

FORT HILL MELANGE.

Pithy Points Gathered for the Perusal of Times Readers.

Miss Mabel Ardrey is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. A. Watson, in Charlotte.

Messrs. George and Will Butler left last week for Alabama City, Ala., to accept positions of authority in a cotton mill similar to the ones which they have held for several months in the Millfort mill in this place.

Rev. R. A. Yonque left yesterday morning for Orangeburg, S. C., to assist his brother in a revival meeting. On account of Mr. Yonque's absence there will be no preaching in the Methodist church on next Sunday.

We wish to draw attention to the advertisement of the University of North Carolina found elsewhere in our columns. This institution has taken high rank in the South for excellence and high scholarships and is now more prosperous than ever before in its history.

After the expenditure of more than \$300, the Southern Railway has decided to abandon the well from which it was hoped to supply water for the tank which is being built a short distance north of the depot in Fort Mill. The foreman of the crew which has been employed in digging the well tells us that an effort will be made to find water for the tank near the overhead bridge on Confederate street.

Mr. H. C. Culp, superintendent of the county chain gang, spent Sunday and Monday at the home of his father in this place. Mr. Culp thinks that the chain gang will be brought to this township about two weeks hence, and that the first work of the gang will be done on the public road which is to be opened between Fort Mill and the bridge to be built across Catawba river by the county.

Clarence, the 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McMurray, was bitten by a watch dog, the property of his father, about ten days ago. Fearing that the dog had hydrophobia, Mr. McMurray, after consultation with Dr. T. S. Kirkpatrick, decided to take Clarence to Baltimore, Md., to be given the Pasteur treatment, and they left for that city Wednesday evening. Letters received from Mr. McMurray state that Clarence is getting along nicely and has successfully stood the operations incident to the treatment. If the dog had not been killed and the carcass allowed to decompose several days before the treatment was begun, it would have been possible to determine at the Pasteur Institute, by an examination of the brain, whether the canine had hydrophobia.

Negro Girl Killed in Providence.

On Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock Providence (N. C.) township was the scene of a murder. Annie Ardrey, a colored girl 16 years old, was shot and instantly killed by William Kell, a negro boy of 18 years who was employed on the plantation of Mr. Lark Robinson. The circumstances of the killing, as told by a negro man who came to Fort Mill from Providence Monday morning, were about as follows:

Sunday afternoon the Ardrey girl went to a colored church in the community, accompanied by a boy named Potts. Kell, who had gone with her frequently, asked if he might not walk home with her. She refused, whereupon Kell pulled a revolver from his pocket and fired. The ball took effect near the girl's heart and she died almost instantly. Kell fled to South Carolina, but was captured by a crowd of negro men at the Catawba river bridge of the Southern Railway in this township Monday at 1 o'clock. There was some talk of lynching him, but he is probably in the Charlotte jail at this time.

The Chicago health authorities say they will put a stop to the slaughter of old, worn-out horses for meat.

According to Bradstreet's wages have advanced 12 to 15 per cent, and the cost of living has advanced 30 to 35 per cent.

Paternalism versus Free Citizenship.

EDITOR TIMES: We often hear people say, "the Legislature should do this," or "the Congress should do that." When listening to such expressions one is induced to believe that these same people are advocating what they would oppose with all their power if such measures were proposed by the lawmakers without consulting their constituents.

When a Legislature undertakes to dictate how I shall conduct my own business that body is going beyond its powers under our constitution; when it says that I can not manage my business properly and essays to conduct that business in its own way, there is an unwarranted assumption of power—a grand usurpation.

If the citizen has received some public benefit for himself or his children and sits with folded hands for more to come, he is the victim of mistaken kindness. These conditions constitute paternalism and exhibits its evil effects.

For instance, let us consider the proposition lately made to make good public roads with wagon tires and to compel people to adopt certain tires to accomplish the good (?) work. This was an effort at paternalism in its aggressive form. Our county officers have authority over roads and bridges, and while their powers and duties are in a measure subject of legislation, they are supposed to know what is best in their various localities. While broad tires are good to use on good roads, so is a rabbit pie good to eat, but in one case you must first catch the rabbit and in the other have the good road. It would be well for our section if people would take this matter in hand for themselves and work for their common benefit, and not wait for Legislatures to prescribe ways and means. So long as the people of a community depend on others, just so long and so far will they retrograde. Another instance of the evils of paternalism is afforded by our public schools. Herein the parents have so long depended on the droppings from the State treasury that most of them cease to take interest in educating their children. Thus the cause of education, in itself considered, receives attention from the few instead of the many, and these few are growing fewer. So it is with our roads and other public institutions or public interests. We see the citizen gradually losing his grip on independence and sitting down to "wait for something to turn up." After a while he turns up his toes and somebody else sits waiting.

