

Scraps and Facts.

The threatened uprising of the Bannock Indians in Wyoming has been arrested. The Indians have decided that they are not equal to the task of whipping the whole United States army and are hurrying back to their reservation so as to escape a collision with the troops. They say that they never intended to fight anyway.

The bottom has fallen out of the watermelon trade. Prices have dropped so low in the North that the melons are scarcely worth more than freight charges. There are thousands of acres of fine melons in southern South Carolina and throughout Georgia that cannot be marketed, and the crop will prove a total loss. But a small per cent. of the melon growers this year have realized enough to pay expenses.

A Chicago paper says that this year's corn crop will be the largest that has ever been known. It is estimated, at the present time, that the yield will exceed, by 200,000,000 bushels, the record of any previous year. This condition did not exist a month ago. At that time, continued drought in nearly all of the corn States, made the outlook dubious for an average yield; but the rains came in copious, heavy continued showers, just at the time most needed. The previous greatest yield of any year was in 1889, when the acreage was 78,319,651, and the yield 2,112,892,000 bushels.

An uprising against Christian missionaries occurred at Kucheng, China, a few days ago. The cause of the uprising is not stated in the dispatches. Men, women and children were butchered in cold blood, and in all 12 people, including five children, lost their lives. The murdered missionaries were all English. For some reason no Americans were harmed. The affair has caused great indignation throughout the world. The British press is calling for the punishment of the fiends by whom the murders were committed, and threatens that if the emperor of China is unable to mete proper punishment he will be assisted in a way that he will not like.

It is lawful in Atlanta for a man to kiss his wife in the street or anywhere else. The courts have so decided in the case of Ezekiel Martin, a United States soldier at Fort McPherson. It appeared at the trial that he and his wife, who had not seen one another for sometime, met in one of the principal streets of Atlanta. Martin was so delighted that he kissed her then and there, and not only that, but he hugged her, and it took a great many repetitions of these affectionate demonstrations to express his feelings. A large number of people witnessed the performance and were highly delighted with it, but a policeman was scandalized and proceeded to apprehend Martin for disorderly conduct. The court did not sustain his view of the case, but held that it was entirely in order for a man to hug and kiss his wife wherever he pleased. Thereupon the happy couple kissed in court and went about their business hand in hand.

Miss Elizabeth Flagler, daughter of Brigadier General Daniel Flagler, shot and killed a Negro boy in Washington last Friday. The boy, whose name was Ernest Green, was stealing fruit from General Flagler's garden. There was nobody at home but Miss Flagler, who is between 25 and 30 years of age. She secured her father's revolver, went up stairs and fired two shots in the direction of the boy. One shot struck the Negro and killed him almost instantly. Miss Flagler was accompanied by friends to the office of the chief of police. She told the jury of inquest that boys had been stealing fruit from the garden for some time. She saw them in the trees on Friday. She fired two shots in their direction; but did not see anybody at the time, and her object in firing was only to frighten the thieves away. She did not know she had killed anybody until afterward. While giving her testimony, Miss Flagler's face was very white, and it was plain that she was deeply concerned; but she showed very little agitation. She was disposed to look on the circumstance philosophically—as something that had occurred and could not be helped. The coroner's jury decided that the killing was accidental, and she was promptly released from custody.

Hector D. Lane, president of the American Cotton Growers' Protective association, is out in open letter in which he essays to give cotton growers some important information. He says that the bear statisticians have already commenced to talk of 8,500,000 and 9,000,000 bale crops. This, he says is only for effect, and to make the farmers rush in their cotton as fast as they gather it. He says it will take remarkable conditions from now on to produce a crop of more than 7,500,000 bales, and the crop can easily fall short of 7,000,000 bales. If the crop is not more than 7,250,000 bales, he says, there will be less than 4,000,000 bales for export, and as the result, at some time during the season, there will be such a scramble for cotton as has not been seen since 1870. He concludes his letter as follows: "Now I advise and sincerely hope that cotton growers will move their crop on the market just as slowly as they can possibly afford, and not allow themselves to be terrorized into rushing it all on the market during the early months; but to hold back 25 to 50 per cent. of what they usually market, and thus, by judicious distribution, we will realize handsome returns."

