

Rock Hill is to have a \$20,000 tobacco factory.

The grip is now epidemic in New York City, and is said to be more than usually fatal.

The people of Chapin, in Lexington County, have raised money and are going to build a tobacco factory.

During a thunder storm last week the depot at Kershaw in this State was struck by lightning and consumed with contents and four box cars loaded with merchandise.

Walhalla is to have a new cotton factory. The side has already been secured. And is everybody's town to get ahead of old Edgefield? Isn't it about time for the mother of statesmen and warriors and diplomats to become the mother of a bed ticking factory?

A German periodical devoted to wood industries announces that food products consisting partly of wood are now manufactured. At Berlin a factory has been built which is turning out about two hundred quintals of wooden bread a day. Sawdust is subjected to chemical treatment, after which it is mixed with one-third farina and prepared like ordinary bread. The product at present serves only as food for horses, but the Berlin Tramway, which is the most important customer of the factory, is well pleased with the result. The manufacturers say that wooden bread constitutes also an excellent food for man.

A special dispatch to the daily papers from Knoxville, Tenn., dated December 27, says:

"Preliminary steps were taken today looking to the organization of the Rabun Gap Railroad. The company proposes to build a line from the Jelico coal fields via Knoxville and through Rabun Gap to Port Royal, S. C.

This is what was known as the old Blue Ridge route in ante-bellum times, and will almost certainly come through Edgefield. When we remember that only twenty-five miles of railway, connecting Edgefield and Greenwood, is required to complete the link between Charleston and Port Royal, the great West it is astonishing that it has not been built before; but that it will be built is as certain as anything human can be. And yet there are people who maintain that if our present railroad line should be built on beyond, it would ruin the town, but this is not the experience of other places.

Here are the Threats.

"A late leader of the Reformers" has been talking to the Washington correspondent of the Charlotte Observer about that inexhaustible subject, South Carolina politics, and he says that in less than three months every Conservative in South Carolina will be in the Republican party. He may be a little wrong about the proportion, but there is certainly an idea among the business men in the State, and especially among the young men, that a respectable Republican party in South Carolina would be a healthy institution in State affairs, and would have an influence with the national legislation of the Republican party, which is surely coming back into power, that would be immensely beneficial to the South. And there are very many believers in Republican principles in the business element in South Carolina."—Spartanburg Herald.

"It is not 'politic' to make the admission, but there is reason to fear that what the Herald says has partial foundation—the sweeping statement which it quotes being, however, quite preposterous. We warned timid and vacillating 'Conservatives' last Fall that if they would not allow us to form a real Democratic organization in this State many men, in sheer desperation, would go into the Republican party. We are sorry to say there are indications that this prediction will be verified. If Democracy in South Carolina is too cowardly to fight for its existence it may as well prepare for dissolution and a 'sauve qui peut.'—Columbia State.

An Interregnum.

The new county government not having been as yet organized, and as there was and is a difference of opinion as to the right of the old Board of County Commissioners to hold over until their successors are duly qualified, J. Wm. Thurmond Esq., of our bar, addressed a letter of enquiry on this subject

to Attorney General Barber. The following is his reply:

OFFICE OF THE ATT'Y GENERAL, COLUMBIA, S. C., Jan. 8, '95.

Hon. J. Wm. Thurmond, Edgefield, S. C.

MY DEAR SIR: Your letter of January 3rd would have received more immediate attention, but for an unusual pressure of work in this office.

You are perfectly correct in your view that the County Government Act makes no provision for the selection of Chairman of the Township Boards. Governor Evans tells me that he contemplates each Township Board electing one of its members as chairman. I am inclined to think that the best solution of the question.

I concur with you in the view that the Board of County Commissioners is "dead and without any person to pass or act upon claims after January 1st, 1895." There can be no doubt about the correctness of your position, as expressed in your letter.

Very truly yours, Wm. A. BARBER, Atty Gen'l.

CORRESPONDENCE

SAVE THE PIECES! AND LET US HAVE PEACE.

EDITOR ADVERTISER: In your last issue, one J. D. Roper in a bullying, ill-connected, dirty article attempted to vomit some slush on my personal reputation. I know nothing of this man; I care less. But I do know one thing, if J. D. Roper is silly enough to think that "Sempronius" is going to be bullied in this style, that "Sempronius" is going to stop declaring the truth as he sees it and as other honest, down-trodden yemen see it, the asylum is his home and he ought to be there. In the outset I re-affirm every syllable of the article at which Roper took umbrage. I submitted it to the good people of Edgefield, feeling confident that their good sense and patriotism would decide on its merit or demerit. I again submit to them arguments in support of the sections that Roper assailed, and only ask your unbiased judgment in a calm, dispassionate decision.

