THE CITADEL EMBROGIAO.

A STATEMENT FROM COLONEL JOHN P. THOMAS.

He Recites the Circumstances Constituting his Reasons for Resigning the Superintendency.

(From the News and Courier, August 7.) As late Superintendent of the South Carolina Military Academy, justice to invself as well as to the cause of sound discipline in the State's military school constrains me reluctlantly to break my reticence in connection with my reisgnation and to place the facts before the public tribunal. The case is best stated in the logical order of the following communications:

1. Under date of July 5, 1885, Col-Thomas, Superintendent, wrote as follows to General Hagood, Chairman of the Board of Visitors:

"The Executive Committee of the Board of Visitors having on a recent occasion declined to investigate a report made by me as Superintendent, of combination of serious character among the cadets of this Academy, and having further excused a meeting of said cadets, boldly held without the previous knowledge or sanction of the Superintendent, both cases involving, as I hold, principles vital to discipline I take leave to state that I feel that I have not been sustained, and that the Executive Committee has not given to my office the consideration due to it under the law of the Academy.

Hence I have the honor, agreeably to Article 5th, Regulations, to give the required notice of resignation." Soon thereafter I applied to the

Chairman for his consent to my taking public this notice of my resignation in order that the issue made might be distinct and disconnected from subse-quent developments. To this the Chairman, on ground of good of the Academy, declined to assent. 2. Under date of August 2, 1885, Colonel Thomas, Superintendent, wrote as follows to General Hagood,

Chairman Board of Visitors: "My communication of July 5, 1885,

contains the immediate grounds of my resignation. Desiring the Board of Visitors to understand fully my tanse action, I have the honor to request that you submit to that body the re-ports Nos. 1 and 2, enclosed herewith which the Excentive Committe of the Board did not deem it expedient to investigate.

"While the serious differences, of opinion growing out of a grave ques-tion of discipline, and some discord in general between the Board of Vis-itors and the Superintendent, make my retirement from my offices imperative and irrevocable, let me here express the sentiment that moves me of unimpaired devotion to my alma mater Connected for nearly twenty years with the old Academy and the new, and thus bound to both by strong ties and tender memories I shall continue to maintain with unswerving loyalty the cause of the Citadel. No longer serving the Academy under the Board I shall be found in the ranks of the citizenship of the State doing all in my power to magnify South Carolina's school of arts and arms, an institution absolutely indispensable to the full development of the mental and moral forces of her youth. No longer the executive of the Board, I shall be its ally and its champion in every wise measure of its future administration.

"Allow me to close with the expres-"Allow me to close with the expres-sion, heretofore made three years ago, of my appreciation of the con-fidence of the Board of Visitors in calling me to the work of re-establishing this school, of reluming the fires on the academic altar. In my sphere I have sought, God knows how earnestly, to lay the foundations broad and deep; to make the scholarship of the Academy thorough, accurate and polished; its soldiership industrious and genuine; its code of ethics high;

resignation public, 5. About 5 p. m. August 5, General Walker, acting Secretary of the Board in fine to cast it in a mould as lofty as I could fashion. This has been my firm purpose. How far I have effectof Visitors, sent me the following paper: (Extract from the Minutes of the Board of Visitor S. C. M. A.) ed it, and to what extent I am myself responsible for my unrealized ideal, I August 4, 1885. The resignation of Col. J. P. Thomas as Superintendent shall leave to the public judgment. But this I know, and will declare, that of the Academy was received and accepted by the Board, to take effect October 1, 1885, and the following I builded the best I knew how; that I have tried to comprehend my trust and to keep faithful to it with singlenes resolutions were adopted: "Resolved, That the Board of Visof aim. "That the Board of Visitors has

submitted.

the Superintendent in the celation of army regulations to officers and suborarmy regulations to officers and subor-dinates. The regulations of the South Carolina Military Academy, though made up by the Board of Visitors, under the authority conferred in the Act passed December 2, 1842, and en-titled "An Act to convert the Arsenal at Columbia and the Citadel and Magazine in and near Charleston into military schools," are binding equally on the Board and on the Superintendent.

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Art. 3, Regulations S. C. M. A., reads: "The Superintendent will have immediate government of the Academy and be held responsible for its correct management." Art. 72 reads thus: "The cadets

of the Academy shall constitute a military corps, and shall be subjected to military discipline under command of the Superintendent."

Art. 92 contains the following special points: "The commissioned or non-commissioned officers shall be ap pointed by the Superintendent from those cadets who have been most active and soldier like in the perform-ance of their duties, and most exem-plary in their general deportment.""

