

TERMS—Three Dollars a year in advance...

Friday, September 17, 1869.

The Unlovely Resolutions.

A meeting of the citizens of Union County was held at Union House on Monday, September 6. Maj. Benj. Kennedy was called to the chair...

Resolved, That we declare and publish without delay, to all concerned, our indignation and inability to pay the monstrous bonded debt raised and being raised in the name of South Carolina...

Resolved, That we are willing to pay all the legitimate expenses of civil government, and the obligations of the State, principal and interest, created by her representatives in good faith, previous to the war.

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sovereignty, subject to the provisions of the constitution of the United States. It certainly has the power of borrowing money, and it tests in its sole discretion to determine the policy of that measure.

To sum up in a word what we have said. It is impossible to relieve ourselves of debt without discharging it, and the only effect of the present agitation, would be to swell that debt, or force the State government to the more grievous alternative of rigorous taxation. Let us strike at the root—reform the government—and we relieve ourselves of our oppressors, and restore again the era of easy impost, and economical expenditure—honesty in office, and contentment and prosperity everywhere.

THE EDGEFIELD BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Notes of the Meeting, Crop, &c.

During the past week, we (the Juniors) had the pleasure of attending the meeting of the Edgefield Baptist Association, which commenced on Friday last, at Bethany Church, in Edgefield District. Leaving Abbeville on the evening of that day in company with friend Q—, we spent the night at the house of a relative of our friend, and were entertained most hospitably and kindly. And here, at the outset, we will say, that from the beginning to the close of our stay, we received the most hospitable greeting, and experienced to overflowing the kindness and good fellowship for which that community is noted. We met with many Abbeville friends, including many readers of the Press, with whose names we were familiar, and it affords us very great pleasure to know and meet them personally.

The interest of the occasion had attracted a large attendance. Able Divines filled the pulpit and participated in the business of the Association; whilst large and intelligent audiences were present. The exercises proper of the Association were held in the church; and in the pleasant grove near by a stand had been erected, and here during the progress of the meeting, religious services were held, and two or three sermons preached each day.

The Association was organized by the election of the Rev. J. Trapp, Moderator, and W. W. Adams, Esq., of the Edgefield Bar, Clerk. The Rev. N. Gaines, W. B. Jones, and Tillman R. Gaines, editor of the Working Christian, were invited to seats as "visiting ministers." The Revs. Drs. Furman and Manly, of Greenville, were received as "corresponding messengers."

Interesting Reports were read on the State of Religion, Sunday Schools, Education and Missions, which elicited pleasant and instructive discussions. The interests of the Furman University, and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, were ably advocated by Messrs. Furman and Manly; and their appeals were responded to by a number of the gentlemen present, who came forward and made liberal subscriptions to the Endowment Scheme.

The Report on Religion, announced the general harmony of the Churches of the Association, and the accession of several hundred by baptism during the past year. A resolution was unanimously adopted, recommending the Working Christian to the patronage of the Baptists of the State. This was a very deserved compliment to a paper which is well worthy to be the organ of the Baptists of South Carolina. It is published at Yorkville, S. C., and is well beloved, receiving a very liberal subscription. We had the pleasure of making the acquaintance of the Editor, the Rev. Tillman R. Gaines; and as he is a man of talent and energy, we have no doubt of the success of his paper.

An interesting subject, which occupied the attention of the Association, and elicited an expression of opinion from many of the brethren, was, as to the best means of raising money for Church purposes. The plan most generally approved, seemed to be, to take up "what collections" every Sunday. Dr. Furman stated that this plan had almost relieved the Greenville Church of a heavy debt.

During the progress of the meeting, very able sermons were preached by the Revs. Dr. Furman, Manly, Mealin, Farrow and others. As we have said, large audiences were in attendance either upon the business of the Association, or at the religious services on the grove, and the exercises occupied nearly the whole of each day, retaining the assembly to the close. The meeting was one distinguished for the harmony and good feeling which prevailed throughout the whole body from first to last, and will be long and pleasantly remembered by all in attendance on that interesting occasion.

About twelve o'clock of each day a recess was given, and all were invited to a public dinner, which was held on the tables near by. The supply was bounteous and consisted of every good thing usually found at a Pic Nic

dinner, and reflected credit upon the generosity and liberality of that section of country. Although the attendance was large, there was not a single person present who was not furnished with a good dinner. During the entertainment all had a pleasant time generally with friends, sweethearts, or anybody else, as circumstances or pleasure might dictate.

The Edgefield Association is a large and influential body, numbering forty-seven churches, and embracing four thousand white members, and three thousand blacks.

