

The Herald and News

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To Stop Shortages.

The governor and the comptroller general are trying to devise some plan to recommend to the legislature for enactment into law whereby there will be more efficiency and less carelessness in the handling of public funds. Certainly there is need that something be done. We cannot believe that the many shortages are the result of intentional wrong doing but rather the result of carelessness or inefficiency or the system of bookkeeping which is used in our county offices. Under the present system we believe it is possible to bring almost any county treasurer out short, however, honest he may be, unless he was there to explain every entry.

The plan of having auditors and treasurers taken out of the primary will not be of much avail. If we had some sort of civil service examination and allow only those who are competent to enter for the positions it would be a long step towards securing at least efficiency. We have no doubt many a good and honest man has aspired to the position of county auditor or county treasurer who was unable to keep a simple set of books and who would never have dreamed of applying to any business house or private corporation for a position as bookkeeper and yet he honestly felt he could keep the books of the county and receive and disburse thousands of dollars and make calculations of taxes. It is a wrong notion and often results in apparent shortages which come from inefficiency rather than from wrong intentions. But with the civil service examination to start with and then the appointment of expert accountants to check up these books somewhat after the manner of postoffice inspectors and bank examiners there would be little chance for going wrong.

But what about the management of county affairs apart from the auditor's and treasurer's part of it. Too frequently the people are not careful enough in the selection of their county supervisor. And yet in two of the counties where it was generally understood they had the best supervisors in the state the investigating committees now report very large shortages.

The expert accountant would work a check on these offices.

He ought not, however, to be appointed by the comptroller general or have anything whatever to do with his office except to check it up just as he does the county offices. In fact, to check up all offices in the state handling the state's money from the governor's down. And as we said on a former occasion it would be no reflection on the honesty of any official to have his books checked up.

Sunday Observance.

We print from the Sunday News and Courier a most excellent article on Sunday observance. That there is too much disregard of the Sabbath there can be little doubt. Whether we view it from a religious standpoint or not there is something in nature which says there must be some time for rest. Quoting from the Bishop of New York as quoted in this article it is true as he says: "From the bottom to the top nature has proclaimed the law of periodic rest in tones which cannot be mistaken. Whether it be a car wheel or a human brain, something of absolute and supreme authority must give it pause; and there is no people on earth who so sorely need to recognize this fact as we fevered and overworked Americans. Everything in the conditions of our life, the characteristics of our climate, the sharp competitions of our business, the national restlessness and passion for change, all make rest imperative for us; and all the time the law remains to bear witness to the fact that we cannot trifle with that divine principle, written—first of all—in our own members."

It makes little difference whether we work our heads or our hands there should be a time for rest or the machine will run down. In addition to this it is one of the commandments and just as binding as any other, that

the seventh day belongs to the Lord, and in it we are forbidden to do any work.

It has been gradually mirringed upon until a great many do not know the Sabbath from any other day. In a recent rip away from home we saw men reaping and binding and threshing grain on the Sabbath. It looked queer and yet was that any more a violation of the proper observance of the day than running a passenger train.

If we are not to follow a strict observance of the law where are the lines to be drawn. In Columbia the police commission has undertaken to enforce a more strict observance of the day by forbidding the selling of cigars, fruits and soda water.

It will be a very difficult matter to enforce the observance of the day by laws for there will be found many ways in which to evade the laws.

It is one of those things which must be instilled by proper training and teaching.

That there is need of training and teaching along this line there can be little doubt.

That Road From Saluda.

Is Newberry to have that railroad from Saluda or does she expect to wait and pursue the policy that she did some years ago and let it go to Greenwood and then regret it. We see that the people are now talking about a road to Greenwood. Newberry business men seem indifferent. We are sure the Saluda people would cooperate in the building of a road to Newberry and our people ought to get together and show them that we want them to come and get closer to us. We could build this road if our people would get together and act together.

It will be a great mistake if we should let this opportunity pass.

We need a chamber of commerce or a board of trade or some commercial organization which could and would take up matters of this kind which are for the general welfare of the community but in the absence of such an organization we might get together on a matter of so much importance as this. Will not some of our enterprising business men take hold of this matter.

To Our Subscribers.

As has been our custom for many years we are sending out an annual statement to each subscriber whose name appears on our list in arrears, if only for a month. It is not a "dun" in the offensive sense which some people look upon that term. We cannot afford to send a collector to each man who owes nor can we go ourselves and this notice will be the only collector we will send and it should be sufficient. Now and then we find a subscriber who gets offended because we send him what he calls a "dun." We regret this but in the course of a business where you deal with so many it would be remarkable if some one did not find fault. It is not meant to offend but to let you know how you stand on our books and to request you to pay us. We need the money and we feel you can pay this year and that it is your purpose to do so and that you will do it promptly so soon as your attention is called to it. If every one would pay us what he owes how happy we would be because we could then pay those we owe. It is a small matter to each subscriber and we believe the response is going to be prompt. No one will appreciate it more than this editor.

