

For two years the Southern States have led the world in railroad construction.

The supreme court of New Hampshire has decided that sex is no disqualification for membership of the bar in that State.

COL. OATES, who is bitterly opposed to the sub-treasury scheme, has been renominated by the Democrats of the 3rd Alabama district for the sixth successive term.

FIRST Assistant Postmaster General Clarkson, the most bitter and unprincipled partisan in the Government service, has retired from office, in all likelihood to be succeeded by another of the same kind.

THE Charleston World quotes Charles A. Dana, of the New York Sun, as authority that "the convention had the right to do all that it did." Mr. Dana also says that "the Alliance is composed of haysed socialists." Now if he is good authority in the one instance, why not in the other?

SOUTH CAROLINA mourns the loss of one of her most distinguished and best beloved sons. Ex-Governor M. L. Bonham died at Waynesville, N. C., on August 27th. Gen. Bonham has held many positions of honor and trust in this his native State, and in all of them he discharged his duties faithfully.

THE second primary election in the third congressional district was held on Friday last and resulted in the nomination of Mr. George Johnson, of Newberry, for congress, over his competitor, Col. D. K. Norris, of Anderson county, by a majority of twenty-four votes. The total number of votes cast at the election was 11,082, as compared with 11,954 votes cast at the first primary.

"THE week before the Hon. W. J. Norther was nominated for Governor," relates the Atlanta, Ga., Journal, "he was short one hand in his field. He took that hand's place and dropped peas like the rest. The day before the convention he put on an apron and taught a woman to churn. Then he laid aside the apron, came to Atlanta, and in an able and patriotic speech accepted the nomination for Governor."

"LET the South alone," says the Philadelphia Record. "The best customers the people of the Northern States ever had, or ever will have, are the people of the Southern States. They buy more from us and sell us more than all the rest of the world put together. Why, then, should we harass our brethren, our partners in business, our closest friends, by legislation promotive of political disturbance or race conflicts? The South is the most attractive field now open to Northern enterprise. It cannot remain so for a day except under the undisputed domination of its white inhabitants. They, only, are the fit and proper custodians of representative government. They, only, can make life, liberty and property safe in the South. Why should we not let them alone to work out their destiny?"

The Charleston, Sumter and Northern Railroad.

This line has been in operation between Pregel's and Sumter for some time. It is pushing out into the northeastern part of the State and expects soon to have its line completed to Bennettsville. During the past year the old line from Pregel's to Vance's has been entirely rebuilt and laid with sixty-pound steel rails. The new line from Vance's to Sumter was also laid with this rail, making the main line of the road one of the finest roadbeds in the State. The Pond Bluff branch from Eatawville to the mill of the Santee River Cypress Lumber Company, which is situated at Ferguson, on the Santee River, has been constructed and opened for business. The branch from Vance's to Harlin City is being rebuilt.

The line from Sumter to Bennettsville by way of Darlington is under contract, and large forces of men are at work all along the line. When this road is completed it will be in similar manner to the other part of the road, and Charleston will then have a chance to reach Darlington and Marlboro counties, and also to get into North Carolina by way of a road that is in perfect sympathy with the city. First-class rolling stock has been put on the road within the last year, and more new equipment is now on the way. The road expects to do a large business in hauling cotton to Charleston this fall, and a still larger business in hauling fertilizers out of Charleston in the spring.

A Question of Principle.

We venture to say that Col. W. H. Evans as a candidate for School Commissioner could poll in a Democratic primary at least two-thirds of the white vote of Darlington county. While one of the Society Hill delegation in the county convention stated that they were anxious to have Col. Evans for the position but that the caucus had decided against them and they were bound by its action, we learn that the speech of the Henry Clay of that delegation was the cause of his defeat even in the caucus. Col. Evans received 61 votes, which was a majority, on the first ballot and is therefore the rightful nominee for the office to which he aspires. He has made a good and faithful officer, and there was no objection to him except that he was not a blatant Tillmanite. One of the Tillmanites, while the ballot was being taken, was heard to say, and he uttered the truth, "vote for Col. Evans, he is one of the best men in the county." Has the time come when fitness, honesty and intelligence goes for nothing? The conservative people of Darlington county on both sides owe it to their sense of justice to unite and elect Col. Evans despite the fact that there is another claiming to be the nominee.

