

The Herald.

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A PAPER FOR THE PEOPLE. The Herald is the highest respectability Newspaper, devoted to the material interests of the people of this County and the State.

Of Years in Politics.

The Greenville News suggests that every Democratic club should arrange for four meetings during the year; and the suggestion meets the approval of some of the most influential newspapers in the State.

We regard it as the part of wisdom for our people to rest from the excitement and annoyances of politics, and devote themselves to their regular industries.

There are persons always ready to predict that the next, or the next, political canvass will be hotter than those that have gone before; but we have learned to have little faith in their predictions, and we see no reason for expecting an uncommonly hot canvass in 1884.

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The Civil Service Law enacted by Congress, is the wrong step in the right direction. It is the outcome of the popular demand for a reform of the civil service of our government, but, practically, it will prove a failure.

The law provides that the President, by and with the consent of the Senate, shall appoint three Commissioners, not more than two of whom shall belong to the same political party, who shall aid him in preparing suitable rules for carrying the law into effect.

In considering the probable effects of this law, we must remember that the President is not bound by the provisions, and that he may do as he pleases, and the law were only a dead letter.

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We believe that a definite, limited term of office should be prescribed for all persons appointed to office in the government.

Facts and Figures.

Those who say that the cotton craze has caused our farmers to neglect the grain crops, will be surprised to know that the acreage in South Carolina in 1882 was as follows: Cotton, 1,409,323; corn, 1,356,305; wheat, 201,815; oats, 362,373.

The vast agricultural advancement made by our State is shown in the News and Courier of the 18th instant. The facts are taken from the report of the Department of Agriculture, and are as follows:

"In South Carolina the area in oats was 362,373 in 1882, against 258,343 acres in 1881, an increase in acreage of 40 per cent. The yield was 7,929.97 bushels, or an average of nearly 22 bushels per acre. The increase in the yield over 1881 was 170 per cent.

In 1882 there were planted in corn 1,356,305 acres, an increase over 4 1/2 per cent. The yield was 17,045,735 bushels, or 12.55 bushels per acre. The increase in yield over that of 1881 was 110 per cent.

The yield of sugar cane increased 146 per cent. The average product was 127 gallons of syrup per acre. The increase in yield of sweet potatoes over 1881 was 80 per cent. The average product per acre was 93 bushels.

The yield of wheat increased 97 per cent. over that of 1881. The product averaged 9 1/2 bushels per acre. The increase in acreage was 20 per cent., or 34,246 acres.

The acreage in cotton decreased 3 per cent., yet the yield increased 114,500 bales of 500 pounds each. The yield, as compared with that of 1881, showed an increase of 26 per cent. The average product was 198 pounds of lint cotton per acre. The number of bales produced per acre is not known.

That the condition of the farmers of this State is as progressive as that of the Georgians is shown by the fact that the money value of the crops of South Carolina in 1882 exceeded that of 1881 by \$18,572,525.

In addition to the increase in other farm products South Carolina records an increase in the crops of 1882 over those of 1881 of 28,193,277 pounds of rice, 198,677 gallons of sorghum molasses, 181,888 bushels of Irish potatoes, \$42,243 in sales of garden produce, 49,787 pounds of honey, 324,056 pounds of butter, 58,252 head of poultry and 179,626 dozen eggs.

There is no speculation about this showing; it consists of facts and figures which speak for themselves, and which register what our farmers have done.

But the half has not been told. The almost startling growth of our manufactures is shown in the following figures: In 1860 the number of cotton mills in our State was 17, looms 525, pounds of cotton consumed, 3,978,061; in 1880 number of mills 18, looms 1,776, cotton consumed 14,869,500; in 1882 number of mills 25, looms 4,120, cotton consumed 29,946,269 pounds.

The following interesting totals are given by the Department of Agriculture for 1882: Number of cotton mills in the State 26, looms 4,120 and spindles 180,821; capital stock \$4,547,000, number of hands employed 4,262, wages paid per year \$728,900; cotton consumed per year 29,946,269 pounds; value of products of the mills \$3,047,033; yards of cloth produced 43,537,864 and pounds of yarn 8,032,975.

The progress of our industries has surpassed the expectations of the most sanguine, and, in view of the political and industrial difficulties through which the State passed, this development is astonishing.

These reports show that our farmers have avouched their merit and manhood, and that the busy toilers in our mills have done much to build up the wealth of our State. The results shown should awaken in us feelings of pride; but they should also nerve us for the future, and cause us to press forward to the accomplishment of the still greater results that lie before us.

Governor Thompson has offered \$500 reward for the apprehension and conviction of the Abbeville lynchers. This is exceedingly funny on the part of the Governor. The idea of supposing that any body can apprehend a band of unscrupulous men! A reward for one of them would have been proportionable.

The following extract has been handed to us, we commend it to our readers:

"Great nations are known by their roads, by their great highways, and well paved and well ordered streets. When the Romans held Great Britain one of the mightiest of their works, perhaps the mightiest, was the construction of the great Roman road extending from the south of Britain to the farthest north.

It was the imperial highway along which the messengers of the Empire travelled; it was a mighty piece of roadmaking, the work of far-seeing and prescient sagacity, and an iron will. Roads create towns, they call up at once humble villages and stately cities along their line, they create the centres of larger or lesser populations, they break up the monotony of isolation, and thus they destroy dialects and create pure language; and so also create the continuity and progress of thought; they form the chain which binds scattered people together; they are proof of persistent design and government and social order; malignant elements may still linger along the line, but gradually they diminish and become weaker and fewer.

