

The hearing before the South Carolina Railway Commission of the railroad magnets and the cotton mill men of the up-country last month, forces upon the commission the decision of a question of very great importance to the entire people of the State, as it bears directly on the rapid progress now being made in manufacture. The question briefly stated is, Shall the railroads be permitted to continue to charge as high a rate of freight on manufactured goods to Charleston as to Pinner's Point, the terminus of the haul north, which is twice the distance. Upon first consideration of the plan it would seem that plain, simple equity, independent of any detail of those particular benefits to the people of the State, which go to make up that equity, would force the commission to decide in favor of the mill men; but the railroads contend that should they make the reduction, the rate on roads outside of the State would make a corresponding reduction, which they would be forced to meet and the reduction would yield them no profit. The commission is asked to consider, and are considering this line of argument, yet, so far as the State of South Carolina is concerned, the argument has not one element of business in it, being at best simply an appeal to sentiment. The railway magnates doubtless proceed upon the theory that the railroads have been of great benefit to the State, and the State should now show its gratitude by allowing them to keep closed their nearby port by discriminating in favor of some other port outside the State, because it keeps serene and in concert of action a combination of roads which enables them to earn a satisfactory profit. The commission meets in about fifteen days. What their decision will be is uncertain, but there are questions confronting them far-reaching and of greatest importance in the future growth and prosperity of the State, and if by chance the railroads win in this instance, it can be only a question of a very short time till conditions arising from the development of manufacture will force upon the people of the State the necessity for the demands now made by the mill men to be granted. New conditions now confront our people. Only a few years ago—easily within the memory of our business men of today—the manufacture of cotton was confined to Europe and the New England States. Cotton in Anderson sold at prices paid in New York, less the freight. Within the last few years cotton mills have begun to dot every cotton raising State. The mills of New England are gradually being moved to the cotton fields of the South. Anderson has kept pace in the manufacturing development and new conditions confront us. The price paid for our cotton is based upon the profit to the mills upon manufactured goods. The item of freight arises in manufactured cotton, not in raw cotton. In proportion as profits increase from a reduction of freight on manufactured goods, the mills can pay a better price for raw cotton. Aside from this nothing, within the limits of equity, should be allowed to interfere with the development of the natural advantages of the State. Charleston has the advantage of location to our mills, and it is only just that the railroads be forced to fix a rate to this port proportionate to the rate they now charge northward. This done, the future prosperity of the State is assured. It will make mill building in the up-country more profitable. It will insure a better price to our farmers for cotton. It will build up the port of our own State and add millions to the property value of the State. It will give the railroads within the State a vastly larger amount of business. It will make possible the growth of Charleston into a distributing point for the State for most of the articles of commerce now received from other sources. Nothing more encouraging to mill building in the State could be done than to give them the full benefit of their advantage of location to this port, by port, and nothing will conduce more to the general prosperity of the State. These are the arguments of the mill men. They are just and equitable, and how the commission can see it otherwise we cannot understand. It was our privilege to spend two days at the State Fair in Columbia last week and in point of attendance the occasion was a big success. In fact, in this respect it was a record breaker. The grounds were crowded with people every day, and it was almost impossible to go through the buildings and view the exhibits, which were very good in every department. The stock exhibit probably excelled those of many preceding years. On Thursday one of the main attractions was the game of foot ball

between teams representing Clemson and South Carolina Colleges, which resulted in a victory for the latter. The people of Columbia seemed to have realized the importance of this annual gathering in their city, and they, together with the local Lodge of Elks, provided musical attractions for the visitors. The railroads, too, greatly aided in attracting the immense crowd there by granting extremely low rates and running many special trains from every section of the State. Persons going into the city on the midnight trains found it extremely difficult to get lodging, and some of them, when they secured a bed, were charged exorbitant prices for it. Many, however, were forced to spend the night in a chair in the hotel lobbies or on the streets. Three citizens of Anderson occupied one bed about three hours in a room with no furniture or conveniences, and were forced to pay 25 cents an hour for that privilege. The crowd in attendance no doubt exceeded Columbia's expectation, and her citizens did their best under the circumstances to entertain every visitor. The people looked prosperous and contented, and everyone seemed to be happy and in their best humor. Now, if the citizens of the Capital City will open their purses every year as they did this year and should have done years ago, they can make the State Fair a big success every year, and be greatly benefited financially themselves.

Extra Term of Court. The State of South Carolina. In accordance with the petition of a majority of the Bar of Anderson County, State of South Carolina, it is hereby ordered that a Special Term of the Court of Common Pleas for Anderson County, in the State of South Carolina, be held at Anderson Court House in said County and State, beginning at ten o'clock on Monday, the first day of December, 1902, and continuing until the 13th day of December, 1902, unless the business presented for trial before said Special Court shall have been previously disposed of. It is further ordered that the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for said Anderson County shall cause notice to be given, as required by law, of said Special Term of the Court of Common Pleas for Anderson County in said State. It is further ordered that Parties shall be drawn, as provided by law, to attend said Special Term of said Court of Common Pleas. And, lastly, it is ordered that said Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for Anderson County, South Carolina, shall serve a certified copy of this order upon Walter H. Hunt, Esq., at Newberry, State of South Carolina, who has been commissioned by His Excellency M. B. McSweeney, as the Governor of the State of South Carolina, as Special Judge to preside over said Court. W. J. POPE, Senior Associate Justice of the Supreme Court for the State of South Carolina, Presiding. Columbia, S. C., 29th October, 1902.

