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Thursday, June 6, 1912.

No doubt the tragedy in those pathetic words of the genial and open-handed "Hub" Evans to M. A. Goodman, a liquor drummer, "I am out of coffee and Goshen butter," will be fully appreciated by all South Carolinians in touch with the situation.

What a cruel world is this, after all, and how oft are we reminded that republics are ungrateful! Just think of clever "Hub" Evans, chairman of the State board of dispensary directors and an upright public servant, having to write to a liquor drummer of his necessities. Shame on South Carolina for not providing more liberally for her self-sacrificing patriots!

K. P. Grand Lodge.

Spartanburg, May 30.—In a down-pour of rain the Knights of Pythias grand lodge convention was called to order for its second days' session, several new delegates having come in since last night. The first business of the day was election of officers, this being made a special order for 10 o'clock. The result of the election follows:

Grand chancellor, F. S. Evans, Greenwood.

Grand vice chancellor, Geo. W. Dick, Sumter.

Grand prelate, H. K. Osborne, Spartanburg.

Grand keeper of records and seal, C. D. Brown, Abbeville.

Grand master of exchequer, Wilson G. Harvey, Charleston.

Grand master at arms, J. M. Oliver, Orangeburg.

Grand inner guard, Perrin W. Price, Barnwell.

Grand outer guard, E. R. Cox, Darlington.

Grand tribunal, O. J. Bond, Charleston.

The place selected as next year's convention city was Aiken, there having been invitations from four places. By a large majority, and after considerable discussion, it was voted to continue the publication of South Carolina Pythian.

Kills Woman and Himself.

Chicago, June 3.—Nicholas Gill, 30 years old, a city policeman, early to-day shot and killed a woman known as Julia Johnson, and then committed suicide by shooting. The shooting took place in a house of which the woman was an inmate, in the South Side levee district. She was 20 years old.

Gill, according to fellow policemen, had called frequently of late to see Miss Johnson and is said to have been infatuated with her. The policeman lived with his widowed mother in Lakeview.

The police were unable to find any one who had heard any words pass between the two previous to the shooting.

Sunday-School Picnic at St. John's.

The annual Sunday-school picnic at St. John's will be on Thursday, June 20th. The Rev. Geo. E. Davis, of Orangeburg, S. C., will deliver the address. The public is cordially invited to attend. G. J. HERNDON.

P. S. The editor is especially invited to be present. G. J. H.

At a meeting of the sub-committee of the State Democratic executive committee, held in Columbia this week, the campaign itinerary for State candidates was arranged. The campaign opens at Sumter Tuesday, June 18th. The Bamberg meeting will be held Saturday, July 13th, and at Barnwell on Friday, July 12th.

FACES MURDER CHARGE.

Aiken Man on Trial for Killing of Policeman.

Aiken, June 3.—The case of James G. Seigler, charged with the murder of Policeman Wade Patterson on the main business street of Aiken last fall, was called at 3:25 o'clock this afternoon. Seigler, who had been in jail since the afternoon he shot Patterson to death, came in the court room smiling. The securing of a jury was begun at once, and when at 6 o'clock court adjourned for the day the entire panel has been exhausted and the court found it necessary to draw a new venire. Out of the 30 men, whose names were called, only nine jurors were secured. This is the first time in a number of years that an entire panel had been exhausted in Aiken county without completing a jury. The State exhausted its peremptory challenges and the defendant objected to five men. Two were excused on account of relationship by marriage to the defendant, eight had formed and expressed an opinion as to the defendant's guilt and were excused. One man who stated that he had expressed his opinion was accepted. One was excused on account of his health. Three did not believe in capital punishment. One was a witness for the defense, and one a witness for the State. The nine jurors so far secured are: O. L. Weeks, James R. League, L. L. Hill, B. L. Adams, J. A. Stallings, C. W. Munnerlyn, H. H. Verdery, E. M. Cook and F. O. Gunter. As soon as the other three are secured to-morrow morning from the special venire the taking of testimony will begin.

No case that has come up in Aiken county in a long time has excited the interest that is centered in the Seigler case.

Senator Tillman.

The scars of a veteran are the noblest insignia of honor. Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, was never a greater figure in American eyes than in these days of his ill health.

But no amount of physical suffering can break a spirit as indomitable as that of any man who ever lived. The fearlessness, the intellectual power, the invincible will of Senator Tillman are what they have always been. He is a candidate for another term in the senate. It should be granted him. We are sure his constituents feel, as the country does, about the matter.

No legislator in the American congress is Senator Tillman's superior in parliamentary knowledge, and grasp of the practical workings of government. Sprung from the people, heart, brain and soul a man of the people, beginning against the handicap of great odds, he fought his way to the foremost rank of orators, legislators, and parliamentarians by sheer genius and force of character. His great personality has subdued the animosities of an earlier time. Eighteen years in the senate have made him understood, not only by the State of South Carolina, but by the whole nation. The United States recognizes in Benjamin R. Tillman one of the ablest and most dauntless champions of liberty, one of the most relentless foes of special privilege who ever drew breath. In a stronghold of plutocracy, he has fought, year in and year out, the battles of the people. The senate, the American republic, cannot afford to lose Tillman.—Buffalo Times.

