

We are not responsible for the views of our correspondents.



DEMOCRATIC NOMINATIONS.

- For Governor, WADE HAMPTON. For Lieutenant-Governor, W. D. SIMPSON. For Secretary of State, R. M. SIMS. For Superintendent of Education, H. S. THOMPSON. For Comptroller-General, JOHNSON HAGOOD. For Adjutant and Inspector-General, E. W. MOISE. For State Treasurer, S. L. LEAPHAR. For Attorney-General, LEROY F. YOUNG. For Congress, GEORGE D. TILLMAN. COUNTY TICKET. Representatives, JOHN C. DAY-NT, HENRY HARTZOG, J. A. MILLER, D. PAUL SOUMOURNER, T. M. HUTTON. Probate Judge, W. GILMORE SIMMS. County Commissioners, J. C. McMILLAN, F. W. JENNY, J. H. CREBOH. School Commissioner, A. BUIST.

To Correspondents.

We again say that we will not publish any communications from unknown correspondents. This, with bad spelling and worse doctrines, has sent several contributions to the waste basket this week. We are always willing to publish articles of general or local interest.

Too Much Cotton Planted.

Limited space prevents us from commenting upon the thoughtful letter of our new and intelligent correspondent, "Blackville." We shall refer to it hereafter and ask for it now a careful reading, believing as we do that it marks out the only road to our certain and permanent prosperity.

The Sumter Arrests.

On the 18th instant United States Deputy Marshall Hannifin, well known to the people of Barnwell as Commissioner Eaton's right hand man in the arrests made in 1876, went to Sumter and arrested and carried to Charleston Messrs. Schwerin, Phillips and McCutchen. The warrants were issued by Sam Lee, on affidavits of Coghlan, the Irishman who tried to bring on a collision between the whites and blacks on the 12th instant. As they have been guilty of no violation of law, it can be regarded as only an attempt to intimidate.

The Republican Nominating Convention.

This body met at Blackville on last Friday. The attendance was small and its enthusiasm infinitesimal. One white (the last of the Mohicans) and about forty colored delegates were present. The Convention sat with closed doors, but we learn that its proceedings were of a most orderly character, contrasting strongly with those noisy assemblages that have heretofore made and unmade Republican office-holders, but never statesmen. A great many speeches were made, of course, for speech-making is a necessary element in their Conventions, as in those of other parties, but they were all of a conservative character.

After the organization of the Convention nominations for the Legislature were declared in order, and some twenty-five candidates were announced. Among these were several prominent and straight-out Democrats, whose names were used without their consent. A committee of seven was charged with the duty of selecting five candidates from the names put in nomination. After a short consultation the committee presented a report favoring the endorsement of the entire Democratic county ticket. After some discussion the report was modified and adopted. It endorsed all the ticket except Messrs. I. M. Hutton and Joseph A. Miller, substituting for them William Ray and Rev. E. J. Shetter, two colored men. It was distinctly stated that there was no special objection against Hutton and Miller, and endorsement of other nominees was

probably done to satisfy the party, which expected something to be done, and it is generally thought that they will withdraw from the race before the election. Such a course on their part will be proof of a true patriotism, for it will indicate that both races in Barnwell are united in their aims, both resolved to do fairly, do justly, preserve peace in all our borders, and to join together in rebuilding the shattered fortunes of our people and State. A letter was read from Smalls, which failed to elicit any enthusiasm, and it is of too little importance to dwell on, as that statesman will soon retire from the halls of Congress to the care of the fine property he has acquired in Beaufort while he has been a public servant. It was evident, however, that the Convention favored the re-election of Smalls, and we believe that a resolution of that tenor was adopted. Having concluded its labors the Convention adjourned, we suppose, sine die.

Major George D. Tillman.

If the Democracy could fully appreciate the vital importance of Major Tillman's election to Congress his success would be assured. He is a plain, earnest, honest country gentleman, while his competitor, Robert Smalls, is a convict—elected before a Judge chosen as a Republican by a Republican Legislature, and found guilty by a jury of his own race. Will honest colored men vote for him? We believe not; if informed of his infamous record they cannot, without proving themselves the willing slaves of the Republican party. The Northern wing of the party is sparing no effort to whip the colored people to support Smalls, but they cannot succeed if the Democracy will only do their plain and easy and sacred duty. If the white people are grateful they will remember the fearless leader who, two years ago, headed the forlorn hope in this District, who has spent his time and his means since in endeavoring to gain the seat in Congress to which he was legally elected two years ago. If they are politically wise they will, "as much as in them is," spare no time or effort to win his triumphant election. For Tillman's single vote in Congress may save the country from Radicalism and secure the election of a Democratic President in 1880 should no popular choice be made and the election thrown into the House of Representatives.

Elect Tillman and South Carolina's vote will be cast for the Democratic nominee; elect Smalls and it will be cast for the Republican candidate.

