

THE AIKEN RECORDER.

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1881.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

THE number of visitors are largely on the increase.

Mr. R. S. ANNEW left last evening for Charleston to attend a meeting of the Masonic Grand Lodge.

MESSRS. JOHN STUBBS, James Thorpe and John Lupo left on Saturday for the Atlanta Exposition.

Mr. C. B. CAPERS has been appointed agent for the celebrated Dupont Powder, so well known to sportsmen for its excellence.

Mr. A. H. ASHLEY was unanimously elected Orderly Sergeant of the Palmetto Rifles on Wednesday last.

CAPT. J. T. DENNING, proprietor of the elegant Augusta country house, No. 636 Broad St., was in Aiken on Friday last and received several large orders from our merchants.

We regret to announce the death of the infant son of our esteemed friend, Mr. D. Warrlaw Segler, on Tuesday last. It was buried on the following day at the Baptist Church.

Wild ducks are plentiful in the Augusta market and very fat. This will be good news to Aiken hotel and boarding house keepers as they are very scarce in Aiken.

MARRIED on Sunday the 11th inst., by the Rev. Mr. Hays, at the residence of the bride's father, ANSIE, only daughter of James A. Roseley, to MR. STACY HAMMOND HOLLEY. All of this County.

We regret to hear of the death of Miss Della Johnson, daughter of Mr. John Johnson, Sr., who plants near Montmorency. Her illness was caused by a painful attack of typhoid fever.

THE seven weeks old motherless infant of the Rev. J. C. Brown, died on Sunday evening last. He died yesterday at 12 o'clock in the Baptist grave yard where his mother preceded it only three weeks ago.

We were shown yesterday by Mr. E. B. Henderson some ingenious contrivances for exhibiting carpets. The arrangement is based on a scientific theory of reflected lights, and is well worth seeing.

Services were held at the Roman Catholic Church on Friday next, on which occasion the Rt. Rev. Lynch, Bishop of this Diocese, will administer the confirmation.

FRY HAIN, H. Schrock, C. K. Henderson, S. Siegler left Aiken on Saturday for the Atlanta Exposition on Friday the 9th of the month.

Today last we were handed, a mammoth beet of the "red" variety, weighing one pound. This is decidedly a record for one of our town gardeners.

W. M. MORRISON have been visiting in the city for the past few days. He is over on Monday and Saturday evenings and Friday afternoons at the public school.

BOYNTON O'BRIAN has kindly laid on our table a neatly printed volume of 200 pages, entitled "Notes on the History of the Common School Branch," by G. Dallas Dind. The book is well adapted as an aid to teachers and pupils.

Mr. O'Brian will please accept our thanks.

DURING the past week Hon. D. S. Henderson has been absent several days from his seat in the Senate, in consequence of the illness of his only child, in Union County, S. C. We are pleased to announce that the little boy is now much better and that our Senator is again in the enjoyment of the diligent performance of his duties.

MISS IDA B. HENDERSON, third daughter of Col. H. B. Henderson, of the U. S. A., who has for many years been a resident of Aiken, died on Tuesday last, Dec. 6th, after a long and weary illness, of consumption, and was buried at St. Thaddeus Episcopal Church on the afternoon of the 7th inst. She had been a communicant of the church since March 1879, and bore her sufferings with a sweetness and gentleness of disposition which were fit accompaniments to a Christian life.

South Carolina in the Exposition. [Correspondence News and Courier.] "The South Carolina building occupies one of the most eligible positions in the Cotton Exposition. It is a source of pride to every citizen from the Palmetto State, and an unflinching attraction to thousands of strangers from every part of the Union."

"I would not wish to exaggerate the single feature of this splendid collection of the agricultural, mineral and timbered resources of the State. The exhibit in all its details is arranged with exquisite taste, and every article is displayed to the best advantage. Extending down the middle of the space occupied by the exhibit are the walls of the building on either hand are long lines of shelves upon which are arranged the different articles on exhibition. There are in the collection nineteen different exhibits of wheat, fourteen of corn, four of barley, twelve of cotton, fifteen of water-floored rice, six of white rice, nine of oats, ten of peas, and three specimens of Carolina-grown tea, representing nearly as many varieties. The grains are contained in glass jars which are handsomely labelled, and in boxes built especially for the purpose. The specimens of the red rust proof oats, in the production of which the upper part of the State is so justly famed, are finer than from any other State in the Union, and the grain is superior to anything in the Exposition."

