

Hayes wears a paper collar and a butterfly necktie. And we submit that no man who wears a paper collar and butterfly necktie can successfully run a government.

Wheeler very wisely declined to serve on the Louisiana commission. Two years ago, he denounced the Returning Board as a set of rascals. He now holds his seat by virtue of their certificate. A decision either for or against them would be a double stultification.

Washington dispatches teem with speculations as to the possibility of the Republicans gaining a sufficient number of southern Congressmen to elect their candidate for speaker. This is all hush. No Democrats are so foolish as to be caught with Radical chaff.

The Illinois Legislature will, at its next session, enact a law providing for compulsory vaccination. Judging from the violent opposition a similar enactment provoked in England a few years ago, it might be surmised that these Sucker State politicians are "breeding scabs."

Hayes Seeks a Conference with Governor Hampton.

President Hayes has addressed a duplicate letter to Governor Hampton and to Chamberlain, requesting each of them to confer with him in Washington upon the condition of affairs here. Chamberlain, it is said is anxious to accept the invitation, whether as a mere piece of toadyism or as a fitting excuse for fleeing the State, is not known. The Ex-Governor naturally turns to Washington, as the sunflower turns to its God. He has turned thither often before. He knows what it is to draw inspiration from the fountain head of Radicalism and to steer his political craft by the north star. The national capital is just now a more congenial place for creatures of his ilk than Columbia. So that an acceptance of Hayes' invitation by him is very probable.

But whether Governor Hampton will deem it advisable to visit Washington at this juncture is involved in uncertainty. Strong reasons exist both for, and against, this course, and the matter must rest with the Governor himself, who has manifested singular sagacity and wisdom in all the trying crises of the past six months. If the letter from Hayes is an assumption, on his part to act as supreme arbiter in our State affairs, his interference should be spurned with disdain. Long ago it was asserted that the Governor of Massachusetts was a greater man than the President of the United States; and so far as purely state politics are concerned, Governor Hampton, who holds his title through the gift of the people of a sovereign State, is supreme in South Carolina. Possessing this title, and the power to enforce it, he has not the least intention of submitting it to a stranger for approval or rejection. Neither has he anything to compromise. The verdict of the ballot-box is irrevocable.

If, however, as has been asserted, President Hayes merely desires a friendly conference to ascertain whether, if Federal interference is ended, Governor Hampton has the will and the power to protect Republicans, then, as a mere act of courtesy, Governor Hampton may deem it consistent with the dignity of his office to confer with the President, to give him personal guarantees of peace. But, should he visit Washington, he will expressly notify President Hayes that, as Governor of South Carolina, he recognizes no superior, and will not brook any interference or arbitration. He holds the state in trust for the people, and this is the only course he will, or ought to, pursue. It is well to state once, more, the position of the people of this State. Governor Hampton, having received

the highest number of votes cast in November, is Governor of South Carolina. Had the speaker of the House failed to declare the vote, he would still have been Governor. This declaration was a point in his favor, only as an evidence of the recognition of his title by the legislative branch of government. Had the courts been so venal as to decide in the face of law, against him, he would still have been Governor. Their decisions are valuable as being a recognition of his office by the judicial arm of government. Had the people refused to pay his tax, he would still have been governor. Their prompt response was important as an evidence that they intended to support him in his position. The vote in November made him governor de jure. The various acts of recognition by the Legislature, the courts and the people, made him Governor de facto. He now combines both titles, without being compelled to have recourse to any extraneous or adventitious sources for further confirmation. His claim is absolutely perfect, without stain or flaw.

As the State however, is a component part of the Union, it would be well, in order to maintain friendly intercourse with the rest of the nation, to receive recognition by the States, either through their local governments, or through the administration at Washington. A recognition from President Hayes is simply a matter of convenience, not of necessity. Hampton would still be Governor, de jure and de facto, in any event, and should the people stand firmly together, all the attempted interference at Washington would be powerless to foist the pretender, Chamberlain, into the Executive chair. Trustworthy reports from Washington however all agree the question there is not whether Hampton is governor, but whether he will protect Republicans from murder and maltreatment. To settle this, Governor Hampton is invited to Washington. He must decide whether to accept the invitation.

South Carolina News.

There are one hundred and thirty guests at the Highland Park Hotel in Aiken.

The residence of Mrs. Thornwell, of Yorkville, widow of the great Dr. Thornwell, deceased, was burned on Monday.

Col. F. A. Connor, a respected resident of Cokesbury, died at his residence, near that place, last week.

Smalls and Whipper are in Edgefield taking testimony. The Hon. Geo. D. Tillman, who was elected to Congress, is there also, watching them.

Mr. W. P. Sudduth was elected alderman in Greenville on the 20th, beating the regular Democratic nominee, Mr. Joseph Allen.

An election for town council will be held at Due West on the first Tuesday in April. Of course the new council will be Democratic to the core.