The Beaufort Tribune says that, at the Republican convention held in Beaufort, Smalls "gave a graphic account of his escapes in Blackville last Friday from the blood-thirsty red shirts, and he said he had now in his possession a large iron bolt that was thrown at him as he entered the car." We are afraid that the Hon. Robert is either an ineptful lunatic or on the verge of delirium tremens, for no sane or sober man could tell such a whopper.

ON THE RIGHT TRACK.

The True Road to Prosperity—Too Much Cotton Planting.

To the Editor of The People: Cannot we find a remedy for this excessive planting of cotton by our planters? The price of the article is now down so low that it is a question whether there is any profit left after paying the cost of making the cotton. This year the crop in this county, and perhaps some of the adjoining ones, is said to be at least one-third short. The crop of the whole country is estimated this year at 5,000,000 bales; so that although our neighborhoods make short crops, the entire crop will be so large as to keep prices down very low. Why not plant less cotton and get better prices? Can't this be done? I think it can.

The planters of the South are all members of Granges. Why cannot these Granges meet in convention, say in January, or at such time as may suit best, and look into this matter? Why could not such an agreement as this be entered into? Every planter bind himself to his Grange to plant the coming year two-thirds or three-quarters only (as may be agreed on) as much land in cotton as he planted the present year. For instance, the present year's crop is estimated at 5,000,000 bales. A general agreement to plant only three-quarters as much land in cotton the coming year would produce say 3,750,000 bales. Now, would not these 3,750,000 bales bring as much as the 5,000,000 bales of this year? I think there is little doubt of it. Then if the balance of the land—on which say 1,250,000 bales were made this year—was suffered to lie out, it would still be a benefit to the planters. But this land need not remain idle. It could be planted in corn, oats and other small grain, and the profit to the planters would be greater than if planted all in cotton. If this question were laid before the Granges and argued there, would the members fail to see the advantage of carrying out some such plan? I think not. It would have to a general agree-

ment of all the members in all the Granges. Of course all the members in all the Granges should pledge themselves to carry out the plan and agree to pay a forfeit in case any member broke his faith and planted more than the general agreement or allowed more to be planted on his lands than the amount agreed upon.

If any member broke his agreement he should be reported to his Grange by a brother member, to be dealt with. I think this plan, if carried out faithfully, would give us an average price for the next year's crop of 12 1/2 to 15 cents per pound, instead of about 9 cents for this year's crop. And if so, would it not be an advantage to the whole country at large to have this important staple at a price that will pay something to the planter? I think it would. Business in all departments would be improved and benefited. I have written hurriedly, but I hope not unintelligibly, and I trust that this letter may be the means of exciting argument on the subject, and of helping and benefiting the now much depressed condition of the Southern cotton planter. BLACKVILLE.

State and National News.

The health of the Hon. Alex. H. Stephens is improving. Now is the time for bad boys to fall out of hickory trees. Texas will grow over 1,000,000 bales of cotton this year. County treasurers throughout the State are on the war path. The taxable property of Aiken county is valued at \$9,000,000. In China 7,000,000 persons have perished of famine this year. An old proverb says that "matrimony is a matter of money." Trouble is brewing in the East and the Russian bear is the brewer. Ex Secretary Bristow has commenced the practice of law in New York. Mad dogs are again reported to be numerous in Lexington county. The Bank of England has raised its rate of discount. Follow its example. In Florida both of the Democratic nominees for Congress will be elected. Horry has recently discovered that there is lots of gold within her borders. Thirty-five convicts are turning under peas in the State House grounds at Columbia. Eleven Catholic priests have died at Memphis this summer in the discharge of duty. A Spartanburg farmer has been picking up nuggets of gold on the hillsides of his farm. Stock of the Langley (Aiken) Factory is selling at a premium of twelve and a half dollars. The Georgia Legislature, which meets on November 6th, has but one negro member. General John C. Fremont has recently been appointed Governor of Arizona. The North Carolina apple crop is unusually good and apple jack will be plentiful. The Radical county convention of Richland county has put in the field a parti-colored ticket. California mining stocks have of late appreciated greatly, and times are flush on the golden shore. The population of Memphis from the fever broke out was 40,000. Now it is 2,000 whites and 6,000 colored. Darlington has nominated a striped ticket—three whites and seven colored—and they shall be beaten with many stripes. Hampton has been carrying on a Democratic revival in Hampton, Beaufort and Colleton. The field is full of black birds ready for the harvest. The Charleston Democracy have nominated a capital straight-out Democratic ticket, on which are three colored men. Major T. B. Fraser, Senator from Sumter, will probably be elected Judge of the Third Circuit, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge A. J. Shaw. The debt of Georgia amounts to \$10,444,500, her taxable property to \$235,659,530, and the three railroads owned by the State are valued at \$12,000,000. Colonel J. F. Truelten, State constable, recently arrested in North Georgia D. L. Turner, defaulting Radical ex-Probate Judge of Edgefield county, and brought him back. The Abbeville Medium has been one of the reasons for saying that the Radicals have determined to put out a ticket in that county and contest the coming election with all their power. This is no "cry of wolf" for the purpose of creating a false alarm, but is based upon most accurate and reliable reports from men who know the programme. Dr. T. G. C. Fahnestock, who came from Ohio a few years ago and settled in Oconee county, belongs to that class of settlers that the people of South Carolina delight to honor. He bought land and a homestead. He is now the captain of a "red shirt company," and was in the procession on the 16th with his company. The doctor being an actual settler was kindly received by our people at his first coming, and was never asked whether he was a Democrat or Republican.

