

Ourselves.

THE NEWS AND HERALD has completed a year under its present management. During this whole period its motto has been "upward and onward," and no pains have been spared to make it the best country paper in the State.

During the whole of the summer we have refrained from pressing those indebted to us. We trust that those whose names are on the wrong side of our books will step forward promptly and settle.

SENATOR MORTON, having been informed that Aleck Stephens still survives, has concluded not to die just yet.

THE NEW YORK Herald is trying to get enough spunk infused into the "over-prudent Servians and hesitating Greeks," to make them pitch in and help the Russians.

It is said that there is enough material before the Legislative Investigating Committee, in Columbia, to keep them at work at least eighteen months longer, if they propose to make a complete examination.

The New York Republicans.

The Republican convention held at Rochester, New York, last week was a stormy affair. Three-fourths of the delegates were the minions of Senator Conkling and slavishly his bidding.

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The greatest disorder prevailed, but Curtis' resolution applauding the President was defeated by a two-thirds vote. The adherents and the opponents of the administration are now at daggers' points.

CHESTER AND GEORGETOWN.

How to raise the Funds to Build the Proposed Railroad.

Messrs. Editors:

The funds necessary to build the proposed railroad must be raised by private subscription, and by county subscription. Let each citizen give out of his own resources as much as possible.

If the subject is presented to the people personally and intelligently, a very handsome proportion of the required means can certainly be raised by individual subscriptions.

The county subscription must be made in bonds of the county, bearing a suitable rate of interest payable annually. The levy for meeting interest should be large enough to raise sufficient cash to retire a certain number of bonds annually, and so gradually extinguish the debt.

I will not go into details to prove that every merchant and farmer will save in freights and in cheaper goods, and better prices for cotton vastly more than his railroad tax will ever amount to.

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an equivalent for the taxes that must be paid as soon as the bonds are issued. Now is the time to build railroads; because good bonds, as ours would certainly be, sell readily at high prices, while every element that enters into the construction of railroads is at the lowest price.

Since these letters were begun, I learn, Messrs. Editors, that some citizens favor a railroad from Shelton's to Winnsboro; others advocate the extension of the road from Chester, via Winnsboro, to Columbia.

The idea of going to Columbia is a very good one. By leaving out Ridgeway—if, indeed, she will consent to be passed by—we can save six or seven miles, and at Columbia secure several valuable connections.

I have trespassed upon your columns, Messrs. Editors, far beyond my original intention. Accept my thanks for your indulgence.

WINNSBORO, Sept. 29, 1877.

SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Chester is improving her streets.

The Lancaster grand jury reported several trial justices for accepting straw bail.

The Chester Rifles are thinking of competing for the prize at the fair.

June Mobley is stumping the fourth congressional district, in the interest of Liberia.

The Yorkville Enquirer favors the ratification of the school amendment to the constitution.

One hundred convicts are at work grading the new railroad from Greenwood, Abbeville county, to Augusta.

President Hayes has appointed Judge L. C. Northrop United States district attorney, vice Stone, resigned.

Dr. Jno. T. Dent, of Lexington, was acquitted last week of the charge of murder for killing young Leckie of Columbia.

Mr. James M. Elford, a young married man, living in Spartanburg, committed suicide on the 24th, by shooting himself in the head with a pistol.

Governor Hampton has made the following appointments: James F. Izlar, brigadier general, 3d brigade of infantry; comprising the counties of Beaufort, Colleton, Barnwell, Orangeburg, Aiken and Lexington.

A Valuable Secret.

Tom Ballard, the famous counterfeiter, who is now serving the third year of his thirty years' term at Albany, has renewed an offer he made in 1875 without its receiving any attention from Secretary Bristow.

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