A wholesale massacre of Negroes by Italians is reported from the mining town of Princeton, Illinois. The mine owners sometime ago brought a large number of Negroes to work in the mines. The Negroes were disposed to work cheaper than the Italians, and the Italians did not like it; but took no action until a good opportunity

offered. Last Sunday morning an Italian was attacked by four Negroes, robbed, badly beaten and left for dead. The Italians held a mass meeting and decided to clean the Negroes out. Armed with shot guns, rifles and revolvers, about 100 of them marched to the Negro quarter of the town and attacked the Negroes. For half an hour there was shooting, stabbing and clubbing. A number of Negroes were killed and wounded, and all who were unhurt escaped to the hills and to the neighboring farm houses, where they were protected by the white farmers. The sheriff of the county was appealed to for protection. He collected a posse; but did not arrive until the rioting was over. The Negroes appealed to the mayor of the town to keep off the Italians while they again took possession of their homes. The mayor, however, made no effort in their behalf. At last accounts the Negroes were arming themselves for the purpose of returning and cleaning out the Italians. The probability is that the trouble is not already over.

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YORKVILLE, S. C.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7, 1895.

We have received from Clemson college, Bulletin No. 23, giving analyses of the various brands of commercial fertilizers offered for sale in this State. This bulletin is of great value to the farmers of the State, and will be furnished free on application.

If the framers of the new constitution will incorporate a prohibition of divorce in this State, they will save the people money and annoyance in the future. At nearly every session of the legislature, for years past, some crank has introduced a divorce bill, and we believe it would be a good idea to anticipate future attempts with a prohibition provision in the constitution.

The total expenditure on public common schools in this State amount to \$532,767.24 per annum, or an average of \$2.35 per capita. Charleston leads the other counties with an annual expenditure of \$85,825.23. Chesterfield's expenditure is the smallest of any county in the State, being only \$4,859.73. With an annual expenditure of \$26,629.06, York county stands third on the list; being exceeded only by Charleston and Spartanburg.

Speculation is rife as to who will be president of the constitutional convention. Governor Evans has been spoken of in connection with that distinction, and will have strong support; but just yet his claims do not seem to have grown quite so strong as those of Congressman Talbert. Congressman Talbert was chairman of the first March convention, and possesses the reputation of being an unusually well equipped presiding officer. If he indicates a desire for the presidency of the constitutional convention, he will be a hard man to defeat.

Mr. J. P. Kennedy, of Due West, has suggested as a solution of the suffrage question, the idea of allowing every man in the State, white and colored, one vote, and then giving an additional vote for each \$500 the voter returns for taxation up to a certain limit. There is no question of the fact that this plan would preserve white supremacy, present and future; but at the same time it would ensure property control of elections. It is not a bad idea after all though. However much property control is to be deplored, it is not nearly so objectionable as Negro control; and, in our opinion, the plural voting idea is deserving of consideration along with the various other plans that have been suggested.

The Democrats of Mississippi have declared overwhelmingly for free silver. Governor Stone is a Cleveland monometallist. He has control of the election machinery of the State. There are about 110,000 voters who are disfranchised under present laws. These voters can be enfranchised at the will of the governor. All he has to do is to instruct the registration officials to decide that these men can understand the constitution of the State when it is read to them. For the privilege of being allowed to vote, these men will no doubt be willing to make a bargain to vote anyway they are told. They could be made to vote against free silver and thus carry the State for a single gold standard. It is a well known fact that President Cleveland used the patronage at his disposal against free silver. Whether or not Governor Stone is a better man than President Cleveland, we are unable to say; but a trade with the Negroes would be no worse than the action of President Cleveland in buying votes with patronage. Notwithstanding the declaration of the Democracy in favor of silver, Governor Stone has the power to carry the State

the other way. There are men who would not hesitate to do this. Will Governor Stone?

The great canal recently opened by the German government to connect the North and Baltic seas, is not yet such a success as had been hoped for. The trouble is its management. The toll charges are so great, and there is so much red tape, that but few captains are willing to make a second trip through it. In fact, the British ship owners have declared a boycott and instead of going through the canal, they make the trip around by the old dangerous route in use before the canal was opened. The matter is giving the German authorities considerable concern, and the probability is that there will soon be a re-adjustment of tolls and ceremonies.

