

# The Pickens Sentinel.

DEVOTED TO POLITICS, MORALITY, EDUCATION AND TO THE GENERAL INTEREST OF THE COUNTRY.

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## NEWS GLEANINGS.

A Mormon has married a Methodist lady in Falkville, Ala.

Sackson, Tennessee, is to have a cotton factory.

The total income tax assessed in Virginia for 1880, was \$3,322,460.

Over 80,000 pounds of tomatoes have been shipped from Chattanooga during the season.

Montgomery, Alabama, has an artesian well that discharges 25,000 gallons of pure drinking water every day.

An oak tree on the Keyser farm, Page county, Va., is twenty-two feet in circumference.

The death rate in July in Chattanooga, from a basis of 17,000 population, was only a little over 18 per cent. per thousand.

Robert Thomas, a colored man of Cocke county, Tennessee, has bought the Carson farm of 205 acres, near Dandridge, for \$8,525.

Jefferson's old clock at Monticello is being repaired. It is a remarkable time-piece on a grand scale, and a splendid piece of mechanism.

A Mississippian by the name of Darling P. Dear, has died at West Enterprise. Wonder if the "P." stands for Pet?

The Coosawhatchie swamp in Hampton county is drying up rapidly, and quantities of fish are being devoured by the buzzards.

John Colbert, of Etowah, has lost three wives, being married thirty-six years, has buried twenty-two children, has lost one arm and thirty horses, and is but fifty years old.

In the death of Colonel Randolph L. Mott, of Columbus, Ga., the Macon Volunteers lost the last of the original and charter members. The company was organized April 23, 1825.

Cork trees are being successfully raised in Georgia. The cork on some of them is already thick enough for use. It is supposed these trees can be successfully raised in most of the Southern States.

Apalachicola, Florida, has a population of over 2,000 souls, forty or fifty vessels engaged in the sponge and fishing trades, and five large mills, with a capacity of over 250,000 feet of lumber per day.

Coal oil has been discovered near Mayflower, Arkansas, and two local companies have been formed, who are leasing all the land in the neighborhood. Prospectors and speculators are flocking in in great numbers.

John Boswell, colored, formerly State Senator in Florida, and a prominent candidate for Congress from that State, is now working out a sentence for disorderly conduct in the street-gang of Galveston.

A bill declaring a wife a competent witness against her husband, where he commits an assault upon her, has passed the Georgia Senate. Likewise, one to make it a misdemeanor to carry intoxicating drinks to any public gathering.

The Georgia Redator says "the House has on hand over 900 bills, or enough, if each sheet were detached and pasted together, to encircle the city of Atlanta, which is nine miles in circumference. No adjournment in sight, even with a first-class telescope."

The farmers in South Georgia suffer so much from watermelon thieves that they poison fine melons frequently to catch the thieves. A few nights since a party of young men of the best families of Decatur county were out late at night and took a melon from a neighbor's patch. All were desperately sick and one has died.

One of the finest light-houses in the world is being erected at Cape Henry, in Chesapeake Bay. It measures from top to base 15 feet; diameter at the base, thirty feet; at the top, 15 feet. It has six stories, and above there is a service room, watchroom and lantern-room. It is constructed of cast-iron, and the interior is sheetrock. The light room is a circular steel frame, twelve feet in diameter and one foot high. The glass used for the chimneys will be of French glass.

A negro boy living in Charlottesville, Virginia, fell from a tree about six weeks ago upon a shapstake, which penetrated his liver. A portion of the organ protruded from the wound. Dr. William G. Rogers attended the case. He clipped off a piece of the torn and protruding liver about the size of a marble and sewed up the rifice. He expected the boy would die, but he got better from the first and is now running about as usual.

## TOPICS OF THE DAY.

GAITEAU is anxious to be admitted to bail.

The Grango idea has just reached Brazil.

PROHIBITION was overwhelmingly defeated in North Carolina.

