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COURT HOUSE BONDS.

Now that the building of a new courthouse is a settled fact we want the formalities incident to its erection to begin promptly. This is of primary importance, for if we are to have it, we want it quick. The first step we suppose is the advertising for bids for its erection and we want that advertising. In connection with the building of the courthouse the whole people would like to have an expression of opinion from the Board of County Commissioners. On what site do you propose to erect the courthouse, gentlemen? We can take a beating as well as most men and as it happens that we got on the 24th was only a half beat after all, for if the matter had been postponed one year, and we had a chance to properly amend the court house bill, we would have put it in such shape that the whole county would have voted for it. This we say without egotism, for it is pretty well known that we are somewhat of a lawyer ourselves, and any bill we draw, or any other legal document will invariably be passed as correct by the most Argus eyed lawyer. Do not be bashful, gentle Commissioners, but come forward promptly and cast your ballot indicating your preference for the site. It is not only us who is calling for this expression but the whole people.

CO-OPERATION.

Nothing in the history of the world can counterbalance the persistent effort of co-operation for the good of a city or the accomplishment of any projected object for the public good. It is the province, exclusively, of a newspaper to point out to the people of a city, a county or a state, such reforms or such improvements in their internal policy as may prove of benefit to the parties or corporations or other institutions.

It is equally the duty of the parties concerned in these suggestions to take them up, sift them, and if found worthy, to act upon them. This easy policy of conducting things is a thing of the past. We are either contaminated or assimilated with a spirit of progress which, like the car of Juggernaut, crushes all before it with the advantage in favor of the car that everybody is willing to be crushed, while with us, it seems the policy to crush everybody. Think carefully over this.

A MISCONCEPTION.

There seems to be some misconception as to the action of the State Democratic Executive Committee as to the calling off of the regular county to county campaign by candidates for State offices. These were not called off as a committee was appointed to map out the itinerary. What the committee did do was to leave it optional with candidates who have no opposition to attend those meetings or not. There will be opposition in certain offices, but in these we do not think the people care a rap who wins, so the State meetings will fall flat. For our part, we think the system is about on its last legs anyhow. Where there is keen opposition, a monster meeting in a central section of each congressional district by candidates for State offices, and one meeting at the county seat for candidates for county offices will amply satisfy the average voter. Too much speaking does not help any candidate as we have reason to know, and if any more meetings are desired, picnics can be arranged, the candidates invited, and all have a good time.

Col. Matthew Stanley Quay died at his home at Beaver, Pa., on Saturday, of stomach trouble. Senator Quay was the foremost figure in Pennsylvania politics, and held the Republican party almost in the hollow of his hand. His loss is a severe blow to the Republican party, national.

COL. HOYT DEAD.
Col. Jas. A. Hoyt died at his home in Greenville on the 27th inst., after a very brief illness. The entire State will mourn the death of this gallant gentleman. He exemplified the ideal of a Christian, a soldier, statesman, journalist and a Mason. Largely through his efforts was the State redeemed from radical rule and throughout his whole life, he was a Democrat of democrats. He was one of the most prominent Baptists in South Carolina, and we make the suggestion just here, that all Baptist churches throughout the State hold memorial services on a given date commemorative of his virtues and in honor of his memory.

One more of the bravest as well as the gentlest has passed over the river and joined Lee and Jackson. If ever a man lived who better deserved "to rest under the shade of the trees," or bask in the sunlight of God's presence, James A. Hoyt was that man. Recusit in pace.

MISREAD AND MISQUOTED.

Col. Henry Watterson says that William Randolph Hearst is insane. Col. Henry Watterson says that William Randolph Hearst is insane.—The State, as quoted by The People.

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The State has us on the hip this time, and we own up cheerfully. Casual reading does not go with an editor if he wants to poke a little fun at a contemporary, but we will guarantee that not more than one man in five who read the squib, caught on to that peculiar punctuation.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

It is feared that California regards Mr. Hearst as an eastern man, while New York looks upon him as westerner.

It would be too bad if some one else should have the floor when Judge Parker finally decides that he is ready to speak.

In contemplating the Chinese assurances of neutrality Russia cannot help remembering that China is something of a prevaricator itself.

Judge Parker refuses to offer any suggestions on what a President ought to do which might possibly be of service to a rival candidate of success.

Judge Parker from past experience, some of the Russians are inclined to think it advisable to put off a decisive battle as long as possible.

Mr. Cleveland still thinks what the Democrat need is a candidate who possesses both capital and experience.

Santos Dumont is at work on airship No. 7. This should give Sir. Thomas Lipton courage.

A great many political prophets regard Mr. Cortelyou as having a comparatively easy job ahead of him.

Pine Forest.

Ed. People: As we see no news from this part of the moral vineyard, we will try to give you the news though they be scattering and far between. The farmers are about done chopping cotton and it is moving along nicely. Corn is looking remarkably well this year, and we are glad to say that there has been a large acreage planted. The farmer has begun to realize the important fact that it pays to have their cribs of corn at home rather than in the west. The acreage of cotton has not been increased to any material extent, though there has been more fertilizers bought and used by the farmers than last year. A large per cent. of it went to fertilizer corn.

