

The Watchman and Southron.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

E. E. Moore—Fine Farm for Sale. Teacher Wanted for the Tirzah School.

PERSONAL.

Mr. J. E. Mayes was in the city yesterday. Mr. E. Alexander, of Rural, spent yesterday in town. Mrs. S. L. Ebaugh, is visiting Mrs. E. A. Bultman. Mr. Emile P. Moses has gone to Sullivan's Island. Dr. J. J. Bossard went to Glenn Springs last week. Dr. C. P. Osteen, of Darlington was in town Thursday. Miss Moneta Osteen has returned from Glenn Springs. Mr. Horace Harby has returned from Pawley's Island. Mr. W. H. Flowers is spending some time at Saida, N. C. Mr. A. T. Cooper, of Wisacky spent yesterday in town. Mr. J. V. Wilson left on Monday for Hendersonville, N. C. Mr. W. M. Graham is spending ten days at Southport, N. C. Judge R. C. Parry was in the city for several days last week. Mrs. George D. Shore and children have gone to Brevard, N. C. Mr. T. N. Griffin, of Magnolia, was in town Monday on business. Mrs. Irving A. Ryttenberg has gone to Chicago to visit her parents. B. Frank Kelley, Esq., of Bishopville, was in the city Thursday. Miss Margaret Rose left on Saturday to visit relatives at Cartersville. Dr. A. J. China and Miss Marie DeLorne have gone to Southport, N. C. Miss Marie Durant of Bishopville was visiting in the city last week. Mrs. H. J. Harby returned on Saturday from Hendersonville, N. C. Miss Armida Moses has gone to White Stone Springs for a few weeks stay. Mrs. Mark Reynolds and children are spending several weeks at Stateburg. Mrs. Katie Bradley of Missouri, is on a visit to her father, Capt. John Reid. Messrs. R. D. Cuttino and J. M. Chandler have returned from New York. Mrs. W. M. Stinson, of Jacksonville, Fla. is visiting Mrs. W. S. Jones. Miss Alice Harby has gone to Hendersonville, N. C., to spend several weeks. Miss Fannie Schneberger, of Baltimore is visiting at Mrs. H. Ryttenberg's. Mr. William Auld has gone to Georgetown, where he has accepted a position. Miss Rosa Lee Barnett is spending some time in the mountains of North Carolina. Mr. L. W. Dick, of Aiken, has been visiting in the city and county for several days. Mr. George W. Hutcherson, has gone on a visit to his old home at Allegheny, Pa. Misses Jessie and Julia Burdell left for Columbia Friday night to visit friends and relatives. Miss Julia Frierson is at home from Charleston on a month's visit to her parents at Stateburg. Mr. S. W. Stubbs left last night for New York to select the fall and winter stock for Stubbs Bros. Mr. T. S. Doar returned Monday from a stay of two weeks at the Isle of Palms and McClellanville. Mrs. Edward S. Dukes of Asheville, N. C., is spending a few days with her sister-in-law Mrs. Ellis Green. Miss Lucille DeLorme left Saturday for an extended visit to friends in Columbia and McConnellsville. Mr. W. B. Murray of O'Donnell & Co., left for New York Monday to buy goods for the fall and winter trade. Miss Sue Bec Jones, who has been visiting friends and relatives in the Brogdon neighborhood has returned to the city. Mr. S. Lee Young, of Remberts has accepted a position with J. Ryttenberg & Sons and will enter their employ on August 15th. Misses Isabelle, Floy and Harriet Ruff, who have been visiting Miss Hallie Jones have returned to their home in Ridgeway. Miss Edna Bull who has been visiting in Charleston returned home last Thursday. She was accompanied by her friend, Miss Maud Brown. Miss Olivia Ingram passed through Sumter Saturday morning en route to Lowryville, S. C., where she was to be one of a merry house party. Miss Alice Dora Stuckey, of Bishopville, who has been spending some time with the family of A. B. Stuckey, Esq., returned to her home Friday. Miss Hattie Perkins and Master Shannon Perkins of Tallahassee, Fla., and Miss Elizabeth DuBose, of Camden, are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Dr. Spann. Col. John M. Knight and Col. Altamont Moses went to Anderson to attend the review of the Third Regiment by Gov. Heyward, of whose staff they are members. Mr. J. C. Lanham, of Summerton, was in the city on business Saturday. Mr. Lanham represents Clarendon county in the Legislature and is a brother of the present Governor of Texas. Miss Janie M. Spann has gone to Chick Springs for a three weeks' stay. Mr. Frank A. Little, of Knoxville, Tenn., is in the city on business.

