

The Barnwell People.

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LARGEST COUNTY CIRCULATION.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1905.

THE OTHER, AND RIGHT SIDE.

A convention, very respectable in the number, character and standing of the delegates attending it, was held in Richmond very recently to consider the question of labor in the South, and to adopt resolutions accordingly.

Col. E. J. Watson, the South Carolina Commissioner of Immigration, was one of the principal speakers, and he talked very well indeed for one not accustomed.

"To speak in public on the stage," Col. Watson handled his side of the question ably, but seemed blissfully ignorant or forgetful of the existence of another side to the statue. He presented two facts as the excuse or justification for the whimpering cry of more labor for South Carolina. In this State, he said, as in Massachusetts the building of cotton mills was followed by an exodus from the cotton fields, and to bring back these abandoned farms into cultivation the State has established its immigration bureau.

It does not seem to have occurred to the intelligence of the Legislature and the executive experience of Col. Watson that if people native and to the manner born, familiar with Southern farm life from childhood and understanding the culture of Southern field crops almost as a matter of instinct or second nature should fail to achieve prosperity and secure happiness and jump from the frying pan of the fields into the fire of white slavery in the cotton mills that the alien as ignorant of our social and industrial ways as of our political beliefs could be expected to make a success in his attempts to grow crops of which he knows as little as the Southerner knows of beet sugar growing in Germany or raising silk worms in Italy. It takes only half a sensible thought to realize that the immigrant would be a failure from the start and that the loneliness of so strange a life would quickly drive him to the more crowded lanes of the cities where his own kind live as best they can, not knowing of or caring for the high and happy possibilities of farm life.

Since the making of Col. Watson's Richmond speech we note in our country exchanges that the farmers of the Piedmont escarpment are sowing twice as much wheat as they did last season. This bolder fact, with high priced cotton a present reality, shows that the farmers in the hills are not waiting on or walling for immigrants to come and do their work for them, but are manfully taking care of themselves. The scarcity of cotton field labor is extending the area of the wheat crop, driving to the use of improved implements and machinery, and so far from repining at their hard luck the upper Carolina farmers will soon be rejoicing at their emancipation and enjoying an ease and prosperity forbidden to the subjects of King Cotton.

The flocking of the white people from the hill sides and branch bottoms of the mountain foot hills and the sand hills of the middle state has, though a mistake by and a misfortune for them been helpful to the rest of the South by causing a reduction of both cotton acreage and production.

To turn back the clock and change the wheat fields and pasture lands back to cotton cultivation would increase the production of the white staple and lower its price. And all for what good to the State and its citizenship?

In the line light of the facts and argument as stated above the encouragement of immigration from Europe or the North to the cotton states is positive, undeniable, active and unthinking opposition to the policy and principle of the Southern Cotton Association, a stab in the back, redeemed only by the fact that it is inflicted without malice, simply through ignorance of the logic of events.

And we wonder whether in his message to the Legislature at the commencement of the next session giving an account of his stewardship Governor Heyward will advise the continued pursuit of the ignis fatuus of immigration and take the witness stand against the Southern Cotton Association, and whether by their votes toward the close of their deliberations the Senators and Representatives will by providing an appropriation from the contributions of the tax payers for the continuance of the immigration bureau, or by legislation looking to the breaking down of the barriers that are intended to preserve our civilization against the incoming of the undesirable that the North and Europe would shove on the South, align themselves against the decision of their constituents that cotton acreage and production must be kept down.

Col. Watson gave the proportions of negro labor in the South to the farm, South Carolina having the largest percentage and, therefore, less in need of more field force than any of her sisters of the cotton belt. Yet she has been the noisiest and most insistent in praying for Hercules to come and pull or prize her out of the mud. Take Virginia for instance, Years ago the negro quit her fields for the freedom of Washington. Later when the double tracking of the trunk rail road lines from the Potomac southward began the small home guard of whites and negroes looked to the larger pay and the land owner was left alone. But he went to work bravely, not calling for immigrants, foreseeing that the rupa ways would come back, and so it is

turning out.

It will not be very long now before the timber supply of the South will be completely exhausted and the turpentine farms and saw and stimpole mills and cross tie business will rest and the wandering brother-in-black come back to take up again the plow and hoe. And some of the tardy returners will not be needed, for another generation of the old industrious Anglo-Saxon race will soon be sufficient to make every acre bloom and ripen.