We heartily endorse every word you say in regard to that old demon, the lien law. As it now stands, we farmers have to take just such labor as we can get, at a big price too. No matter where we go we find the same complaint, labor no account, hard to get. We can, right in our neighborhood, put our hands on four dardies who are plowing nothing but calves though they have given a lien, one for one hundred dollars, and where he will get that money is a mystery to us. He surely can not make it on his calf farm, and the consequences will be that some one else will have to pay it for him. As a matter of course the merchant can't lose it. The way that the lien law operates, the good farmers pay the bad debts of the calf farmers. We believe that if the editor would call a meeting at the Court House for the purpose of discussing this great and important question, we have no doubt but that great good would come from it. Go

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This, I earnestly ask you to do and thereby greatly oblige,

Yours truly,

W. A. SCHROCK,
Editor and Pub'r.,
Camden, S. C.

Society Notes.

In spite of the warm weather and the delight of napping on a summer's afternoon, the two card clubs continue their entertainments and from the fine attendance and enthusiasm shown on each fresh occasion, it is safe to say they will be the feature of social life in Camden for the next few months.

The meeting of the Matrons and Maids at Mrs. C. C. Moore's on last Thursday afternoon was an enjoyable event, six-handed euchre being the game played. The "motif" of the entertainment was decidedly Japanese, the quaint little folks being displayed in napery, the score cards and the handsome first prize, a Japanese vase, won by Miss Emma Shannon. Mrs. James Wallace carried off the consolation.

Invitations have been issued to the members of the Acorn Club and their friends to meet with Miss Emma Shannon on Hobokirk Hill on Wednesday afternoon at 5:30 p. m., and as some very important business questions have arisen, it is hoped all members will combine pleasure with duty and be on hand.

Mrs. DeJesey left for New York on Sunday evening and will be joined there by Mr. Edgar Vaux, on June 11th, when they will set sail for the Island of Guernsey and a tour of Europe.

Miss Mary Huger and little Cleland Vaux will spend their summer in Cincinnati, Ohio, with relatives.

Mrs. Matthew Singleton and family will pay a visit to her family here in the near future.

Mrs. N. S. Withers and Miss Nan Withers left on Tuesday for Greenwood to visit relatives there.

Mrs. Witters will be at the summer school at Wintthrop during the month of July. The other teachers who will attend the summer school are: Misses Sadie Kennedy, Margaret Burnet, Maida Deas, Ellie Zemp and Mr. Plummer Mills.

The friends of Miss Nella Burnet, will be glad to know that she is at present with her sister, Mrs. B. B. Clarke.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Kennedy left for Columbia on Wednesday morning to put their nephew, Master Henry Bisset Kennedy in charge of Dr. Whaley for an operation for a broken nose.

for Mr. Editor with gloves off.

You will win in the end. We greatly enjoy the conversations between Sam and Jake. They are coons right, and we can always find truth and logic in their conversations. Let them talk right on.

We saw a gentleman the other day looking at The People, and hunting for advertisements, he said he wanted to buy a suit of ready made clothes, but he did not see any advertised in The People, so he supposed the merchants had sold out and didn't have any, so he would go to Kershaw and get his goods.

It is getting to be distressingly dry around here. We have had no rain of any consequence in three months, and if it don't rain pretty soon, we will have to bring water from somewhere to keep our spring drain running as it is nearly dry now.

We have no deaths to report and no sickness. This shows that we are living in a healthy place.

We may have a marriage to report early in the future if the General will only press his suit, we mean his matrimonial suit, not his suit of new clothes, for they have been hard pressed already. The General pays frequent visits to a certain place, and of course it means something, as he is an old hand at that business. We notice too that he has put on an extra smile and goes all fixed up now.

We attended services at DeKalb church last Sunday and heard the Rev. Myers preach a very forcible sermon from the text: "Remember Lot's wife." The DeKalb church is very fortunate in securing the services of such an able Christian divine.

The Rev. Mills, of Marshville, N. C., preached at the Cook church last Sunday to a congregation of hard shells and soft shells, we could not attend as our better half went to Camden on some kind of business we don't remember now, and left us with the cow to milk, to churn, feed the pigs, mind chickens out of the garden, cook dinner and mind a bouncing big boy. While we protested against all of these things, especially on Sunday, quietly and lamb like submitted to these fascinating and enviable occupations until her return, so we were good and rested when she came back just about supper time.

It is whispered in a very low tone that there will be an old time barbecue and picnic at DeKalb in the near future, we will let you know in time so you can be present Mr. Editor.

Many wishes for the prosperity of The People. B. A. Y.

We thank our friend for his letter, kind words and prospective invitation. Ed.

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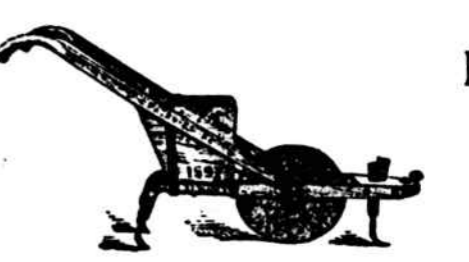
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