One vagrant was run in on the 4th and the Mayor gave him 30 days on the chain gang—the limit. There are probably a hundred others in and around the city who should be rounded up and put to building good roads.

At the meeting of the county board of control held Friday it was decided to establish another dispensary in this city, and an election will be held on September 1st to select the dispenser. In the meantime if those who have opposed the establishment of a second dispensary wish to continue the fight and prevent the establishment of the dispensary they will have to secure a petition against the dispensary signed by a majority of the voters of the township. If a petition properly signed is presented to the county board of control, the board will be forced by the law to rescind its action and the second dispensary cannot be established.

On getting out of this trouble and on examination we found the bridge had been washed away, all perhaps save the stringers, and the bottom of the ditch was the next landing place for travelers, at which place doubtless many landed, as it was Saturday evening, and we saw a good many in town. I found it was about all that my horse could do to get up and out of the ditch with a light buggy and a lightweight man in it. But when along came the lion horses with heavy loads and vehicles, they must have fared much worse than we did. Our damage as far as has been ascertained, consists in sprung axle, and we feel profoundly grateful that it was not a broken neck or limbs.

The point that we wish to call attention of our county officials to, is the miserably careless manner in which these small bridges are constructed. The coverings should be nailed down if there are only two plank to the bridge, and not be simply laid down without nailing, as is the present custom. These small, shallow ditches that cross our public roads are much more liable to overflow, than are the larger ones across the bigger streams, from the fact that the latter are most generally built above high water mark, while the former are built with no view to high tide. Good roads, mean safe roads, and a few nails driven into these small bridges will add very materially to the safety of the traveling public, and prove very much less expensive than damages to stock and vehicles. In fact, all bridges, should be nailed down. One scarcely ever crosses a bridge that spans a stream where fishing is done, but he finds the coverings of them drawn an end to make a seat for the fisherman, and left in this condition for their next use and convenience.

We are not censuring our Supervisor or any one for our mishap, for the amount of rain that fell at the points named, was what might be termed a cloud burst, (or a bad leak) and we don't know when, or where these will occur, but must insist from now on, in having these bridges nailed down. This is a very reasonable demand, and we feel satisfied friend Bill Seale will see the logic in it.

The Standard Oil crowd are said to have obtained control of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co., and will now be able to dictate prices on fertilizers as absolutely as they now do on kerosene oil and other petroleum products. The two stores being erected on Main street by Mrs. Ella Tuomey are nearing completion and it can now be seen that the building will be one of the handsomest and most artistic business houses in the city. It will be an ornament to Main street. The second dispensary issue seems to have narrowed down to a contest between the dispensaryites and the anti-dispensaryites among the business men of North Main street. Other people have their convictions on the question, but unless a petition is carried to them by interested persons, they will take no active part in the matter.

Several companies of militia passed through the city Saturday afternoon en route home from the encampment in Anderson. Some of them spent a couple of hours in town between trains. The contract for the new graded school building is still hanging fire. Perhaps work will be started sometime this fall if there is no further hitch after a contract shall have finally been made, sealed signed and delivered. Mr. J. L. Ladlow who made the plans for the sewerage system stated that the system, without the disposal tanks, will cost approximately \$50,000, or with the disposal tanks about \$65,000. Why then is it necessary to vote to issue \$75,000 sewerage bonds?

DEATH.

Miss M. A. B. Stevenson, died at the home of her brother, Rev. J. E. Stevenson, of Mayesville, on Thursday morning last, aged 70 years. The remains were taken to Cincinnati, Ohio, for interment on Friday night.

