

Scrap and Facts.

A prize fight took place between Bob Fitzsimmons and Peter Maher, two noted pugilists in New Orleans, on last Wednesday night. Fitzsimmons was the winner, and Maher was completely knocked out.

The Yorkville Enquirer.

YORKVILLE, S. C.: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 1892.

The right to choose candidates to office by primary election should be as dear to free born American citizens as the almost sacred right of trial by jury.

The House of representatives, last Monday, committed itself in favor of the consideration of the Bland free silver bill.

The 1st of May is celebrated all over Europe as Labor Day, and in view of the recent outbreaks in Berlin and other German cities, the authorities are beginning to take notice of the occasion.

Since the recent disturbances in Berlin, the unemployed workmen throughout Germany have been in a state of ferment which will require but little to cause an outbreak.

The officials at Washington are indulging in war talk again. This time the other party to the controversy is Great Britain.

The fight between the railroads and the State of South Carolina on the tax assessment question is on. Instead of waiting for the sheriffs of the respective counties to levy on their property, the railroads have assumed the offensive.

Hill was elected United States senator while Governor of New York, but in order to keep Lieutenant Governor Jones, a political opponent, from succeeding to the gubernatorial chair, continued in his office until the expiration of his term.

Why not have a primary? The outlook for the Democratic party in this State is anything but encouraging.

The platform of the Straightout element is "down with Tillman at any cost." The platform of the March Conventionalists is "down with Tillman if that end can possibly be accomplished within the party."

The strength of the Straightouts at the last general election was about 14,000, the strength of the March Conventionalists and advocates of Tillman, who combined, formed the regular Democracy, was something like 60,000.

The following story, and it is hardly more than a story, comes from Benton, Arkansas, under date of last Friday.

The men of the past two years have not, in our opinion, served to alter the numerical strength of the respective factions to any great extent.

Weight of Cotton Bales.—The actual average weight of 7,095,956 bales of the cotton crop, embracing port receipts and overland for the six months ended February 29, is 501 1/2 pounds against 500 1/2 pounds for the same period last year.

Chester Bulletin.—Mr. J. L. Carroll killed a cow the other day from whose internal machinery he extracted a pint of milk.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

INDEX TO NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. W. H. Harkin—Pay Up! W. H. Colburn, Attorney—Citation—Mrs. M. E. Osborn, Applicant—A. W. Osborn, deceased.

T. M. Wilson, Manager—New Millinery. G. H. C. Strains—The Prices of Goods were Boarded—To Appear Well. Equior Office—Chattel Mortgages, Liens, &c.

ABOUT PEOPLE. Mrs. M. C. Cottingham left yesterday for her home in Texas. Mr. J. C. Davenport, of Norcross, Ga., is visiting Mr. R. T. Allison.

AN UNIQUE COIN. Mr. T. G. Culp has shown us a coin—we presume it is a coin—which says the least of it, is very unique. It is of copper, an inch and a half in diameter and three sixteenths of an inch in thickness.

PRISONERS IN JAIL. The business at the approaching term of the court will be quite heavy, and from the number of cases to be tried, it seems that it will require good work to dispose of it within a week.

LOCAL LADIES. Rev. J. A. Myers preached two very instructive and entertaining sermons in the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church at this place last Sunday.

DEATH OF MISS R. A. ROSS. Mrs. Susan Jane Ross, nee Caldwell, wife of Rev. Dr. R. A. Ross, died suddenly at her home near Sharon, last Sunday morning, of heart disease.

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within we were strangely impressive. There were present, old men with their wives, middle-aged men, and also young men with their wives, together with many children, and I could not pick out one that had not grown up under the ministrations of Dr. Ross.

CHURCH NOTICES. Episcopal—Sunday-school at 10.30 a. m. Associate Reformed Presbyterian—Rev. J. C. Galloway, pastor. Tirzah—Services next Sunday at 11.30 o'clock a. m.

FOOT MILLS' NEW FACTORY. The stockholders of the new cotton factory to be erected at Fort Mill, held a meeting last Friday evening.

LETTER FROM HICKORY GROVE. About People—Do, Re, Mi—Condition of the Crops—The Delay of The Enquirer was No Doubt Caused by Mr. Wamamaker's Coons—Reply to an Alleged Misrepresentation.

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TO IMPROVE THE PUBLIC ROADS.

A More Efficient and Economical System should be Adopted. Editor of THE ENQUIRER: The adoption of the constitutional amendment changing, as I understand, the office of county commissioners from a constitutional one, in my judgment, means that the people either have a more efficient one, or both.

Of course every one desires economy in the administration of our affairs, both county and State, but it is not desirable to obtain it at the expense of efficiency. This would be fatal to the public highways.

I believe the inefficiency of our present system of working the public highways, as it has been, has much to do in causing the people to desire a change in regard to the mode of their management.

It will never do, however, to give up our present system unless we can devise a better one, and I believe our late legislative act right in refusing to pass the "county government bill" as it is called.

I think two county commissioners, instead of three, would be a better system, and instead of the third commissioner, let there be one township commissioner from each township, whose duty it shall be to look after the roads and bridges of his township, and to report to the board.

Mr. Reid, of Maine—The gentleman does not make the point of no quorum. He makes the point that no quorum has voted.

Mr. Reid—Under the rules of the house, and under the present administration of the house, gentlemen are not present unless they vote. [Applause from the members.]

THE DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—The State Democratic Executive committee met in Columbia on Tuesday night of last week. There were 27 out of the 36 members present and the meeting was called for by Mr. Reed.

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