From the list of exhibitors from the various counties of the State, we take the following from Aiken exhibitors: "Stalks of cotton. Dr. H. C. Bralham; white rice, bread corn, P. F. Hammond; cotton goods, Langley Mills; printing paper, wool puts, Barrett Manufacturing Company; Olong tea, Siberia Ott; blackberries, S. B. Satterthwaite; sugarcane, William Merritt; pumpkins, J. E. French; pumpkins, T. J. Davies; red rust proof oats, B. J. Lamar; Egyptian cotton, Siberia Ott; Dhoura corn, B. H. Teague; native and foreign graniteville Manufacturing Company."

The John P. King Manufacturing Company, with a capital of one million dollars, will be organized December 28. The stock has been subscribed over four hundred thousand dollars in Boston, New York and Philadelphia, and the balance in Augusta.

This makes nearly three million dollars subscribed for cotton mills in Augusta itself of three years. All the mills have been placed in the hands of their capital within the last year.

An Important Bill.

We received yesterday through the polite attention of Senator D. S. Henderson, a brief note enclosing the text of the following bill introduced at this session by consent of the entire Legislature, which will be read with interest by many. The fund from which this amount has accrued, was created by means of a resolution introduced at the last session by Mr. Henderson, by which certain railroads were made to pay their back taxes due the County:

A BILL for the Ascertainment and Collection of Back Taxes on the Railroads of the Public Schools of Aiken County.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, now met and sitting in General Assembly, and by the authority of the same: That the sum of eleven hundred and thirty-seven and 51-100 dollars, now in the hands of the Associated Treasurers of Aiken County, and collected by said Treasurer from certain railroads for school taxes during the years 1877, 1878, and 1879, be, and the same is hereby, deemed and appropriated as a special fund for the settlement of the indebtedness of the public schools of Aiken County.

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Section 3. That said certificates, when so paid by the Treasurer, shall be his sufficient receipt, which shall settle with the Auditor for said fund.

An Enactment to the West. (News and Courier.) The report that large numbers of negroes and poor white people were being induced to leave Greenville, Spartanburg, Oconee and Laurens Counties, induced an agent for the Associated Railways to make a personal visit to the upper portion of the State to examine into the matter. The result of this agents visit has been a satisfactory knowledge of the truth of the rumors, and to acquaint him with the nature and scope of the movement. He finds that the negroes and some poor whites in upper Greenville, upper Laurens and Spartanburg have been worked up into a high state of excitement, and are being induced to leave the State by a passenger agent of the Chickasaw route named Newman, who is assisted by a large number of whites, whom he employs to go among the negroes at night and secretly communicate to them the great advantages they will receive by emigrating to the States named. The effect that the highly colored representations of these parties has had upon the negroes is shown by five hundred families from upper Greenville and about one thousand families from lower Greenville, upper Laurens and portions of Oconee and Spartanburg have been worked up into a high state of excitement, and are being induced to leave the State by a passenger agent of the Chickasaw route named Newman, who is assisted by a large number of whites, whom he employs to go among the negroes at night and secretly communicate to them the great advantages they will receive by emigrating to the States named.

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THE COURT JESTER.

[BY KAPPA.] "Thou wretched, rash, intruding fool, farewell!"—Shakespeare. Queen Justice sat on her ivory throne; The scales were in her hand, And around her there stood, in fitful mood, The sage ones of the land. 'Twas whispered abroad the Queen was sick, And had been for many a day; That her southern shore would see her no more, Since she fell in Sherman's way; That her sacred person was sore misused, Her head was added and gray, And that sick at heart she had lost her art; No longer could she stay. At length from the throne a voice was heard, "But oh! 'twas weary and weak; 'Now who, by God's grace, will take my place? While rest I go to seek?" Then up sprang one in motley clad— A dark, grim knave was he; He looked so wise from his keen black eyes, That those charmed the sage company. "Give place, give place, to the motley gait," Such words from many fell. "If the dame's too old the scales to hold, Let her yield to the jingling bell." Lightly he vaulted upon that seat, Where Justice had erst held sway, And his gibes and jests are some of the best. Have been heard for many a day.

