

PERSONAL MENTION.

People Visiting in This City and at Other Points.

—Mr. D. K. Ray, of Denmark, was in the city yesterday. —Rev. F. M. Hauser, of Denmark, was in the city Tuesday. —Mr. F. M. Moye, of Columbia, spent Sunday in the city. —Mrs. J. W. Price spent Sunday in Denmark with relatives. —Mr. S. S. Williams, of the Govan section, was in the city Tuesday. —Mr. J. N. Kinsey, of the Smoaks section, was in the city last Saturday. —Mr. W. D. Rhoad returned last Friday from a business trip to New York. —Miss Camile Price spent Sunday afternoon in Denmark with her brother. —Mr. J. F. Kearse, Sr., of the Kearse section, was in the city last Friday. —Mr. Frank Folk, of Branchville, has accepted a position in the post-office here. —Messrs. E. P. Copeland and J. Frank Chassereau, of Ehrhardt, were in the city last Friday. —Prof. and Mrs. T. C. Smoak, of Govan, spent Sunday in the city with Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Bruce. —Miss Alice Smoak returned to her home Sunday after a two weeks' visit to her sister, at Kearse. —Miss Beulah Grimes returned Tuesday evening from Blackville, where she spent several days with relatives.

County Wants to be Abolished.

It's an unusual thing for a county to want to go out of business, but Georgia has one. Heard county will likely petition the next session of the legislature to be abolished. The movement is a culmination of a growing sentiment of several years standing against what is claimed to be an excessive tax rate. Citizens of Heard county, will through the representatives, ask that the county be abolished and its three parts restored to Coweta, Carroll and Troup counties, from which it was originally drawn in about 1832.

Heard county is one of the few counties in the State which has no railroad running within its borders, the nearest connection being at Hogansville, in Troup county, which is about three miles from the line between the two counties and a distance of 16 miles from Franklin, the site of Heard county. There are only two corporations doing business in the county which are subject to taxation, and as a result the revenue from such is excessively low.

The county is profusely cut by waterways, the Chattahoochee river running almost diagonally through the center and a heavy expense is brought upon the authorities in keeping the bridges over these in repair. In order to meet these expenses the tax rate has been placed at \$30 per thousand, which is considerably in excess of the rate of Coweta, Carroll and Troup counties, where it ranges from about \$12.50 to \$16 per thousand.

A growing spirit of rebellion has been manifested by citizens of the county for the past two or three years, but it was not until last November that the feeling began to take any formidable shape, when a mass meeting of all the citizens was called to meet at Franklin on the first Tuesday of the following month. This meeting while attended by a great many was not as successful as was desired, so the matter is being allowed to hang over until the first week in March, when another meeting will be held during the regular term of the superior court, and a larger attendance is expected.

Market in Better Shape.

New York, Feb. 26.—The cotton goods market has been easier in the gray goods division during the past week. Trading continues in a conservative way, retailers buying steadily but in moderate quantities for early and prompt shipment. Retailers' operations in print, gingham, wash goods, dress goods and domestic departments have been larger than in ready-to-wear or in notions, laces or hosiery. It is inferred from this fact that retailers' stocks of staple merchandise are in very snug shape and any increase in buying at the counters will be quickly reflected in the primary markets.

Values on branded cottons have held fairly steady. Fall River sold about 90,000 pieces of print cloths, of which half were for spot delivery. There has been a better demand for made-up sheets and pillow cases and other staple domestics in the jobbing houses, but the demand is not broad enough to force jobbers into the primary markets, hence the mills are gradually increasing the volume of curtailment.

The yarn markets are easier and prices have become very irregular.

Legal blanks and blank books for sale by The Herald Book Store, Bamberg, S. C.



Bamberg County Confederate Monument

Subscriptions to Monument.

