

## THE PSALM-SINGERS.

**Some History—The Founding of the Colleges—Why John C. Calhoun Sent His Sons to Due West—Kind Words From Dr. Jacobs.**

The religious descendants in this country of the old Scotch Covenanters are the Psalm-singing Presbyterians. The use of the psalms as the only composition proper to be sung in church worship was one of the peculiarities of the Presbyterianism, and that peculiarity existed in all the types of Scotch Presbyterianism that came to America.

In 1858, however, the psalm-singing Presbyterians of the Northern and Western States coalesced under the name of the "United Presbyterians," but the psalm-singers of the Southern States did not enter into the coalition. They continued under their former name of "Associate Reformed Presbyterians," or as more familiarly called, "Seceder." This latter term is a word that runs back to the origin of the religious movement of which they are a part, to wit, the succession from the established church of Scotland in 1733, that secession having been a protest against the supposed degeneracy of the established church from what it was in the days of the Solemn League and Covenant. So far as doctrine and practice are concerned, the "Seceders" of the South have retained more of the Scotch type of Presbyterianism, as it existed prior to the reign of Charles II, than any other branch of the Presbyterians Church in America, and in this respect they are in striking contrast with all other Christian denominations in the towns of the South.

The Mecca of all good "Seceders" is the little town of Due West, in South Carolina. Indeed, it is commonly said that the loyal "Seceder" looks upon Due West with feelings of love and veneration much akin to those of the ancient Jew for Jerusalem, and some have even said that when a "Seceder" dies he goes to heaven by way of Due West. The place is certainly embalmed in the affections of the Seceders. They established their theological seminary there in 1839, and Erskine College, at the same place, was of their founding and twenty one years after the founding of Erskine the Due West Female College was established, and so the little town contains the alma mater of most of the men, and women, too, of the Seceder denomination of collegiate classical training. When a toast to "Erskine College" is given at the commencement banquet of the alumnae of the Due West Female College, is always remembered, the one institution being regarded in the Seceder household as supplementing and making whole the other. In the imagery of the toastmaster, God made first the man and, finding it not well for him to be alone, he made Eve also and placed her in the garden, and thus Due West is described as the happy home of these two institutions that go hand in hand, one educating the young men, the other the young women of the church, under whose fostering the institutions were planted.

But the patronage, not less than the fame, of Due West, through the Southern country as a place of education for young folks, is not limited to the church under whose auspices her institutions were established. John C. Calhoun, if a Seceder in religion, and,

in sending his two youngest sons to Due West in 1845, he gave expression to the reputation then already attained by the little town. Writing to his brother-in-law under date of October 2, of that year, he says: "James and William go down with the intention of going to Erskine College at Due West. I have selected that institution because it is situated where there will be nothing to divert their attention from study, and where their morals will be safe." And by the way, in the letter here referred to, Mr. Calhoun said concerning his boys:

"They are disinclined I find to Latin and Greek, so much so that it would be in a great measure a loss of time to continue them at it, unless there should be a change of inclination, and I have accordingly written to Mr. Pressly, the President of the institution, not to force them to their study unless he should find them more inclined than I fear he will, at least until I could see and talk with him after my return from Alabama. I wish you would speak to them as to the importance of the study of those languages."

And the Rev. Dr. Jacobs, of the Methodist Episcopal church, in an article in the last issue of Our Monthly about colleges that are cherished by religious denominations, says of Erskine College and the "Seceders":

"The history of the college has been in many respects a most remarkable one, for its founders were pioneer in this work in South Carolina, and yet the denomination that founded it numbered only a few thousand. This plucky little denomination has twice endowed the institution, the first endowment having been largely swept away by the war. Twice also has the college been compelled to build. The present recitation hall is one of the handsomest buildings in the State, having been erected at a cost of \$40,000. Of the town of the Seceders of Due West, Athens and the Jerusalem combined, we can not say too much. A few short visits to the place attached us to the people and its ways. We feel in love with the town, its customs, and its godly living. It is an ideal town for residence."

When it is mentioned that Due West is a little country town, with a population of scarcely 1,200, which has received its distinctive impress from the institutions of learning there located, it will be seen how essentially it is a place of classic walk and academic groves, and hence the fondness for it of all who look there for alma mater and likewise the charm it has for all who come for the first time in contact with the culture and hospitality of its people.

