

Scraps and Facts.

The Massachusetts legislature has struck upon a bright idea for the disposition of the woman suffrage question.

Quite a lively fight has been inaugurated by the various religious bodies of Washington against the hop growers of the State.

Seven thousand Irish-Americans from all parts of the country are assembled in Chicago for the purpose of considering the question of Irish Independence.

There is to be another race for the America's cup next year. Charles Day Rose, an Englishman, has sent in a challenge for a race upon any conditions that may be prescribed by the cup committee.

The various railroads running into Atlanta have declared war against the ticket scalpers. They want to break up the business of the scalpers in return tickets, bought on account of the exposition, and, to that end, they have gotten out a form of ticket that requires the signature of the original purchaser before it can be used a second time.

The Atlanta exposition has been in progress for 10 days now, and from all reports, there is no doubt of the fact that it is a big thing.

Arrangements were made on Tuesday afternoon by the exposition directors for the reception of the "Liberty" bell, which is to arrive in Atlanta from Philadelphia on October 8th.

Lieutenant Peary, the Arctic explorer, who went on another expedition to the north pole last spring, has returned to America.

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left undisturbed. The expedition, like most of its predecessors, will have to go down as a failure.

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The promised cold wave from the Northwest has not yet put in its appearance. When it joined issue with the scorching atmosphere down this way, it probably decided to go into camp and wait until later in the season.

Senator Tillman's idea of the value of frequent elections sounds well as an argument; but all must admit that it does not go well in practice.

Notwithstanding the fact that the statement is not borne out by any supply bill that has been passed by the legislature for years, the Columbia Register says that "the tax levies of small counties are smaller than those of large counties."

Everybody who has ever paid any attention to the matter, is aware of the fact that the price of iron is the most perfect barometer of business known. When the price of iron goes down, everything becomes depressed, and when the price of iron goes up, business immediately begins to flourish.

Judge Townsend played quite a trick on the lawyers at Winnsboro last week. The criminal business was disposed of in four days. Not anticipating that there would be any jury business on the civil side the first week, the lawyers had summoned their witnesses to be on hand the following Monday.

The constitutional convention did a good day's work when it declined to vest the governor with authority to remove sheriffs and other officers upon a mere suspicion of malfeasance or neglect of duty.

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in the continued operation of their mills. They can't afford to shut down so long as they can make even a little profit, and they are not apt to voluntarily go down to reduced time.

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

Synopsis of the Proceedings of Tuesday and Wednesday.

Since last Monday—the last day for the introduction of new ordinances—the constitutional convention has buckled down to business, and it has already developed that its work is not to be nearly so light or speedily disposed of as many have seen fit to predict.

TUESDAY—THIRTEENTH DAY.

It developed that there was a deadlock in the committee on counties and county government. Mr. George D. Tillman reported that the committee had originally consisted of 11 members.

It was suggested from the floor, among other things, that each half of the committee select another man let the convention go into an election so as to give the committee 13 members, and thus break the deadlock.

Mr. Stanyarne Wilson objected to this plan on the ground that it would bring about a test vote before the convention was fully informed as to the merits of the case.

It was also suggested that the chair appoint a thirteenth man; but this was objected to on the ground that it would be unfair to impose on the president such a duty.

Mr. Brazzalet finally found a solution of the whole matter by suggesting that the committee bring in two reports, and let the convention decide for itself what was best to do.

The next question to come up was the proposition for the establishment of a board of pardons. It was decided to establish the board, and to provide that its members should be elected by the legislature.

There was a lively tilt on the proposition to give the governor the right to remove an embezzling officer. The majority of the committee reported for it.

Senator Tillman spoke in behalf of the minority report. He said that he had known of instances where it would have been well if the governor had had the power proposed.

Several members, including George Johnson, of Newberry, and W. B. Wilson, of York, held that the proposition was a violation of the fundamental principles of self government and of the bill of rights.

Whenever it shall be brought to the notice of the governor that any officer, or any other officer who has the custody of public or trust funds, is probably guilty of embezzlement or the appropriation of public or trust funds to private use, then the governor shall direct the immediate presentation of such officer by the proper officer of the circuit court in which he resides, and upon a true bill being found, the governor shall suspend such officer and appoint one in his stead, until he shall be acquitted by a verdict of a jury.

WEDNESDAY—FOURTEENTH DAY.