We publish below the amount subscribed so far to the fund for the erection of the Confederate monument here and the names of the subscribers. If you haven't contributed yet you will be called on no doubt, but if you want to contribute to the cause, don't wait to be called on. The Herald will receive and acknowledge subscriptions; or you may send it to Mrs. G. Frank Bamberg. But give quickly, so that the work of erecting the monument may be begun:

Amount collected by Ladies' Auxiliary to Monument Association \$155.42

- Camp Johnson Hagood..... 5.00
J. B. White & Co., Augusta, Ga..... 5.00
Estate of R. M. Hays..... 25.00
Pringle Bros., Charleston..... 10.00
Heyward Linah, Charleston..... 5.00
Estate of F. M. Bamberg..... 250.00
J. R. Reid & Co., Charleston..... 3.00
Estate of Maj. E. R. Hays..... 100.00
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Dr. C. R. Brabham, Ellenton, S. C..... 3.00
J. D. Quattlebaum, Prosperity, S. C..... 1.00
W. Gilmore Simms, Barnwell, S. C..... 5.00
M. S. Spann, Alabama..... 5.00
H. F. Spann, Fountain, Fla..... 10.00
Mrs. E. M. Rice, Georgia..... 5.00
N. R. Hays, Florida..... 50.00
A. M. Barnes..... 2.00
J. L. Lancaster, Georgia..... 1.00
Kite Folk..... 1.00
J. Morris..... 5.00
W. P. Riley..... 5.00
J. K. Risher..... 1.00
Carlton Sawyer, Columbia..... 1.00
Burton, Taylor, Wise & Co., Augusta, Ga..... 10.00
H. S. Hartzog, Arkansas..... 3.00
G. C. Chandler, Florence..... 2.50
Kaufman & Co., Richmond Va..... 5.00
Andrews Bros., Augusta, Ga..... 5.00
G. C. Varn, Savannah, Ga..... 5.00
Cash from Columbia, through Mrs. Hunter..... 1.00
Cash through Mrs. E. R. Hays Mrs. Lucy C. Hulet, Charleston..... 5.00
William Schweigert & Co., Augusta..... 5.00
S. T. Westberry, Columbia..... 5.00
Dr. L. V. Bonner, Blackville..... 5.00
C. D. C. Adams, Walterboro..... 5.00
T. R. Kohn Co., Orangeburg..... 5.00
Dr. J. J. Cleckley..... 5.00
Mrs. M. J. Cope..... 1.00
Mrs. M. E. Cope..... 1.00
J. W. Jenny & Co., Jennys..... 25.00
J. W. Barr..... 10.00
Mrs. F. M. Bamberg..... 100.00
Dr. George F. Hair..... 10.00
J. F. Jones..... 2.00
W. E. Free..... 2.00
C. W. Rentz..... 5.00
M. A. Moye..... 2.00
Cash..... 5.00
Joseph McCormack..... 1.00
G. O. Simmons..... 1.00
G. A. Jennings..... 5.00
A. S. Easterlin..... 5.00
A. McB. Speaks..... 1.00
S. W. Pearlstine..... 2.00
J. Ruben and C. Peskin..... 2.00
E. C. Bruce..... 1.00
L. P. McMillan..... 2.00
I. B. Felder..... 2.50
H. L. Kearse..... 2.00
A. B. Ayer..... 2.00

