

COUNCIL DECLINES TO SUSPEND LICENSE TAX.

HEARTILY FAVORS FUNDING THE INTEREST BEARING DEBT.

Highly Probable That Levy Could Be Reduced to Four Mills Should Debt Be Funded At Once.

City council met on Monday night and acted on the recommendations of the recent meeting of citizens as embodied in the communication adopted by citizens and forwarded to council. This communication has been published.

As will be seen from the reply to the communication printed below, council declines to suspend the license tax for the period of twelve months, as recommended by citizens, but is heartily in favor of funding the interest-bearing debt of the town and thinks that the proposed reduction of the 6-mill levy to four mills might be made should the debt be funded at once. Otherwise, council thinks it would be impossible, consistent with the best interests of the town, to make any reduction in the present 6-mill levy.

There was a full meeting of council, Mayor Earhardt presiding. The recommendations of citizens were received and fully and freely discussed. The action taken as stated above is embodied in the following communication to the chairman of the citizens' meeting from Acting Mayor Van Smith:

REPLY OF COUNCIL.

Newberry, S. C., February 2.
Dr. George B. Cromer, Chairman Citizens' Meeting, Newberry, S. C.:

Dear Sir: Replying to your communication of January 30th, and also to that of your committee, in reference to funding the interest-bearing debt of the town of Newberry, we will say that council heartily concurs in the views as expressed in Section 1 of your communication, and should the proper petitions be presented, council will gladly respond to the prayers of same in accordance with said recommendation.

Replying further, would respectfully say that under the existing financial condition of the town, council cannot concur in the second recommendation of your committee, i. e., to suspend license ordinance.

It will be impossible consistent with the best interests of the town to make any reduction in the present 6-mill levy, but with the interest-bearing debt funded at once and provided for by special levy and with the income to be derived from the recently enacted license ordinance we think it highly probable that the suggested reduction of two mills would be practicable.

Rest assured that any measure looking to a reduction of taxation will have our due consideration, and if such reduction can be made, consistent with the best interests and advancement of our town, it will be done.

Respectfully,
Van Smith,
Acting Mayor.

MUST BE PAID BY 15TH.

It was decided to attach the penalty for non-payment of the license due for this year after the 15th day of February inst.

HI HENRY'S MINSTRELS

Pleased Two Newberry Audiences Yesterday Afternoon and Last Night.

Hi Henry's Minstrels played to two well-pleased audiences in the opera house here yesterday afternoon and last night. There was a large attendance of ladies and children at the matinee yesterday afternoon and they very thoroughly enjoyed it. The show is good and clean.

PURELY PERSONAL.

The Movements of Many People, Newberrians and Those Who Visit Newberry.

Miss Carrie Jones returned from Laurens yesterday.

Alderman A. T. Brown returned from Atlanta the first of the week.

Mr. Tiller Attaway has moved to Big Creek, Saluda county.

Mrs. M. M. Harris and little son have returned from Walton.

Mr. J. Ben Cook, of Prosperity, paid us a brief visit Tuesday.

Mr. J. B. Bedenbaugh was in Newberry on Wednesday.

Misses Addie and Ellen Werts were in Newberry on Wednesday.

J. A. Blackwelder, of Newberry, is in Greenville today.—Herald, 3d.

C. D. Barksdale, Esq., of the Laurens bar, was in Newberry Wednesday.

Col. Schumpert and I. H. Hunt, Esq., have returned from a brief trip to Columbia.

Mayor Earhardt came from Columbia to attend the meeting of council on Monday night.

Mr. A. C. Jones, of the extensive house of Arnold, Constable & Co., New York, is in Newberry on business.

Mr. J. D. Mahon, insurance agent, spent Tuesday night at home and resumed his travels again on Wednesday.