JIM KEENE, the great speculator, is not in good standing in London, reports says.

THERE are 500 men in New York worth \$3,000,000 and over. We hold that they are lucky.

THE President is now anxious to try his legs, but his back is a little bit too sore for that.

THE yield of wheat in Indiana is estimated at 24,000,000 bushels against 47,000,000 bushels of 1880.

IT has been decided by a Pittsburg Judge that infidelity is not sufficient grounds for divorce.

MAX blessing flows profusely upon the heads of correspondents who have ceased to dilate upon the lunatic Gaitreau.

A THOROUGH Indian has been appointed a clerk in the Indian office, and "things is workin'."

MR. S. BULL refuses to ride on the cars. He thinks they want to get him where they can break his neck.

EX-MINISTER BRISTANCE has paid to Mrs. Christiana and counsel so far, for alimony and counsel fees, over \$24,000.

THE real and personal property in the United States is valued \$70,000,000,000. It don't look like very much on paper.

SOME time ago Senator Ben Hill had a cancer cut from his tongue, since which time he has been unable to talk.

THE anti-treating law in Wisconsin is a dead letter, the people—that is, the drinkers—drink together just as they always did.

CANADA is accused of stealing, but at the same time the Postoffice Department thinks they like to use our mail bags up there pretty well.

A St. Louis Fenian has a plan for sending up balloons and dropping down torpedoes on the hated Saxon, as a means of "freeing Ireland."

THE bullet the President's body has been located by the aid of Bell's electric machine but for the present the doctors will let it remain where it is.

THE Paris of America is called Cincinnati by the Louisville Courier-Journal. Waterson refers to excessive warmth. He is familiar with the topic.

LAWTON B. EVANS, of Atlanta, eighteen years of age, is the youngest Master of Arts in the country. He received the degree from the State University at Athens.

A HIGH peak one of the mountains opposite Cornallis, Mon., fell with a terrific crash the other day, thousands of tons of rocks being hurled into the valley beneath.

THE Philadelphia Herald says if you will catch a few flies and stick them in the butter you can imagine yourself at a seaside resort. The Philadelphia Herald is a pseudologist.

THE Ute Indians will be removed to their new reservation about the 1st of September. They consist of Uncompahgre, Uinta and White River Indians, numbering in all about 2,700.

THE Russian Jews are crossing the German frontier in considerable numbers, intending to form settlements in America. No obstacle is offered to their departure by the Government.

THE white woman in Ohio who recently married Wah Sing, a Chinese laundryman, has eloped with a white man. She got enough of the cheap labor business in a pretty big hurry.

IN ONE of his verses, Oscar Wilde, the aesthetic poet, alludes to "the barren memory of un-kissed kisses." An un-kissed kiss probably is the barrenest thing within the range of human experience.

EUROPE will not want much bread-stuffs this year, and while the farmers may not be particularly pleased with this news, the poor man may laugh in his sleeve. Our granaries will not be overstocked from present indications.

AN EXCHANGE says "it is much safer to fight a duel in Europe than it is to call a man a liar in Kentucky," and we

may add, the man who does not believe it had better try it, but fight the duel first to be sure you will experience both.

CAPTAIN C. A. COOK, of Brownsville, Ohio, made himself great by slapping George Morrison in the mouth for hoping the President would die. The way the cent subscriptions are pouring in upon him, he will be able to buy himself a farm.

A FRENCH newspaper tells a pretty tough story. A millionaire who lost all of a large fortune but 100,000 francs, died of grief in twenty-four hours. His brother and sole heir died of joy on the sudden receipt of what he considered so large a fortune.

LATEST reports state that Jay Gould owns 7,000 miles of railroad valued at \$140,000,000. He seems to be getting the bulge on us. If King Kalakaua was smart now he would cultivate Gould's acquaintance. He could buy up his dominion and not miss the money.

