

LOCAL BREVITIES.

John Kennerly for Clerk of the Court

Cotton has gone up a little and is now selling at 8 1/2 cts.

Go to the Misses Aycock for Spring Millinery.

The friends of J. M. Gaines present his name this week for the State Senate.

There were services in all our churches last Sunday except the Presbyterian.

The Misses Aycock are showing up the prettiest and most stylish hats.

Seed rice for planting purposes for sale by W. W. Adams.

New and pretty Spring Millinery at the Misses Aycock.

Garden seeds at W. E. Lynch's, the old reliable Landreth's.

Miss Rook Reddy, and Misses Annie and Estelle Lyles of Fairfield, are visiting Mrs. Lewis Jones.

An 1100 pound hog has been killed in Delaware, said to be the biggest hog ever raised in that State.

Bills of sale and liens for rent and advances, also, mortgages of real estate, for sale at this office.

Look and see that you have paid your poll tax and delay not in getting your registration certificate.

Mr. David Denny has opened a grocery store in Greenwood, and intends to spend every Sunday in Edgefield.

The word "bush" is simply Turkish for "nothing," and came into England about the time of the Crimean war.

Nearly all the peaches have dropped from the trees and the crop will be, in this section, very scant.

On and after the first of May all our stores in town will be closed at seven o'clock, p. m., except on Saturdays.

W. H. Yeldell and S. McGowan Simkins appear this week for the House of Representatives.

Capt. Sanford of the Rock Quarry has rented the Episcopal parsonage and will move into the same in a short time.

Mrs. Ursula Hunter and Miss Hattie Glover of Birmingham Ala., are visiting Mrs. D. R. Dariso to the delight of many friends.

Refreshing showers came to us last week, and on Sunday morning a perfect "season" causing the gardens and fields to rejoice.

We do not remember that sweet potatoes were ever set out in April until this year, certainly not so generally planted as of late. It seems now as if the year 1896 is to be a phenomenal one in more respects than one.

Capt. Thomas C. Morgan is the name we present this week to our readers for the office of county treasurer. This makes four candidates for that office of trust and profit.

Red Bank, the county seat of Saluda County, is at present a body of woods, but will soon be made to blossom like the rose. In future it will be known as Red Bank, but as Saluda Court House.

Be sure to register, and when you get your registration ticket paste your last tax receipt on the back, hard and strong, for you must exhibit both in order to vote.

The report of crops all over the county is very encouraging. The recent rains have brought out the oats and wheat and brought up the cotton and belated corn.

The foundation of the Edgefield factory is almost complete, the wall showing above the surface of the ground, and with this the work of brick laying will be half done, there being so many windows in a cotton factory.

Our village Baptist church has sent during the past three months to the various mission boards, \$87.35, distributed as follows: Foreign Missions, \$40.00; Home Missions, \$25.00; to the ministerial students at Furman University, \$12.35.

Ex-Governor Bob Taylor, of Tennessee, who, by the way, will be elected again this fall, says he is in favor of "gold, silver, greenbacks, state bank bills and a little more counterfeiting."

Lillies of the valley in France are called "virgin's tears" and are said to have sprang up on the road between Calvary and Jerusalem during the night following the crucifixion.

Hicks says that May will be the wettest month of the spring—that too much water will fall in that month for many lowlands, and enough to thoroughly moisten nearly all sections of the country.

Col. L. W. Youmans has over six hundred acres of cotton hood and plowed over, besides a three hundred acre "path" not yet up. But he also makes oceans of corn, peas, hay and potatoes for all farm purposes and bacon ample for family use.—Barwell People.

Mr. W. N. Burnett spent a day in Greenwood last week. Mr. Burnett says Greenwood is a growing bustling city, but Edgefield is also the service upward. He thinks the Greenwood cotton factory did more for that city than any other one thing to build it up to its present fair proportions.

Hon. J. Wm. Thurmond, of Edgefield, is announced as candidate for Solicitor of the fifth judicial district. Mr. Thurmond is a self-made man of marked ability. His various services for the Reform party have given him a wide reputation, especially in the Samuel Lord bond case. If elected, he will discharge the duties of his position with credit, ability, and impartiality.—Orangeburg Patriot.

In the article of last week signed "Van Star" several typographical errors occurred. The one specially grievous was this: "Medical men are past coming to the conclusion that alcohol is useless as a medicine; the word past should have been rendered fast. By the way we would be glad and so would many of our readers, if our correspondent would substantiate his assertion by the records, the opinions of eminent medical practitioners. Suppose Van Star interview those of Nashville and the Professors of the Nashville University, of which he is a student, upon this mooted subject.

