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To the Public.

The proprietors of the Anderson Intelligencer and the Anderson Conservator respectfully announce to the public that an arrangement has been made to unite the two newspapers under the name of the Anderson Intelligencer.

HOYT & CO., Proprietors Anderson Intelligencer. E. B. MURRAY, Proprietor Anderson Conservator.

Our correspondent in Kentucky alludes to the sale of Mrs. Kinkead's splendid farm and stock, which the Live Stock Record says was attended by many visitors from different States.

Death of a Confederate General. We are pained to record the death of Gen. Henry L. Benning, who was during the war the commander of a famous brigade in the Confederate army.

The State Press Association. The proceedings of the State Press Association, embracing an account of its organization and the work perfected at the meeting last May in Charleston, are contained in a handsomely executed pamphlet just issued from the press of Walker, Evans & Cogswell.

The Re-Union of Orr's Rifles. The anticipated re-union of Orr's Regiment of Rifles promises to be a great success, not only in admirable arrangements for a social gathering of the veterans and their friends, but in the completeness of valuable records and the preservation of historical incidents of the war between the States.

Since writing the above, we have received a telegram from Col. Thomas Dodamead, General Superintendent of the Greenville and Columbia Railroad, conveying the gratifying intelligence that an extra train will leave Belton at 7:45 on Wednesday morning and returning leave Walhalla at 5 o'clock p. m.

Henry Sparnick, Esq., editor of the Aiken Tribune, and Judge of Probate for Aiken County, has been arrested on the charge of grand larceny, in misapplying and converting to his own use the sum of \$3,000 belonging to the estate of John E. Marley, deceased.

The Trial of Niles G. Parker.

The special term of the Richland Circuit Court, ordered for the trial of Ex-Treasurer Niles G. Parker, was opened in Columbia on Tuesday the 6th inst.

The testimony of H. H. Kimpton and others was taken by commission, and its reading occupied the first day. Ex-Governor Scott, Treasurer Cardozo and J. L. Little were examined on Wednesday.

On Friday morning, the testimony of Capt. James O. Ladd, who evinced the proceedings by relating a conversation with Treasurer Parker, who in 1873 had exhibited to witness \$150,000 worth of coupons, saying that he was originally the possessor of \$450,000, which had been given him at the final settlement with Kimpton, and that the division of this large amount was as follows: Parker and Kimpton, \$150,000; Ex-Governor Scott and Ex-Comptroller Neagle, each \$50,000; and that \$50,000 had been set aside for D. H. Chamberlain, but that he (Parker) did not believe Mr. Chamberlain ever heard of the arrangement or received a cent of the money.

A number of other witnesses, including Comptroller General Dunn, W. B. Gulick and Walter R. Jones, were examined on Friday and Saturday, when the evidence for the prosecution closed, with the right to introduce more witnesses, if necessary. After the trial had been progressing for several days, it was discovered that one of the jurors, Gen. Stolbrand, was a surety on the bond of Treasurer Parker, and to that extent was interested in the trial.

We will make no further comment upon this trial at the present time. The defence is yet to be heard from, and we prefer to await developments.

Hardy Solomon's Failure.

The Parker trial overshadows the recent financial disaster, and not much attention is given to the latest development of the Radical machine, since the earlier and more gigantic frauds are being investigated. Solomon's bank only contained \$200,000 in public funds, while Parker's private vaults held more than twice that amount in coupons alone!

Newspaper Change.

The Greenville Enterprise and Mountaineer lately made a change in its management, by which Messrs. John C. and Edward Bailey are again the proprietors, and the editorial department is under charge of our friend, Col. S. S. Crittenden.

The Due West Commencements.

It was our privilege to attend a portion of the interesting and profitable exercises at Due West last week. The attractiveness and enjoyment of these occasions are so well known to many of our readers that we will not occupy space in extolling the admirable arrangements and enlarging upon the many worthy features of the programme.

The commencement exercises of Erskine College were progressing when we arrived on Wednesday morning. Several orations by the graduates had been delivered, and among the number one of Anderson's young men, M. B. Clinkscales, had acquitted himself with credit, choosing for his subject, "Cromwell in America."

