

The Barnwell People.

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LARGEST COUNTY CIRCULATION

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 1903.

The Greenville Mountaineer charges the authorship of the "Reflections of a Bachelor," in the publication of which it has indulged freely with the Hampton Guardian and Newberry Observer.

We might plead not guilty and would but for the possible fact that somebody is "breaking bark" over the head of some one of the trinitate and a scape goat is needed.

A NEW RULE.

THE PEOPLE has been as liberal in the publication of obituary notices, tributes of respect and memorials as any newspaper in the State, and proposes to continue. Of course we have to pay the printers for setting these contributions, as we have to pay them for putting advertisements in type, and the expense is considerable in the course of the year, but our sympathy with the bereaved makes it our duty to give such comfort as is in our power to those sorrowing for the going away of loved ones.

Too much is asked of us however by a number of correspondents. We have on our desk at this writing an accumulation of personal tributes and memorials amounting to thirty five pages of manuscript. They are largely composed of verse, some original, some quoted, all touching and tender, but if we were to print one we would have to print all, and our columns would be filled with them. So we are forced to adopt a rule to which there will be no exception, that while we will continue to publish brief obituary notices touching the lives, characters, social and church relations and life works of those who have been called away we will not publish more than four lines of poetry in any obituary, tribute or memorial without charge.

All verse in excess of that number will be charged for at 5 cents a line.

THEIR BUMBLE BEE COTTON.

Davis Ward, who runs a farm on the Laurens Road, about five miles from the city, yesterday presented to C. F. Hill a stalk of cotton containing six full grown bolls, three blooms, and 55 squares, the stalk measuring over four feet in height. This was only a fair specimen of what Mr. Ward's entire crop of ten acres consists of. He purchased the seed from H. H. Griffin of this city.—Greenville News.

That's pretty good, but we can beat it, says a yankee on the side. Mr. W. A. Duncan, a tenant on one of our farms, told us the other day that his cotton was waist high and many of the stalks had as many as 135 squares on them. He didn't mention bolls and blooms.—Easley Progress.

Our Piedmont brethren are easily pleased. As they are evidently in the kindergarten agricultural class we propose to open their eyes by the production of a dozen or so years ago one stalk in Blackville made a whole bale. If Editor Simpson doubts let him phone Dr. Stephens of his city.

STORM PREDICTED.

W. T. Foster of St. Joseph, Missouri, has been in the weather prophet business for twenty seven years and claims that two thirds of his predictions have been absolutely correct. It is his theory that atmospheric conditions on the earth are absolutely controlled by the influence of the planets, just as the tides of the ocean are controlled by the movements of the moon.

He has sent to 125 newspapers that he supplies with weather wisdom the following prediction:

"Dangerous storms may be expected in nearly all parts of the world during August, September and October. They will be particularly noted in the Great central or Mississippi valleys when all kinds of severe storms, including tornadoes, will occur in the Northwestern spring wheat country, where hail storms will do considerable damage, in Atlantic Coast and other Eastern States, in the way of tropical and continental storms, on the North Pacific and North Atlantic, along the northern steamship routes, in East and West Indies all along east coast of Asia and in the Gulf of Mexico.

These destructive storms will come to our notice in a preliminary and moderate way within a few days of August 16 and 24, and will reach the apex of their energy near September 27. The paring blasts of these furious storms will occur near October 6 and 18. Very cool weather on the continent near August 26, September 27 and 28, caused by tropical storms to the southward.

The Confederate Veterans of Greenville on Saturday voted against the building of a Soldier's Home in Columbia.

Senator Tillman lost last week in Illinois a pocket book containing a number of railroad passes and telegraph and express frank.

State Treasurer Jehnfig will have to borrow the entire \$800,000 authorized by the Legislature to keep things going until this year's tax comes in.

The State Board of Control looks for a lively fall trade. On Thursday it bought 1,175 barrels and 3,000 cases of liquor and 9 car loads of beer.

Senator John T. Morgan of Alabama says that Foraker of Ohio will be nominated by the Republicans for President next year, and that Gorman of Maryland will be the Democratic leader.

The news comes by way of Greenville that the Southern Railway will get the coming fall a large number of handcars and engines which will enable it to freight and passenger trains to keep up with its schedule.

