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PICKENS C. II., S. C.

Thursday, Aug. 31, 1876.

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For School Commissioner—M. S. Hendricks.
For Coroner—B. B. Earle.
For County Commissioners—John T. Lewis, B. J. Johnson, T. P. Loooper.

Wade Hampton Coming.

Wade Hampton and the nominees on the State electoral ticket will, by appointment of the State Executive Committee, speak at this place on the 5th of September. Let every voter in the County, white and colored, Democrat, Republican and Independent, be present. We would suggest that each Club in the County attend the meeting as an organization, and use every possible effort to induce every voter in their section to attend with them.

We expect to have one of the grandest gatherings on next Tuesday ever known in Pickens County. Generals Hampton, McGowan and Wagner, and Col's, Aiken and Cochran; and probably General Gordon, of Georgia, will be here. Rally, everybody—it will be one of the grandest occasions Pickens ever had.

There are many honest men in Pickens County, heretofore co-operating with the Republican party, who will vote for Hampton and reform in the approaching election.

Another Strike.

The negroes on the Combahee in Beaufort County, and some in Colleton County, have been on another big strike. This time they demanded two dollars a day for cutting rice, and visited plantations in great mobs, whipping and driving off every negro disposed to work and not join the strike. They have been inflicting the most cruel punishment on every negro not disposed to join them, and resisted the civil authorities when an attempt was made to arrest the ringleaders, beating the posse and rescuing such of their number as had been arrested. If this had been white men, the bloody shirt would have been flapping from one end of the Continent to the other, and the outrage would have had grinding to do the balance of the campaign. But it was only the "oil" brothon, and it is all right. What difference would it make anyhow, if these blood-thirsty negroes were to kill a few of the rice planters occasionally and burn up their plantations? Would troops be called for, and any of them punished? We think the proceedings at Beaufort, the other day, is a sufficient answer. After the burly Congressman, Smalls, who, as Judge Mackey says, looks like a bloated bull frog, had, by his rice field eloquence, persuaded some of the ring leaders to surrender and the mob to partially disperse, he, as promptly, had them all released as soon as they arrived at the town and sent back to their homes, no doubt, as fully determined as they ever were to repeat their violence whenever it suited their purposes, or was demanded by some ignorant political demagogue of the Radical party. The whole move, we think, has a political aspect, and the plantation laborer would never have dreamed of demanding two dollars a day if it had not been put in his head by some Radical politician, for the purpose in some way or other of advancing his own interests. The latest account represent the strike virtually ended; but it is likely to break out again at any time the bloody shirt managers demand it.

An Enthusiastic Democracy.

From every section of the State the most encouraging accounts comes to us of the enthusiasm of the Democratic party. A thorough organization is being rapidly perfected in every County in the State. In many sections the colored people are rapidly enrolling themselves in the clubs. In Sumpter Township, Sumpter County, the other day, there was a large club organized with one hundred and sixteen colored members. A colored club of 34 members was organized at Aiken the other day, and similar evidences of the negro's determination to change his politics, comes to us from every section of the State. Upon the whole, the Democratic outlook in the State is as bright as the most sanguine could desire. With energy, determination and a thorough canvass of the State, we believe a Democratic victory can be achieved in November.

Demonstration in Anderson.

On Tuesday night the 22d instant, the Anderson Democracy had the grandest demonstration ever known in that place. The procession was a half mile long, and the meeting was addressed, in stirring speeches, by J. B. Moore, R. W. Simpson, W. C. Brown, J. L. Orr, E. M. Rucker, and E. B. Murray. Cannons were fired at regular intervals, and perfect order, amidst the greatest enthusiasm prevailed. Several colored men were in the procession, one of whom was knocked from his horse by a rock thrown at him by another colored man. This was an outrage that the Democrats of Anderson should not permit to go unpunished.

The Great Meeting in Abbeville.

From a private letter addressed to the editor of this paper, by a prominent gentleman of Abbeville, we make the following extract in reference to the great political meeting recently held at that place:

"We had a magnificent demonstration here on Tuesday last, accounts of which you will see in the newspapers. No account, however, can give an adequate idea to one who did not take part in it. We simply and most effectually captured the whole concern. It was splendid, and I think gave Chamberlain a just and proper idea of the mountain Democracy. He at all events seemed indisposed to push his political explorations further in this direction at this time."

The Democracy of Oconee County has adopted the primary election plan of nominating candidates. The election comes off the 5th of October.

