

A party of explorers have set sail for the South Pole.

Montgomery, Ala., has been suffering from a small pox epidemic.

The city of Greenville is making efforts to secure an electric railway.

Many of the New England cotton mills that had shut down have resumed work.

Prof. Craighead, ex-president of Clemson College, has accepted the presidency of the Missouri College.

Strikes continue in the mining region of Pennsylvania. Anarchists are taking a hand and martial law prevails.

The rapid rise of wheat has caused great excitement among speculators, not to speak of consumers.

"Messrs. Gaines and Yeldell are but following the scripture in holding on; that Good Book says: 'Occupy till I come.' Ain't they a-doing it? Let 'em alone!" -Jim Miner, of Squedunk Hole.

Rich and extensive beds of onyx have just been discovered in Kentucky. Their value runs up into the billions.

A cyclone which resulted in the destruction of valuable property and loss of life is reported from New York State.

Our State treasury will, in September, borrow \$100,000 with which to pay current expenses of the State government. So there is a deficit after all.

The battery on Sullivan's Island has been completed. The test of the eight guns already mounted was satisfactory, and eight more will soon be added.

"Mr. Gaines has become a citizen of Greenwood county—is not a qualified elector of Edgefield county—and is therefore, as the Constitution declares, 'not eligible to a seat in the Senate.'" -Red Hill.

Senator McLaurin's condition is still regarded as serious by his physicians, and it is not probable that he will be able to attend the balance of the campaign meetings.

The prohibitionists of the State are already getting up petitions and bills. It is to be hoped that if the dispensary system is abolished prohibition will take its place and not the bar-room.

The city council of Atlanta has passed an ordinance prohibiting the wearing of high hats by the ladies at theatres. It is safe to assume that no member of the present council cares for re-election.

The Port Royal dock is large enough for the Indiana or any of the battleships, but these huge vessels cannot enter it with safety on account of the shallow channel. The channel will soon be dredged to the satisfactory depth.

The total number of passengers and employees killed by train accidents of all kinds on the railroads of Great Britain in 1896 was eight. That the travelling public enjoys greater safety in England than in this country is due to the searching investigations of every accident, and the publicity given to the result.

"Gaines and Yeldell promised the people that when Greenwood county assumed full countyhood they would resign as Senator and Representative from Edgefield and they ought now to make their promise good." -Hammond.

The army, or cotton, worms have put in an appearance in several localities in Alabama, and it is feared will seriously damage the crop. The present damp weather is favorable to their propagation and if it continues they will gain great headway within a very few days.

Edgefield county should be given a senator by all means. One of the new counties took away Edgefield's senator, and she is now without representation in the upper branch of our state legislature. This is in direct violation of not only the spirit but the letter of the constitution, and it is not right to wait until the legislature convenes to right the wrong. The clause creating new counties should have provided for this, which shows that our new constitution was the partial work of political blacksmiths instead of statesmen.—Headlight.

MRS. E. H. EDWARDS DEAD.

A Well Known Lady of Graniteville Drops Dead in New York.

New York, Aug. 20.—Mrs. E. H. Edwards, 45 years old, a resident of Graniteville, S. C., one of the women merchants who visited New York, dropped dead in front of the Fifth Avenue hotel this afternoon. Her fall alarmed people on the street and within a moment the thoroughfare was crowded with an excited mass of humanity. A policeman summoned an ambulance from the New York hospital, and when the surgeon examined the woman and pronounced her dead, he removed the body to the West Thirtieth street station house, where it now is. When the woman's clothing was examined, checks to the amount of \$108 were found, also \$36 in cash and a return ticket home.

McLaurin Explains Things.

By Request. To the Hon. Jno. L. McLaurin, Newberry, S. C.

Dear Sir: Information has reached us which, if true, will seriously affect your election for United States Senator and prevent many who are friendly inclined toward you from giving you their support. You are charged with advocating negro labor to white operatives in cotton mills. Is that true?