The construction train is running five or six miles out on the Spartanburg and Asheville Railroad track, and the work of laying the track is being pushed forward by President Duncan with vim and energy.

General Gary's famous race mare Mattie Ould has become the joyful mother of a beautiful colt, sired by Col. Bacon's "Lynchburg." General Gary is irrefragably proud of the colt, and has named him "School-craft," after the rich Yankee boy that Miss Ould picked up and married some months ago.

Harry Hampton, who escaped from the Abbeville jail recently, was brought back last Friday, by Captain Radcliffe, chief of the Columbia police. This criminal has made his escape from the jail at Danville once, at Richmond twice, at Lynchburg once, at Charlotte twice, and at Abbeville twice.

A movement is on foot in Spartanburg to secure the publication of all official advertisements of the county officers in both the Herald and the Spartan, paying each paper half price for the same, thus securing double publicity to all the official advertisements without any additional cost.

There is a farmer in the Bush River section of Newberry county, who never plants corn till a certain poplar tree in his yard begins to bud. When it begins to put forth he puts his corn in the ground. He

has used this tree as a guide for thirty-five years, and it has never deceived him. The tree began to bud early last week.

The Sondley House, eleven miles from Newberry, was burned down last Friday night. Besides the dwellinghouse, one or two outhouses were burned. The value of the property destroyed was about \$5,000; insured in the Underwriters' Agency for \$2,400. Mr. Richard C. Sondley occupied the house, but the night it was burned he was away from home. It is thought the house was set on fire by an incendiary.

The town of Woodruff's, in Spartanburg county, was visited on the 16th instant with a destructive fire. The fine new dwellings, recently built, together with the present dwelling of Mr. H. J. Pearson, and the outhouses, with all their contents, were totally consumed, the family being absent. Five hundred dollars in money belonging to Miss L. A. Harrison was also destroyed. The loss will amount to between \$2,500 and \$3,000. The fire is supposed to have been accidental.

A person always meets with warm reception at a hotel. The minute he arrives he is placed on the register.

NOTICE.

U. S. Internal Revenue

SPECIAL TAXES,

May 1, 1877, to April 30, 1878.

THE Revised Statutes of the United States, Sections 3232, 3237, 3238 and 3239, require every person engaged in any business, avocation or employment which renders him liable to a SPECIAL TAX, to procure and place conspicuously in his Establishment or place of Business a STAMP denoting the payment of said SPECIAL TAX for the special Tax Year beginning May 1, 1877, before commencing or continuing business after April 30, 1877.

A return, as prescribed on Form 11, is also required by law of every person liable to Special Tax, as above.

THE TAXES ENBRACED WITHIN THE PROVISIONS OF THE LAW ABOVE QUOTED ARE THE FOLLOWING, VIZ:

Table listing various taxes and their rates, including Rectifiers, Dealers, Manufacturers, Peddlers, etc.

GREEN B. RAUM, Commissioner of Internal Revenue. OFFICE OF INTERNAL REVENUE, Washington, D. C., January 23, 1877. march 17-1x1m

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD. In the Court of Probate. To Judy Ford, Reuben Ford, Jesse Ford, Dennis Ford, Preston Ford, Caroline Eggleston, Elizabeth Richardson, Rhina Cason, Rhody Ford and Pheny Ford, legal heirs of Sanders Ford, who died intestate: -

YOU are hereby required to appear at the Court of Probate to be holden at Fairfield Court House at eleven o'clock, a. m., on the twelfth day of April, A. D. 1877, to show cause, if any you can, why the real estate of Sanders Ford, deceased, described in the petition of Louisa Dennis filed in my office, should not be divided or sold, allotting to the said Judy Ford one-third thereof, and to the said Reuben Ford, Jesse Ford, Dennis Ford, Preston Ford, Caroline Eggleston, Elizabeth Richardson, Rhina Cason, Rhody Ford and Pheny Ford should not account for the rents and profits of said real estate since the tenth day of August, A. D. 1873, and provision be made for the payment to the other parties of their respective shares of such rents and profits. Given under my hand and seal this the twelfth day of February, A. D. 1877. O. R. THOMPSON, J. P. F. C. feb 14-1aw64.

Established 1859.

CHARLES MULLER Has removed to the store next to Francis Gerig's.

WATCHES, Clocks and Jewelry repaired, and satisfaction guaranteed to everybody. Those indebted to me for work on jewelry will please pay at once, for

Hampton is Elected. CHARLES MULLER. feb 3-12

Eltenger & Edmond, RICHMOND, VA.

MANUFACTURERS of Portable and Stationary Engines and Boilers of all kinds, Circular Saw Mills, Grist Mills, Mill Gearing, Shafting, Pulleys &c.

Cameron's Special Steam Pumps Send for Catalogue. oct 19

FRESH SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS!

WE invite the attention of the public to our new and assorted stock of spring and summer

Spring Calicos of the best brands and prettiest styles. Percales and Cambrics at 12 1/2 cents. White Pique from 11 1/2 c per yard up. Linen Lawns, and brown dress Linens, very cheap.

