

CITY AFFAIRS.

WM. GILMORE SIMMS.

DEATH OF THE GREAT SOUTH CAROLINA NOVELIST.

His Life, Character and Writings.

ADVERTISERS will take notice that we cannot engage that any advertisement sent to The News office at a later hour than half-past nine o'clock at night will appear in the next morning's paper. An exception to this rule is made in favor of notices of meetings, deaths and funerals.

Meetings This Day.

Orange Lodge, at 8 P. M. Charleston Steam Fire Company, at 8 P. M. Stonewall Fire Company, at 8 P. M.

Auction Sales This Day.

William McKay will sell at 10 o'clock, at his store, furniture, bedding, &c.

THE STATE COURT.—As Judge Carpenter will be unable to reach this city before to-night, the June term of the State Court will not be commenced until to-morrow.

CONFIRMATION.—Yesterday, at St. Philip's Church, Right Rev. Bishop Davis administered the rite of confirmation to nine ladies and one gentleman.

REQUIEM MASS.—A requiem mass will be sung at the Cathedral Chapel at nine o'clock, this morning, for the repose of the soul of Mr. Conlaw Lynch, the father of the Bishop of Charleston, who died a short time ago.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH.—Rev. W. H. Capers will officiate at this church during the absence of Rev. Mr. Howe, the rector, who has left the city for a short time in hopes of recovering his health.

FIRST COTTON BLOOM.—Mr. Edmund Gregory, a planter in Christ Church Parish, about four miles from Mount Pleasant, on the 8th instant discovered a fully developed cotton bloom in a field of thirty acres of sea island cotton. The stand was very good and promises well, though the uplands planted in that section has not grown so rapidly, and in several instances has been replanted.

CONFIRMATION AT ST. JOSEPH'S.—Yesterday afternoon, at St. Joseph's Church, Bishop Lynch confirmed eighty-four persons, fifty males and thirty-four females.

AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE CONFIRMATION A little boy, one of those who had been confirmed, in a brief speech, made in behalf of the congregation, welcomed Bishop Lynch home, to which the Bishop pleasantly replied.

PICNIC.—A picnic for the Catholic Sunday-school children will be given at the Schutzenplatz to-morrow. Trains will leave for the grounds at half-past 8 A. M., and return at half-past 6. Omnibuses will run to the grounds every ten minutes. The male orphans will be present. Tickets for the picnic, which will doubtless be the most successful of the season, can be purchased for fifty cents from the committee or at the gate of the grounds.

FATHER GARESCHE.—This eloquent missionary preached at St. Mary's Church yesterday morning, upon the Doctrine of the Trinity, taking as his text St. Matthew, chapter 28, verse 19: "Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost." The sermon, which was a model of close reasoning and critical acumen, was listened to with deep attention by a large congregation.

FATHER GARESCHE GOES TO COLUMBIA ON Tuesday, but will again visit Charleston before he returns to his post in the West.

POWER OF TRIAL JUSTICES.—Messrs. Simonton & Barker, counsel for the defendants in the case of Julia D. Redding vs. Nieman & Borger, which was brought before Trial Justice J. G. Mackey, have demurred to his jurisdiction, and submitted an answer to the process issued in the case, in which they deny the authority of trial justices appointed by the Governor over matters of contract and actions for the recovery of fines and forfeitures, claiming that such authority is only vested in trial justices elected by qualified electors. Justice Mackey has overruled the objection, and will probably hear and decide the case.

UNRULY BOYS DISPERSED BY A PISTOL SHOT. All our readers doubtless know the gallant "Major" Ficklin, and how unobtrusive he is—never minding the taunts and jeers of the malicious boys, who seem to delight in tormenting him. However, on Saturday morning, he for the first time ceased to exercise his usual forbearance. On Meeting street, a crowd of unruly boys molested him. Turning suddenly, he drew a pistol and fired at the tormentors, causing them to scatter in all directions. The "Major" was at once arrested and carried to the Guardhouse, where, proving conclusively that his pistol was loaded with blank cartridge to frighten the boys, his weapon was confiscated and he liberated.

