

REMINISCENCES OF THE LONG AGO.

"Heap Secs, But Few Knows"

(By Uncle Josh.)

Continuing the write up of Lexington in the long ago, we found on the same side of the street, next to Uncle David Hendrix' first store, near Mr. Noah Hendrix' dwelling, the Milton Simons Tin Shop where we can yet see in our imagination, the bright tin cups, buckets and coffee pots hanging out on the side of the door. Mr. Simons was a fairly good tinner and did a nice little business. He was a clever man and a strong Universalist and some times exhorted in its faith. After having been a citizen here for years, he finally bought a farm down on the Edisto and moved there, where he remained for a long time, and until Capt. J. Feaster Lyles bought him out and moved there from Fairfield county. Mr. Simons and his family went West. We think to Arkansas and we have no record of them since.

Further up street we come to Christian Frank's Boot and Shoe Shop. He was a fullfledged dutchman and a fine boot and shoe maker, and had a large business, employing a number of workmen—Edward Fredrick, John Shirey, Philip Bonebacker, Wee Wee, John McCawley, Noah Corley, and Old Uncle Caleb Hendrix, colored, who made the old-time stitchdown brogans, while the other workmen made the finest boots and shoes, repaired harness and saddles and all kinds of repair work.

Christian Frank, like most Germans, loved his dram and would get funny at times but not fussy. His home was on the opposite side of the street. He married Mary Corley, daughter of Granny Corley and a sister of Maj. Ephraim Corley. Mr. Frank had three children, John, Lizzie and Manda, John after the Civil War went to Georgia and married out there. Lizzie and Manda, died somewhere about Brookland some time ago. Mr. Frank and his wife having preceded them to the grave, leaving the family extinct.

Mr. Ed. Fredrick, a German, lived in a cottage near the West corner of Main and Church streets. Both he and his wife died here. Their sons, Ernest and Ed., wandered after their parents died. Ed. went to Augusta, Ga., married and died there years ago; Ernest was blown up in Columbia, accidentally.

Mr. John Shirey, a typical German and a fine boot maker, lived in the Wm. Fort place, down on Main street for years. When the war came on he joined Capt. Caughman's Cavalry Company. At the call for volunteers he stepped forward and said, in his German brogue: "I go. Who finds a horse? My Risinger furnished the horse—a 'stump sucker'. After the war he became dissatisfied and went to New York. Mrs. Shirey was an industrious woman. They had several children, we now remember John, Bill, Mary and others in the family. We know nothing of them since they left.

Philip Bonebacker, also a true type German and a good workman, making mostly women's shoes for Mr. Franck. Besides his work on the bench Boney served as steward of the poor house for some time. His wife was a good housekeeper and a clever and kind German woman, who gave all care and attention under her charge, at the alms house. Boney was a good soldier during the Civil War, and at its close he and family went back North or to the Old Country.

Old Uncle Caleb was a quaint old colored man, belonging to Uncle Billie Hendrix. He had strange notions and believed in the use of the "rabbit foot" to keep away "hoodoos", and the "conjuring John" which he carried in his pocket to accomplish wonders. He always claimed that beings on earth were nothing more than worms, that they lived and moved about and finally died and were nothing. "Everything is nothing" was his saying and belief.

During the war John McCawley went North and we know nothing of him.

On the Fort lot next to Uncle Mike Hendrix store, east, was Mr. Pendleton King's wheelwright and repair shop. His blacksmith shop was down on Main street in front of the old Methodist church. On one job for Mr. A. F. Fort's buggy wheel he had occasion to use a little putty on the hub. Mr. Fort discovered it and on his questioning Mr. King about using putty, he replied it was of little consequence, when Mr. Fort said, "Well, why not make it all putty?" Mr. King as we remember, had two boys, Bill and Carville, still alive West. King's shop was where the Oswald Department store once stood, where now stands the Enterprise Hardware Company.

The next place of business further down street, next to the jail was John Wingard & Son Henry's tavern, better known then as the "Otter Slide." They conducted a tavern and bar-room, later

by Wolf Arehart followed by Owen Duffie who ran the business, at the hole in the ground. It was a popular and well patronized resort for the thirsty and hot beverage seekers, looking after John Barleycorn. The dwelling above the cellar or basement had two stories which were always fully equipped as required by the State law then with spare beds and provender to feed persons and animals, to care for their customers while they "drank away boys and drown your sorrows, and never let trouble roll over your minds."

