

Editorial Notes.

Tillman did not speak in Charleston because he knew he would not have the crowd to "howl" for him.

Prof. J. H. Strode, of Virginia, has been elected by the Board of Trustees as President of Clemson College.

What was Tillman's object in starting the report of danger of his being assassinated, when he knew it was false?

Col. W. E. Walters, of Anderson, Secretary of his County Alliance, died on the 25th inst., in the 54th year of his age.

The latest dispatches inform us that Brazil is in the midst of a bloody revolution. No telling what the result will be.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union Assembly was in session at Asheville, N. C., last week. Eighteen States were represented in the Assembly.

Mr. J. Wm. Stoke has been elected President of the State Farmers' Alliance of South Carolina as the successor to Col. Stackhouse.

The State canvass will close on August 5th at Walterboro. The contest has been very bitter, and we fear that a breach has been made in the white ranks that can never be healed.

The Democrats of Tennessee have nominated Farmer Buchanan for Governor. The Democrats of Georgia will do the same thing for Farmer Northen. Neither one of these gentlemen has slandered his State nor his public officials.

An Inter-State Summer Normal School began a two weeks' session at Asheville, N. C. on Monday last. Nearly all the Southern States have teachers in attendance.

Congressman Geo. D. Tillman, a brother of the notorious Ben, denounces the Sub-Treasury Bill as the greatest humbug in national politics, and declares it to be unreasonable and unconstitutional.

Ben Tillman charges the Democratic party with political leprosy; Ben Tillman claims to be a Democrat; therefore, Ben Tillman has the political leprosy. What is the leprosy? An incurable disease. Ben will, therefore, never be cured.

The Palmetto Post says: "A Republican, who has held office for many years, in the presence of several gentlemen in Port Royal the other day, asserted that the Tillman party was helped with money by Republicans in Washington."

It must be a disgusting sight indeed to see a lot of sensible men so carried away with their dictator or political boss as to harness themselves up and haul him around through the sash and mud like he was a god. And to think that he has on several occasions called his followers "jackasses." There is a law in human nature regarding men as in physics that of the pendulum, the farther it swings one way the farther it will go the other way when let loose. Tillman may be governor, but after he has served awhile and the nothingness of his policy begins to reveal itself there will certainly be a fall, and mightily will be that fall.—Clarendon Enterprise.

R. M. L. writing from Washington to the News and Courier says: "Senator Morgan, commenting on the Behring Sea correspondence, says that Blaine unquestionably makes the better arguments, and he accuses Salisbury of making misstatements and adds that there are three living witnesses to prove his inaccuracies. Under the circumstances Senator Morgan fears there may be trouble with England should Blaine continue in the Cabinet. On the other hand he suspects Blaine of having another attack of Presidential fever. He says he would not be surprised to see Blaine withdraw from the Cabinet and come out as a Presidential candidate, favoring a conservative tariff and a conservative Federal election policy, but aggressive in foreign affairs. Blaine's friends in Congress deny that the "Plumed Knight" has any intention of resigning and insist that his relations with the President are most friendly."

Florence Interested in the Fair.
[Florence Times.]

The premium list of the floral fair of the Darlington Agricultural and Mechanical Fair Company, together with other announcements concerning the holding of this fair on August 1st, appears elsewhere in these columns. These annual exhibitions of this society always prove of unusual and pleasant interest to the people of the Pee Dee section, and that of this year will have the usual effect of drawing together the fruit and floral products, and at the same time focalizing the interest of all those who have the welfare of this county at heart. Florence should be well represented, by the people and their fruits.

Bossism Unadulterated.

