

Not Advisable—Man the Strong Position.

We observe a disposition in some quarters to make a Conservative nomination for Governor. Every now and then, we read in the papers something like this: "Without disparagement to the claims of others," &c., "Colonel General or Honorable So-and-So is most respectfully presented for the suffrages of his fellow-citizens for the distinguished position of Governor," &c.

A Vain Subterfuge.

On the 4th of July, in addresses delivered in Anderson, James P. Orr, Esq., and ex-Governor Brown, of Georgia, advocated the policy of "expanding carpet-baggers." By "carpet-baggers," they evidently meant that class of imported politicians who have devoted themselves to the business of cajoling the colored voters and slipping into offices by playing upon their ignorance and prejudices and then stealing whatever they can lay their hands upon.

The Savannah River Valley.

Our neighbors of Augusta are discussing the project of opening the resources of the Savannah River by improvement of its navigation, making it navigable to its head waters. It is estimated that it would in a short time quadruple the wealth of the section thus to be more effectually drained. A preliminary survey of the upper river is proposed. Upon this, when properly made, and upon the vast advantages being exhibited, it is thought that it will not be difficult to get a handsome appropriation by the General Government.

Tax Unions.

The work of organizing tax unions is going on in good earnest all over the State. We have noticed, particularly, the meetings which have recently been held with this view in Charleston County, Barnwell, Marion, Kershaw, Orangeburg, Sumter, Fairfield and Edgewood, besides those of an earlier date. The people know what they are about. They are, from a sense of duty, overcoming their repugnance to associations. This repugnance is natural, under the circumstances. But they recognize, now, that the individual has not the same power and independence that he once enjoyed.

DEATH BY LIGHTNING.—At Union Springs, Alabama, on Sunday last, two young men (brothers, named McAndrew), were instantly by lightning, the same bolt striking each one. They were sitting on a front piazza, near each other, when struck. Both were thrown to the floor, dead. They had just returned with their sister from Tuskegee, where she had graduated a few days previous.

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A meeting of the citizens of Richland County will be held in the Court House, at Columbia, on Monday, the 18th instant, at 11 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of organizing Tax-Union. All are requested to attend who favor the protection of property, the administration of justice, the cause of morality, and who have the manliness and virtue to make still another effort to rescue the State from those influences which have made its Government a mockery and a crime, and which, if unchecked, must inevitably reduce it to a condition of barbarism.

WM. WALLACE, Chairman Richland Delegation of Tax-Payers.

Correspondence of the Phoenix.

WILLIAMSTON SPRINGS, July 10. Greenville, from which place I have just returned to this, is rapidly approaching, in development and varied improvements, the status of a city. Reedy River, an evenly flowing stream, passes centrally through it. The "Falls" is a pleasant retreat to admirers of the picturesque and a delightful resting place to enamored lovers. The growth of the place has been in rapidly increased ratio since the completion of the Air Line Railroad. New residences, stores and manufactories appear on all hands. Trade is brightening up and merchants adding to their already large stock, in order to be ready for the influx of summer visitors.

Further down on the Greenville and Columbia Railroad, the unthrashed wheat, as it stands stacked in the fields, cannot but attract the eye. It has been a larger one than ever before made in this section of the country, which fact causes gladness to the hearts of all who appreciate the blessings of plenty.

IMPORTANT TO TRAVELERS.—A lady correspondent writes: Travelers going Northward, via Wilmington, must take the night train from Columbia to make the quick trip. Those going via Charlotte, the noon train. By remembering this, all vexatious delays by either route will be avoided.

THE COMET.—The Wilmington Star indulgeth in a "joke," and thus speaks of the heavenly visitor: We have never known a more unreliable comet, so to speak, than the one now visiting us. It is called a Swift comet, but we have never known one more tardy in its movements, except that it has a steady "downward tendency." It has been said that it "could a tail unfold," but if it can it makes mighty sorry advances in that direction.

THE BOMBAY GAZETTE reports the fall of a wall at Kandahar, by which 400 people were killed and 100 houses destroyed. A woman, named Mary Kelly, while intoxicated, jumped from the fifth story window of the Revere House, Buffalo, and was instantly killed. W. H. Randall, the book-keeper employed by J. Hightower & Co., of Atlanta, has disappeared, leaving the books \$6,000 short.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, CHARLESTON, July 10.—Judge Bryan presiding. The petition of the Bank of Charleston for the involuntary bankruptcy of James McConkey came up for hearing, and it was ordered that all the issues of fact in the above cause be submitted to a jury, under the discretion of the Court, and that such jurors as may be chosen shall appear to try the case on Wednesday, the 15th instant. The report of E. T. Atkinson on liens, in the matter of Chelsea Robins, bankrupt, was confirmed, to stand as the decree of the Court. In the petition of John E. Cox, of Horry County, for final discharge in bankruptcy, a final hearing was ordered for the 7th August, 1874, at Greenville, and the case was referred to Registrar Seabrook to report.

