

COLUMBIA.

Tuesday Morning, October 31, 1865.

State Faith. We make the following extract from the Annual Report of the Comptroller-General of the State of Georgia.

After the State shall have been restored to civil law and order again, going along as of old as a member of the Union...

Junius says: "Private credit is wealth! Public Honor is Security. The feather that adorns the Royal Bird supports him in his flight."

Then, in this darkest hour for Georgia as to her agricultural industrial labor, it is to be hoped that no "serpent" in the shape of "Reputation" will be allowed to "creep in" and "beguile" any considerable portion of our good old State.

This is the language of honesty and honor, and it is to be hoped yet, that the ultimate action of every Southern State after its restoration to the Union...

No State Sectionalism.

Although we publish, this morning, the communication of "Fair Play," we do not approve of its tone or sentiment.

Re-organization of the Militia.

In Saturday's proceedings of the House of Representatives, we call attention to the resolution of Mr. Gilbert, of Sumter.

Election of Governor.

The Legislature, yesterday, on the first ballot, elected Governor B. F. Perry United States Senator, for the long term—he receiving 109 votes.

PARDONED.—We are gratified to learn that General M. C. Butler, of this State, has been pardoned by the President.

The Richmond papers announce the arrival of Alexander H. Stephens in Richmond on Sunday.

The Senatorial Election—Upper and Lower Country.

By a sort of comity which has grown up under the old order of things, it was the habit to allow the low country—by which is generally meant the Parishes, including Charleston—an occasional voice in the distribution of the high offices and appointments of the State.

The appeal they now make is for a Senator for the short term of two years. They have put in nomination a single candidate, in whose ability to serve them and the State at this juncture they have confidence.

ELECTION OF BISHOPS.—In the Episcopal Convention in Philadelphia, on Monday, Rev. Dr. Randell was elected Bishop of Colorado, Rev. Dr. Howe Bishop of Nevada, and Rev. Drs. Williams and Robert H. Clarkson Missionary Bishops.

SENATORS.—I am glad to hear James B. Campbell's name mentioned as one of the Senators; for of all men in the State he would probably be the most acceptable to the President and authorities here, and would, from his integrity and influence, be able to do more for the State than any other man from the South.

FIRE.—A fire occurred in this place at the moment of going to press. The houses occupied by Jno. Simerel, and the dwelling house and shoe shop of Mr. Robertson, were burned to the ground.

REFUSAL TO ENFORCE PRESIDENT JOHNSON'S RECONSTRUCTION POLICY.—In the Tennessee Legislature, resolutions endorsing the policy of President Johnson, as embodied in his reconstruction of the Southern States, were tabled by twenty-nine votes for thirty-five against them.

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Legislature South Carolina. Saturday, October 28, 1865.

SENATE. The Senate met at 12 m., and the Clerk read the Journal of the proceedings of yesterday. Mr. Buist submitted the report of the Joint Special Committee, in relation to the election of Senators in the Congress of the United States.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, S. C., October 28, 1865. To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives. GENTLEMEN: I have the pleasure of communicating to you, the very satisfactory report of the Hon. Wm. Henry Trescott, Agent of the State, at Washington.

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Privileges and Elections.—Messrs. Wagener, Campbell, Suber, Sheridan, Pressley, Leitner, Ball, Butler, Sessions, Tow. Ways and Means.—Messrs. Bonham, Read, Ryan, Richardson, Cannon, Weatherly, Aiken, Scott, Porcher.

Colored Population.—Messrs. Read, Evans, Mullians, Easley, Martin, Springs, Culbreath, Benbow, Flowers. Military.—Messrs. Garington, Pressley, Gayer, Graham, Talbert, Warley, Wallace, Barker, Norton.

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Mr. Moore presented the petition of the Commissioners of Public Buildings for Lancaster District, for an appropriation for rebuilding the jail, and for other purposes.

Mr. Gilbert introduced the following resolution, which was agreed to: Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on the Military, to inquire and report as to the best means of immediately reorganizing and equipping the militia of the State of South Carolina.

