

LOCAL ITEMS.

Mr. Judd has surrendered the clerk's office to Mr. Bampfield since the decision of the Supreme Court that the election on the 7th November is valid.

The sloop-of-war Swatara, was ordered to sail from New York for this port on Monday last. She has been at the Brooklyn navy yard since August receiving thorough repairs.

The barkentine Forest Princess is loading cotton seed at the wharf of Waterhouse and Ricker for Liverpool. This is the vessel that got into trouble at Port Royal a year or so ago on account of alleged smuggling of dress silks.

A number of officers, with Mr. Mackay, went to Spring Island on the Sea Weed on Sunday last, to see the advantages offered by the celebrated Foot Point as a naval depot and Railroad terminus.

The old man who makes and sells cakes met with a great loss on Saturday night, he having mislaid or been robbed of his pocket book containing \$180. He cannot tell whether he lost the money or was robbed.

Sheriff Wilson went to Charles town last Friday and brought to Beaufort two men accused of robbing the cars of the S. & C. Railroad at Yemassee. They will be tried at this term of Court.

A colored man named Robert Green, a night watchman for the Coosaw mining company fell into the river at first place last Thursday night and was drowned. Dr. Johnson went up on Friday and held an inquest on the body. The deceased was a faithful laborer and hailed from Colleton County.

Mr. Sams, special agent for the collection of the Hampton tax, reports receipts to date, from 72 taxpayers, amounting to \$260. He starts out on his collecting tour to-day [A list of his appointments may be found in our advertising columns.]

Among the audience last night were Commodore Clitz and nearly all the other officers of the fleet, besides a large number of the officers from the Russian ship. Mrs. Barry, who took the character of "Polly" is the daughter of the Commodore.

A letter received from Mr. Kenning gave the startling information that Robert C. McIntire was shot in his store at 74 p. m. on Monday last and was dead. Sheriff Wilson, Dr. Wilder and others left immediately for Hilton Head but have not yet returned and we are without any further particulars of the murder.

Two valuable and well known dogs belonging to our citizens were killed on Saturday last. The first one, Dr. Stuart's Monk, was wantonly shot by a boy, and the other, Wm. Elliott's Dick, was killed by being run over by the cars on the R. Y. trestle. In the last case the accident could not have been avoided as the dog bounding frightened by the approaching train laid down on the track with his head on the rail, but the killing of "Monk" was an outrage, and the perpetrator richly deserved to suffer the same fate as the noble animal which he so brutally killed.

Monday afternoon an addition of six members was made to the Bar of Beaufort County in the persons of J. W. Collins, S. D. Gilbert, L. S. Langley, A. G. Thomas, A. H. Ezekiel, and D. W. Powell. Surely making lawyers there seems to be no end in this place and nothing can account for this sudden accession to the legal profession but the fact that our jail contained on that day 45 prisoners who are destitute of means and needed the services of some benevolent lawyers to save them from the penalty of their crimes.

In the evening the newly admitted members entertained in handsome style their friends at the residence of Mr. Ezekiel, and a liberal spread received due attention between the many impromptu speeches.

"Caste" at the Sea Island.

An audience that filled the large dining room of the hotel last night until there was not even standing room, greeted the first appearance on the stage of an amateur company that presented for their amusement the comedy of "Caste." A stage was erected in one end of the room, tastefully decorated with flags and very appropriate fixtures for the proper presentation of the play. The cast of characters was as follows:

- Mon. Geo. D'Alroy.....J. H. Clancey.
Capt. Hauteau.....W. H. King.
Eccles.....A. H. Fletcher.
Sana Gertrude.....E. B. Barry.
Dixon, (servant to D'Alroy).....
Zather Eccles.....Mrs. J. P. Boyce.
Polly Eccles.....Mrs. E. B. King.
Marquise de St. Maur.....Mrs. W. H. Barry.