The Greenville District Conference.

The past week has been an interesting one to the citizens of Pickens Court House and vicinity. The meeting of the Greenville District Conference in the Methodist Church on Wednesday evening, the 23d inst., brought amongst us many of the representative men of the Methodist Church, in this section, and their christian demeanor and accomplished manners won for them the respect and esteem of our entire community. The good people of our town and vicinity, threw open their doors to them, and gave them a hearty and cordial welcome, which was highly appreciated, and no doubt will long be kindly remembered by the members of the Conference. The meeting, both spiritual and in number was a good one—in fact we heard many who have always attended such meetings, say, it was the best they had ever seen, and we trust its good influences may be felt by the whole community for many days to come. From the reports of the preachers in charge of the circuits, we learned that the spiritual condition of the District had been considerably improved during the present year, and that the Sunday Schools were in a prosperous and flourishing condition. The District is composed of the Counties of Oconee, Pickens, Anderson, Greenville, and a part of Spartanburg. The following is a list of Delegates in attendance, viz:

Rev. O. A. Darby, Presiding Elder, Greenville Station, Rev. W. D. Kirkland, p. c., Delegates—A. H. Cureton, G. T. Willis; Greenville City and Marietta Mission, Rev. J. E. Penny, p. c.; Greenville ct., Rev. R. R. Dagnall, p. c.—Delegates, J. H. Payne, W. W. Tarrant, S. L. Robinson, J. J. Burditt, B. A. Barker; Reidville ct., Rev. J. K. McCain, p. c.—Delegates, W. J. Kendrick, Salathiel Martin, T. J. Goodlett—Rev. J. C. Davis and W. Bowman, local preachers; Fork Shoal ct., Rev. J. Finger, p. c.; Williamston station, Rev. W. A. Weber, p. c.—Delegates, Thos. Cox, G. W. Anderson, and Rev. S. Lander, President of Williamston Female College; Brushy Creek ct., Rev. J. J. Workman, p. c.—Delegates, R. T. Ellrod, J. W. Singleton; Anderson station, Rev. W. W. Mood, p. c.—Delegates, J. C. C. Featherston; Anderson ct., Rev. J. J. Neville, p. c.—Delegates, J. E. Spearman, R. G. Martin; Central ct., Rev. A. W. Jackson, p. c.—Delegates, R. M. Martin, W. J. Martin, Larkin Newton; Sandy Springs ct., Rev. John Attnaway, p. c.—Delegates, W. T. McGill, R. M. Morris; Walhalla and Pendleton ct., Rev. A. W. Walker, p. c.—Delegates, R. A. Cochran, Rev. F. M. Morgan, local preacher; Pickens ct., Rev. W. H. Arisail, p. c.—Delegates, W. A. Lesley, J. L. Ellis, L. T. Addington, R. S. Hunt, Rev. O. L. Durant, local preacher; Pickens Mission, Rev. T. P. Phillips, p. c.—Delegates, A. E. Kelley, J. M. Gillespie; Seneca City ct., Rev. L. C. Loyal, p. c.—Delegates, W. T. Janes, M. C. McDonald; Cheochee Mission, Rev. F. L. Hartin, p. c.—Delegates, L. Rogers, A. B. Kelley; Fork et. and Mission, Rev. G. D. Mann, p. c.—Delegates; J. B. Sanders, J. A. Ellrod.

The following are the Delegates elected to the annual Conference, viz: A. H. Cureton, J. C. C. Featherston, J. B. Sanders, and W. A. Lesley.

The next District Conference is to be held at Williamston.

The following ministers occupied the pulpit during the session of the Conference, in the order named, to wit: Wednesday, 8 o'clock p. m., Rev. F. M. Morgan; Thursday, 11 a. m., Rev. J. E. Penny, 7:30 p. m., Rev. C. D. Mann; Friday, 11 a. m., Rev. R. R. Dagnall, 7:30 p. m., Rev. L. C. Loyal; Saturday, 11 a. m., Rev. W. D. Kirkland, 7:30 p. m., Rev. S. Lander; Sunday, 11 a. m., Rev. O. A. Darby, P. E., 7:30 p. m. Rev. W. W. Mood, J. H. Carlisle L.L.D., President of Wofford College was present during the meeting, and delivered eloquent addresses on the cause of education and Sunday Schools—he also gave some powerful and effective exhortations. There were five accessions to the church during the meeting.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted: Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference are due and are hereby heartily tendered to the hospitable people of Pickens Court House and the surrounding country, for our kind entertainment during the session of the Conference.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are hereby tendered the Air Line Railroad Company for the reduced rates at which they have passed the members of the Conference over said road.