The cotton for several miles on this side of Hard Labor creek is better, than in this section or beyond the creek. The stands are good, and the cotton is opening very fast, many fields are almost snow white; and every farmer seems to be devoting all his energies to getting it picked. The crop is cut short by nearly one-half by drought.

To the Rev. W. A. Gaines, of the Association, we are under obligations for favors during the meeting, for which he will please accept our thanks; and to many other friends, to whom we tender our best acknowledgments for their kindness and hospitality. — W.

COTTON PROSPECTS.—DUTY OF THE PLANTER.

A comparison of the cotton receipts during the past and former years, the constant increase in its consumption, and the present unusually small stock on hand, would lead one to think that however prices may fluctuate, and be depressed for a time, yet with the present ratio of consumption to production, they must be maintained.

From a late circular, we gather the following facts: Total stock on hand 1st September 1867, was 330,000 bales; Receipts from 1st Sept., '67 to 1st August, '68, 2,430,000 bales; making total supply for '67 and '68, 2,820,000 bales, of which the consumption amounted to 2,595,000 bales; leaving stock on hand 1st Sept., '68 210,000 bales. Adding to this the estimated receipts of '68 and '69, 2,375,000 bales, would give the total supply of '68 and '69, 2,600,000 bales; and deducting consumption estimated at 2,475,000 bales, would leave the stock on hand 1st Sept., '69, at the very low figure of 108,000 bales. Another and later estimate of the past crop is only of 2,260,557 bales, which with the above estimated consumption, would entirely exhaust the crop.

With the above estimates in view, and with the further fact, that the crop of the present year is bountiful, whilst the demand keeps pace with the increased consumption, any panic of low prices, to deter them from hurrying their crops to market. Send enough to market to pay your debts and purchase necessary supplies, but do not glut the market by unnecessary haste, and thus enable the speculator to reap the legitimate profits of your business. This seems to be the true policy.

Election for the Legislature.

By reference to the writs of Election, which we publish in another column, it will be seen that an election will be held on Wednesday, the 27th October, to fill two vacancies in the Legislature. We trust that our citizens will give the matter the consideration which its importance demands. Let private concerns yield to public interests on that day. Give that day at least to the country, and the country will discharge the obligation, will give back your own with usury. Let us elect intelligent, capable men, and none others have any business in the Legislature. If we make an effort we can elect such, and if we fail through our own remissness, it will be a crying shame. Remember the 27th October!

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.—We direct attention to the advertisement of this well-known Institution, the 67th Session of which opened on the 1st inst. The University has been liberally patronized in the past by our people, and has been the foster-mother not only of the most eminent men of Georgia, but of many distinguished Carolinians. It is still one of the best institutions of the South, and we commend it to the patronage of our citizens.

See card in another column, of Messrs. Stovall & Rowland, who have associated themselves in the Commission business in Augusta, Ga., will attend promptly to all orders for bagging, rope and other supplies, and will make cash advances on consignments. These are well known business men, and need no recommendation to our planters.

WOOL-CARDING.—Messrs. Sherard & Reid advertise their new machinery for carding wool, which has just been set in operation, on Little Goose-creek, seven miles above Townsendville. These gentlemen have good machinery in careful hands, and deserve a good patronage.

Mr. A. C. Hawthorn gives notice in another column to tax-payers to make return of all lands bought or sold from the 1st of September, 1868, to 1st September, 1869.

The Regular Term of our Court will be held here on Monday next, his Honor, Judge Voronoi, presiding.

DEMORRET'S MONTHLY.—The last number of this popular Magazine is always said to be the best. Certainly its enterprising publisher will sustain its brilliant reputation, and spare no efforts on expense to render it the best parlor Magazine in America. How can afford the expensive premiums he gives, in addition to the positive cost of such a periodical, for \$3 00 per year, is one of the mysteries of publishing. The magnificent picture by Mrs. Lilly M. Spencer, of the "Picnic," now offered as a premium, both to members of clubs and single subscribers, we know to have sold for ten dollars per copy, and considered cheap at that. This is surely going to the extreme of liberality. Published at 838 Broadway, New York.

Our exchanges report a number of murders in various sections of the State, during the past week.

DISTINGUISHED DEAD.

During the past two weeks, three distinguished names have been numbered with the dead—Secretary Rawlins, Senator Fessenden, and the Hon. John Bell, of Tennessee.

Secretary Rawlins was "the soul of Grant's Cabinet"—a man of genius, and of rare moderation—a friend to the South, and said to be the advocate of that moderate policy, which now prevails.

Senator Fessenden was a man of great talents and high character; an honor to the body of which he was so long a member.