C. A. COOK, Brownville, Licking County, Ohio, is the address of the man who was fined \$10 and costs (\$32) for slapping a man named Morrison who said he hoped Garfield would die. Morrison, at the time, was flourishing a revolver in protection of his right to his views.

THE Steubenville Herald, a little folio paper containing only twelve columns to the page, is seventy-five years old. Its remarkable vigor may be attributed to that risible genius, J. W. Lampton, whose "mixed drinks" have been known to intoxicate whole families at one sitting.

THE spot where Gen. McPherson fell is described as a small enclosure, railed in with musket barrels, capped with spears, and covers a little glade in the forest, two and a half miles from Atlanta. From a granite base in the center a thirty-two pound cannon rises in the air, its square cut face rounded by a shell held in the mouth.

A WOMAN belonging to the sect called Perfectionists undertook to run herself to death at Dallas, Texas. She got the idea from the Scriptural passage about "running the race to the end," that if she ran till she died she would go direct to heaven. She could not kill herself by pedestrianism, however, and resorted to drowning instead.

MISSISSIPPI County, Missouri, is the great watermelon region of the world. Over 4,000 acres are this year devoted to watermelons alone, and the yield is about a car-load an acre, so that 4,000 car-loads will be shipped to St. Louis, Cincinnati, Detroit and Indiana. Contracts have been made with many farms at \$110 a car. The general prices run from \$60 to \$106 a car during the season.

THE homoeopathic physicians of Washington City are endeavoring to establish a homoeopathic hospital there. There are now 7,000 homoeopathic physicians in the United States, and the school maintains eleven colleges, thirty-eight hospitals, twenty dispensaries, sixteen journals, 105 local societies, twenty-three State societies, and one national society. There are thirty homoeopathic physicians in Washington.

MISS MONTAGUE, Forpaugh's ten-thousand-dollar beauty, got sick, and as she had to be left behind, and it wouldn't do to be without a ten-thousand-dollar beauty, a Miss Josie Sutherland was employed to succeed her. Miss Montague now sues Forpaugh for the \$10,000 which, the surrounding circumstances would make it appear, she never got. On with the music, and let these things all come out.

MR. HENRY VILLARD predicts that the Northern Pacific Railroad will be completed within two years. He also states that the Oregon Trans-continental Company, which controls the Northern Pacific and Oregon Railway and Navigation Companies, will probably build 800 miles of tributary railway east of the Rocky Mountains and will have 2,000 miles of tributary roads completed by the time the trans-continental line is open, and that the entire system will embrace about 6,000 miles of railway.

DURING the past year over two hundred men and women have emigrated from Georgia to Utah, converts to the Mormon faith. Several Mormon churches flourish in Haralson and adjoining counties of the State. A bill has been introduced in the Georgia Legislature to suppress Mormonism in Georgia. It provides that any person convicted of teaching such principals or endeavoring to decoy emigrants to Utah, shall be fined not exceeding \$1,000 or imprisoned not more than one year, or both, at the discretion of the Court.

A MAN'S good breeding is the best security against other people's ill-manners.

## FEELING THE EARTH MOVE.

Account of Some Curiousities of the Wind by a Philosopher on the Roof.

"Would you like to feel the motion of the earth whirling on its axis just as you feel the motion of a buggy by the air driven against your face?"

The man who asked this singular question looked both sane and serious. As he spoke he touched with his finger a small globe, which, with the slight impulse thus communicated, began to revolve smoothly and swiftly within a brass ring and a broad wooden zone, on which were pictured the odd-looking figures that represent the twelve signs of the zodiac. The green painted oceans and the variously tinted continents on the little globe blended into a confused jumble of color with the motion. Europe and America, the Atlantic and the Pacific lost their outlines. Greenland made a dark circle about the pole like a streak on a boy's top.

"You know the earth is whirling like that—many times faster than that," said the philosopher, "and if the atmosphere did not partake of the same motion there would be a constant hurricane blowing at the rate of a thousand miles an hour. Most persons accept the explanation that the atmosphere revolves as fast as the solid ground without inquiring any further, and so they lose sight of one of the most startling facts in nature. Just step up here."

