

A number of farmers publish this week a call for a Mass Meeting of the farmers of Anderson County in the Court House on Saturday in April, and we hope that many of the farmers of the County will attend as possible, and that they will select five of the wisest and most discreet representatives that they can secure to attend the State Convention in Columbia in April. If properly directed this convention may, we think, accomplish good for the prosperity of the State.

Next week we shall try to present to our readers some of the changes which can be advantageously made, in our judgment, in our State laws.

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cheap rates of transportation for our products after they are made. As the education of all classes of our people is a matter of the first consequence, and as the State is annually expending large sums of money on our common school system, which is far from efficient on account of the lack of sufficient funds to properly conduct them, we think it would be well for this Convention to urge upon our representatives in Congress to vote for the Blair Bill now pending in the House. In addition to its educational features the passage of this bill would give about \$400,000 a year to the people of South Carolina for several years, and it would add greatly to the prosperity of our State, and help to relieve us of a portion of our present troubles.

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Washington, D. C., March 20, 1886. Washington is noted the world over for its magnificent avenues, the number of its public parks and the vast stretch of improved ground extending from the Capitol to the White House, a distance of a mile. This strip of land is about an eighth of a mile in width and in the line of the Botanical Garden, the Army Building, the Smithsonian Institute and National Museum, and of the Monument towering 555 feet into the air in all the purity of its marble whiteness. The wonder has been that the general government has had absolute control of this land has never taken steps to improve it after a lapse of seventy-five years it has occurred that this expense of ground can be improved so as to make it one of the most beautiful driving parks in the world. A bill has accordingly been introduced in Congress providing for the improvements on a most comprehensive scale. The estimated cost is half a million dollars, and when the work is completed the park will rival as drive the famous Champs Elysees in Paris.

In keeping with this improvement Senator Morrill has introduced a bill in the Senate appropriating \$800,000 for the erection on the South side of the Executive Mansion of a building similar in character and exterior to the present mansion. The old portion will be used exclusively for business purposes. The new part will be used as the residence and will face the grand park contemplated in the other measure before Congress, and will overlook the redeemed portion of the Potomac River which will also constitute a park dotted with lakes and having avenues of shaded drives. When these improvements are finished the people of this country will indeed have cause to feel proud of their National Capital. There will not be a city in the old or new world to equal it in the beauty of its public parks and the magnificence of its private and public buildings.

The President enjoys the society of the Representatives of the people in Congress, and whenever opportunity offers, has them assemble at the Executive Mansion to partake of his hospitality. It is an erroneous idea that may have that the President and his political opponents in Congress are at logger heads and scarcely save the courtesies of the day. They may say sharp and bitter things about each other in political and official matters, but that is all laid aside and forgotten in their social intercourse with each other.

The President gave a Lenten dinner to some of the Senators the past week, and with the view of promoting brotherly love and kindly feelings between the guests had them seated around the festive board alternately Republican and Democrat. Senator Logan sat on the left and Senator Saulsbury on the right of the President. There were forty-one covers, and the State dining room was ablaze with sparkling crystals, but the absence of all music served as a reminder that the holy season of Lent was respected. Miss Cleveland during Lent receives callers only by card for one hour, from 12 to 1, on Tuesdays and Fridays.

The General Post Office Building is to be enlarged. It is a white marble structure fronting on four streets, and the

Senate has passed a bill providing for the purchase of the square immediately West of it for the sum of \$550,000, on which to erect the extension. The House Committee on Invalid Pensions has agreed to report favorably a bill providing all honorably discharged soldiers of the late war who served ninety days and are or may become disabled from performing manual labor, unless such disability has been occasioned by their own gross carelessness or vicious habits.

At the time that the Southern Claims Commission expired by limitation of law, there were thousands of cases that had been disallowed because the proof of loyalty had not been as full as the Commission thought it ought to be, and a large number of other claims not acted on at all for want of evidence in support of the claim. The Commission held that "neutrality" of the claimant was not sufficient to establish loyalty; that there must be evidence of "active sympathy" with the cause of the Union. Of late years a number of these claimants have appealed to Congress for relief. The Senate Committee on claims has just reported adversely on several of these claims, and in its report says that "there are nearly 9,000 of these rejected claims, involving an amount of more than \$5,000,000. The Committee do not deem it just or wise to open the door to this flood of claims, when no substantial or equitable reason is shown for so doing."