Again: "Cadet officers, of whatever rank, are required to be loyal to their trust and do their duty with courtesy but at the same time with firmnes and entire impartiality. Any cadet officer who neglects his duty and betrays the confidence reposed in him will be reduced to the ranks," &c. I is not stated, be it noticed, that the cadet officer must of necessity be popular with his comrades. Being sum-marily called upon, without previous conterence on a delicate matter, to revoke the appointment which I had made under the law-in which appointment, as to its wisdom and propriety I have been anthorized by Major Cain Lieut. Weaver, U.S.A., and Capt Lyman Hall, of my late military fam ily, to state, if I deemed it contributory to my vindication, that, although not originally consulted by me in the making of it, they fully concurred with me -1 could not hesitate as to my duty To revoke Cadet Sergeant Schirmer' appointment was to reduce him to the ranks, to put him under ban without cause and without trial-to deny him the rights and privileges accorded to other cadets. That, in my judgment, was the plain English of the order that came to me. As the Regulations state that a cadet officer can be de-prived of his office only when he neglects duty or betrays confidence reposed in him Theld that the order o the Board was clearly niegal, and I felt as a man and soldier absolved from any obligation to obey said orders. I could not and would not serve at the altar of what I deemed illegal sacrifice

--illegal as to the written law and the Regulations and also as to the unwritten law of common justice.

4. Subsequently, the same evening of August 4, 1 sent to the Chairman

the following formal notice: "I have received the order of the Board of Visitors directing me to revoke Cadet Schirmer's appointment as Sergeant of the corps. Without enterug into the question of the legality of the order, I have the honor to decline to be the instrument, in my official position as Superintendent, for doing what I regard a serious injustice to a worthy and deserving cadet by inflict ing upon him that punishment which by the regulations of the Academy, ispecially appropriate to the case of : 'cadet officer who neglects his duty and betrays the confidence reposed in him, neither of which offences Cadet Ser geant Schirmer has committed."

The News and Courier of August 5, by authority of "some member or members of the Board of Visitors," as the Chairman subsequently informed me, announced that my resignation had been accepted, to take effect, as I had proposed July 28, on October 1 next. This was my first notice of action on my resignation, although I had on July 15 and on July 18 urgently but unsuccessfully asked leave of the Chairman to make the fact of said

CROP PROSPECTS IN THE SOUTH.

Encouraging Estimates of a Trustworthy Goy. Hoadly's Re-nomination Not a Fore-Newspaper-A Fine Outlook.

Anoral and dear our

The Baltimore Manufacturers' Record published last week nearly five this section are remarkably good. Not only is the acreage of the cotton, corn and tobacco crops the largest on record but the reports are almost unanimous in stating that the yield of these crops as well as of the smaller crops, excepting wheat, will greatly exceed the best crops ever before produced. It is also shown that the crops have been made at a much lower cost than

in any preceding year and that the liens on the crops for money advanced to the farmers in much less than heretofore.

In Georgia the agricultural depart-ment estimates the corn crop at 40,-000,000 bushels against 21,000,000 bushels last year, and 24,600,000 bush-els in 1883. The reports regarding the corn crop from the whole South are of the most flattering character, some stating that the widel will be the best for years.

flattering character, some stating that the yield will be the best for years, others the best for twenty years, and many the best ever known

It is thought by the United States commissioner of agriculture that the increased acreage in corn over last year, and the splendid yield which is now assured, will give the South not muchless than 50,000,000 bushels of The cotton crop, it is believed, is safe for much the largest ever made,

and for at least from 1,000,000 to 1,-500,000 bales more than last year. Of tobacco, fruits and vegetables the crops are the largest ever made in the South, while rice promises a splendid yield and sugar is far more satis-factory and profitable a crop than in

1884 1884. Stimulated by the unprecedented crops, business is already showing a decided improvement, and the pros-pects throughout the South for the fall and winter trade are reported as unusually good. In the organization of railroad and manufacturing enterprises there is great activity, and the outlook for the industr. 1 interests is particularly promising.

Acted Like a Charm.