The reporter followed the philosopher to the flat roof of the house.

"Don't you feel that?" asked the philosopher, putting his hand to his cheek.

"I feel a wind from the northeast," replied the reporter.

"Well, that's it, then," said the philosopher. "As the surface of the earth revolves eastward, it meets a current of air flowing from the north, which has not yet acquired the velocity of rotation equal to that of the ground it passes over. So objects on the earth are driven by the earth's motion through air that is moving more slowly to the eastward than they are. The result is that the wind which started to blow from the poles toward the equator, instead of moving straight from north to south appears to come from the northeast. The reason of this will be plain the minute you look at a revolving globe. You see that close to the poles the revolution of the surface is very much slower than at the equator, just as a point on the hub of a wheel moves more slowly than a point on the tire.

"You must not, however, suppose that every wind from the northeast is the result of this curious law. In fact, in this latitude it is very difficult to say when the true wind of revolution, if I may so speak of it, is felt, because there are so many local causes that govern the direction of the wind. Nevertheless, whenever a current of air starts from the far north toward the equator, this phenomenon will be experienced in all the places it passes over, although it is very often obscured by the changes of direction caused by ranges of mountains, great valleys and local temperatures. But the curious fact remains that we can feel in the wind the whirling of our globe about its axes.

In the tropics this phenomenon manifests itself perfectly in the famous trade winds. In fact the west and southwest winds that prevail here a large part of the year are the returning trade winds. In this case the air, moving from the equator, where the revolution is fastest toward the poles where it is slowest, has, as it advances, a westward motion greater than that of the surface over which it passes. So marked is the prevalence of this wind that sailors call it 'down hill' from here to England on account of the easy sailing with the wind. So, you see, that, although the winds alone would never enable us to detect the fact that the earth revolves, yet now that the fact is known, we see in them one of its most striking results."

## Graves at Culloden.

Many will be interested to learn that the graves or trenches in which the bodies of the unfortunate Highlanders were buried after the battle of Culloden are being cared for by the present proprietor of the estate of Culloden, formerly the graves were distinguished in the level green sward at the roadside only by the slightly-raised sod. But stones bearing the names of the clans have just been erected at the head of each trench. On one stone is inscribed the names of the clans "McGillivray, McLean and McLauchlan," and there are separate stones for "Clan Stuart of Appin," "Clan Cameron," and "Clan Mackintosh." Two graves are marked "Clans mixed." At the abortive "great cairn" a slab has been placed bearing the following inscription: "The battle of Culloden was fought on this moor, 16th April, 1746. The graves of the gallant Highlanders who fought for Scotland and Prince Charlie are marked by the names of their clans." The interesting prehistoric remains at Clava have also received some attention from the owner of the property. Some of the standing stones which had fallen down have been set up; unfortunately, one or two have been made to face in the reverse way from what they did originally. The place otherwise has been improved. In clearing up the ground round the largest circle, paved, or rather causewayed, paths have been discovered leading from the base of the cairn in a straight line to three of the outer standing stones. Local archaeologists have also found a great number of "cup markings" on the stones in this locality. One stone discovered had cup marks upon both sides—said to be a very unusual thing.—Edinburgh Scotsman.

## The Ways of Plants.

In a great many cases leaves are said to sleep; that is to say, at the approach of night they change their position, and sometimes fold themselves up, thus presenting a smaller surface for radiation, and being in consequence less exposed to cold. Mr. Darwin has proved experimentally that leaves which were prevented from moving suffered more from cold than those which were allowed to assume their natural position. He has observed with reference to one plant, *Marrubium arundinaceum*, the arrow-root, a West Indian species allied to *Canna*, that if the plant has had a severe shock it cannot get to sleep for the next two or three nights.