APPRENTICES' LIBRARY SOCIETY.—At a special meeting of this society, held at 12 M., Saturday, at the rooms of the society, the following officers were elected: Wm. D. Porter, president; Jas. T. Welman, vice-president; Wm. Leiby, Wm. Thayer, B. F. Evans, D. Wayne, Ed. Sebring, C. B. Cochran, C. F. Panklin, W. G. DeSausure, J. H. Steinhilber, W. S. Honer, J. H. Taylor, directors; Arthur Mayock, librarian, secretary and treasurer.

MEANS, W. D. PORTER, JAMES H. TAYLOR, B. H. BATTLE, BENJAMIN F. EVANS AND J. BARRITT COHEN have issued an appeal, reciting that the Apprentices' Library Society, which was established in 1824, "was designed chiefly for the use of apprentices, minors, and others willing to avail themselves of the opportunities of reading. From the humblest of beginnings, it rose, through the energy and perseverance of its founders, to a high degree of usefulness and respectability. The destructive fire of 1861 destroyed the library of the Society, amounting to many thousand volumes, and burned to the ground the fine building which was the crowning result of liberal donations and hard-earned accumulations. Not a book was saved. Not a record. Nothing now remains to the society but the lot on which their hall stood, and an investment of about one thousand dollars in stocks and bonds." However, the friends of the Society were not discouraged, but nursed their resources until an opportunity offered to re-establish the society, and deem this the time to begin the work of placing it upon a firm foundation. With this view they call upon the citizens to attach themselves by membership, and to donate books, one or more, as they are best able to contribute. The Society has now a place to meet and to deposit whatever may be donated.

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In 1715. The delineations of Indian character in this novel are classed among the best portraits of the Southern Indian on record.

37. The Damsel of Darien. A story of the discovery of the Pacific, the celebrated Vasco Nunez de Balboa.

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Auction Sales—Future Days.

A. C. MCGILLIVRAY, Auctioneer.

SHERIFF'S SALE. By virtue of sundry writs of Fieri Facias and executions against the property, in me directed and delivered, will be sold on TUESDAY, the 6th of July, (Monday, the regular sales-day, being a national holiday), at the northeast corner of the Court-house, the following property: All the right, title and interest of the defendants hereinafter named in the property as below described.

ALL THAT LOT OF LAND, with a three story Brick House thereon, situated on the north side of Queen street, near Church street, measuring and containing by front street 24 feet, and by side street in depth 75 feet, be the said measurements more or less; bounded north on St. Philip's Church-yard, east on Lots 10 and 11, west on the property of Mrs. Randolph, south on Queen street.

ALL THAT LOT OF LAND, with the Buildings thereon, situated in Beaton's alley, east side, and known as Nos. 3 and 5. Leveled on and to be sold as the property of Wm. Doran at the suit of Jas. McCabe, Agent.

ALL THAT LOT OF LAND, with the Buildings thereon, situated on East Bay street, between Tradd and Elliott streets, and known as No. 63. Leveled on and to be sold as the property of James Gibbon, deceased, and his heirs, the late of E. M. and C. H. Whiting, J. L. Abrams, J. H. Renneker and J. L. Anicum, against Ann McGinn, Executrix of James McGinn.

ALL THOSE THREE LOTS OF LAND, with the Buildings thereon, situated on the east side of Lucas street, and known as Nos. 4, 5, and 6. Leveled on and to be sold as the property of F. Behling, at the suit of Hestey Jackson, Administrator.

ALL THAT TRACT OF LAND, with the Improvements thereon, containing 1225 acres, situate in Stephens Parish, and known as the "Palmetto Plantation"; bounded north on Lands of J. Clarke, south by Lands of Ravelin and Russell, and west by Lands of Porcher.

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ALL THAT TRACT OF LAND, containing 325 acres, more or less, situate on Wadmalaw Island; bounded north by Wadmalaw River, east by Public Road, and west by lands of B. J. Whaley.

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WIGSTON'S ANTICS ON SKATES.

When we visited the skaters on that evening close and warm, Wigston got the epidemic in its most malignant form.

There he saw DeHoney's movements on the floor in varied lines, Running hither, thither, yonder, even as "the woodbine twines."

"Twas a marvel thus to see his motions serpentine and feet, And the manifold gyrations of his trained and skillful feet.