—1881— Queen Justice awoke from her death-like sleep. The sword was in her hand, And around her there stood in vengeful mood The fearless of the land. "Bring forth the usurping clown," She exclaimed. "Who has so changed my rule; It is not meet that the judgment seat Should bear an emined fool." Bright flashed the sword in the Capitol Hall— The head rolled on the floor, And the gibes and jests—though some of the best— God grant we hear no more. Williston, S. C., November 1881.

CURRENT EVENTS. Coup's Circus and Menagerie are going to winter in Augusta. The Hon. D. Wyatt Aiken has been appointed one of the select committee on the death of President Garfield.

Col. John W. Forney, a prominent lawyer, editor and politician, died in Philadelphia on Friday morning, the 10th inst.

The Cotton Planters' Convention adjourned in Atlanta Thursday night, December 8th, to meet at Little Rock, Ark., October 17, 1882.

Jefferson Davis, accompanied by his wife and daughter, arrived in New York from Europe last Wednesday, and left that evening for Louisville, Kentucky.

The Readjuster members of the Virginia General Assembly will hold a caucus on to-night to nominate a candidate for United States Senator. The Democratic Readjuster favor H. H. Riddleberger, but the Hon. John P. Lewis will be the Republican's choice, and they are said to be determined to control the election.

The Jacksonville Union announces that the early building of the Jacksonville, Tampa and Key West Railroad, and the Jacksonville and Tallahassee, will be completed by the end of the year.

Other capitalists have taken it in hand and will push the road to completion. The road will run on the west side of the bay to Palatka, and thence direct to Tampa.

The Edgefield Monitor of the 8th inst. says: "We understand there is to be quite an exodus of the colored population of Edgefield County to Arkansas during the present winter. Indeed many of them around Johnston are already disposing of their little effects, and we presume that by the time the new year sets in the 'Arkansas traveller' can be seen in almost any direction."

On Wednesday morning, December 7, Mr. Sheldon Hadkin was found dead, about two miles above Bamberg, in the South Carolina Railroad. It is supposed that he was killed by an engine, as he was found near the railroad track with a bottle of whiskey by his side. Two trial justices and two sets of jurors were summoned to hold an inquest, one from Graham's and one from Bamberg. The latter, however, waived their right, and the inquest was held by the former. The decision of the jury was that the deceased came to his death by being run over by an engine.

The South Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, will hold its annual session in Union, S. C., commencing Wednesday, December 14, and will continue in session about a week. Bishop George F. Pierce is expected to preside. The Conference is composed of 73 local preachers, 328 officers and men—four from each ecclesiastical district. In addition to this, there are 14 local preachers, 47,173 members, 1,000 churches, 3,281 officers and men—four from each ecclesiastical district. In addition to this, there are 14 local preachers, 47,173 members, 1,000 churches, 3,281 officers and men—four from each ecclesiastical district.

A very fine piece of work has been set in place in the ladies' room of the Baltimore and Potomac depot at Washington. It is a memorial stone, to mark the place where President Garfield was shot, and is set in the wall directly over the silver star in the ceiling, which marks the place where the President fell. The tablet is of white marble, about three by four feet in superficial area, and is an elegant work of art. It is a memorial stone, to mark the place where President Garfield was shot, and is set in the wall directly over the silver star in the ceiling, which marks the place where the President fell.

ROOMS TO RENT! Several delightful rooms, in a pleasant part of the city, for rent, on reasonable terms. Apply this office.

FRUITS and jellies in glass, preserved strawberry, citron, red cherry, quince, pear, white cherry, peach, plum, plum, pineapple, raspberries, limes, law and grape, at Turnbull's.