Mr. C. S. Hogan died at Greeleyville on Tuesday and his body was brought to this city for interment today.

Death of an Aged Lady.

The Pate and Stubbs families of this city have received the sad intelligence of the death of their great aunt, Mrs. Ann Stubbs, at Brightsville, S. C., last week at the age of 85 years. Capt. Jackson Stubbs, her aged husband, survives her. This aged couple had been married for 69 years.

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County Board of Control Orders It Established.

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What the Chairman of the State Board Has to Say on the Subject.

Hon. A. B. Stuckey, Mayor, Sumter, S. C. Dear Sir: We have received and considered the several petitions signed by your citizens against the establishment of dispensary No. 2, in Sumter, as well as the petition of the County Board in favor of the same. In view of the long contention as to the advisability of authorizing the County Board to open up another dispensary under the provision of section 563 of the dispensary law, so that your own people will be put in a position to settle the matter for themselves, that is to say that if a majority of the citizens of the township in which Sumter is located are against the establishment of this dispensary they can petition the County Board of Control not to do so, and in this way end the matter. I enclose you copy of a letter that I have written Chairman Sanders of your County Board of Control for your information. Yours truly, L. J. Williams, Chairman.

Mr. W. M. Sanders, Chairman County Board of Control, Catchall, S. C. Dear Sir: The State Board of Directors have carefully considered the petition of your Board for the establishment of a second dispensary in the town of Sumter and also that of the petitioners against same, and since the State Board is in doubt as to what the people of Sumter really want in the premises, we have determined to give our consent that you establish a second dispensary so that the citizens of the town themselves will be put in a position under the provisions of section 563 of the dispensary law to determine for themselves what they want. Hence you will understand that you are to advertise your intention of establishing another dispensary and receive applications from parties desiring to become dispenser so that the opposition will be put in a position to petition against the opening of another dispensary, and should the opposition be able to present a petition against it signed by a majority of the citizens of the township in which Sumter is situated, you will of course understand that you are to abandon the project of opening up dispensary number 2. There has been a contention for several years pro and con in reference to this matter and we have determined to allow your own people to settle it for themselves. I am sending a copy of this letter to Mayor Stuckey and enclose herewith a copy of the letter I have written him. Yours truly, L. J. Williams, Chairman.

BARN BURNED AT REMBERTS.

Mr. E. E. Remberts Suffers Heavy Loss. A large barn on Mr. E. E. Rembert's plantation at Remberts was burned about 3 o'clock last Thursday morning. The fire started in the loft and burned downward, and when it was discovered was too far advanced for anything to be done to save the building. The mules which were stabled in the barn were saved with great difficulty, but everything else in the building was a total loss. Besides a lot of forage there were about 2,000 bushels of oats in the barn. There was no insurance on building or contents. The origin of the fire is unknown.

It is said that the wind blew at a 40 mile rate for awhile Friday night. No damage was done so far as is known.

The Palmetto Hose wagon team of Columbia had a walk over in the Anderson tournament and did not equal the record of Sumter teams.

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MAGNOLIA NEWS NOTES.

Matters of Local Interest—Personal Mention.

Magnolia, Aug. 10.—If the cotton in this immediate section retains three-fourths of the fruit it now has on it the yield will exceed the expectations of the most sanguine. The corn crop is about safe. Saturday, Sunday and Monday are numbered among the hottest days of this summer.

There is very little sickness in this community at this writing, and no serious cases. Our doctors don't look so cheerful as they did several days ago. Well, I guess they'll brighten up later on. Chill and fever season is approaching.

Old Mr. J. Frank McIntosh, trying to be one of the boys again, mounted a young mule this morning, which took fright at a setter dog, and after leaping around like a scared goat, came near lodging the old gentleman on a clothes wire, which he avoided by dismounting in such a manner as was calculated to make less impression on the ground. He claims that he alighted in a style best suited to his taste. Well, it's a funny taste.