When you need a bottle of Pure Rye Whiskey for medicinal purposes, ask at your Dispensary for the genuine and original Bakers Pure Rye Whiskey, E. Walter's & Co. proprietors.

By and by you will want another Buggy. By buying a waterbury have to buy at Ramsey & Bland's you save enough to buy something else.

The best is always the cheapest provided you get the best cheap enough to make it so. This is the case with groceries and drugs and all the time at W. E. Lynch's.

Baptist Picnic.

On Friday, May 15th, the Aiken Baptist Sunday-school will run a picnic excursion to Edgefield. The fare will be 50c. for grown people and 25c. for children under 12. The route will be by rail to Edgefield, and the picnic will be held in the grounds of the Edgefield Baptist Church. The picnic will be a most enjoyable one, and the friends of the school are urged to take part in it. The picnic will be held on Friday, May 15th, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Hope Doesn't Enrich.

You can't get rich on hope; you may hope all day that someone will come along and saw your wood, but that doesn't keep the fire going. The way to get rich is to save money, and the way to save money is to trade at Ramsey & Bland's.

Blessings to Humanity.

April showers are a blessing to the honest yeoman, because they insure well-filled granaries with the good things of the soil, but these are small compared with the blessings that Ramsey & Bland will bestow upon their thousands of patrons who will avail themselves of the low prices they are offering on Wagons, Buggies, Harness, Furniture, Coffins and Caskets.

First a Joke, But Now in Earnest.

I am informed that a man who ignores the Primary, and goes into the general election will be ridiculed. I expect to go into the General election if it kills the oldest man in Purgatory, and in case I am elected to Congress, I will not be the only Jack Ass ever sent there.

W. POU JONES.

May 5, '96.

Mr. Geo. F. Miers, electrician, who did the work of putting in Col. Folks' burglar alarm has given us the following particulars of the arrangement and use of same:

"If at any time during the night, a person should enter any of the five buildings, which are connected with the central station, either by door or window, an alarm is sounded and the No. of the building entered will be recorded by an instrument provided for that purpose. The duty of another instrument is to keep the bell ringing even if the wires should be cut. The central station board is also fitted with a switch by which the system can be put on at night and cut off during the day allowing free use of the buildings without annoyance. All of the four instruments are finished in the best manner in polished oak mounted on board to match. The system has been thoroughly tested in every way and has proven entirely satisfactory. The central station is of course placed in a convenient location in the dwelling."

Death of Dr. Strother.

We clip the following account of the death of Dr. W. A. Strother from the Atlanta Constitution: Albany is mourning today over the death of one of its best beloved citizens, Dr. William A. Strother, whose death occurred this morning at 1:15 o'clock, after a short illness with pneumonia. Dr. Strother had been a resident of Albany about twenty years. He was born in Edgefield, S. C., and was fifty-six years of age. He was a confederate veteran, having entered the war as a lieutenant, but being shortly afterwards made a surgeon, served in that capacity the remainder of the war.

At 4 o'clock this evening, the hour of his funeral, every business house in the city was closed in respect to his memory. He had built up a large practice and accumulated a comfortable property, being a director in several of the leading enterprises of the city. Dr. Strother was universally admired and his death is felt as a personal loss by hundreds. He was laid to rest this evening with Masonic honors, in the presence of a vast concourse of sorrowing friends.

Mr. Evans Declines.

EDITOR ADVERTISER: I have carefully considered the announcement of my name as a candidate for the office of Solicitor and I thank my friends who have so kindly thought of me. I find, however, that the duties of the office would so conflict with my business relations as to prevent my accepting should I be elected. I therefore must decline to allow the use of my name as a candidate for Solicitor. I am ever ready to give my services to the people whenever consistent with the interest of those dependent upon me.

N. G. EVANS.

April 28, '96.

A Card of Thanks.

MR. EDITOR: Will you extend through the columns of your paper our sincere gratitude to our friends and neighbors for the generous, timely, and material aid rendered us in the great loss sustained by fire on the night of the 11th April last. While we cannot discriminate between so many acts of kindness both in sympathy and substantial gifts for our comfort and consolation, yet we are proud to make mention of the disinterested kindness of our Shatterfield neighbors, both white and black, who came without solicitation, and erected in one day a three room building which will enable us to pass through the summer under very comfortable shelter.

Divine Providence has well ordained, that in this life we should be brought to a condition of dependence, in order that we may discard all misanthropic feeling towards our fellow man, and make us mindful of and cultivate that higher and nobler sentiment of good will and neighborly love for all mankind.

E. H. YOUNGBLOOD, A. W. YOUNGBLOOD, Winterset, S. C., April 27, '96.

A Household Remedy.