The anniversary address was delivered in the afternoon by Rev. J. C. Hiden, of Greenwood, and occupied three quarters of an hour, during which the speaker held his audience enraptured by his sparkling wit, effervescent humor and rare eloquence.

The baccalaureate address of Rev. W. M. Grier, D. D., President of Erskine College, was entirely worthy of the occasion, and impressed the audience with the fitness of the man to occupy such an honorable position.

The Alumnae Essay on Wednesday night was the production of Miss Mattie C. Boyce, of Due West, and we have seldom heard a more appropriate theme for the occasion—"Woman's Usefulness" as the aim of woman's education.

The exercises of the Due West Female College began on Thursday morning. Sixteen young ladies were graduated this year, and showed their proficiency in well-written essays on various subjects. The compositions were read by different gentlemen, including Dr. Grier, Prof. Hood, Prof. Weber, of the Williamson Female College, Rev. Mr. Hiden and others.

An Explanation of the Parker Case.

The Columbia correspondent of the Charleston News and Courier gives the following statement as embracing the material points in the case against Niles G. Parker, which will be found interesting: The important point in answer is that the amounts of coupons entered upon the treasury books corresponded with the amounts of the coupons taken out of Parker's private safe and cancelled by Mr. Little.

—The Charleston Chamber of Commerce, on the 3rd inst., unanimously adopted a resolution, thanking Judge Reed for his firm and impartial action in the matter of the alleged County frauds, and declaring him to be entitled to the thanks of the whole community.

Our Kentucky Correspondence.

FRANKFORT, KY., July 4, 1876. MR. EDITOR: If you will grant me indulgence in your columns, I will give you a few brief outlines of my trip to the famous "Old Kentucky State."

After thirteen hours ride from Atlanta, I arrived at Nashville, Tenn., and was much disappointed with the uncouth and ungainly appearance of the city—being in rather a worn and dilapidated condition; streets not neat and tidy, nor much care and attention seeming to be bestowed on the sanitary condition and general style, beauty and attractiveness of the place.

I arrived at Louisville after six hours ride from Nashville, traveling at the rate of thirty miles per hour. It is a beautiful and attractive city, favored with a healthy, salubrious climate; streets well shaded with handsome trees, and Nature has adorned her Mother Earth with the rich, soft and luxuriant blue grass, which adds ten fold to her charms, and she may justly be styled the "Queen City of the West."

I called at Brinley, Miles & Hardy's, and found their establishment more flourishing than ever. The skillful inventor and genius, Mr. Brinley, has invented a new plow with iron beam and foot, which is a cheaper, more substantial plow than the wood.

I arrived at Louisville a day too late for the great sale of blooded stock by Alexander—his noted Stallion and Paragon of the Turf, Lexington, died a few days ago. I attended the sale of Mrs. Mary R. Kinkead, near Lexington, and adjoining Alexander's place, where some of the most noted, choice and carefully bred trotting stock in Kentucky were disposed of—their sire, Hero of Thorndale, bringing the handsome price of \$3,000.

There is great excitement in this State on the subject of wool-growing. I attended a wool-growing association, held at Eminence last week, and had quite a pleasant and interesting time. I send you a statement of sheep sheared by Col. Waddy this spring—two two years old, one four years old, (three weighing 380 pounds), six one year old, making nine in all. The amount of wool sheared from the nine sheep was 140 pounds—an average of 15.5-9 pounds to the sheep.

Kentucky cannot only boast of her fine blooded stock, but may justly be proud of her beautiful and highly accomplished daughters.

Yours Respectfully, J. E. L.

DEATH OF GEN. BLAIR.—The telegraph announces that Gen. Frank P. Blair expired at midnight on Thursday, 8th inst., at his residence in St. Louis, surrounded by his family and a few intimate friends.

He was a little more than fifty-four years old, was a graduate of Princeton College, and had spent most of his manhood in St. Louis. Nearly thirty years ago he became conspicuous as an opponent of slavery, and an advocate first of Van Buren's election in 1848, and afterward of the Republican party.

The important point in answer is that the amounts of coupons entered upon the treasury books corresponded with the amounts of the coupons taken out of Parker's private safe and cancelled by Mr. Little. This is the pivot on which the whole matter turns. The coupons taken from Parker's safe, the proceeds of which were used to purchase bonds, were cancelled by the State, and when sold had been cut off as past due.