Ben Tillman is a veritable boss over his own party, if there is any meaning in that word. He starts out by declaring that he is "the only man in the State who has the brain and the nerve to lead in the Farmers' Movement." Then he has "something to do with" the preparation of the platform, and announces that those who accept it will have to "swallow Tillman. He claims to be the very life and spirit of his party. He stills the storms which are raised by his adherents by commanding them to "shut up," calls them fools and jackasses, and other equally contemptuous terms are applied to them. He waves his hand, and the tumultuous crowd is awed into silence. He shakes his finger, and a bellowing host answers to the signal. He makes base charges against honorable men, and his obedient satellites cheer and hurrah. He retracts them, and they "coo as gently as a dove." He declares he never retracts, and the air is rent with hurrahs for Ben. He reiterates his often retracted charges, and the mass of his followers applaud to the echo. He sets out with a challenge to resort to the primary plan for nominating Governor, and everybody cheers him. He concludes "since these devils want it we won't have it," and everybody says amen to that. He even dictates to the local executive committees in what building or on what lot their county meetings shall be held, and if a change is not made to suit him he refuses to speak, and "his men" uphold him in that. He is boss or nothing, and this is precisely as it ought to be—Boss Tillman or nothing.

But the most impudent exhibition of his bossism is the order to "his men" to send members to the Legislature who will do what he tells them. We have not been accustomed to such dictation, and no intelligent, high minded people would submit to it. Then he tells us the Democrats who oppose him must be "whipped into line." Can South Carolinians stomach such a man with such methods? "The head of the ticket wags the tail," as he impudently asserts.

He is not Honest.

B. R. Tillman's campaign has been nothing but an attack upon the Democratic party and its faithful and trusted officials. He has made charges which he knew to be untrue at the time he made them, for the sole purpose of arraying class against class, in order that he might be personally and politically benefitted thereby. He has engendered prejudices in the unsuspecting minds of some of our very best people that time itself can never erase, solely with the hope of obtaining power. We believe that Tillman has the party machinery in his hands, and will control it at all hazards. His election means an endorsement of the slanders he has uttered. Will the News and Courier and the gentlemen he has so foefully misrepresented ever say that the man who willfully and deliberately lies for the purpose of political honors is the proper man for Governor? An untruthful man cannot be an honest man.

The Credit of the State.

[New York Evening Post.]

WASHINGTON, July 23.—The news of the strides which the Farmers' Alliance is making in South Carolina has given great uneasiness to the members of Congress from that State on more accounts than simply because the supremacy of the reactionary element means a pretty clean sweep of the present delegation. The reports which reach here represent the financial policy of the Tillmanites as likely to do more damage to the credit of the State than even the nightmare experience of the reconstruction period. It has been the hope of the leading citizens, through continuance in control of the State Administration, to refund the 6 per cent bonded debt at 4 1/2 per cent, without doing violence to either the interests or sentiment of the creditors. The time seemed to have arrived when this would be practicable; but now it is understood that when the Tillmanites come in the creditors will be offered an exchange of their 6 per cent bonds for 3 1/2's—not with the alternative of redemption in cash, but with the ultimatum that they must take these or nothing. There is the gravest reason to believe this story true. The smaller meetings among the farmers are addressed by speakers who know that their speeches are not likely to get into the newspapers, and they seize every opportunity to work upon the cupidity of their audience. The same means are used to stir up a feeling between the "debtor" and "creditor" class that were resorted to in the campaigns in various parts of the country between 1874 and 1878. In case the Tillmanites succeed in South Carolina, they will have everything to gain by keeping faith with their constituents, and everything to lose by breaking it. Realizing this, the sober business men of the State are in great anxiety of mind concerning the future, and their correspondence with their Representatives in Congress bears abundant marks of it.

A State Primary.

Col. Joseph H. Earle recently said to a reporter of the News and Courier: "Give us a primary, and I feel assured that we can defeat Capt. Tillman. I also consider this the only plan by which the party difference can be healed. If the Convention plan is adopted, I consider that there is great danger of division, and no matter who is nominated many Democratic votes will not be polled. This will cause great danger of Democratic defeat if the Republicans organize, which I understand they will do. I am of the opinion that Capt. Tillman and his friends are afraid to trust to a vote of the people. If they are not, I cannot account for their change of tactics in regard to a primary election. Capt. Tillman himself is committed to a primary. He is not only committed by his March platform, but by his emphatic utterances on the stump.