Another long discussion followed. Mr. Talbert moved to postpone the whole matter. The motion was killed and the Gage resolution was adopted, with an amendment providing that in case an official shall be convicted, his office shall be declared vacant until filled as may be provided by law.

The proposition to make the terms of State officers four years, instead of two, came up again; but was voted down.

The article relating to the executive department was then ordered to a third reading.

The next report taken up was that of the committee on municipal corporations.

The proposition that all towns now chartered under special laws may give up their charters and organize under general laws, was agreed to.

raged and driven out of town upon the whim of the factory officials. Sections 1 and 2 of the report were accordingly recommended.

The following was adopted after thorough discussion.

No law shall be passed by the general assembly granting the right to construct and operate a street or other railway, telegraph, telephone, or electric plant, or to erect water or gas works for public uses, and to lay mains for any purpose, without first obtaining the consent of the local authorities in control.

Mr. Sloan moved to strike out section 5, which is as follows:

The general assembly may vest the authorities of cities and towns with power to make local improvements by special assessment, or by special taxation of property benefitted.

The motion was carried 61 to 46.

Mr. Haynesworth moved to strike out section 6, which provides that towns and cities may own and operate gas, water, or electric light plants, etc. The motion was lost.

At a special election in the State for the purpose of bonding the same, or raising revenue, all resident owners of property in said cities and towns, regardless of sex, of the assessed value of \$300, and who are over 21 years of age, shall alone be entitled to vote.

The next question to come up was whether or not the municipal authorities should have the power to send an alleged offender of the chain gang without a trial by jury.

MERE MENTION.

Governor Upham, of Wisconsin, broke his leg on Lookout mountain last Friday. It is stated as a fact that during the park dedication exercises in Chattanooga last week, the crowds drank all the whiskey and beer there was in the city.

A Spanish war vessel collided with a merchantman at the entrance to the harbor of Havana not long ago and went down with all on board.

Terrific prairie fires are reported to be raging in Oklahoma, and there has been great damage to the crops. A large number of Chicago people sought to escape the heat of last Sunday by bathing in the lake.

The Cuban revolutionists have organized a provisional government, and are preparing to ask recognition of the powers as belligerents. Prof. Pasteur, who discovered inoculation as a cure for rabies, has been stricken with paralysis.

THE NEGRO PROBLEM.

One of the most notable features of the opening exercises of the Atlanta exposition, was the speech of Booker T. Washington, the colored president of the Tuskegee, Ala., Normal and Industrial school who spoke for the Negroes.

"Ignorant and inexperienced, it was natural for the Negro, when he first got his liberty, to try to start at the top of the ladder and seek seats in the legislatures and in congress, rather than in the various lines of industry."

"Whatever may be the sins that the South may be called upon to answer for, it must be remembered that when it comes to business pure and simple, this is the only section that has ever given the Negro a man's chance."

"The wisest among the Negroes see and realize the utter absurdity of the proposition for social equality. In matters social, the Negro is as separate as the fingers on the hand and in matters essential to mutual progress, he is as one as the hand itself."

"The Negro has proved that as compared with the foreigner he is more patient, more faithful, more industrious, more law abiding and less resentful. He constitutes one-third of the population of the South and he must either be one-third of her progress and prosperity or one-third of her ignorance and crime. The more intelligent a man is the better citizen he becomes, and upon his treatment depends the destiny of himself and the people with whom his lot is cast."

General Walker Elected.

As indicated last Friday, the election of General C. Irvine Walker, as major general of the South Carolina division of the United Confederate veterans, was unanimous.

Lancaster Ledger: Miss Irene, the 16 year old daughter of Speaker Ira B. Jones, died of fever at her home in Lancaster last Friday, after an illness of about two weeks.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

INDEX TO NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

H. C. Strauss—Advertises that he wants to buy 9,999 pairs of old shoes, for each pair of which he proposes to pay 3 cents. See the conditions. See fourth page.

COTTON IS BOOMING.

There was a wild spurt in the Yorkville cotton market yesterday and the buyers were almost tumbling over each other in their eagerness to pick up everything in sight.

The market started at 8 cents and by noon went up to 8 1/2. At 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, two of the buyers were predicting that before night somebody would be paying 8 1/2 cents, if anything especially fine should be offered.

The reporter asked several of the buyers as to whether the New York market had gone up, or all the buyers had gone crazy. He could get no satisfaction. The buyers just smiled, looked wise, and went off after more cotton. Between 60 and 75 bales were sold during the day.

For this morning, we are instructed to quote the market at from 8 to 8 1/2, though a real good article may bring 8 1/2 cents.