—The only newspaper in Mississippi that is edited by colored men publishes an article in which it asserts that the time has come for colored people to take a new departure, and to lose from the political adventures which, while professing all sorts of friendship for the negro voters, only use them to accomplish their sinister designs, and join in with men of character and respectability in the community, who are bound to the soil of the State by ties stronger than offices and political involutions.

For the Anderson Intelligencer.

Drainage of Rocky River—A Success.

ANDERSON, S. C., July 10, 1876. The land-owners on Rocky River held their third meeting to-day in the Court House, in obedience to the call of the chairman, Col. R. S. Hill, who called the meeting to order.

The main question before the meeting was, should the land-owners form themselves into a voluntary association for drainage, or should they petition the County Commissioners to take charge and supervise the drainage according to law. There was considerable friendly discussion upon this question, in which the following gentlemen took part: Capt. W. D. Ewins, Joseph Moore, John B. Moore, and others.

The chairman said that there really was no motion before the meeting, and of course all discussion was out of order, but said that if the land-owners expected to do anything they must put the matter in some shape. He thought it best to let the Commissioners superintend the work, and then all would feel that there was some propelling power to drive the enterprise to success.

A motion made by Capt. W. D. Ewins, and carried, that we the land-owners at once get up a petition to the County Commissioners, praying that they take charge of the drainage of the said lands, and that all present be asked to sign the said petition.

On motion of Maj. John B. Moore, two more members were added to the executive committee. The following gentlemen compose the committee: Capt. W. D. Ewins, James A. Keown, S. Bleckley, James B. Moore, R. S. Bailey, W. T. W. Harrison and Jas. D. Warnock.

On motion of James A. Keown, the thanks of the meeting were tendered Maj. W. W. Humphreys for his timely assistance.

The executive committee were instructed to proceed at once and procure the signatures of the balance of the land-owners, and put the matter in proper shape to be presented to the County Commissioners at any early day.

On motion of Joseph B. Moore, the thanks of the meeting were tendered to Jas. A. Hoyt, editor Intelligencer, and E. B. Murray, editor Conservator, for the publication of the proceedings of previous meetings, and that they be asked to give a place in their respective papers for the publication of these proceedings.

Respectfully, R. S. HILL, Chairman. S. M. PEGO, Secretary.

For the Anderson Intelligencer.

The Erwin Mill Factory.

MR. EDITOR: Some weeks ago you kindly offered to open the columns of your valuable weekly to communications on the above named subject. Confiding in your kind indulgence, and trusting that your readers will feel an interest in the question of the establishment of cotton factories in this section of our State, we beg leave to call attention to a few considerations relating to it.

With your permission the writer will, in a subsequent communication or two, invite the attention of the public to this enterprise, which, in his estimation, is entitled to more than a mere passing notice.

J. N. Y.

For the Anderson Intelligencer.

NEAL'S CREEK, July 10, 1876.

A meeting of the voters of Broadway Township was held to-day for the purpose of locating public schools in said township. On motion, Thomas Erskine was called to the chair, and C. A. Kay requested to act as Secretary.

On Wednesday last, seven mitch cows were killed by lightning upon the plantation of Captain W. L. Wood, in the upper part of Laurens County. The cows were found lying around a post oak tree, within a space of twenty feet.

For the Anderson Intelligencer.

Pendleton School District.

PENDLETON, July 6, 1874. The citizens of Pendleton School District, number 20, met at this place in the Farmers' Hall on Saturday, 26th of June, at 12 m., and organized by calling J. B. Sitton, Esq., to the chair, and requesting P. McPhail to act as Secretary.

A resolution offered by W. G. Smith, levying one-half mill upon the dollar for free school purposes, was adopted; also, the resolutions indicated by the Winnsboro News in regard to the oppressive and uncalled-for tax levy, requesting the Governor to veto the bill, and instructing the Senator and Representatives from this County to sustain such veto, and to do all in their power to reduce taxation to reasonable limits.

