

To the Bank's Patrons:

Though the First National Bank of Batesburg is only three years old, it has paid out in dividends to its stockholders \$1,625.00 and still has a surplus and undivided profits of \$7,197.29, making a total net earning of \$11,822.20

The BATESBURG ADVOCATE.

The Deposits In the First National Bank of Batesburg in January, 1904, were \$1,700,000; January, 1903, \$1,331,855; January, 1902, \$66,574.89; January, 1901, \$122,850.10. W. W. WATSON, Cashier. Money lent on approved security.

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LOCAL.

Just fertilizer—that's all. "The Silent Shore"—March 10th. Mr. Gregg Stone, of Saluda, was in town last week. Mr. George Adams, of Baxter, was here last Friday. Mr. M. Barshay went to his home at Orangeburg last week. Dr. J. D. Timmons went to Edgefield on a visit Tuesday. Mr. Henry Bodie of the State of Saluda was in town last week. Miss Pauline Hutto and sister, of Leesville, were in town Saturday. Mrs. Rhodes, of Perry, has been visiting in our town the past week. Get your garden ready, it will soon be time to put in early vegetables. Mr. A. C. Jones went to Columbia last Friday to hear Mr. Bryan speak. The day of the Spring chicken is fast approaching—but can we wait? Did you see Bryan Thursday morning—and the Hon John Bell Towill? Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Boyd, of Saluda county, were in Batesburg last week. We are glad to see our friend, Mr. J. C. Ridgeout again after his long illness. Mrs. A. C. Mitchell returned last week from a visit to her parents at Johnston. It is quite a pleasure for us to note so many of our Leesville friends in town each week. Batesburg is improving and widening her streets much to the benefit of the city. Miss Pearl Spann and Miss Wakefield Mattison, of near Leesville, visited Lee last week. Miss Janie Murray, a most charming young lady from Columbia, is a guest of Miss Mauda Hodges. Miss Scarborough, of Manning, is visiting her sister, Miss Margie, to the pleasure of our young folks. Mr. C. R. Smith, a prominent citizen of the Greek Creek section was in town on business last week. Dr. E. K. Hardin journeyed to the capital city last Friday to hear Mr. Bryan on the "Moral Issue". On Monday the small boy done a few stunts with the hatchet, just to commemorate the birthday of our friend George. Mr. Elijah Hall, of Samaria, was in town last week. Mr. Hall has many friends here who are always glad to see him. The sidewalk has been widened in front of Capt. Gunter's residence, thereby giving the whole street a much better appearance. "The Silent Shore," a beautiful breezy romance by Mrs. Blonnelie Burton, will soon begin its life. The opening chapter will appear March 10th. The Batesburg Drug Co. offer a \$10 writing desk for \$25.00. We do not see how it can be done but if you will call at their store they will give you particulars. We notice in the legislative proceedings that Hon. John Bell Towill was one of the few members that stood to his part of duty in the House adjourned. The small boy and many grown up spectators "rubbed" all the glass off the new fertilizer distributors, which arrived here last week for Messrs. Bouknight & Rutland. Lot Harris, one of our colored population, showed us last night a very large swamp rabbit he killed in the woods near town that weighed 41-2 lbs. (weight) when we saw this rabbit. See ad of J. J. Shandy, of Leesville, the popular blacksmith and wheelwright. It may prove of interest to you, as he has just laid in new tools and a cold tire-tightening machine. Read the advertisements in the Advocate carefully. If you are a careful buyer they will save you money. Our advertisers are square dealers and that is an item which should interest you. A mistake was made last week in our item regarding the stump puller. The name of the owner of this labor saving machine should have been Mr. George Adams instead of Mr. Henry Adams. "The Silent Shore" or "The Mystery of St. James Park," a thrilling story of love and adventure, will begin in the Advocate March 10th. Get your subscription in by that time and do not miss a single issue. Mayor M. B. Edwards has purchased the lot of ground on Peachtree street between L. C. Hartly and T. B. Irons. He intends erecting a four-story house some time this summer. A street is also to be cut between his property and that of L. C. Hartly. Next week "The Web of Fate" will be continued in the Advocate, but we will immediately begin the publication of "The Silent Shore" or "The Mystery of St. James Park," by John Blonnelie Burton. It is a romance with an intricate plot skillfully developed. The firm of Perry Bros., which has been doing business in Batesburg for the past fourteen years was dissolved last week by mutual consent. Mr. E. T. Perry will go into the Perry business, devoting his entire time to it, while Mr. M. H. Perry will continue in the mercantile line. These gentlemen are well-known in Batesburg and need no commendation to the public at our hands. Mr. Shelton Perry has laid in a fine line of new spring and summer goods and we wish for him a prosperous season and all the success that his past perseverance and enterprise entitles him to.