SEWING MACHINES, sold elsewhere from \$40 to \$45, but sold at Henry Hahn's for \$20.

CRACKERS, strawberry cakes, milk crackers, pastry wafers, lemons, oysters, cranberries, vanilla wafers, etc., at W. Turnbull's.

EXTRACTS: Liebig's extract of beef, vanilla, lemon, bitter almond, etc., at Turnbull's.

THE best quality always on hand at Turnbull's.

CRACKERS and Cakes at Turnbull's.

Notice. BY power of authority vested in me as Trustee for Anabelle P. Toole, deceased, containing Three Hundred and Thirty-Five (335) Acres, with One-Fifth Interest in the "Toole Old Mill," situated in Aiken County, S. C.; bounded east by J. L. Toole, south by Florence Lee, west by Giles F. Toole, north by Eubanks and Ross.

Said lands to be taken place on the premises at 11 o'clock A. M.

Terms Cash. Titles extra.

E. H. TOOLE, Trustee. Dec. 27, 1881.

THE COTTON CROP.

An Estimate Based upon over 1,000 Replies. Bradstreet prints an elaborate cotton report, based on 1,134 replies from correspondents in Southern States. These answers cover 329 counties, in which 91 per cent. of the total crop is grown. It is summarized as follows: During November, to the 25th, the date of the advices, the weather was only moderately favorable for picking, mostly so on the Atlantic coast, where on November 1, a cold storm set in, followed by a cold rain, which killed off the top crop. In Texas and the Mississippi Valley there was too much rain during the month. In portions of Alabama, Georgia and South Carolina a fair crop has been made, and more would have been secured but for the damage done by the worm. In the northern cotton belt cotton had practically stopped making by November 21. The following gives the report by States of the yield for this year:

Table with 2 columns: State/Territory and Yield. Includes North Carolina (300,073), South Carolina (454,763), Florida (749,149), Alabama (696,149), Mississippi (887,264), Louisiana (439,622), Texas (716,064), Arkansas (399,558), Tennessee (200,190), Va. and Territories (92,340).

Total crop for 1880-'81... 5,014,170. The above figures give a total crop of about 5,014,170 bales, or falling off, compared with last year, of 1,622,000 bales.

President Arthur's First Message. [Philadelphia Times.] President Arthur's first message to Congress, sent in the morning, was not only free from political affectation and clap-net, but was a positive man, with the courage to say what he had to say, and in a straightforward manner. He is an out and out stalwart in politics, and he will be stalwart in all his political relations, and plain spoken in his official utterances.

The "appalling calamity" of the murder of Garfield is disposed of in a brief paragraph, and the President bows "in sorrow and submission." Sentiment having been hurriedly disposed of, the message goes on to an important recommendation or suggestion in it, relating to the material interests of the country, that is not a suggestion, practical and sound in substance.

The recommendations relating to the revision of our revenue laws are accepted and enacted into laws by Congress. There is no good reason why the whole internal revenue machinery should be abolished, except so far as it applies to spirits and tobacco, and there is equal force in the President's recommendations in regard to the subject of civil service reform, which the President discusses elaborately, there is no shrinking from the duty of recommending the abolition of the Stalwarts. There are a few agreeable platitudes for those who want a fair bridge to get over to the spoils system, but the President's recommendations are plain to understand that President Arthur means to have the Federal offices as a disciplined political army, to control the spoils system, and to maintain party pre-eminence at any cost to the country.

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Aiken County. Court of Common Pleas. Thomas R. Weathersbee, Plaintiff, against James B. Penwell, John Penwell and Sallie Houston, Defendants. DEMONSTRATION FOR RELIEF—Complaint Served.

To the Defendants above named: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, of which a copy is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the undersigned at their office, Aiken, S. C., within twenty days after the first Monday in January next, or you will be held to have admitted the facts therein stated, and to answer the complaint in this action, of which a copy is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the undersigned at their office, Aiken, S. C., within twenty days after the first Monday in January next, or you will be held to have admitted the facts therein stated, and to answer the complaint in this action, of which a copy is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the undersigned at their office, Aiken, S. 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