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TUESDAY, MAY 11, 1886.

Musteal at Due West.

We have often heard of the pleasures ttendant upon one of the musicals at the Due West Female College, and have long wished to avail ourselves of President Kennedy's invitations to attend them. On last Thursday, May 6th our wish was gratified, and twilight found us, in pleasant company, wending our Ramey and G. T. Harmon. way, with the citizens of Due West and vicinity, to the Chapel of the Female College, which we found crowded to its utmost capacity. We, however, were favored with a seat of honor, in close proximity to a bevy of as pretty college girls, as it has ever been the fortune of a young bachelor to face. max. The chapel, by its decorations showed that apt hands, and skillful fingers had

been at work thereon. Every excercise of the evening proved election for officers was then in order that the young ladies who performed and resulted as follows: them, had had their natural abilities developed by hands and minds of proficients. The exercises consisted of music, vocal and instrumental, recitations and calisthenics. We would like to comment on each feature of the programme, but are afraid as all comments journed until 3.30 p. m. would be but to praise, that our readers would regard it as fulsome. We cannot refrain from saying, however, that we Misses Leftwich and LeGal and the vocal duet of Misses Holland and Boyce. We give the programme in full:

1. Chorus-Golden years.

2. Skidmore Guards—Quartette; Misses Holland, Boyce, Erwin and Cowan. 3. Life's dream is o'er-Vocal duet Marie Power and Susie Lee.

4. Polacca Brillante-Lillian McDavid Cheerfulness-Duet vocal; Claudia Ellis, and Jennie Edwards. 6. Recitation-Prisoner of Chillon

Mamie Lathan. 7. Old Black Joe-Piano and Organ Leons Blake and Susie Lee.

8. When the heart is young-Song Claudia Ellis. 9. Selections from Il Trovatore-Quartette ; Misses Teague, Stussy,

Whitesides and Power. 10. O, Restless Sea-Trio; Misses Hammock, Dale and Dear. 11. Chorus-O, Come Away.

12. Pearl of the Sea-Piano and Organ ; Misses Anderson, Hood and Brock. 13. The Mersage-Song; Miss Leftwitch.

14. Reading-Asking the Governor; Lizzie Pierce. 15. The Fisherman and his Child-

Duct vocal; Misses Holand and Bovce. 16. Whispering Wind-Piano; Misses Leftwich and Lindsay. 17. Kathleen Mavourneen-Miss Le-

Chorus-Pit pat there fulls the rain. After this the calisthenics class, which

had been taught by Miss Leftwich, gave an exhibition drill in the yard, which had been lighted up with lanterns and torches for that purpose. Language fails us, in an attempt to describe the intricate but well executed movements put to shame a crack military company. After seeing Miss Leftwich's class in who upon first seeing a class go through with calesthenics, burst out crying, and offered and adopted. upon being asked the cause of his plenteous tears, said that his sorrow on account of having no children to take calasthenics, promoted his lachrymal overflow.

President Kennedy and his able corps of teachers are certainly to be congatulated upon the success of the entertainment, and Abbeville County is to be congratulated upon having in her bounds such a college with such teachers. It is an honor to our County and richly leserves the large patronage it

Our trip was a pleasant one indeed and we hope to have the opportunity of trencating it at some future day.

Examination of Teachers.

School Commissioner Hodges has received a circular from the Superintendent of Education giving him notice of the passage of the following resolution by the State Board of Examiners.

Resolved. That the times for holding County examinations be changed from January and July, as at present, to to such other days in those months, as

the State Superintendent may direct. In consequence of this action of the State Board, no county examinations will be held in July next. All certificates and licenses which expire in July will be continued in force until October.

thought he was better on Sunday. He port of schools. A decrease of 4 mem-which has come to be be a very poption shade in the church from Sunday ular institution in Camp Washing. To-night there to in the hands of kind friends, who will bers join to all it their power to administer to Schools. Schools. It is thought he will be able seven ago nome Tuesday or Wednesday.

The Abbeville County Sunday School Convention, of the M. E. Church, South, met in Smyrna church, Lowndesville, Friday, May 7th 1886.

The Convention was called to order by Rev. F. Aull.

After devotional exercises, Rev. F. Auli made an address of welcome, which was gracefully responded to by Rev. J. C. Chandler, of McCormick.

The following delegates were present, and enrolled as members of the Convention: Abbeville,-C. V. Hammond, J. T.

Parks and G. C. Hodges.

Abbeville Circuit—R. A. Haddon, W. W. Swearengen, Andrew McNeel, T. J.