It would be difficult to say who excelled in the delineation of their respective characters, each one seeming to be so well adapted for their parts. Mrs. Barry displayed remarkable brilliancy and captivated the audience by her saucy and self-possessed rendering of the character of Polly. Mrs. King as the Marquise sustained the aristocrat as though to the manner born and elicited applause by her stately bearing and the reminiscences of the grandeur of her noble ancestors. Mrs. Boyce, who is better known to our citizens, in the character of Esther, won new laurels for her faithful portraiture of the most difficult part on the programme.

Of the gentlemen it is not necessary to speak. They each were perfect bricks in a play where perfect bricks only appear, and all did themselves infinite credit. Mr. Fletcher entertained the audience with a solo on a guitar and mouth organ, and what puzzled the audience was how such

delightful music could be produced on such vulgar instruments. Mr. R. M. Pollitzer presided at the piano and performed some of the best works of the old masters.

The proceeds, which were very large, are for the benefit of St. Peter's Catholic Church.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

The February term of Court for this County opened on Monday; but in consequence of the absence of jurors no sessions business was transacted. Messrs. Whipper, Williams and Solicitor Lee, were appointed by the Court to act as a Committee to examine applicants who petitioned for admission to practice before the court. S. D. Gilbert, J. W. Collins, L. S. Langley, A. G. Thomas, A. H. Ezekiel and D. W. Powell were examined in open court after which they were duly sworn as attorneys.

On Tuesday considerable delay occurred in consequence of the absence of several of the members of the grand jury whose places had to be filled from resident of the town.

His Honor made a very impressive charge to the grand jury explanatory of the grave and important duties devolving upon them; incidentally mentioning that one of their duties to the community was to give a general oversight during the year to the manner in which the various County officers performed their duty and in cases of wilful neglect to investigate the same for punishment at the ensuing term of court. He said:

"The responsibilities that attach to your position are many and great; you have not only to determine what criminal cases shall be brought before this court for trial, but you are to exercise a general supervision over County affairs. You are watchmen stationed by the law to survey the conduct of your fellow men, and to enquire when and by whom public authority has been violated, or the constitution and the laws of the land infringed.

You should especially keep a vigilant watch upon the public officers of your County—your County Commissioners, Trial Justices, Treasurer, Auditor. Watch them all with unceasing care and bring to light for trial and punishment, any official misconduct that you may discover.

It is also made a part of your duty to visit, at each term of this court, the various offices with the exception of those of the Sheriff and Clerk of the Court (which the Solicitor examines) and report their condition in your general presentment."

On Wednesday bills were returned against the following persons for the crimes specified: Nelson Turner and Richard Holt, for larceny in stealing goods from M. Pollizer, Jackson Greathart, Annie Solomons and Snowdon Bostick for burglary and larceny, in breaking into the smoke house of Frank Johnson, on the 8th of January and stealing about thirty dollars worth of bacon. Marcus Pinckney, for assault with intent to Ravish.

John Wilson and Philip Judd being a case continued from the October term of Court, were placed on trial for burglary and larceny, for breaking and entering the store of James M. Crofut of Beaufort and stealing a quantity of dry goods and a gun therefrom in August last. The goods were traced to the possession of the prisoners, the jury returned a verdict of guilty against each prisoner.

Marcus Pinckney, a colored youth charged with an intent to ravish a white woman in the upper portion of the County, in November last, was defended by Thos. H. Wheeler and acquitted by the jury.

Jack Greathart, accused of committing a burglary and larceny, assisted by Snowdon Bostick and Annie Solomons, by breaking into the smoke house of Frank Johnson, was acquitted by the jury. Mr. Wheeler for the defence. Some two hundred and fifty pounds of meat taken from Mr. Johnson's premises was found secreted in a hollow tree near the house of Greathart. Snowdon Bostick who by the testimony was strongly implicated had escaped from arrest. His Honor instructed the Solicitor to examine carefully into the manner of the escape of the prisoner Bostick.

This morning S. J. Bampfield who at the election in November last was elected to the office of Clerk appeared before the Court. Mr. H. G. Judd the retiring clerk read the commission of Mr. Bampfield on which were endorsed the oaths required by law after the reading of which Mr. Bampfield took the oath in open court, and was duly installed at the desk at which Mr. H. G. Judd has so acceptably served the county for the past eight years. Mr. Bampfield will no doubt prove an efficient clerk, only lacking at present those minute details of office that experience in the discharge of his duties will necessarily give.