Lieutenant General Nelson A. Miles was put on the retired list on Saturday, having reached the age of 65, the statutory period for retiring. He had served 41 years. The order retiring him was almost breath-taking brevity. He goes into private life unwept, uncomplained and unmissed. Not a drum was heard, not a funeral note as he went down the front steps.

WATERMELON HISTORY.

At the annual meeting of the State Horticultural Society in Johnston last week Mr. L. Still made an interesting and instructive address on melon culture. He said in substance: "Barnwell County claims the honor of supplying to Northern markets the first melons in car lots. In 1870 Mr. John H. Mixon shipped to New York a car of melons of the long and thin kind, which brought him three hundred dollars. He was encouraged by this sale to begin to plant melons on a large scale and in a few years was shipping to the best Northern and Western markets. Although he increased his acreage from two to three hundred acres per year for several years, and received good prices on all his shipments it was several years before our farmers showed enough confidence in the new industry to even put out a small acreage. However, Mr. Mixon's venture finally attracted attention. Experiences soon taught the growers of melons that the long and thin kind would sell in any market to the Northern and Western markets, and are now only sold at near market prices. The Koh Gem and Eden varieties will carry to any market in the United States.

About 1878 melon growing for shipping purposes began in earnest and from that time forward our farmers planted melons extensively, shipping from sixty to eighty cars per day during most of the melon shipping season. Some of our farmers made money and got rich from melon-growing, but others lost money and their homes owing to bad judgment in selecting land and cultivating poorly.

We have learned that the very best lands that can be secured are the only lands which should be planted in melons, and a liberal amount of fertilizer should be used in order to produce large melons and secure a good yield. I would advise the application of at least 400 pounds per acre of a high grade fertilizer, developing 8 to 10 percent available phosphoric acid, 4 potash and 4 ammonia.

Five years ago we planted 100 acres in cantaloupes, which paid well, as the markets were good. Since we have increased the acreage to 1,500 to 3,000 acres per year. The best lands should be selected for cantaloupes—clay lands or those with a clay subsoil are preferred. Break deep and close during January or 1st February. Lay off the rows seven feet apart and apply from 700 to 1,000 pounds of a high grade fertilizer, 8 1/2 goods. Throw up your bed with four furrows, planting from 10th to 15th April, at twenty inches apart, with five to seven seeds in the hill. Cover lightly and when the plants begin to come up run the sweep across the rows, which will destroy the first coat of grass and enable the growing plants to get up. They should be ploughed as soon as possible with a small sweep and thin to one in a hill as in the third or fourth leaves forming. Cultivate fast and lay them by when the vines are 12 to 15 inches long. Knowing just when a melon is ready to gather is hard to teach our laborers, often melons bring on the market a low price because they are not picked at the proper time. I advise planting melon laborers in picking and packing. Picking and packing are important for securing good prices.

(To the above history we add the fact that the Eden melon was perfected by Capt. C. H. Mathis and named by our self. While in Blackville—years ago he told us that he had succeeded in establishing in this country a variety of melon that combined the shipping quality of the Koh Gem with superior sweetness. He went home and brought us a beautiful melon and asked us first to eat it and then to give it a name. After feasting on its red heart we concluded that nothing better had been eaten since Adam and Eve's time, and we called it "Eden." In an early issue of THE PEOPLE Capt. Mathis advertised Eden Seed for sale.—EDITH PEOPLE.)

LONG BRANCH PHILOSOPHY.