- J. M. Kinard..... 1.00
J. W. McCue..... 5.00
J. G. Smoak..... 1.00
B. W. Miley..... 5.00
E. A. Hooton..... 1.00
J. Felder Hunter..... 2.00
N. P. Smoak..... 2.00
Paul Arndt..... 5.00
T. J. Crider..... 1.00
F. L. Smoak..... .25
Cash..... .50
J. A. J. Rice..... 1.00
Cash..... .50
M. J. Black..... 5.00
W. C. Zeigler..... 1.00
Cash..... .50
G. A. Ducker..... 1.00
A. P. Beard..... .50
J. T. O'Neal..... 5.00
F. W. Free..... 5.00
M. E. Ayer..... 1.00
H. J. Brabham..... 25.00
Capt. W. Russell Wright..... 2.00
E. H. Henderson..... 5.00
S. Yetrakis..... 1.00
J. Cameros..... 1.00
Dr. E. Kirkland..... 5.00
G. W. Eaves..... 1.00
John Cooner..... 2.00
H. J. Brabham, Jr..... 5.00
Dr. H. F. Hoover..... 5.00
E. P. Allen..... 2.00
J. D. Felder..... 10.00
C. J. S. Brooker..... 5.00
S. G. Mayfield..... 5.00
J. B. Hunter..... 20.00
G. Frank Bamberg..... 50.00
Jones A. Williams..... 50.00
J. A. Wyman..... 50.00
C. B. Free..... 10.00
J. Caldwell Guilds..... 5.00
W. C. Duncan..... 2.00
D. L. Betts..... 2.00
H. D. Free..... 2.00
H. J. Delk..... 2.00
B. D. Carter..... 2.00
Henry F. Bamberg..... 25.00
L. C. Rice..... 5.00
C. A. Calhoun..... 1.00
C. W. Garris..... 5.00
W. L. McPhall..... 5.00
A. L. Pearlstine..... .50
A. W. Baxter..... 1.00
J. P. Blackwell..... 1.00
P. C. Baxter..... 1.00
Thos. Black..... 5.00
C. J. Baxter..... 1.00
P. B. Murphy..... 5.00
J. P. Murphy..... 5.00
G. P. Harmon..... 2.00
J. Q. Adams..... 1.00
D. O. Hunter..... 1.00
S. P. Reutz, M. D..... 5.00
D. M. Smith..... 5.00
D. P. Smith..... 2.50
S. W. Copeland..... 5.00
W. H. Carter..... 1.00
W. L. Mitchum..... 1.00
J. H. Roberts, M. D..... 5.00
W. D. Bennett..... 1.00
W. C. Hughes..... 2.00
H. A. Hughes..... 2.00
J. L. Copeland, M. D..... 5.00
J. M. Dannelly..... 5.00
W. B. Moore..... 1.00
G. J. Hiers..... 1.00
Jacob Ehrhardt..... 5.00
W. Max Walker..... 1.00
J. L. Hiers..... .25
H. Karesh..... 1.00
Hackney Wagon Co., Wilson, N. C..... 10.00
Geo. P. Bent Co., Chicago..... 25.00
New Home Sewing Machine Co., Massachusetts..... 10.00
Benjamin P. Crump & Co., Richmond, Va..... 10.00
Camp Micah Jenkins..... 7.00

FIRST SUBMARINE.

The American Turtle Was Tried Out at New York in 1776.

The American Turtle deserved a better fate. It was the first submarine war vessel of the United States. It was tried out in 1776 in New York harbor. Its inventor and builder was David Bushnell, of Connecticut, of whom little is known. The man who went under water with it and in New York bay tried to blow up the British frigate Asia, under General Washington's orders, was Col. Ezra Lee.

The Turtle was built at Saybrook, Conn. After its vicissitudes of being captured, sunk and resting for years at the bottom of the East river it was raised and taken back to its birthplace. There, after more years, it was taken to pieces. Its metal went into grand-father's clocks, which are still in the hallway of New York and New England homes. Its oaken, pitch smeared timbers were put to structural uses and all trace of them lost. Bushnell did not get even a tardy reward for his inventiveness. The council of safety of Connecticut in 1777 directed that he be paid 200 pounds for his services in "annoying ships," but there is no record that he ever got the money.

Here is the story of the American Turtle's first exploit as it is told in the quaint phraseology of the yellowing manuscript where it was set down long ago:

"When the British fleet lay in the North river, opposite the city of New York, and while General Washington had possession of the city he was very anxious to rid of such neighbors. David Bushnell, of Saybrook, invented a submarine curiosity called the American Turtle which received General Washington's approval for that purpose. A brother of the inventor was to operate the machine, but on trial he declined to hazard his service. Colonel Lee, distinguished for his courage and patriotism, volunteered his service, and after practicing with the machine to discover its powers a night was fixed upon for the attempt.

