

Shocking.

A wave of crime and bloodshed seems to be sweeping over this State. Why is this so? Can it be attributable to the present State officers? We think that Tillman's administration has been marked with more bloodshed than has any administration for the last quarter of a century.

It seems literally no harm to kill a negro in Louisiana. If a white man in either Edgefield or Laurens county should break open the door of a negro's house and the negro should shoot the midnight assassin, we have no doubt that the negro would be promptly convicted of murder and expeditiously hanged.

Murder is rampant and there is scarcely a town in the State whose streets have not been stained with human blood. The daily newspapers in the recital of crime, lead us to wonder if we are in a state of peace.

If the present rate of demoralization goes on, open war might be proclaimed in South Carolina before the expiration of another term of an administration which has been so marked with blood. If there is one thing more than another which notes the inefficiency and the demoralizing effect of this administration, it is found in bloodshed.

It will require jurors to exercise a stern duty to check the present lawlessness. If the government does have the demoralizing effect, and is responsible for it, then our juries are the only safety of the country.

The Prohibitionists Gain Their Request.

After considerable correspondence between Hon. L. D. Childs and Democratic State Chairman Irby, the Chairman gets down to business and in the following letter grants everything the Prohibitionists ask:

Washington, D. C., June 16, 1892. Hon. L. D. Childs, Chairman Prohibition Committee, Columbia, S. C. Dear Sir: I am in receipt of your letter of recent date and beg to say in reply that I fully comprehend the whole question upon which you write. The executive committee will be pleased to comply with the request of the State Prohibition Convention recently held in Columbia by placing a leaf at each primary election precinct, in which the Democratic electors may express their wishes upon the question of prohibition or prohibitionists.

The temperance campaign may be said to be fairly on. Let every man do his duty, and let no voter give his vote for any candidate who dodges the vital question.

The election of Sheppard or Tillman is a matter of small concern when compared to the morals and sobriety of the people. The will of the people will show that we do not want licensed saloons, and we should be careful to elect no candidate who does not stand flat-footed on the temperance platform.

Don't Commit Yourselves.

We learn that persons mean to hold a meeting next Saturday, with a view to naming the candidates for whom the people must vote at the primary election.

A convention or caucus should nominate twelve delegates to the State Convention for the simple reason that the primary is the real election in that case. The primary is intended to ascertain the choice of the people for the regular or general election, and self-constituted bosses, under whatever pretext have no right to name the candidates who may be allowed to go before the primary election.

While we are not in politics, and claim no special knowledge of the sentiment of our people, yet we believe that there are some members of the Alliance and the Farmer's Movement who will kick if anybody attempts to put a ring in their nose.

For this reason we would suggest that candidates who are forbidden to run, refuse to commit themselves to the arbitrary and dictatorial usurpation of their supreme right as an American citizen.

If Alliance men and Farmer's Movement men will refuse to allow any and everybody to put rings in their noses, and will present themselves to the people as candidates, asserting their rights as citizens, the boss-mate ticket will be buried out of sight. The anti and every other intelligent voter who claims sense enough to choose his own candidate, will enter a protest against any such measure.

The Same Old Story.

An old man in Lancaster county was robbed recently of \$1000, and shot. This was the third time he had been assaulted and robbed. Several years ago he was beaten and robbed of \$1000 or \$500. Some time after that he was again assaulted and robbed of several thousand dollars.

We don't often give advice, but if we were to do so, we would advise the "free and unlimited coinage" advocates, and any sub-treasury lunatics that may be at large, not to keep large amounts of money in their houses. The anti's put their money in one of the banks, whose advertisements may be found here, and, for this reason, they are in no danger of being killed for their money. When men keep cash about their houses they do an act which is not only foolish, but is akin to offering a reward to crime. By advertisement in the Press and Banner it will be seen that some of the banks will take good care of money without charge, and that one of them will not only keep the money safely but will pay a fair interest in the savings department.

Notes from the Nation.

Nation, S. C., June 18, 1892. General Green has us surrounded, but we will not surrender yet. I think that by the 14th of October there will be a chance to escape.

Rev. Whittaker delivered an excellent address to a large concourse of hearers on last Sabbath.

Miss Lee Bowen and Miss Nora Sewright, two charming young ladies from Antreville, gave the Nation a welcome call on last Sabbath.

Profanity is used by some of the good church men as well as by "Honest Ben Tillman."

That man is a friend to the farmer who lends him money at ten per cent. when the lawful rate is only eight.

From the stand General Green and his army are taking we believe that Mr. W. M. Baker will have competition in the hay business. The two twenty-four teams belonging to Mr. W. E. Baker died recently. He was brought from Mississippi here by Mr. Geo. M. Smith twelve years ago, and is the oldest dog that we ever remember.

Brother farmers don't put men into office that are continually changing. Some of them go from side to side as a small boat at sea would without a rudder.

Mr. Gus Hall and his fair magnet from the Carwell Institute worshipped at Bell's on last Sabbath.

Wouldn't Let Him Run for Congress.

ANDERSON AND ABBEVILLE.

Editor Langston Comes to Abbeville and Meets Anderson Men and Other Friends.

We spent Saturday and Sunday in our neighbor town, Abbeville, and while there was the guest of Editor Wilson, of the ever reliable and interesting Press and Banner. To say that our visit was a most enjoyable one is to feebly express it, for we never fail to enjoy ourselves or learn some valuable information while in the company of brother Wilson, who is justly recognized as one of the best country journalists in the South, and then, too, we have many friends in the old town who are always glad to greet us.

Abbeville is not progressing rapidly, she is apparently holding her own. The G. C. & N. R. R. is now completed, and running two through trains each way daily. This road is a most valuable addition to the town, and ought to stir up her citizens to renewed energy, zeal and progress. Among the Anderson men who have adopted Abbeville as their home, we had the pleasure of meeting Messrs. Chas. D. and Scott Brown, F. A. Spellman, J. C. Cox and Dr. Frank E. Harrison. The first named is the R. & D. R. agent, and is assisted by his brother. We heard some very high compliments paid him for the courteous, accommodating and efficient manner in which he discharges his duties. Mr. Spellman is head salesman for Heath & Co., the leading firm of the town, and is highly esteemed by his friends. Mr. Cox says he is pleased with Abbeville and has made many friends there. Dr. Harrison is practicing medicine, is very popular with the people, and we are glad that he is succeeding finely. The doctor has recently taken into himself a most charming life companion, and, of course, is happy and contented. We have never seen the farmers more enthusiastic in spirits. These things come so seldom till it really makes them feel proud.

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Board of Corporators. Abbeville, S. C., Feb. 5, 1891.

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