

## D. E. CONVERSE DEAD.

Famous Both As a Mill and College Builder.

D. E. Converse, president of Clifton and Glendale cotton mills, died at Spartanburg Wednesday evening, after about three weeks illness. By his death the city, county, and State suffer a great loss.

To him, in a great measure, is due the beginning of cotton mill building in this State after the war, but here the greatest grief is not on account of the loss of a mill builder, but of a true, upright, faithful, and generous man.

Mr. D. E. Converse, president of the Clifton Manufacturing Company, was born in Vermont, passed his early life in Canada, and entered a wool mill when a boy. He was five years in Colorado, N. Y., and came South in 1855 to the Glendale mill, then called Bivington's—of which establishment he soon became part proprietor, and was at the time of his death principal owner of it. He was purely a self-made man and was endowed with that capacity for successfully prosecuting large undertakings, and the benefits he has done the country in opening up its resources and his success as a cotton miller form a favorable comment among the people of this section. He was a director of the Spartanburg National Bank trustee in the Deaf and Dumb Institute and possessed that easy grace of manner common to most men at the head of great responsibilities. He was born and reared within the sound of the hum of spindles and looms, passed his life in the atmosphere of a mill, and consequently possessed a knowledge of the manufacturer only acquired by years of industry, application, thought combined with innate mechanical talent and a love for his work.

In 1860, when the war broke forth in all its fury upon our land, he volunteered his services in the Confederate cause and enlisted in the army, but it was thought his services would be more valuable at home employed in manufacturing goods for the army. Thus he returned to his home, Bixbyville, and during the war was engaged in manufacturing goods to clothe the hungry, weary and fatigued soldier, and thus furnished protection against the cold for the cause he had left behind.

He was a man of considerable wealth, the result of his own energy. But with his wealth he was not, as many are, close-fisted and tyrannical to those less fortunate. He was very liberal with his money, giving to those in need who asked it of him especially kindly to that class employed in the more humble walks of life.

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## THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.

### The South.

The capacity of the Estill Cotton Mill, at Selma, which now runs 5,000 spindles, will be doubled. The machinery has been ordered and the work of extending the building will begin at once.

The repairs of the Brooklyn will be done at the North, may vary at once instead of New York. This order has been made twice since and it is expected the ship will be able to leave Manila direct from North in the two days.

A Northern doctor says: "Rev. Charles F. Strong, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, formerly chaplain of the Highland Legation, and later superintendent of the Union Association City, yesterday joined Spartanburg Memorial Baptist church, which establishment he soon became part proprietor, and was at the time of his death principal owner of it. He was purely a self-made man and was endowed with that capacity for successfully prosecuting large undertakings, and the benefits he has done the country in opening up its resources and his success as a cotton miller form a favorable comment among the people of this section. He was a director of the Spartanburg National Bank trustee in the Deaf and Dumb Institute and possessed that easy grace of manner common to most men at the head of great responsibilities. He was born and reared within the sound of the hum of spindles and looms, passed his life in the atmosphere of a mill, and consequently possessed a knowledge of the manufacturer only acquired by years of industry, application, thought combined with innate mechanical talent and a love for his work."

There were 24 new cases of yellow fever reported in the last 24 hours at Key West, and three deaths.

### The North.

The International Commercial Congress met in Philadelphia Tuesday.

A statue of Father Giulini, the pope and priest, will be unveiled in Erie, Pa.

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**Foreign.**

A Berlin dispatch says that Count Egonstein, a prominent member of the Club der Barmherzigkeit, the trial of certain members of which on charges of robbing at the club was begun on October 1, was sentenced to fifteen months imprisonment for cheating at cards.

There were several alarms in the British camp at Malakand, on the frontier border, but it was found that the Boers had not crossed the border.

The foundation stone of the Penitentiary in Durban was laid Monday.

General Lee, son of the Patriarch Lee, who was shot in a skirmish in the mountains, was captured in the Transvaal.

Emperor William of Germany said to President Harrison, the week

A building which was begun before a large crowd in Paris ended in a panic caused by one of the bulls leaping among the spectators.

Two columns of American troops began Sunday an advance southward from Manila and defeated the Filipinos in several sharp engagements.

