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SPRING GOODS--1856.

J. F. BURCHARD & CO., AUGUSTA, GA.

Broad St., Opposite Masonic Hall.

ARE now receiving an unusually choice variety of

SPRING DRESS FABRICS,

which they are selling at the very lowest prices possible, and to which the attention of purchasers is very cordially and respectfully invited. Their stock embraces the following, among others, of French English and American productions.

Patrols, Linen, Sevoilux, Lichor & Co's manufacture of Bombazines, challois, declaines, baroges, grenadines, de. Thirrin & Millard's black and colored challois, margaine, veil berage, and tissues.

PRINTED GOODS.—Steinbach, Koelchinks, Percels, brilliants, cambries, jaconets, lawns, organdies and berages.

—Also—

Paris black silks, superior qualities;

Paris rich fancy silks;

Fourlands, very handsome;

French and English Calicoes of Steinbach's, Hagle's, Montclair's & Norton's;

Cases of Ginghams, black and fancy, all prices;

Printed challois and berage declaines, from low priced to very rich;

American lawns and muslins;

Calicoes, and low priced fast colors;

HOUSEKEEPING GOODS.

Richardson's linens, and other makers, a very full assortment in all varieties, for sheeting, sheeting, pillow casing, &c.; birdseye Ginghams, Scotch and Berage declaines, and towels;

Turkish Bath, &c.; window drapery, lace and muslin, &c. &c.

Summer Goods for Gentlemen and Boys, in Linen drillings, &c., cottonades of all sorts, vestings, spring cassimeres, cashmeres, drab, &c. &c.

DOMESTIC GOODS.

An unrivaled assortment of sheetings and shirtings, brown and bleached, from 3-4 to 12-4 widths, and from the lowest priced to the finest English and American makes.

PLANTATION GOODS.

Of every sort and kind, considered desirable to have, by the piece or bale. In addition to the above, we have the very finest assortment of collars, Laces, and Embroideries in general, to be found probably in the State.

J. F. BURCHARD & CO.

May 2, 1856. 52-ly

Fresh Arrivals!

FRESH GROCERIES

Hardware, &c., &c. &c.

AGAIN ask attention of Planters and Housekeepers, my additional supplies of Java and MOSS COFFEE, Coffee SUGAR, MOLASSES, RICE, SALT, FISH, &c.

Irish Potatoes,

Still lower—below cost—cheap enough for table use. I have still about THIRTY BARRELS, which I am determined to close out.

A New Supply

Paints, Oils, Turpentine, Burning Fluid, Putty, and Window Glass, French and American.

Whisky

Rectified, Rye and Single WHISKY, which I wish to close out immediately at a little above cost for cash.

Hardware

Hoes of every variety, from 20 to 55 cts., and still lower per doz. Hand Saws, Vices, Anvils, Smiths Tongs, Bellows, Pitch Forks, Shovels, Spades, and Nails of every No., from 3 to 40 penny. CHAINS—Log, Lock, Fifth and drawing.

Also, to Young and Old,

There is an application made to come forward before summer and supply yourselves with Good and Cheap made ROCKING CHAIRS, and any other kind you may want, as I have a few left, and will sell at cost for cash.

Guns

If you want Guns that will shoot and kill over 100 yds, call on H. S. Kerr and he will show you a few of them.

Tobacco and Cigars.

Tobacco of every quality, from 15 cts. to \$1.00 per lb. Cigars, many brands.

All the above articles, and many others, may be had at the Grocery Store of

H. S. KERR,

No. 2 Brick Range.

Flour

Superior Flour of consistent.

—Also—

Superior Flour, Extra Family Flour, for sale

by

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H. S. KERR.

SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERY!

GUANO AINT ANYTHING COMPARED TO IT!

SUBSOIL FLOWING IS NO USE!

Cotton Seed a Perfect Nuisance!

CLOTHING THE ONLY REMEDY!

LYONS

THE indefatigable District and Village Clothing Man, by close observation and hard study, has learned several new features in the art of improving and adorning the Masculine portion of the human family. He has been clean to New York, took lessons under scientific men, and has made himself so familiar with all the beauties, duties, liabilities, advantages and responsibilities of the human weather-boarding department that just as soon as he lays his eyes on a man, he knows what he lacks—whether it is food or raiment. He is just the same to mankind that spring is to vegetation. Country merchants would do well to come in and take a few lessons—charges moderate for single scholar—classes taken at reduced rates.

