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The rumor now is that W. J. Bryan's following in the West is less strong than it has been and that Augustus Van Wyck is in the Presidential race with silence on the silver question. But this is rumbling in the distance.

But for the great corn crop made in the South last season the price would be mountain high, and the cotton States would be badly stranded. The escape from the peril incident to being caught between the rocks of four and a half cent cotton and dollar corn, should afford a warning never to be forgotten.

The Michigan scheme to tinker with the liquor business is novel, but that is all. It contemplates the issuance of drink licenses to every man who wants one at \$5 a year. The list, including name and number of licenses, is to be published and any saloon keeper who sells to a man without a license is to be heavily penalized.

If the President had the authority to do so and desired to enlist an army of 100,000 lieutenants, he could probably secure the full number inside of twenty-four hours. There have already been 60,000 applications for the lieutenantcies to be filled under the new army law. Of that number 22,000 applicants asked to be made second lieutenants, of which there are only 101 to be appointed.

The war department has determined to muster out and bring home all the volunteers in Cuba with the exception of the volunteer engineers and immunes. The necessity for immediate action has been brought to the attention of the war department on account of the quarantine regulations against Cuba, which go into effect about the 1st of May, and which are especially strict at all southern ports.

The Supreme Court has rendered a very important decision in the matter of life insurance in mutual insurance companies. The Court declares that the by-laws of the association in mutual companies is binding and the assured must abide by them in order to get the benefit of insurance. The by-laws are declared to be a part of fire and life insurance in all the mutual companies doing business in this State under State charters.

A Washington City negro, Dr. Jerome R. Riley, has just published a book, "The Philosophy of Negro Suffrage," in which he admits that negro suffrage has been a failure and justifies the action of the States that have restricted it. The remedy this negro suggests for present conditions is "more agriculture and less politics." The money contributed by the South for educating colored people during the past 35 years cannot be said to have been spent in vain if it has been instrumental in leading one negro to such sensible conclusions as these.

South Carolina is ambitious to be a stock-grazing State. A little in the line of furnishing cattle for Northern markets has been done, and the success attending it has raised hopes that here is the beginning of what may grow into a large business. Captain Cunningham, a stock-raiser near Charleston, says that within the last few months 3500 head of cattle have been shipped from counties adjacent to Charleston to the markets in Richmond, Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York. The beef was announced good, and the market for it is of steady growth.

The South is at last coming to the front. An order has just been received by the Richmond, (Va.) Locomotive and Machine Works from the Swedish government for twenty locomotives. These works are now busy filling an order for eight engines for the Wabash. This only shows what is being accomplished in the South. Push, pluck and perseverance is fast bringing the South forward as a producer and manufacturer of almost every commodity needed in the civilized world. The order from a foreign government for these locomotives means much and is something worth crowing over.

The announcement of the death of Hon. Patrick Walsh, which occurred at his home in Augusta, Ga., last Sunday morning, was read with profound sorrow throughout South Carolina, where he was well known and greatly admired. As editor of the Augusta Chronicle he always took great interest in the affairs of this State and was ever ready to lend her a helping hand. In his death Georgia loses one of her most prominent, efficient and progressive citizens, and in Augusta, where he was filling the office of Mayor, he will be missed for years to come. The death of such a man is a public calamity.

Congressman Marsh, of Illinois, it is said, has invented a scheme by which to stimulate the production of wheat in the United States. It is to induce each Chinaman to consume one bushel of wheat per year. This would make a market for 400,000,000 bushels. It is estimated, too, that if each could be induced to eat two bushels of wheat there would be a market for 800,000,000 bushels. These calculations are doubtless all right and to be proven only lacks getting the Chinamen to buy the wheat. But we in the South are more interested in dumping our cotton off than in making a greater demand for cotton, and cotton goods. Here's the plan. Get every African to wear a shirt. That would make cotton scarce

and higher, and if you could induce him to have a change of shirts it would just make a regular boom for cotton goods. It would even help much if you could put a cotton covering on every Cuban kid, as we learn from our returned soldiers that there are thousands of them running around ornamented with only Nature's design for primeval man. Yes, get all these nudes to wear cotton clothes and we'll see new life in the cotton trade.