Arguably in a proclamation saying the U. S. should pay that the Democratic party may win the next presidential election in the United States.

A charter was also issued to the Mount Pleasant Social and Benevolent Society. The capital stock of the society is put down at \$40,000. The officers named are: Allen Still, president and Martha Jordan, vice-president.

A charter has been issued to the Dillon Loan and Investment Company of Dillon. The capital stock of the company is to be \$50,000. The officers are: T. B. Davis, president; Bent Hager, vice-president; and W. A. Blizard, secretary and treasurer.

**For the Gold Standard.**

Washington, D. C. Special.—The Post says: "On the first day of the approaching session of Congress, the Senate financial bill will be introduced in the latter body. It will not be on the same lines as the House bill, but it will declare without equivocation for the gold standard."

**Military Commission.**

Section 5 of the militia law of the State requires the annual appropriation of \$5,000 for the benefit of the militia of the State, to be disbursed by a commission consisting of the governor and adjutant general and three officers of the militia. The governor has announced the appointment of these three officers as follows: Col. Will Jones, of Columbia; Maj. Henry Schaefer, of Charleston, and Capt. E. M. Blythe, of Greenville. This commission is to meet and decide how the fund shall be distributed.

The natives of Korea have developed a strong prejudice against the operation of electric cars in their country, owing to the fact that the company allows women to ride in the vehicles. This is regarded by the Koreans as a dangerous step toward women's rights.

Army officers are said to be opposed to self-government for Puerto Rico for the present. General Davis, the military governor, thinks the United States should move slowly in giving the islanders home rule.

**War Weapons from a Surgical Stand-point.**

The medical journals abroad publish the results of some recent experiments with the new automatic revolver, which is being adopted by nearly all European governments. The experiments in question were made on pine wood, on plates of iron, on a living horse, and a portion of human corpus, at distances varying from 11 to 330 yards there being, however, little difference between the effects on living and on dead material. The bullet is from five to seven millimeters in size, and decreases with the increase in distance, the aperture of exit being, however, slightly larger than that of the entrance. It seems that the effect of this weapon on the living human being was exactly similar to that of the German infantry rifle at three thousand to six thousand feet the bone was splintered in every case and in no instance did the projectile remain in the bone, the track of the bullet invariably forming a smooth channel without shattering before the bone, and without many debris, while in the event of a bullet striking the skin it invariably shattered the latter. As to the destructive power, the projectile is able to pass through two human limbs and only struck the third, went through pine wood sixteen inches thick, and three from maces each two millimeters thick.

**Origin of the Shoe Superiority.**

Ancient Asian fairy tales are probably responsible for the introduction to the world of superstitions of the shoe. If they had been carried out on such commendable theories as were affected to closely in these innocent tales for childhood, there would be nothing in their composition to suggest, for the Asian stories that have always delighted our children, are more too pernicious to be thought of by any but the infant mind, and always worse with them a moral that hedges about the tales, protecting a framework of opinion of the intent of the author.

Particularly relating to the shoe, we have in the Asian fables such never-to-be forgotten tales as the Immortal Umbrella and the Glass Slipper and the Seven Engaged Brides. These stories seem to have taken the strongest hold upon the fancies of the world, and whereas the great person, where even the old man or woman whose memory does not stretch these beautiful tales of childhood.

**A Rubber Ten.**

An English inventor has devised a very ingenious armchair leg and foot intended for use in cases of amputation below the knee joint. It is mainly composed, according to the Scientific American, of a hollow rubber cylinder which is inflated in exactly the same way as a bicycle tire. The skeleton of the foot is of wood and contains within it a rib because of which permits of movements like those that take place in the ankle. A pair of rubber phonetic pads surround the end of the inflated tube, so that no undue pressure is exerted on the tissue.

**Breathmaking in Russia.**

In August last, the founders of the first Russian school of the first Russian works erected in the Urals, Spala, have been built with a capacity of 1,000,000 bricks annually. Hence all the brickworks used in the brickmaking in Russia have been turned from England.

**Old Case of Tetra in Texas.**

At Galloway, Tex., Terlingua is worth more than its weight in gold to the operators because of its remarkable beauty. The town is built on a plateau, with a fine view of the surrounding country. The town is situated in the middle of a valley, with a river running through it.

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