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CURRENT TOPICS.

WHAT YOU KNOW AND WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW.

Personals and Short Items of Interest to the Local and General Reader.

Maj. J. W. Whilden, of Greenville, is in town.

Mr. Harry Griffin is visiting friends at Society Hill.

Mr. P. A. Wilcox is back from Harvard University.

Mrs. H. C. East is visiting friends in Charleston county.

Mr. P. A. Wilcox, of Florence, spent Monday in town.

Mr. J. W. Whilden, of Greenville, spent Sunday in town.

Mr. Hasell Brand, of Sumter, is visiting friends in town.

Miss Bertie Wardlaw is visiting friends in Florence county.

Mr. R. F. Woods has returned from the Vanderbilt University.

Miss Lee Jones, of Columbia, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Carlisle.

Miss Alice Parrott is visiting friends and relatives in Sumter.

Miss Jane Preston, of Virginia, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Law.

Miss Tillie Wolkovskik is returned from a visit to New York.

Mr. Keith Charles, a former resident, is on a visit to his old home.

Dr. and Mrs. Preston, of Florida, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Law.

Mr. L. W. Lyde is visiting the family of Rev. E. J. Forrester at Greenwood.

Miss Cora Davis has returned from Charleston, where she has been attending school.

Miss Nellie McCullough will leave on Monday to spend the summer in the up country.

The dispensary will be opened in the new building of Mr. S. Marco on the west side of the square.

Mrs. J. J. Forman, wife of the superintendent of the electric light works, has returned to Darlington.

Rev. A. J. Stafford, of Conway, a former pastor of the Methodist church, was in town on Wednesday.

Cyrus Bell, a well known old colored man, the father of policeman Dozier Bell died on Friday of last week.

Mr. B. O. Bristow and family left yesterday for Sullivan's Island where they will enjoy the sea breeze for a few weeks.

Miss Mattie Heaton will leave this afternoon for Hartsville, where she will remain for several weeks as the guest of Miss Laura Lucas.

Miss Clara Dunn, of Columbia, who came over to attend the wedding of Mr. Wardlaw and Miss Edwards, returned to her home on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Shaw, Jr., Misses Thomas, Covington and McGowan, of Laurinburg, N. C., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Norment.

Mr. Sam Manne is in New York, having gone to witness the marriage of his sister, Miss Carry, which event occurred on last Tuesday night.

There was a moonlight picnic at Muldrow's Mill last night, which was very largely attended. Some of the young folks from town were present.

The union service was held on Sunday night at the Presbyterian church, and the congregation was a good one. Rev. J. E. Carlisle preached the sermon.

Mr. Frank Wardlaw left this week to attend the Moody Summer School in Pittsfield Mass. He goes as a delegate from the Y. M. C. A. of Davidson College.

Messrs. William and Robert Coker, Harry East and Eugene Bacot have all returned from the South Carolina College. Mr. Bacot was the only graduate from this county.

Mrs. E. A. Gistney, and daughter, Miss Rebecca, will leave Darlington in a short time and take up their residence in Chatanooga, where her son has been residing for some years.

Miss Lily Welling, of Charleston, who has been spending some time with Mrs. West, will return to her home on Saturday. Miss Lizzie East will accompany her and remain several weeks.

Mr. V. C. Milling, a former resident, who has been living in Texas for the past seven or eight years, is visiting friends and relatives at his old home. He likes Texas and has done well in a business way.

Rev. Jno. Stout, the pastor of the Baptist Church, will leave on Monday to be absent about three weeks, his congregation having granted him a vacation for that length of time. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Stout and they will spend the time at the Hammocks.

Rev. J. G. Law, the pastor of the Presbyterian Church, will spend two months of the summer on Sullivan's Island, and while there will supply the pulpit of the first Presbyterian Church of Charleston, during the absence of its pastor. He has made arrangements to have his pulpit supplied here.

INJUNCTION GRANTED.

The Dispensary Will Not Open Tomorrow.

C. S. Nettles, Esq., who was engaged by the citizens to represent them in their fight against the dispensary has lost no time in getting his case ready.

Yesterday in Bennettsville he was granted a temporary injunction by Judge Hudson, and as a consequence the State dispensary will not open tomorrow.

On next Thursday the case will be heard before Judge Hudson in the court house of Darlington, and the question will be definitely decided.