John Bell, of Tennessee, was a relic of the best days of the Republic—a worthy peer of Calhoun, Clay and Webster.

DEATH OF MR. WILLIAM EAKIN.

We regret to announce the death of this young man, which took place at the residence of his grandfather, Mr. Thos. Eakin, on Tuesday last. He had been a resident of our village for some time past, where he was engaged in merchandizing. Attacked with fever here, he was removed to the residence of his grandfather, where he died after a short, but painful illness, which he sustained with great patience. He was the son of Mr. William Eakin, deceased, had only attained his twenty-first year, and leaves a young wife and many friends to mourn his loss.

PROF. E. L. PATTON.

We learn from the Associate Reformist, that Prof. Patton has accepted the Presidency of a College in Jackson, West Tennessee. This was an unexpected step to his friends here, as he had made all his arrangements for occupying his Professorship in Erskine College. Our readers know our appreciation of the Professor's talents and acquirements—of the estimable qualities of the man, and of the accomplishments of the scholar. We regret to lose him, but we must make a virtue of necessity, and as we can do nothing more, will wish him the largest measure of success in his new sphere of usefulness.

We had the pleasure on yesterday of meeting Mr. M. O. McCaslin, of our District who has just returned from a visit to Alabama. The crops of cotton and corn generally, he says, are cut off at least one-half. In the Cane-brake County of Alabama everything promised well until the recent drought. The accounts from Texas and Louisiana are equally discouraging. We are doing as well at home, as anywhere else, he thinks.

No NOMINATION.—The Republicans held a nominating convention here on yesterday to bring out candidates for the Legislature, but failed to agree—split into three or more fragments, and accomplished nothing. Another meeting will be held on next Saturday week with the hope of better success.

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FOR THE ABBEVILLE PRESS. TO THE FARMERS OF ABBEVILLE DISTRICT.

I propose to review our situation with you in a series of short articles, to which I ask your thoughtful and serious attention. I regard the subject of which I shall treat, and the suggestions I shall make for your adoption, of great importance to the State, and especially to every individual farmer whether he be proprietor of the land, or a tenant only. What has been your experience since the first of January last? Has it not been an exact repetition of each preceding year since the Spring of 1865—a feeling of intense pressure, of perplexing anxiety, of extreme pecuniary hazard; have you not subjected yourselves to irreparable loss, pledged what little you had saved from the wreck of your fortunes, and staked all on the contingencies attending the crop of each year. I speak my own experience, which I dare say is that of every agriculturist in the District. What has been the practical result of your yearly operations? Your effort has been to plant as large an area as possible; to prepare or not, and cultivate as you could, hoping by favorable seasons and a streak of luck, perhaps to make a good crop. You have planted acres of land, which, from a want of thorough preparation and other requirements, have not yielded enough to pay the costs expended. You were required to defray the expense of material used, the labor employed, which, with the time expended, that might have been turned to a profitable account, amounts to much more than the return you received. Your practices has not varied an iota from the superficial, expensive and overreaching efforts of times when you were enabled to control your labor; and your chances of failure now, when you have lost that control and the peril of such practice is increased a hundred fold. In my judgment the practical result of such operations has been to support your laborers almost at your own expense; to waste away your lands (I have yet to see the first plantation that was not in a worse condition than it was in a preceding year since the war) and the event of any considerable decline in the price of cotton, with the increasing cost of supplies, a complete prostration of all our hopes and fortunes. I submit that, in conclusion of this interview, you will agree with me, that "the situation" thus far is quite unsatisfactory. I ask every farmer to reflect on this matter earnestly, and next week I will resume the subject and endeavor to point out the errors.

FIFTY ACRES.

FOR THE ABBEVILLE PRESS. THE BARBECUE AT ACKER'S SCHOOL HOUSE.

DUE WEST, S. C., Sept. 14, 1869. Mr. Editor: The dull monotony of Due West and vicinity, just at this time of the year, was enlivened on last Saturday morning, the 11th inst., by the announcement that there would be a Barbecue, given upon the old style, at Ackers School House, just a mile from the village, under the auspices of gentlemen of the town and surrounding country.

Receiving a polite and pressing invitation to be present, I, of course, accepted, and was soon on my way to the appointed place of rendezvous. Upon my arrival I found already assembled, in a beautiful grove, quite a number of ladies and gentlemen, and little girls and boys. A letter placed could not have been selected for such an occasion, the large and stately oaks and poplars forming a complete protection from the sun's rays by their overlapping branches. Upon an eminence, some distance off, I took in the scene at a glance. It was a picture rarely, if ever, met with. The old and the young, the beautiful and attractive, the sweet maiden of sixteen and those of riper years, were to be seen in groups together, conversing and filling the air with their merry voices and bright faces. It was really a scene that an artist would delight in painting. Beautiful in the superlative degree—animating and exhilarating.