Some time since we received a letter and before opening it we suspected that some creditor had decided to add a little to his worldly possessions. But to our surprise and delight it was to name a day when we would agree to meet just out in the country, and an old time friend. We of course accepted and after attending the Good Roads Convention at Barnwell—where we found not a merchant, but nearly all the Court House officers and a few lawyers. The remainder of the convention was composed of sensible, good looking countrymen. We heard some eloquent humorous speeches, but remembering our promise to visit our friend hungry and on time we slipped out without knowing whether we were nominated for an office or not. When we arrived we were escorted to the dinner table and were reminded of the fact, "Roll ye away the stone." Such a dinner we never had. We had some prepared and our host, an old Confederate veteran, a man who in the hot times back in the '70's would certainly do to tie to, encouraged us to eat even after our fullness could not be described and it was no starvation town meal where every member of the household quits eating before an ordinary countryman gets good to work, but all hands, both visitors and family, ate with a relish and consumed plenty of time at it. Besides what we have already described the cows get better melons than we have at home. After the feast we examined the farm, for our host is one of the few who know what the word "farming" means. And when we heard that he planted two rows of corn and two of cotton, we had our mind fixed on two or three acres looking very well. Imagine our surprise to see a field of fifty odd acres planted in this way, 30 of which, in our judgment, has already made 50 bushels of corn to the acre and bids fair to make 1/2 bale of cotton to the same acre. The remainder of the field would look like swamp corn and extra fine cotton compared with the ordinary fare in our corner of the woods. Our host unselfishly and painstakingly explained all about the advantages of this double barreled system of farming. We have said nothing about the velvet beans and it would be no use to tell it to us and expect people to believe more than that of what we would say.

During our visit we were impressed with the culture and excellent manners of the female occupants of the household; we were treated like Bill Arp's little lawyer in Georgia as though we were a gentleman.

We will say but little about the chickens but just that of it, over five hundred chicks, each chicken with its own house; the market value of the birds is \$10 each; in conclusion we ask that the doubting Thomases go to the Oaks and see for themselves.

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A BRIDAL TRIP

By Henry Lyle

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The Nephth stage carried no outside passengers. Inside it accommodated four comfortably and six uncomfortably. Consequently every one interested in any particular trip of the Nephth stage hoped that the number of passengers would be limited to four.

At Millstown, the half way station, the grinning face of the hostler was thrust through the stage window, and the four passengers already inside groaned. They knew the sign.

"Two passengers, gentlemen. Kindly get together," the hostler announced.

The stage door was flung open. A woman was a rarity along the Nephth stage line and a bride unheard of, yet the first passenger to be ceremoniously thrust into their midst was very evidently a bride. Had all other signs failed, which they did not, there were several kernels of rice sticking to the back of her veil. The tall, thin, spindle shaped young man who followed her was just as evidently a bridegroom. Their clothing and manners proclaimed them of the east and brand new.

The bridegroom carried a suit case, which he pushed to one side after settling his bride as comfortably as the middle seat permitted. Then he fitted his knees between the passengers in front of him and looked solicitously at his veiled bride. "Tired, darling?" he asked.

"Just a little, darling," she answered, touching his shoulder lightly with hers. "Wasn't it just lovely the way we got away from Glen?" she continued. "I thought once they would really find out where we were going. Wouldn't it have been terrible? But you were such a darling, you!"

There was a suppressed snicker behind them. One of the passengers facing them gulped and crammed his mouth full of tobacco. "Chaw, partner?" he asked, extending the package to his seat companion, the fat storekeeper of Milltown.

The man shook his head. "Hear 'bout th' holdup las' week?" he asked, winking hard.

"Naw, you don't mean t' say there's been er holdup in these here days, do you?"

"Turbidly! One man kill an thirty thousand dollars took" the storekeeper answered, covertly watching the bride couple.

"Oh, darling!" exclaimed the bride. "Why did we come to this awful place? Take me back—can't you, darling?"

The bridegroom shook his head. "Don't be afraid, dearie, I'm with you." His voice sounded weak and tremulous.

One of the men behind him laughed, and the bridegroom flushed deeply, and made a reply which was unintelligible, judged by the rapid jerching of the stage, which at that moment entered the roughest sections of the road.

The sharp report of a pistol started the jostled passengers and brought the stage to a stop, with a suddenness which jerked the bride into the arms of the storekeeper.

The smoking muzzle of a revolver was thrust through the window, and a voice exclaimed: "Hands up. Step outside, gent!"

No one hesitated. One after the other, with hands well up, the passengers alighted and stood in line along the roadside. The bride came last, and the robber hesitated, astonished, as she stopped hesitated, astonished, as she stepped down.

"Excuse me, miss," he exclaimed, lifting his hat before he felt about the bride's clothes for weapons. "Sorry t' disturb you, but business is business."

