

## A TRIP TO AIKEN.

**WHAT A WIDE-AWAKE WOMAN CAN SEE BY THE WAY.**

Aiken the Eden of South Carolina.

Editors Press and Banner:  
 On May 7th we went to Aiken to visit our daughter Miss Marie Cromer, who has taught in that county for three years and is now the President of the Aiken County Rural School Improvement Association.

We spent the night in Greenwood. This obviated the necessity of getting up at four in the morning to make railway connections. We then boarded the S.S. train for Charleston and Western Carolina. The towns in Abbeville County on this road are prosperous looking and have many beautiful modern homes. At Bradley we saw the home of the first President of the South Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station and W. C. B. viz. the Hon. P. H. Bradley, the man whose intellect, means and energy were a main factor in opening up this fine farming section and giving it to railway facilities.

As soon as we reached McCormick territory many fine orchards of Elberta peaches were to be seen. These orchards grow larger and more frequent after crossing the river into North Augusta. Sometimes the trees would be in a bare second field. These trees seem to be thirty but we were assured that the fruit was much finer and larger where the orchards were cultivated and fertilized.

We reached Augusta on time. On entering the city the warehouse and factories of Perkins Lumber Co., seemed somehow familiar, for nearly every one in Abbeville County has at some time or other ordered goods from this sterling firm. We had often wondered where they sourced their unending supply of lumber but we no longer wonder for all Aiken County seems to have cut its oaks and pines.

Our daughter met us and took us to the Geneva Hotel on Jackson and Broad St. It is perfect in its appointments and service and is run upon the European plan. Here we met Mrs. Harris of Spartanburg, who was formerly our life friend, Miss Hattie Lee Poole, of Columbia, now grown into a stately and beautiful woman. We took the ten o'clock trolley to Aiken at the Confederate Monument on Broad Street. A private soldier stands upon the highest pedestal, on the west base at each corner, stands a Confederate General. This is the grandest and most beautiful monument erected to the memory of the Confederate soldiers that we have ever seen. It is a credit to the high generalship of the stranger within their gates to make a just estimate of a noble people.

After crossing the majestic Savannah (half of which belongs to South Carolina) into North Augusta, S. C., the first sight that met our eyes was the magnificent hotel Hampton Terrace. It is upon a high bluff overlooking the river. It is five stories high and seems to occupy acres of ground. During the winter it is filled with Northern tourists.

In and beyond North Augusta the orchards are highly cultivated. The whole town is so beautiful with flowers and vine and trees, and so exquisitely clean that it seems to be on a dress parade. Then we came to the hills. Just think of it, six large cotton mills on one trolley line in less than a mile or two miles. The water is furnished by Horse Creek, a stream about the size of our Long Creek. We think this wonderful creek should have been named Elephant Creek since it has six splendid cotton mills upon its banks.

"The Park in the Pines" is another hotel for winter tourists. It is set down in the deep country in the midst of all pines, but the trolley "fetches and carries" tourists so that it is filled all winter to its utmost capacity. This one trolley does all this. It is beyond praise. A trolley line makes a new country. It is far reaching in its benefits. The farmer can sell at a good price anything that is good to eat. We saw a field of onions and were told about onions in this country. They would be sold at 10c a bushel. We thought of the bushels and bushels that had been lost at our home in former years for lack of a market. Along the trolley line was the most prosperous country we had seen. We were told also that the majority of the stock in these six mills on this line was subscribed by Northerners. Now then if Abbeville county should have her resources written up, her magnificent water power, her abundant and illustrious water, her unmatched drinking water, her mild climate, with only one month of severe weather, her low rate of taxation, her low death rate, her fruits and flowers, if these were put down in a book, written up and illustrated, and some able man or woman sent North to talk up Abbeville, we might have a dozen mills upon Long Cape and a trolley also here in our historic back.

Long Cape creek is merely used as an illustration. Fenney's or Park's creek or any of the numerous Fort Pickens creeks would afford water for a cotton mill pond. A large knitting mill is being built in Aiken county and a few miles from Aiken. It will do not cost nearly so much as a knit mill.

Knit products are worn by the entire population, and, hence, find a ready market at home. Thousands of dollars could be kept at home in Abbeville had a knitting mill. It is said also that the knitted products made in the South are more durable than those made further North. For years we have heard of the fine quality of the goods made by the Columbia knitting mill.

Alongside the trolley line the lovely pond lilies grow in profusion. The pines and oaks have been sawed into lumber and all the trees are of small growth.