Denver Dots.

No news, only everybody and his uncles busy hauling off guano while it is too wet to plow. Next fall when it takes all the five cent cotton to pay for this guano and a few rations we will hear the same old cry of "hard times."

Miss Mattie Eskew is spending some time with her brother, Mr. S. L. Eskew, in Pendleton. A bevy of our pretty girls visited Anderson, and in coming back on the afternoon train they captured a no. captivated—the whole crew. Superintendent and all. One lone Clemson attendant who was on board, fled to the baggage car to escape a like fate. No doubt but what he was previously engaged, and knew he could not remain true to his vows unless he got away from those bright eyes and merry voices.

Miss Hattie McWhorter has closed her school near Piedmont, and is to begin one this week, we hear, at Pendleton Factory. Miss Hattie is such a good teacher her services are always in demand.

Mr. Reed McCrea and Miss Docia Brock visited Clemson last week and reported a most enjoyable time. Some of the Cadets enjoyed their visit also. We are sorry Miss Docia's school will soon close in Denver. She has given unusual satisfaction as a teacher, and the patrons are trying to get her a subscription school, so as to retain her longer.

Mr. Brown Caldwell, of Due West, has again visited Denver, which seems at present to have great attractions for him. The young people find Mr. Caldwell to be quite a pleasant gentleman.

Miss Birnie Farmer and brother accompanied Miss Myrtle McWhorter on a visit to her father's family last Saturday. We hope they will come again and stay longer next time.

Mr. Sylvester Elmer visited his sister, Mrs. Farmer, near Townville, this week. Sylvester is one of our steadiest young men and quite an addition to any company.

Mr. Tom Simpson, of Piedmont, is farming this year with his cousin, T. R. Simpson, Jr. Mrs. M. M. Brown has been spending a week with her aunt, Mrs. G. A. Harper, near Anderson.

Rev. A. B. Watson preached a fine sermon last Sabbath at Sandy Springs to an appreciative audience. He certainly has the tact of interesting and instructing the children. Capt. W. T. McGill and wife, who have been absent from our community for quite a while, the former as manager of one of the State farms, have returned to their home near us, and while the State has lost an efficient servant we are glad to welcome him and his good wife back again in our midst. INCOG.

Lowndesville Locals.

Our farmers are prosperous and busy, preparing for planting, and as a result the other occupations are doing better. The merchants are doing a good business in farm implements and general hardware.

Messrs. E. W. Harper, Moseley Huckabee and E. R. Horton went to Anderson during the week.

Mr. E. F. Latimer, who has been attending a dental college in Atlanta, returned Friday for a vacation. Invitations have been received for the marriage of Mr. Gibbs L. Baker, of Washington, D. C., to Miss Caroline Pryor, of Petersburg, Va. The ceremony will take place at the home of the bride's parents in Petersburg, on the 29th inst. The groom, who is a son of Mr. T. Baker, of this place, has many friends here, and they wish him many years of happiness.

We note with pleasure that our popular and efficient trialjustice, Mr. J. G. Huckabee, who has been sick for several weeks, is much better. We hope to see him on our streets again soon.

Miss Lily Shumate, of Greenville, is visiting the family of Mr. E. R. Horton.

The Henry Timrod Literary Club met at the residence of Mr. E. R. Horton Friday night. The books under discussion were Lew Wallace's "Fair God" and "Ben Hur." The essayist for the evening was Miss Nelle Moseley, who read an interesting paper on "Cortez's Conquest of Mexico."

Miss Julia McGhee, one of our most popular young ladies, and a teacher in our High School, read "The Chariot Race" from "Ben Hur." Mrs. J. T. Latimer read a selection, "Mexico as it is Today." After general discussions of books read since previous meeting and reading of some questions relating to them, the club adjourned.