It has not been our good fortune to know Col. Watson personally. All men speak well of him. He has endeavored to carry out to the best of his ability the behests of an emotional Legislature. That he has done no harm will be a long gratification to him after his office shall have been stoned away among the past cob-webbed mistakes and follies of South Carolina.

"Ye may boast of yer democracy, or any other 'cracy or any kind o' political rubbish; but the reason why your laboring folk are so happy is that ye have a vast deal of land for a verra few people."—Carlyle.

A LESSON OF SELF HELPING.

Once a lark had a nest of young in a grain field. While she was seeking food for them the farmer leaned over the fence and said, "This grain is ripe. I must call my neighbors to help me cut it." The young larks were terrified. When their mother returned they told her of the cause of their alarm. "Never mind," she said, "soothingly, 'nothing will happen.'"

"The next day the farmer came with his son and said, 'My son, the grain is ripe. We must call our kin folks to help us cut it.'"

"Again the young ones, frightened, told their mother. 'Be content, children,' she said. 'You will not be disturbed.'"

"On the third day the farmer exclaimed, as he looked at his grain. 'My son, the grain is dead ripe. Our neighbors are busy with their own crops. We must get to work at once, and reap it ourselves.'"

"Now, said the mother, 'our time has come.' There is danger. We must fly at once."

CROWNING KING COTTON.

The Government's annual estimate for the crop of 1905 was given out on Monday. It put the yield 10,187,818 bales of 500 pounds gross weight, which, deducting bagging and ties, as has been the rule up to this year, would have made the estimate 9,639,427 bales.

In a few minutes after the report was made public the price jumped up 47 a bale, and the net gain for the day was 67 points, \$3.85 per bale.

TIGHTENING TAX SCREWS.

According to law lands will be newly assessed next year, commencing January 1st, and on the valuations as settled after action by the State Board of Equalization taxes will be paid for four years, when another assessment will be made.

After consultation with the Attorney General's office Comptroller General A. W. Jones has sent a circular letter to city and township boards of assessors, county auditors and county boards of equalization directing the enforcement of the law requiring property to be returned at its "true money value," instead of at the 60 per cent. basis of valuation heretofore adopted.

The attorney general and the comptroller general agree in construing that the term "true value in money" as used in statute means the real, general market value, "the amount which a willing purchaser would pay a willing seller for the property," not a forced or sheriff's sale value, but a real value.

The Comptroller General finds that at present property is assessed in this State at from 9 to 100 per cent of its real value, and points out that the small property in proportion is carrying the biggest part of the load, as it is the large property which is dodging.

The Comptroller General estimates that his directions if carried out will double the tax values of the State, making them over \$400,000,000 instead of only \$210,000,000. A dispatch from Columbia says:

Of course if the directions of the comptroller general are carried out faithfully throughout the State there will not only be no further State deficits but the city, town and county authorities as well as the State authorities will have more tax money than they can spend, and the levy will have to be reduced in proportion as the assessment is raised. The comptroller general has tackled a big problem; if he succeeds in making a touch-down with it he will be the hero of the hour.

Weather Bureau.

Voluntary Observers' Meteorological Record, Month of November, 1905, Station Blackville.

Table with columns: DATE, TEMPERATURE (Max, Min, Mean), precip in in. (Total, in. in 24 hrs.), and SUMMARY.

Mean temp. 56.1, Max. temp. 79, Date 19, Min. temp. 33, Date 12, 18, Total precip. 1.01 in. in 24 hrs.

No. of days Clear 19, Partly 11, Cloudy 0, Days of frost None, Light 1, Th. storms 0, Auroras 0, Prevailing wind Direction N. E.

Fog 1, Thin Ice formed 12, Freeze 1.

Monthly mean tem., 0.4° below normal. Precipitation 0.70 in. below normal.

G. D. C. Lange, Voluntary Observer.

\*Including rain, hail, sleet and melted snow. †From maximum and minimum readings.

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Planters wishing First Class Seed From First Class Fruit should apply at once to the originator and propagator of the most delicious, prolific and profitable cantaloupes in the world.

