss, who will visit Miss Lola Wannamaker and Miss Ford of Georgetown who will spend awhile with Miss Alma Wannamaker.

In the list of graduates of the Orangeburg High School mentioned in the account of the banquet at the St. Joseph Hotel last week ought to appear the names of Mr. William Marchant and Mr. Andrew Dibble, Jr. By some mistake these names were unintentionally omitted. Mr. Marchant takes an important part in this class as he is president of the literary society and will deliver the welcome address to the public in behalf of the class on the night of the commencement exercises, and Mr. Dibble is among the brightest and most promising young gentlemen in the class.

Two gentlemen, who desire for the present that their names be not mentioned, have been in conference with Secretary Marchant several times during the past sixty days regarding the establishment in Orangeburg of an up-to-date Lumber and Supply business. A location was secured on Saturday and the company will begin business about July 1st. The company will carry a complete line and will be able to supply everything needed in the lumber line for a house, cottage or business. The capital stock will be not less than \$10,000 and the enterprise will carry from six to ten men on its pay rolls.

Record of the Oldest Policy

The Oldest Policy now on the books of The Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Co., No 795, was issued on January 21, 1846, to Joseph L. Winslow (at age 15), of Portland, Maine, on the Ordinary Life Plan, for \$3,500, at an annual premium of \$54.60. All dividends have been used to reduce the yearly cost.

Premiums for 66 years have amounted to . . . \$3,603.60
Mr. Winslow has received dividends amounting to \$2,236.16
Making net outlay for 66 years . . . only \$1,367.44

This is, the average yearly cost per thousand has been only \$5.92. The cost in 1911 is only \$1.37, or \$39 per \$1000.

The Company would now loan on the policy \$3,041.57, although the policy as originally written contained no loan or non-foreiture features.

By the payment this year of the small sum of \$1.37 the cash and loan values were increased \$45 19.

This is indeed a great record, and one of which no other company can boast. If you are thinking of giving to your wife and children the protection that they need it would be well for you to look into the policy contracts of the Old Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company.

SEE

L. G. SOUTHARD

DISTRICT MANAGER, ORANGEBURG, S. C.



Dear Friend:
If you want to get some dried fish for dinner tell your mamma that we had some to-day for dinner. How many kinds of dried fish do you think there are Codfish, Fish Flakes and Fish Roe.
Some fish are wet fish, like mackerel and Pickle Salmon.

Your friend,
JACOB.

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