If you, in your beneficence or even to some selfish end, should give a certain person his dinner every Sunday for six months and then quit that individual would think you the meanest man on earth; he would consider his rights taken away from him and could not find words to express his condemnation. Yet he has no claim on you; he is rather your debtor. But this case only shows that your paternalism in bestowing favors has resulted in evil to your client. He assumes that you gratuitously undertook to provide for his sustenance once a week and that you have no right to desist. He is spoiled by kindness, embittered by its withdrawal. Just so it is with recipients of paternal bounty; they get to believe that the country owes them a living and refuse to exert themselves in the way of independence.

When individual independence ceases to be the guiding star of the citizen he is a worthless part of the political machine, and as he retrogrades in citizenship governmental power will aggress towards despotism. There is nothing truer than that our national existence and progress as a republic depends on the progressive independence of each and every citizen. But the citizen's independence will not be progressive, nor indeed stable, unless each citizen is compelled by the nature of the situation to think and act not only for himself in his individual sphere but for himself and others in a collective capacity.

He will not do this so long as he is spoiled by paternalism in government. Fewer statutes and more personal "grip" is what our country needs.

I see this article is capable of being spun out too long, and I must stop, but I can not do so without deploring the fact that thousands of our people do not try to know our form of government nor to consider how to cast a vote for the welfare of their country.

Free Scholarships at Winthrop.

From the Rock Hill correspondence of the Columbia State it is learned that the competitive examination for Winthrop college scholarships for this county, which is entitled to fill two vacancies, is to be held in the court-house at Yorkville on July 20. A scholarship is worth free tuition and \$44 in money and is good for one year, but may be continued for four years to students who do good work and bid fair to become useful teachers. This serves also as an entrance examination, and all new students should stand it, whether competing for a scholarship or not. It is a great convenience for them, since it prevents the uncertainty and anxiety which never fail to attend an entrance examination held at a college when the session opens.

Cain Spring Picnic.

Prospective candidates in this county will be delighted to know that the annual picnic at Cain Spring, four miles west of Yorkville, will be on the 21st of this month—the 39th anniversary of the battle of Bull Run.

The committee of arrangements ask that an invitation be extended all the prominent Democratic candidates to be present. The public is asked to be there with full baskets. The last named condition is very important and it is hoped will not be forgotten.

AT THE STORE

Of A. O. Jones there has just been received a shipment of Cabbages, Potatoes (Irish and Sweet), both for planting and eating, Lemons, Oranges, Bananas. My reputation is that of carrying the choicest fruits brought to Fort Mill. This reputation I shall sustain.

A lot of medium grade pants, all sizes and weights, will be sold regardless of price. You would do well to see them before you buy.

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We look especially after the shipping trade and below quote very close figures. Will be glad to have your orders. Terms cash with order.

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All first-class goods at \$1.75 and \$2 VERY OLD.

Ryes from \$1.60 to \$2, \$2.50 and \$3.50 per gallon.

Gins from \$1.60 to \$2, and \$2.50.

Genuine Imported "Fish Gin" at \$3 per gallon.

Apple Brandy, \$2.25 per gallon.

Peach Brandy \$2.50 per gallon.

No charge for jug and box on above, and no charge at these prices for keg when wanted in such quantities.

Let us have your orders and oblige.

W. H. HOOVER.

CANDIDATE ANNOUNCEMENTS.

For Magistrate.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Magistrate of Fort Mill Township, subject to the action of the Democratic primary. S. F. MASSEY.

We are authorized to announce Capt. M. M. WOLFE as a candidate for Magistrate of Fort Mill township, subject to the result of the Democratic primary.

Clerk of Court.

We are authorized to announce W. BROWN WYLIE as a candidate for re-election to the office of Clerk of the Court for York County, subject to the result of the Democratic primary election.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Clerk of Court of York County, subject to the action of the Democratic party in the primary election. W. H. STEWART.

Subject to the action of the Democratic primary election, I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Clerk of the Court for York County. J. J. HUNTER.

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Clerk of Court of York county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary. J. A. TATE.

Solicitor of the Sixth Circuit.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Solicitor of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, subject to the result of the Democratic primary. THOS. F. MCDOW.