Mrs. M. Luther McIntosh, after two weeks absence, visiting relatives in Sumter and Eastover, has returned and old man Luther is wearing a continuous smile, all over his face.

Miss Mattie Tarrant, sister to our most popular Dr. Tarrant, is visiting in this place.

Mr. B. F. Jones, of Georgetown, is in town today. Miss Mag Jones is visiting her friend, Miss Martha Lizzie McIntosh. Messrs. Griffin and Rhame's wide-awake salesman, Mr. Jno. F. McIntosh, may engage in business in Georgetown in the near future.

Mr. Tommie McIntosh, under the skillful attention of Dr. E. F. Darby, is improving fast and is complaining of short rations.

Mr. W. T. McLeod is complaining, but his looks won't justify sympathy, so "Bill Tom" will have to reduce his rations both in quality and quantity before we can express any sorrow. Occasional.

Ditched on Public Road.

Goodwill, S. C., Aug. 10.—The country seems to be going wild on the subject of goods roads, while our roads are daily getting in worse shape than ever before.

I visited your city on Saturday last, and left after the rain ceased. On my homeward journey, it was very perceptible that the rain was much heavier a few miles east of town, than at that place.

On reaching the Shaw place, we found ourself in a sea of water. Roads, fields and gullies were overflowing. Just before reaching Chandler's X Roads, we next found our horse down in a ditch and after three efforts, she succeeded in regaining her feet, then down went buggy and driver, into the open ditch, which seemed very much deeper and wider than it really is, on account of the sudden jar that followed.

The total collections from street taxes now amount to more than \$1,500. The county board of control held a meeting Friday. The macadam now being put down on Liberty street will cost, it is estimated, about \$3,000. The railroads are arranging to carry a big crowd on the annual excursion to the mountains. The crops in this county are said to be improving steadily and the farmers are more hopeful than they were a few weeks ago.

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The trial of Mary Jenkins for shop lifting, which was held in Magistrate Nettles' court at Privateer Wednesday, resulted in the conviction of the accused, who was sentenced to pay a fine of \$20 or serve 40 days in jail. There are several other cases against this woman and she will be brought to trial under every charge. Her Attorney H. DeL. Moise, Jr., gave notice of appeal from the verdict.

Thomas Boykin, a young white man about 22 years old, was put in jail last Wednesday for safe keeping until he could be sent to the Hospital for the insane in Columbia. He became violently insane some days before, and it was necessary to incarcerate him to prevent injury to himself or others. He went crazy on the subject of religion, but the cause of his mental break down is ascribed to cigarettes, as he was an incessant smoker.

Late as the cotton crop is, there is a good deal already open in the fields, and it is probable that the first bale will be on the market within the present week. Mr. W. A. Bowman, who sold the first bale last year on August 2nd, has a good deal of open cotton on his Knox place and with good weather will be able to pick out a bale before the end of the week. There are others who have considerable open cotton and several have already commenced picking.

There is a great deal of complaint because the Atlantic Coast Line does not furnish proper and adequate accommodations on the passenger train between this city and Columbia. It has been the rule of late that the cars have been so overcrowded with passengers that many were forced to stand in the aisles. In more than one instance a good many white passengers have been crowded into the negro car, but even there all were not provided with seats.

Wedgfield News Notes.

Wedgfield, Aug. 12.—The seasons on growing crops for the past few weeks have been all we could wish for and the outlook is much better now.

Mr. A. E. Aycock is spending the week in New York buying the fall stock of goods for Messrs. J. H. Aycock & Sons.

Miss Corinne Parler after a pleasant visit to her brother, Dr. M. L. Parler left for Sumter yesterday, thence to her home near Orangeburg.

Mr. Sam Weinberg, is spending a few days in Charleston.

Mrs. W. T. Brown and Misses Nan and Mabel Mellett are visiting relatives in Privateer.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Cain, of Chicora, Berkeley county, are up on an extended visit to relatives and friends.

The health of our community with the exception of a little malarial fever is very good.

Deliberately Wrecked.