The injunction was granted upon the ground that Mr. J. Buckner Floyd was not entitled to fill the position, i. e., that he did not have a majority of the freeholders signed to his petition; that he had not complied with the law in regard to persons filling the position of dispenser; and several law technicalities.

THE HERALD reporter endeavored to find Mr. Floyd, but he was not in the city.

Trial Justice Floyd had nothing to say in regard to the matter, but Mr. G. W. Brown, of the firm of Boyd & Brown, Mr. J. B. Floyd's legal advisers, said: "There is no question of Mr. Floyd's ability to sustain the entire validity of his petition and he will make the fight with full confidence of winning."

As is well known Mr. W. Perry Carter, one of the board of control, refused to sign any of the dispensary papers, not being satisfied with the mode of procedure.

The injunction further requires Mr. Floyd and the members of the board of control to appear before Judge Hudson to show cause why the board should issue a permit for Mr. Floyd to dispense liquors.

The fight is on now in dead earnest and we shall see what we shall see.

A Swindler.

On Tuesday a stranger made his appearance in town, claiming to be the agent for some musical periodical. He managed to secure about fifteen dollars before any suspicion was aroused in regard to his reliability.

The chief of police thinking that it might be the same man that had been advertised as having worked his game in other places, ordered him to leave town which he did without ceremony. It is a standing marvel why people will persist in paying over money to strangers, especially in view of the fact that the newspapers are constantly warning them against such folly. People who lose money through no fault of their own are always entitled to sympathy, but no one feels the least sorry for those who are duped by almost every plausible swindler that makes his appearance. Of course there are a great many agents for books and magazines that are perfectly responsible who have no trouble in making themselves known, but where a man cannot do this it is far safer to let him severely alone. Swindling would soon cease if people did not allow themselves to be so easily imposed upon. If you have money that you don't need put it in the banks where it will be taken care of and kept out of the hands of swindlers.

The Board of Health.

The council has appointed a board of health and we sincerely trust that its members will visit the tomb where the embalmed remains of their predecessors are kept and take warning from their untimely demise, and not allow themselves to share the same fate. The members of the former board fell into a death like trance just after they were appointed, and after remaining in a comatose state for about two years and showing no signs of life, their remains were embalmed, out of respect to them as private citizens and with tender and reverent hands consigned to tomb in the town museum, where they might enjoy the same repose that had been characteristic of them in their official capacity. Their simple epitaph is the following inscription: "Here continues the repose of the Darlington Board of Health."

Excursion to Augusta.

On Thursday, July 6, there will be an excursion from Gibson, N. C. to Augusta, Ga. The train will pass Darlington at 7 a. m., and tickets for the round trip will be sold at the low rate of \$1.50.

Light coats and vests for the summer weather selling very low at Blackwell Bros.

Tobacco

Man who has had experience in office of warehouse in large North Carolina tobacco town seeks position as warehouse clerk. Excellent references. Lock Box 141, Chester, S. C.

ON THE HILL.

HAPPENINGS AT THE FACTORY THIS WEEK.

Personal Paragraphs Pertaining to Visiting People—Improvements and Other News.

Mr. J. P. Coleman is with his family for a day or so.

There will be no preaching at the hall next Sunday afternoon.

Mr. John Douglas spent Saturday at his old home in Dovesville.

Mr. Wade Smith has returned from a visit in Williamsburg county.

Mrs. Henrietta Edens, of St. Stephens, is visiting her father, Mr. T. E. David.

Master Jamie Wardlaw will be employed in the machine shop during his school vacation.

Mr. A. R. Lane is hauling material to build Mr. G. T. Brown a cottage on south Broad street.

Mr. J. W. Norment has been dangerously ill from the effects of an over dose of laudanum.

The mill is filling an order for four hundred thousand yards of Standard A sheeting to go to Shanghai, China.

The Woman's Mission Society will hold their regular monthly meeting next Sunday afternoon at the hall. The members are requested to attend.

The excursion to the Hammocks last Saturday was a grand success in every particular, and will be long remembered by all of those who spent the day in surf bathing and sight seeing.

Clemson College.

So far as we are able to judge the trustees of Clemson College have made a good choice in electing Professor Craighead president, and the selection of such a successful teacher will do much to make this institution a success. For several years Professor Craighead has filled, with marked ability, one of the chairs at Wofford College, and his departure from that place will be very much regretted by all the friends of the college. The selection of a man for this important position, from any other profession, would under existing circumstances have been unwise, and it speaks well for the intelligence of the trustees that they should have taken a trained and successful teacher to be placed at the head of an institution from which so much good is expected.

