

The city campaign in Charleston is now open for fair, the candidates are three in number, and all three are, from now on, going to make a tight white while witnessing even from a distance; usually, a municipal fight has nothing in common with the masses of the State, but the present election in Charleston, it is thought, will be an index to the sentiment regarding the State administration, and for this reason, many are interested to know the result of that fight.

THE DANGER OF MILL MERGERS.

Our readers will recall several weeks ago we attempted to show that the merger of the cotton mills bode no good for the farmers nor those who labor in the mills, our views were regarded at the time as those of an alarmist but the more we follow the subject, the more are we convinced that there is good cause to believe if the mills set under one management, it does not mean for this State alone but throughout the cotton manufacturing world, that the price of cotton will be fixed by those in control, not only the price of the raw material but the price to be paid for the labor in the mills. That we are not alone in this view is shown by Congressman Aiken of the third district of this State in an interview he recently gave out.

WE DOUBT IT.

Secretary of State McCown is reported as saying in Washington that State Superintendent of Education J. E. Swearingen can succeed Hon. B. R. Tillman in the Senate, if his uncle does not become a candidate to succeed himself. Mr. McCown may have inside information on this subject but in our opinion, there will be a number of contestants for this juicy political plum, and no man can foretell the result. It seems to be generally conceded that B. R. Tillman can be re-elected easily; there are a good many moans between now and the next primary, and there is no telling what may turn up, at present the successor to the senior senator need not be considered, at any rate no man has the office cinched. It is our judgment that next year the political conditions will be different from any we have had in many years, there will be a hard fight made to defeat the present governor for re-election, and this will effect the senatorial race to a considerable extent, as well as all other offices to be voted for at that time. It would not surprise us to find the lines drawn lightly and the voters lined up for and against Bleese, if this is done we may have a repetition of the campaign of 1899, a condition that should be avoided if possible, because, it can only result in bitterness and strife.

WHAT WILL BE THE PRICE?

The cotton crop throughout the world is being watched by the world at large, and every rain that falls is taken advantage of by the bears to hope for lower prices, the bulls however, are relying upon the destruction of the staple by the boll weevil which they claim will more than make up for the gain in acreage, and the favorable seasons. In some parts of the cotton belt the boll weevil has done damage, and cut off the crop to a great extent, at the same time, other sections where the boll weevil has not made its appearance, the acreage has been increased, the seasons have been favorable, and the prospect is for the heaviest yield in years. How this is to effect prices remains a problem which cannot be solved until the cotton market has begun; the stocks at the mills are short which indicates the early demand for this year's material, but if the manufacturers find themselves in a position to have to pay higher than their contracts for the manufactured product justifies, they can

through their mergers hold off from the market until there is a loosening up, and the fall notes of the farmers become due, and pressing, should this condition arise, the farmers through their unions can warehouse their cotton, and stand a long siege, longer we believe, than the manufacturers do.

LET THE BEST MAN WIN.

It is becoming more evident every day that there is a systematic campaign in progress for the nomination of Champ Clark to capture the Democratic nomination for the presidency. One newspaper in Wisconsin expresses as follows: "Although Champ Clark is daily mentioned as a presidential possibility, he remains silent and literally 'sawdust wood.'" Champ is working with might and main to make good as Speaker of the House and that he is succeeding is certain. So far as can be learned he has never said a word about his possible entry into the presidential race in 1912 but as he is daily gaining in strength throughout the country, the chances of having a new president by the name of Clark are not remote.

Mr. Clark is from Missouri the same State which endorsed Folk for the presidency, in this he is hampered unless Folk gives away to him. It would be almost unprecedented for a State to win the nomination with two of its sons in the race, one or the other will have to be eliminated before the convention assembles. Clark is a favorite among the members of congress, but the tour of Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey, has put the people in the West to thinking, and it may be that the next presidential nominee for the Democratic party will be the choice of the Democratic voters and not so much the choice of the politicians who hold seats in congress.

