

Scraps and Facts.

The Panama Junta held a meeting Thursday and decided to ratify the recently negotiated isthmian canal treaty immediately upon its arrival.

Great Britain is about to bring together two fleets of high class war vessels in the Caribbean sea. It will be the greatest display of England's power ever seen in West Indian waters.

Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow has been determined to appoint John Washington, brother of Booker T. Washington, postmaster at a sub-station at the Institute at Tuskegee, Alabama.

Redtape is redtape all the world over. In a small Russian village where a postoffice had just been erected it was felt that a lightning conductor would be a useful addition.

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Fred Bohrer, the editor of the Berne Witness, who was mobbed last week by saloonkeepers and their friends because of his determined fight on the saloons, has converted his home into an arsenal.

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liberty and the very best terms that could be obtained. I could not obtain these terms without consenting to guarantee the integrity and neutrality of the territory.

The Yorkville Enquirer.



YORKVILLE, S. C. FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1903.

WHILE the confirmation of the appointment of Gen. Wood to be a major general is under consideration in the senate, he is out killing Moros.

THAT there is any necessity for a law and order league in South Carolina is a pity; but nevertheless it is a fact that there is necessity for such an organization and all good citizens should belong to it.

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the increase, while efforts to repress them by the ordinary processes of law seem to be singularly ineffective.

It is scarcely necessary to recite the catalogue of these crimes against morality and good order. They are known and read of all men. The laws of God and man are violated with impunity as witnessed by the desecration of the Sabbath, the profanation of the sanctuary of God by scenes of drunkenness, disorder and bloodshed.

Under these conditions it becomes a proper enquiry for thoughtful men what is the cause of this disordered condition of society, and to seek to discover a remedy therefor.

The most painful feature of the situation is to be found in the general indifference on the part of the better element to assume their part in the enforcement of law, and their refusal or neglect to support those appointed agents who are charged with its enforcement.

We believe it the duty of good citizens of all classes, and especially of Christians, to aid in the enforcement of all laws which have been placed on the statute books by their sanction, and that their neglect or refusal to discharge their duty in this respect is the chief encouragement and support to lawlessness.

We commend his excellency, Governor Heyward, for his sincere effort to enforce the dispensary law, and declare it to be one of the purposes of our organization to render all available aid and encouragement to him and his officers in their laudable endeavor.

In a word we would call upon our fellow citizens to come promptly and boldly to the rescue of our state from the perilous position in which we have been placed by suffering a small minority of law breakers to imperil every true interest of the people by their criminal conduct.

For this purpose we would urge upon the people in every county and community to unite with us in organized effort by forming themselves into leagues for the purposes set forth in the simple form of organization which is herewith submitted.

J. W. HAMEL, Chairman. HOWELL MORRELL, Secretary.

SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Nomination of Harris. The senate has confirmed the nomination of Postmaster Harris of Charleston. Washington dispatches indicate that the nomination of Crum will be confirmed also.

Death of Arthur P. Smith. Arthur P. Smith, son of the late J. Harvey Smith of Chester, died at his home in Chester at 1 o'clock yesterday morning of consumption. He was twenty-six years of age and quite popular.

Suicide at Fort Lawn. Charles Abernathy of Fort Lawn, Chester county, blew his brains out last Thursday, with suicidal intent. The deed was committed in the presence of several companions, with a pistol drawn from the hip pocket.

Bank Burglars at Brunson. The bank at Brunson, S. C., was robbed by safe-blowers last Tuesday night. They secured about \$300, from one safe. The other, a Mosler screw door, which contained most of the money, was not interfered with.

Contractor is Missing. Union special of Wednesday to the Charlotte Observer: Some half dozen business men and equally as many laborers, would like to know the whereabouts of F. M. Johnson, a contractor, who, it is alleged, skipped from the city and state, Saturday last, after drawing the money to pay off his laborers and bills, but having failed to do so.

Garnishee Law Wanted. Columbia correspondence of the News and Courier: The Retail Merchants' association here, as well as similar organizations in the state, will attempt to have the next legislature pass a garnishee law. A prominent labor leader here said today that the labor unions throughout the state would oppose such legislation and would have a lobby to work against the passage of such a bill.

Just Like Him.—Senator Benjamin Ryan Tillman, the unique and distinguished South Carolina senator, passed through Charlotte this morning en route from Washington to his home at Edgefield. After passing the compliments of the day, a Chronicle reporter asked the senator why he was in such a hurry to get away from Washington and return home.

