

**FOR WAR, IF NECESSARY.**  
Anderson Intelligencer.

The Intelligencer stands for peace. Since the recent primary in which Cole L. Blease was selected by the people to be their governor, this newspaper has asked everybody to put aside political prejudices and get down to business. We thought the matter ended and believed, as we do now, that Blease was justly, and is justly, entitled to the office he has won by a majority of the votes of the State.

But it now appears that those opposed to Governor Blease wish to get him out of the way at any cost. For years the fight was waged before the State convention to require registration certificates as a prerequisite to vote in the Democratic primaries. Each time men like Cole Blease, the late Col. Thos. Crews, of Laurens, and others defeated the attempt. Now the same thing is sought to be required by a different method, namely, by placing two Democrats in the general election.

Has the State executive committee the legal right to do this? The press agents from Columbia say so, but do the people of South Carolina say so?

We do not believe that the honorable voters of South Carolina are going back on their oaths to support the nominee of the Democratic party. Of course, should the matter go into the general election, it will be said that there was no nominee of the Democratic party declared. On this technicality many may strain their consciences to the extent of voting for the man put up against Cole Blease. We say here, in passing, that we don't know what Blease would do in such a contingency. He may or may not enter such a contest. But if he does, even those who voted for Jones in the primary should now vote for Blease.

It is a well known fact that thousands of legal South Carolina voters have no registration certificates and therefore can not vote in the general election. Many people are unable to get the certificates for various reasons. Hundreds of certificates are lost each year, even when carefully laid away. The average farmer or worker for a livelihood has no regular place for his papers and the result is that such documents as registration certificates and the like are oftentimes lost. Of course, the city merchant and the banker and the lawyer have their certificates carefully placed away and can lay their hands on them at a moment's notice. By the losing of certificates thousands of voters are cut out from casting their ballots in the general election.

We do not know what the executive committee in Columbia will do. But we are certain the members, for the most part, will go to any extreme to defeat Cole Blease or to rule him out if they can do so. W. F. Stevenson, Governor Blease's bitterest political opponent in the State, is chairman of the sub-committee to begin the probe of the primary tomorrow. How can Cole Blease get justice?

As we stated above we are for peace. But we have no idea that the people of Anderson county and the people of the State at large are going to stand for any such business as is now cropping out in this election. They are going to seat Cole Blease or there is going to be a civil war in South Carolina.

AND IF A WAR IS NECESSARY THE INTELLIGENCER IS IN FAVOR OF IT RATHER THAN SEE THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE DEFEATED BY A FEW SORE-HEADED POLITICIANS.

**May Strengthen Blease.**

Anderson Mail, 6th.  
The friends of Gov. Blease on the State executive committee opposed delaying making an official announcement of the result of the first primary—and we do not blame them. They feel that the majority of the Democratic voters of the State have expressed their choice, and to have any delays or suspense is merely a weariness to the flesh.

However, we can see where no harm to Gov. Blease can result. In fact, there has been so much stirring up of bad odors that it may be better to have the atmosphere clarified. He has come out strengthened in other investigations, as he may in this.

There has been no charge of a common purpose in these irregularities, so-called "frauds." It has not been charged that any central agency is responsible for any irregularities. These may be but sporadic cases. If such be proved, then Gov. Blease will be strengthened, politically and in every other way. For there are men who voted against him who would wish to see him receive the nomination after

the majority had declared him its choice.

We wish to see the investigation, thorough, now that it has started, and we wish to see it impartial. If it is not, it will be more disgraceful than the alleged frauds. For while irregularities might have occurred through ignorance or carelessness, the members of this committee are intelligent men.

We believe at present that there can be but one outcome—the committee must declare Blease the nominee, and if this is done, it will prove the State executive committee to be patriotic men. For it requires great moral courage for them to take such steps as they have to purge the reputation of the primary from suspicion and from slander, and then to hand the nomination to one whom the majority of them have opposed.

**Spend Your Money at Home.**  
Boot and Shoe Recorder.

Every purchase from the local store helps the merchants to reinvest their profits largely in better stocks, better stores and better facilities. They pay their share of the cost of paving the street and laying the sidewalk, in doing many things. So it is plain to be seen that the busy street that people enjoy is paid for by themselves, is their money returned to them in the shape of a better town.

When you go into a local store and buy goods from a local merchant, you do not get only the goods. You get the thrifty town, the paved streets, the school which your children attend, the churches which preserve the moral atmosphere of the community, the things you enjoy and use, which you and the merchant and the manufacturer pay for in common. You can send the money to some other town and get the goods; but you can not get these other things.

It is plainly evident, then, that the more of your money you spend at home, the more you will get for your money, the quicker will the crossroads become a village and the community a town with all of the conveniences and none of the inconveniences of the metropolis. The more money you spend at home in patronizing local merchants, in building a house for yourself, in investing in real estate, in dressing better and feeling better, the more you will be able to have and enjoy these things.

Why make the fatal error of hurting your town instead of helping it, of diminishing your town instead of enlarging it, of damaging your town instead of improving it, since you cannot hurt or hinder your town without hurting and hindering yourself.