Hester. McCormick-Rev. J. C. Chandler, P. L. Sturkey, G. T. Baughman, L. B.

Ninety-Six-W. P. Meadors, J. Miller, L. W. Anderson, Jr. and J. W. Lipscomb. Greenwood Circuit-J. F. Davis, F

. Morrow and H. M. Wilkinson. Cokesbury Circuit-W. Z. McGee. Lowndesville-F. Aull, J. W. Huckabee, J. M. Latimer and J. B. Franks.

Donalds-I. A. Kelllar and J. R. Lo-The Executive Committee made their report, recommending the adoption of the printed programme, which was accepted by the Convention. The annual

J. T. Parks, President. C. V. Hammond, Vice-President.

P. L. Sturkey, Secretary.

J. T. Parks for reasons satisfactory to the Convention, was allowed to decline the Presidency and Geo C. Hodges, Esq. was elected.

Upon motion the Convention then ad-

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After religious exercises the minutes of the morning session were read and particulaly enjoyed the vocal solos of adopted. Mr. R. S. Galloway, of the Associate Reformed church, was then introduced to the Convention and invited to participate in the exercises. Reports from Sunday Schools were then called.

After hearing the reports, the subject for discussion, "What are the qualinications necessary for an efficient and successful Superintendent?" was taken up and discussed by Mossrs. P. L. Sturby, R. S. Galloway, C. V. Hammond retary for publication.
Capt. J. T. Parks offered the followand Rev. R. D. Smart.

After this discussion the question from the box 'What are the essential qualifications for a successful teacher ?" was taken up and remarks made thereupon by Messrs. George C. Hodges, J. T. Parks and Rev. R. D. Smart.

The Convention then adjourned to meet next morning.

SATURDAY,

The Convention met at the appointed hour, with the President, George C. Hodges, in the chair.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. F. Aull. Messrs. J. C. Chand-ler, I. A. Keller and J. T. Miller, were tion. appointed a committee on the general state of Sanday schools.

The minutes of the former session were then read and adopted.

Reports from Sundays schools were again taken up. the Convention adjorned until 3.30 benefits."

AFTERNOON SESSION.

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adopted. The subject for discussion, "How to teach a Sunday School class," was then of the class. Their wheels and the regularities of movement would have put to shame a crack military company. and G. C. Hodges.

"What are the objects of the Sunday calesthenics we felt that we could sym- Schools," was taken from the question pathize deeply with the old bachelor, box and discussed by Revs. J. C. Chard- tion the congregation was dismissed. ler and R. D. Smart. The following resolutions were then

WHEREAS a great many of the Methodist Sunday Schools in our county, are doing little or nothing for the cause of missions and realizing the importance of thorough organization and system in all our efforts, to do good.

Resolved 1. That it is the sense of this Convention that more interest of Sunday School work.

2. That we urge every Methodist not done so, to organize a Sunday School Missionary Society and to take up a collection at least once a month.

Abbeville was selected as the place for the next meting of the Convention. The committee on the general state of the Sunday Schools made the following report, which was adopted.

Your committee appointed on the general state of the Sunday Schools, after examing reports of Superintendents and delegates of the schools represented, beg leave to submit the following in-

formation and suggestions. We find the number of schools represented to be 24. Number of officers, 36.

Number of teachers, Number of scholars, 906 Number volumes in Libraries 757. Amount contributed for missions.

\$186.75. Amount raised for the 280 07. support of schools,

466.82.

Number joined church from Sunday Schools. 39.
In comparison with last year we find that there is a decrease of 4 schools, 26 The only thing which marred the officers and teachers and 211 scholars leasure of the Sunday School Coven- and an increase of 132 volumes in libraion of Lowndesville, was the sickness ries. A decrease of \$48.33 in contribution the Washington Light Infantry, who, of fer. R. D. Smart, who had quite a for contribution for missions and an in-serious spell on Saturday night. It was crease of \$99.28 in contribution for sup-the inevitable Artesian water cocktail,

Schools.

Seven schools are reported as surpending during the winter. We think was visited by the Cadets this morning grand banquets which are being held in

some irregularity in reports.

It is gratifying to us to be able to rehere use our own literature published at Nashville. The reports show that there has been some improvement in a majority of the schools represented.

We recommend that the executive committee be instructed to furnish the pastor of the various charges in the county with blank reports to be distributed among the delegates elect, the blank to embrace the usual questions propounded at the convention.

We reccommend that pastors make every effort to obtain a statistical report from every school that cannot be represented by a delegate or Superintendent.