Dr. W. M. Kennedy and Mr. Carl Lattimer of Chester, spent Thanksgiving in Yorkville. Mr. E. O. DePass of Columbia was in the city Tuesday, the guest of Mr. M. W. Marshall.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

W. A. Burns, Adm'r.—Will on December 16, expose to public sale the personal property belonging to estate of R. R. Beatty, deceased.

Sam M. Grist.—Publishes a letter from Mr. D. E. Finley in regard to the payment of an injury claim. He says no comment is necessary.

H. A. C. Walker, Manager.—Wants a crowded house at the Graded school auditorium tomorrow night, for the return engagement of the American Saxophone Quartet Concert Co.

First National Bank.—Says there is no safer place in South Carolina to deposit your money. It especially solicits the accounts of farmers.

NOTE AND COMMENT. The reduced rates on the Southern railroad have been highly acceptable to the crowd of witnesses who had to come down from Hickory Grove and vicinity this week.

While there is no doubt a diversity of opinion on the subject, the reporter has heard a number of expressions of satisfaction at the verdict in the case of Mitchell vs. the Woodmen.

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of the eastern part of the state, and reports that the people over that way are very much discouraged. Prices are low—about half what they were last year—and crops are short.

Miss Bessie Adams of Clover, was the guest of Mrs. A. Y. Cartwright on Thanksgiving Day.

Miss Mattie Caldwell of Clover, is visiting in Yorkville, the guest of Dr. A. Y. Cartwright's family.

Miss Elise Stokes of Gastonia, is spending a few days with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Stokes.

Miss Alice Woods of High Point, N. C., is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Woods.

Misses Susie Mills, Strauss Walker and Carrie Beard of Winthrop College, are spending a few days with relatives in Yorkville.

Mrs. D. A. Matthews and children, of Clover, are visiting relatives and friends in Yorkville. They will return to Clover tomorrow morning.

Miss Nellie Schorb, who is a student of Erskine college, and Mr. J. McMillan Schorb of Clemson college, were at home to attend the Schorb-Kell marriage.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Massilia Ashe to Mr. John A. Harshaw. The ceremony is to take place at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Eliza Ashe of McConellsville, on the afternoon of December 2, at 2:30 o'clock.

Mrs. J. A. Jackson of Tirzah, visited her son, Mr. W. L. Jackson near Yorkville last week and came to Yorkville to do some shopping.

Mr. John W. Linley, formerly of Hickory Grove, but now of Anderson, was in Yorkville this week as a witness in the case of Mitchell vs. the Woodmen. His many friends will be glad to know that he is making progress in his work at Anderson, and has won considerable advancement since he went there.

Cards are out for the marriage of Miss May Wilson of Manning to Dr. Charles Frederick Williams of Columbia. The ceremony is to take place in the Presbyterian church at Manning on Tuesday, December 8. The bride to be is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Wilson of Manning.

Dr. Williams is a son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Williams of Yorkville, and formerly practiced medicine here. After spending about two years in the United States army medical service in the Philippines, he located in Columbia, where he has built up quite a satisfactory practice.

WITHIN THE TOWN.

The police made thirteen arrests on Wednesday. The charge in most cases was "drunk and disorderly."

There has been much drunkenness in town during the week; but the police have done good work in keeping it well under control.

Thanksgiving services were held in the Church of the Good Shepherd yesterday. The collection, which was quite a good one, was for the benefit of the Charleston orphanage.

A daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Quinn of the York Cotton mill, was painfully burned last Wednesday. The accident occurred while she was warming before the fire.

The young men of the town and the cadets of the K. M. M. A. gave quite a nice little dance at the opera house on Thanksgiving night, complimentary to the visiting young ladies.

The United Thanksgiving services in the Presbyterian church yesterday were but slightly attended; but the congregation had quite an entertaining and instructive sermon by Rev. Dr. J. L. Stokes. The collection went to the various denominational orphanages.

The cotton mills shut down yesterday on account of Thanksgiving. It is the first time the York mills have ever shut down for this holiday; but the operatives were anxious to take in the street fair, and Superintendent Grimes decided to give them twenty-four hours off.

There was no general suspension of business yesterday. The banks were closed during the day, and holiday hours were observed by the post-office, the telegraph and express offices and telephone central.

Upon the resumption of business this morning the first case taken up was that of W. C. Lattimer vs. the York Cotton Mills. The plaintiff is asking for pay for services in accordance with an alleged contract.

A Negro pickpocket was captured by Policeman Whitener during Wednesday afternoon. Credit for the detection of the fellow belongs to Mr. Sam Leech of Hickory Grove.

Two of the most popular attractions are "Fairlyland" and "Lunette, the Flying Lady." They have both been playing to "crowded houses," and are leaving their patrons in a good humor.

Moving picture outfits furnish the basis of both entertainments—entirely so in the case of one, and largely so in the case of the other.