The Greenville News has published a scorching letter from George D. Tillman on the subject of the constitutional convention. The letter was written before the recent primary; but The News withheld it until after the election. Otherwise, it is likely that Uncle George would not be one of Edgefield's delegates. In his letter, he says, with considerable emphasis, that now is not a good time for the holding of the convention on account of factional prejudices; and he intimates that one-third of the body will be made up of charlatans and demagogues who will mar rather than promote results by talking for buncombe, and voting to grid axes. He says that all this talk of white supremacy being in danger has been merely a blind intended to justify the use of our questionable registration laws for the exclusion of numerous Conservative voters from the polls. Uncle George is evidently very bitter, and it is not improbable that he will carry some of his bitterness into the convention.

The Greenville News is still desirous of carrying the constitutional convention fight into the general election. It claims that the recent primary was not a Democratic one, under Democratic auspices, for the reason that all white men were not allowed to vote regardless of party affiliation. It goes on to suggest that all nominees should now be asked as to whether they will pledge themselves to keep out of party caucuses, and also to vote to submit the work back to the people for ratification, and if they answer no to these questions, men should be put up against them who will answer yes. We can see no excuse for any appeal to the general election. It is true that the recent primary may not have turned out just as all would have liked to have had it; but it was a white man's primary. All had an opportunity to do all that it was possible for them to do, and if they did not utilize that opportunity, it was their fault. The best thing that can be done now is to go to work and elect the nominees as they are. Further quarreling can only engender more bitterness to no good purpose.

FORT MILL MATTERS.

Poor Prospect for Cotton—The Town is Growing—Attacked by a Sow. Correspondence of the Yorkville Enquirer.

FORT MILL, August 5.—We have the poorest prospect for cotton that we have had in a long time. The weed is looking fine; but there are few growing bolls. If we make anything, it will have to be during the month of August, and but few people over here remember to have seen much of an August crop.

Fort Mill is still improving. Eighteen dwelling houses have been erected in the town during the past year, and there is not a vacant house to be found. Mr. J. W. Ardrey is building a storeroom that has already been rented to a firm that is to come here from Matthews' station. Messrs. A. R. Kimbrell, of Rock Hill, and E. W. Kimbrell, of this place, are to open a fancy grocery store here. The Spratt Machine company will finish up the wood work on the Baptist church this week. The building will be a handsome one.

Two sons of Mr. J. H. McMurry, aged 15 and 13, respectively, met with an exciting adventure yesterday afternoon. The boys went into the barn lot to feed the mules. An old sow, with a litter of week-old pigs attacked the older boy. The younger boy went to the rescue. The sow got both boys down and bit them seriously about the head, arms and shoulders. Had not Mr. McMurry come to the rescue about this time, the boys might have been maimed for life or killed.

Some families in the "Fork" gave a picnic on the river last Friday and invited a few friends from Fort Mill, your correspondent among the number, to dinner. The occasion was greatly enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. Martha Kimbrell, wife of Mr. Alonzo Kimbrell, died at Fort Mill last Monday morning. She came to the Fort on Saturday to visit her sister, Mrs. Johnson, and took sick en route. Mr. C. P. Culp, who went to Texas last fall on account of his health, was not doing so well when last heard from.

Both factories at this place are running full time, night and day.

A race riot that resulted in the serious shooting of four or five Negroes, occurred near Smyrna, Cobb county, Ga., last Friday.

J. S. Coxy has been nominated for governor of Ohio by the Populists.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

INDEX TO NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

J. E. Lowry, D. C. Clark, W. T. Beaumont, commissioners of election—Notice of constitutional convention election and list of managers appointed to conduct the election.

Withers Adickes, Assistant Manager—Additional information with regard to Ramseur's Asheville excursion. The fare for the round trip from Yorkville to Asheville, is only \$2.50.

H. C. Strauss—Calls attention to the benefits to be obtained by purchasing summer goods from him at his cutrate prices.

Grist Cousins—Give the prices at which they are selling a number of articles in the grocery line.