TAX NOTICE.

Office of County Treasurer, BARNWELL, S. C., Sept. 12, 1878. The Treasurer's books will be opened for the last installment of Taxes for the fiscal year, 1877, at the following places: Ballou, Tuesday, October 1, 1878. Barlow, Wednesday, October 2. Andalus, Thursday, October 3. Prater's Store, Friday, October 4. Buford's Bridge, Saturday, October 5. Williams' School House, Bennetts Springs, Township, Monday, October 7. Robbins, Tuesday, October 8. Mixson's Mill, Wednesday, October 9. Williston, Friday, October 11. Blackville, Saturday, October 12. Graham, Monday, October 14. Barnwell, Tuesday, October 15. Midway, Wednesday, October 16. Howard's Mill, Thursday, October 17. Howard's, Friday, October 18. Barnwell, from the 1st of October to 1st of November.

RATE OF TAXATION.—State Tax, 41 mills; County Tax, 3 mills; Jail Tax, 2 mills; Past Indebtedness, 1 mill; School Tax, 2 mills. United States Treasury Notes Bank Bills, Gold and Silver Coin only, receivable for Taxes. ALFRED ALDRICH, Treasurer Barnwell County.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

ALL parties indebted to the late firm of DEKMAR & PARSONS are required to make payment within thirty days or their notes and accounts will be placed in the hands of my attorney for collection. And as I expect a fresh crop of customers within the next thirty days to settle their notes and accounts, I beg that they do not fail to call and examine my large stock of General Merchandise. And as I have established here a warehouse, where I keep on hand, at astonishingly low prices, Buggies of every style and quality, Whips, Umbrellas and Harness, I will be pleased to show to my customers sixty different kinds of Buggies, out of which I am sure to suit them, and at prices to suit the hard times. Call and see for yourselves that a small amount of cash will get you a stylish and warranted Buggy. H. BARKMAN, Notes and accounts assigned me by L. L. Myers for the benefit of Simon Fass must also be settled in thirty days or they will be likewise disposed of. oct24-1mo

Real Estate Agency.

Offer my services as Real Estate Agent to parties having Lands or Houses to sell, and I will endeavor to make quick sales of all property entrusted to me. Have now for sale Dwelling Houses and Lots in Blackville and Lands near the same place adapted for farming purposes. Also, a tract of land near Graham's. All of which I will treat for an accommodating terms. Your favors respectfully solicited. G. E. STEADMAN, oct24-1f Blackville, S. C.

Barnwell Lands for Sale.

A FEW choice Cotton Plantations can be bought at reasonable rates, situated near Williston and Blackville, between the South Carolina Railroad and the Edisto river. For terms apply to H. M. THOMPSON, oct24-1f Williston, S. C.

Application for Final Discharge.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the undersigned will apply on Friday, the 15th day of NOVEMBER, 1878, to the Judge of Probate for Barnwell county, for a discharge as Administrator of W. W. Willis, deceased. H. M. WILLIS, Adm. Instrator.

W. J. FARR.

"THE LAMP MAN." HAS MOVED to the Hatchers Store, opposite Thomas R. Rhodes' and the Fountain, and next store east of E. E. Selmas' Grocery Store, and he will be glad to see his old patrons and as many new ones as may desire Good and Cheap Lamps, Crockery, Glassware, Kerosene Oil, and his usual variety of Goods needed by every household. No. 1 Kerosene, 19c to 20c a gallon; and also sells the

SAFETY LAMP COLLAR.

that makes any lamp absolutely safe. oct10-3m

Application for Final Discharge.

Notice is hereby given, That the undersigned will apply, on Friday, the 15th day of November, 1878, to the Judge of Probate for Barnwell county, for a final discharge as Administrator of the estate of Winifred Lott, deceased. EDWIN STANLEY, Adm. Instrator.

THE BARNBERG ACADEMY.

I WOULD respectfully inform the citizens of Barnberg and the public generally that on the first Monday of January next the Barnberg Academy will be opened for the reception of students. I respectfully solicit the patronage of the community. oct24-4f L. N. BILLINGER.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF BARNWELL.