"Now, Tom," he continued, addressing the driver, "my pardner," motioning to a second robber who stood holding the horses' heads, "will keep you covered while I look inter things."

The driver laughed. "I'm afeared your gorn' t' be disappointed this trip, Black John. S' far as I know, there ain't no treasure in this load."

The bride gave a faint cry, staggered and toppled over into the arms of the bridegroom, which, regardless of orders, came down to receive her.

The robber swore. "Keep your hands up!" he cried, swinging around and covering the line with his revolver. "Let th' tenderfoot look after th' gal. She's only fainted."

He had pulled several pieces out of the stage when an unusual movement behind him caused him to turn his head. He looked directly into the muzzle of a forty-four, held by the bride. "I've got you dead to rights, Black John," a low voice whispered. "No noise or I'll let loose."

WATER AND HOG CHOLERA.

Pure water from deep wells is a preventive for many diseases, says Doctor Salmon, Chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry.

Careful investigation by the Department of Agriculture has shown that hog cholera has been largely disseminated in Indiana by rivers and streams, thus bearing out the conclusions of the Bureau of Animal Industry that perhaps the most potent agent in the distribution of hog cholera is flowing water. The first step to be taken in the prevention of hog cholera is the securing of a wholesome water supply. There are also numerous diseases to which all animals are subject in whose transmission water plays an important part. It is necessary to the growth of these diseases and is an important carrier of them. Such things as twisted stomach worms, nodular diseases, paper skin, liver fluke, lung worms of sheep and worms of hogs, horses and cattle are largely due, according to Government investigation, to impure surface water. The preventive is a good deep water supply.—Farm Visitor.

BRUTALLY TORTURED.

A case came to light that for persistent and unmerciful torture has perhaps never been equaled. Joe Golobick of Colusa, Calif., writes: "For 15 years I endured insufferable pain from Rheumatism and nothing relieved me though I tried everything known. I came across Electric-Batteries and it's the greatest medicine on earth for that trouble. A few bottles of it completely relieved and cured me." Just as good for Liver and Kidney troubles and general debility. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by Creech's Pharmacy, C. N. Burkhalter, Druggist.

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NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS.

All persons indebted to the estate of Alfred Johnson, deceased, are required to make prompt payment to the undersigned and all persons holding claims against the said estate will present them, properly attested, to me. Martha E. Jenkins, Administratrix, Kila P. O. August 8th, 1903.

NOTICE OF FINAL DISCHARGE.

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, the seventeenth day of August, 1903, the undersigned will file his final account as Committee of the estate of Beulah Still, deceased, with the Judge of Probate for Barnwell County, and apply for Letters Dismissory. G. A. Still, Committee. July 14th, 1903.

FARMS FOR SALE.

NOW is the time to buy improved farms cheap. Lands are cheaper now than they will ever be again. Only a limited number for sale—45 is the only safe and substantial investment. The demand is increasing, prices are advancing and we cannot add one acre to the world's supply. It is the prevailing opinion that we will never see low priced cotton again. This means higher prices for the farmer and the producer of the free staple. I offer the following farms for sale at very low prices for the next 30 days, terms cash, or one-fourth cash, balance in five equal annual installments, 6% interest on deferred payments. This may be your last opportunity to buy a good place cheap on easy terms.

D. S. Hair place, 150 acres, 2 buildings. Boundaries: N. by lands of Mrs. Darling Best, E. by Turkey Creek, S. by estate of Allen Hair, W. by J. O. Hagood and J. E. Best. Price, \$600.

E. F. Woodward place, 130 acres, 2 buildings, boundaries: N. by estate of F. Miller, E. by Jordan Branch, S. by public road to Orangeburg, and W. by estate of J. Duncan Allen. Price, \$1,000.

Peacock (Beck Track) 512 acres, 2 buildings. Boundaries: Adjoining lands of Daniel Beffy, A. P. Aldrich, and estate of Amelia Harley. Land willed to Sarah Beck by will of Robert Kennedy, Oct. 10th, 1824. Price, \$1,500.

J. A. Roundtree place, 80 acres, 1 building. Boundaries: N. & W. by lands of S. L. Peacock, E. by lands formerly owned by J. Sanders and Miss E. Roundtree, S. by lands of Saunders and S. F. Harley. Price, \$350.