J. Spratt Wright—Offers two tracts of land at private sale. One is near Newport, and the other in Fort Mill township.

C. Manley, D. D., President—Announces that Furman University will open September 25, and that a scholarship examination worth \$50 will be held by the school commissioner on August 23.

WORK ON THE STREETS.

The work of macadamizing the streets of Yorkville has commenced in good earnest. During the past few days from 12 to 18 wagons and from 40 to 50 men, including the 16 convicts, have been engaged piling rock, and now the situation begins to look like business. The engine and crusher are located on East Madison street, near the A. R. P. church, and at this point enough rock will probably be crushed to macadamize Main street down to the court house. After this work is completed, the crushing plant will be moved down to the vacant lot next to Ferguson Brothers' store, and the work of macadamizing will be continued on up street from that point.

AND THE LORD TAKETH AWAY.

The deep sympathy of the people of Yorkville and community has gone out to Dr. and Mrs. C. M. Kuykendal in the loss of their little daughter Margaret, who died last Monday morning at 9.10 o'clock, aged 6 months. The little one first took sick about 25 days ago with that most insidious of all diseases of children—dysentery. Though the distressed parents were deeply concerned, at first there seemed to be no cause for alarm. No attention that could be bestowed by loving father and mother, or a faithful physician, was neglected; but to check the progress of the disease was beyond the power of human knowledge and skill. After 23 days of agonizing suspense, the little spirit went back to Him from whom it originally came. The funeral took place on Monday evening and was attended by an unusually large concourse of sympathetic friends of the bereaved parents. The services were conducted in a beautiful and impressive manner, by Rev. Mr. Lee, Rector of the Church of the Good Sheppard.

MURDER NEAR GUTHRIESVILLE.

Sol Williams, colored, shot and killed John Miller, also colored, near Guthriesville last Thursday night between 11 and 12 o'clock.

The alleged cause of the trouble was Miller's attentions to Williams' wife. Miller had been devoting himself to the woman for some time, and goaded on to desperation Williams at length decided to put a stop to further annoyance by resorting to murder.

A party of Negroes including Miller and the Williams woman were on their way home from prayermeeting. Williams had been advised of the circumstance, and armed with a shotgun, and intercepted the party. He had a few words with Miller and that worthy drew a revolver, whereupon Williams raised his gun and fired. The charge entered Miller's left side below the heart, and made a wound from which death resulted within eight hours.

After the shooting Williams made no attempt to escape. He quietly submitted to arrest at the hands of Mr. J. C. Hudson, and upon a commitment, issued by Trial Justice Sanders, was brought to Yorkville and turned over to Sheriff Crawford.

REPUBLICAN MEETING.

There was a mysterious gathering of Negroes in the court house last Monday. People about the court house, who saw the Negroes going in and out, were interested to know what they were up to. But the doors were kept locked securely, and none but the initiated were allowed admittance.

Glances through the windows indicated that there were present about 25 or 30 delegates, or representatives of the race, and an individual on the rear platform of the court house, overheard one of the speakers declare that "We can fuse with the better element of the white people," or something to that effect.

Shortly after the meeting adjourned, which was late in the afternoon, a reporter for THE ENQUIRER approached J. M. Clinton, the wellknown county chairman, with an inquiry as to whether or not he had anything to give out to the press. "I have already given out all I have to the other paper," he replied, assuming the tone of dignified importance. "But you can tell me what you did," suggested the reporter.

"Yes, I can do that," replied Clinton, "but I am not going to tell you the object of the meeting. One of the things that was brought up in the meeting was, 'who is county chairman?' J. M. Clinton was recognized

as county chairman, and S. P. Foster was denounced as county chairman. There is two factions in the county, and Foster, of Blacksburg, claimed to be county chairman. There was 14 precincts at the meeting."

"Anything else?" asked the reporter. "No, that is all I am giving out," replied Clinton, and the reporter's source of information was pumped dry.

EARNINGS FOR MARCH.

The railroad commission has published its report of the earnings of the roads in the State for March, 1895, as compared with the same month last year. In the case of the roads traversing this section, the figures are as follows:

Atlanta and Charlotte Air Line, 1894, \$58,517.13; 1895, \$63,828.80; an increase of \$5,311.67.