Going to Columbia.

Rev. W. A. Guerry, who has been rector of the Episcopal church at this place ever since its organization, has been elected by the vestry of Trinity Episcopal church in Columbia to succeed Dr. Capers, who has recently been elected assistant Bishop of the diocese. Trinity church has one of the largest and most intelligent congregations in the State, and Mr. Guerry's election is a high compliment to his ability and zeal. His departure to a larger field of work will be sincerely mourned by the members of the Episcopal church, both in Florence and Darlington, and also by many friends that belong to other churches. Mr. Guerry is only thirty-two years old.

Keep Boring.

It is a matter of profound regret that both of our sister towns, Florence and Marion have met with failure in their efforts to have a bountiful supply of pure water. After going down very deep no good stream of water has been tapped and the expense of boring the wells will bring no return. It seems very strange that Darlington which is more elevated than either of these towns should have struck an abundant supply after going down only 325 feet. There is nothing so conducive to good health as fine water, and this well has been of incalculable benefit to the town in this way. We sincerely trust that our Florence and Marion friends may yet be fortunate enough to get at least a sufficient quantity of water for drinking purposes. If they were near enough we could supply them.

May Lose His Eyes.

On Thursday night of last week, Policeman Dozier Bell received an injury that may cost him the sight of both eyes. He had just started to put a colored woman, Mary Jane Malloy, in one of the cells at the guard house, when without the least warning she grabbed a handful of lime from a keg that happened to be in the corridor and threw it in his eyes. The assault was so entirely unexpected that he had no time to get against it and both eyes were filled with this dangerous substance. Just as soon as he is able to appear Trial Justice Dargen will hold a preliminary trial and his assailant will be bound over to appear at the sessions court. In a case of this kind conviction means a pretty long term of service in the penitentiary. Policeman Bell is one of the best colored men in the town and met with this misfortune while in the discharge of his duty.

Straw hats at cost for cash at Blackwell Bros.

IN THE OPERA HOUSE.

The Wonderful Performance Given by Professor Goshann.

There was a very large audience in the opera house on Friday night to witness the exhibition of Goshann, the mind reader, and it may be safely asserted that they felt repaid for turning out, as he unquestionably gave not only a very interesting entertainment, but a very surprising one as well. However one may disbelieve in this so-called mind reading, it is extremely difficult, if not impossible to account intelligibly for some of his feats.

Of course very few people are so simple as to believe that any one is endowed with the supernatural power to read the thoughts and feelings of another, but the statement of this fact perhaps adds to the difficulty of solving this strange power. Of course it is manifest that, without being in the least conscious of it, the person who has secreted some article, guides him to the place where it is concealed, but in what way the intelligence is communicated presents a problem that we leave to some scientific specialist to solve, merely contenting ourselves with a statement of what he accomplished. After stating what he proposed doing he asked that some gentlemen in the audience would come on the stage in order that his power might be put to the test. The following gentlemen responded, and their high character is sufficient evidence that there could not have been any collusion with him: Messrs. J. J. Ward, J. B. Law, C. S. McCullough, A. C. McFall, C. B. Edwards, W. B. Brunson and H. A. Edwards. These gentlemen were all requested to hide some small article, and after doing so he would take each one separately and go to the place where the article was hidden and find it. He was blindfolded, but the feat would not have been much less surprising if he had not used the bandage as he was guarded in one of the dressing rooms while the different articles were being hid. All he asked was that the person who hid the article would keep his mind on the place where it was concealed, and then when the exhibitor led him to the place to fix his mind upon the object that had been hidden. In some cases it took him much longer to find the articles than with the others, but in all it was only a question of time when the objects hidden would be produced. Probably his most surprising feat was in letting Mr. H. A. Edwards go through the motion of cutting a man's throat and then concealing the knife. In addition to this he (Mr. Edwards) borrowed several knives and other articles from persons in the audience and concealed them. The knife with which the murder was found as well as the murdered man. In addition to this all the other articles were found and restored to their owners. He is either a most consummate actor or it was a great strain on his physical system as he gave every indication of great exhaustion after the performance. Of course the possession and exercise of this seemingly mysterious power has not the least practical value but despite this it presents a fascinating field for investigation on the part of those who have the ability to throw some light on it. The thing is not new, but it is, we believe, the first exhibition of the kind ever given in Darlington. Aside from its mysteriousness and interest this exhibition possesses the rare merit of being exactly as it is advertised.