We have heard with pleasure the discussion of the members of the convention, and on the basis of these discussions we beg leave to submit the following resolutions.

Resolved 1st. That is the sense of this convention that more prayerful and thoughtful attention should be given to the management our Sunday Schools.

2. That it is very desirable that the parents of the children of our church should take a more decided interest in the Sunday School work and that they should manifest a deeper concern in the salvation of their children. And in order to awaken and increase their interest we pledge ourselves to renewed ef-

3. That in the judgment of this convention the Superintendent, officers and teachers of our Sunday School, should be men and women of good religious character and that they should manifest their fitness for the position by being studious, watchful and by a postive heart interest in the spiritual welfare of the children.

Rev. W. P. Meadows, offered the folling resolutions which were adopted. Resolved 1, That it is the sense of this convention that it is the duty of the preachers, delegates and superintendents to attend this convention and that those who fail to do so without a valid execuse are guilty of a serious neglect of the duty that they owe the Sunday School

ause. 2. That this resolution be published in the Southern Christian Advocate together with a condensed account of the proceedings of this convention and that the same be furnished by the Sec-

ing which was adopted.

Resolved That the thanks of this Convention are due and are hereby tendered to the citizens of Lowndesville and vicinity for their kindness and hospitality to us during the session of this Convention.

The Convention then adjourned sine

P. L. Sturkey, G. C. Hodges, Secretary. President. SUNDAY.

Quite a large assembly gathered in Smyrna church on Sunday to hear the addresses by gentlemen of the Conven-

The exercises were opened by Rev. W. P. Meadows, after which the Superintendent introduced as the first speak- for nineteen years now and I never saw er. Mr. George C. Hodges, who made anything like that drill before. You a very interesting address from the are an honor to your State boys, I don't verse of Scripture, "Bless the Lord, care what State you come from." The hour having arrived for preaching Oh, my soul and forget not all his

Sunday School work. He spoke on the ing of the bronzes on the Greene monu-Sabbath and its observance and mane ment. All the c.ty volunteers, as well The minutes of last meeting were quite a favorable impression upon his as the soldies in camp, participated in read and after some correction were hearers, for his address was replete with the parade, in which the Citadel Cadets good advice and sound reasoning.

Rev. W. P. Meadows, the next speaker, made a very entertaining talk on children which was heartily enjoyed by President Davis occupied a seat on the the large congregation.

Mr. Kay then thanked the delegates for their presence at the Convention and the audience for the attention they had given them and after the benedic-

Our "Dudes" in Savaunah.

The Citadel cadets were out early this morning to a breakfast of mockingbird legs, pate de fois gras, a la canary bird, and hard tack, principally hard tack. They form the most military features of the camp and their quarters are generally crowded with soldiers from other portions of the camp watchshould be taken in this important part ing the manœuvers. The guard mounting this morning, which is carried on just as it is in the Academy, was wit-Sunday School in this county, that has nessed by a large crowd of soldiers, who are struck with the splendid discipline and soldierly bearing of the Cadets They are the only command in camp who go through all the details of military service.

The refusal of the military judges to score the picked company of Cadets that entered for the first-class drill is still a matter of comment. As these. judges are all among officers detached to teach tactics in various military schools, they were doubtless actuated by a feeling of delicacy, becase any critthey might have felt called on to make would probably have been attributed by some people to jealousy of a rival institution. The subject is however, distasteful. I was thinking about it this morning, when my attention was directto the sound of a band approaching. It

AN IMPROMTU BAND.

made up of members of the Montgomory tireys. There were a snare drum, a base drum, two mouth organs, a kazoo, a guitar and a bagpipe, the latter instrument being constructed out of a camp The major carried for a baton a heer bottle mounted on a framrod. They Island, will never die. serenaded the Cadets, the Fusiliers and

The Methodist Sunday School Conven- that the decrease results from the non who gave three hearty cheers for the five of the city armories, the visiting representation of a number of schools News and Courier. An appropriate but troops being assigned out to the various which were represented a year ago and feeble response was made by its representative, who complimented the boy on the splendid show, and wished a port that all the schools represented long life and continued prosperity to the "Military Dude Factory."

A MAGNIFICENT DRILL.