Chester and Leuoir, 1894, \$1,706.19; 1895, \$2,874.35; an increase of \$1,168.16.

Ohio River and Charleston, 1894, \$16,903.08; 1895, \$18,503.13; an increase of \$1,600.05.

Georgia, Carolina and Northern, 1894, \$56,725.62; 1895, \$68,132.06; an increase of \$11,406.44.

All the roads in the state show a net decrease of \$14,944.33. The earnings of the C. C. & A. have not yet been reported.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Mr. John R. Ashe, of Kershaw, is Yorkville.

Miss Alice Grist is visiting friends in Fort Mill.

Mrs. J. M. Rawlinson, of Yorkville, is at Glenn Springs.

Mr. W. M. Propst, of this place, is on a visit to Winstboro.

Mrs. A. R. Banks, of this place, is visiting friends in Tennessee.

Miss Hattie Banks, of this place, is visiting friends in Rock Hill.

Mr. S. M. Inman and family left last night for a week's visit to Lowrysville.

Mrs. Mary Hope and children, Ethel and Willie, are visiting relatives at Sharon.

Miss C. A. Starr, of the Bethesda neighborhood is visiting friends in this place.

Mrs. Carrie May and Mrs. Hannah Carr are on a pleasure trip to Glenn Springs.

Miss Annie Jones, of Guthriesville, is visiting Miss Mamie McConnell, in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Jones left last Monday on a visit to relatives in Gaston county, N. C.

Mr. Mason L. Carroll spent a few days in Yorkville this week with relatives and friends.

Rev. R. L. Grier, of Steel Creek, N. C., is visiting relatives and friends in Yorkville.

Misses Mary and Florrie Allison returned last Friday from a visit to relatives and friends in Western York.

Rev. Boyce H. Grier, of the A. R. P. church, of this place, is visiting his mother, Mrs. B. B. Grier, at Due West, who is in bad health.

Mrs. Mary Webster, of Cowpens, and Miss Ossie Jefferys, of Spartanburg, are visiting relatives and friends in Yorkville, the guests of Mrs. Janie Parish.

Miss Kate Moore, Messrs. Crawford Moore, Bratton Lowry, Will Williams, C. G. Parish, W. B. Moore and J. R. Lindsay, of Yorkville, are on a pleasure trip to Atlanta, Ga.

LOCAL LAONICS.

Until January 1896.

THE TWICE-A-WEEK ENQUIRER will be furnished from this date until January 1, 1896, for 75 cents.

The Goff Decision.

According to the daily papers of yesterday morning the Goff decision in the new registration case was to have been rendered yesterday. We expected the news by telegraph before going to press, but were disappointed.

Rev. T. M. Lowry at Allison Creek.

Rev. T. M. Lowry preached at Allison Creek last Sunday morning and at Beth-Shiloh in the afternoon for Rev. J. M. McClain, who was unwell. Mr. Lowry's sermons were greatly enjoyed by the respective congregations.

Saleaday.

There was only one official auction sale last Monday. Under a decree of foreclosure, at the suit of Lena C. Wright vs. Hugh M. Stephenson, the clerk sold a tract of 150 acres in Bullock's Creek township. It was bought by C. E. Spencer, attorney, for \$150.

More Factory Talk.

Factory talk has been revived in Yorkville, and a plan is on foot for the erection of a \$100,000 cotton mill. The parties who have the matter under consideration are more than able to carry it to success; but as yet we are not at liberty to give further particulars.

Re-Union at Rock Hill.

Confederate Camp, No. 278 has determined to have a big re-union of the Confederate veterans of York county at Rock Hill on August 27. The camp will make extensive arrangements for the entertainment of the veterans. There will be reduced rates on the railroads, and the probability is that there will be a big crowd present.

Winthrop Normal and Industrial College.

We have received a copy of the prospectus of the Winthrop Normal and Industrial college at Rock Hill, which opens on Tuesday, October 15. Under the act establishing the college, indigent students are to receive tuition free. Their estimated expenses per session of nine months, will be \$85.50. The estimated expenses of those who have to pay tuition, is \$126.50. These

expenses are divided as follows: Board, including light, heat and washing, \$76.50; medical fee, including physician, nurse and medicine, \$5; use of books and apparatus, \$5; tuition, \$40.