Rather Thin.

Capt. A. A. Pollock, a lawyer in Cheraw, has announced himself as a candidate for congress from the fifth district. Mr. Hemphill, the present able incumbent, has answered all the questions of the Alliance satisfactorily except the sub-treasury and he has been fighting that bill recently throughout the district by making some fine speeches against it, which have convinced the Alliance and everybody else who has heard them that the bill will never do. Captain Pollock, now that even the Alliance is fast deserting the bill, has swallowed it with a slight reservation and is making his canvass on that issue. The two spoke in Cheraw last Thursday night, and Mr. Hemphill utterly annihilated his opponent without even alluding to his (Pollock's) position. It is rather thin for Captain Pollock to profess so much friendship for the farmers at this late day since it is said that he did not vote at all to send delegates to the county convention, but remarked that he would have voted for the Anti-Tillman delegates had he voted at all.

The People the Sufferers.

It is to be regretted that Congressman Dargan, instead of refusing to run for congress this year, did not take the stump and show the people of the district that the sub-treasury bill, which the Alliance is trying to ram down their throats, is one of the biggest humbugs ever invented by a civilized people. Whether or not Mr. Dargan thought he would be elected, we believe the Alliance would have thought more of him for fighting their pet scheme and showing it up to the light of day. Mr. Hemphill, one of Mr. Dargan's colleagues, has been making speeches against the sub-treasury, and wherever the people have heard him he has convinced them that the bill, if passed, will injure the farmer instead of helping him. But on the other hand Mr. Hemphill has shown that the bill has been framed in such a way that speculators will be given a greater hold than ever upon the farmers, whatever the intentions of the men who created it may have been. Mr. Dargan has been in congress long enough to understand how to explain to the people the workings of such an iniquitous measure, and, in speech making, is far superior to the present candidate from this district, Colonel Stackhouse. But, however, ability and argument go for nothing in these upset times, and we suppose Mr. Dargan did not relish the idea of making a lot of speeches and going to great expense and trouble all for nothing. We wish, for the sake of the people and for the satisfaction of many of his friends, he had thought otherwise.

Raw Recruits and Agile Cats.

Editor Wallace, of the Newberry Observer, was at the State convention of August 13th, and one of the telegrams to his paper run thus: "I have made it a rule for years to attend all the State conventions, and am therefore familiar with the faces that usually appear here on such occasions. There are very few familiar faces here to-day. Most of the delegates are raw recruits; as proud of their new dignity as a boy with his first pair of boots, and quite as awkward. Here and there are faces of old line politicians who, with the agility of a cat, always light on their feet, 'right side up with care.' These are the leaders of the new hosts and are in their glory to-day."

Railroad Consolidation.

We learn from the Sumter Advance that a meeting has been called of railroad officials and stockholders to consider the advisability of consolidating the Charleston, Sumter and Northern and the Bennettsville and Cheraw Railroads. The meeting will be held on September 15.

Peterson's Magazine.

"The Best for the Ladies," is only needed to look at the September number of "Peterson" to decide that it is the best magazine for ladies. The fashions are always accurate and novel, and the varied departments are kept up to the highest standard. Lovers of good literature will always find gratification for their tastes in the fiction, poetry and miscellaneous articles. This number has an illustrated article on Bamboo furniture, full of useful suggestions and artistic designs, and a paper on the preservation of Autumn leaves will delight all flower lovers. Two serials are running, as unlike as they are original and interesting, and the short stories are all worthy of commendation. "Things Worth Knowing" is for the benefit of housekeepers this month, and Dr. Abram Livey has an article on children's diseases which every mother ought to read. Terms, Two Dollars a year. Address, Peterson's Magazine, 206 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

The State Fair.

On page 10 of the Premium List of the State Agricultural and Mechanical Society for the present year, will be found the offer of Premiums amounting in the aggregate to \$500, for the Counties making the best display of County Products, to be shown at the Fair November 10, 1890. The requirements are: "To the County making the Best and Largest Display of Products grown or produced by residents of the County, Premiums will be awarded as follows: 1st Premium, \$250; 2nd Premium, \$150; 3rd Premium \$100. In all, \$500. All Grain must be shown in quantities not less than one-half bushel. The Judges making the award in this contest, will consider first, Quality; second, Quantity; third, Variety; and fourth, Arrangement. Articles for the County display will not count in the Individual Premium."