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Judge of Probate's Sale. STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF ANDERSON. In the Court of Common Pleas. Joseph J. Fretwell, F. G. Brown, W. R. Osborne, J. T. Pearson and J. H. vonHasseln, surviving partners of the firm of Sylvester Bleckley Co., Plaintiffs, against J. T. Long, Wm. E. Long, J. D. Kelley and E. W. Long and Farmers and Merchants Bank, a corporation, and Julius H. Well and Abraham Lesser, partners in trade under the name and style of Julius H. Well & Co., Defendants. Pursuant to the order of sale granted herein, I will sell on Saleday in December next, during the usual hours of sale in front of the Court House in the City of Anderson, the Real Estate described as follows, to-wit: I. All that certain Tract or parcel of Land, situate in Brushy Creek Township, County and State aforesaid, containing one hundred and thirteen (113) acres, more or less, bounded by lands of Theodore Smith, Mrs. M. J. Scott and others, known as part of the Reeves place. II. Also that certain other Tract or parcel of Land, situate in Brushy Creek Township, County and State aforesaid, containing fifty-six (56) acres, more or less, bounded by above described Tract of Land, H. R. Reeves and others, and known as part of the Reeves place, being the same land conveyed to the said Sylvester Bleckley Co. by E. W. Long, assignee, and J. L. Tribble, agent for creditors, by Deed bearing date December 21st, 1892, and recorded in the office of R. M. C. for Anderson County, S. C., in Book JJJ, pages 32 and 33, and conveyed by them to J. T. Long by Deed dated December 16th, 1893. Terms of Sale—One-half Cash, balance on a credit of twelve months, to be secured by bond of the purchaser and a mortgage of the premises, with interest upon the deferred payment from the date of sale at eight per cent per annum. Purchaser to have leave to anticipate payment and to pay extra for all necessary papers. R. Y. H. NANCE, Judge of Probate as Special Referee. Nov 5, 1902

Judge of Probate's Sale. STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF ANDERSON. In the Court of Common Pleas. W. S. Ramsey, as Administrator of the Personal Estate of Jas. M. Ramsey, deceased, and Daisy C. Ramsey, his heir at law of said Jas. M. Ramsey, deceased, Plaintiffs, against Annie G. Sharp, Maternal V. Sharp, Jas. D. Sharp and Wm. B. Sharp, infants, Defendants. Pursuant to the order of sale herein granted, I will sell on Saleday in December next, during the usual hours of sale in front of the Court House in the City of Anderson, the Real Estate described as follows, to-wit: I. All that Tract or parcel of Land, containing one-half acre, more or less, situate in the town of W. H. Hampton, County of Anderson, and the State of South Carolina, and bound as follows: North by Main street, east by lot of H. Austin, west by lot of J. B. James, north by lot of W. S. Ramsey. For further description see Deed from W. S. Ramsey to Jas. M. Ramsey, dated February 13, 1901. II. Also all that certain other parcel or Lot of Land situate in the town of W. H. Hampton, County and State aforesaid, containing one-half acre, more or less, and bounded on the east by street, on the south by lot of H. C. Wood, known as the B. F. Boatner, on the west by lot of M. J. Epling, and on the north by lot of D. F. Russell, this being known as the Burgess lot, this being the same conveyed to Jas. M. Ramsey, deceased, by R. E. Burgess, by Deed dated February 12th, 1900. Said Real Estate to be sold in two parcels. Terms of Sale—Cash. R. Y. H. NANCE, Judge of Probate as Special Referee. Nov 5, 1902

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF ANDERSON. COURT OF COMMON PLEAS. Leola Simmons, nee Warren, and Rosa Lucretia Seal, nee Warren, Administrators of the Estate of John M. Warren, deceased, Plaintiffs, against J. C. Watkins, nee Warren, nee Peoples, Defendant—Simmons for Relief—Complainant Servant. To the Defendants aforesaid: 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 subscribers at their office, in the Peoples Bank Building, Anderson, S. C., within thirty days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the Complaint within the time aforesaid, the Plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Complaint. Dated at Anderson, S. C., Oct. 28, 1902. BONHAM & WATKINS, Plaintiffs' Attorneys. To the absent Defendants, Code Brown, John M. Warren and J. C. Jackson, as Administrators of the Estate of John M. Warren, deceased: Please take notice that the Simmons and Complainant in this action were filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for Anderson County, S. C., on October 29th, 1902, and that the object of this action is to procure a partition and sale of the Lot of Land described in the Complaint. [SEAL] J. C. WATKINS, Plaintiff's Atty. Oct 29, 1902

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