You are charged with having voted to seat a negro named Murray in Congress over his opponent, Mr. Moise. Is that true?

That you have stock in a negro cotton factory, proposed to be erected in Columbia, S. C. Is this true?

Your answer to these inquiries will determine the action of many white operatives who are closely concerned.

Very respectfully, your obedient servants,

- W J Thomas, weaver. R F Jackson, weaver. D B Adams, weaver. F G McHugh, weaver. A P Penland, weaver. J M Babb, weaver. J E Ferrell, weaver. S L Russell, outside boss. J E Crosby, overseer. H L Russell, loom fixer. J L Purgason, weaver. E E Bishop, fixer. S E Purgason, weaver. J H Holmes, weaver. Ellis Wilson, weaver. W J Culbertson, weaver. William Bates, weaver. M F Curry, weaver. J W Fuller, weaver. J T Leadford, weaver. J A Foster, weaver. W Y Johnson, weaver. J A Mills, weaver. J C Smith, weaver. J C Hampbrook, weaver. H H Cradick, weaver. Operators of Laurens Cotton Mills.

Laurens Cotton Mill, Aug. 9th, 1897.

Messrs. Russell, Crosby and others of the Laurens Cotton Mill.

Gentlemen: In reply to your favor of recent date, I desire to say that the charges you refer to are one and all infamously false.

The charge that I ever advocated negro labor in cotton factories has no foundation whatever. In fact, I rent my land to none save white tenants, and for any one to charge me with favoring negro labor instead of white in the factory, on the farm or anywhere else is a lie, pure and simple.

The charge that I voted for Murray in a contested election in Washington is false.

I have no stock in Mr. Moutteith's or any other negro cotton mill and never heard of such an enterprise until very recently.

In conclusion, permit me to say that I have an abiding faith in the integrity and fairness of the voters of South Carolina and the circulation of such baseless falsehoods cannot but react upon those who by slander would destroy the reputation and character of a fellow citizen to attain political ends. Ordinarily, I would treat such rumors with silent contempt, but the direct and respectful form of your inquiry deserves candid treatment.

Very truly yours, Jno. L. McLaurin.

Laurens, S. C., Aug. 10, 1897.

Mr. W. S. Monteith, Columbia, S. C.

Dear Sir: The report is being circulated that Senator Jno. L. McLaurin has stock in a cotton mill under your management in which it is proposed to employ negro labor. Is this true? Geo. S. McCravy.

Geo. S. McCravy, Esq.

Dear Sir: Answering your letter of 10th inst., I have to say that I have in my possession the stock subscription lists of the Elmwood Manufacturing Company which I am engaged under commission from the secretary of State in organizing, the purpose being to employ negro labor residing in Columbia.

No white man except myself has subscribed to any of that stock as yet, and only a very few, chiefly resident of Columbia, will be requested so to do.

The statement that the Hon. J. L. McLaurin has so subscribed or has ever been requested so to do, or that he has any interest whatever in the project, is just as false as most that I see charged against him by his adversaries is known to be. Very respectfully, W. S. Monteith.

TEACHER WANTED.—MODOC High School. Applicants will give reference and terms. J. W. Brooks, Chairman.

Uses of Buttermilk.

According to medical journals, long experience has demonstrated buttermilk to be an agent of superior digestibility. It is indeed a true milk peptone; that is, milk already partially digested, the coagulation of the coagulable portion being loose and flaky, and not of that firm indigestible nature which is the result of the action of the gastric juices upon sweet cow's milk. It is a decided laxative, a fact which must be borne in mind in the treatment of typhoid fever, and which may be turned to advantage in the treatment of habitual constipation. It is a diuretic, and may be used to advantage in some kidney troubles. It resembles Koumiss in its nature, and with the exception of that article, it is the most grateful, refreshing and digestible of the products of milk. It is invaluable in the treatment of diabetes, either extensively or alternately with skim milk. In some cases of gastric ulcer and cancer of the stomach, it is the only food that can be retained.