The Bureau of Labor. WASHINGTON, March 21.—The first annual report of the bureau of labor has been submitted by the Chief Commissioner, Carroll D. Wright, to the Secretary of the Interior. It will cover about five hundred pages, containing facts, figures and deductions of a novel and interesting character, concerning the industrial depression which has prevailed since the close of the war. It has been clearly shown that the depression of the past in the manufacturing and mercantile branches of the country, and to the severity of the present industrial depression and its duration it can safely be asserted that the depression commenced in 1882.

At the time the agents of the bureau entered the field in prosecuting their investigations to the time they left it, a period of five or six months of the work has been done. At the present time (March, 1886) the effects of the depression are wearing away, and all the indications are that prosperity is slowly, gradually, and safely returning. The extent of the depression has not been so great as the popular mind has conceived it. An industrial depression is a mental and moral malady which affects the mind rather than the body. It is the spiritual guardian of fifty million of people. Speaking of this point he said to me: "A president or King or other high and national official should recognize the Supreme Power never admitted. A man or woman should never get so exalted as to fall to do this. Now, few men have a full opportunity to disseminate personal views as I have. I was ever so anxious to make people believe I was the embodiment of goodness it would be up hill work to create that impression, for a President cannot cry his wares from the housetop. He must be a man of God, a Christian and all that, coming in every form and from every direction, is for my own guidance, very well. If it is to change the general course of my public career it is to be done. One time it is an hour shall never be made—the charge that I was a hypocrite. I like Christians; they are the salt of the earth. A hypocrite, to my mind, is the basest of sinners."

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THE FARMERS' CONVENTION. The undersigned, citizens and farmers of Anderson County, being desirous of consulting together for our interest and welfare, give notice of a Convention to be held at Anderson, C. H. on the first Monday in April next, at 11 o'clock a. m., to consider our interest and appoint delegates to a Farmers' Convention to be held in Columbia, S. C., on the 29th day of April, 1886.

All farmers are earnestly requested to attend, the object of the meeting being to consult together for the farmers' interests. L. E. Campbell, B. F. Gentry, T. W. Norris, G. P. Browder, W. T. Dean, A. A. Dean, D. G. Rapp, Josiah Pruitt, P. B. Bell, J. S. Sande, J. F. McConnell, S. N. Pearman, Silas Kay, J. W. McPhail, J. H. Vandiver, J. A. Keown, Harrison Tucker, G. W. Long, Thomas Nelson, J. L. O. Shinn, Wm. S. Hall, J. William Whorton.

The Cret of Cleveland. "A very large per cent. of the people throughout the country seem to be bent on evangelizing President Cleveland," observed one of the Chief Executive's most intimate friends to-day. "Mr. Cleveland was telling me the other day that he sometimes thought there was an impression in the minds of too many good folks that he presented a rare opportunity for the basest of sinners to get in. He thought so and he laughingly replied: 'Oh, if the advice given me was concentrated on Africa, it would civilize and Christianize that whole wild continent. I have been laughing to myself, for there was so much serious and yet dry humor in it. Cleveland realizes, as he is reminded so often and so forcibly, that in a certain way an example is set to the world, but it worries him a little, I can see, to be told by hundreds of people, sometimes in one week, that he ought to let his light so shine, &c. He believes that these people must be his enemies, or else that he is the spiritual guardian of fifty million of people. Speaking of this point he said to me: 'A president or King or other high and national official should recognize the Supreme Power never admitted. A man or woman should never get so exalted as to fall to do this. Now, few men have a full opportunity to disseminate personal views as I have. I was ever so anxious to make people believe I was the embodiment of goodness it would be up hill work to create that impression, for a President cannot cry his wares from the housetop. He must be a man of God, a Christian and all that, coming in every form and from every direction, is for my own guidance, very well. If it is to change the general course of my public career it is to be done. One time it is an hour shall never be made—the charge that I was a hypocrite. I like Christians; they are the salt of the earth. A hypocrite, to my mind, is the basest of sinners.'"