In the city of Aiken, besides the Hotel Aiken there is another park. Land seems to have been as free of cost as air. We hope some patriotic citizen will write a sketch of the noble minded man who laid off streets of such superb width and gave so much room to trees and parks.

We attended the Annual Meeting of the Rural School Improvement Association. Miss Marie Cromer, the President, presided and made a fine report of the good work done this year. Superintendent of Education Seligler made an interesting talk. He was followed by Dr. Moore who gave a lecture on Health, which was much enjoyed. Dr. Philip McLean a Baptist minister, followed in a talk full of sparkling wit and hard common sense. Among many good things he said in substance that nearly every public speaker flattered Southern audiences, that they told them they were the best in the country, and that they would give them more than they should. He told them they were the best in the country, and that they would give them more than they should, and try to even keep up with the procession in the march of progress and education. He then said that South Carolina had more illiterates than any State in the Union, and that Aiken county stood at the foot of the class in South Carolina.

We had not attended a teachers meeting in some time, and we were mortified that any one should say out loud the above about South Carolina.

We are very confident that Aiken county will not stay foot much longer. We have never seen any people more interested in education in both city and country. Some of the most progressive teachers in the county warmly advocate a compulsory educational law.

Two medals were given for the greatest improvement in country schools. The medals were given to meet in September.

That afternoon Mrs. Dr. Moore called on us at the Hotel Aiken. She has visited in Abbeville. Before her marriage she was Miss Lucy Wilson of West Virginia and she was the guest of Mrs. W. C. B. Wood later Mrs. Cleveland of Greenville. She and Dr. Moore are both remarkable people. They are greatly interested in the rural schools of Aiken where they spend the winter. They came from Boston, Massachusetts, six miles from Boston.

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(From the Rochester Times.)

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**Nashville, Tenn., and Return \$12.70.**  
 Account Army Manoeuvres, June 19-26, 1910. Tickets on sale June 18, 19, 20, 22 and 23, 1910, with exceptions. Final limit returning to reach original starting point not later than midnight June 28, 1910.

**Knoxville, Tenn., and Return \$8.65.**  
 Account Summer Schools of the South, June 21 July 21, 1910. Tickets on sale June 19, 20, 21, 25, 26, July 2, 9, 10 and 16, 1910, with final limit returning to reach original starting point not later than fifteen days from, but not including, date of sale.

**Tuscaloosa, Ala., and Return \$15.55.**  
 Account Summer School, University of Alabama, June 9—July 20, 1910. Tickets on sale June 8, 9, 11, 13, 20, 27—July 2 and 5, 1910, with final limit returning 15 days from, but not including, date of sale. Extension of limit until September 30, by depositing ticket and payment of \$1.00 additional.

**St. Louis, Mo., and Return \$23.80.**  
 Account American Medical Association, June 6-10, 1910, and account First National Convention, American Woman's League, June 8-16, 1910. Tickets on sale June 3 to 8 inclusive, with final limit returning not later than midnight June 20, 1910.

**Chattanooga, Tenn., and Return \$12.15.**  
 Account National Travelers Protective Association, June 13-18, 1910. Tickets on sale June 11, 12 and 13, 1910, only, with final limit returning to reach original starting point not later than 30 days from, but not including, date of sale.

**Asheville, N. C., and Return \$6.30, and Black Mountain, N. C., and Return \$6.95.**  
 Account Southern Students Conference, Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A., June 17-20, 1910. Tickets on sale June 14, 15 and 16, 1910, only, with final limit returning to reach original starting point not later than midnight June 30, 1910.

**Chicago, Ill., and Return \$25.20.**  
 Account Triennial Conclave, Knights Templar, August 8-13, 1910. Tickets on sale August 4, 5, 6 and 7, 1910, only. Tickets limited to reach original starting point not later than midnight August 17, 1910, but may be extended to reach original starting point not later than September 6, 1910, by depositing tickets not later than August 17, 1910, and payment of fifty cents additional.

**Chattanooga, Tenn., and Return \$9.15.**  
 Account American Institute of Banking, June 8-10, 1910. Tickets on sale June 6 and 7 and for trains scheduled to arrive Chattanooga, Tenn., before 3 p. m. June 8, 1910. Tickets will be limited to reach original starting point returning not later than midnight June 18, 1910.

In addition to the above, there are now on sale round-trip Summer Excursion tickets to numerous other points. For further information, call on Southern Railway ticket agent or

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