It is now an established fact that the oil mill which has been proposed for some time will be built in the near future. A number of people high up in financial circles, headed by Mr. A. L. Latimer, have formed a company for the purpose, and about ten thousand dollars has been subscribed up to date. Lowndesville is an ideal situation for the mill, as there is none on the whole line of the C. & W. C. Railway from Anderson to Augusta. The nearest are those at Anderson and Abbeville, each over twenty miles away. The mill will be built directly on the railroad, and no special side-track will be needed, or at the most, a very short one. MCB, H.

Cracker's Neck Items.

The approach of spring is near at hand, everything moves merrily along, the birds have begun to warble their sweet notes in the tree tops, the "crack her neck," and from them will soon arrive, and all show that *Tempus fugit*. The farmers are late in the preparation for their crop, and will be made more so by the recent rain. Beaverdam Creek, the eastern boundary of our Neck, was higher last Wednesday than we have ever seen it.

Mr. J. P. Bradberry is still ginning cotton. Possibly he will be through by time for planting. Mr. T. L. Wooten, one of our most successful farmers, has purchased a bell, which means that he will have more regularity on his place.

Our school, which has had a very good attendance, has fallen off considerably. "Cracker's Neck" is triangular, the apex being at the confluence of Tuzaloo River and Beaverdam Creek, the base on the Oconee line. Where the name originated, we do not know, but it is said that an old man, having quarreled with his wife, asked counsel of his friend as to the best method of subduing her. The answer was, "Crack her neck," and from then till now the community has been called "Cracker's Neck." OLD FOLKS AT HOME.

Bellton Items.

Mr. Oscar Greer, son of Mr. B. H. Greer, who lives four miles below here, died at the home of his father this (Monday) morning at 3 o'clock. Mr. Greer has been almost an invalid with rheumatism for nearly three months, and two weeks ago he suffered a stroke of paralysis, from which he never recovered. Mr. Greer was only about 22 years old, and until struck with rheumatism he enjoyed good health, and seemingly had the promise of a long life. He leaves a young wife, father and mother and two brothers, with a host of friends to mourn his loss. Mr. Greer was of a quiet and unobtrusive disposition, but honest and straightforward in all his dealings, and lived an exemplary life in all respects. We extend his loved ones our sympathy in this dark hour. His body will be buried at Barker's Creek cemetery. Miss Leta Greer visited her sister, Miss Jessie, at the Greenville Female College, Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Mattie Brown, who is teaching a very successful school at Cowpens, Spartanburg County, spent Saturday and Sunday with her mother. Pink Mattison, a negro tenant on the Moore farm, which is just outside the incorporated limits of Bellton, shot Hack Greer, another negro, who lives on Judge Cox's farm, yesterday afternoon, and inflicted a serious if not a fatal wound. We can't give an exact account of the affair, but understand the trouble grew out of the old, but ever interesting game familiarly known as "seven-up."

We understand Congressman Latimer's family and Mr. W. C. Brown are expected home from their Cuban trip in a few days.

Great crowds of people have been here during the past two or three weeks for guano. Does this mean less cotton? XXXX.

Williamston Items.

Mrs. Ida Bonner and daughter, of Due West, who have been visiting Mrs. G. W. Sullivan, left yesterday for Greenville, where they will spend some time with her mother.

Miss Louise Horton, who has been sick some time, is again able to call on her friends, who are glad to see her.

The new Methodist Church is nearing completion and will be open for worship the middle of April, and will probably be dedicated the fifth Sunday of that month.

Mr. J. H. James has moved into his beautiful new house on North Main street.

We are glad to know that our Anderson friends are making an effort to have a special train run to Williamston the evening (Saturday, 25th) of our next entertainment, which is to be given by Alba Heywood, the prince of entertainers, and his Peerless Concert Company. Mr. Heywood impersonates a wide range of eccentric characters, both humorous and pathetic. Mr. Heywood's masterpiece, "Grandfather Pelgen," a beautiful monologue, occupying thirty minutes, was written expressly for him by Herbert Hill Winsor, and is presented by no other artist.

Miss Drescher, the violinist, whose playing is brilliant and fascinating, ranks as the first lady of the land on this instrument; while Mr. Debray, the sweet ballad singer, and Miss Reimer, the pianist, charm their audiences. Williamston expects a big crowd from the country around, as this will be the last entertainment of the season. G.