GENERAL NEWS.

Senator Hardin, of Chester, spent Sunday in town with his brother, Dr. Hardin. The Senator has a host of friends in these parts who are always glad to see him come. Miss Mammie Scarborough, who has been visiting Misses Allen Colburn and Margie Scarborough, left for her home in Bishopville Monday morning. The entire town was delighted to honor her. Dr. W. Price Timmons left for Danville, Va., Tuesday afternoon to attend the annual convention of the Tri-State Medical Association. The Doctor believes in keeping in touch with his professional brethren—and up with the times. Mr. David Kratze, of Genoa, N. Y., who spends his winters with us and who has many friends in Batesburg, on last Tuesday evening received a telegram announcing the death of his sister, Miss Jennie Kratze, of Genoa. The death of this estimable lady occurred suddenly. Mr. Kratze has the sympathy of his many friends here in his sad bereavement. The Timmons' at Edgefield. We clip the following from the Edgefield Chronicle as regards the Timmons' Brothers new store at Edgefield. What Tiffany's is to New York—Timmons' is going to be to Edgefield. The Timmons store is complete, and is far the handsomest, mercantile structure ever built in Edgefield. Indeed Edgefield has never seen anything like it. From the white marble floor to the highly grained upper ceiling, it is a model. The splendid iron and glass front is most beautiful to behold. Tin snuffers, windows, counters and shelves are all models of modern improvement and the stock of drugs, medicines, paints, oils and groceries that is now being unpacked and arranged in this palatial elegance of the building. The Timmons Brothers—J. D. and Beauregard—are not new men or new merchants. They and their honied forefathers, being to this soil, as merchants—especially drug and grocery merchants—it may truly be said that the Timmons Brothers know it all. They are fair, square, benevolent, broad-minded men seeking to live themselves and glad to see all others living. Mr. J. Davis Timmons conducts the big business at Batesburg. Mr. Beauregard Timmons will conduct the big business in Edgefield. Indeed he is already conducting it; for before this week's Chronicle comes all its readers will be virtually ready to wait on the public. Some of his ornamental details may not be entirely perfect, but if you want medicine to save your life or food to strengthen your inner man, Mr. Timmons is already ready to serve you. Young Mr. Wab Allen will be the chief clerk of the Timmons Brothers, and young Mr. Allen, in this line, is a glistening globe on the beach. The Mississippi Democrats in the Senate of that State last week adopted resolutions of respect for the late Senator Hanna. Sixty thousand people viewed the remains of Senator Hanna at Cleveland Friday. All business was suspended for the day. Postmaster General Payne had \$1,609 in jewelry and \$150 in cash stolen from his hotel apartments in Washington last week. The Russian government last week issued a proclamation that it "was and is unprepared for war." So much the better for the Japs. Patrolman M. C. Buckner, of Asheville, N. C., was last week stabbed by a negro hack driver, Nathan Steff, Buckner is in a dying condition. The President did not attend Hanna's funeral. He offered as an excuse that he did not want to set a precedent, as he could not attend all the funerals of Hanna's rank. The throne of little King Alfonso, the young King of Spain, is in danger of taking a tumble. The child is brewing in Spain and its ruler may be dethroned or assassinated at any time. A poll taken by the New York World at a newspaper banquet in New York, shows that Cleveland is the favorite. He may be, but he will never remember again being President of the United States. Fighting Bob Evans' squadron is in China. It is laying around the base of Russian-Japanese operations. The squadron is said to be looking for hints on war. Something may happen. Perry S. Heath, has resigned his position as first assistant postmaster-general. He was also secretary of the Republican national executive committee which he has also resigned. The resignations are said to be due to the death of Hanna. J. B. Canfield, of Bridgeport, Conn., a young millionaire, who recently

STATE NEWS.