If it is food and raiment, he takes him in covers, weather-boards and floors him, and then sends him over to his friend, H. S. Kerr, or down to Lomax & Cobb's, where in a few minutes, after the patient has realised the reviving, healthful influence of the external application, they will commence the inside work—cutting, fitting, plastering and securing, and then start him home. And it is no wonder, after taking some of Lomax & Cobb's or H. S. Kerr's in-and filling (which is substantial, no liquid) then allowing Lyons to give them what's called the surface polish, that men's wives don't know them when they go home; the little boys and girls run and hide, thinking some city folks have come to their pa's house, young ladies commence fixing up to entertain their new beaux, and young men brush their heads, look dignified and start to receive the nice looking stranger.

A few men of rather ordinary appearance, who have thrown their shaves entirely into Lyons' hands, know the advantages to be derived from a suit of his clothes; it has married them into rich families, given them a standing far beyond their expectations, and been the means of pitching them as high up as a pluffy-plumery in the scale of upstartdom respectability.

There are now in the city of Abbeville, 3 Churches, 2 Academies, 1 Singing School, a great many Dry Goods Stores, 2 Printing Offices, 2 Wholesale Grocery Houses, 2 Jewellers' Establishments, a Theatrical Company, Masonic and Odd Fellows' Lodge, Dancing Class, Hippodrome, 2 Carriage and Buggy Manufactories, 4 Hotels, several Boarding Houses, 1 Drug Store, Gin Factory, and a Steam Saw Mill, 2 Harness, and several Boot and Shoe Shops, Tin Manufactory, 3 Tailors' Establishments, Cabinet, Carpenters' and Blacksmiths' Shops, 3 Refreshment Saloons, and 2 Livery Stables, and it will not do for a gentleman to make a bad appearance at any of these places; it injures their business. Lyons keeps clothing suitable for a 1st class named party to this market—New Yorkers complain of a scarcity since we purchased—Steel Pens, so many that there is an anticipated advance on steel, Port Monnies enough to hide all the money in the District, Combs, Hair Brushes, Nail and Tooth Brushes, enough to open a whole sale brush-and-comb house, and if Cedar Pencils rise, Lyons has got measure—a whole case of Blacking, Needles, any quantity, and low by retail, Teapots, Katharion, Cologne, Hair Oil, Handkerchiefs and Extracts and sweet smelling stuff, Needle and Thimble Cases, Lanterns, Buggy Whips, Valises, Cases, Trunks, Boxes, and so many other things that it would take us a whole day to look them up and name them over, all of which are ready for inspection and sale, at the Corner Store in the Marshall House.

Abbeville C. H., April 16, 1856. 50-4f

MISCELLANY.

Newberry Agricultural Society.

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This Society has been one of the many objects to which he has looked for many years as likely to prove beneficial to the District. It has realized this expectation. The Agriculture of Newberry is superior to that of any other district in the State. The Society by the number and value of its reports and the zeal and activity of its meetings has given a character to the district, which is a cause of pride and hope to every citizen.

For seventeen years the President has been at its head, and ever at his post; he thinks he may now claim the indulgence of becoming a private. There are so many active and intelligent members, that he hopes a successor will be easily obtained. He therefore says "attend brother members and receive my resignation and farewell."

On the first day the stock and other articles intended for Premiums will be shown, commencing at 10 a. m.

The following premiums will be awarded; viz:

HORSES.

For the best Stallion a cup of \$5.

For the best Mare and Colt a cup of \$5.

For the best 3 year old Colt a cup of \$5.

For the best 2 year old Colt a cup of \$5.

For the best yearling Colt a cup of \$5.

For the best pair of Carriage Horses a cup of \$5.

For the best Saddle Horse a cup of \$5.

JACKS AND MULES.

For the best Jack a cup of \$5.

For the best 3 year old Mule a cup of \$5.

For the best 2 year old Mule a cup of \$5.

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CATTLE.

For the best Bull a cup of \$5.

For the best Milch Cow a cup of \$5.

For the best Calf a cup of \$5.

For the best pair of Oxen a cup of \$5.

PIGS.

For the best Boar a cup of \$5.

For the best Sow a cup of \$5.