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AN ORDINANCE, To Prohibit the Storage of Cotton, Rags, Kerosene Oil or Gun-Powder in certain quantities, the Erection of Wooden Buildings within certain prescribed limits, and regulating the time for Burning out Chimneys in the City of Anderson, South Carolina.

SECTION I. That from and after the passage of this Ordinance, it shall be a misdemeanor for any person or persons to store any Cotton or Rags, amounting to one hundred pounds or over, within one hundred and fifty feet of any building or buildings that are now, or may hereafter, be erected within the corporate limits of the City of Anderson, South Carolina, where the owner or occupant of such building or buildings, or of any building or buildings situated within the distance of one hundred and fifty feet of such place of storage objects thereto.

SECTION II. It shall likewise be a misdemeanor for any person or persons to store more than five barrels of Kerosene, or other inflammable oil, or more than three kegs of Gun or Blasting Powder in any building situated as described in Section I hereof, where objection is made by any person as therein authorized.

SECTION III. Any party or parties who may now or hereafter have any cotton, rags, kerosene or other inflammable oil, or gun or blasting powder, stored in buildings situated as provided in Section I hereof, at which objection may be made by any party as therein authorized, shall, within twenty-four hours after notification of such objection, (and of the passage of this Ordinance if the objection be made before the publication hereof), remove such cotton, rags, kerosene or other inflammable oil, or gun or blasting powder, to a place not situated within the distance herein provided.

SECTION IV. It shall be a misdemeanor for any person or persons, after the passage of this Ordinance to erect any wooden or frame building as provided in Section I hereof, at which objection may be made by any party as therein authorized, shall, within twenty-four hours after notification of such objection, (and of the passage of this Ordinance if the objection be made before the publication hereof), remove such cotton, rags, kerosene or other inflammable oil, or gun or blasting powder, to a place not situated within the distance herein provided.

SECTION V. It shall be a misdemeanor for any person or persons to burn out any chimney or permit any chimney in a house occupied by such person or persons in the City of Anderson, South Carolina, to be burned out during dry weather.

SECTION VI. Any person or persons convicted of violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be liable to a fine not less than Five nor more than One Hundred Dollars or imprisonment for not less than five nor more than thirty days in the discretion of the Mayor trying the case.

SECTION VII. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed so far as they may interfere with the provisions thereof.

Done and ratified in Council and the Seal of the Corporation of the City of Anderson affixed thereto this the twenty-second day of March, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-six. G. F. TOLLY, Mayor. FRANK C. WHITNER, City Clerk.

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Darkness in the Daytime. CHICAGO, March 19.—The *Inter Ocean's* Chicago office has been struck by a remarkable atmospheric phenomenon ever known here occurred at 3 p. m. It had been light, though slightly cloudy, when suddenly at the hour named five minutes ago a thick darkness fell upon the city, and it was as dark as midnight. General consternation prevailed. People on the streets rushed to and fro, teams dashed along and women and children were in a panic. The darkness lasted for eight to ten minutes, when it passed off seemingly from west to east.

—Mr. S. A. Lovejoy, 11 Cedar street, Chestnut Hill, Mass., has been making some interesting and valuable experiments in producing fibre from cotton stalks. In a letter to a friend in Spartanburg he says: "I commenced a few days ago to experiment and to-day I sent you enclosed the first specimen I have obtained. It is a small lot, for I took only a few stalks to begin with, but enough perhaps to give you some idea of the fibre. The fibre can be easily bleached to a snow white if desired. I send also a small piece as first taken from the stalk showing the color and the gummy or resinous matter which it contains. This I cut out after a few hours' treatment, and it is this which has been very difficult to accomplish by any ordinary means, and is the reason why cotton fibre has not been profitably extracted from the stalk before. It seems to me that, if properly prepared, this is a very valuable fibre for many uses. It is said to be stronger than flax and is of as fine or finer fibre."

—Thursday night, while a leading wholesale grocer, W. B. Mitchell, of Charleston, S. C., was in his office, he was startled by a loud report, which he at first thought was the report of a gun in his grasp, leveled at the gentleman's head. The negro did not know he was discovered and Mr. Mitchell, with wonderful alacrity, proceeded to open his door and then hastily left the store. He immediately notified the police, and the negro was captured in the building. He confessed that he was sent there by two professional cracksmen from the state of Virginia. The store was locked and then let them in.

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