"Fairlyland" is a moving picture of the adventures and achievements of the prince in following up and rescuing the princess who had been carried off and imprisoned by the wicked witch.

Miss Mary E. Schorb, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. T. Schorb, was married yesterday afternoon at 5:20 o'clock to Dr. T. B. Kell of Fudges, Chester county.

A. S. Rogers of Rock Hill, assisted by Rev. W. G. Neville of Yorkville. The groom was accompanied to Yorkville by Dr. J. E. Massey, Jr. and Mr. T. L. Kell of Rock Hill.

Quite an enjoyable affair was the supper that was given by the Woodmen of the World in their hall last Wednesday night.

Guests were present, most of them Woodmen and it was about as representative a gathering as is often to be seen in these parts.

There was a little speech making; but not a great deal. Congressman Finley who presided, made a few pleasant remarks.

The supper commenced at about 8:30 o'clock. It consisted principally of roast turkey, birds, possum, etc., with the necessary accompaniments.

There was nothing to drink stronger than coffee, and while there was plenty of life and fun, there was not the slightest suggestion of boisterousness on the part of anybody present.

The feast was excellently prepared and admirably served, and so bountiful that there was much left over after everybody had eaten their fill.

THE STREET FAIR CROWD.

The question as to what the people may think about it after it is all over, will be a subject for consideration later on; but viewing the situation only in the light of existing conditions, there is no doubt of the fact that during the week the Columbus Carnival company has commanded a full share of public interest not only in Yorkville but in the country surrounding, and the various attractions from "Lunette, the Flying Lady," down to "throw the Ball in the Bucket," have been getting their full share of nickels, dimes and quarters.

As stated in the last issue of THE ENQUIRER, the aggregation did not arrive until Monday afternoon, and consequently was not able to pull itself into shape in time to entertain the crowds that had gathered for that day; but the managers of the various attractions certainly wasted no time in preparing for the harvest they found so ripe and ready in waiting.

There was lots of work to be done in preparing most of the attractions; but by Tuesday afternoon all but two or three were in full swing, and they were ready for business by Wednesday.

The crowds from the town and country began to flock to the fair on Tuesday night, and the number of visitors increased during Wednesday and yesterday. Hundreds of people have been coming in from the surrounding country by private conveyance, and as many more have come from the north, east, south and west by rail.

The town has been literally overrun with visitors, and as yet there has been but little abatement in the popular interest. The outlook is that the people are going to see the thing out to the end.

The most notable feature of the fair, probably is its size—the number of attractions and their character—rather than their merit. There are some that are good, and well worth the price of admission.

Others are commonplace, very commonplace; but nevertheless owing to the generally good humor and frivollity that has become the prevailing disposition, everything goes.

Even the man who has nothing to offer but the privilege of throwing baseballs into a hole at three throws for ten cents, has been getting a liberal share of the silver stream which has been pouring out among all the show people and fakirs in a seemingly endless flow.

The entire aggregation is under the general management of what is called the Columbus Carnival company, Bert Hoss and J. Gross, proprietors. These have the contract with the town council to furnish the attractions and to give to the local fire company 10 per cent of the door receipts.

The different attractions and amusements have their contracts with Messrs. Hoss and Gross, paying stipulated sums for the concessions they enjoy. This is the case with all except the free entertainment furnished by Prof. Sanders, the high diver, who has a contract direct with the management for so many jumps per week.

According to the respective proprietors each and every one has his "only first class show on the midway"; but the estimates of the public are rather more discriminating.

Some of the shows are well worth the price of admission, while others impress the visitor with the idea that he is out of time and money, and while in some cases he is still a little doubtful, in others he is quite certain that he has not gotten the value of his outlay.

His curiosity is satisfied, and it is that much. Two of the most popular attractions are "Fairlyland" and "Lunette, the Flying Lady."

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woman, over and under, and then throws it to the floor with a rumble that leaves no doubt as to its solidity or weight. Then the mind runs to the idea of refractory illusions; but when the woman steps to the front and shakes hands with all who may desire the privilege, this idea is also dispelled.

The "Chinese Palace" and the "Old Plantation" are minstrels and variety shows that have merit or rot in accordance with the tastes of their patrons.

The "Old Plantation" is a genuine Negro show under white management. The performers are all Negroes, and they make lots of noise.

The "Chinese Palace" outfit furnishes quite a mixture of diversions. A Chinaman undertakes to give an exhibition of the effects of opium smoking, a painted red Indian gives some banjo music, and some yellow women give some short skirt dances.

Altogether the pace is loud and rapid. The Ferris wheel and the merry-ground are too familiar to demand extended description.