They are, in their excellence, fully what the continent praised Eden Watermelons originated by me are universally accepted to be.

No cantaloupe seed except Colorado grown for Sale, and no one else has them, for only fifty pounds are in other hands and they were stolen for private use.

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AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

The Auditor or his assessors will attend at the places and dates named below for the purpose of taking Tax Returns for the year 1906.

Tax payers will bear in mind that real estate as well as personal property must be returned, and owners of Real Estate are cautioned to come prepared to state the number of acres and value; buildings thereon and value of same; whether any has been sold or acquired since January, 1904, from whom acquired or to whom sold.

The Auditor takes this occasion to say that the tax returns constitute the material with which the Auditor's duplicate is made up and errors in the returns will cause errors on the tax book, hence the importance for care in making and taking returns.

Barrow, C. H., from January 1st to 7th, 1906.

Marion; January 8th. Snelling; January 9th. Dunbarton; January 10th. Ashley's store; January 11th. Brabham's store; January 12th. Furse store; January 13th. Appleton; January 15th. Sams store; January 16th. Barton; January 17th. Fairfax; January 18th. Sreamore; January 19th. Ulmer; January 20th. Johnson Linn's; January 22d. Hilda; January 23d. Barnwell; January 24th. Ashby; January 25th. Blackville; January 25th. Elk; January 27th. Williston; January 28th. Whaley's; January 30th. Barnwell; January 31st. Allendale; February 1st. Kline; February 2nd. Barnwell, C. H.; from February 3d to February 20th, 1906.

S. W. TROTTI, Auditor, B. C.

Dec. 2nd, 1905.

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My Dairy Farm is for sale, consisting of 50 head of Registered and High Grade Jersey Cattle, Silo, 4 horse power Gasoline Engine, Grain Grinder, Cream Separator, and all things necessary for running a modern Dairy. Cattle and Fixtures cash; Residence and Farm on easy terms.

Write for particulars to GLENDALE JERSEY FARM, BARNWELL, S. C.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS.

All persons indebted to the estate of Miller D. Anderson, deceased, are hereby requested to make payment to the undersigned, and all persons holding claims against the said estate will present the same, duly attested, to H. P. Anderson, Executor.

November, 16th, 1905.

MEET ME AT RYAN'S, THE BUSY, BOOMING STORE. 965 Customers served there Saturday, November 4, '05. A FEW words about coffee. The finest grown are Mocha and Java. A blend of these makes a drink beyond all comparison. Ryan offers you this blend in a 1 lb air tight can at 30c, with the guarantee that it will go as far as 2 lbs of Arabica, Lion or any other coffee of like grade, or money refunded. The blenders of this coffee offer a reward of \$100.00 to any one who can produce a better coffee for the same money. WHEN you go to Ryan's ask for his Swiss Cheese, Italian Macaroni, French Olive Oil, California Peaches, Large White Cherries, Home-made Preserves and Jellies, Irided Peaches, Irided Apples, Country Syrup, Buck Wheat, Big Hominy, Grape Fruits, Potce, Cream of Wheat. THE place seems to be Headquarters for fruit for Christmas cakes; Raisins in the bunch, Seedless Raisins, Cleaned Currants, Citron, Extracts and Spices of all kinds. IN Canned Vegetables you will find—Blood Red Beets, Succotash, Sauer Kraut, Garden Corn, Garden Peas. When you want to make Soup ask for the Soup Can; it contains 10 different kinds of vegetables. Come and see us: G. K. RYAN, J. S. BLACK, J. E. GRUBBS.

Tobin's Emporia. OUR THREE STORES ARE ALL OVERCROWDED WITH UNPRECEDENTED BARGAINS FOR WISE BUYERS. COME AND SEE The People's Pharmacy. We sell only the purest kinds of Drugs. Positively no substitution in Prescriptions. Our Cut Glass and Sterling Silver are of the most beautiful designs and finest qualities. Come and see Tobin's Furniture Store. FOUR SOLID CAR LOADS OF FURNITURE. PRICES LOWEST. \$397.98 value in Furniture to be sold at cost. Rugs a specialty. Come and see Tobin's Millinery Store. We have in this the most Elaborate Line ever shown. Cloaks, Rain Coats, Walking Jackets, Embroideries and Laces. An Exposition well worth seeing, and if low prices are any inducement YOU WILL BUY. We will discontinue the Green Trading Stamps. All having Books are requested to bring them in about January 1st, 1906, and fill up. Come and hear the graphophone and learn how to get one free. Tobin's Three Stores, Barnwell, - - - - - S. C.

