

Sumter has had a big fire and a \$400 robbery.

Senator Archer, of Spartanburg, has entered the race for governor.

Europe has been swept by severe hurricanes during the past week.

After months of suspense Augusta has been given a white postmaster.

The South Carolina legislature has killed the biennial legislative session bill.

Louisiana is getting scared and has memorialized congress for coast defenses.

The Georgia populists are importing Tom Watson to run for Governor of that State.

The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons will meet in Charleston on the 15th February.

The German government in a spiteful mood has prohibited the importation of American fresh fruits.

Capt. J. N. King of Greenville will be a candidate for Congress from the third district. He is opposed to the dispensary.

Attorney General Barber will not stand for re-election. He will instead be a candidate for congress from his district.

James T. Parks, editor of the Patriot of Orangeburg, has been elected State printer by the legislature.

The "Jim Crow" car bill, Banks Caughman's bill, has passed the House. It will be killed in the Senate.

Mr. Child's bill looking to prohibition has passed the House by a vote of 52 to 47, this looks a little as if the prohibitionists meant to stand up to their promise.

Things continue quiet in Havana, the proximity of our gunboats has prevented any further hostile demonstration and the war cloud has blown over.

The Greenville News says: "When your Uncle George Tillman begins to stump the State for gubernatorial honors, look out for homespun eloquence and blue jeans logic."

The State has lost the agricultural hall case. Judge Goff has decided that the State must give up the hall and also pay rent for the time it has been occupied for the State Dispensary.

An enterprising minister of an Episcopal church in New York has started a dancing class in connection with his church. This innovation is bitterly opposed by the worldly dancing masters of the city who claim that it is an improper interference with their business.

It is now almost certain that there will be six candidates in the field for Governor of this State. Uncle George Tillman of Edgefield, Col. R. B. Watson, of Saluda; Senator Archer of Spartanburg, a Methodist preacher, Gov. Ellerbe; O. L. Schumpert, and Walt Whitman as a matter of course. Of these candidates two only claim to be conservatives, Uncle George and Schumpert.

Senator Tillman has sufficiently recovered his strength to again take up his pitchfork. He made a strong speech in Congress on Thursday apropos of the Hawaiian annexation and the effort of the Republican party, to establish a government there in the interest of the white people on the island when they number but one out of 30 of the inhabitants. Referring to the policy of the Republicans in the administration of Southern affairs just after the war, he said: "We were then in South Carolina, attempting to establish a white man's government. The Republican party interfered with us then, or attempted to do so, professing to hold opinions about the sacred rights of the majority to rule. I should like to know whether the Republican party has changed its opinion on this subject of the right of the white man to rule, for if it has, and will extend it to the southern states, I will vote for the treaty."

Baldwin's Ammoniated Dissolved Bone, Baldwin's Bone Potash, Baldwin's Acid Phosphate, now ready for delivery at W. W. Adams's.

PICKENS TOWNSHIP INVOLVED.

The Greenville News of the 5th says: The Hon. B. M. Shuman and H. J. Haysworth leave today to attend the United States court of appeals, which convenes in Richmond, Virginia, tomorrow.

At this session of the court two cases against Dunkirk will be argued. They are suits brought against the township to recover on bonds issued in aid of the C. K. & W. railroad. This road was never completed and the township, very naturally, is resisting the payment of the bonds.

Mr. Shuman goes to argue the case in behalf of the township and Mr. Haysworth will appear for the plaintiffs, who are non residents of the State.

The payment called for by the bond is resisted on the ground that the statutes under which they were issued are unconstitutional. The objections raised against their validity involve some very nice and interesting points of law. About \$50,000 depends on the question.

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Cures Fever In One Day.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

Tillman, McLaurin, Talbert and Latimer Entertainingly Referred to.

SOUTH DAKOTA IREKAC.

The following excerpt from a recent Post report of certain executive session proceedings in the Senate has caused a great many thoughtful and sympathetic people to interest themselves in the senior Senator from South Carolina:

"Sen Morgau had spent some time in detailing his personal experiences in the Hawaiian Islands, and had described the Kanakas as a picturesque people, who would be much better off under a government by the United States. He spoke of the ladies going barefooted along the streets in long, loose gowns, which we call 'Mother Hubbards', and the men with little clothing, but yet strong and manly looking fellows."

