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Wednesday, October 22, 1902.

We regret that neither time nor space will permit us to give the article of "S. C. B." that attention that we would like to do.

We submit, as a matter of fact, that in no essential particular has he successfully contradicted any statement of facts made by us as reference to his article will clearly show to any fair and unprejudiced mind.

We still insist that the assessment of Richland is higher than that of Lexington, as reference to the Comptroller General's report will demonstrate.

What are the Clerk's of Courts, Auditors and Judges of Probate for but to record instruments of writing of legal business transactions in the county in which they originated? If this were not so and these instruments of writing were only to be recorded in case of litigation, why then the necessity of these officers in each county? Why not make State officers of them and then in case of litigation the lawyer from Spartanburg or some other near or distant county could go to Columbia and obtain from them the information desired.

When we wrote concerning the tax levy of Richland, and the "prominent minister," there was not an element of doubt in our mind regarding the statements made and under similar circumstances we would make the same statements. Only after the commencement of this controversy did we find that in the first instance we were misled by the statements of the advocates of annexation, and in the second there was a reasonable doubt, the benefit of which was cheerfully given to "S. C. B."

In reference to Richland's debt we still insist that that county is in debt. If this were not so, why did the official write that he "will pay every dollar that she [Richland] owes with this year's revenues?" Remember "this year's revenues only commenced coming in on October 15th, and that she had to borrow money, or in other words, had to anticipate the fall collection by borrowing to pay current expenses. Again, the Comptroller General's report informs us that Richland county is indebted to the estate of the late Treasurer in the sum of \$7,063.03 for over paid county taxes, the correctness of the account is certified to by Mr. Owings as Supervisor of that county and the Foreman of the Grand Jury. Yes, Lexington has borrowed money in times past but this year she is in a position to use taxes collected in 1892 to pay the current expenses of the county government and those of her schools for 1903. Have you any assurance what Richland will borrow to meet the expenses of the next fiscal year?

Some of the people of the Fork have not yet begun to count the cost of the change. Why, even in the matter of the expense in attending court and other business has not been considered. As they are now situated they come to Lexington as jurors and witnesses, many of whom have friends and relatives here or near by, by whom they are hospitably entertained, whereas should they go to Richland they will be at a big expense boarding while there.

We admit that Mr. Owings was elected over three competitors but we submit that it was done mainly by the vote of the city of Columbia, which controls the vote of that county. If Mr. Owens' political success shows anything it shows that a

country resident stands not the least chance of political preferment, and the people of the Fork, who have political ambitions will find to their cost when it is too late, should they leave Lexington, that they are political nonentities from Congress down to Coroner.

A gentleman from the Fork is in town today in attendance upon the County Fair. He brings the information that Rev. Ballentine and Charlie Bailey has the Fork in a wheelbarrow coming down the road with the speed of the wind going to Richland, while Josh Harman stands at the Lexington end of Broad river bridge in knee britches and with drawn sword to prevent them from rushing and carrying all with them to material and political destruction. For the information of "S. C. B." we state that the above is not original with us. We only repeat the tale as 'twas told to us.

The Republicans of the Seventh Congressional District met in Convention at Orangeburg last Saturday and nominated a negro named Dantzer, as their candidate for Congress. This is the one who contested the seat of the late Hon. J. William Stokes and he will probably contest the seat of the Hon. A. Frank Lever.

The rumor is current that Chief Justice McIver intends resigning, on account of ill health. There are already plenty of applicants for this place, should there be a vacancy.

A Thoughtful Paper.

To the Editor of the Dispatch:

With your permission we will say a few things in reference to the secession of the Fork section of Lexington county. Wise and intelligent men sometimes make mistakes in business and in political sagacity, however patriotic their motives; and according to our conception, the members of the Constitutional convention of 1895 committed a grave error when they incorporated in the organic law of South Carolina a provision allowing slips of counties through their voting citizens to sever their political and judicial relations from the counties of which they may be a component part without regard to the welfare of the counties of which they make a part of the corporation. Counties are corporate bodies and as such should have common rights throughout their bounds. But this is apart from the issues presented. We see by the papers that the citizens of the Fork, the trans Saluda section of old Lexington county, are contemplating dismembering the old county and allying themselves with Richland county.