Aldrich Place—800 acres, more or less, 11 tenant houses, barns and stables, 200 acres in cultivation, about 5 miles from Barnwell Court House, 2 miles from Snelling's station on the A. C. L. R. R., on the public road which leads from Barnwell Court House to Steel Creek. Price, \$5,000.00.

This place rents for 12 bales of cotton per year, fine clay land, well-wooded, no bad grass. Bounded by lands of W. M. Cave, W. H. Richardson, Jack Rankinson, James Dicks, Mrs. Nell A. Duncan, public road leading from Barnwell to Steel Creek. Price, \$5,000.00.

Langley Place—87 acres, more or less, 60 acres cleared, fine clay land, dwelling recently burned, 3 tenant houses and barns and stables, on public road leading from Barnwell to Stenson Bridge. Price, \$3,000.00.

Bounded on the North by lands of Mrs. Annie Lutz, East by Mrs. G. K. Ryan, South by Allen Tobin, West by Aaron Williams. Price \$500.00.

J. C. & A. Hankinson place, 60 acres, 2 buildings. Boundaries: Part of the division of estate of S. Hankinson, Adjoining lands of M. W. & Sam Bailey, Joseph Ashley and Mrs. E. P. Hill of Steel Creek. Price, \$400.

Flord & Hankinson place, 93 acres, 3 buildings. Boundaries: N. by lands of J. Ashley, E. & W. by Hankinson and S. by J. Ashley. Price, \$400.

Harley Place—550 acres, 200 cleared, balance in wood and timber, 2 tenant houses on place, dwelling recently burned, 7 miles from Barnwell Court House, on public road. Bounded by lands of Weathershee, Dicks, J. O. Patterson, James Tilly and E. L. Patterson. Price, \$2,500.00.

Simon Priester Place, \$20 acres, 4 buildings. Boundaries: N. by lands of Mrs. A. E. Harvey and lot No. 3, E. by Elliot Sanders and M. Jones, S. by H. C. Jones, Pot Creek, et al, and W. by lands of Mrs. Harley, Rev. Britton and Hurricane Branch. Price, \$3,750.

R. C. & W. Halford place, 130 acres, 1 building. Boundaries: N. by lands of J. M. & J. F. Halford, E. by Amanda Halford, S. by Thomas Connelly and J. E. Cade, W. by Miss E. C. Owen. Price, \$650.

Sanford Place—225 acres, nearly all cleared, good clay land, 1 two story residence, 1 tenant house and barns and stables; near Elko. Bounded by public road leading from Blackville to Elko, and lands of S. B. Hair, Alice D. Thomson, Odum, N. H. Stansell. Price, \$3,000.00.

RENEW PLACE.—In Red Oak Township, 96 Acres. Price, \$3,000.00.

HAVEN PLACE.—In Red Oak Township, 130 Acres. Price, \$3,000.00.

O'BANXON PLACE.—Near Barnwell Court House, 558 Acres. Price, \$3,000.00.

HARLEY PLACE.—In Rich Land Township, 515 Acres. Price, \$3,000.00.

BAMBERG COUNTY, BURNERS BRIDGE TOWNSHIP. D. H. & H. M. Rice, place, 1,000 acres. Boundaries: N. by lands of A. C. Free and J. E. Free, E. by public road to Bamberg and Allendale and lands of D. H. Rice, S. by lands of D. H. W. B. & B. E. Rice, and W. by lands of D. H. Rice. Price, \$4,000.

AIKEN COUNTY, HAMMOND TOWNSHIP. Wilson—150 acres, bounded N. E. & S. by Geo. H. Rowell and J. W. Bohler, and W. by Ulysses Wilson. Price, \$750.

HAMPTON COUNTY, GORTHE TOWNSHIP. Small—127 acres, about 8 miles from Allendale, nearly all cleared. Improvements consist of one two room cottage, barn and stable in fair order. Boundaries: Railroad Right of Way and Road to Matthews Bluff, B. F. Bostwick, Josephine Hoover, Mrs. E. Fitts and John F. Gilmer. Price, \$550.

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