"Here Mr. Tillman, of South Carolina, broke in and asked: 'How many of them are allowed to vote?' 'Let me answer the question,' said Senator Kyle, of South Dakota; 'how many of such people are allowed to vote in your State?' 'I've had that crammed down my throat,' retorted Mr. Tillman, 'until you make me puke.' 'Senator Mason, of Illinois, was in the chair. 'Order, gentlemen, order,' he said. 'We can have no puking here. Senators who desire to puke must retire to the cloak room.' 'It is hardly necessary to say that this remarkable conversation rather shocked the Senate.'

Senator Tillman in a card to the Washington Post, says the report does him "grave injustice, because of the suppression of what preceded and succeeded the offensive epithet. My retort was garbled and not an answer to Mr. Kyle's remarks at all, or in the language used."

Senator Tillman says that the junior Senator, John McLaurin, continues in feeble health. He has been confined for several weeks at his home (501 B street, N. E.) with typhoid fever. His presence is greatly missed in the Senate chamber, where he is becoming quite as popular as he was deservedly so by all parties alike in the House. I venture to say Senator McLaurin is as much a general favorite in Washington as in South Carolina.

"THE WATCHDOG OF THE TREASURY." Hon. W. Jasper Talbert is one of the ablest and best known members of Congress. He is without doubt the brainiest representative of the present South Carolina delegation, and that is saying a great deal. During past sessions of Congress Hon. "Jas." shared the distinction with the late Representative Holman of being the "Watch-Dog of the Treasury." On Friday night sessions of the House, when pension bills alone were considered, he was always found in his seat, much to the dismay of those party men who are ever trying to rob the treasury through the pension system. On these special sessions it very often occurred that the House had slim attendance and the spirit appeared to be legislative rapidly. It was on just these occasions that members who had

political debts that could be paid in this way, would try to take advantage of the situation and have their questionable bills called up and passed with those that were valid. Col. Talbert made it his special duty to "spot" these "riders" and "dismount" them, so to speak.

COL. "JAS." CONFIDENT.

If there ever is an occasion in a Congressman's life when he is apt to be put to his sprouts as a shrewd and calculating politician, and when "all the world seems sad and weary," it's when he has a contested election case on hand with the "judge an' jury agin 'im." He knows then that he is entirely at the mercy of and "ignance ob de cote." Being aware that the Colonel had a case on, I called on him at his beautiful and hospitable Massachusetts avenue home recently. Much to my surprise, under the circumstances, Col. "Jas." was lrimful of life and hope; and while he admitted that Mr. B. P. Chatfield had a Republican House and three negro lawyers from South Carolina Seymour Smith, Ed Dickerson of Aiken, and the Edgefield celebrity, Paris Simpkins) together with a reputable law firm of Washington working for him, still he had full confidence in his being allowed to retain his seat.

Weather for January.

Weather Observer C. A. Long, of Trenton, sends us the following data of the weather for the month just ended: Max. Temp. 73; date 12th. Min. Temp. 19; date 2ud. Mean Temp. 51.2. Number of clear days, 9; partly cloudy, 12; cloudy, 10. Precipitation 2.10 inches. Average precipitation for January for five (5) years 4.01 inches.

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OBITUARY.

MAY RICHARDSON TALBERT, aged 11 years, fell asleep in Jesus at the home of her parents, H. Q. and M. L. Talbert, on Sunday afternoon January 30th.

She bore her last long illness with a fortitude, sweet submission and patience rarely witnessed in one of her tender age. Her brief life, like a meteor, was lent us by the Creator, to brighten all around, but for a fleeting span; yet its sweet and sacred memories will linger on the earth from which her spirit has flown. "A voice we loved is stilled;" a ray of sunshine is gone from our home. Ever, bright, amiable and gentle, "none knew her but to love her."

Truly, "death loves a shining mark," and plucks earliest the brightest, sweetest flowers. We will miss you from our home, my sister, for none other thy place can fill; and while it seems so hard that it should be even so, we recognize the sovereign will of the "Author and Finisher" of all things. "The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away." One gentle being less on earth, but one more gem in the Crown of the Saviour!

One less to love and cheer us, but one more tie to draw us heavenward! Two more beautiful little hands to beckon us to that bright and better beyond where the circle will never be broken!

ONE OF TWO WAYS.

The bladder was created for one purpose, namely, a receptacle for the urine, and as such it is not liable to any form of disease except by one of two ways. The first way is from imperfect action of the kidneys. The second way is from careless local treatment of other diseases.

CHIEF CAUSE.