Townville Items.

We are still having wet weather, and the farmers are beginning to talk of not planting so much cotton this year. It would be a blessing to the people if they were to have to make their bread-stuff at home one year, and they would see how easy they could get along without so much flour and five cents cotton.

Our friend, J. H. Haley, of Oconee County, will probably find some difficulty to make a road in Anderson County. He has a good deal of land in some sections of the county, but he can't take old Anderson County by the ear and sling her over the line. If he will take some of his convicts and put the roads she has in a traveling condition, he will gain friends.

Mr. Williams, of Fair Play, was in town one day last week. Prof. H. H. McGraw is teaching a school at Speed Creek. He reports a full school. The patrons were fortunate in recurring his services, as he is one of our most excellent young men.

Some of the young folks of this section contemplate having a musical and tableaux entertainment in the near future. We still have some sickness in our section. The people of this country are hopeful of the Black Diamond Railroad. MOCKING BIRD.

Alice Items.

Well, it rains and it rains, and some people rejoice while others mourn. Miss Eva Kay and sister, of Denver, visited their brother, Mr. J. O. Kay, recently. Come again, young ladies.

Mrs. Essie Ashley has gone to Dequeen, Ark., to join her husband, who went out there last fall. Mrs. Hattie Moore, of Lowndesville, who has been staying with her brother since Christmas, has returned home.

Mr. Charlie Stone, of Deans, was visiting down here last week. Mr. Elie G. McAdams came down from the city last Saturday and spent Sunday with home folks.

Mr. J. B. McAdams, our Constable, went down to Calhoun Falls after two negroes. He always gets his game.

Messrs. Jesse McAdams and John Sullivan, of the Fork, visited friends in this section last week. Miss Nettie Cowan, of Annie, spent last Saturday and Sunday in this section.

Miss Georgia Croucher, of Abbeville County, has been visiting the family of Mr. R. O. McAdams.

Pendleton Items.

Camp Tally, Simpson, No. 1,000, held a meeting Saturday a week ago, and elected delegates to the reunion in Charleston in May. The Camp passed a resolution to select a committee of young ladies to solicit aid for the Reunion, composed as follows: Miss Janie Gantt, Miss Annie B. Simpson, Miss Julia Taylor, Miss Mamie Davant, Miss Annie H. Simpson, of Pendleton, Miss Sue Shan, of Clemson, Miss Lizzie Martin, of Majors, Miss Bessie Norris, of Hickory Flat, and Miss May McWhorter, of Denver. We hope the people will consider that this reunion is a State affair.

Dr. H. C. Miller is considered very low. It is only a question of time with him. We will not be surprised to hear of his death at any time. Your correspondent has been confined to his bed for several days with a complication of diseases, therefore he has not much news this week. TELL TALE.

John Hooper, a man with a mania for tombstones, stole eighteen of them from Graefland Cemetery, Chicago, and used them for bra-c-bras at his home.

Attention, Camp Lehigheter.

All the members of Camp Lehigheter, No. 922, are requested to meet at Gny-ton on next Saturday evening to elect delegates to attend the May meeting in Charleston, and attend to some other important business. By order of Commander. A. M. GUYTON, Adjutant.

Septus Items.