Action in so grave a matter deserves most serious consideration on the part of those who think of such purpose. Precipitate action would be unwise and should be earnestly considered from every standpoint. It is quite natural that an adjoining county should desire an increase of territory, population and taxable property to lighten their burdens and give them political power and influence. If Richland county did not expect to reap benefits rather than bestow them that county would not desire annexation. Selfishness is the controlling motive. This statement needs no demonstration. It is a self evident proposition. Those desiring to leave the old county must remember that they will carry with them, if they go, the burdens of every special taxation and their proportionate share of any past county indebtedness. There is another fact in connection with the proposed secession and that is that the city of Columbia has a numerical majority in voting and that the city will thus control the political and financial policy of the county, so that those who may have political aspirations, cannot hope to have them gratified save by the grace of Columbia. She will doubtless use the increased power thus given her for the advancement of her own political and financial ends.

Moreover, it is an admitted fact that city government is the most extravagant and expensive form of government in the world.

Why the United States government is very largely controlled by city ideas of economy, because the representatives of Congress are very

largely city men who go there with extravagant notions, hence the wild and enormous waste of money in almost every department of the Government. And we will say in passing that the same tendency to extravagance is being engrafted upon the State governments. A distinguished South Carolina statesman was heard to say substantially: "If the people at home knew what was going on here in Congress, they would feel like coming up here and casting the last one of us into the Potomac river." We trust that all these things will be well considered before action, to say nothing of the relations, social and political, proposed to be severed, which have so long bound our people together in the bonds of sympathy and brotherhood. Lexington county is progressing and prospering. We cannot foresee just now what her future may be with a united, patriotic and industrious population of which we can boast today. We cannot—we will not believe that any considerable portion of old Lexington county will so far forget the highest and best interest of her people, material and social and political as to listen to the enticing words of those who, for their own aggrandizement and not for your good, would lead you away from the hallowed memories and social associations of the past. Batesburg, S. C. Citizen.

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Respectfully,
J. W. THURMOND,
G. BELL TIMMERMAN.
October 22, 1902.—1y.

Executors' Sale.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, EXECUTORS of the last Will and Testament of Benjamin Rawl, deceased, by power vested in us by said will, will offer for sale to the highest bidder, on Wednesday, the 5th day of November next, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the late residence of the deceased in Lexington county, the following real estate, to wit:

One tract of land, No. 1, a part of the Henry Hendrix Tract, containing fifty (50) acres, more or less, adjoining lands of G. W. Kyzer, Lee Kyzer, Tract No. 2 of said lands and others.

Tract No. 2 of said lands, containing fifty (50) acres, more or less, adjoining land of Lee Kyzer, John Seay, G. A. Kaminer and others.

We offer the Keiser Tract of land containing forty (40) acres, more or less, adjoining land of Emanuel Long to Dr. W. S. Keiser and perhaps others.

We offer the Piney Woods Lands, Tract No. 1, containing thirty-eight (38) acres, more or less, adjoining lands of D. C. Harman, Tracts No. 2 and 3.

We offer Tract No. 4 of said lands, containing thirty-nine (39) acres, more or less, adjoining lands of D. C. Harman, Tracts Nos. 1 and 3.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-third cash, balance in two annual installments, secured by bond of the purchaser and mortgage of the premises sold. Purchaser to pay for papers.

We will also sell for cash at the same place and the same time, the following personal property of the said deceased, to wit: One Mule, Hogs, Two 2-Horse Wagons, Buggy, Farming Implements, Carpenters' Tools, Cotton Gin and perhaps other things not herein mentioned.

Notice of Election

For State and County Officers, and upon Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
COUNTY OF LEXINGTON.

Notice is hereby given that the general election for State and County officers will be held at the voting precincts prescribed by law in said County, on Tuesday, November 4, 1902, said day being Tuesday following the first Monday in November, as prescribed by law.

At the said election a separate box will be provided, at which qualified electors will vote upon the adoption or rejection of an amendment to the State Constitution as provided in the following Joint Resolution.

A Joint Resolution Proposing to Amend Section II of Article VII. of the Constitution of 1895, Relating to Counties and County Government.

SECTION I. Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina: That the following amendment to Section II, Article VII. of the Constitution, be agreed to: add to the end thereof the following words: that this section shall not apply to the following townships in the following Counties: Dunklin and Oaklar in the County of Greenville; the townships of Cokesbury, Ninety-Six and Cooper in the County of Greenwood; Sullivan Township in the County of Laurens; Huiett and Pine Grove in the County of Saluda. That the corporate existence of said townships be, and the same is hereby, destroyed and all officers under said townships are abolished and all corporate agents removed.