We think Clark is the choice of the South Carolina delegation, while so far, Wilson has the endorsement of the majority of the press, when the convention to send delegates to the national convention convenes it will then be known whether or not the congressmen or the press will have the delegates for their choice. This is one time that we believe it can be stated with a practical certainty, the South Carolina delegation will not go to the convention labeled for any special candidate—it will be a delegation authorized to do the best it can with the lights to be presented to them.

THE GEORGIA SITUATION IS BECOMING INTERESTING.

Governor Hoke Smith no sooner sworn in as governor, than the legislature elected him to the United States Senate, but Governor Smith does not want to go to Washington at this time where every Democratic vote is needed, and Senator Terrell, whom Smith defeated, declines to stay, taking the position that when the legislature elected his successor his labors were ended. They have their own way of doing things in Georgia anyhow and nothing is surprising, if Hoke Smith insists upon holding on to the governorship he will have the satisfaction of knowing the lieutenant governor who is an anti-Smith man will not have the distinguished honor of being governor, even if the Cracker State must remain with one-half representation in the senate at a crucial time. There are some votes to be taken in the senate which may be embarrassing to the Governor Smith, and it is this state of affairs perhaps which makes method in his madness. At this writing, it does not appear as if Senator Terrell will permit himself to give Governor Smith any aid in his game of personal political politics.

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in the last 20 years. This is Catarrh of the Bladder. It is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh is not a disease, it is a condition of the system, and it is cured by the use of the "Cure for Catarrh of the Bladder," which is a simple, safe, and effective remedy. It is sold by all druggists, and its use is guaranteed to cure the sufferer in 24 hours. If you are afflicted with this disease, do not delay, but get the "Cure for Catarrh of the Bladder" at once. It is the only cure that will give you permanent relief. Write for a free copy of the "Cure for Catarrh of the Bladder" to J. C. HENNEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c.

SUMMERTON.

Although August is essentially and customarily the "vacation" month, already has begun the migration to the mountains and sea-shore. Those who have not left are now planning to go, each to his, or her own favorite resort. Mrs. J. C. Lamban and Mrs. W. E. Cuskey and family leave shortly for a few weeks stay on Pawley's Island. Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Troy, and little son, left on Friday for various points in North Carolina. Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Stokes and little son, Gary, left on Wednesday for Hendersonville, N. C.

WILL HE BE LURED?

It is somewhat unusual to be suggesting candidates for office in this State over a year in advance but times have changed and nothing which may be done in this progressive day need surprise. The Bamberg Herald brings forward for the voters of the State to think over the name of Hon. Richard I. Manning of Sumter, and nominates him for governor, a splendid man and, one who has many admirers throughout the State. He listened to the judgment of friends before, and while he received a complimentary vote the support was not sufficient to secure the nomination, this however was not his fault nor the fault of his friends, the other candidate drew the lucky straw. Should Mr. Manning enter the contest his former defeat would not count strong against him at all, but being the keen observer we think him he will hardly take the chances of another defeat, there will have to be the strongest kind of assurances to induce him to make the effort. Newspaper nominations count for but little in matters of this nature, and it has become so that such support often hurts rather than helps, therefore those who contemplate making the race next summer will fare better by going among the voters to ascertain whether or not the newspapers are voicing the public sentiment.

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Occasionally we see it stated that "near-beer saloons have been introduced in this State, and that the business is growing." What is near-beer? Is it the kind they sell in the prohibition towns of Georgia, it is so near the real thing that none but an expert can tell the difference between it and the genuine article. The sheriff of Union has been ordered to close down these saloons in that county, and we presume the same order was extended to the sheriffs of the other counties where there are such establishments, but if near-beer is non-alcoholic as is claimed, we cannot see how the officers can prevent its sale. These saloons have been established in some of the towns where there are regular police whose duty it is to look after the enforcement of the anti-liquor laws, and if these officers cannot find where the law is being violated it will be difficult for a sheriff to close the places up, as difficult as it would be to close up a soda water establishment.

EDDYSTONE LIGHTHOUSE.