"There was a very important incident at Georgetown, which none of the newspapers got hold of, in regard to Capt. Tillman and the primary. I asked him in the course of the debate a series of questions, one of them being if his platform did not call for a primary. He answered yes. I then asked if he had not called on General Bratton and myself in his speeches in the up-country to join him in demanding a primary. He replied to this in the affirmative. "How is it, then," I asked, "that where you carry a county the delegates are always instructed against primary?" His reply was that he was not their boss. "Don't you know," I continued, "that if your committee had advised it they would have declared in favor of primary?" He said he did not know. "Well," I asked finally, "will you go before the State Convention and advocate it?" He replied that he would, that he had always favored a primary, and if allowed to do so would make a speech to the Convention advising it. So he stands committed uncompromisingly to a primary, and if we can get it I feel sure we will win."

The Summer Meeting at Rock Hill.

Col. Thomas W. Holloway, Secretary of the State Agricultural and Mechanical Society, writes THE HERALD from Pomaria:

"In the matter of our summer meeting at Rock Hill, August 6, 7 and 8, I have secured special rates of passage for visitors, and I desire through you to say to our friends in the Eastern part of the State that by taking the train which leaves Cheraw at 8:45 and Florence at 8:25 A. M. close connection can be made at Camden junction, (10:25 A. M.) reaching Rock Hill about 2 P. M. the same day. I do hope and trust that our farmers all over the State will lay aside other matters for the time and attend the meeting, which promises great good to the farming interests of the State. The rates of passage are special for the occasion. I hope that the Rock Hill meeting will not be confounded with that of Batesburg."

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Darlington, S. C., August 1, 1890.

From Cypress.

Crops continue to look well. With plenty of rain the corn crop is safe.

Commissioner Huggins keeps busy on the go attending to his duties. Bridges and roads must be in bad condition, or perhaps he likes to ride around and see good crops, talk politics and hurrah for Earle and Bratton and if he does we agree with him.

Politics are at a high pitch at this place when fathers and sons, husbands and wives, brothers and sisters disagree and fall out, and of several young men and their sweethearts fussing—all for Tillman. Give us a primary and this trouble will stop. The Tillmanites are afraid to risk the results of a primary.

The stockholders of the Bishopville Eagle called a meeting the other day. The Anti-Tillmanites owning a majority of the stock the former editor, J. D. Shaw, was discharged because of the stand he had taken in the paper. They say they now propose to conduct it on Democratic principles.

Your correspondent has been informed that the South Carolina and Southern Railroad, that was surveyed from Cheraw by the place to Sumter is being located, the work of locating being already completed from Cheraw to Black Creek, and they are making for Sumter and expect to reach this place in about two weeks. So it seems that we are to have a railroad yet. Hurrah for Earle and the railroad!

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It is the State that is in Danger.

[Macon, Ga., Telegraph.]

Mr. Ben Tillman, candidate for Governor of South Carolina, and his brother, the Hon. George D. Tillman, a Congressman from that State, have been indulging in some very silly talk recently. Ben Tillman has asserted that he is in danger of assassination, and his brother echoes the opinion. The Democratic papers of South Carolina denounce this twaddle as a libel on the State and a slander of its people, and circumstances go to show that they are right. About all the bullying and rowdiness that have been exhibited in the present heated campaign in South Carolina have been on the part of the followers of Tillman. They have insulted every Democrat who dared to take the stump against the demagogue whom they ignorantly worship. Even noble old Wade Hampton, who has done more for the State than all the tribe of Tillmanites on one occasion when he tried to talk a little sense to them. It is not Ben Tillman that is in danger, it is South Carolina.

Notice!

Mr. Geo. Webb begs to inform his friends and patrons that he will close his Restaurant on July 17th for repairs, and will reopen July 29th for that date; and on August 4th will be prepared to furnish table board by the day, week or month. Day, 50c; week, \$3.00; month, \$12.50. He guarantees to give as good a meal for 25c as can be had in the State for 50c. Will also have a nice private dining room for ladies. Lunch from 10c to upwards. Dinner from 50c to \$1.00.
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