My little daughter all her life has been in delicate health. Her blood seemed to be impovered. She has taken various preparations of iron, cod-liver oil, and tonics of many kinds, which were prescribed by the best physicians, and while she was bene-litted, yet it was only temporary. A member of my congregation, who had tried it, suggested S. S. S. For about a year she has had an indolent but stubber some behind here say. stubborn sore behind her ears. After she had taken Swift's Specific for a short time the sores grew worse and began to discharge. This I regarded as favorable. In a very short time her ears grew better, and to-day are entirely well. Her appetite is splendid and reglular; she is full of life and cheerfulness. The change is evident to the most casual observer. I ascribe under the blessing of God, to it : , under the blessing of God, to Switt's Specific. In view of what it has done for me and mine, I can most confidently and sincerely recommend it to all who need such a remedy. Let the suffering give it a fair trial, and it

will bring hope, health and happiness into every home. BENJ. R. HALL, Pastor M. E. Church, South. Shelby, N. C., Feb. 2, 1885. Treatise on Blood and Skin Dise

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France.

A Cincinnati special says: 'The Ohio Democratic State Convention, which pages of special reports covering the whole South from Virginian to Texas showing that the prospects for the crops and the outlook for business in this section and a task of some difficulty will be is its hands. It is degree of interest, and a task of some difficulty will be is its hands. It is ernor Hoadly will again head the ticket. Judge Hoadly is an able man but he is woefully lacking in political balance and his conduct of his campaign two years ago was full of mis-takes. He is too impulsive to make a shrewd and calculating politician, and too erratic and full of moods to meet the publicy day after day and forever beguile it into his way of thinking and lead it to his support at the polls. Whatever he for the moment thinks, that to him is revealed gospel, and his years in the penitentiary, or to be lee The official reports from South Car- first impulse is to enunciate it from out one at a time and receive such whipping as he would administer. olina show that while this State will the platform on which he may happen produce about four million bushels to be placed. It comes on good inside They chose the latter, and the farmer took them out severally, tied them to more of corn and probably over three hundred thousand bales more than last year, the aggregate amount of agricul-init, his home, and that serious oppothe gate-post and administered one hundred lashes to each tramp with a large new rawhide wagon whip. Each stroke of the whip raised a huge welt on the back of the tramp, and when the operation was completed a pool of tural liens given to obtain advances upon the growing crops is \$3,000,000 less than in 1882, notwithstanding the fact that the intervening years 1883 and 1884 were unfavorable crop years. In Georgia the agricultural depart-ment estimates the corn group at 40. blood could be seen where they Their pitcous cries for mercy called in the neighbors until quite a little crowd had assembled to witness the castiga-

tion of tramp No. 3. As all sympa-thized with the irate farmer the performance went on until he had com pleted the hundred lashes. of the tickent from the central or

northern part of the State. It is not, therefore, settled that Hoadly will be of Iowa met at Des Moines last week. Chas. E. Whiting, of Monana county, was nominated for Governor. The nominees of the Greenbackers for re-nominated, and it is altogether more than likely that any decided show of opposition may drive him from the field altogether. Little is said about gressman from the 7th district were minor places on the ticket or touching the platform. The latter will, of course declare for a liquor license law, as it has done for several years in the past

The great contest this year is, in fact, abated. The average of deaths is about lifteen hundred a day. The plague seems to be confined chiefly to over the Legislature, no matter how much each side may try to cover the question up and keep the United States Senatorship in the background. It will not stay there, but reveals itself at almost every turn and corner of the the poor. The only wealthy persons who have been attacked are the public officials who are compelled to visit the hotbeds of the infection. Many peo-ple are returning to the cities, which debate.

THE OHIO DEMOCRACY.

Enthusiastic Gathering of the Party in Convention---Governor Hoally, a Fine State Ticket, and a Sound Platform.

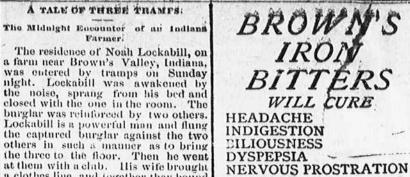
The Ohio Democratic State Conven-tion assembled at Columbus on Thursday last. A permanent organization was readily effected, and all prelimina-

ry questions were promptly settled. Nominations for Governor being in order, Congressman Geo. W. Geddes offered the name of Governor Hoadly in quite an extended speech: the paid a high compliment to Judge Thurman for the course taken by that gentleman in announcing that he could not allow the use of his name before the convention. Mr. Geddes coachided by moving a suspension of the rules and the nomination of Governor Hoadly by acclamation.

General Michael Ryan, of Cincinnati, seconding the motion, defended the Governor at length against charges that he had made mistakes. When the motion was put the vote was unani mous and enthusiastic with the excep tion of four voices from the Hamilton county delegation.