The sleep of flowers is also probably a case of the same kind, though, as I have elsewhere attempted to show, it has now, I believe, special reference to the visits of insects; those flowers which are fertilized by bees, butterflies, and other day insects, sleep by night, if at all; while those which are dependent on moths rouse themselves toward evening, as already mentioned, and sleep by day. These motions, indeed, have but an indirect reference to our present subject. On the other hand, in the dandelion (*Leontodon*), the flower-stalk is upright while the flower is expanded, a period which lasts for three or four days; it then lowers itself and lies close to the ground for about twelve days, while the fruits are ripening, and then rises again when they are mature. In the *Cyclamen* the stalk curls itself up into a beautiful spiral after the flower has faded.

The flower of the little *Linaria* of our walks (*L. cyatharia*) pushes out into the light and sunshine, but as soon as it is fertilized it turns round and endeavors to find some hole or cranny in which it may remain safely ensconced until the seed is ripe.

In some water-plants the flower expands at the surface, but after it is faded retreats again to the bottom. This is the case for instance, with the water-lilies, some species of the *Potamogeton* (*Trapa natans*). In *Valisneria*, again, the female flowers are borne on long stalks, which reach to the surface of the water, on which the flowers float. The male flowers, on the contrary, have short, straight stalks, from which, when mature, the pollen detaches itself, rises to the surface, and, floating freely on it, is wafted about, so that it comes in contact with the female flowers. After fertilization, however, the long stalk coils up spirally, and thus carries the ovary down to the bottom, where the seeds can ripen with great safety.—Sir John Lubbock, in the *Popular Science Monthly*.

## The Style.

Though it would seem that the people of all countries are equally vehement in the pursuit of this phantom, style, yet in almost all of them there is a strange diversity in opinion as to what constitutes its essence; and every different class, like the pagan nation, adores it under a different form. In England an honest citizen packs up himself, his family, and his style in a buggy or timbuc, and rattles away to spend Sunday. A baronet requires a chariot and pair; a lord must needs have a barouche and four; but a duke, O a duke, cannot possibly lumber his style along under a coach and six, and halt a score of footmen. This style has ruined the peace and harmony of many a household, for no sooner do they set up for style, than all the honest old comfortable *sans cere-monie* furniture is discarded, and you stalk cautiously about, amongst the uncomfortable splendor of Grecian chairs, Egyptian tables and Etruscan vases. The vast improvement in furniture demands an increase in the domestic establishment, and a family that once required two or three servants for convenience, now employs half a dozen for style. Bell Brazen was one of these patterns of style; and whatever freak she was seized with, however preposterous, was implicitly followed by all who would be considered as admitted in the stylish arena. She was once seized with a whim-wham that tickled the whole court. She could not lay down to take an afternoon's stroll but she must have one servant to scratch her head, two to fiddle her feet, and a fourth to fan her delicate person while she slumbered. The thing took—it became the rage, and not a noble belle in all Hayti but what insisted upon being fanned and scratched and tickled in the true imperial style. Sheer not at this picture, my most excellent townswomen, for who among you but are daily following fashions equally absurd.—Irving.

## Husbands and Wives.

A good husband makes a good wife. Some men can neither do without wives nor without them; they are wretched alone in what is called single blessedness, and they make their homes miserable when they get married; they are like Tompkins' dog, which could not bear to be loose, and howled when it was tied up. Happy bachelors are likely to be happy husbands, and a happy husband is the happiest of men. A well-matched couple carry a joyful life between them, as the two spies carried the cluster of Eschol. They are a brace of birds of Paradise. They multiply their joys by sharing them, and lessen their troubles by dividing them. This is fine arithmetic. The wagon of care rolls lightly along as they pull together; and when it drags a little heavily, or there is a hitch anywhere, they love each other all the more, and so lighten the labor.—John Ploughman.

"Is what condition was the patriarch Job at the end of his life?" asked a Sunday-school teacher of a quiet-looking boy at the foot of the class. "Dead," calmly replied the boy.