In the case of Annie Solomons the jury were unable to agree having remained some thirteen hours in the jury room. His Honor ordered that a mistrial should be entered, and her recognizance was hunted for, which was alleged to have been given before some trial justice, but the bond was not forthcoming.

The cases against the parties implicated in the Staffords Cross Roads affair were entered into. Mr. Tillinghast assisting the Solicitor in the prosecution and Messrs. Whipper, Wheeler, Williams and Thomas, appeared for the defence. The case will in all probability require one of two more days in the trial unless continued until next court as nineteen prisoners are charged with the murder of John R. Shuman who was acting in the capacity of constable at the time of the murder.

The State, through Mr. Tillinghast,

in consequence of the unavoidable absence of a witness, through sickness, asked that the case should be continued. His Honor instructed the Solicitor to examine into the facts and report to the court on Friday, and in the mean time counsel for defence would have time to prepare counter affidavits.

The case of Robert Bythewood was called, and the Solicitor intimated that he had been informed that the prisoner had skipped, and intimating that he should proceed against his bondsmen. Mr. Lawrence said he represented the prisoner that he had not left the town and was in his office the previous evening. They were not ready for trial, and he would move for continuance. He was granted until this afternoon to make a showing His Honor intimating that it would have to be a pretty good one for the Court to allow it. Mr. Wheeler appeared for the bondsmen, and the court said that in case of the escape of the prisoner a reasonable time would be allowed them to recapture him.

A LIBERAL OFFER.—The celebrated fertilizer, Wilcox, Gibbs & Co's Manipulated Guano, is offered on liberal terms, delivered at depots in the interior, with option of paying in cotton on the basis of 15 cents for middling, delivered at planter's nearest depot by the 1st November next. This is a very favorable offer to farmers, as they will know when they buy the guano exactly the number of pounds of cotton required to pay for it, and can make their calculations accordingly. Call on the local agents and forward your orders at once.

A fine selected stock of pure confectionery just received at Roberts.

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Figs in 3 and 5 lb baskets and boxes, at Roberts.

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Marine Intelligence.

ENTERED, ST. HELENA SOUND, Feb. 2nd Russian Bark Phineas Sigmund, master, for Ipswich, England, with 23 tons of phosphate rock from Oak Point mines.

CLEARED, January 29th Br. Rk. Packard, Williams' master, for Bristol England with 49 tons of phosphate rock from Coosaw mines.

Jan. 29—Br. Rk. William Bowen, Kendall, master for London, with 501 tons of phosphate rock from Coosaw mines.

Jan. 30th Russian Bk. Wajda, Chapman master for Newcastle England with 170 tons of phosphate rock from Coosaw mines.

Jan. 31st Swedish Bk. Adolph, Hogman master for Newcastle, England with 647 tons of phosphate rock from Coosaw mines.

Jan. 30th Br. Schr. "Bride" Blake master 3 days from Bermuda. W. I. in ballast to Campbell Wylie, and Co.

ARRIVED—PORT ROYAL, Feb. 2nd Schr. Nellie Doe from New York gunn to P. R. R. R. agent.

Feb. 4th steamer, Calvert, from Baltimore to P. R. R. R. agent.

Feb. 6th Steamer Carondelet, from New York to R. P. Randle.

SAILED, Feb. 2nd Steamer Dallas, for New York.

Feb. 4th J. R. Bodwell for Wilsons Mills.

WANTED, A SLOOP OR SCHOONER-BOAT, 10 or 12 TONS, must be in perfect order, a cheap address with lowest price.

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THE PARKER GUN.



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Tax Notice.