From this bright and lovely picture, my attention was next called to the place where the pigs, kids and mutton were undergoing a process of roasting or baking. Some eight or ten of these animals had been slaughtered, and were thus being prepared for dinner. This department was under the immediate charge and supervision of two gentlemen well skilled in the art of barbecuing meat. Mr. Thos. Haddon and Mr. Wash Bowen. The meats were certainly prepared nicely—well-moaked, delicious—most excellent.

Two tables having been prepared for the ladies and the other for the gentlemen—the tables were spread; and besides the roast pigs and kids, there was hash, pickles, pies, custards, potatoes, etc., etc., to be seen in abundance. After the tables had been set, and all the eatables upon them, Capt. James Pratt, with a loud voice, announced to the audience that dinner was ready, and that the ladies must take the right and the gentlemen the left hand tables. Both sides of the tables were soon filled, and then commenced each one to partake of the sumptuous repast spread out before them. There was no lagging behind, in the matter, as by this time (about 2 o'clock) our appetites were pretty sharp, and we could relish just such a dinner. All were soon satisfied, and retired back to their former places in the grove.

About this time the Due West Brass Band appeared upon the grounds, and a new picture was added to the scene. The musicians left off with some spirited pieces, which acted like a charm upon the audience, making those that were happy, happier, and those that were inclined to dullness, joyful and lively. It was pleasant to the senses to hear the reverberating sounds of the sweet music as it floated through the air. It may not be amiss to state that this band of young amateurs is composed of the following young gentlemen: Mr. C. G. Haddon, Mr. James Hawthorn, Mr. Walter Hawthorn, Mr. Calvin Hemp-hill, Mr. Mason Young, Mr. Francis Pressley, Mr. Henry Bonner, and Mr. John Caldwell.

The day being pretty far advanced, the party began to disperse, all feeling that they had spent a most agreeable and pleasant day. My thanks are due to the many kind friends who showed me special attention and kindness upon this occasion. D. A. S.

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Obituary. DIED, May 13th 1869, at his residence near Honea Path, DAVID GREER, in the 76 year of his age. The deceased was a native of South Carolina and spent most of his life in the vicinity of his late residence. He was a man of a cheerful, contented disposition, not inclined to wander from place to place in search of wealth, but possessing a competency he was content to sit still and enjoy it with his friends and neighbors.

THE PROPER CREDIT. In its last issue, the Greenville Enterprise raps us again very politely over the lunnettes, for an omission in not giving the proper credit. This time, however, our sin was a mere peccadillo. We had stolen none of his editorial thunder, but had only failed to give that paper credit for first publishing Judge Orr's Divorce Opinion. Yet, really, will you believe that in that very issue appeared our paragraph about the Laurensville College, credited to the Democrat. Has the Enterprise ever heard the deluge about living in glass houses. Why don't you practice what you preach, Mr. Enterprise? Will you say it was an inadvertence? So we suppose; but then why do you not extend to your brethren the charity of the same natural presumption. We frequently see our paragraphs floating as unlabelled waifs upon the shoreless sea of journalism, but it never enters our head to complain. We have enough and to spare. Our brethren are welcome to all we write—thankful if they credit—but credit or no credit, still thankful if they copy.

HANSLEY'S SOUTHERN VARIETY TROUPE.—This Company gave two of their any popular entertainments on Monday and Tuesday nights. The performances of Hansley, the proprietor, as magician, and others as songsters and dancers, gave general satisfaction. They are a quiet and well-behaved troupe, and we commend them to the patronage of our friends. They are anticipating daily fresh accessions to their number, and are adding new attractions to their bill. Pay them a visit and judge for yourselves.

A GREAT MAN GONE.—The telegraph announces the death of Hon. John Bell, of Tennessee, an event which, though not unexpected, will fall with sadness upon many an American heart. Mr. Bell was a great man in the day of our intellectual giants. He was the cotemporary and peer of Clay, Calhoun, Cass, Benton and Webster, and served with them in the Senate of the United States. He was eminently distinguished in every position to which he was called, whether in the Cabinet or Legislative halls. He was the chosen leader and champion of the Whigs or Conservatives, in their last struggle for the Union, in 1860. Mr. Bell bore a prominent part in the history of the Government for the thirty years preceding the war, and his name will go down to posterity among those of our ablest, purest and best public men.