THE WEATHER FOR OCTOBER.

Our Chester weather prophet is not at all abashed by the fact that September did not confine herself very closely to the programme he outlined for her, and has come forward with a line of action for October. His prognostications are as follows:

From 1 to 4 the weather will be clear and probably warm and windy. From 5 to 7 there will be clouds and winds. About 8 or 9 there will be some rain. It will be clear and windy on 10 and 11. Between 12 and 14 there will be frost. From 15 to 19 will be warmer, and there will be a little rain. From 20 to 24 there will be warm days and cool nights with little frost. From 25 to 27 will be windy and wet, and on 28 there will be a white frost. From 29 to 31 will be warmer, and there will also be some rain.

A CLOSE CALL.

For several nights there had been some indiscriminate shooting in the vicinity of the Baptist High school. Who was doing the shooting was not known; but it was supposed that it was being done by some Negroes who were living near by. As Prof. Savage was crossing the High School green, on his way to his room last Tuesday night, there was a sudden:

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few days this week with his mother-in-law, Mrs. C. E. May.

Mrs. Jessie and Alta Fewell, of Rock Hill, spent last Saturday and Sunday with Messrs. Mammie and Bessie McConnell.

Miss Laura McMaster, of Winnsboro, who has been visiting Miss Sue Shannon near Yorkville, returned home last Wednesday.

Messrs. Thos. W. Speck and W. T. Aiken, of the C. & L. road, went down to Chester, last Tuesday afternoon on a pleasure jaunt.

Rev. W. T. Matthews and family have returned to their home at Greenwood, after a pleasant visit to relatives and friends in Yorkville.

Mr. J. Meek Whitesides, of Hickory Grove, left last Friday for Hot Springs, Ark., where he hopes to be relieved of rheumatism.

Messrs. Jos. F. Wallace and C. E. Spencer attended the meeting of the directors of C. & L. railroad at Lincolnton, N. C., yesterday.

Messrs. Tom McMill, of Hickory Grove, and Frank Carson, of Philadelphia, have been employed by Messrs. H. C. Strauss's dry goods store.

Rev. J. C. McMullen, of Midway, Ky., and his daughters, Misses Sallie, Kittie and Nettie, and sons, Robert and John, are visiting Mrs. A. R. Banks, sister of Mr. McMullen.

Mrs. Julia Rainey, of Blacksburg stopped over with Mrs. L. A. Johnson, last Monday, on her way to Guthrieville to visit her daughter, Mrs. Pharr, who is sick with fever.

Miss Anna Taylor, an accomplished and popular young lady of Hammond, Ga., after a two weeks' visit to the Messrs. Keller, near Yorkville, left for her home on last Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Anna Wilson, and daughter, Miss Anna Latta, who have been spending the summer in Yorkville, went to Rock Hill, on a visit to relatives in that city, before returning to Spartanburg.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Following is the roll of honor in the Yorkville graded school for the month ending September 27, for the first six grades:

- First Grade.—Marie Moore, 91; Jennie McClain, 90; Edith Faysoux, 90; Oren Abernathy, 90. Second Grade.—Bedford Moore, 97; Glenn Allison, 97; Josie Carroll, 96; Mary Dobson, 96; George Cartwright, 96; Lectora Willford, 94; DeLeon Walker, 92. Third Grade.—None. Fourth Grade.—Hazel Grist, 97; Ethel Hope, 97; Iva Dickson, 97; Hamlet Carroll, 97; Phillip Hunter, 97; Josie Oates, 96; Joe Alexander, 96; Bessie Gilbert, 96; Gerald Lowry, 95; Kate Hunter, 95; Anna Spann, 95; Lottie Shirr, 94; Lucy Matard, 94; Florian Delvaux, 94; Frankie Clawson, 94; Willie Waters, 92; Anna Horton, 90. Fifth Grade.—Nannie Grist, 97; Lura Langston, 97; Sadie Waters, 96; Josie Camp, 95; Eunice Long, 95; Dunwoody O'Farrell, 95; Milton Tiddy, 95; Robert Jenkins, 93; Frank Lindsay, 93; Willie Camp, 92; John Oates, 92; Bertie Smith, 92; Joe Walker, 90. Sixth Grade.—Wilma O'Farrell, 97; Hallie Withers, 97; Barron Kennedy, 96; Louise Lowry, 94; Lizzie Hunter, 91; Mason McConnell, 90.

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