Unhealthy urine from unhealthy kidneys is the chief cause of bladder troubles. So the womb, like the bladder, was created for one purpose, and if not doctored too much is not liable to weakness or disease, except in rare cases. It is situated back of and very close to the bladder, therefore any pain, disease or inconvenience manifested in the kidneys, back, bladder or urinary passage is often, by mistake attributed to female weakness or womb trouble of some sort. The error is easily made and may be as easily avoided. To find out correctly, set your urine aside for 24 hour; a sediment or settling indicates kidney or bladder trouble. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp Root, the great kidney and bladder remedy, is soon realized if you need a medicine you should have the best. At druggists, price fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet sent free by mail. Mention the Advertiser and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietor of this paper guarantees the genuineness of this offer.

MARE STOLEN.

My Mare was stolen out of my stables on Monday night, the 24th inst. The said Mare was a dark bay, medium size, about seven years old with a split in one of her front hoofs. I will pay a reward of \$25 for her capture and return to me at my residence. WALTER S. MILLER, Trenton, S. C.

PROCLAMATION.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, EXECUTIVE CHAMBER.

WHEREAS, information has been received at this Department that on the 8-th day of January A. D. 1898, the Barn and Stables of D. B. Hollingsworth in the County of Edgefield were burned, and there being reason to believe that the burning was an act of incendiarism.

Now, THEREFORE, I, W. H. Ellerbe Governor of the State of South Carolina, in order that justice may be done and the majesty of the law vindicated, do hereby offer a reward of ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS for the apprehension and conviction of the persons who committed said act of incendiarism. In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, at Columbia, S. C., this second day of February, A. D., 1898, and in the one hundred and twenty second year of the Independence of the United States of America. W. H. ELLERBE, By the Governor: D. H. TOMPKINS, Secretary of State.

CITATION.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF EDGEFIELD.

By J. D. Allen, Esq., Probate Judge Whereas, Frank A. Washington made suit to me to grant him Letters of Administration of the estate and effects of Rev. Allen Washington deceased.

These are, therefore, to cite and admonish all singular the kindred and creditors of the said Rev. Allen Washington, dec'd, that they be and appear before me in the Court of Probate to be held at Edgefield C. H. S. C., on the 24th of February next, after publication thereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand the 4th day of February, A. D. 1898, and published in the ADVERTISER Feb. 9th, 1898. J. D. ALLEN, J. P. E. C.

Municipal Registration Notice.

The books for the registration of the voters of the town of Edgefield, S. C., will be open at my store from Jan. 1st, 1898, to April 1st, 1898, said registration being for the general election to be held on April 11th, 1898, for the election of Intendant and Wardens to serve for the ensuing year.

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Lv Calhoun Falls... 4 44 p m Ar Raleigh... 2 16 a m Ar Norfolk... 7 30 a m Ar Petersburg... 6 00 a m Ar Richmond... 8 15 a m

Lv Augusta... 2 55 p m Ar Fairfax... 5 00 p m Ar Yemassee... 6 30 p m Ar Beaufort... 7 20 p m Ar Port Royal... 7 30 p m Ar Charleston... 8 05 p m Ar Savannah... 8 00 p m

Lv Savannah... 6 50 a m Ar Charleston... 6 50 a m Ar Port Royal... 8 15 a m Ar Beaufort... 8 25 a m Ar Yemassee... 9 25 a m Ar Fairfax... 10 32 a m Ar Allendale... 10 47 a m Ar Augusta... 12 55 a m

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Assessment of Property.

For the purpose of assessing property Auditor Halliwaner will be at Trenton, Thursday, Jan. 6 Johnston, Friday, 7 Elmwood, Saturday, 8 Pleasant Lane, Monday, 10 S. Cheatham's store, Tuesday, 11 Red Hill, Wednesday, 12 Collier's, Thursday, 13 W. Cheatham's store, Friday, 14 Clark's Hill, Saturday, 15 Modoc, Monday, 17 Parkville, Tuesday, 18 Plum Branch, Wednesday, 19 Longwines, Thursday, 20 Quarles, Friday, 21 And at Edgefield C. H. to Feb. 20th, 1898. After which date 50 per cent penalty will be added to the personal property of all persons who have failed to make their returns.

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Jan. 24, '98.

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ELECTION NOTICE.

There will be an election held in the Court House of the Town of Edgefield, S. C., on Monday, Feb. 21, 1898, to determine whether or not the Town shall surrender her charter and be incorporated under the act of the General Assembly of South Carolina for 1896. W. W. ADAMS, Intendant. Attest—T. B. LANHAM, Clerk. Managers of Election: W. E. Dobby, Dr. F. Rose Timmons, W. H. Bee. Nov. 10, 1897.

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