Johnson's Chill and Fever Tonic Cures Fever in One Day.

Good Information.

The origin of South Carolina's soubriquet, "the Palmetto State," is thus explained: "On June 28, 1776, a force of less than 100 Carolinians, under command of Col. Moultrie, protected by the rude fortifications on Sullivan's Island, in Charleston harbor, made of the trunks of the Palmetto, repulsed the attack of a British fleet, under command of Sir Peter Parker, and when the State of South Carolina was organized, the State seal which was first used in May, 1777, was made to commemorate this victory. A palm tree, growing erect on the seashore, represents the strength of the fort. While at its base an oak tree, torn from the ground and deprived of its branches, recalls the British fleet, built of oak timber, overcome by the palmetto."

A Legal Nut To Crack.

The dispensary law deprived the private citizen of the right to traffic in any way in intoxicating spirits and the power heretofore exercised by the towns and cities of licensing the traffic to be carried on by their citizens. The United States Circuit Court came along, overruled to a large degree the restrictions placed upon the traffic by the dispensary law and opened it up again to every one who felt disposed to carry it on. Now the conundrum is, if the dispensary law is ineffective to prohibit the carrying on of the traffic why should it not be also ineffective in prohibiting the municipalities from imposing a license tax on dealers.—Charleston Critic.

Prevention Better Than Cure.

The origin of nearly every disease is in the stomach. If digestion is imperfect and food allowed to pass whole, making neither flesh, blood or muscle, the constitution soon becomes a wreck. There is no finer preparation than Norman's Neutralizing Cordial. Moose Bros., Mt. Pleasant, N. C. say: Norman's Indian Worm Pellets never fail, 10 and 25c. Sold by all druggists.

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A Farmer Indeed.

We had the pleasure of meeting yesterday Mr. J. H. Manning, of Little Rock, Marion county, S. C. He was on his way home from the convention of the Cotton Growers' Association, which held two days' session at Galveston. The attendance of delegates was small, only four states being represented.

Mr. Manning is a fine specimen of manhood, and of the independent farmer. He was born and reared on the farm. His father was killed during the war, when he was only eight years of age. He is now forty years old and he has been working on the farm all of his life. He has never failed in 20 years to improve his condition. When he began farming, he planted fifty acres in cotton. This year, he has five hundred and fifty acres in cotton and two hundred and fifty in corn, oats and peas. He never fails to raise meat for his family and to have a surplus.

Mr. Manning contends from his own personal experience, that any farmer who devotes himself to his business can do well. In years, 20, he says, I have never failed to make money at farming. I can make both ends meet with 5-cents cotton, but I can make money at 7 cents a pound. He is laud is not different from the ordinary farming lands in South Carolina and Georgia. He uses from 500 to 800 pounds of fertilizers per acre at a cost of from \$3 to \$5. His farm is four miles from Florence on a branch of the Atlantic Coast Line. There are fewer mortgages in his county than at any time within twenty years; and all the farmers who attend to

UNION MEETINGS.

The Union Meeting of the 1st division of the Edgefield Association will convene with the Bold Spring Baptist Church of Christ on Saturday before the 5th Sunday in August at 10 o'clock A. M.

Introductory sermon dispensed with, and an essay written by M. B. Byrd on the subject of the natural relationship on mission work to the church, instead.

Charity sermon to be preached by Rev J P Mealing; alternate, Rev H S Hartzog.

1st Query. Is a church that retains members on its roll who take no interest in the cause a true church of Christ? Speakers, W H Yeldell and W S Lewis.

2nd Query. Is a member of the church who does not contribute to the support of the gospel a Christian? Speakers, J J Griffin and T E Dorn.

3rd Query. What is the duty of the church toward a member who will not submit to the action of the majority? Speakers, J W Aiton and Geo Ellison.