Before entering into the argument, I have to say that Roper's teeth every epithet, every insinuation; everything that he spoke of a personal nature, I have back. Some may object to my hurling them back through the paper, but it is legitimate to repay in coin current. J. D. Roper began the attack in the papers, and I claim the privilege of answering through the same channel. As to the assertion that I am seeking office, I say here it is an arrant falsehood. It may not seem proper to see a young man speaking thus of an older man, but a young man has as much right to throw every calumny advanced in years. I will not descend to the level of J. D. Roper by calling names. That is puerile.

In the first place, Capt. Roper virtually acknowledges his lack of argument, his want of fairness, the utter foundationlessness of his position by resorting to personalities. There is not the shadow of an argument in his whole effusion. He advert's to my declaring for Reformers only in the convention. He asserts everything; he proves nothing. Now as to this statement. If the reformers are in the majority they certainly ought to rule. They do rule. They elected the whole delegation to the legislature from their ranks; ought not the delegates to the convention to represent the will of the majority? Have not the reformers conservative men in their ranks? Where is Senator Watson, W. H. Folk, J. B. Suddath, Dr. Timmerman, Jasper Talbert, and by the by Tom Adams, (whose editorials are models of conservatism) and a host of others. If the conservatives center on a man, and get him in, we want complain. We have the same right to get all of ours in, if we can, as they have to get one in, if they can. For 25,000 men to give way to 11,000, would be virtually admitting that we haven't got sense enough to run the shebang and have to call in outside help. 25,000 men are more likely to be right than 11,000, and if any concessions are made, the thousands have got it to do. In a population like ours any oppressive law will hurt both sides. After the anti's did everything in their power to defeat the convention, anything about laying down "strife and disturbance" comes with bad grace. Again, I repeat, they saw no cause for the convention; therefore, they thought the constitution all right; therefore, it having been carried over their protest, they are to be suspected when they whine against "strife and disturbance." *Timeo Danaos et dona ferentes.*

Roper seeing that he was unable to assail any of my positions, slobbered over the one about the expense connected with the convention. He hoped, by isolating the paragraph from the body of the article, to put me in a false light. He does not tell what his objection to the paragraph is, but commences to vent slush and spleen. I suppose, he took exception to the idea of confederate soldiers going to the poor-house. This is the only statement at which anyone could possibly take offense, and no one will be offended at this unless to throw a stigma on other parts of the same article. There is nothing in it to be offended at, when examined candidly and fairly. I did not oppose the Confederate Home, but merely stated that I considered the welfare of the whole people of equal importance, or greater importance than the maintenance of a few veterans. I merely mentioned the poor-house as a last re-

sort. Is there anything of a disgraceful nature connected with the poor-house, aside from the idea of dependency? Would a man not be dependent in the Confederate Home, which would be, in effect, a poor-house? So, even with its worst construction, nothing defamatory of the veterans can be drawn from the paragraph.

I honor the grizzled heroes who fought, as never men fought, for our rights, our principles, and our dear Southland. I would be glad if they could inhabit palaces. But alas! it takes money to do such things. If we are vile enough to live under a radical constitution, we are base enough to let the veterans go to the poor-house. My position is, was and shall be the good of the entire people, before the convenience of any class. Keeping my position before them no fair minded man can see where I reflected on our veterans in the least.

Now, if Roper merely makes statement without proof, he deserves no more attention than a whipped, peevish, thoroughly useless cur, snapping at honest men's heels. He attacked a perfect stranger, one who, if he had confined himself to my argument, would not have breathed a word to his discredit. Arguments are public property, reputation is private, whether it belongs to young men or old. The infamous J. D. Roper is a disgruntled scoundrel, who belches slanders from his scurrilous throat, in lieu of logic. Now Sir, you are repaid in your own money.

C. J. RAMAGE, ALIAS SEMPRONIUS.

News and Social Chat From Falfa.

The cry of "Hard Times" has become epidemic and I believe contagious, for Mr. Tommie Hammond, one of the wealthiest men on the west side of the county, says, "it is all he can do to live," and we know that is not true. But you see he hears it so continually, that it has become his plea too.

Let's begin with the New Year, with new resolutions, and see if "times" are not on the mend. More meat is being cured, more corn raised over the country, than has been for many previous years. We should be more contented with our present circumstances for fear worse might befall us.

Christmas was comparatively dull in this corner. There is one fact, however, worthy of special mention; if there has been a person the least under the influence of whiskey during "the holidays" it is not known.