Last Registration Day.

Monday was the last day provided for the registration of voters in the approaching constitutional convention election. Supervisor Gordon was in his office all day; but was not disposed to give any information as to the progress of his work. When asked as to the number of people who had registered during the day, he replied that it was "something less than a thousand."

Everybody Likes Him.

Rev. Dr. T. R. English, formerly pastor of the Presbyterian church at this place; but who now holds a professorship at Hampden-Sidney, Va., is visiting in Yorkville and vicinity. The people of Yorkville, have long entertained the highest respect and esteem for Dr. English, and all feel peculiar pleasure in having him again amongst them. He preached in the Presbyterian church last Sunday, and the building was crowded.

Rebuilt the Buggy.

The Carolina Buggy company has just turned out of its factory a job that is generally conceded to be especially creditable. It is the old omnibus, formerly owned by the late R. A. Parish. It was bought by Messrs. Glenn & Allison at public auction some weeks ago, and has since been undergoing repairs by the Carolina Buggy company. The vehicle now has the appearance of being brand new, and there are many who will hold that it is really a more substantial job than when it was first made.

AN IMPORTANT ENTERPRISE.

Yorkville is to have a 75-barrel roller mill, an up-to-date cornmill, and a first-class ginning outfit. The preliminary steps have already been taken, and the necessary buildings are to be erected at once on the site of the old spoke and handle factory. Mr. Leroy Morrow, the wellknown mill man of Gastonia, is to be the owner of the plant.

Not many days ago, Mr. Morrow gave citizens of Yorkville an intimation of his desire to erect a mill here, and made a proposition as to what he would do, in the event of certain inducements. The citizens took the matter in hand at once, and as the result, closed a trade by which Mr. Morrow has already sent a force of hands to Yorkville to make arrangements looking to the construction of the mill. Before the end of another week, work will have commenced in good earnest, and the outlook is that Mr. Morrow will soon be ready, not only to gin the present cotton crop; but also to grind a good portion of the last wheat harvest.

The proposed roller mill is to be equipped with the very best new machinery, and is to have a capacity of 75 barrels of fine flour a day—50 barrels more than the mill at Gastonia. The ginnery is to be equipped with two Daniel Pratt gins, the latest improvements in the way of elevators, presses, etc., and all possible conveniences to patrons. The cornmill is to be first-class in every respect, and of sufficient capacity to grind all the meal that may be desired within a radius of one dozen miles.

THAT TIRZAH CONFERENCE.

One of the Participants Talks About its Proceedings.

To the Editor of the Yorkville Enquirer:

In justice to C. E. Spencer, J. S. Brice and myself, I will say that I was in that caucus at Tirzah, and do say that there was not any such resolutions brought before the house to mark out the names of Brice and Spencer. I was the first to name these two candidates, and supported them at the election. If there was any such talk, I never heard it. I am certain it was not before the house. If you must know what that meeting was held for, it was to see which one of our candidates the Conservatives were going to support, and it was reported that they were going to support A. H. White; and we all voted for him, and by so doing we got three-and-one-half Reformers, viz.: White, Brice and Ashe. Wilson is a half scholar; but I think when he comes back from the convention, he will be one of our best Reformers. Pity that so smart a man as Wilson has been dead so long, just to have it to say he was "Conservative—Conservative." CITIZEN OF ZADOK.

LETTER FROM LOWRYVILLE.

Bad Crop Report—Enjoyable Fishing Trip to Lockhart.

Correspondence of the Yorkville Enquirer.

LOWRYVILLE, August 5.—This section has not had a good rain since August 2, consequently the crops are well nigh paralyzed from lack of moisture. If it does not rain real soon, the corn crop will be the lightest for years. Even with an early rain, cotton cannot possibly make more than two-thirds of an average yield.

This scribe, last week, had the pleasure of accompanying a number of gentlemen and ladies to Lockhart Shoals on a fishing expedition. Over 500 of the finny tribe were taken and converted into delicious fry and soup under the skillful directions of Mrs. Abell, Mrs. Joe Wilson, Mrs. D. Jones and Mrs. Sam Guy. I am persuaded if the good time had been pro-