I. F. STILL & SONS, GORNER CLARK STREET AND RAILROAD AVENUE, BLACKVILLE, - - S. C., Are now completely ready for the Fall and Winter Trade and offer BEST VALUES in all lines of— Dry Goods, Notions, Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, Furniture, Groceries, Tobacco, Cigars, Crockery, Glassware, Hay, Grain, Etc., Etc.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE. Pursuant to an order of the Probate Court for Barnwell County I will, on Friday, the 8th day of December, 1905, sell at the late residence of Simon Owens, deceased, commencing at ten o'clock a. m., all the personal property of said Simon Owens, deceased, consisting of Corn, Fodder, Peas, Cotton Seed, Lumber, Bricks, 2 Horses, 1 cow, 1 Wagon, etc. M. W. Bush, Administrator. Nov. 21, 1905. "Can you make good bread?" asked the practical young man. "Sure if you can furnish the dough," replied the practical young woman.

DR. W. C. MILHOUS, DENTIST, Barnwell, - - - S. C. Will be in my office every Friday and Saturday until November first. From November 1st to April 1 I will be in my office every day. From April to November I will attend calls in the country or meet patients at any of our towns by appointment.

JAMES A. WILLIS, ATTORNEY AT LAW, BURCKHALTER BUILDING, Barnwell, - - - S. C. Practice in State and Federal Courts. All Business.

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REGISTRATION NOTICE. The Registration Books will be open in the Court House on the first Monday (sale day) in each month for the transaction of such business as is required by law. W. J. Baxley, Chairman, G. R. Dunbar, Secretary. As a help toward a good dinner try Ryan's Succotash.

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TRESPASS NOTICE. All persons are hereby forbidden to enter upon the lands of the undersigned in Williston Township, Barnwell County, South Carolina, for the purpose of hunting, trapping or netting, fishing, taking away wood, straw or leaves, pasturing stock, making paths or roads, or committing any other trespass, under penalty of prosecution to the full extent of the law. W. D. Wade, T. M. Williams, T. W. Reed, R. J. Rountree, C. A. Bennett, J. H. Bates, Henry Lard, J. M. Hair, November 8th, 1905.

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FINAL DISCHARGE. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will, on Saturday, 23rd, December 1905 make application for letters of final discharge as Administrator of the estate of Warren P. Wilcox, before J. K. Snelling, Esq. Judge of Probate for Barnwell County. H. W. Montague, Administrator, Allendale, S. C. November, 21st, 1905.

Treasurer's Notice. The Treasurer's Office will be open for the collection of taxes levied for 1905, from the 15th day of October to 15th day of March, 1906, inclusive. From the 1st to the 31st day of January, 1906, a penalty of one per cent. will be added to all taxes paid in January. From the 1st to the 28th day of February, 1906, a penalty of two per cent. will be added to all taxes paid in February. From the 1st to the 15th day of March, 1906, a penalty of seven per cent. will be added to all unpaid taxes. LEVY. For State purposes 5 1/2 mills. For Ordinary County 4 1/2 mills. For Constitutional School 3 mills. For Blackville Township, Special road tax 2 mills. Special School Levy, Cedar Grove 1 mill. Allendale, Barbary Branch, Blackville, Double Pond, Sike, Edisto, Fairfax, Friendship, Healing Springs, Kline, Morris, New Forest, Oak Grove, Old Columbia, Reedy Branch, Seiglingville, Seven Pines and Tinker Creek, 2 mills. Williston, 2 1/2 mills. Barton, Big Fork, Cave, Hickory Hill, Owens' X Roads, Sycamore No. 51 and Umers, 3 mills. Hercules and Lees 4 mills. Barnwell, 4 1/2 mills. The Computation Road Tax Notice will appear as soon as the County Board passes same. The computation road tax of two dollars will be received until March 1st, 1906. J. B. Armstrong, County Treasurer, Barnwell, S. C., Sept 12, 1905.