

Up to the first of February the farmers of the county, so far as we know, have not ordered a single car load of guano.

Mr. and Mrs. Bonner, principal and vice principal of the Due West Female College, recently tendered their resignation to the board of trustees.

The Star says the merchants of Marion have not bought a sack of fertilizers up to date.

We call attention to an article in this issue of the ADVERTISER from the pen of Dr. Timmerman.

Gov. Evans says nearly every dispenser in the State is behind in his accounts. The Governor should give names and specifications.

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the cotton they are now selling at much lower prices, realizing thereby handsome profits."

"It remains with the farmer and merchants of the South to say whether these European speculators will be permitted to reap a golden harvest at the expense of the farms, plantations, towns, real estate and securities of the South."

"The above statement is from me officially, and I desire that it should be presented to the public as such through the press."

HECTOR D. LANE, President Cotton Growers' Protective Association."

About Factories.

The people of Summerton are making liberal offers to have a starch factory established at that place.

Laurens is to have a \$150,000 cotton mill. One half of the capital will be foreign and the other taken at home. Work will commence this spring.

A public meeting of the citizens of Lancaster was held Monday to discuss the feasibility of building a cotton factory.

Another cotton mill is to be established in Aiken. The subscription list is headed by a donation of ten acres of land and \$5,000 in stock by one man.

The citizens of Prosperity have come to the conclusion that their town can support a cotton mill and have begun a movement in the direction of establishing the factory.

MUST LAST FOR GENERATIONS.

Constitutions Are Not Temporary Affairs.—Some Counsel From Dr. Timmerman.

Editor Register: It is at least presumable that every patriotic citizen of South Carolina has an abiding interest in the common welfare of the State and in the future destiny of her people.

If such be the case, we may surely lay aside for the time fractional pride and prejudice and exercise mutual forbearance and a judicious discretion in the selection of men who shall frame and adopt an organic law for the whole people.

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Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 7.—The cold wave struck Atlanta about ten o'clock this morning. In an hour, the temperature fell from 40 to 20. The wind blew a gale reaching forty-seven miles an hour this afternoon. Snow squalls came at short intervals. The wind kept the snow in the air and it was blinding. At 5 p. m. the thermometer was at 6 above. The observer says that it will go below zero before morning.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 7.—The weather has grown steadily colder all day, and tonight at 6:30 the Age-Herald thermometer registered 13.84 above zero. It will go still further down before midnight. A stiff northwest gale has been blowing all day. At noon a severe gust of wind blew four plate glass windows out of the front of the Birmingham Shoe Company's building, entailing a considerable loss. In the Graves building a window was also blown out.

Columbus, O., Feb. 7.—The thermometer here is at zero and a drifting snow storm has prevailed during the morning. Street car travel is almost impossible, and the streets are practically deserted. To add to the severity, a heavy gale set in during the night, and still continues, though the velocity has decreased. The attendance at the suburban school is very light.

Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 7.—The mercury reached zero this morning, and will go five below to-night. There is much suffering among mortormen and street car conductors.

Plymouth, Mass., Feb. 7.—This harbor is completely frozen over, which is a rare occurrence.

Galveston, Tex., Feb. 7.—Business was practically suspended here all day long, owing to the extreme cold weather. It was colder than it has been since January 8, 1886, when Galveston was frozen and the thermometer registered eleven above zero. Today at 9 a. m., it registered 16 above.

Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 7.—At 9 o'clock tonight, the thermometer stood at 11 degrees above zero. The maximum today was 35 and the average 24, with a stiff northwest wind blowing.

Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 7.—At 11 o'clock tonight the mercury at this place had fallen to 20 degrees and was still falling. Reports from various points in the State show that the cold is intense and that the freeze of December last will be equalled. It is feared that the orange trees which were recovering from the December freeze will be ruined. The loss to the early vegetable and strawberry growers will be heavy.

In Orangeburg, a negro charged with hog stealing, pleaded in justification that the hog broke into his patch and ate all his corn, and then he killed the hog and ate him, which reminds the Augusta Chronicle of the fellow who said he had invested so much in ice cream and candy during his courtship that he had to marry the girl to get his money back.

Mr. EVERYBODY AND HIS WIFE: "These hard times" and these dull times have been an incentive to our waking up to the necessity of meeting the emergency.

CORRESPONDENCE

Libraries For Schools—A New Departure, and a Moving Onward and Upward.