Starting off with rapid movement on a seven cubit stride, Like the ancient Rhodes', colossus mounted for a castor ride,

First, he brought in combination, angle curve and "lengthened line, Making the Arabic figures from the unit up to nine.

Then he went to illustrating geometric problems there, Grouping rhomboids, arcs and circles, all within a hollow square.

Opening up the transcendental beauties of the rolling slide— Speeding like an arrow forward—passing to a graceful glide—

Tracing with his skates upon the surface, in a little while, Magna Charta's famous language in a stately Gothic style.

Next in grotesque hieroglyphic, written out upon the floor Was a thesis of Confucius, got from oriental lore.

Then the ordinance of secession in symmetric lines he showed, And that legal bohemian known to us as Corbin's Code.

Such a tortuous course was never followed but by sinners, or Limping, spavined politicians in their wanderings since the war.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

CHARLESTON ENTERPRISE.—We are pleased to be able to insert the following recommendations: OFFICE STATE INSPECTOR OF FERTILIZERS, LABORATORY MEDICAL COLLEGE, QUEEN ST., CHARLESTON, S. C., June 2, 1870.

This certifies that I have experimented with Dr. C. F. Panklin's Acid Resisting Ink, and can testify to its ability to resist both mineral and vegetable acids. I regard the ink as a valuable writing material, and in every way calculated to give satisfaction.

W. E. HASKELL, Cashier Planters' and Mechanics' Bank of South Carolina. JAS. B. BETTS, Cashier People's Bank of South Carolina.

BAVARIAN LAGER BEER.—Just received, Bavarian Lager Beer, of superior quality, and on draught, by A. Tiefenthal, No. 107 Market street. Jun 13

WILL SELL THIS DAY, (MONDAY), Hair-seat CHAIRS, Lounges, Feather Beds, Bedsteads and a general assortment of Household Furniture. Also, a large lot of SADDLES, Doors and Builders' Materials, Jewelry, Watches, &c. Jun 13

PORCHER VS. WESTON, EX'OR, ET AL. By virtue of an order in this case, I will offer for sale, at public auction, on TUESDAY, 5th inst. prox., at 11 o'clock, A. M., at the Old Post Office, all the PLANTATION OR TRACT OF LAND, situate, lying and being in the Parish of St. John's, bounded north on Lands of J. Clarke, south by Lands of Samuel Foxworth and Lands of Porcher, east on Lands of J. Clarke, and west on Lands of J. Clarke, and west on Lands of the estate of J. Porcher, Jr., deceased.

By LAUREY & ALEXANDER. P. T. AND CLARET WINE. On TUESDAY, the 14th inst., will be sold in front of the Store, at 10 o'clock, 5 quarter cases Burgundy PORT WINE 3 cases Table Claret Wine. Conditions cash. Jun 13

By ALONZO J. WHITE & SON. FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS CITY Six Per Cent Stock. On TUESDAY next, the 14th inst., will be sold at the Post Office, at 11 o'clock, \$4000.00 City Scrip No. 2095 for \$4000. Period No. 65, City Six Per Cent Stock. This Scrip is issued under "An ordinance to arrange the time of payment of the debt of the City of Charleston, and to provide for the final extinguishment of the same," payable 1st October, 1870, issued 11th August, 1870, and bears the above inscription on its face. Jun 13

By MILES DRAKE. SPECIAL SALE OF STRAW GOODS. Purchasers to have the privilege of the lease of the premises. Jun 13

By STEPHENS, WERNER & DUCKER, Auctioneers. WILL BE SOLD UNDER FORECLOSURE, the TRACT OF LAND, situate east end of Venue Range, and known as the "Ferry Slip." Jun 13

By W. Y. LEITCH & R. S. BRUNS, Auctioneers. SALE POSTPONED ON ACCOUNT OF THE weather. Fine Residence, Beaufort street, near Coming, known as the Residence of Dr. Phillips. Jun 13

BOLD ROBBERY.—Early Saturday morning some thieves entered the mart of Mr. William McKay on Meeting street, seized a copper still and a billiard table, placed them upon a wagon and carried them off.

DEATHS.—Mrs. Mary Crews, of Laurens, died on Friday.

Mr. Richard Waits, an old and much esteemed citizen of Laurens, died at his residence on the Saluda, on Monday, the 30th ultimo, after a protracted illness. His long life was characterized by an earnest, unobtrusive and modest deportment.

