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MR. VANDIVER LIKES IT.

Thinks Arkansas Just as Good as "Old South Carolina."

Malvern, Ark., Aug. 13.—Editor Keowee Courier: Please allow me space in your paper to tell my old friends what I think of Arkansas. I have been gone from old South Carolina nearly three years and I wanted to be perfectly satisfied of my position before I said that this is as good as or a better country than that; and I think it is as healthy, though there are a few cases of chills. I think this is on account of not having the houses properly screened, as we have had no chills at all.

Crops are fine here. Cotton grows from three to six feet high. I have the earliest cotton crop I ever had. The land I have been cultivated fifty years. I showed Rev. A. P. Martt one stalk that had 88 good size bolls on the 30th day of July. If you doubt it ask him; he is in South Carolina.

We have the most fine corn here any man ever saw in one year.

We have a growing town—two new railroads coming through this year, four large saw mills, door and sash factory, two good laundries, large ice plant, and a stove factory. The payroll of the enterprises in our town is about \$100,000 a month.

On one of the new railroads they are opening up a new territory—a bright prospect for a man wanting a cheap and good home. There is plenty of good land for \$10 to \$15 an acre, half bottom and half upland—lots of it with almost enough timber to pay for it; most of it in woods. Churches and schools are located about every three miles, while dwelling houses average from one-half to a mile apart, but the buildings are sorry. I have been offered 300 acres of bottom for \$1,000 after the timber has been cut off. No rock in this country, though some portions of Arkansas are so rocky that the land can't be cultivated.

This is a great country for stock. The worst drawback on cattle is the tick. We don't have to feed cattle in the winter at all scarcely. River overflows down lots of them in the winter however.

Around Malvern land runs from \$20 to \$100 an acre.

Wish you all well and good luck.
Yours truly, J. B. Vandiver.

Laborer Gets \$1,750,000.

Frederick Gross von Alvensteben, of Omaha, Neb., for 27 years a day laborer, received notice on Thursday from the German consul at Chicago that he had fallen heir to an estate in Germany valued at \$1,750,000. When informed of his good fortune von Alvensteben was employed at menial labor a few miles from the city. He has engaged steamer passage and purchased transportation to Danzig.

\$50,000 Fire in Columbia.

Columbia, Aug. 13.—Fire, thought to have been caused by a flying spark, did damage estimated at \$50,000 to the plant of the Southern Asseptic Laboratories here late to-day. One wing of the building, containing valuable machinery, was saved. The flames were fanned by a brisk wind, which preceded a heavy rain, the latter assisting the work of extinguishing the fire. The plant was engaged in the manufacture of absorbent cotton.

Watermelons Cause Lynching.

Ardmore, Okla., Aug. 14.—Watermelons were the indirect cause of two lynchings at Paul's Valley, Okla., last night. According to reports received here to-day, Sanders Franklin and Henry Ralston, negroes, were taken from officers who were on their way from Ardmore to Paul's Valley, where they were to be placed on trial for killing two white persons, and hanged to nearby trees.

The two negroes had been in jail here for safekeeping. Franklin shot a white man to death in a dispute over the price of a watermelon, and Ralston shot and killed a white boy, whom he found in his melon patch.

FOR A BIG DAY AT OAKWAY.

President Dabbs Will Speak at Picnic Friday, August 22d.

There will be a picnic at Oakway on August 22d. The public at large is invited to attend, and the farmers and business men of the county are especially urged to be present. E. W. Dabbs, president of the South Carolina State Farmers' Union, will make an address. Mr. Dabbs is a fine speaker and will have something to say that will be worth coming to hear. There will be other speakers for the day. Don't forget the well-filled baskets and watermelons.

J. W. Alexander, A. H. Ellison, M. G. Holland, J. R. McMahan, Committee.

Wreck Victim Loses Eye.

Chester, Aug. 14.—John M. Jones, of Chester, will lose his right eye as the result of injuries he received in the wreck on the Lancaster and Chester road at Hooper's Creek recently. It was reported that both eyes were badly injured, but timely work by surgeons saved him from total blindness. Mr. Jones is owner of the Chester bottling works.

Natives Slay British Troops.