Resolved, That the above resolutions be published in the PICKENS SENTINEL. The services of the session closed on Sunday evening.

[FOR THE PICKENS SENTINEL.]
CENTRAL, S. C., Aug. 25, 1876.

Mr. Editor.—I have waited long to see if any one would raise his voice in behalf of our little town and corner of the County, but as no one else seems inclined to bring our part of the County into "notice," I thought I would say a few words, even if those few were "thin." The spirit of improvement has been lying dormant for some time in our town; but it is awaking, and the streets are undergoing a thorough renovation under the supervision of our efficient Marshal, Mr. G. It is hoped that the spirit of improvement will gather strength until it enables our little town to present a better appearance to the world.—We have one improvement in our town which is one of the strongest elements of success in building up a town, that is a good school. And we not only have a good school, but we have what is better and scarcer, the best of teachers. The Principal, Rev. M. E. Broadus, a graduate of Furman University, is the "right man in the right place." He is a thorough, practical and efficient teacher, and if there is anyone who wishes to bestow the best of gifts (which is a thorough education) upon his children, here is the place to send them. It is a good location so far as health is concerned—tuition very low—board can be obtained at low rates, in fact, there is every inducement to send children here.

We have also, in connection with the school, a flourishing debating society, which has a little theatrical vein running through its body. The society proposes to entertain its friends with a little performance of charades &c., on Thursday night, the 31st of August. We extend a cordial invitation to the public generally, and to yourself especially.

The primary election passed off quietly at this place and the people seem very well satisfied with the ticket with one or two exceptions.

Our people are awake at last in regard to the State election. Central seems determined to get "her name in the papers," during the coming campaign. We intend having a big barbecue and as some of our best citizens are "laying their hands to the plow," we may hope for success. Some of the speakers, who are spoken of for the occasion, are C. M. Quitt and John B. Gordon, of Georgia; Vance, of North Carolina; Hampton and others of South Carolina. With such an array of noted speakers, it will be one of the grandest things that ever happened in the "dark corner" of South Carolina.

The day has come at last, when we have taken a firm, decided and open stand against that vile horde that has been crushing us to the earth. Poor old South Carolina, long has she suffered the most bitter humiliation, but, thanks be to God, we may hope she will soon rise triumphant out of the ashes of the dead past. To accomplish this blessed end, let us all rise up as one man, and work with might and main, with heart and soul, and soon we may hear the joyous shout ringing from "mountain to sea-board," waking, with its thrilling echoes, every true heart into maddening joy, that our dear old South land is once more free. ROVER.

Easley Baptist Church.

Mr. Editor: This church is one of the first fruits of the State Mission Work on the Air Line. Though the membership is small, they have the essential parts of a house of worship, and contribute something to Missions, and to the partial support of a pastor.

Dr. J. C. Hiden, of Greenville, was invited to aid the Pastor in a series of meetings, commencing August 13th, and, notwithstanding his coming was delayed for a time, a great blessing was finally realized. The church and pastor were fed with food needful for them, as brother Hiden opened to them the Scriptures and preached "the unsearchable riches of Christ."

The meeting continued day and night from the second Sunday morning until the third Sunday night, (except third Sunday morning) with great interest and convincing power.—Some of the most influential and successful business men of the place attended the services day and night.

Ten persons have already united with the church,—one wanderer restored—two joined by letter, and seven were baptized last Sunday afternoon, while quite a number of others are seriously impressed with the convincing power of the divine truth.

Brother Frank McClannahan and brother G. W. Singleton were at the meeting a part of the time, and brother Hott, though sick, was able to attend the baptism. J. C. HUBSON.

Dr. Augustus D. Hoke, the former Captain of the Butler Guards and a most highly esteemed citizen, died at Greenville on the 22d inst.

The Democratic Platform of South Carolina.

The Democratic party of South Carolina, in Convention assembled, announce the following as its platform of principle.

"We declare our acceptance in perfect good faith of the Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments to the Federal Constitution; accepting and standing upon them, we turn from the settled and ill past to the great living and momentous uses of the present and the future.