After two destructive fires the remodeled and improved dwelling of G. M. Harman were burned on this spot, the first fire originated across the street, the second fire from up street, with a loss of over \$30,000, with about \$6,000 insurance. Now every inch fronting on Main street is covered with a brickbat and is known as Harman Block, four stories.

O the corner below the "Otter Slide" we find Uncle Isaac Vansant the vigilant and worthy sheriff, living in the elegant, granite jail. Uncle Isaac and Aunt Katie were liked by all the folks in town and country for their kindness of heart and hand. Uncle Isaac had but one arm but his friends were numerous and he could have filled almost any position he wanted in the county.

Zouker, one of our bakers, took a notion to raise the town on a general booze and was locked in jail for disorderly conduct, staying over night. Some one went to the jail to see how he was getting on and asked him how he liked it. He said first-rate excepting the board, it was pretty tough, but, it would do in a pinch. Uncle Isaac, present, did not like his remark and said d— you "we don't live on a pinch." Zouker was turned out during the day and apologized to Uncle Isaac and Aunt Katie, very gentlemanly. It is said Uncle Isaac Vansant or John Kleckley transplanted the large water oaks around the jail, only two of them living today. One old hulk in front of the jail and the other on the side street, was the spot where the whipping post stood.

Uncle Drury Lawson was a noted comical character from the Sand Hills and he often visited the village riding horseback. He was well thought of by the business men and especially the boys of the village. He was good natured and loved his dram, which seemed to make him talkative and feel rich. One of his usual sayings, was when tight: "Did you ever see a man look like me?" While he shook his head. He was a chubby, fat, red face, and red frizzly hair—and a true typical Irishman. The boys delighted in teasing him when he was "tipsy" and enjoyed their fun. On one of his "carousels" here, riding his faithful and gentle nag Bettie, the boys to devil him, turned around his saddle, so when he was ready to start home well "soused", they helped him up on the "critter," and he reached for the bridal reins and caught Bettie by the tail. He looked around surprised and said, "Bettie, what the h— is to matter with you. I can't tell whether I am going or coming." However, he took the joke good naturedly and the boys turned the saddle right and placed him up on Bettie and started him home, swaying first one side of the horse then to the other, but he would never fall. All the time, talking to himself as the horse walked along carefully, taking Uncle Drury safely home. So, true enough: "A man may be down, but he's never out."

In those days people seemed to drink more of spirits and think less of the habit than they do today. Any kind of a drink retailed for six and a quarter cents, and while they drank freely, would fuss and fight only occasionally. They would settle their differences by pulling off coats and rolling up sleeves and face each other in a fair knock out fisticuff, seldom ever injuring themselves, and after the fight they would shake hands and part friendly as best man. Public and sale days sure would bring a fight but not serious, more liquor than anything else. Wiley Dickerson, Truss Jackson, the McGee boys, Uncle Dick (Eli) Taylor, Ed. Leaphart, Luke Hendrix and others were champions ready to go in the ring for a fight any time you called them.

STATE TEACHERS' EXAMINATION TO BE HELD AT LEXINGTON FRIDAY, MAY 12TH AND SATURDAY, MAY 13TH.

The next teachers' examination will be held at Lexington on Friday, May 12th and Saturday, May 13th, beginning promptly at nine o'clock each day. Applicants are urged to be on time as those arriving late will be debarred from taking the examination. It will be a great accommodation to the County Superintendent if those who expect to stand will write him a card so stating.

Applicants may stand for Primary Certificate, first, second, or third grade; General Elementary Certificate, first, second, or third grade;

General Elementary Certificate, first, second, or third grade. It will be impossible for any applicant to take more than one examination successfully. Any attempt to double work and thereby cover two groups of questions is sure to result in failure.

The Primary examination covers twelve subjects:

Friday forenoon—English Grammar and Language, 1 hr.; Arithmetic, 1 hr.; Palyground and Community Activities, 1 hr.

