

Scraps and Facts.

Says a Manila cable of March 19: News of an important military engagement has just been received from Cottobato, capital of the province of Mindanao.

—Suicide has become epidemic among the professors at the Ohio State University, says a Columbus dispatch to the New York Sun.

—Chaucey Dewey and his two cowboys, Clyde Wilson and Wm. J. McBryde, were acquitted at Norton, Kan., last Saturday night of the charge of murdering Burchard Berry.

—A special to the Memphis Commercial-Appeal from Grenada, Miss., says: An anti-lynching crusade has been inaugurated by the W. R. Barksdale Camp, United Confederate Veterans, of this city.

—Representative Hearst of New York, on Friday introduced a resolution providing for an investigation of the trust question by a committee of five members of the house.

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was doubled in every instance. The salary of \$600 satisfied them for about a year, when 'more pay' again became the cry.

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YORKVILLE, S. C.

TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 1904.

A STORY is being published to the effect that Daniel J. Sully had promised his friends to retire from speculation after the winding up of the deal that ended last Saturday so disastrously.

THERE seems to be but very little reason to hope that the State Democratic convention will consider the idea of changing the rules of the party so as to make the possession of a registration certificate a prerequisite to voting in the primary.

WHAT is the use of another election? I thought the matter was decided last Saturday. This question and observation was repeated a surprising number of times yesterday.

Tragedy in Cotton. There was a wild break in contract cotton last Friday. May declining from 15.25 to 13.37, nearly 200 points, in less than one hour.

The cause of the initial decline seems to have been the successful issue of a bear campaign against Daniel J. Sully & Co., and the panic was the result of an announcement that Sully & Co. were unable to meet their obligations.

Wherever the credit for the advance may belong, it is a fact that there was a violent shake-up about the first of February, as the result of which the price of cotton went down more than a cent.

Mr. Sully gave it out on the occasion referred to that he intended to go to Florida; but for some reason he changed his mind and went back into the market, loading himself heavily with May contracts.

While there are those who claim otherwise, there is ground to believe that since the February incident, Messrs. Brown & Hayne have been laying for Mr. Sully, and the fact that Brown & Hayne have managed to weather the storm that carried Mr. Sully under seems significant.

A New Orleans dispatch of Friday afternoon describes the situation on the exchange there on the announcement of D. J. Sully & Co.'s failure. It seems that Mr. Frank B. Hayne had been buying personally all day, and when the bottom fell out he continued to buy in 5,000 bale lots.

But of course, this is all speculation. It is a fact that the failure of Sully & Co. was announced and it is a fact that they made an assignment; but there are intimations that they will probably pay 100 cents on the dollar within the next few days.

A Question of Fairness.

This is from THE YORKVILLE ENQUIRER: Referring to the refusal of the state board of dispensary directors to grant the alleged petitions for the establishment of distilleries in King's Mountain township the Columbia State says:

"Several good reasons actuated the board, but the principal one, which would have been sufficient, was that the distilleries would be too near the city of Yorkville and the King's Mountain Military school."

In view of the fact that there is no King's Mountain school, and in view of the further fact that the proposed distilleries were not to have been located within ten miles of Yorkville, we hardly think that the various reasons assigned are to be charged to the state board of control.

The ENQUIRER intimated some time ago that it entertained more kindly feeling for the State than was reciprocated. We would appreciate to the point of enthusiasm a display of ordinary fairness on the part of THE ENQUIRER.

Because of the noise that was raised by those distillery petitions, and because it had been established beyond question that at least a vast majority of the alleged signatures were forgeries, nobody up this way believed that the state board of dispensary directors would have the hardihood to permit the establishment of the distilleries prayed for even if it so desired.

We do not pretend to say that the distilleries would have been established even if the alleged signatures had been genuine; but after what occurred, we certainly looked for no further favorable action on the part of the state board of dispensary directors, and we don't think the Columbia State did either.

Under the circumstances, it was very natural that we should be impressed by the State's apology for the board's declination to grant the petitions. The facts showed that the reason given was merely a pretext, and if the State did not know it, it ought to have known it.