And it never fails to cure Rheumatism, Catarrh, Pimples, Blotches and all diseases arising from impure blood is Botanic Blood Balm, (B. B. B.) Thousands endorsed it as the best remedy offered to mankind. The thousands of cures performed by this remedy are almost miraculous. Try it. Only \$1.00 per large bottle. For sale by druggists.

Advertised Letters.

List of letters remaining in the Post Office at Edgefield C. H., S. C., April 30th, 1896: Simons Amaker, J. E. Arnold, James E. Arnold, J. E. Arnold, J. E. Arnold, Arthur Arnold (col) Wm. Boller, J. Dicke, J. J. Dicks & Bros., Jim Diven, H. Jones, L. F. Melf, Clock Head, W. E. Parkman, G. H. Parker, M. F. Walker, S. M. Wornack, S. C. Whaley, Miss Rachel Aulhy, Miss Josephine duels, Miss Sallie Brown, Miss Mahaly Holloway, Zuer Holloway, Mrs. Suia Henderson, Mrs. Sallie Jenius, Clark Mims, Mrs. Mrs. E. W. Miller, Mrs. Elizabeth Conwig Steven, Miss Lullie Sullivan, Mrs. R. H. Whitfield.

W. H. BRUNSON, P. M.

Wise Democratic Club.

Met on the 2nd inst., at 3 p. m., and reorganized with 42 enrolled members. The following were elected to office:

Col. S. B. Mays, President, J. C. Rainford, Vice-President, J. P. Sullivan, Sec'y. Executive Committee: S. L. Roper, J. N. Fair, W. W. Wells. Delegates to County Convention: T. H. Rainford, John Mays. There was a motion made with a second that we the members of Wise Democratic club do heartily endorse Col. S. B. Mays for County Treasurer. The meeting adjourned at 5 o'clock to meet again upon notice.

S. B. MAYS, Pres. J. P. Sullivan, Sec.

Edgefield Democratic Club.

At the meeting of this club on Saturday May 2nd, W. H. Folk was re-elected President, D. R. Dariso, Vice-President, and C. A. Griffin Secretary, W. H. Ouzts, Treas. Ninety-six names on roll. Committee on Registration: L. G. Bell, J. B. Haltiwanger, W. G. Ouzts.

Executive Committee: N. G. Evans, J. A. Timmerman, W. F. Dobby, J. P. Ouzts, L. Charlton. On motion of Capt. L. Charlton delegates to County Convention were elected: W. H. Folk, A. E. Padgett, J. Wm. Thurmond, J. H. Tillman.

On motion of D. R. Dariso the following resolution were adopted: Resolved, That we, the members of the Edgefield Democratic Club, in regular meeting assembled, realizing the importance of electing men of ability and integrity to office, and recognizing in N. G. Evans, Esq., these qualifications, we endorse him for a seat in the House of Representatives at its next session.

W. H. FOLK, Pres. C. A. Griffin, Sec.

HOME

A School Girls Essay, But so Good That We Depart From Custom, and Publish It.

What a hallowed name! How full of enchantment and how dear to the heart! Home is the magic circle within which the weary spirit finds refuge; it is the sacred asylum to which the care-worn heart retreats to find rest from the toils and inquietudes of life. Ask the wanderer as he plods his tedious way, bent with the weight of age, and white with the frost of years, ask him what is home? He will tell you "it is a green spot in memory; an oasis in the desert; a center about which the fondest recollections of his grief-oppressed heart cling with all the tenacity of youth's first love. It was once a glorious, a happy reality, but now it rests only as an image of the mind." Home! That name touches every fiber of the soul, strikes every chord of the human heart with its angelic fingers. Nothing but death can break its spell.

What tender associations are linked with home! What pleasing images and deep emotions it awakens! It calls up the fondest memories of life and opens in our nature the purest, deepest, richest gush of consecrated thought and feeling. Next to religion, the deepest sentiment in the human soul is that of home affections. Every heart vibrates to this theme. Home has an influence which is stronger than death. It is law to our hearts, and binds us with a spell which neither time nor change can break. Ask the little child what is home? You will find that to him it is the world—he knows no other. The father's love, the mother's smile, the sister's embrace, the brother's welcome, throw about his home a heavenly halo, and make it as attractive to him as the home of the angels. Home is the place where the child pours out all its complaints, and it is the grave of all its sorrows. Childhood has its sorrows and its griefs, and home is the place where these are soothed and banished by the sweet lullaby of a fond mother's voice. There child-hood nestles like a bird which has built its abode among the roses. There the cares and the coldness of earth are, as long as possible, averted. Flowers there bloom, or fruits invite on every side, and there paradise would indeed be restored, could mortal power ward off the consequences of sin!