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## THE NEELY CASE CONCLUDED.

**S. M. Neely Convicted of Assault of a High and Aggravated Nature—Sentenced One Year or \$150—Paid Up.**

The trial of S. M. Neely, charged with assault and battery with intent to kill John Harvey Neely in Rock Hill in May last, was concluded in the Yorkville court Thursday afternoon, when the jury, after deliberating for about an hour, returned a verdict of assault of a high and aggravated nature.

The circumstances attending the trouble are well remembered by our readers and consequently we have made no effort to publish the testimony.

On the trial, however, Mr. S. M. Neely swore that before he plunged the knife into the back of the neck of J. H. Neely, the latter had struck him on his arm with a stick and several witnesses swore that they saw an abrasure on his arm, such as might have been made by a stick. Mr. J. H. Neely denied this, and stated that just before he was cut S. M. Neely had cursed and abused him in a very violent manner and that he turned his back and was walking away from S. M. Neely when the latter cut him.

The Judge charged the jury that even if John Harvey Neely had struck S. M. Neely with a stick and the former was cut by the latter, S. M. Neely would not be wholly blameless, and if the jury believed that S. M. Neely cursed and abused John Harvey Neely in a violent manner and the latter struck S. M. Neely with a stick, and S. M. Neely then cut him with a knife, the jury might return a verdict of assault of a high and aggravated nature.

When the verdict was returned Messrs. W. B. Wilson and D. E. Finley, attorneys for S. M. Neely, made a motion for a new trial, which was argued yesterday morning, but was refused. The Judge then sentenced S. M. Neely to one year's imprisonment in the county jail or to pay a fine of \$150. He paid the fine and was released from custody.—Rock Hill Herald, Nov. 6th.

## CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The following signature of *Charles Fletcher* is on every wrapper.

### Shams of the Modern Girl.

"She is the one who is most conspicuous in speech and sometimes in work; but in her heart her religion is simply a means to a very earthly end. She is prominent in the Sunday school, because she thinks she can in that way become acquainted with some people she would like to know. She is ever ready to get up and express her creed at the prayer meeting, because she thinks that her ability will be recognized. She rustles into her pew, kneels for a long time, and then settles herself comfortably—to look at the congregation. She considers it respectful to go to church. Beyond that she gives no thought. She forgets that, unless religion is of the heart, it is of no value. She has never understood that it is not the loud prayer nor the word prayer which makes an impression on God, but that it is the sincere cry from the soul appealing to Him to which He listens. The religious sham can usually give you a description of all the costumes worn by 'her set' in church. She can tell you of the amount of money put in by each member as the plate is passed along. She goes to church to observe the outward, visible sign, and never in any way, troubles herself about the inward spiritual grace."—RUTH ASHMORE in Ladies' Home Journal.

## Items from the Era Nov. 4th.

Mr. James D. Bailey, spent several days last week at St. Luke, his old home.

Dr. J. E. W. Haile has purchased Mr. A. V. Caughen's cottage on Matson street.

We were glad to meet in town this week Lancaster's popular postmaster, Mr. J. F. Gregory.

Miss Pauline Seegers and Miss Roxie Belk, of Timrod, visited the former's sister, Mrs. J. L. Sowell the past week.

Mrs. C. C. Broom, of the eastern section of the county, had her right hand so badly lacerated in her husband's gin Tuesday that it had to be amputated above the wrist. The operation was performed by Drs. E. C. Brasington and L. T. Gregory.

Mr. Jack Crow and Miss Lizzie Hough, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Hough, were married Saturday evening last Oct. 30th, by Magistrate J. W. Hamel.

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Spann, of Moss Point, Miss., are visiting friends in Kershaw and vicinity.

Mr. Lewis Gardner and his charming sister Miss Mollie, of Tiller's Ferry, visited relatives in Kershaw this week.

Mrs. Emma Connolly returned yesterday after an absence of several months spent with relatives and friends in North Carolina.

Close buying and economical farm management are now essential. The cost of production, as well as the best plans of selling, must be studied along with the methods of making good yields. Never was there tendency among farmers to live within their means than now. The patch on the clothing will come in fashion again. The mark on the merchant's book will go out of style. To turn loss into profit will be an important problem to solve while the furrows are being turned in the spring.

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