The State's idea of editorial responsibility for local statements may be interesting; but that is not an issue just now. This alleged explanation as to the board's reason was given as a statement of fact, not by the board, but by the reporter, and if the editor is not aware that his paper is responsible for the statements of his reporters as well as of himself, he might do well to study the matter up, else sometime the information may be impressed on him in a matter that will prove painful as well as surprising.

SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Senator Tillman at Home. Senator B. R. Tillman, who is recovering from a painful throat trouble, arrived at his home at Trenton last Saturday night.

Talbot for Congress. Col. W. J. Talbot has announced himself as a candidate for his old seat in congress, made vacant by the recent death of Congressman G. W. Croft. It will be remembered that Mr. Talbot declined to stand for re-election in the hope that he would be able to secure the governorship.

Clemson Boys Badger Yankee Officer.

Clemson dispatch of March 19: While the college band played "Dixie," the 500 students of Clemson College Institution, with heads uncovered, lowered the United States flag from the flagpole on the campus Tuesday and raised a Confederate flag in its place.

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Gaffney's Tin Deposit. Of the recent discovery of tin near Gaffney an expert mineralogist who was there recently is reported as saying: "It is the biggest thing that has happened in the south since the civil war. It is more important than the oil fields of Texas."

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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

DEATH OF JAMES SCOGGINS.

Mr. James Scoggins died at his home near Hickory Grove last Saturday night, after several months of indelible health, and was buried at Smyrna on Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

Mr. Scoggins was one of the oldest, best known and most highly esteemed citizens of the neighborhood in which he spent his life. He was born within a short distance of the present town of Hickory Grove on August 21, 1821, and was raised a farmer, which vocation he followed until he became too old for further activity.

Mr. Scoggins went to the war in December, 1863, and served until the surrender, when he returned and resumed his interrupted farm work. He took an active part in the political revolution of 1876, and in 1879 was elected a member of the board of county commissioners, in which capacity he gave good service.

Mr. Scoggins was twice married, the first time to Mrs. Martha Adeline White of King's Creek, and the second time to Miss Sarah Salina Smith of Richburg, S. C. His first wife died on May 11, 1878, and the second marriage took place on May 10, 1881. The second wife survives him.

Mr. Scoggins's surviving children, all by his first wife are as follows: Mrs. E. A. Crawford of Yorkville; Mrs. W. S. Wilkerson of Hickory Grove; Mr. J. J. Scoggins of Smyrna, Mr. W. E. Scoggins of Wyatt, Texas; Mrs. R. T. Castles of Smyrna; Miss Ida Scoggins and Messrs. B. F. and R. L. Scoggins of Hickory Grove.

The funeral which was conducted by Rev. J. L. Oates, assisted by Rev. P. B. Ingraham, was attended by a large number of neighbors and friends from the surrounding country.

MR. WILLIAMS WINS.

Mr. L. R. Williams of Yorkville, is to be probate judge for York county to succeed the late lamented Col. W. H. McCorkle.

The Democratic voters of the county so decided in a primary election held last Saturday, and their decision will be ratified and confirmed in a special election to be held by order of the governor on Saturday, April 9.

The primary campaign, which had been on for several weeks, was conducted very quietly. Each of the three who offered, Messrs. Brooks Inman, Frank P. McCain and L. R. Williams, managed to cover a good portion of the county in their respective canvasses; but all did their work with such many openness as to avoid stirring up unnecessary excitement. So far as THE ENQUIRER has information, no spiteful campaign canards were put in circulation.

The election last Saturday was an unusually quiet one throughout the county. There was no disturbance at any of the precincts, and as little liquor drinking, probably as has ever been known on any similar occasion. Everything goes to show that the disorderly element took but little interest in the vote was representative of York county's best judgment.

The Democratic Executive committee met in Yorkville yesterday for the purpose of canvassing the returns and declaring the result. The following committees were present: W. Thompson Jackson, E. M. Bankhead, W. B. Smith, T. W. Boyd, T. A. Barron, C. P. Blankenship, W. A. Youngblood, P. M. Burris, Brevard Fewell, R. M. Wallace, J. H. Saye, R. W. Whitesides, R. C. Jackson, J. S. Brice.