Aden, Arabia, Aug. 14.—Official dispatches announced to-day that a camel corps of British native troops had been ambushed by 2,000 Derivishes near Burao. The British killed and wounded include two officers and about sixty men. Many thousand followers of Mad Mullah are on the warpath.

Kills Sister-in-Law in Prank.

Milledgeville, Ga., Aug. 14.—Mrs. Charles Winter, a bride, 18 years of age, while playing a prank on her sister-in-law, Mrs. Will Winter, accidentally shot and killed her in the yard of her home at Stevens' Pottery, near here, yesterday morning. She leaves a husband and five children and was 40 years old.

Will J. Harbin Dead.

(Farm and Factory.)
Will J. Harbin, son of H. C. Harbin, and a brother of Mrs. W. Z. Whitmore, of Seneca, died at Walter, Okla., August 6th after an illness of one week of typhoid. Mr. Harbin was 43 years old. He is survived by seven children. His wife was a daughter of Elijah Mulkey, of the High Falls section of Oconee county. Mr. Harbin removed from this county to Temple, Okla., seven years ago. The news of his death is received with general regret.

Fatten Your Farm.

(Farm and Fireside.)
A tendency exists among many farmers to burn up all cornstalks, loose straw, clover chaff and superfluous roughage about the place. But it is too expensive.

Every time an acre of stalks is burned twenty-one pounds of nitrogen goes into the air and will cost you \$3.50 to buy back again. Wheat or oat straw from an acre contains about twelve to fourteen pounds of nitrogen, and clover chaff three times this amount.

One can easily figure from these deductions what a reckless loss to the farm is a fire in the chaff pile or stalk field. The cutaway and disk harrows will chop these bulky materials up ready for the plow, when they can be turned under. If you want to fatten the old farm stuff it with organic matter.

God First.

"Mother," said little Fred, "I can't love God and you both, so I'll choose you. The lesson says I must love God with all my heart, and there is but one ALL to it, so if I love God with ALL there'll not be one bit left you." His mother told him to fill a large pan with potatoes. "There," said he, piling on the last one, "it's full."

"Full, yet there's room," answered mother, as she took a bag of beans and shook them between the crevices of the potatoes. "Not full yet," she said, and she dropped two shovels of sand into the pan. "Not full yet," she said, and she took up a cup and poured several quarts of water into the pan. "Now," she said, "you see how a thing can be full and yet hold more of something else. Your heart may be full of love for God and yet have plenty of room left for father and me and for other right things."

Undeserving.

(Lippincott's.)

Three Germans were engaged in a confidential talk while dining together in a Broadway cafe a few days ago. Their conversation drifted from politics to the second marriage of a mutual friend, when one of them remarked:

"I'll tell you what. A man who marries de second time don't deserve to have lost his first wife."

TO MEET IN CHARLESTON.

Second Biennial Session of the Association for Deaf Adjourning.

Spartanburg, Aug. 14.—The second biennial session of the South Carolina Association of the Deaf adjourned sine die to-night at Cedar Springs. The exercises of the day were characterized with many selections befitting the deaf and addresses by J. A. Tillinghast, of Spartanburg; T. B. Thackston, of Spartanburg, and D. P. Tillinghast, of Morganton, N. C., who for a number of years was headmaster of the North Carolina institute for the dumb.

It was decided to hold the next convention two years hence in Charleston at some date in August, to be decided later.

J. E. Swearingen, State Superintendent of Education, was unable to be present, but a prepared address by him was read by Dr. N. F. Walker, head of the South Carolina institute for the Deaf and Blind.

Following officers were elected: H. R. Smoak, of Union, president; Miss Lizzie Gallard, of Spartanburg, vice president; Miss Mamie Duncan, of Columbia, second vice president; Miss Belle Rogers, of Cedar Springs, secretary; Walter Glover, of Spartanburg, treasurer.

When Pride Taketh a Fall.

O why should the spirit of mortal be proud?

Returning to town one observes the crowd:

"I'm glad to be back in the city to-day."

And somebody punctures with: "Oh, been away?"

—F. P. Adams, in New York Mail.

O why should the spirit of mortal be proud?

You purchase some clothes that you do not deem loud;

And, right off, some neighbor your vanity shocks

By saying: "I heard that new outfit six blocks."

—Arthur Chapman, in Denver Republican.

O why should the spirit of mortal be proud?