—Rev. Thomas H. Pope, of Greenwood, died on Thursday night last, after a brief illness. Mr. Pope was a pure and upright gentleman, much beloved wherever known, and the Baptist denomination sustains a heavy loss in his early and unexpected death.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

T. D. KENNEDY, LOCAL EDITOR.

A CARD.

Owing to a consolidation of the Conservator and Intelligencer, and new arrangements being made, my connection with the latter will terminate with the present issue.

Thanking the many readers of this paper for their appreciation of my labors, and the proprietors and others connected with it for their kind attention, I herewith take my leave, hoping that prosperity may ever continue to attend the paper, and that in time it may become the first and best in the State.

With the remark of a distinguished man to his country, "Esto perpetua," I remain, Respectfully, &c., T. D. KENNEDY.

BRIEF MENTION.

A slight storm of wind and rain passed over our town on Monday evening last. No damage was done.

The ladies of the Baptist Church will furnish ice Cream this afternoon at the store of Mr. J. A. Daniels, in the Masonic building.

We learn that Mr. M. G. Cox, who lives on Broadmouth Creek, has in his cotton-field a stalk measuring seven feet and four inches in height.

The first water-melons of the season were brought into town by Mr. James Lewis on Monday last. They were speedily disposed of at from fifty to seventy-five cents a piece.

The time for making tax returns will expire on Tuesday next, the 20th inst. All persons failing to make their returns by that day will be compelled to pay a penalty of fifty per cent.

Rev. Edwin A. Bolles, District Superintendent American Bible Society, will preach in the Baptist Church at Honea Path on the fourth Sunday in this month. His object is to look after the branch Bible Society organized there in February last, and to assist it in its work. The public are cordially invited to attend.

A vegetable curiosity was brought to our office last week by Henry J. Burton, who resides on the Anderson and Abbeville line. It is a cabbage stalk of the "Flat Dutch" variety, from seed brought to this country by Bleckley, Brown & Co. Our friends are invited to call and examine this monstrous and extraordinary growth.

On Saturday evening last, a number of citizens in Hopewell Township met at the Schoolhouse, near the residence of Mrs. Sophia Mill- wee, for the purpose of providing a suitable location upon which to erect a school-house according to the provisions of the recent school law allowing so many in each Township. Mr. John B. Watson was called to the chair, and Mr. C. M. Moore was requested to act as Secretary. The business of the meeting was then entered into, and a committee on location appointed, after which all present repaired to a tract of land near by, and after some deliberation, succeeded in selecting a suitable lot, consisting of one acre, which was deemed sufficient for the purposes of the school.

NARROW ESCAPE.

On Thursday evening last, the 8th inst., as Mr. J. G. Cunningham, of this place, was returning from the commencement at Due West, in company with Mr. Leonidas McGee and sister, the whole party narrowly escaped drowning while attempting to cross Rice's Ford, on Rocky River. They were traveling in a double-seated buggy, drawn by two horses, Mr. McGee being on the front seat driving, while Miss Mattie McGee and Mr. Cunningham were on the back seat, with a trunk and other baggage. The crossing of the ford was attempted at the most desirable place, and no danger was apprehended until they reached the middle of the stream, where the water was found to be very deep, and the horses commenced swimming. The water was up as high as the seats of the buggy, and in order to avoid a wetting, Mr. Cunningham and Miss McGee were compelled to put the trunk on the seat and make use of that. At this crisis, Mr. McGee got out on the double-tree, standing in water up to his knees, and leaning forward, loosed the traces, and freed the horses from the buggy. He then swam to the opposite bank with them, and immediately went in search of assistance for the parties who were seated on the trunk in the middle of the river. He soon returned with several gentlemen who lived adjacent, and in a short time Miss McGee and Mr. Cunningham were rescued. The buggy and baggage were brought out afterwards. The rescue was effected by Mr. Emmet Rice and Mr. Wm. Tate, who swam in on horses. During Mr. McGee's absence after assistance, the river rose about four inches, and the parties in the buggy were in the greatest danger.

LADIES' STORE!

NEW CALICOES, DRESS GOODS, ALPACAS, LAWNS, SWISSES, HATS, RIBBONS, SASHES, FLOWERS, GENTS' BOWS, Received this day. Call and see. MRS. C. C. PEGO.