I beg that you call special attention to this feature, and urge your County to be a competitor in the contest. Aside from the money involved, County pride should stimulate our farmers to enter heartily into the matter, and thus show the progress of Agriculture in our State. I take it that the most effective plan would be for the several County Alliances from the Sub-Alliances, to canvass the matter at an early day, and thus become organized, so that by the first of November each County will be able to know what will be shown, and at what Railroad Station shipments will be made. Railroads require prepayment of freight, but upon its return to the original point of shipment, with the Certificate of the Secretary that the same had been on exhibition, the amount will be refunded. I will be pleased to furnish a copy of the Premium List to all who may apply to THOS. W. HOLLOWAY, Secretary, Pomaria, S. C.

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Town and County.

Dog days. The nights are getting longer and cooler.

The water works is at a standstill. Why is this?

Darlington ought to have an ice factory next season.

Mr. J. M. James has sold his young dog Harley for \$100.

Mrs. M. Manne lost a valuable horse on Friday morning.

A regular meeting of the County Commissioners was held on Monday.

Rev. J. G. Law preached at the factory last Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

The price of flour is increasing. We hope the price of cotton will increase in the same proportion.

The congressional convention of this, the sixth, district will meet at Florence on September 9th.

Five hundred and twenty-five bales of cotton were received at the depot for shipment in August.

The next session of the Darlington Public Schools will begin September 22. See notice elsewhere.

The Cheraw and Palmetto base ball clubs will play a game at Palmetto the latter part of this week.

Owing to a washout at Gandy's, between Society Hill and Doves, the morning mail train was two hours behind time on Friday.

An excursion of colored people from Georgetown to Cheraw passed up the road on Friday, just behind the morning freight train.

Policeman Henry Brown was called on yesterday to shoot a dog supposed to have rabies at the residence of Mrs. Gillespie on Main Street.

An expert from Baltimore arrived in the city yesterday to take charge of the canning factory. He expects to start to-day.

Woods & Woods have received and opened their stock of fall and winter goods and would be pleased to have their friends call and see them.

Mr. John F. Tobin, of Charleston, was in the city this week, making an estimate to lay the pipes for the water works.

If a Tillmanite gets into trouble, why does he rush to the Anti-Tillmanites to prove his good character; who not get his own followers to certify to him.

Cotton is coming in at a rapid rate, and the "business season" is upon us. We trust the farmers will get good prices for their cotton the whole season through.

The cotton business has now fairly opened, and from the amount of new cotton coming in a splendid season is predicted by Darlington cotton buyers.

The game law prohibits the shooting of doves between the 1st of March and the 1st of August; partridges, from the 1st of April to the 1st of November.

Mr. A. W. Welling, the efficient manager of the Darlington planing mill company, is putting in a full stock of sash, doors and blinds. This will be quite a convenience to those who are building.

During the collection at the Presbyterian church on Sunday morning a beautiful solo was sung by Miss Bessie Williamson, a young soprano, of our town, who is quite an addition to the musical talent of the place.

It is a fact that no man can be nominated for an office in this county if it is known that the people of the town of Darlington favor him, no matter how competent or honest the candidate may be. How long can this thing last?

Mrs. John S. Swygert, of Columbia, has rented the store recently occupied as a book store on the first floor of the HERALD building and is opening a fine stock of millinery. We are glad to welcome Mrs. Swygert among us and hope she will succeed.

Capt. H. L. Townsend, of Charleston, is in the city negotiating for the stock of groceries of the late L. L. McGee. Capt. Townsend is an energetic and enterprising man and we hope that he will locate among us.

Messrs. J. J. Lucas, J. C. Wilcox, J. J. Ward, J. C. Blackwell, G. W. Brown, W. E. James, C. A. Seabrook, Alva Cogshall and Waddy Thompson represented Darlington county in the Straightout conference in Columbia last week.