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R. C. SHARP & CO., COTTON FACTORS, AND General Commission Merchants, BROWN'S WHARF, Charleston, S. C. Sept. 17, 1869, 21—3m

SHERIFF'S SALE. By virtue of sundry writs of Fieri Facias, to me directed, I will sell at Abbeville C. H., on the first MONDAY in October next, within the legal hours of sale, all the interest which William Richey has in a tract of land, containing three hundred and thirty-five acres, more or less, adjoining lands of Wm. Dunn, Jas. Plaine, James Wright and others, and Nancy Richey. H. S. CASIN, Sheriff's Office, S. A. C. Sept 11, 1869. {21—1J

ELECTION NOTICE. ALL MANAGERS OF ELECTION for the Election held May 26, 1869, will present their accounts, properly attested, on or before the 25th inst. to the undersigned. COMMISSIONERS OF ELECTION will meet on TUESDAY, the 21st inst., at Abbeville Court House. L. L. GUFFIN, Chairman Board of Commissioners of Election. Sept 18 85 31

WOOL CARD FACTORY. THE undersigned here to inform the public generally that their machinery for WOOL CARDING is now in successful operation, and they would respectfully solicit a share of patronage. The factory is situated on Little Genoa-creek, in the Southwest corner of Anderson District, one mile from Crafts Ferry and seven miles above Little Genoa-creek. The machinery is entirely new and of the best quality, with Burr Machine attached; mixes cotton and wool finely. Our charges for carding will be the customary prices. S. W. SHERRARD, J. H. RIEDER, Sept. 17th, 1869 21—2t.

NOTICE TO PATRONS. I EXPECT to be absent from my office 20th, 21st and 22d inst. Wm. C. Wardlaw, D. D. S. Sept. 17th, 1869, 21—1t.

AUCTION SALE. The remainder of the STOCK OF GOODS remaining at the Store lately occupied by JOHN A. TALMADGE, Will be sold at PUBLIC AUCTION ON TUESDAY NEXT, LADIES Are respectfully invited to attend, as they may expect BARGAINS in their line, TERMS CASH. Sept. 17, 1869, 21—1t

Wilson's Mill a Success! Those who wish Fine Family Flour SHOULD TAKE THEIR GRAIN TO WILSON'S NEW MILL. It has recently been fitted up with new Sautter, new Separator, new Bolting Cloth and new Machinery, of the best kind now in use in the United States. HUGH WILSON. Sept. 15, 1869, 43—1t

CO-PARTNERSHIP. COTTON FACTORS AND Commission Merchants. STOVALL & ROWLAND, THE UNDERSIGNED, having associated themselves in the Commission Business, will give personal attention to the sale of cotton and wool, and would respectfully solicit Planters and Merchants' business. Orders for BAGGING, ROPE, TIES and FAMILY SUPPLIES, promptly attended to. Cash advances on consignments. Office, corner Jackson and Reynolds streets, opposite Poulain's Warehouse. CHAS. A. ROWLAND, Formerly Fleming & Rowland, Sept. 17, 1869, 21—5t. Augusta, Ga.

PROBATE JUDGE'S SALE. In the Probate Court, Anderson County. Harrison Long, Am'r, vs. M. T. Long, et al. Petition for sale Land. BY virtue of an order to me directed, by the Probate for Anderson County, I will expose to sale on Saturday in October, at Anderson C. H., the following property, sold as the Real Estate of Augustus T. Long, deceased, viz: ONE TRACT OF LAND, Containing 136 acres, more or less, on waters of Little Genoa-creek, adjoining lands of Andrew Reid, John McLin, Dr. A. G. Cook and others. Terms.—On a credit of twelve months, with interest from day of sale, purchasers giving bond with good security, and a mortgage of the premises for the payment of the purchase money, with the privilege of anticipating payment at any time. Purchasers to pay for stamps and all necessary papers—cost to be paid in cash. G. B. MCGUKIN, Sheriff Anderson County. Sept 17, 1869—21—2t

FOR SALE. PARKER & THOMSON'S FRESH RED CLOVERSEED. Parker & Thomson's Sept 17, 1869, 21—1t

JUGS AND JARS. All persons desiring to purchase a choice lot of earthenware, consisting of Jugs and Jars, will apply to G. B. MCGUKIN, At the Depot. Sept. 15, 1869, 1t

Consignees. The following named persons have freight in the Depot at Abbeville: Trowbridge & Co, G W Spear, Mosley & White, Wm Moore & Co, J W Thomas, J Knox & Co, Wm Wilson, W H Lawson, W H Brooks, Westfield & DuPre, O Toney. EXPRESS—F M Mitchell, J F C Dugre, A Burt, John Aldrich, Dr. R. BONDLEY, Agent.