

*The Easley Messenger.*

J. R. HAGOOD, EDITOR.

**NATIONAL AND STATE TICKET.**

For President,  
GROVER CLEVELAND, of N. Y.  
For Vice-President,  
THOS. A. HENDRICKS, of Indiana.

For Governor,  
HUGH S. THOMPSON.  
For Lieutenant Governor,  
JOHN C. SHEPHERD.  
For Secretary of State,  
J. N. LIPSCOMB.  
For Treasurer,  
J. P. RICHARDSON.  
For Adj. and Insp.-General,  
A. M. MANIGAULT.  
For Comptroller-General,  
W. E. STONEY.  
For Attorney-General,  
C. R. MILES.  
For Superintendent Education,  
ASBURY COWARD.

MR. ED. GRENEKER, the recent editor of the "Newberry Herald," died on Friday of last week, with Typhoid fever.

MR. E. E. BOMAR, who some months ago assumed editorial control of the Spartanburg Herald, has resigned his position. In Mr. Bomar, the "Herald" had a man fully qualified for the important position, and who made the paper one of the best weeklies in South Carolina. The editorial fraternity loses a strong man in Mr. Bomar. May he be equally successful at law, and what ever things else he might engage himself with.

**"SUBSCRIBER" vs. RAIL ROADS.**

This weeks issue of the MESSENGER contains a letter, written in opposition to the Carolina, Cumberland Gap and Chica<sub>o</sub> Rail Road, the author of which is one of our regular correspondents. He will however, excuse us for differing from him in the matter, and our readers will please indulge us, while we attempt to write something upon this subject.

By reference to another page of the paper the letter of "Subscriber" will be seen. It bears upon its face direct opposition to the construction of the road by our own people. We do not doubt the sincerity of our correspondent. We feel that he means for the best, everything he has written upon the subject. But with all the sincerity of heart, and earnestness of purpose with which the article was written, it calls for a difference in judgement on our part. He has expressed himself against the building of rail roads by our own people, and asks that we "beg, beg, beg, for capitalists to build them for us." How useless is that cry, unless we show a disposition on

our part first to inaugurate the enterprise. We cannot hope for aid, unless we first help ourselves. Does it seem possible that the capitalists at the North will take hold of that about which they know nothing? As a guarantee to them, should we not be willing to give what we are able? To warrant the building of a road, even by northern capitalists, should we not take hold upon it, and do all that lies within our power to place the enterprise upon a high way to success? If we remain with our arms folded, unconcerned and inactive upon the subject, what grounds are there for hoping that it will ever be built? Yea, what grounds are there for hoping that our own country will ever flourish and become the home of wealth and of beauty. If it is a strain upon us, the fruits of our labors will be returned to us in the near future, in a tenfold proportion. It will insure the immediate development and progress of a country which without it will remain as poor in much of the dim, distant future as it has been in the past. What would we have been to-day without the Air Line dissecting our county? An isolated spot, where wealth, progress and advancing civilization would not soon have raised their heads. Would many of our people do without the road for two or three times its cost? It is of incalculable value to us, and its beneficia. efforts are commensurate with its value. The building of a road would be a safe investment of our money, and would tend more to the upbuilding of our county than anything else we could do. "Subscriber" says: "Let us put our money on our farms and schools, if we should even have any after supplying our pot-liquor and soap-grease." If he can prove that all farms have enhanced more in value situated from a railroad than all those situated upon a railroad, taking the nature of the land into consideration, his point about putting the money directly upon the farms is well taken. But it is impossible for him to do this, and his advice therefore is not wholesome.

Furthermore, the ostensibly fine results of a railroad as regards its effect upon schools, should make his point in this matter dwindle into insignificance.

Look at the important consideration education is receiving at the hands of those who live upon the line of the Air Line road in Pickens county—if we had a new line our people along it could own three times the worth of a "pig

and calf." and instead of "robbing our children for the benefit of Railroad Kings," we would be putting money as it were in their pockets. It will be a good idea to have the townships through which the road is to run, to vote upon a subscription, provided they vote in favor of it, and let our people be impressed with the importance of voting sodidly for the grand enterprise.

[For the Messenger,

MR. EDITOR: Your worthy little paper drops in once a week, and brings with it something that is of information to those wishing to know what is going on at home and abroad.

We farmers have been digging away in the mud; Gen. Green made a considerable advance during the last months rain, and on a good portion of our bottom lands old Red Vose made an equal show. Corn looks very well considering so much wet weather. Cotton is sorry, garden truck is looking fine. We are beginning to give some of the crops its final working, and will soon be ready to say a word to a candidate as he comes along.

In speaking of candidates makes me think of the law of voting at the primary. I wonder if all the candidates who are pledged in their announcement to support the Democratic party, can vote at the primary election; (as to my part) the shoe don't pinch me directly, but I think the chance is for some one to be in an awkward shape just now. If a man sins let him repent, but is there any sin for the vote of last election? There was one independant candidate in the field who is a good citizen, a good neighbor, &c., and shall a man be disfranchised for voting for him in the face of all those bona fide voters that voted for that black negro just a little while back? I think we should remember that there is but little dispute in this County, at this time, and we need not be overcautions, but there must be something for an excitement and I reckon it is all well.

VOTER.

**NARROW ESCAPE.**—On Sunday morning last, W. S. Gregory, of Easley, came near meeting with a sad and untimely death at the residence of his mother-in-law, Mrs. N. A. Green, in the West End. Some parties were there who desired to board the morning train, and in preparation for this, Mr. Gregory had gotten up early and proceeded to the well for the purpose of drawing some fresh water, not knowing that the top plank was rotten. After stepping on the platform of the well and starting the bucket down, still holding his hands on the windlass, the platform gave way, carrying him up to his shoulders in the well, which was 75 feet deep. But for the timely assistance rendered by Mr. B. D. Green

who was a few yards distant, Mr. Gregory would have gone to the bottom in water ten feet deep.—Daily News, 22d Inst.

**PUBLIC MEETINGS.**

At a meeting of the County Executive Committee, held July 18th, 1884, the following series of public meetings were arranged for the County.

Hurricane, (Nine Mile School House,) Thursday, August 7th.  
Eastatoe, Friday, August 8th.  
Pumpkintown, Saturday, August 9th.

Dacusville, Monday, August 11th.

Cross Plains, Tuesday, August 12th.

Easley, Wednesday, August 13th.

Liberty, Thursday, August 14th  
Central, Friday, August 15th.

Pickens C. H., Saturday, August 16th.

All candidates in the county, who hold themselves subject to the primary election, are requested to be present at these meetings and address the people upon the political issues of the day.

D. F. BRADLEY,  
County Chairman.

—The weather is hot, but the farmers are well pleased.

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REV. D. WESTON HIGHT,  
Easley, S. C., July 22, 1884.

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July 25 4t R. E. BOWEN.