Having been appointed by His Excellency Gov. Hampton, a SPECIAL AGENT to collect the Tax contribution of 10 per cent. called for in the County of Beaufort, I hereby give notice that I will meet the people in the County at the following places:

- Early Branch, Monday, February 12th.
Hoyers Station, Tuesday, Feb. 13th.
Brunson, Wednesday February 14th.
Lawtonville, Thursday February 15th.
Brighton, Friday February 16th.
Gillisonville, Saturday, February 17th.
Grahamville, Monday February 19th.
(After arrival of train)
Hardeeville, Tuesday, February 20th.
(After arrival of train)
Levy's X Roads Wednesday Feb. 21st.
Savannah, Thursday, February 22d.
[Sheriff's Office.]
Bluffton, Saturday, February 24th.
Tax-payers are requested to bring with them their tax receipts for last year.

B. B. SAMS, Special Agent. Bft., S. C., Jan. 23, 1877.

TAX NOTICE.

THE undersigned has been appointed by Governor Hampton as Special Agent for Beaufort County to receive and receipt for the contribution of ten percent. upon the amount of the State and County tax of 1875-76, authorized by the House of Representatives. The receipts issued by me will be accepted as evidence of payment on the collection of taxes to be hereafter levied by the Legislature for he said fiscal year.

Until further notice, I will be found at the office of C. H. WRIGHT, next to the Express office, and will be ready to wait upon all taxpayers from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. each day. Taxpayers must produce tax receipts for last year. Due notice will be given of appointments for the up-country, Savannah river and Savannah, Georgia.

B. B. SAMS, Special Agent.

Found Adrift.

PIECED UP ON THE 18th INSTANT A LARGE FLAT which the owner can redeem by paying for this advertisement and other expenses.

GILBERT FULTON, Paris Island, S. C. Jan. 18th 1877.

Spinal Discharge.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I WILL apply to the Honorable Judge of Probate for Beaufort County on the 12th Feb. 1877 for final discharge as administrator of the estate of Billy Jenkins deceased.

ISAAC JENKINS, Administrator. Bft. S. C. Jan. 22nd 1877.

FOUND, On the morning of the 31st inst. a Violin, which the owner can have by proving property and paying expenses.

M. J. GRAHAM.

TOWN TAX NOTICE.

TOWN TREASURER'S OFFICE, Beaufort, S. C. Dec. 23rd 1876. This office will be opened Monday January 1, 1877, for the collection of taxes and remains open until Feb. 5th inclusive.

J. C. RICHMOND, Town Treasurer.

OFFICE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, January 1st 1877.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE BOARD of County Commissioners of Beaufort County have in the performance of their duties traveled four thousand nine hundred and sixty seven miles and have been in station forty-one days during the fiscal year ending Nov. 30th 1876.

THOS. H. WHEELER, Clerk of Board, County Commissioners Beaufort County.

LANDS FOR SALE.

THE LANDLESS PEOPLE who are coming into this County to reside will do well to call upon the subscriber at his office in the Farmers' building, where they can find lists of LOTS OF LAND

which are located on all the islands, and on the main land of Beaufort County, in tracts of from one acre to four hundred with improvements on many of the parcels, and altogether desirable for those having small means, as they can have immediate possession by paying a very small sum of money, and be able to make a crop the present season.

ONE CHOICE TRACT OF 40 ACRES mostly under cultivation on Port Royal Island at a bargain.

ONE 20 ACRE TRACT NEAR WHITE Church on St. Helena—best land on the island.

Call and see me soon. H. G. JUDD Bft. S. C. Jan 17th 1877.

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Bought Ginned and prepared for market. ADVANCES Made on consignments. Having the best machinery for ginning cotton and grinding corn and meal, he is prepared to execute all orders on the shortest possible notice. The highest cash price paid for COTTON & CORN Cotton ginned on toll.

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Days St. Beaufort, S. C. LIQUORS, WINES, &c. NET YARNS, FISH LINES AND CORDAGE. Glass, Paints and Oils, WHITE LEAD AND TURPENTINE. Special attention given to mixing paints and Glass cut to order of any size. Dec. 8

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Practical Tin Sheet Iron, Copper Worker DEALER IN Jammed and Stamped Tin Ware. Constantly on hand, Cooking Utensils and Box Stoves. TERMS CASH. Agent for the Celebrated

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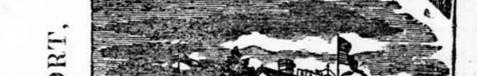
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