After a committee had been appointed to wait on Governor Hoadly and bring him before the convention, W. V. Marquis, of Logan county, in a short speech presented the name of John G. Warwick, of Massillon, for renomination for Lieutenant-Governor The motion was immediately put and carried amid great applause.

Before proceeding further with the nominations Governor Hoadly was introduced amid much enthusiasm and explained why he had not been an out-spoken candidate for the nomination. The party had brought him through before without much them. before without much effort on his part and he throught he had no right to claim renomination under the rules of precedent, the Convention being tree

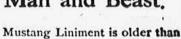


a clothes line, and together they bound MALARIA the tramps, sat down and waited for them to recover. When the tramps CHILLS AND FEVERS regained consciousness Lockabill asked them which they preferred, to be taken to Crawfordsville and placed in jail, where they stood the chance of several TIRED FEELING GENERAL DEBILITY PAIN IN THE BACK & SIDES

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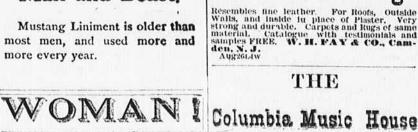
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itors in accepting the resignation of Col. J. P. Thomas, Superintendent South Carolina Military Academy, desought the good of the charge com-mitted to it I have never doubted; and my prayer is that its administration sires to express its sense of the zeal and carnestness with which he has dismay be blessed with the largest and best results for the Academy and the coun charged the duties of his office, and that in retiring from the institution he

try. "When the time shall come for me to relinquish my trust, I congratulate myself upon the fact that I shall be Board for his future welfare'.' enabled to turn over to the Board of Visitors the Academy in excellent Thomas's resignation at the meeting working order, and without one dol-August 4 was reconsidered and the lar's indebtedness." following substituted therefor:

3 On August 4, 1885, when the Board of Visitors sitting at the Citadel were on the eve of adjournment sine die, Quartermaster White, saying that he had been directed so to do, handed me the paper annexed, signed S. B. Jones, Secretary. It came without previous consultation with the Superintenden,t and was a surprise to that officer, because he had been led to conclude from the individual views ex-pressed to him by a member of the Board that the finding of the Court of Inquiry would be the end of the Schirmer matter, and that my promotion of Cadet Scirmer would not be called in question.

[Extracts from Minutes.]

"CADET SCHIRMER'S CASE .- When the recent Court of Inquiry was convened the Board of Visitors reserved to itself to inquire, beyond the charges and specifications presented, into the fitness of Cadet Schirmer for the office to which he was appointed. Having dis-

charged this duty, "Resolved, That, considering all the circumstances developed, while the Board have acquitted Cadet Schirmer in the Court of Inquiry of the charges affecting his character as a gentleman, yet in their apprehension the academic career of the Cadet does not exhibit qualifications enabling him to discharge the duties of an officer usefully to the Academy. The Superintendent is, therefore, directed to revoke Cadet Schirmer's appointment as a Sergeant of the corps.

Immediately upon its receipt, inviting the Chairman to my office, I req-pectfully but briefly notified him that, deeming the order illegal, I did not intend to execute it. He replied, in substance, that there was nothing more to be said, and the interview ended. I here state, in vindication of my soldiery character, that I stood on these and stand to the Board of Visitors and ed in Chicago in half an hour.

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The Oklahoma Boomers.

A distinguished member of Congress from the Northwest has written to the secretary of the interior that he is informed that the settlers (the Oklahoma boomers) have in good faith dispersed and will no longer remain in camp. This action ou their part is largely the result of the action of the Administration concerning the issue of

leases and the occupancy of the cattle syndicates in the Indian Territory. He states that the proclamation of the President meets with universal favor among the people, and has inspired the greatest confidence; that it is evident that the Administration intends to deal carries with him the best wishes of the August 5, 1885. On motion, the action of the Board relative to Colonel with equal fairness with all classes of people, and he feels assured that there will be no further trouble on the border of the Indian Territory. "Resignation of Colonel Thomas was

The Trouble Safely Over

fifty lashes each. Some of them are in a critical condition and may die. The band then went to the house of Tom

Carver, a notorious thief, and beat him

Rheumatism.