Two thousand people turned out to hear Bryan at Spartanburg Friday night. The citizens of Aiken are to have a "Whitney Park" in honor of the late W. C. Whitney. The Governor vetoed the bill passed by the legislature last week ceding lands to U. S. government. The Columbia primary election, comes off the middle of next month. Candidates galore are in the field and the race will be a warm one. The citizens of Aiken held a public meeting last Thursday and passed resolutions of respect to the late Hon. W. C. Whitney. The people of Aiken were his friends and much was it that Whitney did for them. Thursday afternoon the funeral of the late Rev. Churchhill Satterlee took place from Trinity Church in Columbia. The church which had known him for years and for which he yielded up his life will mourn him no more, as all that was mortal of this good man was on Thursday evening laid to rest. From Steedman. Mrs. John Gantt, who has been sick for some time is very low yet and seems to improve but very little, if any. Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Smith, of Perry, spent one night last week here with relations. Mr. Wade Hill of Samaria, has bought the Balsam tract of timber just across the river on the Aiken side and will move his mill there in the near future to saw. Mr. Elijah Hall, of Mims, was here Saturday or Sunday night, the 13th or 14th inst., and appropriated to his own use property which belonged to another. The farmers are trying to prepare for their crops, but on account of the prevailing bad weather they are sorely behind with their crops. Mr. Daniel Gant left here last Monday night in company with his little girl for Georgia, where he goes to have her treated for a supposed mad dog bite. There have been several lots sold here of late and according to reports there will be in the near future dwelling houses erected on some of them. Seivern. Mr. M. Gunter is spending a few days with his son and daughter in New Brookland. Miss Lizzie Rawls spent last week with relatives here. Miss Geneva Jones returned to Branchville after spending several weeks with the homefolks. Mr. Kline spent several days in Charleston on business last week. We are glad to see Mr. Jessie Hall among us again after being absent for several weeks. Misses Agnes and Ottie Lee Gunter and their three friends, Miss Bogue knight, Miss Riser and Miss Lay, of Leesville College, spent Saturday and Sunday here. We are glad to have such pretty girls to visit our town. Messrs F. O. Gunter and J. S. Lybrand two of our merchants visited Aiken on business last week. Dr. A. O. Yearian is off on a business trip to Philadelphia. He has purchased the Koolin bed of H. B. Hartto's and will begin to work now soon. Mr. C. Guy Gunter has returned to S. C. College after spending a few days here. Mr. Joo. I. Sally of Woodford was in town last Tuesday. Mr. M. S. Gunter our great sporting man, was in town Sunday. He is very anxious to know who broke his wagon. Mr. Henderson Gunter, one of Lexington Co.'s young men is creating quite a nice College at Todd. Look out girls. Mr. Burgess of Steedman's is in town today. Miss Estelle Rawl spent a few days at her old home last week. Messrs. Clarence Wild and Olie Gantt two of Steedman's popular young men visited our town last Sunday. "Sryun w" The Spartanburg Herald of last Saturday said editorially: The speech on the proposition to allow

World Fair Notes.

Many historic structures reproduced for various purposes. Louisiana State Building to be the Cabildo at New Orleans. Festive Hall, 200 feet high, in center of Cascade Gardens. Palace of Varied Industries, 525 by 1,200 feet, cost \$604,000. Palace of Transportation, 569 by 1,300 feet, cost \$665,000. Seventy-five thousand yards of sod laid in Cascade territory. Wireless telegraph station among great electrical exhibits. Great Britain to reproduce the Orangerie of Kensington Palace. The Ast Palace, central structure, permanent cost \$1,640,000. The Pike, a mile long, concessions costing more than \$5,000,000. Thirty-five miles of asphalt and gravel roadways in grounds. Inside Inn, within Exposition grounds, capacity of 6,000 persons. United States Government's total appropriations, \$6,423,000. The Hermitage, Andrew Jackson's Tennessee home, reproduced. Map of United States in growing crops, covers area of five acres. Robert Burns' cottage of Ay. are to be reproduced on grounds. Ninety thousand gallons of water per minute flow over cascades. Palace of Mines and Metallurgy, 525 by 750 feet, cost \$495,000. Forestry, Fish and Game Building, 300 by 600 feet, cost \$450,000. Three great cascades, largest waterfalls ever constructed by man. The Grand Trianon and Versailles Gardens reproduced by France. Palace of Agriculture 546 by 1,600 feet, 23 acres, cost \$529,040. Main picture comprises 10 great palaces, arranged in fan shape. Monticello, Thomas Jefferson's home for Virginia State Building.