"General Washington and his associates in the secret took their stations upon the roof of a house on Broadway, anxiously awaiting the result. Morning came, but no intelligence of the bold navigator. While the anxious spectators were about to give him up as lost several barges were seen to start suddenly from Governor's Island, then in possession of the British, and move toward some object near the Asia, ship of the line, and as suddenly they were seen to put about and steer for the island with springing oars. In two or three minutes an explosion took place from the surface of the water, resembling a water spout, which aroused the whole city. The enemy's ships took the alarm, cut their cables and proceeded to the Hook with all possible dispatch, sweeping their bottoms with chains and with difficulty preventing their affrightened crews from leaping overboard.

"Colonel Lee, coming to the surface during this scene of consternation, was obliged again to descend to avoid the enemy's shot from the island. After forcing his machine against a strong current under water he landed safe at the battery amid a great crowd. General Washington expressing himself as much pleased that the object was affected without the loss of life.

"Colonel Lee had been under the Asia more than two hours endeavoring to penetrate her bottom, which, being sheathed with copper, resisted all attempts to attach the magazine to the ship."

Apparently the American Turtle made one more attempt to "annoy the enemy's shipping" before she ended her career. Another old diary preserved by a Connecticut family mentions this incident. It seems that the Turtle, manned by some nameless hero, perhaps again by Colonel Lee, though the chronicler does not state, made an attempt to blow up a British ship in the East river. By this time the British appear to have discovered what nature of craft it was that had essayed to destroy the Asia and so were on the lookout for anything suspicious that disturbed the surface of the water. At any rate, the American submarine was discovered before she had made any progress on her second mission of destruction.

The British boats gave chase. Considering that the maximum speed of the Turtle was three miles an hour, the pursuit could not have been a very long one. At any rate, an American vessel, probably some small schooner, was waiting for the submarine and the Turtle fled thither for protection. Hastily the odd looking craft was hoisted aboard, sail was set, and the American boat tried to show a clean pair of heels to her pursuer, but it was in vain. She was sunk by the English guns.

For a long time the Turtle lay in the submerged vessel's hold. After the war was over, however, the ship was raised and the Turtle was recovered and carried back to Saybrook. If

HORRY CITIZENS INDIGNANT

Bleese Gets Large Share of Their Censure.

Conway, Feb. 28.—Court was called this morning it being ascertained that no judge had yet arrived was adjourned sine die.

All jurors, witnesses and the solicitor and stenographer were on hand yesterday but consented to remain over until to-day in the hope that a presiding judge might reach here during the night.

Indignant Crowd.

It was a large crowd of indignant people that met here yesterday, many of them having left work of importance at home, when it was learned that no court would be held and that they would probably be called back at a time when they could ill afford to leave their farm work.

Governor Bleese came in for a great share of censure and this afternoon there was talk of an indignation meeting being held. This, however, was quieted down.

It is estimated that the failure to hold court at this time has cost the county \$500 to say nothing of the expense incurred by a number of citizens who appeared as prosecutors and as defendant's witnesses.

Costly Delay.

The clerk of court, W. L. Bryan, to-day issued pay warrants to jurors and bailiffs aggregating \$325. The many State's witnesses present were not paid. The jail here is crowded and has been for several months, bond having been refused a number of persons held in two murder cases. Twenty principals and witnesses are in jail and a number out on bond. The urgent necessity of court here is apparent to every one.

The solicitor, Mr. Wells, yesterday before reaching Conway wired the clerk to hold the jury and after reaching here made every effort to secure a judge but to no avail.

He Was More Modest.

Tramp—Kin I get a bite to eat here?

Woman—Yes, if you saw that pile of wood.

Tramp (sizing up the job)—I ain't akin' for no \$10-a-plate banquet, lady.—Boston Transcript.

every one else had forgotten her and her achievements by that time the people of her inventor's native town still held the Turtle in affectionate remembrance.—Thaddeus S. Dayton in Boston Post.

Mr. Brabham on Taxes.

Editor Bamberg Herald:—If you had been as fair in all of your editorials to me as in the last, much less would have been written. You yourself must know, and so admit that taxation is out of whack somewhere and somehow.

But when you say that land is being assessed at one-tenth of its value, then I must take issue with you. Perhaps there are a few small places that would command \$50.00 per acre, but even then that is beyond its real value.