SEC. 2. But the question of adopting this amendment shall be submitted at the next general election to the electors as follows: Those in favor of the amendment shall deposit a ballot with the following words plainly printed or written thereon: "Constitutional amendment of Section Eleven of Article Seven of the Constitution, relating to Counties and County Government, Yes." Those opposed to said amendment shall cast a ballot with the following words plainly printed or written thereon: "Constitutional amendment of Section Eleven of Article VII of the Constitution, relating to Counties and County Government, No."

Approved the 28th day of February, A. D., 1902.

SEC. 7. There shall be separate and distinct ballots and boxes at this election for the following officers, to wit: 1. Governor and Lieutenant Governor. 2. Other State officers. 3. State Senator. 4. Members of the House of Representatives. 5. County officers. On which shall be the name or names of the person or persons voted for as such officers, respectively, and the office for which they are voted.

Before the hour fixed for opening the polls Managers and Clerks must take and subscribe the Constitutional oath. The Chairman of the Board of Managers can administer the oath to the other Managers and to the Clerk; a Notary Public must administer the oath to the Chairman. The Managers elect their Chairman and Clerk.

Polls at each voting place must be opened at 7 o'clock a. m. and closed at 4 o'clock p. m., except in the city of Charleston, where they shall be opened at 7 p. m., and closed at 6 p. m.

The Managers have the power to fill a vacancy, and if none of the Managers attend the citizens can appoint from among the qualified voters the Managers, who, after being sworn, can conduct the election.

At the close of the Election, the Managers and Clerk must proceed publicly to open the ballot boxes and count the ballots therein, and continue without adjournment until the same is completed, and make a statement of the result for each office and sign the same.

Within three days thereafter, the Chairman of the Board or some one designated by the Board, must deliver to the Commissioners of Election the poll list, the boxes containing the ballots and written statements of the result of the election.

The following Managers of election have been appointed to hold the election at the various precincts in the said county:

- Lexington—M. P. George, M. N. Kleckley, J. M. Craps.
- T. J. Drafts—G. F. Keisler, Jesse Drafts, J. L. Hallman.
- Leesville—L. H. Shealy, J. S. Derrick, W. E. Crosson.
- Lewisdale—A. E. Craps, Henry Price, Jason Shoaly.
- Gaston—W. D. Pound, R. J. Fallaw, Irvin Jumper.
- Laird's Mill—V. S. N. Jeffcoat, D. L. Jeffcoat, J. R. Jeffcoat.
- Irmo—O. F. Nunamaker, J. E. Lorick, Jr., N. S. Younginer.
- Ballentine—James Shealy, J. S. Meetze, Buckman Bouknight.
- Chapin—S. J. Clark, E. J. G. Lever, J. H. Frick Esq.
- Eldred's Store—J. D. Hiller, J. F. Epting, Samuel Wiggus, Jr.
- Peak—T. W. Amick, W. E. P. Haltiwanger, H. P. Summer.
- P. W. Shealy's—Jno. A. Shealy, M. L. Younginer, E. A. Roland.
- Hilton—H. H. Dreher, J. G. Hiller, Eucelphias Derrick.
- Samaria—R. W. Boatwright, W. E. Quattlebaum, Wm. Westmoreland.
- Batesburg—J. C. Sawyer, J. M. Reynolds, James Bate.
- Swansea—L. J. Maek, Andrew Derrick, P. E. Hutto.
- Red Store—E. J. Roof, J. A. Wolfe, D. Frank Jumper.
- Huffman, B. M.—J. Kelly Day, J. F. Gunter, J. V. Gunter.
- Brookland—M. W. Shull, J. L. Berry, W. N. Martin.
- Spring Hill—O. P. Clark, P. W. Sides, P. E. Eblezer.
- Folk's School House—G. R. Eblezer, J. D. Eilisor, M. N. Derrick.
- Red Bank—J. H. Ebley, Jacob E. Roof, J. E. Wingard.
- Brook—L. S. Derrick, A. P. Jumper, Ira Price.
- St. Andrew's—J. S. Huffman, R. B. Barr, S. D. Meetze.
- Epting—W. N. Lucas, C. W. Sharpe, Jno. W. Wise.
- Pelton—J. G. Fallaw, H. L. Seofill, David Young.
- Crain's Store—J. D. Langford, George C. Shroy, W. W. Keiser.

The Managers of each precinct named above are requested to designate one of their number to receive boxes and blanks for the election. They can be secured on Saturday, November 1st, 1902, at Grand Jury Room in the court house, from M. P. George, clerk.

GEO. W. POUND,
B. S. MCKEY,
E. E. SHAW,
Commissioners of State and County Election for Lexington County.

M. P. GEORGE, Clerk.
(Date) October 13, 1902.

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