The Eddystone lighthouse, fourteen miles off Plymouth, England, and exposed to the full fury of the south-western seas, was built by Winstanley in four seasons. Begun in 1696 and finished in 1703, it was destroyed in the dreadful storm of 1703. The second structure was completed in 1709 and destroyed in 1755, after it had faced the wind and the waves for something over forty-six years. The third tower, finished in 1759 and condemned in 1878, was followed by the present wonderful structure, which since 1882 has been defying the elements while it flashed out over the terrible waters its saving light. Since the brave Winstanley built the first Eddystone lighthouse similar structures have sprung up like magic sentinels along all the coasts of all the oceans, and those who sail upon the great deeps of the earth are forewarned and forearmed against the dangers which threaten them.—New York American.

AN EFFECTIVE PRAYER.

"Years ago," says a well known actor, "I appeared in an amateur performance of a play that had a distinct religious favor. The leading player had studied for the ministry and had a deep and sonorous voice. In one of the scenes the lights were supposed to be turned down and a raging storm simulated. The accompanying lines were: 'O Lord, deliver us from the powers of darkness.' 'The leading man spoke the lines, but darkness didn't follow. He spoke them again, and still the stage was distressingly light. Finally he roared: 'O Lord, deliver us from the powers of darkness and also give that fool gas man sense enough to turn down the lights.' 'The gas lights went down, and the audience roared.'—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

THE BIBLE AS A DETECTIVE.

The Bible was used until quite recent years for the detection of thieves. Dr. Jessopp told in 1882 how there were still persons living who had witnessed the ordeal to which an East Anglian parson subjected his servants when his cash box was missing. He ordered them all into his bedroom and ranged them around the ceiling hung the center of the ceiling hung the ropes to lower coffins into the churchyard graves, wound round a Bible, from the leaves of which projected the church door key. This was sent spinning round, and the one at whom the key pointed when it stopped was proclaimed as the thief. Happily the man thus marked out was able to prove an alibi. But this did not convince the servants that the test was a bad one. They only concluded that the thief was not there.—London Chronicle.

AN UNBELIEVER.

"This here paper says as how they've just discovered the remains of a thirty-five foot saurian in Nevada." "What in thunder's a saurian?" "Blamed if I know. I s'pose mebbe it's something like a sardine." "Huh! You ignorant chump, they ain't no thirty-five foot sardines." "Well, there could be the remains of one, couldn't they?" "Haw-haw! Who'd ever buy a box of them things?" "Darn you, you're just like all the rest of these here smart guys that are uppittin' religion. I think they is remains of thirty-five foot sardines in Nevada. I got faith to suppose that they is also remains of men big enough to buy 'em by the box an' eat 'em on crackers. You know what you are? You are one of these here atheists!"—New York Journal.

THE PYRAMID OF THE SUN.

The most colossal structure of prehistoric man in America, known as the pyramid of the sun, is at Teotihuacan, Mexico, not far from the capital. Close to the great pyramid stands the pyramid of the moon, which the builders regarded as the wife of the sun, and surrounding them are nearly 200 mounds of greater or lesser magnitude, which tradition says were crowned by temples and public buildings. Two hundred and sixty-eight steps lead to the summit of the pyramid of the sun, which is 216 feet high. It is 701 feet square at the base, and the summit is 59 by 105 feet.—National Geographic Magazine.

A REAL ONE.

"Is this a problem play?" asked the one night stand critic of the manager. "It is," replied that worthy. "And what," asked the critic, "is the special problem presented?" "How to get money enough into our box office for railroad fares to our next date," said the manager, with our pointed brevity.—Baltimore American.

THE OTHER SIDE.

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Clarendon County.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

Copy Summons for Relief.

(Complaint not Served.)