We adopt the platform of principles announced by the National Democratic party recently assembled at St. Louis, and pledge ourselves to a full and hearty operation in securing the election of its distinguished nominees, Samuel J. Tilden, of New York, and Thomas A. Hendrick, of Indiana, and believe that under the wise and just administration of its distinguished reformers, assisted by the eminently patriotic and able counsellors by whom he will be surrounded, peace and prosperity will again bless our country, and the discussions, confusion and administration of the past eight years will give place to concord, good government, and thorough restoration of the Union. In accordance with the declaration of that platform, and the utterances and acts of our distinguished leaders, we demand a genuine and thorough reform in the State of South Carolina, a call upon all of its citizens, irrespective of color or previous condition, to rally with us to its redemption, for it is evident that substantial and lasting reform is impossible within the ranks of the Republican party of this State.

We charge that party with aying race against race, creating disturbance, and fomenting difficulties; with proscribing the election franchise, tampering with the ballot box, and holding unscrupulous fraudulent elections, with having accumulated enormous debts, mismanaged the finances, and used the credit of the State; with levying exorbitant taxes and squandering them whosoever, thus winning from the toil and blood of the honest poor man of the State, a large percentage of his hard earnings, with giving in return any compensation therefor, and has hopelessly involved in debt a majority of the counties of the State. Its management of our penal and charitable institutions is a shame and a disgrace. We charge its legislation as demoralizing, partisan, and illegal, and the venality and corruption which it characterized every branch of the government, executive, legislative and judicial, we parallel in the history of nations. Its creation of a multiplicity of unnecessary offices, offices, complicated in their system, unnecessarily expensive. It has attempted to elevate to the bench two most corrupt degraded men. It can never purify its government, or its normal force and character, exercise its full sovereignty, and the law of the land, if we do not charge this condition of things, with every patriot most deeply deplored, and we, the masses of the party, but upon their consciences, who have made such fatal use of their influence and trusts; for it is our firm conviction that all the good people of the State, of all races, desire peace and prosperity.

We, therefore, call upon all of our citizens, irrespective of race or party affiliation, to join with us in restoring the good name of their State, and to agitate to a place of dignity and character among the commonwealths of this great country. We discontinue all distribution of the name of the State, and denounce agitators and promoters thereof, and we call upon all of our fellow citizens, irrespective of party lines, to exercise forbearance and cultivate good will, and if the government of the State is committed to our control, we pledge ourselves to protect the persons, life and property of all its people, and to apply to every man summary justice, any one who dare violate them.

We desire a fair, peaceable, election, dealing to the reason and not the passion of the people, and the law of the Republic a fair showing in the appointment of commissioners of election. We demand a election and a fair count. We call upon the patriotic sons of Carolina to join us. We ask but a trial of committing the State our keeping, and if good government, security, protection and prosperity do not do in our over taxed, despoiled, and dishonored people, then drive us from power, we scorn and indignation. Our object is reform, retrenchment, and relief, that by honest and economy we may reduce the taxes, lighten the burden of the people; giving the same time absolute security and protection to the rights and property of all. Upon this paramount issue we cordially invite the co-operation of every Democrat and Republican. At this, the Doctor divulged the secret, lean who is earnest and willing in this crisis of our State, to unite with us in this great work.

Circular.

ROOMS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Democratic Party of South Carolina.

Columbia, August 23d, 1876. The Executive Committee, in view of the requests made of the Republican party, at recent meetings, for a division of time in discussing the questions at issue between the parties, announce that we deem it due to the voters to have a full, fair and free discussion on all such occasions, and express our willingness and readiness to extend the same right to Republican speakers whenever they desire a respectful hearing at our meetings; and, to this end, we urge the Democratic party to observe every decorum and propriety in attending the meetings of the opposite party.

The object of the Democratic party is peaceful and untrammelled discussion, that the people may become enlightened on the issues of the day. A. C. HASKELL, Chairman.

Appointments.

ROOMS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Democratic Party of South Carolina, Columbia, August 23, 1876.

The following list of appointments are made for Gen. Wade Hampton and the nominees on the State electoral ticket:

- Anderson, September, 2.
Walhalla, " 4.
Pickens, " 5.
Greenville, " 7.
Spartanburg, " 9.
Union, " 11.
Laurens, " 13.
Newberry, " 14.
Abbeville, " 16.

The county chairman, respectively, are requested to make the necessary arrangements in accordance with the above programme.

The appointments for the remaining counties will be made in due time. A. C. HASKELL, Chairman.

Trip to the Mountains.