Thus a road is a silent system of police, which by its very existence calls a people from social barbarism and wretchedness.

Of the twenty-six Senators whose terms begin on the 4th of March next a number have been chosen. Those re-elected are Morgan, of Alabama; Beck, of Kentucky; Lamar, of Mississippi; Anthony, of Rhode Island; Butler, of South Carolina; Hoar, of Massachusetts; Saulsbury, of Delaware; and Frye, of Maine.

Randall L. Gibson has been chosen to succeed Kellogg of Louisiana; James F. Wilson to succeed McDill of Iowa; James N. Dolph to succeed Johnson of Virginia; Ex-Governor Colquhitt is serving the fragment of Hill's term.

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The Chaplain then began to pray for the Senator from South Carolina, and others struggling in Senator Hill was once called to order, in a similar way.

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Why suffer from a state of ill health? Why be troubled with dyspepsia? Brown's Iron Bitters will cure you.

A new invention for building purposes is called "terra cotta lumber." It is a kind of brick so soft that it can be saved and worked with edge tools as readily as wood, and nails can be driven into it and will hold as well as in wood.

The widow and daughter of the celebrated Lawrence M. Keitt, of South Carolina, are spending the winter here. Mrs. Keitt is a noble representative of the grand dames of the Palmetto State.

The N. Y. Times says—Senator Butler, of South Carolina, has shown unexpected aptitude for the work of a Senator, and is a growing man, with whom the South has every reason to be satisfied.

It is said that a Western furniture firm has sent an agent to the Piedmont county of Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina, to secure 100,000 acres of suitable woodland.

The Sherman Educational Bill, before Congress, seeks to appropriate—annually for the next five years, \$10,000,000 to advance public education in the States and Territories.

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For whom are "our Free Schools" intended? Not for the wealthy. They are needed and need not, and surely the amount given is not intended for the paupers, as they are few. For whom then? The reply is for those by strict economy and wise arrangements make the Cr. column balance the Dr., and whose little ones have always had the advantage of bread and meat, or milk as the case may be.

We know that our representatives, though men of fine mental calibre, are not omniscient or omnipresent, consequently they may be ignorant of the fact that our present system of "Free Schools" is simply a farce.

To be convinced of the real condition as regards school, just come in with us one day. The rolls call for fifty, or sixty and sometimes seventy pupils. When we look at the boys from six to sixteen, their country's hope, perhaps their pride, and the girls who would be as brave as their brothers, if it were necessary, our heart grows faint as we consider how little we can do for them.

To our legislators we are bound to look for help. We should not, despite the lay of "small things," and if they in legislation will provide a first grade teacher for every thirty children, we will pledge ourselves, at the close of every session, to call in the examining committee and public generally, that they may judge of our progress.

Notice. All persons in whose name the estate of the late Wilson E. Higgins will make immediate payment to the undersigned.

To Arrive Soon. Mr. De Allen will be in Newberry in a few days, with the finest lot of Wines and Horses ever brought to this market.

1,000 BOXES Florida Oranges. Will be given away in Premiums to Subscribers. For particulars address HERALD PUBLISHING CO., Care of Orange Co., Florida.

Notice. Pursuant to the order of Jacob B. Felliers, Esq., as Judge of Probate for Newberry County, we will make a final settlement upon the estate of James Milton Wilson, deceased, at 10 o'clock, in the forenoon of Friday, the 23rd day of February next, in the Court of Probate for Newberry, and immediately thereafter apply for a final discharge as Executor.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA NEWBERRY COUNTY. By Jacob B. Felliers, Probate Judge. Whereas, Precious Ellen Thomas hath made suit to me, to grant her Letters of Administration, of the Estate and effects of Sarah Harriet Thomas, deceased.

Notice. Having withdrawn all agencies and placed our business on a strictly cash basis, thereby saving Agents' Commissions and losses by Bad Debts, we are enabled to sell our well-known fertilizers, viz:

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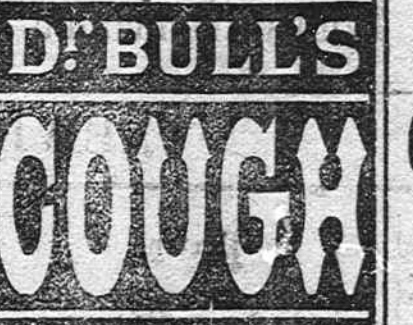
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Sale of Fine Furniture. I will sell at the late residence of Mrs. E. M. Kinard, on Thursday the 8th day of February, 1883, the Household and Kitchen Furniture: Some very fine Mahogany Bedsteads and furniture, Heavy Feather Beds, Quilts, Counterpane, etc.

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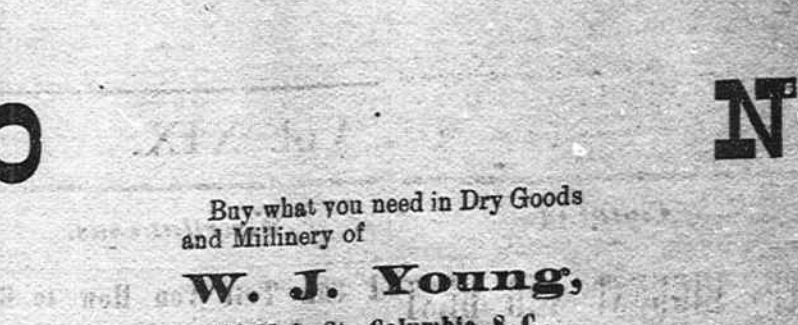
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