EX-GOVERNOR R. K. SCOTT addressed a gathering of colored citizens at Jenkinsville, on the 4th. He told his hearers that the condition of affairs here was dreadful, and that there must be a reform. He depicted in glowing colors the corruption of the last Legislature, and warned the people to send better men. He told them to have one honest, intelligent white man, even if they have to go to the "Democrats" to find one.

Cappa's Western Land Owner, for July, contains the following: "There are remaining in the General Land Office, undelivered, more than 300,000 patents for agricultural land. Of this number, about 75,000 are from Illinois and nearly as many from Indiana and Missouri. Among them are patents signed by Monroe and by every other President up to Lincoln's time. The cause for this accumulation of patents is in the fact that many land owners believe that the duplicate receiver's receipt is sufficient evidence of title to the land. It ought not to be so regarded, and the matter should be attended to or trouble will arise.

Mrs. Allen Jones, with her married daughter and infant, were thrown from a buggy by a runaway mule, near Jonesboro, Ga., last Saturday. Mrs. J. died in a few moments from the effects of the fall, and her daughter, at last accounts, was not expected to live. The baby was stunned and lay lifeless for some time, but is now doing well.

James Gordon Bennett and George Lorillard, at a shooting match, yesterday, for \$2,500 a side, 100 pigeons each, English rules, Lorillard killed 52 and Bennett 49. The match was attended by a large number of sporting men.

WIFE SWAPPING.—We learn that two colored men recently swapped wives in the Moon Township. A pair of pants was thrown in "to boot," with one of the women.

THE PUBLIC interest in the Tichborne cause has not yet died out in England. A meeting was recently held at Leeds, and resolved to petition Parliament for the release of Orton, and for a new trial.

THE VOTE in Chester County on the proposition to endorse \$75,000 of the bonds of the Cheraw and Chester Railroad Company was carried in favor of the road by a majority of about 1,000.

IN DARLINGTON, on the 9th, James Jones was shot through the heart and instantly killed, by a man named Ruben Gainey.

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MR. TIMOTHY J. LYNCH, of Charleston, died very suddenly, of heart disease, on Thursday.

CITY MATTERS.—Subscribe for the Phoenix. There was a heavy fall of rain yesterday afternoon. There were 13 deaths in Columbia for the week ending the 11th—whites 9; colored 4. The stay-at-homes cannot rail at the hot weather, for it is just as pleasant as could be desired. Take care of your health and wife—they are the two better halves that make a man of you.

IT IS NOT definitely known as yet whether Col. C. C. Puffer has been removed from his position as Receiver of the Bank of the State. The kite season has opened, and the boys are inducing their older friends to assist them in manufacturing the aerial messengers, by which Franklin bottled the lightning. Persons who have attached their names to the Rifle Club list will meet at the Independent Hall, to-morrow (Monday) evening, at half-past 8 o'clock.

THE BALL OPENED.—The Republicans in the neighborhood of Gaden held preliminary meetings this week, when W. B. Nash and C. S. Minor were both placed in nomination. The caucuses culminated in a big meeting yesterday, at which speeches were made by both candidates and their friends. The confusion and tumult ran high, and the speakers were continually interrupted. Whiskey was plentiful, and pistols, knives and clubs were freely flourished.

FUNERAL OF MRS. KINARD.—The funeral of Mrs. Kinard was largely attended, yesterday. After the impressive services of the Episcopal Church for the burial of the dead, conducted by the venerable rector, Dr. Shand, the form which was but two days ago instinct with life, hope and joy, was affectionately committed to our common mother, earth. Mrs. K. was not the grand-daughter of Judge Baylis Earle, as previously stated, but the great-grand-daughter of Chancellor Waddy Thompson, and grand-niece of Gen. Waddy Thompson, of Greenville.

INQUESTS.—Coroner Coleman held an inquest, on Friday, over the remains of a young child, named Rosa Raines, daughter of Mary Raines. The verdict of the jury was that she came to her death from neglect. The child was blind, and it is asserted had received but little attention since its birth. The Coroner performed a similar duty upon the body of Mr. D. D. White, whose death was reported in yesterday's PHOENIX. The verdict was that he came to his death from congestion of the brain—Dr. Geiger's testimony being to that effect.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES TO-DAY.—Presbyterian Church—Rev. A. Coke Smith, 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.

Trinity Church—Rev. P. J. Shand, Rector, 11 A. M. and 5½ P. M.

St. Peter's Catholic Church—Rev. J. L. Fallerton, first Mass 7 A. M.; second Mass 10½ A. M.; Vespers 4½ P. M.

Second Baptist Congregation—Rev. A. M. Cartledge. Services in Bull Street Chapel, at 11 A. M. Sunday School, 9 A. M.