The Doctor and the Major spent a very pleasant night also, with the family of Mr. Ephram Gilstrap on Little Eastatoe. Every thing was done that could be to make our stay pleasant and agreeable. Here too, we found several grown young ladies, surrounding their venerable mother, whose presence would make them valuable help-me some of the Lords of creation. In the where we slept, we counted 21 coverlets, counterpanes in one stack, wore in the approved style, and, all no doubt, the handiwork of those industrious girls. After supper, the three girls with their elder brother, treated us to some of the best vocal sacred music, to which we have listened to for many a day. From long practice, the feminine voices of the girls, exactly harmonized with that of the brother, they making the sweetest harmony in singing.

THE HEALTH OF THE REGION.

To our surprise, we heard of a good deal of sickness in this mountain region. The death of a young lady took place in the neighborhood the day after our arrival on the Little Eastatoe, (Miss Alexander) and every member of the family was prostrated except the father. It was a low type of typhoid fever and has prevailed in that region all the winter and spring, and lingers in the summer months.

FACTS ABOUT THE DEER.

It is a well known fact that in the chase, deer, invariably pass out of a drive in certain localities, or at certain points, and no where else. Long experience and observation has taught the citizens of the mountain region with unvarying certainty, those points of the compass. And besides, the deer when pursued, always make for the water. If there were not well established facts, the killing of deer in the chase would be an exceedingly uncertain business. The deer shed off every spring even to their horns, and change their color from red to blue in the fall. The new horns that put out are soft and flabby, and have a covering like velvet. Hence, this is called the velvet season. When hotly pursued in the chase they throw their heads on their withers, and run with greater speed perhaps, than any other animal except the horse. The fawn or young deer are a beautiful spotted animal, and can be easily and quickly tamed. In two days time they will become gentle and attached to the one that feeds them. The deer, is rapidly giving back from the haunts of civilized man, and soon, aye, too soon, scarcely a deer will be found on this side of the Blue Ridge.

JOKE BY THE WAY.

On one occasion Dr. J. W. E. and Major R. were placed near each other at good stands on the public road. After waiting till our patience was exhausted for the chase to open, and no sound of horn, dogs, or men, Dr. E. laid his gun on the ground and stretching himself flat on his back, was soon wrapped in the arms of Morpheus. Major R., sitting near by, undertook to watch both stands, but having no one to talk to, and no excitement from the chase, he, too commenced nodding first to one side and then the other. Just at this time, Dr. E. aroused from his slumber, and broke out in a loud laugh, remarking, "that was a pretty way to watch at a stand for deer, all asleep." Again, on another occasion, when long hours of fruitless waiting brought weariness of mind and body, Dr. E. stepped off down the road a short distance and commenced, unobserved, to make examinations of fresh deer tracks crossing the road. Appearing after diligent search to have just discovered the tracks, he called to the Major, who repaired to the spot, and discovered the track of a large deer, right fresh. So certain was the Major, of the track being by the roaming deer, that he immediately proposed a pursuit on the still hunt or co-operation of every Democrat and Republican. At this, the Doctor divulged the secret, leaning who is earnest and willing in this crisis of our State, to unite with us in this great work. not and wounded a large buck at one of the ends, a hot pursuit of the stricken deer was made by several persons, hollering at every step. This so excited the Major, though at considerable distance, he commenced trying to holler, but the Doctor said the sound resembled more the crowing of shanghai than anything else.

[CONCLUDED NEXT WEEK.]

The following are the nominees of Greenville Democratic Convention:
Senate, S. S. Crittendon; House, J. Gray, Dr. J. F. Donald, J. T. Ausley, J. S. Westmoreland; Judge of the Court, S. J. Douthitt; Clerk, W. A. Daniel; Sheriff, P. D. Gilreath. We have not yet learned the names of the nominees for the other county offices. It is a good ticket.

The following are the Democratic nominations in Newberry county:

Senate, James N. Lipscomb; House, Y. J. Pope, E. S. Kead and Dr. William Dorroh; for County Commissioners, W. Lester, R. Wood and L. P. W. Riser; for Probate Judge, Sampson Pope; for Clerk of Court, E. P. Chalmers; for Sheriff, D. B. Wheeler; for School Commissioner, Henry S. Boozor; for Coroner, B. Worts.

The Democratic clubs in Oconee County now number over 1,200, with a daily increase.

A club has been organized in Pendleton with 68 members.

In a speech in Congress, recently, Mr. Hall showed that the Democratic House had saved to the country, in the great appropriation bill nearly thirty millions of dollars.