The wheel is some 50 or 60 feet high, carries 10 or 12 cars that seat from two to three people each, and is driven by a gasoline engine. It has been quite popular all the week and continues so.

The merry-ground is quite a large one, driven by a six-horse steam engine, and is probably the most popular attraction on the ground. It has been doing a rushing business.

The "Aztec Girls" is a side attraction that has levied tribute on most of the visitors. This exhibit consists of two remarkable specimens of female humanity. They are evidently twins, appear to be 15 or 18 years old and are less than three feet high.

The management claims that they were captured in Mexico and are fully grown. They appear to be idiotic; but the management claims that they are intelligent enough. They seem to be quite happy and contented.

The sight of them is hardly calculated to make one feel that he has enjoyed himself; but still it satisfies curiosity, and many go back a second time.

The "swamp alive" man is doing a pretty good business, and so is the wildman who feeds on raw beef. The "em alive man bites the heads off of live snakes and makes believe that he is undoubtedly true, and the wild flesh of the reptiles. The "wild man," who eats raw beef is a local monotony.

He has been recognized as "Crowing Tom," or "Tom Crow" of Charleston. The "swamp alive" man claims to distinguish lie in the fact that he has no chin, and that he early developed ability to grow like a rooster.

He traveled for several years with Panzer's show, and has been exhibited in various characters. He looks his part as a wild man all right, and is earning a pretty good income for his managers.

The palmists and gypsy fortune-tellers are well patronized. The palmists are Madam Elrado and Madam Mumbulo. Both claim great skill in their alleged science, and they have succeeded in getting their patrons enough facts and circumstances to create an impression that their professions have at least some substantial foundation.

Both tell some things that are undoubtedly true, and that are manifestly incorrect. Generally, however, their patrons are very well satisfied with the manner in which they are squandering themselves. There is a cunningly formed talker on the "midway" also, and their business seems to be quite prosperous.

Prof. Sanders, the high diver and the free attraction of the "fair," has a job of which nobody is likely to be envious. It is his business to jump from a 74 foot ladder into a rope net once every day and sometimes twice.

The afternoon jump is made at 3 o'clock and the night jump at 9 o'clock. He is a trained acrobat and he makes one or more turns and always manages to strike the net with his shoulders. He claims to be one of the most daring "high divers" in America.

His business is likely to be a good one. In the summer time he jumps into a tank of water; but when the weather grows cold he uses a net. He broke one of his thumbs in Shelby and injured a leg in Greenwood.

Notwithstanding these accidents continues his dangerous calling. The professor has been following the jumping business since he was quite a young boy. He is a trained acrobat and an all-round athlete and takes great pride in the feats he performs.

An interesting feature of the carnival has been the readiness and good natured enthusiasm with which people of all ages and conditions have entered into the confetti, striped cake and rubber ball frivolities.

Confetti is the name given to bags full of small paper disks, intended to be thrown into the faces of the people and down their backs.

The striped sticks are intended for the ladies principally and are used to knock off the hats of the men so to make their heads a fair mark for showers of confetti.

The rubber balls have strings of elastic attached, so they will return to the throwers, after striking an intended victim.

The confetti throwing has become a pretty prominent feature, and generally received with good humor all around. There is no doubt about the fact that these innocent means of sport have contributed much to the general good humor that has been prevailing.

Owing to the bitter cold that prevailed during yesterday, and especially last night, business was rather dull. The people are in for a pretty warm main in comfort, and the prospects for the afternoon and tonight are but little if any brighter.

The carnival will continue, however, until tomorrow night, when the aggregation will leave for Bennettsville.

LOCAL LACONICS.

Rodman-Carson. Miss Mattie Carson was married yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock to E. J. Rodman, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Carson, near Delphos. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Carson left on the southbound Carolina and North-Western train for a bridal tour to Washington and other points north.

Condition of Mr. G. L. Riddle. The condition of Mr. G. L. Riddle is quite serious. Blood poisoning set in on Wednesday, and the attending physicians decided that it would be necessary to amputate his leg. After other consultation, however, they came to the conclusion that his case seemed hopeless and the idea of amputation has been abandoned. The news of this morning is to the effect that the condition of the patient is extremely critical.

MERE-MENTION. A bill has been introduced in the house to make the barter or sale of political influence a crime punishable with imprisonment of not less than six months nor more than five years.

.....A lunatic made a murderous attack on Mr. Kenneth Grahame, secretary of the bank of England, last Tuesday. He fired four shots at Mr. Grahame. He was disarmed with a fire hose. It is announced that Eugene F. Ware is to resign his office as commissioner of pensions because he is disgusted with the position.