Marion Street Methodist—Rev. S. B. Jones, D. D., 10½ A. M.; Rev. W. D. Kirkland, 8 P. M. Sunday School, 9½ A. M.

Washington Street Methodist—Rev. A. Coke Smith, 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Sunday School, 9 A. M.

Lutheran—Rev. Z. W. Badenbach, 10½ A. M. Sunday School, 4½ P. M.

Baptist—Rev. J. K. Mendenhall, 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Sunday School, 9 A. M.

Congressman Elliott has appointed Dr. J. F. Esnor and Messrs. John Wiggam and J. K. Jilson a committee to examine applicants for cadetships at West Point, and Annapolis—appointments for each of which are at his disposal. The committee, or board of examiners, will meet in the office of Superintendent of Education Jilson, in the State Capitol, on Tuesday, the 21st instant.

PHOENIXIANA.—The wise man commands his tongue, but the fool's tongue commands him. No one is born into this world to whom God does not assign a special work.

Never visit friends without some announcement of your coming. Crockett's motto is a good one—"Be sure you write, then go ahead."

Don't let your children suck their thumbs. A British journal says it breeds consumption. Give 'em the stove-handle or the curling-iron.

"Change cars!" is what a boot-black said to a fellow, the other day, when he had finished blacking one of his large brogans.

One of the easiest and best ways to expand the chest is to have a good, large heart in it. It saves the cost of gymnastics.

LIST OF NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. Meeting Myrtle Lodge, K. of P. Mechanics' & Farmers' B. & L. A. S. The Columbia Schuetzen Verein. Statement S. C. Bank & Trust Co.

HOTEL ARRIVALS, July 11, 1874.—Wheeler House—J. A. Turfentine, N. C.; Pat Duffie, John Klatta, Charleston; B. Myers, S. C.; Isaac Seisbacher, Sumter; L. O. Northrop, city; Dr. A. H. Demaree, Chester; P. M. Porcher, Charleston.

Columbia Hotel—W. Sprinkle, city; E. H. Strobel, S. C.; T. Kingdon, J. D. Stoney, Charleston; T. R. Meux and wife, Tenn.; W. H. Heath, W. Spencer, S. & U. R.; J. R. Blaque, Miss; M. B. Rector, Va.; T. D. Withers, La.; S. R. Smyther, T. V. Rixe, N. Y.; R. Johnson, Lowell; P. S. Morley, Ga.; T. O. Mansen, N. C.

A NATIONAL CERTIFICATE.—Among the medicinal successes of modern times, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters has been one of the most remarkable. Its popularity is unprecedented, but cannot be called astonishing, inasmuch as no man of common sense is astonished that the most effective and wholesome tonic and alterative medicine ever brought to the rescue of the sick or offered as a safeguard against disease should be in all but universal use.

During a triumphant career of nearly a quarter of a century, hundreds of nostrums have been started in opposition to the great tonic, with the hope of attracting a portion of the patronage bestowed upon it. Not one of these preparations has had any permanent success. Many have gone to the limbo of things despised; others are tottering to their fall. Neither fiery astringents nor soul-scouring mixtures have been accepted by a wide-awake public as an equivalent for the genial vegetable restorative; and as long as Hostetter's Bitters prevent and cure dyspepsia, biliousness, nervous diseases, constipation, fever and ague, rheumatism and general debility, and these empirical preparations do not, the tried specific will be in the ascendant. Truth is mighty, and will prevail. July 12 '74

SCHENCK'S SEA WEED TONIC.—In the atmosphere experienced here during the summer months, the lethargy produced by the heat takes away the desire for wholesome food, and frequent perspirations reduce bodily energy, particularly those suffering from the effects of debilitating diseases. In order to keep a natural healthful activity of the system, we must resort to artificial means. For this purpose, Schenck's Sea Weed Tonic is very effectual. A few doses will create an appetite and give fresh vigor to the overtaxed body. For dyspepsia, it is invaluable. Many eminent physicians have doubted whether dyspepsia can be permanently cured by the drugs which are generally employed for that purpose. The Sea Weed Tonic, in its nature, is totally different from such drugs. It contains no corrosive minerals or acids—in fact, it assists the regular operations of nature, and supplies her deficiencies. The Tonic, in its nature, so much resembles the gastric juice, that it is almost identical with that fluid. The gastric juice is the natural solvent which, in a healthy condition of the body, causes the food to be digested; and when this juice is not excreted in sufficient quantities, indigestion, with all its distressing symptoms, follows. The Sea Weed Tonic performs the duty of the gastric juice when the latter is deficient. Schenck's Sea Weed Tonic is sold by all druggists. July 9 '73

Tommy Parnell, candidate for Superintendent of Public Instruction, was a Ku Klux. And Tommy Sutton, candidate for Solicitor in the 4th Judicial District, was also a Ku Klux. The Rads have tacked on this point. They used to run from the Knights of Darkness, now they run with them. [Charlotte Observer.]