4th Query. What should be the character of a deacon, and what is his duty? Speakers, R T Strom and S N Timmerman.

R. T. STROM, Mod'r. T. E. BYRD, Clerk.

The Union Meeting of the 2nd division of the Edgefield Association will convene with the Parksville Baptist Church of Christ on Saturday before the 5th Sunday in August at 10 a. m.

Missionary sermon to be provided for. S. S. speakers to be provided.

Query 1. Is idleness condemned by Scripture? Speakers, Dr D A J Bell, P H Bussey.

Query 2. What are some of the needful things for a healthy Christian growth? Speakers, J H Bussey and W J Talbert.

Query 3. The duty of Baptist to understand the doctrines which Baptist hold. Speakers, J P Nixon and T G Talbert.

Query 4. The true purpose of the Lord's supper. Speakers, Rev W A Hart and Rev G W Bussey. S. E. FREELAND, Sec'y.

The Union Meeting of the 3rd division will convene with Republican Church on Saturday before the 5th Sunday in this month:

SATURDAY MORNING.

10 o'clock. Organization and reports from the churches.

11:00. Introductory sermon by Rev P P Blalock.

12:00. 1st topic: Is leading in prayer a gift or partial acquirement? Opened by D E Lanham; alternate, J T Mims.

1:00. Intermission for one hour.

1:00. Topic: Is the observance of the Lord's supper obligatory on every church member, and how should the church treat a member who persistently absents himself from that ordinance? A S Tompkins and S B Mays.

Miscellaneous and adjournment.

SUNDAY MORNING.

10:00. Praise service by L R Brunson.

10:30. S. S. mass meeting.

1st Subject. How to keep a S. S. from going into winter quarters. Opened by R H McKie and J W Adams.

2nd. What help is the church due the Sunday-school? Opened by B F Glanton and J D Timmerman.

11:00. Missionary sermon by Rev L R Gwaltney; Rev J P Mealing, alternate.

12:00. 3rd topic: To what kind of burdens did Paul refer in Gal. 6:2, and to what extent should we bear the burdens of others? Opened by J V Krepps and Dr Gwaltney.

3:00. 4th topic: Which is the greatest hindrance to the cause of Christ: Infidelity or inconsistent church members? Opened by J P Mealing and J N Fair.

Announcements and adjournments.

J. V. KREPPS, Chairman.

Pine Apple Sherbet at the "Luray."

CANDIDATES.

For the Senate.

The many friends of HENRY H. TOWNS respectfully suggest his name to the voters of Edgefield county for the office of State Senator, vice Hon. J. M. Gaines now a citizen of Greenwood county. He will abide the result of the primary election.

MANY FRIENDS.

Managers of Election

The following managers of the primary election to be held on Tuesday, Aug. 31st, 1897, for United States Senator, are hereby appointed for the respective voting places in Edgefield county:

Bacon—F M Warren, N L Broadwater, S M Smith, J H Bouknight, clerk.

Cleveland—E G Talbert, B F Glanton, Jr., W E Eubanks, John Bartley, clerk.

Colliers—J L Miller, J B Adams, S G Hammond, Dr Crafton, clerk.

Edgefield—C H Anderson, Chris Williams, H T Hendrix, Wiley Ouzts, clerk.

Hampton—W A Paul, E P Arthur, W N Burnett, H S Hill, clerk.

Johnston No. 1—W J Huiet, J R Hart, W B Cogburn, W Lee Coleman, clerk.

Johnston No. 2—J W Hardy, Lawrence Yonce, C A Austin, Pope N Lott, clerk.

Long Branch—A C Yonce, E H Rhoden, A M Herrin, S W Scott, clerk.

Meeting Street—H B Cogburn, W B Lowrey, Cyrus Buzzard, J M Shaffer, clerk.

Meriwether No. 1—C W Hammond, S J Corley, J F Strom, Frank Corley, clerk.

Meriwether No. 2—H L Bunch, H B Mason, D M Glover, S L Medlock, clerk.