Stomach trouble is serious business Resolved, 1. That Colonel Thomas's resignation as Superintendent be ac while it lasts; but what a blessed relief to have it depart! Mrs. F. G. Wells. of 19 Atlantic steet, Hartford, Conn., 2. That the senior officer present writes that she tried Brown's Iron for duty is placed in command and Bitters for stomach trouble, and that she experienced such relief that the will discharge the duties of Superintrouble is now entirely over. She recommends this great iron medicine to all who are afflicted. It cures liver My refusal to revoke his appoint-ment, and to reduce Cadet Sergeant

Schirmer to the ranks, explains the change of action by the Board towards and kidney complaint. Mob-Law and Murder.

My resignation was based upon the A special from Chattanooga, Tenn., ays: "Fifty men well disguished enfailure of the Executive Committee of says: "Fifty men well disguished en-tered Dalton, Ga., shortly after mid-night on Tuesday night and visited a the Board to sustain discipline on the

occasion of two serious violations of the special law of the Academy, form-ally and regularly reported by the Superintendent and ignored by the Executive Committee of the Board. As to the circumstances under which my resignation of July 5 was finally accepted, I am content to leave the matter at issue with the tribunal before

tendent until further orders."

to death, after having tortured him for half an hour. A negro man named which, with as little comment as l could afford, I have placed it. Armistead was then so badly beaten that he will die. Subsequently several Until dissatisfaction of cadets with the promotion of Cadet Schirmer met persons were notified by the mob to

encouragement from those in authority, my work in establishing the South Carolina Military Academy upon a sound basis and putting it upon a suc-cessful career had not been questioned. If I have retired from my post, after arduous service, without the com-mendation of the Board of Visitors, I can at least hope for the higher recan at least hope for that higher re-

ward, the approval of the people of the State, for whom in this work 1 have labored. JOHN P. THOMAS. ADVICE TO MOTHERS:

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-Within the past ten days the con-fidence of the Virginia Democrats has Two divorces were recently grantgreatly increased.

to act without asking. He could now be held to respond to the call, and with better health would hope for even better results in the discharge of his trust. He demanded the most searching criticism of his official acts. He endorsed the work of the last Legislature, saying that nothing was done by it which Judge Foraker would have dared to veto if he had the power. He thought that Judge Foraker instead of finding fault with the present administration should be defending the memory of Rutherford B. Hayes and the Legislature which robbed Cincinnati of local self-government. Governor Hoadly defined himself as against prohibition and said he did not believe that regulation and taxation were eternal. Taxation was odious to him. After the Governor had concluded his speech, on motion of the Hamilton county contingent which had objected

to his nomination, three cheers were given. The ticket was completed by the

nomination of Peter Brady for Treasurer, James Lawrence for Attorney General, Gibson Atherton for short term Supreme Judge, Chas. D. Martin for the long term, and Henry Werble for Member of the Board of Public Works.

The platform congratulates the country upon the election of Cleveland and Hendricks, and the auspicious begin-ning of their administration; upon the determination of the President to confine the use of public lands to public purposes. It commends the adminis-tration of Governor Hoadly, and reaf-firms the State platform of 1884. It house owned by Mrs. Jane Kidd. The woman and six of her boarders were dragged from their beds and given

opposes sumptuary legislation, and denounces monopolies. It mourns the death of General Grant, and pays a brief tribute to his memory. The Convention adjourned amid

great enthusiasm.

An Earthquake in the Blue Ridge.

There were violent shocks of earthquake last Thursday in the Blue Ridge Mountains, in Watauga county, N. C. At first there were noises like thunderleave the place at once under penalty of death. There is no clue to the identity of any members of the band." claps, while the sky was cloudless, then the earth shook and terrible noises were heard. These were felt

Rheumatism. Although a practitioner of near twenty years, my mother influenced me to procure B. B. for her. She had been confined to her bed several months with Rheumatism which had stubbornly resisted all the usual remedies. Within twenty-four hours after commencing B. B. B. I observed marked relief. She has just commenced her third bottle and is nearly as active as ever, and has been in the front yard with "rake in hand," cleaning up. Her improvement is truly wonderful and immensely gratifying. C. H. MONTGOMRRY, M. D. * Jacksonville, Ala., June 6, 1884. for many miles, at the height of 4,100 feet, and in Grandfather Mountains, 6,000 feet, people were frightened so that they fied. The noises and shocks were felt at Boone.

-Wm. Doster and Robert Wincheser, who had been drinking cider freely at the house of a Mr. Long, in Union county, N. C., on Friday morning, re-turned at night for more. Long refused to admit them, when they broke open the door of the house, helped themselves and made threats against Long, who procured a gun and fired on the intruders, killing Doster and wounding Winchester.