You come home at dark with your honk honking loud.

You answer the 'phone after dousing the glim—

"How far," asks a friend, "did you ride on the rim?"

—Dox Dixby, in Nebraska State Journal.

O why should the spirit of mortal be proud?

One loves little kiddies and raises a crowd,

And when, of a Sunday, fried chicken's on deck,

Poor ma gets the gizzard and father the neck.

—Judd Lewis, in Houston Post.

Things Forbidden in War.

(London Tit-Bits.)

It is not generally realized that the game of war is hedged around by as many restrictions as a boxing contest under Queensberry rules. These regulations, which are under the sanction of all the civilized countries of the world, are designed to insure fair play for the combatants.

When it is intended to bombard a place, due notice should be given, so that all women and children may be removed to a place of safety; and every care must be taken to spare churches and hospitals, as well as all charitable or educational buildings.

All chaplains, doctors and nurses are protected in every possible way and are not to be taken prisoners or in any way injured.

Any soldier robbing or mutilating an enemy is liable to be shot without trial and death is the penalty for wounding or killing a disabled man.

The bodies of the enemy are to be carefully searched before burial, and any articles found on them which might lead to their identification are to be sent to the proper quarters.

Explosive bullets must not be used, and quartermasters must be given to the enemy whether he asks for it or not. In an attack on the enemy there must be no concealments of the distinctive signs of the regiments, and the use of poisons for polluting drinking water is strictly forbidden.

Charleston-Columbia Route.

Washington, Aug. 14.—A report was made to Congress yesterday by the Secretary of War transmitting the recommendation of the board of engineers that an expenditure of \$430,000 be made to provide an improved inland waterway between Columbia, Camden and Charleston, S. C.

German Carp Galore.

(Newberry Observer.)

One day last week Mr. Hamilton, of Chappells, set nets in small ditches when the Saluda rose and caught 300 pounds of German carp, weighing from 7 to 15 pounds each. When the river rises the carp go out of the banks to eat grass.

WILSON HURRIES DEMOCRATS.

Senators Informed Early Action is Wanted on Tariff and Currency.

Washington, Aug. 14.—President Wilson to-day informed Democratic Senators he was unalterably opposed to any recess of the Senate between the time the tariff bill is passed and currency is taken up. He made it plain that he believed it the duty of the Democratic party not to hesitate in its program of legislative reform, but to dispose of the tariff and currency during the present session of Congress, so that the December session may promptly take up anti-trust and other important legislation, carrying out platform pledges.

The President communicated his views through Secretary Tumulty, who got in touch with most of the Democratic Senators and concluded that a substantial majority was in favor of immediate legislation and no recess.

Incidentally the President took a strong position on the question of legislative agreements between Democrats and Republicans in Congress. He believes that the Democrats, as the dominant party, should proceed with determination and not trade with the minority.

The fact that Republican Senators had informally agreed to speed up consideration of the tariff bill if a recess were assured after its passage, prompted the President to urge that business throughout the country demanded early action on the tariff, regardless of whether any vacation or recess was promised in return.

Democratic Senators were caucusing on the recess proposal at the time President Wilson's views were made known.

Good Reason for His Enthusiasm.

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Hears With Her Teeth.

Potoskey, Mich., Aug. 15.—Miss Helen Keller, the blind, deaf and dumb prodigy, has heard music for the first time. With her teeth held against the bridge of a violin she caught the vibrations of various notes and they were carried to her brain.

Prof. Franz Kohler, of the Oberlin Conservatory, former concertmeister of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, played for Miss Keller. The first note was sounded on the "e" string of the violin. Miss Keller was astonished. She held her teeth fairly against the instrument while Kohler played strains from Saint-Saens, using both the high and low registers.

"Like the voices of singing angels," Miss Keller communicated to Miss Macey, her teacher. She was exhausted from the excitement. Miss Macey said to-day that this was the first musical sound that has reached the brain of Miss Keller, despite reports of her previous knowledge of notes.

To Go Through Canal First.