Miss Belle Cannon, of Newberry, is teaching the Slabtown school and boarding with Mrs. J. P. Glenn.—Equality cor. Anderson Mail.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Zobel of Helena, and Mr. B. T. Bishop, of Newberry, were among those who attended the wooden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Matthews on Monday night.

Miss Vera Houseal who has been spending some time with Miss Pearl Crum of this city returned to her home last Thursday to the regret of her many friends.—Orangeburg Patriot, 3d.

Miss Mamie Salter went to Chapells Tuesday, visiting her grandfather, Mr. John Sheppard, a former citizen of Helena, who is now in a feeble condition.

Mr. J. Y. Thomson, from Newberry county, has bought the McCaslan house near the A. R. P. parsonage and will move here in the fall. We are glad to have such good families to come.

Mr. S. F. Wheeler and bride came in yesterday from a visit to Mr. Wheeler's former home in Newberry county, and are at home to their friends at the Columbia.—The State, 2nd.

Mr. W. B. Rodgers, of Greenville, route agent of the Southern Express company, was in the city on Wednesday. He was well pleased with the management of the Newberry office and was very complimentary in speaking of Captain Langford, saying that Newberry gets the best service of any town its size in the State. The officials are talking of taking him to a larger city.

VARIOUS AND ALL ABOUT.

Court next week.

Mr. F. M. Boyd will move to the house opposite Senator Mower's residence.

Postmaster Purcell will attend the convention of postmasters in Columbia next Tuesday.

There will be preaching at Zion Methodist church, Prosperity, next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Mr. W. B. Werts has moved to the Montgomery house one door below the Crotwell hotel, occupying the same jointly with Mr. G. G. Sale.

A writer in the New York Sun nominates Tillman for President. He is complimentary and enthusiastic in his praises of the senior senator from South Carolina.

The republican convention for this county on the 20th will start the ball on that side. Now for the fun of politics.

Mr. A. C. Jones has bought out the Ewart-Pifer Co. Mr. Ewart will manage the business here, as Mr. Jones will not give up his traveling interests.

They are trying to keep negro babies from turning black in Indiana by some sort of process. They want them white.

Mr. John Scott deserves much credit for the successful launching of the new immigration movement. He has been for a long time active and prominent in advocating the good work.

County Treasurer Epps will soon build a new residence on the old Lowe place near Helena, which he bought some time ago.

Preliminary work has begun on the new Methodist parsonage and citizens of all denominations will help Rev. Mr. Zimmerman and his people watch the progress of the building with pleasure.

It is said that William Randolph Hearst has Newberry blood in his veins, his grandmother, who died recently in California, having been the daughter of Henry and Ruth Whitmire, of this county.

City council again failed to elect a fourth policeman on Monday night. Mr. Koon is a good officer and is holding the position while council is tied up. Why not elect Mr. Koon and bring the matter to a conclusion?

One of the most prominent citizens of Helena has a horse that is afraid of his shadow when he gets under the electric lights in Newberry. Only on general principles, because it is not on record that he has ever come in contact with the ground hog.

Presiding Elder Wilson, of Greenwood, will hold the first quarterly conference with O'Neill street church tonight and at Wightman chapel, Prosperity, tomorrow. Dr. Wilson will preach at Wightman chapel on Sunday morning and at Mollohon mill in the afternoon.

In a letter to the last issue of the Carolina Odd Fellow, signed by Lucy Jones, P. N. G.; Co'e L. Blease, G. M.; J. M. Davis, P. G. M., and Theodore Danielsen, P. G. C., committee, a call is made for a Rebekah convention to meet with the McCaughrin lodge here on the 20th instant.

Now we will see what the ground hog theory amounts to. They say he lost no time getting back into his winter quarters. He didn't stay out long enough for Mr. Salter to get a photograph from him. Some house hogs remained out all day, however, and grunted around until late into the night as usual.

Tuesday having been a clear day the ground hog must have seen his shadow; consequently, the prophets say, there is to be much more cold weather. Then, too, Hicks predicts that we will be in that fix. About six weeks more, neighbors, they say.