Moss—T C Strom, A L Harling, S Cheatham, A L Brunson, clerk.

Miller's Store—J D Mathis, A S J Miller, W H Moss, G A Long, clerk.

Pleasant Lane—J P Hagood, Jesse W Dorn, C H B Williams, A D Timmerman, clerk.

Pium Branch—C Y D Freeland, J D Cornish, T W Lanham, W J Wells, clerk.

Red Hill—A S Holmes, R M Johnson, Jr., J H Bussey, S H D Adams, clerk.

Rehoboth—S B Strom, G F West, W P Winn, J C Seigler, clerk.

Shaw—Capt T H Clark, J F Betts, W D Holland, John Colgan, clerk.

Washington—J W Wiggins, J B Thurmond, Winchester McDaniel, John Brunson, clerk.

Wise—J M Mays, W H Ryan, J H Farrison, R G Lundy, clerk.

South Hiller—J M Coleman, J M Gable, G M Lanier, W E Sheppard, clerk.

North Hiller—O D White, Jas Reynolds, T J Lyon, W A Cheatham, clerk.

The managers of election are requested to furnish separate boxes for the county offices and tabulate the vote.

MANY FRIENDS.

For House of Representatives.

The many friends of S. T. WILLIAMS respectfully present his name for the House of Representatives, vice Hon. W. H. Yeldell now a citizen of Greenwood county. He will abide the result of the primary election.

MANY FRIENDS.

The friends of W. T. WALTON, of Johnston, respectfully offer his name for the House of Representatives to fill the place of Hon. W. H. Yeldell now of Greenwood county. He will abide the result of the primary election.

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Lv. Edgefield 5 30 am 2 20 pm

Ar. Pittsburg 5 40 am 2 27 pm

" Trenton 6 00 am 2 50 pm

" Baynams 7 02 am

" Seiglers 7 08 am

" Milledgeville 7 13 am

" Lake View 7 22 am

" Crofts 7 40 am

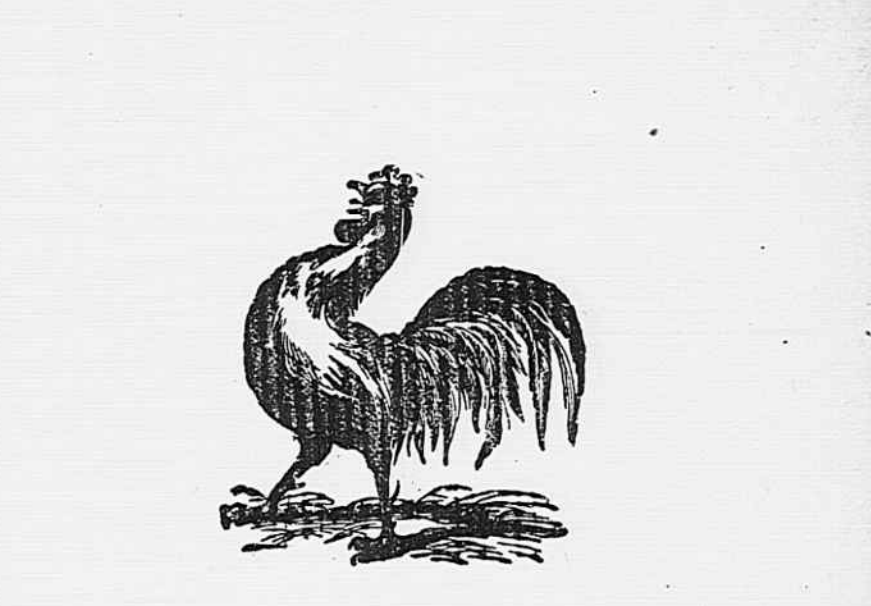
" Aiken 8 00 am

NORTH BOUND.

Lv. Aiken 11 15 am

Ar. Crofts 11 30 am

" Lake View 11 42 am



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