Charlotte, N. C., Aug. 10.—Engineer Black, Fireman Earle and Mail Clerks Burchfield and Sharpe, injured in the wreck of the fast mail train at Gastonia last night, were removed to their homes today and it is said that all will recover. Railroad men claim that there is indisputable evidence that the wreck was deliberately planned. It has been discovered that the switch lock was broken with a rock and the signal light extinguished. Persons who visited the scene shortly after the accident confirm this. The track was cleared about 7 o'clock this morning.

Remembered Five Wars.

Harriett Cato, an aged negro woman died yesterday at her son's home in Back Swamp. She was 104 years old. Her "Ole Missus," Miss Lizzie Cannon, well remembered in this section by the older generation of people, fixed her age some years ago and it is reliably established. She was living with her son, Cato Brockington on the Edwards place. She remembered five wars, the war of 1812, the Seminole and Mexican wars, the War of Secession and the Spanish war.

This aged woman had been in remarkably good health and worked on the farm up to last year. She picked 555 pounds of cotton last year. She could thread her own needle up to the time of her death. Her son at whose house she died is her baby boy, he is 57 years old.—Florence Times.

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A representative of a Chicago firm of contractors spent Wednesday in the city looking at the plans for the sewerage system and to make an inspection of the city so as to obtain a personal knowledge of the character of work to be done. His firm expects to bid for the contract when the work is let.

Insanity is increasing at a startling rate in Great Britain. From a report of the Lunacy Commissioners we see it stated that one out of every 293 persons in that country is classed as mentally unbalanced.

Another woman in breeches! All grading work for a railroad was stopped by Mrs. Mary McKenna, at Marinette, Wis., a few days ago. She says that the railroad company has not paid her enough for her property. She dressed herself in man's attire, pulled a slouch hat over eyes and, with a stick in one hand and revolver in the other, drove a crew of one hundred Italians off her property. The Italians fled like scared sheep and Mrs. McKenna is still in control of the situation. A woman like that is calculated to move things.

Sore-Head From Over Stimulation.

Editor Southern Cultivator: Some weeks ago I wrote to you about my chickens having sore-head. You kindly answered my inquiry by letter, for which I thank you, but you were mistaken in saying sore head comes from lice or mites. I have handled every grown fowl in the yard and nearly everyone of the chicks and can positively say they have neither mites or any other kind of vermin on them. I have lost quite a number of chicks, but only a few grown ones with it. I have tried various remedies, sulphur and vaseline, sulphur and lard, kerosene and vaseline mixed, washed their heads in copperas water, 10 grains to the ounce, then greased them with the sulphur and lard. I think this gave better results than anything else. But it has not cured them all, and the disease is spreading with the chicks though they have been kept in separate coop and yard, and have been kept in covered coops under a shed at night, but allowed to run out during the day.

Now what I want to know is the cause of the disease and the most effective way to stamp it out. I fed Pratt's poultry food from one to three times a week to the chickens, all winter giving them the dough of corn meal with the food, mixed with hot water. I have had an abundance of eggs all winter, and the chickens are fat, are still laying and have good appetites. They have a large range with plenty of green food and fresh water, and have good house to roost in. They are nearly all white, but a few dark feathered ones among them have sore heads as badly as the white ones. Probably some of your readers have had a like trouble and can give me a remedy, and the cause of the trouble. I am very anxious to know what to do. Respectfully, Mrs. C. P. W. Ridgeway, S. C., April 22, 1903.

New York, Aug 10.—Vesuvius has had recrudescence of activity, says a dispatch from Naples. The central crater has hurled scoria to an unusual height, accompanied by loud rumblings.

Small Katherine, who had been forbidden to touch the ink bottle, had accidentally spilled its contents not only all over her mother's desk, but on the rug, several chairs and her own apron. Her mother, on discovering the state of affairs, had expressed more surprise than pleasure. When the father of the family returned at night his little daughter met him at the door and asked: "Papa, how much does a bottle of ink cost?" "Oh, about 5 cents." "Five cents!" exclaimed the aggrieved youngster in a tone of deep disgust. "And to think that mama would make all that fuss about one little bottle of ink!"—Lippincotts.

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