If the new judicial circuits are arranged by the legislature, Mr. Cooper will have some one to beat from Greenwood, Abbeville or Newberry.—Laurens Advertiser. Mr. Cooper is doubtless a good and popular man, but that would be a hard thing to do so far as Newberry is concerned. Soon will it be the candidate are coming.

BIG CHANCE for a man with money. Four stores on Main Street; one dwelling on Main Street; one dwelling on Friend Street. One dwelling in High Point all for sale cheap for cash. Call on or write R. C. WILLIAMS.

THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

City Attorney Blease Holds that Mr. Cabaniss is Not Legally a Member Because He Is Secretary.

The following correspondence between the board of health through its secretary, Mr. E. Cabaniss, and city council through the city attorney, Hon. Cole L. Blease, is self-explanatory:

COMMUNICATION OF BOARD.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council, Newberry, S. C.:

Gentlemen: At the meeting of the board of health on January 8, 1904, the following resolution was passed:

"Inasmuch as the mayor and city council have appointed two (2) new members of the board of health to serve five years each, thereby constituting a board of health of six (6) members; and, whereas, the official census of 1900 gives the population of the city as less than 5,000 inhabitants; be it

"Resolved, That the Board of Health of Newberry call the attention of the mayor and city council to Section 1,097 of the General Acts of the legislature regulating the number, composition, and date of service of said board."

Respectfully submitted,
E. Cabaniss, Sec'y.
Newberry, January 11.

REPLY OF CITY ATTORNEY.

Dr. P. G. Ellesor, Chairman Board Health, Newberry, S. C.:

Dear Sir: The communication of your board of January 11th, through your secretary, to the mayor and city council, has been referred to me for reply, and I beg leave to say:

1. That the constitution of South Carolina provides that no person shall hold two offices of profit or honor at the same time. The general assembly created the office of member of the board of health. Your board of health by resolution created the office of secretary. That resolution was afterwards made an ordinance by the town council, thereby creating the office of secretary of your board at a salary of \$10.00 per month. Therefore, no one can hold the position of member of the board of health, and secretary of the board at one and the same time.

Consequently, Mr. Cabaniss is not a member of the board of health, and your board has but five members. Very respectfully,
Cole L. Blease,
City Attorney.
Newberry, February 2.

NOTICE.—three horse farm land for rent. Apply to Geo. Leonhirth, Helena.

Mr. Wm. S. Crane, of California, Md., suffered for years from rheumatism and lumbago. He was finally advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which he did and it effected a complete cure. For sale by Smith Drug Co., Newberry, Prosperity Drug Co., Prosperity.

NOTE THE CHANGE IN THE AD. of Quattlebaum & Schumpert, these young men are not giving their goods away, but are coming nearer to it than any other dealer in this section.

FOR RENT.—Store room on Main Street recently occupied by W. T. Tarrant. Possession given at once. For terms and so forth apply to Mrs. R. L. Paysinger, Newberry, S. C. f-t 6t.

IF YOU want a good pair of Shoes or Pants, Pair & Havird will price them right.

TO MAKE MONEY IS TO SAVE money. The entire stock of furniture, 77 Buck's Stoves and Ranges, Carpets, Mattings, Wheeler and Wilson No. 9 ball bearing sewing machines, 1 Piano together with articles too numerous to mention. All to go as way down prices. Sale commences Monday February 1st. Terms cash, no credit given during this sale. R. C. WILLIAMS.

WANTED IN EACH State salesman to sell large line tobacco; permanent position. Central Tobacco Works Company, Penicks, Va. f-t-6t.

WANTED—Two experienced specialty sale-men, salary or commission. Good side line. State what line have been selling. Territory and references. Address Box 7, South Boston, Virginia.

THE COTTON MARKET.

Newberry.

(Corrected by Nat Gist.)