Mr. Anthony W. Dozier, formerly of Georgetown, died at Rio Vista, California, on the 2d instant. The Georgetown Times says that he "held a leading position at the Georgetown for more than twenty years, in those days when Pettig, Hunt, Legare and Bailey were regular attendants on the court, and was justly held in high regard and esteem by the people of this community. The noble qualities of his nature challenged involuntary respect from all with whom he came in contact. While he was brave and manly to the highest degree, he was, at the same time, courteous, considerate and forbearing. He was firm, but not obstinate. He was a warm and steadfast friend, and a bold and outspoken enemy. In fine, he possessed all those noble qualities and feelings which dignified the name of an old Carolina gentleman."

FUNERAL SERVICES OF THE LATE LIEUTENANT BURGER.—The remains of the late Samuel J. Burger, whose sudden death, at Cartersville, Ga., on the 9th instant, has already been noticed, reached this city by the South Carolina train, at half-past 3 P. M., Saturday. They were met at the depot by Messrs. W. A. Courtenay, F. W. Dawson, C. H. West, Jr., Alexander Calder, H. Gerdis, J. M. Carson, Jacob Small and R. S. Chretzberg, the pall bearers selected for the occasion, and a number of friends of the deceased, and escorted by them to the St. John's Lutheran Church, where, at 5 o'clock, the funeral services took place.

The church was filled by the great numbers of personal friends of the deceased, as well as by the members of the various organizations of which he had been a zealous and honored member.

The discourse was preached by the venerable pastor, Dr. Bachman, who adverted in touching terms to the high qualities and blameless life of him around whose bier they were assembled, and whom he himself had known and esteemed as a personal friend. He enjoined upon his hearers to take warning from the suddenness with which their friend had been summoned to meet his Maker, and to so act that when the last hour should also come for them, they might be ready to meet death with Christian resignation and confidence.

MEETING OF CATHOLIC CITIZENS.—ORGANIZATION OF A SUNDAY-SCHOOL UNION.—Last night about eighty members of the Cathedral Chapel, St. Patrick's, St. Joseph's and St. Mary's congregations, met in the hall of the Catholic Institute.

Rev. Father Shadler was called to the chair, and Mr. P. L. Duffy requested to act as secretary.

By the pastor of the Cathedral Chapel, E. F. Sweeney, superintendent; J. O.'Neill, assistant.

used demand upon his attention or discriminating judgment. And the ease and fluency with which he wrote tempted him to write overmuch. Those who knew him best knew that he could do more than he had ever done. They looked forward with confidence to the day when his name—borne on the wings of a mighty Epic—might be measured in busy Europe as in his native Carolina. But time and circumstance were wanting. That astonishing industry and activity which remained with him to the end gave him no repose, and when he appeared in public for the last time, the flow of thought and fancy was as ripe and fresh as when he first stepped into literary life. To the buoyancy of the boy was joined the sober scholarship of the mature man.

Who did not notice that the voice of the poet was weak and faint as he delivered the opening oration of the Floral Fair, in this city, only a few short weeks ago? And yet who of his auditors dreamed then that the teeming brain and kindly heart had well nigh done their work?

In company with those whom he loved or admired, Mr. Simms was full of jest and merry conceit. A charming talker, he, like Coleridge, rather discoursed than conversed. At all times, he was a true and generous friend, whose hand was always ready to help the unfortunate. In all his anxieties, he did not forget the sorrows and afflictions of others. Action—in his charity, as in his professional work—was the feature of his life.

Mr. Simms was twice married. His first wife was a daughter of Mr. Othniel J. Giles, and his second a daughter of Mr. Nash Roach. His first wife bore him a daughter, (now the wife of Mr. Ed. Roach, of this city); and his second three sons and two daughters, all of whom are living. One of the daughters is the wife of Mr. Daniel Rowe.

The body was laid out in the parlor of Mr. Roach's residence yesterday, and many called to take a last look at the features of the great departed. The countenance betokened that he had died without suffering.

The funeral services of the deceased will take place at St. Paul's Church, at 5 o'clock this afternoon. The remains will be interred at Magnolia Cemetery.

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