It was shortly after 11 o'clok when the picked company of the Citadel Cadets entered the drill ground under command of Capt. Walker. Their colors were placed on the grand stand in charge of Miss Virginia Fraser, sponsor, and her maids of honor, Miss Bissell, of Charleston, and the Misses Heyward, of Savannah, all of whom wore the colors of the Cadets, a splendid satin streamer of dove color and white, with a pelmetto tree and the letters "S. C. M. A." worked in silk on each streamer. The announcement that the Cadets were to give an exhibition drill drew thousands to the scene, and the grand stand was crowded with ladies. A large delegation of Charlestonians also arrived on the special Centennial train in time to witness the drill.

The three United States army officers who were acting as judges were conspicuous by their absence. In their stead a special board of officers, consisting of Col. Olmstead, commandant of Camp Washington; Capt. Branch, of the Savannah Cadets; the captain of the Montgomery Greys; Capt. Roemer, of the Busch Zouaves; Dr. Borcheim, of the Gate City Guards, of Atlanta; Capt. Lyman Hall and Lieut. P. P. Mazyck, of the Citadel Academy, were on the ground, and conducted the inspection and witnessed the drill. The inspection of the arms was conducted by Capt. Roemer, of the Zouaves, who, it is needless to say, found no occasion to use Zouave discipline.

Our Loys received a perfect evation, and they well deserved it. There was fendants. but one opinion on the subject, and this was voiced by the officers, who witnessed it, and who after it was over told Capt. Walker that it was the most perfect drill that had ever been anywhere. The evolutions were the same as those gone through in the first-class infantry drill, with the addition of several more difficult movements. The manual was done with a perfect cadence, and both that and the marching were error-

The only error noted during the entire drill was the issuing of a prema-ture order by the captain. The order was to "Commence firing" before the preparatory order of "Ready" had been issued. The boys, however, stood fast, and the captain, with a coolnes and presence of mind that did him infinite credit, quickly recovered himself and soon got his men in hand again. The firing with blank cratridges was superb. The volleys being delivered as from a single gun.

It was altogether as splendid a drill as was ever seen, and the Carolinians who are here naturally feel proud of these "military dudes," who, according to the Tillman idea, live on canary bird wings and are fit for nothing. A veteran militia officer, of one of the crack companies in camp, came up to the Cadets' camp after the company had been dis-missed and said: "I've been soldiering

The exercises of the camp concluded this morning with a drill of the Bush Mr. R. S. Galloway, was intro- Zouaves. This afternoon there was duced as the next speaker and as one another grand military demonstration in whose whole heart and soul was in the this city, the occasion being the unveiloccupied the post of honor on the right of the line. The oration was delivered by Col. C. C. Jones, of Alabama. Exstand, and was of course, enthusiastically called for. He delivered a short address, in which he exhibited more emotion than I have yet seen him show since his arrival in this city.

This gathering, he said was mganificient, as it expressed the sympathy of the people of Savannah with the Centennial event. The two occasions, that of the Chatham Artillery Centennial and the honoring of the memory of Gen. Greene, were most happily blended. The colonies of Rhode Island and Georgia stood side by side and battled, for midependence and State sovereignty in 1776, and it was in that great orisis of our history that Rhode Island gave her son, Nathaniel Greene, to Georgia, to de-fend the common principles for which the colonies were battling with the mother country. Those principles were State sovereignty and constitutional liberty. They lived then, they live service hereof, exclusive of the day of such services, and if were filled and of such services, and if we were filled and of such services. the colonies were battling with the now and they shall live forever. It is here that, immediately after the late war, Georgia seemed for a time to have war, Georgia seemed for a time to have relief demanded in the complaint. lost her birthright. But she regained freedom at length, and with Rhode Island to-day stands side by side in defence of constitutional liberty. Georgia, in 1776, threw open her ams to receive into her bosom the patriotic son [L. S. M. G. ZEIGLER, of Rhode Island. There he cast his icism of the Charleston Cadets that had helped to free, he lived and died. These are the memories that endear him to the State of Georgia and to every one eaerywhere who loves constitutional liberty. In 1776 these colonies gained Court for Abbeville County, Abbeville C. H. State soverignty. That was the cause for which they fought, for which Nathaniel Greene and George Washingington fought. Is it a lost cause now? Never! Has Georgia lost her State sovereignty? No! a thousands times no! Truth crushed to the earth will rise again, and so the independence of these States, the constitutinal liberty they loved in 1776, and which Nathanpillow and a triangle (two ramrods.) iel Greene, of Rhode Island, helped to win for Georgia as well as for Rhode At the close of his speech Mr. Davis

was obliged to be hurried off from the platform to prevent his being crushed by the crowd which streamed in anxious To-night there was a grand display of MESSENGER.

city companies.