Builds Peculiar Wagon.

Kansas City, Mo., June 2.—In a wagon so ingeniously constructed that it may be converted into a "diner," "sleeping" or "dressing room," Dr. Oscar P. Blatchly, a retired physician of Kansas City, Kan., with his wife and daughter to-day started a 5,000 mile drive that will take the travelers from here to Vermont, thence down the Atlantic coast to Florida and then back home. It will require a year to make the journey as planned.

Dr. Blatchly, who built the wagon himself, said the trip, besides being pleasure, was to give his 12-year-old daughter practical knowledge of botany, geography, geology and photography.

Certificates of Attendance.

The following pupils of the Bamberg graded school were awarded certificates for not being absent nor tardy during the entire year: George Bamberg, Leone Bamberg, Reuby Beard, Bennie Black, Mamie Faust, Pauline Faust, Arrie Free, Gladys Free, Reba Free, Roy Free, Mary Lee Grimes, Lerline Herndon, Mamie McMillan, Nettie Mitchell, Ruth Phillips, Hazel Rice, Alonzo Sandifer, Pinckney Smoak, Garris Zeigler. Of the nineteen pupils in the seventh grade, six were not absent a day or late a morning; seven were not absent a day, but late two mornings. This is a remarkable record, especially when the severe weather of the past winter is recalled.

COTTON ACREAGE REPORTS.

Figures Based on Reports to Memphis Newspaper.

Memphis, Tenn., June 3.—The Commercial-Appeal to-day will say: Reports of correspondents of date May 28 and 29 indicate a probable decrease in the acreage planted to cotton this season of 6 per cent. These figures are, however, more than usually indeterminate, as considerable planting remains to be done over wide areas. Correspondents estimates on the condition of the crop as compared to normal indicate a percentage of 80 to 83.

The crop is later than last year in all States save the two Carolinas and Texas and over the whole belt the land preparation is less thorough and planting was begun at a later date than last. Rapid germination has, however, done much to restore the time lost.

The plant is generally healthy and growing thriftily and where it is advanced enough cultivation is making normal progress. In detail returns show as follows:

South Carolina—Acreage decreased 9 per cent.

Alabama—Acreage decreased 12 per cent.

Mississippi—Acreage decreased 11 per cent.

Tennessee—Acreage decreased 13 per cent.

Missouri—Acreage decreased 15 per cent.

Arkansas—Acreage decreased 12 per cent.

Louisiana—Acreage increased 5 per cent.

Texas—Acreage increased 3 per cent.

Oklahoma—Acreage decreased 11 per cent.

Georgia—Acreage decreased 11 per cent.

North Carolina—Acreage decreased 9 per cent.

A Negro in the House.

For the first time in many years a negro occupied a seat on the floor of the house Tuesday. As a result Southern Democrats were very much agitated. Under the rules of the house, the negro was entitled to the privilege of the floor. The man was John R. Lynch, of Natchez, Miss., who is now a paymaster in the army and who represented the Third Mississippi district in the house in the Forty-third, Forty-fourth and Forty-seventh congresses. He was also temporary chairman of the Republican national convention in 1884, which nominated James G. Blaine for president. Representative Ben Humphries now represents the Third Mississippi district, but he did not welcome his predecessor when he came in. Lynch occupied a seat on the Republican side of the chamber and remained in the house about an hour.

Lynch appeared at the capitol shortly after the house convened and presented himself at the main entrance to the chamber, asking admission. He was stopped by Doorkeeper Heartsell, of Georgia. Lynch remained at the door while Heartsell rushed in to Speaker Clark to ask what he should do under the circumstances. The speaker called Representative Sisson, of Mississippi, to the rostrum and asked him if Mississippi had ever been represented in congress by a negro named John R. Lynch. Mr. Sisson recalled the services of Lynch and the speaker issued a pass authorizing Lynch to enter.

While Lynch sat in the rear of the hall talking with several old Republican members it was noised among the Democrats that the former Mississippi congressman was in Washington laying plans to run for the United States senate from Mississippi just as soon as the constitutional amendment for the direct election of senators is ratified by the States. It is the contention of Southern Democrats that the ratification of the amendment in the form that it has been passed by congress will result in the enfranchisement of the negroes who have been disfranchised in the Southern States by the operation of the "grandfather clause." There are more negroes in Mississippi than in any other Southern State, and if they should be enfranchised it is expected by the Southern Democrats they might easily elect the United States senators from that State.

Andrew Carnegie tells of a unique proposal of marriage which was an actual happening in a Scotch town where he was stopping one summer.

A Scotch beadle was very much in love, and was also extremely bashful. He couldn't make up his mind to ask the lady for her heart and hand in the ordinary manner. He made several attempts, but his courage always failed him at the auspicious moment.

One day he asked her to go for a walk and led the way to the churchyard; there finding the lot where his ancestors lay, he pointed to the headstones, and said:

"All my folks are buried here, Joan. Wadn't you like to be laid away here wi' 'em some day?"

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