For the best pair of Pigs a cup of \$5.

CROPS.

For the best barrel of Flour a cup of \$5.

For the best crop of Wheat, a specimen of a bushel to be shown, and the mode of culture stated, a cup of the value of \$10.

For the largest product of Corn to the acre, a specimen of 50 ears to be shown, and the mode of culture stated to a committee to be named and to meet 1st Monday in November, a cup of the value of \$10.

For the largest yield to the acre, and finest specimen of Cotton, 100 lbs in the seed, to be shown, and the mode of culture stated to the same committee at the same time, a cup of the value of \$10.

DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES.

For the best article of Cotton, Flax, Wool or combinations of any two, a cup of \$5.

DAIRY.

For the best Cheese a cup of \$5.

For the best Butter a cup of \$5.

MECHANIC ARTS.

For the best side of Leather a cup of \$5.

For the best harvest Cradle a cup of \$5.

For the best Thrasher a cup of \$5.

For the best Fan a cup of \$5.

For the best Axe a cup of \$5.

For the best Plow a cup of \$5.

For the best Wagon a cup of \$5.

For the best pair of Shoes a cup of \$5.

ORCHARDS AND HORTICULTURE.

For the best bushel of Apples a cup of \$5.

For the best bushel of Peaches a cup of \$5.

For the best bushel of Plums a cup of \$5.

For the best bushel of Irish Potatoes a cup of \$5.

For the best 25 Water Melons a cup of \$5.

For the best bushel of Cucumbers a cup of \$5.

For the best bushel of Squashes a cup of \$5.

For the best bushel of Mutton Corn, or roasting ears a cup of \$5.

Everything of the Dairy or Orchards and Horticulture shown for a premium will be considered as devoted to the next days report.

A committee consisting of Jos. S. Reid, Daniel Goggans, J. P. Kinard, Richard C. Chapman, and D. W. Reid are charged with getting up a list of articles to be served up and eaten at 1 p. m. of Thursday the 17th.

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1. Banks—their value, and their abuses—their effect upon our Agricultural community, for good or evil.—Col. Simeon Fair, T. W. Holloway, R. B. Holman, A. J. Longshore, H. Gibson.

2. Law and Lawyers considered in an Agricultural point of view.—Gen. James Rogers, W. E. Hardy, Esq., John L. Morgan, Maj. John Sims, B. Rice.

3. Physic, Physicians, and Medical practice considered also in an Agricultural point of view.—Dr. J. A. Renwick, W. W. McMorris, Dr. John Long, Dr. T. W. Thompson, Dr. H. W. Pasley.

4. Fish—Fish-ponds, and the mode and manner and benefit of raising Fish.—Col. Wm. S. Lyles, L. E. Folk, Paul Johnston, Eilhu Payne, A. K. Trible.

5. Commerce—its true use, as the road to intelligence, virtue and wealth, and not as a means of speculation.—Robert Stewart, W. B. D'Oyley, R. S. Phinney, W. J. Whitmore, W. McE. Hatton.

6. Poetry—its value as a source of instruction and also as a solace to the bandman.—H. H. Caldwell, Esq., Ramage, Esq., W. W. Renwick, Esq., Stokes, William Kelley.

7. History—its value to Agriculture.—Henry Sumner, Esq., Samuel Chapman, Esq., J. H. Wells, R. C. Dunlap, Geo. S. Cannon, B. F. Pysingher.

8. Health, and length of days—the best means of securing.—Dr. O. B. Mayer, Dr. J. K. Garey, Dr. G. W. Glenn, Dr. D. W. Reid, Dr. A. Wicker.

9. Newberry District—its resources, its prospects.—Maj. Whit. Walker, John T. Peterson, Maj. J. Teague, John Satterwhite, R. W. Clary.

10. Education—considered as a means of advancing agriculture, and conferring the blessings of literary information on Farmers.—Col. Preston S. Brooks, Silas Johnston, Esq., Christian H. Suber, Esq., Col. J. M. Maffett, B. Mangum.

11. Orchards—including trees and vines.—Capt. Henry Lyons of Col. N. A. Hunter, T. G. Herber, J. J. Kibler, H. L. Ruff.

12. Farming—theoretically and practically considered.—Dr. Douglass, Capt. J. H. Counts, J. M. Young, Charles Howard, C. F. Sligh.

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