Mr. Davis and the Citadel Cadets

It will perhaps interest Farmer Tillman to know that Mr. Davis after the parade this afternoon expressed a wish o see the Cadets of the 'Military Dude Factory," Through the kindness of Mayor Lester a reception was arranged for them at the Exchange. The battalion stacked arms on Bay street and marched into the building, where the Cadets were introduced to Mr. Davis, who expressed his pleasure at seeing them, and intimated that they were an honor and credit to their State. "The Citadel," he said,"always did turn out the best o men, and I'm glad to see that it has been opened." He then shoch hads with each one of the Cadets, as the line passed before him, and bade them an affectionate good-bye. J. A. M.

Saved His Life.

Mr. D. L. Wilcoxeos of Horse Cave, Ky says he was, for many years, badly afflicted with Phthisic, also Diabetes; the pains were unendurable and would almost lmost throw him into convulsions. almost throw him into convulsions. He tried Electric Bitters and got relief from firfst bottle and after taking six bottles, was entirely cured and had gained in flesh eihgteen pounds. Says he positively believes he would have died, had it not been for the relief afforded by Electric bitters. Sold at fifty cents a bottle by T. C. Perrin.

State of South Carolina.

COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE. COURT OF COMMON PLEAS. Ida P. William and Rebecca D. Johnson

Plaintiffs.

Lula A. Power, Fannic L. Haddon et al, de-

Copy Summons for Relief. Complaint not Served. _

To the Defendants: Lula A. Power, Fannie L. Haddon, M. F Johnson, F. E. Johnson, Lena Johnson, Joseph L. Johnson, Isabella Raysor, Sallie Tayor, Rebecca Scott, Lucy Linton, India T. Johnson, Mollie Johnson, Julia Johnson, Rebecca Johnson, Mattie Johnson, Mollie Johnon, Jonhson Bowie, William Bowie, Lelloy Bowie, John Bowie, Theodore Bowie, and Cor nelia Bowie.

You are hereby summoned and required to inswer the complaint in this action, of which a copy is on file in the office of the Clerk of the Court for Abbeville county, and to serve a copy of your answer to said complaint on the subscriber at his office at Abbeville Court House, South Carolina, within twenty day after the service hereof, exclusive of the day f service; and if you fail to answer the com plaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiffs in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint, to wit, the the partition of the land of Amanda Johnson

Dated April 27th A. D. 1886 M. G. ZEIGLER, C. C. P. L. S.

J. FULLER LYON,

Plaintiff's Attorney. To the absent Defondants; Isabella Raysor, Sallie Taylor, Rebecca Scott, Lucy Linton, India T. Johnson, Mellie Johnson, Julia Johnson Rebecca Johnson, Mattie Jo nson, Mollie Johnson, Johnson Bowie, William Bowie, LeRoy Bowie, John

Bowie, Theodore Bowie and Cornelia Bowie TAKE NOTICE that the summens in this action of which the above is a copy, together with the complaint, has this day been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Com-

mon Pleas for said County. J. FULLER LYON, Plaintiffs' Attorney.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

April 26, 1886. 6t.

COUNTY OF ABBEVILLE, Court of Common Pleas.

Joseph A. Brown, Phillip B. S. Pettigrew against

Geo. W. Brown, S. Bleckley, E. W. Brown, J J. Baker, J. G. Fretwell, Bleckley, Brown & Co., Mary Chasteen, John L. Brown Alice Brown, Joseph A. Brown, Smith Brown, Georgie Brown, Defendants .- B, Summons. For relief. (Complaint no served.)

To the Defendants :

Geo. W. Brown, L. Bleckley, E. W. Brown J. J. Baker, J. G. Fretwell, Mary Chasteen,

John L. Brown, Joseph A. Brown, Smith Brown, Greorge Brown, You are hereby summaned and required to Common Pleas, for the said County, and to

Dated April 3, A. D. 1886. PARKER & McGOWAN.

Pliantiff's Attorney's.

C. C. P.

To Mary Chasteen, Alice Brown, Smith Brown, Georgia Brown, absent defendats to above action take notice that the complaint in this action (with copy summons) has this day been filed in the office of the Clerk of the

> PARKER & McGOWAN, Plaintiff' Attorney's.

April 5, 1885.

April, 5 1886-4t

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, ABBEVILLE COULTY, Court Common Pleas.

Ex parte, Hessie A. Beacham, Petitioner-Application for Homestead.

Notice is hereby given to all persons con-cerned, that was Hessie A. Beacham has ap-plied to me to have the Homestead exemp-tions allowed by law set off to her in her real and personal property.

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