## BITS OF INFORMATION.

SIR HUMPHREY DAVY invented his safety lamp, to prevent accidents which are liable to occur in coal mines, so early as 1815.

The signature of "Boz," used by Dickens, was adopted from "Moses," pronounced through the nose—a nickname of his younger brother.

The phrase "piping hot" originated from the custom of a baker blowing a pipe or horn in the villages of England to let the people know he had just drawn his bread hot from the oven.

MOLASSES, liquorice paste, a decoction of figs, and glycerine are used in the manufacture of plug tobacco to impart a sweet taste, give color and prevent rapid drying; common salt and other salts are used for flavoring; anise and other aromatics are added for their flavor.

BANCROFT, in his history, has the following in regard to the introduction of slaves into what is now the State of Georgia: 1619; river; This; negro; The date I; Mr; of; Ma; igin; of Mr; ill; who doctor was asking the girl's mother what she had been eating. Mrs. Hale, who had just come over to the house, heard the mother say: "Mary had a little lamb, and Mary loves lambs, you know." These simple words touched Mrs. Hale so deeply that she went home and wrote the immortal poem.

It is said that the custom of presenting eggs at Easter is the survival of an old pagan custom celebrating the anniversary of the creation or the deluge. The egg presented by the pagans was an allusion to the mud used for the creation of Adam and Eve, for which Ormuzd and Ahriman were to contend till the consummation of all things. The custom of dyeing eggs at Easter is very old and common to all countries, but may have been taken back to the East by Christian travelers.

The house of John o' Groat's was situated on Duncan's Bay Head, the most northerly point in Great Britain. It received its name from John o' Groat and his brothers, who came from Holland in 1489. The house was octagon in shape, being one room with eight windows and eight doors, to admit of different branches of it, to prevent their quarrels for precedence at table, which on one occasion nearly proved fatal. By this contrivance each came in at his own door, and sat at an octagon table, at which, of course, their places were all alike.

The Spaniards visited Canada previous to the French, and, finding no gold or silver which they were in search of, often said among themselves, "Aca nada," there is nothing here. The Indians learned this sentence and its meaning. The French arrived, and the Indians, who did not want their company, and supposing they were also Spaniards on the same mission, were anxious to inform them in the Spanish sentence "aca nada." The French, who knew as little Spanish as the Indians, supposed this incessant recurring sound was the name of the country, and gave it the name of "Canada," which it has borne ever since.

## Some Definitions.

One of Thackeray's daughters has just published a little book about her friend, Miss Evans, in which she prints some delightful definitions made by that lady. Some of these are as follow:

"A privileged person—One who is so much a savage when thwarted that civilized persons avoid thwarting him."

"A liberal-minded man—One who disdains to prefer right to wrong."

"Radicals—Men who maintain the supposed right of each of us to help ruin us all."

"Conservatives—Men who give way to Radicals."

"A domestic woman—A woman like a domestic."

"Humor—Thinking in fun while we feel in earnest."

"A musical woman—One who has strength enough to make much noise, and obtuseness enough not to mind it."

## Kissing.

A lady of experience gives advice on kissing to a younger lady friend, as follows: "Be frugal in your bestowals of such favors. In the first place I would cut off all uncles, cousins, and brothers-in-law; let them kiss their own wives and daughters; and I would not kiss the minister, or the doctor, or the lawyer who gets you a divorce." You see this lady understands her business, and does not need these osculatory attentions to "lighten up the gloom," she's a jolly, squibbly woman, with a heart in the right place.

SAYS the *Hawkeye* solemnly: "Yes, daughter, you should go somewhere this summer. You cannot stay at home during warm weather and live. To be sure your mother, who hasn't been out of town since she was married, can stand it, but then she is old-fashioned and doesn't know any better, and besides, she has fun enough doing the washing and ironing. By all means go. Get a linen duster and a basket and go at once."