The result of a careful canvass was tabulated as follows:

Table with columns: Precincts, Brooks Inman, Frank P. McCain, L. R. Williams, Total. Rows include Bethel, Bethany, Flatville, Galloway's Creek, Clover, Clover's Tavern, Ebenezer, Fort Hill, Galloway's Hill, Hickory Grove, McConellsville, Newport, Ogdens, Piedmont, Rock Hill, Sharon, Smyrna, Tiras, Yorkville, and a Total row.

Upon the foregoing showing, Mr. Williams was duly declared the nominee of the Democratic party for the office of probate judge, and he will be so regarded on the occasion of the special election that has been ordered by the governor to be held on April 9 next.

In order to avoid the necessity of having to reassemble within a few weeks for the purpose of calling the county convention that is to be held in May with a view to reorganizing the party, the committee passed a resolution authorizing the chairman to call the said convention at the proper place, and there being no further business the committee adjourned sine die.

Incendiary Fire.

Rock Hill Herald, Saturday: About 4 o'clock Wednesday morning the barn of Mr. R. L. Sturgis, at the old J. A. Sturgis place, five miles east of Rock Hill, was destroyed by fire, together with one of his mules, a cow, ton of acid, ton of kaint, ton of cotton seed meal, a lot of fodder, 50 bushels of corn, an assortment of gears, wagon body and other things. Mr. Sturgis feels sure the torch was applied by an incendiary and has some suspicion as to who the guilty party is. No insurance.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Annual Inspection.

The annual inspection of the Jasper Light Infantry is to take place on March 31.

Everybody at Work.

The farmers generally have been well down to hard work during the past few weeks, and but few of them have been to town except on important business.

Superintendent of the County Home.

Mr. W. Brown Gaudin is now superintendent of the county home. He was elected by the board of county commissioners at the first meeting held after the death of his father, the late superintendent; but as the result of oversight, THE ENQUIRER has not previously made mention of the fact.

Killed by Anger.

Coroner Louthan was called to Sharon last Friday to hold an inquest over the body of Mrs. John Weaver, a white woman who died near there the night before. The testimony showed that a little family quarrel developed from some cause, and while it was on the woman became very angry.

Supposed to be Incendiary.

There was an early morning fire on Mr. R. Kirk Lowry's place, a few miles south of Yorkville, Sunday. A corn crib that was being used by Will Griener, colored, was burned. Griener reported that when he waked at about 5 o'clock he found the roof of the crib falling in. He reported his loss at about 150 bushels of corn, seventy or eighty bushels of cotton seed and 700 or 800 bushels of fodder.

Miller-Hobbs. San Antonio, Texas, Daily Express, Tuesday, March 15: Miss Nellie Hobbs, formerly of Yorkville, S. C., and George Miller of Markham, Ontario, Canada, were on the 13th day of March united in the holy bonds of matrimony at the residence of Joseph F. Green in Gregory, Tex.

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Mr. J. H. Sewell will soon begin rebuilding the waste mill that was recently burned down. It had been his intention to remodel his mill and change the class of goods manufactured. He has decided, however, to keep to the class originally turned out. Machinery has been ordered and the work of rebuilding will soon begin.

The lecture of Mr. J. H. Jones Lloyd Jones at Winthrop college last Tuesday night was a splendid effort. His subject "Home" was a timely subject and he handled it in a masterly manner.

Miss Mildred Wilkins gave a missionary talk this afternoon at the Presbyterian church to the ladies of Rock Hill. She is a recent visitor to the Holy Land and is a Bible teacher of some note.

The members of the Conference for Education in the South, which meets this year in Birmingham, Ala., next month, will en route pass Winthrop college a brief visit.

Mr. A. Carnegie has intimated his desire to give a library building costing \$20,000 to Winthrop college. The conditions governing the gift have been practically met and the building is to be an assured fact, and will be a handsome addition to the noble piles now adorning the campus.

The Yorkville Cotton Market.

Corrected Semi-Weekly by Messrs. Latta Bros.

YORKVILLE, March 22, 12 m.—The local market stands as follows: Middling ..... 12 1/2 Strict Middling ..... 12 1/2 Good Middling ..... 12 1/2 Strict Good Middling ..... 12 1/2 Latta Bros.