Good Middling	15 12-12
Strict Middling	15
Middling	14 87 1-2

Market unsettled.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

PAPER PATTERNS are sold for CASH ONLY. Please do not ask us to charge them. S. J. Wooten.

WE have a few Blankets and other winter goods that we are selling at a great sacrifice. S. J. Wooten.

SEE those pretty Chiffon Turnovers 15c and 25c at Hair & Havirds.

W. T. TARRANT will have a clearance sale in Millinery, Saturday, January 30th, 1904. Now is the time to get a bargain in Hats and all other goods which will be sold at the very lowest prices. Remember the place, Scholtz old stand, next door to Davenport & Cavanaugh. Rufus W. Hutchinson will be glad to welcome all his old friends and customers at the new store and will make it to your interest to see him.

I STILL have my fine throughbred stegered Holstine Bull for service. f3t. THOS. F. HARMON.

WANTED AT THE NEWBERRY Steam Laundry one hundred young men's washing. We will make it to your interest to call and see us or phone 116. L. B. Aull.

THREE Good Plantation Mules for sale by THOS. F. HARMON. f3t.

TWO HUNDRED Bushels of Klondike Cotton Seed. Finest cotton I ever planted. Will make from one to two bales to the acre. Does not fall out, but is easily picked. For sale by THOS. F. HARMON. f3t.

FOR SALE—Fine Jack. Will be at Brown's stables until February 5th. JNO. M. SCHUMPERT.

FOR SALE—Three good milk cows with young calves. For particulars write or phone F. E. and A. L. COLEMAN, Higgins' Ferry, S. C.

MULE STOLEN—From cotton yard of G. M. B. Epting at Newberry on Saturday night. Small bay mule—black mane and tail—large scar between front legs on breast. Leather saddle and blind bridle on mule. Suitable reward for information leading to return of mule. J. P. SUMMER.

NINE HORSES—Just received a nice lot of Kentucky horses. Call and see them. A. L. KNIGHTON & CO.

FOR SALE—100 cords Oak Wood, 2 feet long. Apply to S. B. Aull, Jalapa.

PARTI'S having houses to rent or lots for sale will do well to see Aull and Higgins in regard to same, who will rent and take charge of collections, etc.

GO TO Hair & Havirds for all the latest Novelties for Ladies' wear

MANUFACTURER wants reliable man to deliver and collect; horse and wagon and \$150 deposit necessary; \$21 a week and expenses; permanent. Franklin, Box 78, Philadelphia, Pa. 4t

WANTED—Persimmon, Dogwood, Hickory and Holly Logs. Freight paid on carloads. James Cockshot, Charleston, S. C.

MONEY TO LEND—I am authorized to negotiate loans on real estate mortgages running 3 to 5 years. Apply to Johnstone & Welch. GEO. B. CROMER.

RESTAURANT—Fancy Groceries—Mr. John J. Eargle who has bought out the grocery store of C. W. Douglas will also continue the restaurant at the same place and you can secure a good meal cheap. He also has a good line of fancy and staple groceries at prices that are reasonable.

MONEY TO LOAN—We negotiate loans on improved farm lands at seven per cent. interest on amounts over one thousand dollars, and eight per cent. interest on amounts less than \$1,000. Long time and easy payments. Hunt, Hunt & Hunter, Attorneys.

HUNTER & SANER are running a saw mill about one mile from city on road to Lindsay's bridge, and are prepared to fill all orders for lumber.

VALUABLE REAL ESTATE FOR SALE—Sixty Acres adjoining incorporate limits of Newberry. High state of cultivation. One hundred and forty acres one and a half miles from town. Good creek and river bottom, fine meadows on both tracts. For information apply to G. M. B. EPTING. or E. H. AULL.

LOST OR STRAYED—A white setter dog, black spots, from residence of N. P. Abrams. Any information as to said dog may be left at drug store of Gilder, Weeks & Hunter or given N. P. ABRAMS.