Home of my childhood! What words fall upon the ear with so much music in their cadence as those which recall the scenes of innocent and happy childhood, now numbered with the memories of the past! How fond recollections delight upon the events which marked our pathway, when the unbroken h-m-c-circle presented a scene of loveliness vainly sought 'tut in the bosom of a happy family! Intervening years have not dimmed the vivid coloring

with which memory has adorned those joyous hours of youthful innocence.

We are again borne on the wings of imagination to the place made sacred by the remembrance of a father's care, a mother's love, and the cherished associations of brothers and sisters. The affections of homes are graceful things, especially among the poor. The ties which link the poor man to his humble hearth are of the true metal and bear the stamp of heaven. These affections constitute the poetry of human life, and so far as our present existence is concerned with all the domestic relations, are worth more than all other social ties. They give the first throop to the heart and unseal the deep fountains of its love. It is only domestic love that can render the heart truly happy. At home the mind is at rest. We may find joy elsewhere, but it is not the joy—the satisfaction of home. Of the world the heart may soon tire, of the home never. In the former there is much of cold formality, much heartlessness under the garb of friendship, but in the latter it is all heart—all friendship of the purest, truest character.

Home and home friends! How dear they are to us all! Well might we love to linger on the pictures of home friends! There is nothing on earth so beautiful as the household on which christian love forever smiles, and where religion walks a counsellor and friend. Is it not true, that much of a man's energy and success, as well as happiness, depends upon the character of the home. Secure there, he goes forth bravely to encounter the trials of life. It encourages him to think of his pleasant home. It is his point of rest. When all other friends prove false, home friends, removed from every bias but love, are the steadfast and sure stays of our peace and soul—are best and dearest when the hour is darkest and the danger of evil the greatest. Home is nothing but a name without home friends. Here indeed are repeated from day to day, the miracles of providence and the wonders of nature.

There are two grand, simple qualities, all powerful in heaven and on earth, love and order. A pleasant word on the part of the wife, when the husband comes home, often dispels the trouble from his mind, and draws out a desire to be both agreeable and respectful, which characteristics are always accompanied by affection. And where sweet temper gives way to anger and discord, the home circle is no longer as attractive, and is almost certain to be shunned. Nothing makes the home so happy as the perpetual sunshine of a contented disposition there. The habit of always looking on the sunny side obliges people to see the silver lining of the cloud in spite of themselves. It is not so much wealth nor learning as love and temper, that makes life joyous or miserable, that renders homes happy or wretched. The want of love is not supplied by anything. The sweetest type of heaven is home. It is an inspiring hope that, when we separate here on earth at the summons of death's angel, and when a few more years have rolled over the heads of those remaining, if "faithful unto death," we shall meet again in heaven, our eternal home, there to dwell in the presence of our heavenly Father, and no more out here.

Kirksey's, S. C.

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CANDIDATES.

A "V" IS ALL IT COSTS!

FOR SOLICITOR.

Mr. Editor: Please announce the name of Hon. J. Wm. Thurmond as a candidate for Solicitor of the Fifth Circuit. Mr. Thurmond's victories for the State and his bold stand for the great masses of the people entitle him to promotion to said office. We pledge him to abide the result of the Democratic Primary.

REFORMERS.

FOR SENATOR.

The many friends of J. M. Gaines nominate him for a seat in the State Senate. He will abide the result of the democratic primary and support all the nominees of the party.

DEMOCRATS.

We beg to present the name of Col. James H. Tillman for State Senator and pledge him to abide result of Democratic primary.

WEST SIDE FRIENDS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The friends of Hon. W. H. Yeldell respectfully present his name for the House of Representatives. He will abide the result of the primaries and support the nominees of the Democratic party.

MANY FRIENDS.

I respectfully announce to the voters of Edgefield County that I am a candidate for the legislature and will abide the result of the primary elections.

S. MCG. SIMKINS.

CLERK OF COURT.

I respectfully announce myself as a candidate for the office of Clerk of the Court of Edgefield County. And pledge myself to abide the result of the primaries, and to support the nominees of the Democratic party.

JOHN KENNERLY.

The friends of Capt. Jim Williams will support him for Clerk of the Court. He will abide the result of the democratic primary and support all the nominees of the party.

FRICKS.

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of Clerk of the Court. I will abide the result of the Democratic primary and support all the nominees of the party.

JNO. B. HILL.

FOR SHERIFF.

I respectfully announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the Sheriff's office, and pledge myself to abide the result of the primary, and to support the nominees of the democratic party.