Why teach your children that the city is the place to trade and expect to teach them that it is not the place to go? Why constantly encourage them to leave the home town and settle in some larger place? Why be the hand to break home ties, to separate your self from your children?

The more you spend at home the more attractive will your town be to the coming generation and the more pleasant to yourself in your old age. If you have friends, here is where they are. When you make a rover of your money you make rovers of your children and of yourself. You make your town a poorer place in which to live instead of a better one.

The money we earn let us spend in securing the largest return for it. If you send your children away they may never return. If you send your money away it may never come back. Your prosperity, your happiness, your children, are likely to follow your money where ever it goes. Why not spend it where your children will grow up with it, where it will do you the most good now and give you the most comfort in the future.

**ROMANCE OF WHEAT.**

**The March of Bread Has Now Circled the Globe.**

Man doesn't know where he came from, and he doesn't know where the bread he lives on came from. But, says a writer in the Kansas City Star, somewhere in the early days, before any story was ever written, Mr. Man and Mr. Wheat got together. And nobody has since been able to pry them apart. These two old cronies are closer chums than Damon and Pythias. Yes, they are more like the Siamese twins; cut them apart and they'd die. You remember Damon was willing to be executed that Pythias might live. But these old friends, man and wheat, couldn't serve each other that way. If one died the other could not live. Let the world's wheat crop fail for a single year, and famine would depopulate the globe. On the other hand, if man disappeared from the earth the wheat would die out, too, and be seen no more.

A pretty little story, isn't it; and so sentimental. But really there is no

sentiment about it at all. Man makes his bread of wheat because wheat contains all the elements of food. It grows in all countries. Its berry shells easily out of its husks; which can't be said of oats or rice. For that reason the cave men used to go out where the wild wheat was growing and shell the seed out by hand and eat it. These grains of wild wheat were very small; not much larger than mustard seed. But they tasted good. As the ages went by, men learned to plant the wild wheat seeds in ground they had cultivated with sharp sticks. In this ground the wheat berries grew much larger than in the wild state. There was more starch in them. And as starch is the food that gives man energy, the more wheat he ate the more strength he had to raise more wheat. Fine. So man increased in numbers until at last he was more numerous than any other sort of animal. Wheat was the cause of it all. Wheat made man king of the lands, and in honor of this victor, even to this day men crown themselves in summer with a hat made of wheat straw.

This increase of men and wheat has been going on side by side since the time when it was morning in far-off Asia land. It has been thousands of years; perhaps millions of years. No one saw the beginning, but we now on earth have seen the end. Within our own lifetime we have seen the world's wheat field spread till it could spread no farther. The last raw field has been invaded by the plow. There are no new continents to be discovered, no trackless prairies waiting in their virginity unvisited by the wooing barley. The march of bread, which started in Asia in the dim dawn, has circled the globe following the westward sun across the continents, until today the wheat fields of Oregon and British Columbia wave their yellow banners toward the shores of Asia. The journey around the world is done.

Under man's tillage wheat has become a rich, luxuriant plant—much bigger and less hardy than its ancestor, the wild wheat. Yet its ancestor has perished from the earth. Nowhere on all the globe does a spear of wild wheat blossom today. And if the tame wheat were turned out to fight for itself among wild weeds and grasses, experiments have shown that in three years the wheat dies out entirely in the unequal struggle. But wheat no longer has to fight for its life. Man has laid out the whole earth into fields. He has fenced the wheat with barbed wire. All the animals must keep off the grass.

**SHOES FOR THE ONE LEGGED.**

Single Shoes Sold, and Two Pairs Broken for Some Customers.

When a one legged man buys a shoe the dealer sends to the factory for a shoe to match the one left remaining. In these days of the use of machinery in every process of their manufacture shoes are made with the utmost exactness and precision, and it is easily possible to mate that remaining shoe with the greatest nicety in size, style, material and finish.

Few people have feet exactly alike. Commonly the left foot is larger than the right, so that one shoe may fit a little more snugly than the other. Ordinarily, however, people buy shoes in regularly matched pairs, the difference in their feet, if it is noticeable to them at all, not being enough to make any other course desirable.

But there are people who buy shoes of different sizes or widths, in which case the dealer breaks two pairs for them, giving them to fit their feet: one shoe from each. In such cases the dealer matches up the two remaining shoes, one from each of two pairs, just as he would where he had broken one pair to sell one shoe to a one legged man.

But a man doesn't have to be one legged to have feet of uneven sizes or shapes to make him ask the dealer to break a pair of shoes for him, says the New York Sun. Here was a man with two perfectly good feet who came into the store where he was accustomed to buy and who wanted on this occasion one shoe. Traveling in a sleeping car, his shoes had been mixed up with others, and he had got back one of his own and one of some other man's, a fact which he had not discovered until he was too far away from train and station to make return and setting things right possible, and now he came in to buy one shoe to match his own.

**So Sudden.**


Kenneth was discussing the cricket team of which he was a member and said to the girl:

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