The three Lancaster papers have been consolidated into one called the News and will be issued twice a week. One paper in a town and county the size of Lancaster should be a good investment and should be able to give the people a paper worthy of their support. We wish the new paper much success.

The News and Courier is entirely mistaken. We read the editorial columns of our cotemporary regularly now. They are bright and up-to-date.

When it is said the suggestion now to be made that the state could convert the dispensary into old time bar-rooms "will perhaps seems startling" we naturally concluded it was of the opinion that it was giving the public something new and that had never been suggested before. Then the reporter considered the statement in the

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senate last February a startling one. However, it makes no difference. Our only purpose now is to assure the News and Courier that we read the editorials of that paper with a great deal of interest and to say that they are very bright and we enjoy them.

It is getting about time for the municipal political pot to begin boiling. Everything is so distressingly quiet that we fear the outbreak of a storm. No one even suggested for mayor or for aldermen and it only a few weeks until the election. There can be no objection to the quietude but it is important that the city have a good strong city council. It is always an important matter.

The price of cotton is still below ten cents and the people are not putting any on the market. This is the case not only in Newberry but throughout the cotton belt. If the producers will just stand firm there will be little doubt they will win.

This country needs in public position a few peerless patriots who hold principle above party, manhood above money, character above cash, and patriotism above place.

To the Anderson Mail—The very fact that we read your editorial column is the highest compliment we can pay you. It is always bright and gives us pleasant recreation.

If mosquitoes carry malaria and are the cause of it why should we not get rid of the mosquito.

EXECUTORS' SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.

At the late residence of Henry Sheely, deceased, near Little Mountain, we the undersigned executors of said deceased will on the 10 day of November, 1905 at 10 o'clock a. m. sell the personal property of which said deceased died seized and possessed.

Terms: Cash.

B. F. Sheely,
J. A. Sheely,
Executors.

MASTER'S SALE.

State of South Carolina,
County of Newberry,
In the Common Pleas.
J. M. Schumpert and W. C. Shealy, as administrators of Mary Ann Monts, deceased; Jane R. Schumpert and Frances E. Shealy, Plaintiffs.
Against

Connie Ophelia Derrick and Mary Ethel Derrick, Defendants.

By virtue of an order herein I will sell before the courthouse at Newberry on Saleday in November, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder, the following tract or parcel of land lying in No. Ten township, containing Seventy-two (72) acres, more or less, and bounded by lands of W. C. Shealy, W. A. Counts, J. M. Sease and Jacob Shealy.

Terms of sale: One-third of the purchase money to be paid in cash, the balance on a credit of one and two years in equal annual installments, with interest from day of sale. Purchaser to pay for papers.

H. H. Rikard, Master.

Master's Office, Oct. 10, 1905.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE OF THE PROSPERITY HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

Pursuant to and by authority of a resolution passed by the stockholders of the Prosperity High School Association on the 5th day of September, 1905, we, the undersigned committee, will offer for sale at public auction before the Court House at Newberry, South Carolina, on Saleday in November between the legal hours of sale the lot of the Prosperity High School Association in the Town of Prosperity, South Carolina, which said lot will be divided into four lots, plats of which can be seen at the Bank of Prosperity on or after the 23rd day of October, 1905, and will be exhibited on the day of sale: said lot being the one on which the old Prosperity High School building stands.

Terms of sale: Cash. Purchaser to pay for papers.

Dr. J. S. Wheeler,
L. S. Bowers,
W. A. Moseley,
A. G. Wise,
Committee.

Good Clothing.

I want to call your attention to my clothing department. I have talked to you often about our Shoes and Hats, and have sold many of you already this fall some of them. The fact is I have sold more Banister's Fine Shoes and Stetson Hats in the past three weeks than ever before in the same length of time, and the prospects are that this will be a great season in these lines, but I want you to know about our good clothing as well. I have a splendid stock for men, boys, and children, all new and stylish, and made of the best materials, and when you are ready to lay aside your summer suit and get some good warm clothing for yourself and the boys for fall and winter, I want you to see what I have and what I can do to save you money. I get the best there is made, and am satisfied with a small profit.

Underwear and Hosiery!

I have a large stock of good Underwear and Hosiery to show you, also Wool Sweaters and Overshirts, Overalls and Jackets, Wright's Health Underwear for men and boys.

PANTS.

I control for this market the Crown Tailor-made Trousers, and have in addition to these a large assortment of Pants at from 50c. to \$6.00 a pair.

Suit Cases.

I have a new stock of Suit Cases, Traveling Bags and Valises, the best I have shown, and hope to supply you with what you need. Come and see us often. Tell your friends about my store.

A. C. JONES.

Newberry, S. C., October 12th, 1905.