Fork Land and Timber Company, Plaintiff

against

John W. Ridgill, Charles L. Ridgill, Mrs. Mary Barrett, R. C. Broadway, Nonie Leonore McLeod, John H. Broadway, Alice Eugenia Ardis, Robert Lee Broadway, the last three named being minors under the age of fourteen years; Henry Napoleon Ridgill, the last named being a minor under the age of fourteen years; Miss Eleanor Ridgill, Mrs. Mary E. Ridgill, Mrs. Cammie Dodge, D. Leslie Ridgill, Mary Anna Ridgill, the last named being a minor over the age of fourteen years, Sadie E. Christmas, Martha Irene Ridgill, the last two named being minors over the age of fourteen years; George A. Ridgill, Mrs. Egeria Mims, Mrs. Lou Ella Williams, O. W. McRoy, Effie Hawkins, Venetta Hawkins, Annie McRoy, Ruth McRoy, the last two named being minors over the age of fourteen years; Willie McRoy, the last named being a minor under the age of fourteen years; Lawrence Griffin, Badger Griffin, Lillie Ellis Griffin, the last two named being minors over the age of fourteen years; Delmar Alfonso Griffin, a minor under the age of fourteen years; B. D. Griffin, R. J. Griffin, William A. Mahoney, Willie Mahoney, Robert M. Mahoney, Benjamin Lloyd, Mrs. Bessie Beatson, James P. Mahoney, S. R. Chandler, Joseph M. Chandler, Mrs. Maggie Carr, Mrs. J. E. Kennedy, Julia Windham, Leo Windham, Harvey W. Windham, Jessie H. Windham, Hattie Lafady, Sam G. Windham, J. J. Windham, Maybelle Malpus, Maggie Prescott, Elodia Tindal, Thomas T. Windham, Fannie Lewis, Mitt White, B. E. White, John Childers, J. P. Childers, Parker V. Childers, Robbie Childers, Wilson Childers, Rosa Thames, Anna Graham, Mary Elizabeth Thames, Elliott Childers, Kate Childers, and Ada Childers, the last three named being minors over the age of fourteen years; Pauline Childers, a minor under the age of fourteen years; Mary Rebecca Boswell, Robert Orvin Walker, Fannie E. Walker, John Thomas Walker, the last three named being minors over the age of fourteen years; Willie Snider Walker, Susan Bertha Walker, the last two named being minors under the age of fourteen years; Charles Walker, and all persons whose names are unknown to the plaintiff herein claiming as heirs devisees or otherwise, by, from or under Robert D. Ridgill, Henry R. Ridgill, William T. Ridgill, otherwise known as W. J. W. Ridgill, Henry Kelly and Mortimer A. Ridgill, or either of them, Defendants.

To The Defendants Above Named—

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action which was filed in the office of the Clerk of Court of Common Pleas, for the said County, on the 3rd day of July, 1911, and to file a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscriber, at his office, in Manning, S. C., within twenty 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 June 30, 1911.

CHARLTON DURANT,

Plaintiff's Attorney.

Oxygen as a Cutting Tool.

A lot of intriguing oxygen from a blowpipe may be successfully employed to cut sheet iron, iron tubes and small bars. The cut made is almost as sharp and thin as that made by a saw. In earlier attempts difficulty was encountered in clearing the cut of liquid metal and in preventing the spread of the melting effect beyond the borders of the cut. In later processes two blowpipes were used. The first bent the iron to red heat, and the second an ordinary oxyhydrogen flame, which bends the iron to red heat at the place where the cut is to be made. This is followed immediately by the second jet, composed of pure oxygen, which instantly burns the metal without melting. The liquidized iron is blown swiftly from the fissure, so that there is no serious spreading of the heat to surrounding parts.—St. Louis Republic.

Two Days in One.

Chatnam Island, lying off the coast of New Zealand, in the south Pacific ocean, is peculiarly situated, as it is one of the few habitable points of the globe where the day of the week changes. It is just on the line of the demarcation between dates. There at 12 noon on Sunday Sunday ceases, and instantly Monday meridian begins. Sunday comes into a man's house on the east side and becomes out of the western time it passes out of his house on the door. A man sits down to his noon day dinner on Sunday, and it is Monday noon before he finishes it.—London Globe.

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