Buenos Ayres, Argentina, Aug. 15.—The whaler Fram, commanded by Capt. Doxrud, left here to-day for Colon to take on board there Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary and Capt. Roald Amundsen, the explorers, who will be the first to pass through the Panama Canal on board ship. Capt. Amundsen afterwards will proceed in the Fram toward the North Pole, and, taking advantage of the Arctic currents, will return on board her to Christiania, Norway, traversing en route the Spitzbergen archipelago. Capt. Doxrud proposes to take aviation lessons in San Francisco to perfect himself for flights in the polar regions. It is expected to take six years to complete the expedition.

Poodle Killed, Woman Dies.

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 15.—Mrs. Himan Barrett, 72 years old, fell dead here last night when she saw Charles Young kill her pet poodle dog. Mrs. Barrett was standing on the sidewalk in front of her home when Young passed and the dog ran at him barking. He struck the animal with a heavy whip. When the dog was found to have been killed Mrs. Barrett dropped to the ground and died before assistance could be summoned.

Costly Treatment.

"I was troubled with constipation and indigestion and spent hundreds of dollars for medicine and treatment," writes C. H. Hines, of Whitlow, Ark. "I went to a St. Louis hospital, also to a hospital in New Orleans, but no cure was effected. On returning home I began taking Chamberlain's Tablets, and worked right along. I used them for some time and am now all right." Sold by all dealers. adv.



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1,200 KILLED IN CANTON.

Chinese Government Troops Join the Rebels—Pillage is General.

Canton, China, Aug. 12.—Twelve hundred were killed in the fighting in Canton city yesterday. Pillage is in progress everywhere.

Half of the government troops have joined the rebels, and together they have looted the principal goldsmiths' and silversmiths' stores. Local officials and army officers are powerless owing to dissensions among themselves.

An attack on the foreign concessions at Shameen is believed by foreign residents to be in contemplation and the detachment of Indian native troops stationed there as a guard was reinforced to-day from Hong Kong. The foreign quarter serves as a buffer between the rival forces.

A huge fire broke out to-day, destroying thirty barracks. The exodus of the civilian population continues without abatement.

Traffic on the Hankow railway has been suspended.

From Fayuen to the north of Canton a report was received to-day of a rising of brigands, and from other parts of the province of Kwang-Tung news has reached here that a state of chaos exists.

Gen. Lung Chi-Kuang with his northern troops has retired from the Canton vicinity.

Clayton Will Be Denied Seat.

Washington, Aug. 13.—The Senate is almost unanimous in the opinion that the commission of Representative Henry D. Clayton, appointed as successor to Senator Johnson, of Alabama, is not valid. All Senate lawyers believe Governor O'Neal's appointment, without express authority from the Alabama Legislature, is a technical violation of the new amendment authorizing direct election of Senators. Clayton will be given an opportunity to argue the case before the Senate committee.

When a girl is as pretty as a picture it may be because she does her own developing.

LONG BLIND, HE SEES BABY.

Grandfather Finds Her Hair Different from What He Pictured.

New York, Aug. 14.—After two years and four months of blindness, Samuel Sayer, of No. 1050 Park avenue, Brooklyn, yesterday recovered his sight, and for the first time saw his granddaughter, Caroline, born as his eyes failed, and since then his constant companion. Taking the child in his arms and holding her up to the sun again and again, he cried joyfully, "I can see, I can see!"

Sayer was operated on for cataract of the left eye in the Brooklyn Eye and Ear Hospital on July 9, and when the bandages were removed yesterday it was found the sight was fully restored.

While he was an auditor for the Erie Railroad Sayer felt his vision growing weak and he finally had to give up his position. In his misfortune Caroline Winifred, daughter of Sayer's son Henry, who lives at No. 1057 East Twelfth street, Flatbush, came to comfort him. The blind man would sit with her in his lap hour after hour.

"I had a mental picture of her face and form," he said to a World reporter last night, "from constantly feeling over her with my hands. But her hair—that puzzled me. I thought it was black. Now I see it is fair. Thank God, I can see it."

One of Sayer's eyes is still defective, but he says it is to be treated in September, when he expects to return to his work.

President Pardons Greenville Man.

Washington, Aug. 15.—After studying the case at the request of Representative Johnson and Senator Tillman, President Wilson yesterday directed that pardon be issued to Noah R. Wilson, of Greenville county, aged 62, who is serving a sentence of six months in the county jail on the charge of operating an illicit distillery. The President was convinced by Representative Johnson that Wilson was a victim of mistaken identity, and knew nothing about the still.

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