W. H. OUZTS.

With hopes of meeting their kindly consideration, I herewith respectfully announce myself to the voters of Edgefield County as a candidate for Sheriff of said County, and hereby pledge myself to abide the result of the Democratic primaries.

WALTER P. BRUNSON.

COUNTY TREASURER.

The many friends of Capt. Thomas C. Morgan respectfully present his name to the voters of Edgefield county for office of County Treasurer. He will abide the result of the Democratic primary and support all the nominees of the party.

MANY FRIENDS.

I am a candidate for Treasurer of Edgefield County. I will abide the result of the Democratic primary and support all the nominees of the party.

A. D. TIMMERMAN.

I announce myself a candidate for Treasurer of Edgefield County and will abide the result of the Democratic primary.

J. RUSSELL WRIGHT.

I am a candidate for the office of County Treasurer. I will abide the result of the primary election and support the nominees of the democratic party.

S. B. MAYS.

COUNTY AUDITOR.

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of Auditor of Edgefield county. I will abide the result of the Democratic primary and will support all the nominees of that party.

J. B. HALTIWANGER.

COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION.

I am a candidate for the office of County Superintendent of Education. I will abide the result of the Democratic primary and support the nominees of that party.

POPE N. LOTT.

I am a candidate for the office of County Superintendent of Education. I will abide the result of the Democratic primary and support the nominees of that party.

ALBERT R. NICHOLSON.

COUNTY SUPERVISOR.

H. Q. Talbert is hereby nominated for the office of Supervisor of Edgefield County. We pledge him to abide the action of the Democratic primaries.

FRIENDS.

I will make the race for Supervisor of Edgefield county; will abide the result of the primary and support the nominees of the Democratic party.

A. G. BROADWATER.

FOR CORONER.

I am a candidate for Coroner of Edgefield County. I am an old Democratic Horse—a poor one perhaps, can't pull much, but never bolt or balk, never, never, never. Let me hear from you, voters of old Edgefield, when the general roll is called.

SCOUT GRAY OF CO. "A."

OSBORNE

Business College and School Shortland

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I AM prepared to furnish the public with anything in my line.

A general assortment of Groceries at living prices.

Restaurant business continued. Meals at all hours.

HENRY E. CRIM. EDGEFIELD, C. H. April 14, '96.

There is a Bustle

To the Business.

IT'S wide-awake, broad gauge, up-to-date shop-keeping that's doing it. Mediocrity satisfies us not. We're right in the front rank of progressive merchandising. That means much to you—more to us. We're making a reputation. That it is a good reputation is evidenced by our hosts of business friends six months ago unknown by us, to-day our regular customers, and each succeeding day shows an increase following. Watching your buying interests just now keener, if possible, than ever before. There's terse, tangible, telling talk below about various seasonable lots. You'll find it interesting reading.

For Japanese fans and screens call at the New York Racket Store. We have some beauties.

Look at our parasols and umbrellas. You will make a great mistake if you fail to examine the Racket Stock before buying.

Ladies' and children's Leghorn hats at New York Racket Store for 25 cents, best manufactured for \$1.00.

Our line of notions is complete. Can give you anything almost from a hair pin to a bath tub. Hair combs, Brushes, Cologne, Tooth Powder, Toilet Soaps, Scarf pins, Stud and Cuff Buttons, Shirt sets and Belt Pins.

Handkerchiefs of all kinds. Some extra good ones at 5c's., and very good ones 3 for 5c's.

Corsets and waists in new makes in many colors. Hosiery for ladies, children, and men, in all shades, 5c's. to 50c's.

Gents' gauze underwear, Balbrigan suits 75c's. Shirts, 19c's, up. Cuffs, Collars, Scarfs, Ties, and suspenders.

For hats, straw and felt, for boys and men, go to the New York Racket Store and get them from 10c's. up.

Shoes and Oxford Ties for boys, girls, ladies and gents. You will find them at the New York Racket Store cheaper than ever offered before. 25 to 40 per cent lower than old prices.

Ladies' Sailsors, different shapes. Leghorn Hats, stylish, pretty, and cheap. Also a beautiful line of Hat Trimmings, Flowers, Ribbons and Laces.

We call your attention to our pretty laces and ribbons in all shades and widths at about one half what you would have to pay elsewhere.

Ladies' belts in silk, silver, and gilt, also all kinds of Belt Buckles, Hair Ornaments, Hair Pins and Side Combs, and Shirt Waist Sets, very pretty. Look at our show cases before buying anything in these lines.

Infants' and children's Hats, Bonnets, and Caps, from 10c's up to \$1.00.

Picture frames, 7c's to \$1.50,