Friday afternoon—History, South Carolina, United States, and General, 1 hour; Geography, 1 hour; Civics and Current Events, 1 hour.

Saturday forenoon—Literature, 1 hour; Pedagogy, 1 hour; Health, 1 hour.

Saturday afternoon—Nature Study, 1 hour; School Law, 1 hour; Manual Training and Writing, 1 hour.

Any Primary Certificate will entitle the holder to teach in the first five grades.

The general elementary examination will cover twelve subjects.

Friday forenoon—English Grammar and Composition, 1 1-2 hours; Arithmetic, 1 1-2 hours.

Friday afternoon—History, United States and South Carolina, 1 hour; Geography, 1 hour; Civics and Current Events, 1-2 hour; Spelling, 1-2 hour.

Saturday forenoon—Reading, including Literature, 1 hour; Pedagogy, 1 hour; Nature Study and Elementary Agriculture, 1 hour.

Saturday afternoon—Physiology and Hygiene, 1 hour; School Law, 1 hour; Algebra (Algebra required for first and second grade certificates.) 1 hour.

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Applicants are expected to furnish paper and writing materials.

Rules and regulations prescribed by the State Board of Education. Results of the examination to be determined by the State Bureau of Examiners.

JULIUS E. SHARPE, Superintendent of Education, Lexington County. 2w-c

COLEMAN WILL BE COLUMBIA'S MAYOR.

W. A. Coleman carried eight boxes in four wards yesterday and won the race as the Democratic nominee for mayor of Columbia over John W. Richardson by a plurality of 511 votes. Coleman polled 2,540 votes against 2,029 for Richardson. Coleman gained 400 votes in the second primary while Richardson showed a gain of 75.

Moffatt B. DuPre led the race for council and crossed the tape with 3,064 votes to his credit. Sam L. Sweeney ran second, having polled 2,549 votes. L. N. Drake came third with 2,012 and R. J. Person trailed

CITATION NOTICE.

State of South Carolina, County of Lexington.—By W. F. Hook, esquire, probate judge.

Whereas, W. H. Fallaw made suit to me, to grant him Letters of Administration of the Estate of and effects of Ben Watkins.

These are Therefore to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and Creditors of the said Ben Watkins, deceased, that they be and appear, before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Lexington, C. H. S. C., on 5th day of May, 1922, next, after publication hereof at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted.

Given under my Hand, this 20th day of April, Anno Domini 1922.

W. F. HOOK, (L. S.) Probate Judge Lexington County, S. C.

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Mayor Blalock, Councilman Coleman and Councilman Rice will have served their four year terms on May 16 and the newly elected city officials will be entitled to take their seats on and after that date.

Wins Exciting Contest.

W. A. Coleman won the race for mayor yesterday after having engineered the most interesting and exciting campaign in the history of city politics. The Richardson forces were lined up for a strong fight and the campaign waxed warm. Much was spoken and written during the last several weeks and the candidates indulged freely in the use of printers' ink.

Enthusiastic supporters of Mayor-elect Coleman secured Yarbrough's band and left the city hall to serenade the victor. He and Councilmen-elect DuPre and Sweeney were heard.

DANGER LURKING IN TARIFF BILL.

Washington, April 26.—Summing up a three hours' attack on the pending tariff bill today in the senate Senator Simmons (Democrat) of North Carolina declared that it was his "deliberate judgment" that the measure was "fraught with more danger to the people of the country and the in-

stitutions under which they live than any bill which ever crossed the threshold of this chamber."

The senator said he supposed the measure would be passed, not because it met the judgment of the senate, but because a considerable part of the majority of the senate "are willing to forego their opposition to what they regard as unjust impositions upon the people in order to get concessions for those in whom they are especially interested."

Department from the text of his address, which had been prepared after what he described as careful study of the bill, the Democratic leader said there should be no deliberate delaying tactics on the minority side, but that there must be full and free discussion "to make clear what this bill if passed will mean to the American people."

Will Double Rates.

He declared that the rates in the bill were from 40 to 50 per cent. higher than those of the "ill fated Payne-Aldrich" tariff bill and were double those in the Underwood law. Enactment of the measure, he asserted, would result in higher costs of living, increased unemployment and the "further monopolization of American industries."

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