On account of the disagreeable weather the union-meeting which was to have met with the Red-Oak-Grove church 29th and 30th was carried to Clarks Hill to convene in March.

Mr. Press Parkman, and family, have moved in our midst again. We cordially welcome such neighbors.

Mr. J. T. McManus with his family are on an extended visit to relatives and friends in the Mountain Creek section.

Miss Fannie Clegg, grand daughter of Mr. M. Timmerman, who was happily married the 20th of December to Mr. John Quattlebaum one of Shatterfield's most deserving young men, has been visiting friends among us. Falfa citizens extend to them best wishes for a long and happy life.

Mr. G. L. Timmerman, now a student of Furman University, spent Christmas at home. Amiable and pretty Miss Fannie Bussey spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Mattie Timmerman. We congratulate the Colliers school on their fortunate selection, in choosing Miss Fannie as principal.

The Mims mill under the skillful management of Messrs. George Sharpton and Johnnie Griffis is doing an extensive business. With many best wishes to the ADVERTISER for a prosperous New Year, I bid adieu.

A. T. M.

Old Meriweth Takes a Hand.

EDITOR ADVERTISER: We in the corner have suffered from the inclemencies of the weather in common with many other sections. We, too, have had our blizzard snow and thaw, and for the last few days rain, in fact so much rain that even the Auditor failed to call on us. In addition to these troubles our little republic seems to be financially depressed, caused no doubt by the want of a sufficient quantity of circulating medium, free silver, or some other cause. But we are still hopeful of better times, or to put it musically:

"The burden of the good old song, Says better days are coming, Although we've waited somewhat long, We still the tune keep humming."

Some of our farmers, I believe, are really beginning to think about trying to get ready to plant another crop, while some are still trying to solve the problem of "how long can a man already in debt afford to raise cotton at four cents per pound that cost eight cents."

If some of our constitution makers would bring all the powers of their mighty intellects to bear on this question they might solve it, thereby relieving these solely puzzled farmers, while at the same time they would demonstrate their own fitness to become candidates. Speaking of the constitutional convention, I feel as if a long indulged dream is about to be realized and that we will perhaps live to see South Carolina governed by a constitution made by her own people. As to who shall compose the

convention, the main qualifications should be, brains, patriotism, and sound judgment; nor do I believe that any one faction has a monopoly of these essentials. There are men among the anti's who are conservative, and true, men who would do nothing to injure the State if they knew it. While it is true that the sole aim of the anti's as a faction seems to have been simply to prevent the reformers from carrying out any measure whether good or bad, I still think there are men among them who if placed in positions of responsibility and trust, would have that manliness and nobility of soul that would enable them to rise above petty factional spite and work for the common good.

God speed the time when the people of our grand old county, at least, shall lay aside their foolish prejudices, and instead of trying to blacken the character of her ambitious, aspiring sons take common pride in trying to help them achieve the highest distinction. Owing to statements emanating from home, the leaders whom the reformers have seen fit to put forward, and support with unflinching fidelity, have been maligned, and denounced as demagogues and cranks, and that we are fools for supporting them, from Maine to Florida. Let us be careful then that we do not descend to their level by retorting in kind.

I agree with "Sempronius" in many things, among others, that Edgefield has no lack of material from which to select a delegation, from among such names as B. R. Tillman, J. C. Sheppard, R. B. Watson, W. H. Timmerman, Dr. R. H. McKee, H. H. Townes, G. D. Tillman, J. M. Gaines, W. H. Yeldell, Tom White, J. W. Thurmond, Judge Gary, Geo. Evans, or Jim Suddath. From this list any man might select a ticket of which the county might well be proud, and at the same time rest assured of the fact, that in the hands of such men her destinies would be safe.

G. W. WHITLOCK.

Poverty Hill, Jan. 11, '95.

A Plain and Unvarnished Tale.

A man went into a store in a neighboring town and asked if he could rest four or five hours. The proprietor, who had just found a nest of new born mice in a coffee grinder, told him he could, and then asked why he didn't go to the hotel. The man replied: "I am suffering from nervous prostration, and the doctor said to get to a quiet place, and I see you don't advertise. I knew that I couldn't find a quieter place." And with that he settled back in his chair and watched the swallows build a nest in the cheese case.—Ex.

HVMENEAL.

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I, E. J. MIMS, Cashier of the Bank of Edgefield, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. J. MIMS, Cashier. Sworn to before me this 2nd day of January, 1895. B. B. JONES, [L. S.] N. P. S. C.

We hereby certify, that we have examined the books and counted the money in vault, and find the within report correct.

ALVIN HART, Finance Committee. A. S. TOMPKINS, T. S. LEWIS.

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