We notice, Mr. Editor, an article in the INTELLIGENCER of a few weeks ago written by some one who know not who, neither do we care who, over the signature of "Eric," who, it seems, is so blinded with malice, prejudice and hatred that from his pen has gone out to the utmost parts of the earth the impression that this is one of the most immoral communities on the top side of God's green earth. It is indeed strange how a person will let hatred so blind their minds and bedim their eyes that they will get so far away from the paths of truth that when they see anything with their own eyes or hear with their own ears, they will, without fear of death, hell or the grave, or without the slightest regard for the feelings of another, take up their pen and send an article to the newspapers, from whence it goes whirling to the four corners of the earth, and which is laden with willful misrepresentations. "He that would steal your good name, steals that which is of no benefit whatever to him." We want to tell the good people of the outside world that we have as good a set of people living around Septus, better known as Five Forks, as can be found on the globe, and they are as free from the vices so characteristic of the low and degraded classes of the human race. We would ask of the intelligent class of people to believe nothing that is injurious to the larger part of our community, that comes from the pen of this backbiter, "Eric" by name, but we kindly invite you to come and spend a few days in our community and be convinced. Again, "Eric" says: "We are pretty sure that it is contrary to law for any one to accept the proposed amendments to handle the U. S. Mail." Has such as that been done? Have you seen such? Have you the witnesses to prove such? Please answer these questions for the benefit of those interested. We know that such is contrary to the postal laws, but it is true that such is the case? In order to remove any doubt that might have arisen in the public mind, we will ask "Eric" to kindly answer the above question.

March 18, 1899, and no farm work done yet. Never in the recollection of this writer have the farmers been known to be as far behind with their work as they are now.

It has rained 33 days since Jan 1st, and snowed 4, making a total of 37 days of bad weather.

This section has the oldest inhabitant, probably, that there is in the State, in the person of Aunt Charlotte Webb, who lives on the plantation of Mr. Jas. McAlister. She is now in the neighborhood of 123 years old.

Mr. R. C. Pressly, who travels the larger part of his time, is visiting the family of his brother, Mr. A. T. Pressly.

The streams of this section were the highest last Tuesday and Wednesday that they have been in a number of years.

It is hoped by the larger part of our population that the Anderson County Agricultural Association will secure the service of Russell & Fretwell, for we have some of the finest bottom land in this section that can be found in the State, and very little of it is now in cultivation. The health of our people would also be better if the swampy land could be drained.

The Churches have had a very poor attendance all winter, but now that Spring is opening up we look for a great revival in Church work and attendance.

The old folks tell us that we will have no peaches this year, and we are beginning to believe them. What is looking very well considering the rough weather that it has had on it. L. ESTIE.

A Clever Trick.

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has Lau e Back and Weak Kidneys, Malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to liver and kidneys, is a blood purifier and a nerve tonic. It cures Constipation, Headache, Fainting Spells, Sleeplessness and Melancholy. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its natural vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c. a bottle at Bill-Orr Drug Co.

What better epithet could be put on the combats of Competition than with the odds overwhelmingly against them. But we are doing the "res- you may write the epithet.

Yours always truly, C. S. MINOR and TEN CENT STORE. The people who Underbuy and Undersell. Spot Cash does the work. Special prices to Merchants everywhere in our Wholesale Department.

We wish to tell you that the Coupon system is all O. K. We now offer you a choice of a life-time: Buy a Coupon and get a Book and should you not succeed in selling a single Coupon we will when you buy a Wheel, give you credit for \$2.75. It is possible for you to get a Wheel for 25c. Impossible for you to lose one cent. Come and see our line of Wheels. Wheels on easy terms. Yours for business, THOMSON CYCLE WORKS.

FOR SALE—A nice 7-room House on River Street. Water and Electric Lights. FOR SALE—Well appointed 6 room House and Lot. River Street. FOR SALE—Tip-top two-story House on Whitner Street. These Houses will be sold cheap. Apply to—PAUL E. AYER, Real Estate Agent, Room 4, P. O. Building.

Dissolution of Partnership. WE, Clarence Osborne and Prue E. Clinkscals, do this day mutually dissolve the partnership hitherto existing and known by the Firm name of Osborne & Clinkscals. All Notes and Accounts due the Firm will be placed in the hands of Osborne & Osborne for collection. Thanking the public for their generous patronage, we remain—CLARENCE OSBORNE, PRUE E. CLINKSCALS. March 17, 1899.

Copartnership Notice. THE undersigned have this day formed a partnership to be known by the Firm name of Osborne & Osborne, and to do business at the stand formerly occupied by Osborne & Clinkscals, and to carry a full line of—CROCKERY, STOVES and TINWARE, And do all kinds of—METAL WORK, TIN WORK and PLUMBING. Asking for your liberal patronage and promising fair treatment to all, we remain—CLARENCE OSBORNE, PRUE E. OSBORNE. March 17, 1899.