I will stand for re-nomination to the office of Solicitor of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, subject to the results of the next Democratic primary. J. K. HENRY.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Solicitor of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, subject to the results of the next Democratic primary. W. C. ROUGH.

State Senate.

We are authorized to announce J. S. BRUCE, Esq., as a candidate for State Senator, subject to the result of the Democratic primary.

For Sheriff.

We are authorized to announce Capt. E. A. CRAWFORD as a candidate for Sheriff of York County, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce JOHN R. LOCHAN as a candidate for reelection as Sheriff of York county, subject to the result of the Democratic primary election.

For County Supervisor.

We are authorized to announce R. W. WHITEHEADS, of Broad River township, as a candidate for Supervisor of York county, subject to the result of the Democratic primary election.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County SUPERVISOR, subject to the result of the Democratic primary election. T. G. CULP.

We are authorized to announce JOHN F. GORDEN as a candidate for the office of County Supervisor of York County, subject to the action of the Democratic primary election.

We are authorized to announce J. ED. LEECH, of Broad River township, as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Supervisor of York county, subject to the result of the Democratic primary.

For County Auditor.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for recommendation by the voters in the Democratic primary for reappointment as COUNTY AUDITOR. W. W. BOYCE.

For the House of Representatives.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, subject to the action of the Democratic primary election. J. R. HAILE.

We are authorized to announce W. B. DE LOACH, Esq., as a candidate for the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, subject to the result of the Democratic primary election.

We are authorized to announce J. E. BEAMGUARD as a candidate for the House of Representatives, subject to the action of the Democratic primary election.

County Supt. of Education.

Will sail by Good Hope. The life boat leaves the shore. Submissive to all necessary Democratic requirements. The 26th century candidate for County Superintendent of Public Instruction for York Co., S. C., is JAS. CANSLER. If elected will stoutly keep in mind the duties of the office. Each day will find him in attendance. Vote for him!

Notice to Candidates.

Rooms of the Democratic Executive Committee of York County, Yorkville, S. C., June 25, 1900. Notice is hereby given to all candidates and prospective candidates that they must sign the party pledge and pay their assessments on or before noon, Thursday, August 16, 1900.

The assessments are as follows: Candidates for Congress, \$20; Solicitor, \$10; State Senator, \$8; House of Representatives, \$4; Clerk of Court, \$15; Sheriff, \$3; Auditor, \$12; County Treasurer, \$10; County Superintendent of Education, \$5; County Supervisor, \$5; County Commissioners, \$3; Coroner, \$2; Magistrate, \$2. Special notice is hereby given that the two County Commissioners to be appointed by the governor must be nominated in the primary like other county officers. Special notice is also given that all Magistrates must also be nominated in the primary. Only residents of the township can vote for the Magistrate of that township.

By order of the Democratic Executive Committee. J. S. BRUCE, County Chairman. Attest: J. H. SAYE, Secretary.

TWO CAR LOADS NEW

JUST ARRIVED.

ONE EACH COOKING STOVES & FURN.

We save money by buying in car lots, besides the freight lower. We propose to give our customers the benefit of our June sale this year were 15 per cent better than any in the past sixteen years. This is a sure sign that money is plentiful people buy more. Why? Because when money is plentiful people buy more when hard times come they hunt low prices, and as we always the lowest we get the trade.

Our great clearance sale still goes on. We have some in Dry Goods, Millinery, Men's Straw Hats, Slippers, etc. going at about half price. We are headquarters for Free Jar Rubbers.

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There never has been inaugurated in this section of MENS' READY-MADE CLOTHING in purchasing power of dollars was as great as in several days should not lead you to believe that has been picked over until the best values. Such is not the case. There are still left dozens—suits that look well and wear well—at a price will astonish you. Some of them are offered at price—others for less. This is the sale that should interest you if you need clothing. Come and look the stock anyway.

A Great Sale of Straw Hats.

Right in the height of straw-hat wearing time we have Men's and Boys' Straw Hats at cut prices. The lot you will find all sorts. The hats are new and of this farure; the freshness of the straw will attest to that. A fine opportunity for those who have deferred purchasing a Hat up to now, and it would pay even those having a Hat in one at the prices we are offering.

Bargains in Boy's Summer Suits.

Bring your boy to our store and let us fit him in a suit for from 75 cents to \$2.50. They are worth more, but

Old Hickory and Piedmont Wagons.

Two-horse Old Hickory Wagons at \$50. Two-horse Piedmont Wagons at \$45. One new 1-horse wagon at \$25. Bargains in second-hand wagons and buggies.

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