FLORAL HINTS.

Transplanting Annual Ferns from the Woods—Few succeed in transplanting these ferns from the woods, as they do not stand transplanting during the growing season. Select nice clumps during the summer, and drive in stakes to locate them; then late in the fall, just before the soil freezes, carefully dig them up, and plant them in the center of a wide border in which you intend to plant annuals. A border on the north or the east side of a house or hedge is best. Put plenty of leaf-mold in the border and water freely. Growing the Wild Violets.—Many persons prefer the wild violets for growing in borders, but make a mistake in trying to transplant them from the woods. This is extremely hard to do, as these plants are not used to being transplanted. A better way is to fill the border with leaf-mold from the woods, and watch a cluster of wild violets until the blossoms begin to fade, then tie bunches of the blooms in little paper socks. When the seeds have matured, cut the stems, but leave the pods in the sacks until August, when the seeds should be sown by carefully blowing them from a smooth surface. Do not cover.—February Woman's Home Companion.

NATIONAL CONVENTION.

A St. Louis dispatch under date of Feb. 18 says: "Col. John I. Martin, who will be sergeant-at-arms at the Democratic national convention, a position which he has held at several previous conventions, reports that arrangements have been perfected for the accommodation of the various State-delegations to the big Democratic gathering. Said Colonel Martin: "There is not the slightest doubt that we will be able to care for all the Democrats who may come here. "From reports which I receive daily, I judge there will be an enormous throng at the convention. It would not surprise me if the convention alone brought 50,000 persons to St. Louis."

COLONIAL PARTY

On Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Piatta Colonial Party was tendered the gentlemen of Batesburg by the Fortnightly Club. The costumes worn by the ladies were very handsome and the men showed up well in the dress of '76. About 9 o'clock the guests began to arrive and were received in courtly manner by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Colburn, alias George and Martha Washington. During the evening a game called the "Ball of Flowers" was heartily participated in and later a light but delightful supper was served in the dining room. The house was tastefully decorated in bunting and Revolutionary flags. A few more thoroughbred Kentucky mules to close out at Matthews & Bouknight Co., Leesville, S. C. Dont fail to call on Matthews & Bouknight for Wagons and Buggy material at Leesville, S. C. School Superintendents. The following letter is from Superintendent O. B. Martin to the school superintendents of the State: MY DEAR SIR:—As you know the general assembly has enacted a rural library law which provides for the establishment of at least 500 rural libraries, costing not less than \$20 each. I am writing to the city superintendents asking each one to send a list of 25 books which he thinks ought to be put in such libraries. If you see fit I shall be glad for you to consult your teachers, and especially the primary teachers, prepare such a list and forward it to this office at your earliest possible convenience. I desire to tabulate such returns from the city superintendents and present them to the State board when they meet to adopt a list. The meeting of the State board will likely be called for March 11th, so I shall greatly appreciate it if you will furnish your list by March 1st. A fine line of gent's shoes at low prices to suit the taste. Matthews & Bouknight Co., Leesville, S. C. MEAT! MEAT! MEAT!!! A tender, juicy steak. Cut as nice as man can cut it, you will always find on hand at my butcher shop. No dirt or dust, everything as clean as clean can be. My cutter knows his business and is prepared to serve you at all times with beef, pork and sausage. Give me a call. J. T. POND. "On the Corner." The Garden Seeds Arrive. As long as they last we will give packages of the seed sent us by Senator Latimer to Advocate subscribers who call for them. FOUND—Red cow with heather halter and blue heifer with bell on. For further information apply to J. B. YOUNG BLOOD. FOR SALE! One 6-horse power engine. In good running order. A fine pulper. Cheap. Apply to J. J. Shealy, Leesville, S. C. Mr. Quattbaum and son, of Samaria, was here Monday. Mr. E. E. Gunter, of Merritt's Bridge, was in town last week. Mrs. Dr. Fild was one of our visitors from Leesville Saturday. Miss Maud Mask, of Leesville, was shopping in town last Saturday. Messrs. Jas. Davis and Judson Hall of Chocomaun, were here Monday. Mr. Jno. Cato, one of Monetta's best farmers, was on our streets Monday. Miss Ella Lou Able, a popular young lady of Leesville, was in town Monday. Miss Jannie Murray, of Columbia, returned yesterday after a pleasant visit to Miss Hodges. Dr. W. P. Timmerman is in Danville, Va., attending a meeting of medical association. John W. Meelze, a farmer of lower Lexington was murdered last Friday by unknown parties. Messrs. Ed. and Gat Shulls and F. O. Gunter, from Seivern, were in the city Tuesday on business. Mr. James Jones and daughters, Misses Mamie and Belle visited relatives here last Thursday. Miss Etta Lewis, a charming young lady of Knoxville, Tenn. is visiting her cousin, Mrs. W. H. Atwell. Mr. W. A. Cooner, formerly of the Herald Shoe Co., of Boston, Mass., has accepted a position with the Drake Mill & Green Shoe Co., of Charleston and will represent them in Florida. Mr. Cooner has many friends here who wish him success. Mr. Jerome Follette, the practical piano maker, of Augusta, is in town during this bunting, etc. Mr. Follette has had fifteen years practical experience and understands his business. If you want pianos put in fine shape just drop him a postal or leave your order with Dr. Boatright and Mr. Follette will do the rest. That's all.