In the last 11 years I have sold 1,500 acres of land—800 acres in Bamberg and 700 acres in Colleton. One hundred and fifty-one acres have been reserved and when you can find a purchaser that will give me ten times its assessed value, it too, will go. In the sale of this 1,500 acres very little, sold at private sales, much beyond its assessed value, and much of this land sold is still under bond and mortgage, and may never be paid for.

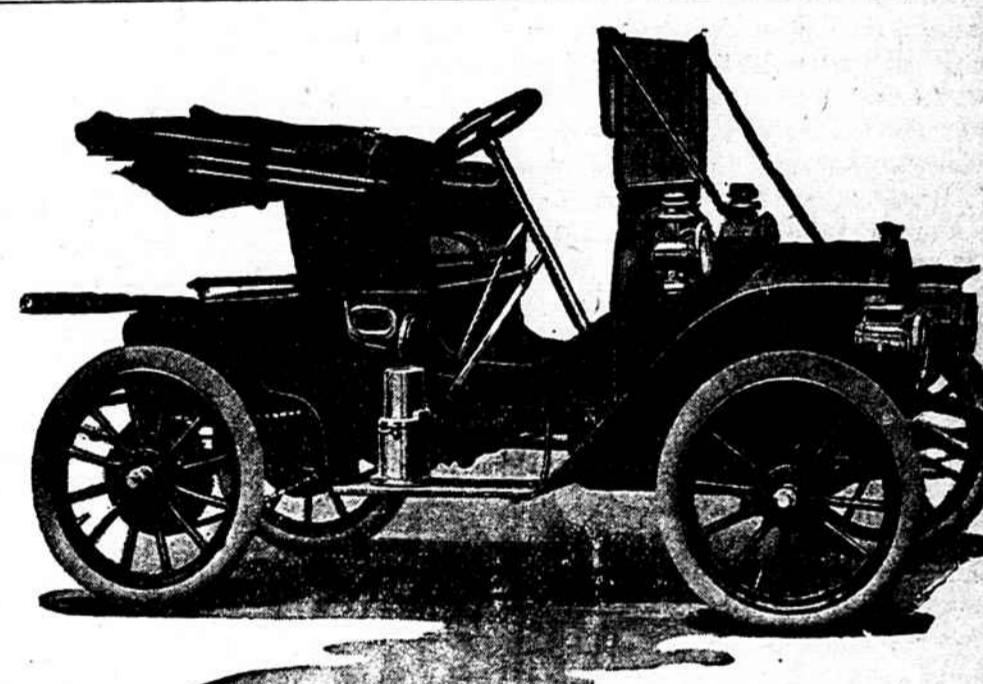
Fourteen cents cotton has placed a superficial value on nearly all Southern values, and when cotton falls, and just as sure as the sun rises, it will fall sooner or later, and the buyer of high priced land will be like a man whom I know invested in an automobile. His machine soon failed to work, and of it said: "Only two classes buy automobiles; millionaires and darn fools. I belong to the latter!" The man buying the average land of Bamberg at ten times its assessed value will surely stand in the latter class.

Of the problem of taxation, much thought is necessary. Public money is being sown broadcast as chaff. Never in the history of this country were taxes higher, and none of the State's debts are being paid. A halt must be had. New methods must be adopted and less money must be spent on public affairs, or the people will rise up in the might as in '76.

A. W. BRABHAM. Olar, S. C.

Falls Heir to Fortune.

The News and Courier says L. H. Adams, a yeoman in Uncle Sam's service at the local naval plant, has been informed that he had fallen heir to a fortune of \$27,000, left him through the death of a distant relative. Yeoman Adams' home is in Benton Harbor, Michigan. He has been in Charleston about nine months.



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Color—Body black, running gear red.
Seats—Two persons.
Wheel Base—79 inches.
Wheel Tread—56 or 60 inches.
Tires—30x3 inches.
Brakes—Two, internal expanding in rear wheel hubs.
Springs—Semi-elliptic front, full elliptic rear.
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Horse Power—Sixteen (A. L. A. M.)
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