Mr. Walsh introduced a resolution, which was agreed to, that it be referred to the Judiciary Committee to inquire and report whether or not any legislation is necessary in relation to the office of Tax Collector in those Election Districts formerly consisting of separate Parishes, each having its collector.

LAW IN FAVOR OF NEGRO TESTIMONY IN TENNESSEE.—It PASSES THE SENATE.—A special despatch to the New York World, dated Nashville, October, 19, says: The bill in favor of allowing negro testimony before the court of this State passed the Senate to-day, one majority. The following is a copy of the bill: Be it enacted by the General Assembly of this State, that persons of African or Indian descent are hereby declared to be competent witnesses in all the courts of this State, in as full a manner as such persons are by an Act of Congress competent witnesses in all the courts of the United States; and all laws and parts of laws of the State excluding said persons from competency are hereby repealed.

SUFFERING AMONG THE NEGROES IN LOUISIANA.—There is a vast amount of suffering and want among the blacks; some are dying, and many crimes, apparently growing out of poverty and wretchedness, are committed. Many of the more sensible blacks say that a great blunder has been committed by the Government.

Connecticut was spread over with abolition speeches, in favor of negro suffrage, franked by Sumner and Ames, of Massachusetts. They were "thicker than toads after a shower," but do not seem to have had a very remarkable effect on the public mind.

An altar was consecrated, last Sunday, with imposing ceremonies, in the Jesuit Church of the "Holy Family," at Chicago, said to be the finest specimen of church architecture in this country.

Governor Morton, of Indiana, has had a relapse and is now lying very ill.

It is said that General Palmer has notified Governor Branlette, of Kentucky, that he is prepared to turn over to the civil courts all prisoners now confined in prisons in that department, who do not stand charged with such crimes as will justify a military court to try their cases.

It is stated that a new paper is to be started in New York, under the auspices of the National Bankers' Express Company, on the plan of the London Times.

Mr. Morris B. Reagan, brother of Hon. J. H. Reagan, just released from Fort Warren, died at Austin, Texas, recently, from injuries received from falling from a second-story window.

We learn that the friends of the Due West Telescope, are making an effort to have the publication of that useful and instructive paper resumed. This paper is the organ of the Associate Reformed Church.

The Petersburg Index, of Monday, understands that the gentlemen recently appointed to fill the vacancies in the Custom House of that city, will be unable to qualify, on account of their inability to take the oath required.

Of the imprisonment of John Mitchell, the Boston Traveller says: John Mitchell's friends are trying hard to get him out of quod—but the prison house keeps him as yet, it's hardly worth the cost of his keep.

Rev. Dr. William T. Dwight, long regarded as one of the ablest Congregationalist clergymen in New England, died at Andover, on the 27th, aged 71 years.

On the 4th instant, the cars ran through from New Orleans to Canton, Mississippi, for the first time since April, 1862.

Gov. Pierpont returned to Richmond on Saturday evening, from Washington. He is quite sick.

The French troops have already been withdrawn from Frossinade and Velletri in the Papal States.

The King and Queen of Portugal has arrived at Biarritz on a visit to the Emperor and Empress of the French.

The Bank of France, on the 9th inst., advanced its rate from four to five per cent.

Local Items.

Anything and everything in the grocery line can be obtained at the establishment of Mr. C. H. Baldwin, corner Main and Washington streets. Goods fresh and prices low. Give him a call.

CASH.—We wish it distinctly understood that our terms for subscription, advertising and job work are cash. The money must in every case accompany orders, or they will not be attended to. This rule applies to all.

JUST PUBLISHED.—The Sack and Destruction of the City of Columbia, originally published in the Columbia Phoenix. A pamphlet edition of the above has just been issued and is for sale at this office—price \$1 a copy.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.—Attention is called to the following advertisements, which are published for the first time this morning:

Organization of African M. E. Church. Calnan & Krenner—Fresh Supplies. " "—Wrapping Paper. " "—Groceries. " "—Bacon. " "—Syrup, Cheese, &c. " "—Kerosene Oil. " "—Crackers. Dr. Mott's Drug Store—House for Sale. N. Berghel & Co.—Restaurant. Nomination of Dr. Talley for Mayor. J. G. Gibbes—Insurance Agency. Mrs. S. J. Cotchett—New Goods. Jacob Levin—Cottage at Auction. Durbee & Walter—Furniture, &c. Jos. Gruber—Water to be Shut Off. Hanahan & Warley—Board and Lodging. " "—Dwelling to Rent. " "—Peas. " "—Hats. " "—Ladies' Shoes. " "—Sugar-house Syrup.