Notice of Final Settlement. THE undersigned, Executors of the Estate of David Sadler, deceased, hereby give notice that they will on the 24th day of April, 1899, apply to the Judge of Probate for Anderson County, S. C., for a Final Settlement of said Estate, and a discharge from their office as Administrators. A. N. CAMPBELL, A. B. SHIRLEY, O. P. WILLIAMS, Administrators. March 22, 1899.

Notice of Final Settlement. THE undersigned, Administrators of the Estate of J. C. Williams, deceased, hereby give notice that they will on the 22nd day of April, 1899, apply to the Judge of Probate for Anderson County, S. C., for a Final Settlement of said Estate, and a discharge from their office as Administrators. A. N. CAMPBELL, A. B. SHIRLEY, O. P. WILLIAMS, Administrators. March 22, 1899.

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IS THIS THE WINTER

Of our discontent lingering in the lap of Spring, or does the mocking bird's melody awaken the glad echoes of the apple orchard, and remind the glad world that plum time is coming. Yes, we have struck one blow that produced instant death to fickle Winter. We struck him broadside with our matchless line of SPRING GOODS at prices neither he nor competition can stand. The ledge hammers we name below are for competition to stare and wonder at, but not to resist:

Good Sheeting, No. 1, at 2 1/2 c. yd. Extra Heavy, yard-wide at 4 c. Best Typhoon Ginghams at 5 c. 10c. line heavy, fancy and solid color Ducking at 7 c. A little world of assorted Robing, Cover, Curtains, etc. at 5 c. Best Windsor Cambric at 4 c. Martha Blue Prints, pretty, at 4 c. American and Merinae Indigos at 5 c. Solid Oil Color Calico at 5 c. A lot of Shirting Prints in Percale Pattern, good, 3 c. Genuine yarns, Percale, doubt it who may, at 6 c.

And now what? Win, Simpson & Sons genuine original 3/4 size at 5 c. Good Hickory Stripes at 5 c. Best heavy Hickory at 5 c. Lexington Cottonade at 12 c. Good Brown Linen at 10 c. Finer Linen at 12 c. to 15 c. Fine quality of Wash Prints at 4 c. All Patch Lawns at 4 c. All Rosebud Lawns at 3 c. Manhattan Linings 5 c. Good Black Satine 6 c. Good White Lawns and India Linens—4 shirting—at 11 c. A few more pieces Towel Flannel to go at 5 c. King Cleaning Soap, the best thing yet, two for 5 c. Celluloid Starch 5 c. package.

A. M. Fig. & Parking Co.'s big No. 6 Laundry Blue 3c. box Progress Machine Thread, 200 yards spools, two for 5c. 24 Sheets good Note Paper and 24 good Envelopes, packed in a box for 5c. Indellible Ink 10c. bottle. Express Pencils 10c. dozen. Good quality of Feather Dusters 15c and 20c. each. Some Shoes now—big Shoes and Little Shoes— Ladies' Dongola Shoes 35c. Ladies' Pebble Grain 65c. Ladies' Heavy Glove Grain 65c. Ladies' Solid Inner and Outer Sole 84c. Our Introductory line South-ern Beauty 95c. One-half your money back on every tenth pair.

Still more Shoes—The Wild Rose line at \$1.25. Women Polkas at 60c. Girls' Polkas at 50c. Children's Polkas at 40c. Smaller Polkas 30c. Men's Solid Tan Bala. at \$1.18. Men's Finer Tan Bala. at \$1.38. Something new under the sun! Automatic Egg Separator—you break the egg, it does the rest 10c. A Mouse Trap that catches and holds them 5c. Some high grade Tobaccos, honest work, 35c. lb. Red J, four plugs 35c. Old Bull of the Woods 35c. lb. Flavoring Extracts 35c and 50c. bottle—all flavors.

Who says Cash is not King and that our surprises are not crowned Queen of the market? We have a whole lot of things to make the day of a whole lot.

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