Drinking Congaree Water.

If it should ever be the misfortune of Columbia to meet the fate of Herulanum and Pompeii, and be overwhelmed with hot ashes from a volcano; or the scientists of the thirty-eight century when they uncover the ruins of the once beautiful city will be puzzled to account for the presence of so many exquisitely moulded human images and will tender due tribute to the artistic skill of the people of what to them will be very far back, that remote period of the world's history. Despite their utmost research they will find nothing to give them the clue to the existence of these images, as every vestige of their origin will long since have disappeared. They will not, however, be the creation of some matchless sculptor, but simply the bodies of the inhabitants that, by a gradual process, had been converted into clay by the persistent drinking of the Congaree water.

An Accident.

On Tuesday afternoon while one of McCullough & Blackwell's hacks was entering the square, on Exchange street, one of the rear wheels struck the post on the corner and was badly smashed. The horses became badly frightened, but fortunately the driver was cool and skillful and held on, thereby preventing a very serious and costly accident. With the assistance of some of the bystanders they were stopped and unhitched from the vehicle before any more damage was done. Neither of the horses received a scratch, and aside from the broken wheel the vehicle was not much damaged.

ORGANIZATION

OF THE SURVIVING CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

The Convention Held in New Orleans—Objects of the Association—United Confederate Veterans.

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 3, 1889. To the Ex-Soldiers and Sailors of the Confederate States of America:

The convention of delegates from the different states assembled in New Orleans, June 10, 1889, effected a general organization known as the "United Confederate Veterans." It is designed as an association of all the bodies of ex-Confederate Veterans and Sailors throughout the Union. The convention adopted a constitution and did me the great honor to elect me General, which I accept with peculiar gratification. Preliminary to the issue of any orders I wish to call general attention to the

OBJECTS OF THIS ASSOCIATION, and to enlist in their accomplishment the active co-operation not only of every survivor of Southern armies, but also that large contingent of sons of veterans, who, too young to have received the baptism of fire, have nevertheless received with you the baptism of suffering and sacrifice.

The first article of the constitution of the association declares: "The object and purpose of this organization will be strictly social, literary, historical and benevolent. It will endeavor to unite in a general federation all associations of the Confederate veteran, soldiers and sailors now in existence or hereafter to be formed; to gather authentic data for an impartial history of the war between the states; to preserve the relics or mementoes of the same; to cherish friendship that should exist among the men who have shared common dangers, common suffering and privations; to care for the disabled and extend a helping hand to the needy; to protect the widow and orphan and to make and preserve the record of the services of every member, and as far as possible, of those of our comrades who have preceded us in eternity."

The last article provides that neither discussion of political or religious subjects nor any political action shall be permitted in the organization and any association violating that provision shall forfeit its membership.

GOOD OBJECTS.

Comrades, no argument is needed to secure for those objects your enthusiastic endorsement. They have burdened your thoughts for many years, you have cherished them in sorrow, poverty and humiliation. In the face of misconception you have held them in your hearts with the strength of religious convictions. No misjudgment can defeat your peaceful purposes for the future. Your aspirations have been lifted by the mere force and urgency of surrounding conditions to a plane far above the paltry consideration of partisan triumphs. The honor of the American Republic, the just powers of the federal government, the equal rights of states, the integrity of the constitutional union, the sanctions of law and the enforcement of order have no class of defenders more true and devoted than the ex-soldiers of the South and their worthy descendants. But you realize the great truth that a people without the memories of heroic suffering and sacrifice are

A PEOPLE WITHOUT A HISTORY.

To cherish such memories and recall such a past, whether crowned with success or consecrated in defeat, is to idealize principle and strengthen character, intensify love of country and convert defeat and disaster into pillars of support for future manhood and noble womanhood. Whether the Southern people under changed conditions may ever hope to witness another civilization which shall equal that which began with Washington and ended with their day, it is certainly true that the memory of their glorious past is not only the surest guarantee of future progress and the holiest bond of unity, but is also the strongest claim they can present to the confidence and respect of the Union.

NON-POLITICAL.

In conclusion I beg to repeat, in substance at least, a few thoughts recently expressed by me to the state organization which apply with equal force to this general brotherhood.