Dissolution Notice.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF LEXINGTON. The copartnership heretofore existing between L. F. Perry and S. F. Perry doing business in the town of Batesburg under the firm name of Perry Brothers, is this day dissolved by mutual consent, the said S. F. Perry assuming all obligations of the said firm and all accounts due the said firm to be paid to S. F. Perry. L. F. Perry, S. F. Perry. This the 16th day of February, 1904.

A Glimpse of Bryan.

Within four days Bryan passed through Batesburg Friday morning on his way to Columbia to deliver an address before the South Carolina legislature. Mr. Bryan delivered an address before the Georgia legislature Monday. It is said to relate that Augusta got the "grizzly." Many of Batesburg's prominent citizens were at the depot to see Mr. Bryan and they were not disappointed. He was on the rear platform of a private car and bowed kindly to all. Hon. John Bell Towill also occupied the platform with Mr. Bryan, he being one of those who met him in Augusta to escort him to Columbia. Mr. Bryan does not seem to age to any extent and appears the same as when first he headed the Democratic ticket.

Mrs. Huie Delights a Charleston Audience.

Prof. A. Oswald Bauer, assisted by Mrs. C. B. Huie, gave a music recital in Charleston on the 18th of which the News and Courier speaks in praise. There were many members of the enterprising company, but the Courier gives Mrs. Huie special mention. Being well known in these parts it gives us pleasure to note these facts. The following we clip from the "Charleston News and Courier": The especial treat of the evening must be said was the singing of Mrs. C. B. Huie. Her song was announced as a contra-tenor solo. The vocalists of the evening were Mrs. C. B. Huie and Mrs. Ignatius O'Neil, and both sang charmingly. Mrs. Huie's number was the "Scena and Aria" from "Faust" (Gounod) a grand selection that called for the highest artistic rendition and brought forth the most splendid singer the most enthusiastic commendation.

Attorney-General Gunter Hits Gamblers.

In his annual report to the legislature submitted last week, Attorney-General Gunter says: "Our statutes in reference to gambling are out of date and should be amended to meet modern offenses. They are vague and indefinite and tend to confine the offense to 'public places.' Gambling in private is as old as time and the demoralizing effect should be amended as to conviction of doubt. Provision should be made for the confiscation of gambling paraphernalia. Frequent complaints are made of the use of slot machines. Particular attention is urged to the demoralizing effect such machines have on labor in the rural districts and direct legislation is needed regulating the keeping of such machines, especially such as shall constitute gambling."

The Dispensary.

The dispensary law imposed a great amount of work in this office, occasioned by the vast proportions of its operations. Its enforcement by the chief executive and the subordinate officers has been energetic and with a marked success in success. During the year this office has prepared 281 written opinions, besides giving many oral opinions and advice to the public offices. Two matters which have not yet been mentioned are covered as follows: "Our statutes in reference to gambling are out of date and should be amended to meet modern offenses. They are vague and indefinite and tend to confine the offense to 'public places.' Gambling in private is as old as time and the demoralizing effect should be amended as to conviction of doubt. Provision should be made for the confiscation of gambling paraphernalia. Frequent complaints are made of the use of slot machines. Particular attention is urged to the demoralizing effect such machines have on labor in the rural districts and direct legislation is needed regulating the keeping of such machines, especially such as shall constitute gambling."