Nainsooks, Irish Linens, Towels, Pique Trimmings, Edgings, Insertings, Laces, Cotton Trimmings, Sheetings, Bleached and Brown Homespuns, Ticks, Cottonades, Hosiery, Notions, &c., &c. at prices to suit the hard times. Our stock of Gents' Goods is full up. We ask special attention to our line of Cassimers, which cannot be surpassed in price, style and quality, anywhere. KEEP'S celebrated partly made Shirts on hand at \$15 00 per dozen.

SHOES! SHOES! SHOES! A full and complete assortment of Shoes always on hand. We have a splendid lot of Ladies' and Gents' Fine Shoes which we will sell low, and which we take pleasure in showing.

HARDWARE! HARDWARE! A full line always on hand. McMASTER & BRICE. mar 22

DR. R. B. HANAHAN, D WINNSBORO, S. C.

OFFICE in rear of J. F. McMaster & Co.'s store, up stairs. mar 17-1m

COAL TAR.

BEFORE planting your corn secure a bottle of Coal Tar at the

DRUG STORE OF DR. W. E. AIKEN. mar

FINAL DISCHARGE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned will make application to the Judge of Probate for Fairfield County, on Tuesday, April 10, 1877, for a final discharge as guardian of M. ELIZABETH McCORRY. JAMES BEATY, Guardian. mar 8-1x4w

Sheriff's Sales.

BY virtue of executions to me directed, I will offer for sale before the Court House door in Winnsboro, S. C. on the first Monday in April next, within the legal hours of sale, for cash, the following described property, to wit: All that tract of land containing four hundred and seventeen acres, more or less, and bounded as follows: on the north by lands belonging to J. F. Cloud, on the east by T. Mills and Henry Heins, on the south by Mrs. Flannigan, and on the west by Mrs. Brannon - levied upon as the property of Mrs. H. B. Edmunds, at the suit of D. H. Ruff against R. G. Lamar, Caroline M. Lamar, H. B. Edmunds and others. ALSO All that tract of land lying in Fairfield county, containing one hundred and fifty acres, more or less, and bounded by lands of Robert Crawford, George Brown, Mrs. Rabb and others, levied upon as the property of Estate of Robert Hawthorn, at the suit of John P. Hillhouse as Guardian. Sheriff's Office, B. W. RUFF, Winnsboro, S. C. S. F. C. March 8, 1877. mar 22-1x12

FINAL DISCHARGE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned will make application to the Judge of Probate for Fairfield County, on Tuesday, April 10, 1877, for a final discharge as Guardian of ANOUS H. Nicholson. J. F. F. C. march 8 1m

Law Cards

THOS. R. ROBERTSON, Attorney at Law AND TRIAL JUSTICE.

All business entrusted to him in either capacity will receive prompt attention. Office on Washington street, one door east of Winnsboro Hotel.

H. A. G. AILLARD. JNO. S. REYNOLDS.

GAILLARD & REYNOLDS, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, NO. 3 LAW RANGE.

A. M. MACKAY, Attorney and Counsellor at Law, No. 1, LAW RANGE, Winnsboro, S. C.

Special attention paid to the speedy collection of claims. Will practice in all of the courts of this State and the United States.

JUST RECEIVED,

One car load seed Potatoes, One " " " Oats.

ALSO,

A full line of Plantation Hardware consisting of

- Lay Iron, Plow Steel, Steel Plows, Plow Moulds, Spades, Shovels, Traces, Hames, Clevises, Heel-Screws, &c., &c.

which will be sold low for

CASH.

I keep constantly on hand a full supply of

PLANTATION and FAMILY GROCERIES.

I have on hand several brands of first class

FERTILIZERS

which I am prepared to sell for Cash or on time with well approved securities on a money basis, or with a cotton option if parties desire. All parties in want of Fertilizers will do well to call on me before purchasing.

F. ELDER. feb 20

New Family Grocery.

THE undersigned desires to inform his friends and the public that he can be found on the east side of Congress street with a fresh Stock of

FAMILY GROCERIES, Viz: Meal, Grist, Flour, Bacon, Sugars, Coffees, Teas, Crackers, Ginger Bread, Soda, Spices, etc., etc.

Oranges, Apples, Candies, &c., all fresh and cheap.

FOR CASH ONLY. J. E. CATHCART, Opposite J. H. Cathcart's old Stand. feb 17 -4

FINAL DISCHARGE.

NOTICE is hereby given to all and singular the creditors of Thomas Stitt, deceased, that application will be made to the Judge of Probate for Fairfield County, in Winnsboro at 10 o'clock in the forenoon on the 7th of March next, for a final discharge and letters dismissory. All persons concerned must show cause, if any, on or before that day. JAMES L. MARTIN, J. T. W. STITT. feb 17 -4