It is political in no sense except so far as the word "political" is a synonym of the word "patriotic." It is a brotherhood over which the genius of philanthropy and patriotism, of truth and of justice will preside; of philanthropy, because it will succor the disabled, help the needy, strengthen the weak and cheer the disconsolate; of patriotism, because it will cherish the past glories of the dead Confederacy and transmit them in living inspirations for future service to the living republic; of truth, because it will seek to gather and preserve as witnesses for history the unimpeachable facts which shall doom falsehood to die that truth may live; of justice, because it will

JULIA FORCE.

TRIAL FOR THE MURDER OF HER TWO SISTERS.

The Story of the Horrible Crime Retold—Acquittal on the Plea of Insanity.

ATLANTA, Ga., June 29.—Miss Julia Force was put on trial today for the murder of her two sisters last February. The family is one of fine connections and social standing. Miss Force planned the murder carefully, and after having committed it walked to police headquarters and surrendered. She had kept for a year or more, and all through it appeared her intention of some time killing her sisters.

Comparatively little trouble was experienced in getting a jury. The prisoner entered the court room with the widow of ex-Governor Conley. She is defended by Smith, Glenn & Smith, Secretary Hoke Smith's law firm, and John Hardeman, a cousin. Secretary Smith's partners are associate counsel. Solicitor Charles Hill represented the State. Miss Force's mother and two brothers were in court, sitting near the prosecuting attorney. Bishop Kinloch Nelson, of the Episcopal Diocese of Georgia, was a spectator and subsequently a witness.

The most important witness called by the prosecution, and the most interesting, was John C. Olmstead. He was acquainted with the two sisters who were killed and with Miss Julia Force. He was called to the house soon after the murder and made the examination of the bodies. He has frequently visited Miss Force since she was arrested and talked with her as to the motives and causes of the crime. He testified to conversations with the prisoner, and said: "My first interview with her after the killing was on the following morning at police headquarters. Nobody was present but Miss Julia Force and myself. She told me she had done the shooting, and gave two accounts of the killing of Miss Minnie—one, that the shot was fired just as Miss Minnie turned her head after being spoken to by herself (Miss Julia) and the other that she (Miss Julia) was in front of Miss Minnie when the shot was fired. [The first account is the one consistent with the location of the wound.] She had to remove them, she said, on account of unhappiness at home—that her brothers had not treated her right."

"What grievance had she against her sisters?"

"She said her brothers had been unkind to her and she thought her sisters were the cause of it."

"What special unkindness?"

"She talked about it in a general way, mentioning one grievance, specifically—that affair at the dry goods store."

This referred to an order given by one of her brothers to a merchant not to let Julia buy anything on a credit, as she was not responsible.

"But what motive had she for murdering her sisters?"

"She thought they inspired her brothers to treat her unkindly."

"She told me," continued Dr. Olmstead, "that she had prayed that it might not be, but she had to kill them."

"Why that day?"

"Well, the order given High & Co. not to allow her any more credit was to her mind the culmination of a long series of persecutions. She thought it disgraced her. She said her purpose in killing her sisters was to be hung for murder, and thus disgrace her family. That was the reason she did not kill her brother Albie. She had reserved for him a punishment more terrible than death—that of having him see her hung for the murder of her two sisters. She had fully expected to be hung, and grieved in the thought that such a death would disgrace her brother Albie."

The defense was insanity, and such a strong case made out that before the evidence was half in, acquittal was predicted. The State was not able to successfully combat the defense with testimony. Bishop Nelson testified that his conversation with the prisoner was satisfied she was insane. The State insisted that the results were real, no delusions, and that she was sane when she shot her two sisters—Minnie first, down stairs and then Florence, the invalid, up stairs.

The jury returned a verdict of not guilty, on the grounds of insanity.

Darlington Boys.

Among the recent graduates at the South Carolina College was Mr. E. C. Bacot, of Hartsville. We copy the following from the examinations. In the junior class Mr. W. C. Coker was highly distinguished in the following branches, chemistry and astronomy, distinguished in psychology and chemistry and proficient in mathematics. In the sophomore class H. H. Rast was proficient in French, German and chemistry. In the freshmen class R. E. Coker was highly distinguished in French and mathematics, distinguished in Latin and English and proficient in history. There were very few students at the college from Darlington this year.

Do you want the best household sewing machine on the market, then buy the "New Home" No. 9 or Standard of Blackwell Bros.