DEAR ADVERTISER: As most of the schools are now in session and a greater interest is manifested in them just at this particular season than any other during the scholastic year, allow me space to suggest a simple, easy, and inexpensive way by which every school in our State can provide for itself a small library.

I take it for granted that no argument is needed to show the indispensableness of such an important adjunct in every school. And yet it is astonishing how very few communities have ever realized it. Not one county school in a hundred, take Edgfield County over, can point to a single volume of any kind and claim it as "our common property."

In the rural districts are found the brightest minds, the most ambitious boys and girls. Their wits are keen, their receptive powers wonderful; in their text books they make rapid progress; but notwithstanding all this it is a lamentable fact that if you take the average school boy or girl they couldn't for their life tell whether Shakespeare, Longfellow, Tennyson, Scott, Wordsworth were antediluvian or post-diluvian, Greek writers or English, living or dead, men or women! Why? Because like myself and hundreds of others who were reared in the country and were educated(?) in the "old field" school, they have had nothing to read, consequently have read nothing.

In the name of all that parents hold dear, viz. the proper training and developing of their children's minds, this ought not to be, must not be; and brother teacher who you not swear with me that no longer it shall be?

Wrong, radically wrong, is that education which does not create a passionate desire for general reading. That community does an irreparable injury to its boys and girls which fails to make a provision for the cultivation and—to a small extent at least—the gratification of such a desire. In season and out, the maxim, "make yourself familiar with the best writers" should be inculcated.

Here is the plan which the writer has known to be adopted and which has worked admirably: Get every man woman and child interested in the scheme of establishing a library in their school. When sufficiently interested tell them "to show their faith by their works," that is, get everyone to make the school a present of a book; does it matter what kind, nor on which subject it may treat. Inscribe the name of the donor on

the fly-leaf, number it and place it on the shelves. In an incredibly short time the nucleus will be found. Have a small library free, say ten cents a year, for the privilege of using the books, allowing no book to be kept out more than two weeks. Not only will the pupils gladly pay so small a sum for them, so great a privilege, but many of the patrons and others who are not directly interested in the school will pay the fee that they may have access to this small store house of knowledge. In addition to this arrange occasionally for an entertainment in the nature of a play or concert, have a small admission fee, the smaller the better say five cents. Letting it be understood that the proceeds are for the benefit of the school library. With these funds new books of a choice kind can be added, and while the growth may be slow yet in a year or two a hundred or more volumes will fill a space on the school room wall so long occupied by vacancy. The management of the library can be left to the teacher. The establishing of it will undoubtedly depend on his efforts. Parents, patrons, money thus invested will pay a thousand fold!

God speed the day when every school in this Southland can boast of a library however small it may be! Qui legit regit.

B. W. CROUCH, Clio, S. C., Feb. 8, '95.

Most Delightful Lecture.

MAJ. JAMES T. BACON ON "AN OLD MAN'S KRANKY KALIDIOSCOPE."

Aiken, S. C., Feb. 2.—Maj. James T. Bacon, of Edgfield, delivered a lecture on the life of Man. Kranky Kalidioscope, at the Institute Hall last night to an audience which, though small on account of the weather, was both cultured and appreciative. And the lecture? 'Tis a series of reminiscences of Southern life from 1840 to 1885. The major Bacon paid to the old "mummy" could have heard his description of his death-bed scene, when the venerable mistress herself was there and prayed to God to "have mercy on the soul of her faithful Kachael." I wish every young Southern man and Southern woman could have heard the lecture; 'twould make them venerate more than ever the gallant chivalry of our fathers and grand-fathers, and make them strive to emulate their pure womanhood of our sainted mothers. And the major's humor was as subtle and as spontaneous as was his pathos sad. His description of a ball who could have described a ball as he did said Major Bacon! And who could help laughing at his description of "the stately woman who tried to keep her chin off the little man's head," and "the little woman who tried to keep her face out of the tall man's sleeve!" And the contrast Major Bacon drew between that old lady and the Southern "Caline," and the "Mrs. Ariminta Georgiana Washington" who condescends to "try you lady for three days," as cook, in this year of grace 1895.

There is a peculiar charm in the softness of his voice which at once captivates and holds one; and his charming word pictures of the days now gone make all wish they could have lived then, while his heart is living now, enjoy them. I hope that every Southern city may have the pleasure of hearing this most delightful talk.

G. B. O.

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E. J. NORRIS, Edgfield, Feb. 5, '95.

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