COMMERCIAL.

LIVERPOOL, October 14.—The sales of cotton to-day amounted to 25,000 bales, including 12,000 to speculators and exporters. The market closed buoyant, at an advance of 1/4d.

LONDON, October 14.—Consols closed at 88 1/2 for money. United States five-twenties 67 1/4.

NEW YORK, October 26.—Flour has declined 10c.—sales of 9,500 bbls. State at \$7.75@8.50; Ohio, \$8.70@15.50; Southern, \$9.70@16.25. Wheat firm—sales of 36,000 bushels, at \$1.75@2.35. Corn has advanced 1/2c. Sales of 115,000 bushels, at \$7@8.9c. Pork dull—sales of 7,000 bbls. Cotton buoyant—sales 3,000 bales, at 59@60. Sugar quiet. Muscovado 14@14 1/2. Naval stores quiet. Gold 145.

CHICAGO, October 25.—Flour dull. Wheat dull. No. 1 opened at \$1.39 1/4, closed at 1.37 1/2. No. 2 at \$1.12 1/2. Corn quiet, at 46 1/4. Oats dull, at 25 1/2.

RICHMOND, October 26.—There has been an advance of 2c. in the price of gold in this market since our last quotations. Yesterday, our brokers were offering to buy at 1.45, and sell at \$1.47. There is little danger of gold getting above 50 until after the meeting of Congress, if then. It will most probably continue to fluctuate, as it has done during the last three months, between \$1.45 and \$1.50.

PRICES OF SOUTH CAROLINA BANK NOTES.—RICHMOND, October 27.—Bank of Camden, 25c; Charleston, 18c; Chester, 20c; Georgetown, 18c; Hamburg, 20c; Newberry, 25c; South Carolina, 18c; State of South Carolina, 20c; Commercial Bank, Columbia, 15c; Exchange Bank, Columbia, 15c; Farmers and Exchange, 10c; Merchants', Cheraw, 20c; Peoples' Bank, 50c; Planters', 17c; Planters' and Mechanics, 20c; South-western Railroad, 25; State, 10; Union, 60.

DIED, at Laurens C. H., S. C., October 4, 1865, at the residence of her son-in-law, G. T. Mason, after a lingering illness, Mrs. S. B. NIXON, in the sixty-fifth year of her age. Having been for many years a consistent member of the Baptist Church, she bore her last sufferings with the fortitude and resignation of a true Christian, and left to her bereaved and sorrowing children and friends the precious legacy of a pure and useful life, and the consolations of a calm and peaceful death. "To depart and be with Christ is far better." B.

Funeral invitation. The friends and acquaintances of Capt. and Mrs. JOHN FRIPP, of Beaufort, S. C., are invited to attend the funeral services of the former, at Trinity Church, at 4 o'clock p. m., THIS DAY.

MESSRS. EDITORS: As the administration of our government, both State and municipal, will soon be entirely restored to the civil authorities, the position of Mayor of this city will become one or no small responsibility, for upon the proper discharge of the duties of that office will depend in a great measure the welfare of our community. The Mayor should possess not only ability, but energy, decision of character and firmness of purpose. The many friends of Dr. A. N. TALLEY, believing that he combines these qualifications in a high degree, respectfully nominate him as a candidate for the Mayoralty at the ensuing election, in April next. CITIZENS.

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THE WATER

WILL BE SHUT OFF OF Lumber street, West of Main, THIS MORNING, at 8 o'clock, for a few hours.

JOS. GRUBER, Engineer and Super.

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WANTED

By two members of the Legislature, BOARD and LODGING during the session, in a private family. They prefer to be near the College. Apply to Oct 31 2 HANAHAN & WARLEY.