By Samuel J. Hay, Esq., Judge of Probate for said county:

WHEREAS William Matthews hath made suit to me to grant him Letters of Administration on the estate and effects of William F. Matthews, late of said State and county, deceased. These are, therefore, to cite and admonish, all and singular, the kindred and creditors of the said William F. Matthews, that they be and appear before me, in the Probate Court, to be held at Barnwell, S. C., on MONDAY, the 4th day of November next ensuing, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why said administration should not be granted. Given under my hand this 15th day of October, A. D., 1878. SAMUEL J. HAY, Probate Judge, S. C. oct17-1d

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF BARNWELL.

By Samuel J. Hay, Esq., Judge of Probate:

WHEREAS James Kelly hath made suit to me to grant him Letters of Administration of the estate and effects of Samuel Daniels, late of said State and county, deceased. These are, therefore, to cite and admonish, all and singular, the kindred and creditors of the said Samuel Daniels, deceased, that they be and appear before me in the Probate Court, to be held at Barnwell, S. C., on MONDAY, the 4th day of November next ensuing, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why said administration should not be granted. Given under my hand and seal this 26th day of September, A. D., 1878. SAMUEL J. HAY, Probate Judge, S. C. oct3-1f

Sheriff's Sale.

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF BARNWELL, October 12th, 1878. Charles D. C. Adams and Jeremiah J. Miles, Traders, doing business under firm name of Adams & Miles, vs. William J. Jones. BY VIRTUE of an execution to me directed by J. J. Frabham, Esq., Clerk of the Court for Barnwell county, S. C., I will offer for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, on MONDAY the 4th day of NOVEMBER, 1878, the following described real property, to-wit: 1. All that Plantation or Tract of Land situated and being near the town of Barnberg, in the county of Barnwell, containing one hundred and seventy-five acres, more or less, and bounded by lands now or lately of Dr. L. A. Field, Isaac S. Barnberg and Prince Road, and real estate being in the possession of J. S. B. Jones, as tenant of the said William J. Jones. 2. Real estate belonging to become due from said J. S. B. Jones to the Fall of next year, amounting to seventy-five dollars. Terms of sale: Cash. Purchasers to pay for papers. oct17-1d J. W. LANCASTER, S. B. C.

By virtue of an execution to me directed by J. J. Frabham, Esq., Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for Barnwell county, S. C., I will offer for sale, at public auction, in front of the Sheriff's office, on the first Monday in November next, it being a holiday of said month, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described personal property, to-wit: One single-seated buggy and harness. Leveled upon as the property of H. W. L. Stansted, at the suit of H. H. Esterling & Son. ALSO, Aquilla Woolley vs. J. F. Crawley. At the same time and place, I will offer for sale, one cream mare and one buggy and harness. Leveled upon as the property of J. F. Crawley, at the suit of Aquilla Woolley. ALSO, W. M. Land vs. Berry Barwell and Love Pitts. At the same time and place, I will offer for sale, two bay mares and one colt. Leveled upon as the property of Love Pitts, at the suit of W. M. Land. J. W. LANCASTER, S. B. C. October, 12th, 1878.

Order Sales.

L. D. Mowry & Son vs. Joseph B. Bates. BY VIRTUE of and in pursuance of an order of foreclosure in the above entitled cause, I will sell, at Barnwell, S. C., on the first MONDAY in NOVEMBER next, it being the fourth day of said month, between the usual hours of sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described real property, to-wit: All that certain Plantation or Tract of Land containing seventy-five acres, more or less, situated, lying and being in the county of Barnwell, upon the lands of W. P. Dunbar and W. H. Howard, on the south by the Savannah river, on the west by lands of Mrs. D. A. and W. P. Dunbar, and on the east by a tract of land of J. A. Furse, and by lands of Mrs. H. A. Furse, and south by Furse & Mill Creek. Purchasers to pay for papers. ALSO, Henry Bischoff & Co. vs. Joseph B. Bates. All that Tract, Piece or Parcel of Land, situated in the county of Barnwell, containing seven hundred acres, more or less; bounded on the north by lands of W. P. Dunbar and W. H. Howard, on the south by the Savannah river, on the west by lands of Mrs. D. A. and W. P. Dunbar, and on the east by a tract of land of J. A. Furse, and by lands of Mrs. H. A. Furse, and south by Furse & Mill Creek. Purchasers to pay for papers. ALSO, J. W. LANCASTER, S. B. C. Sheriff's Office, Barnwell, S. C., October 12, 1878.

Mortgage Sale.

Americus Elward to Robert Aldrich. By virtue of an appointment as agent in the above stated case, I will offer for sale, on the first Monday in November next, it being the 4th day of said month, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described personal property, to-wit: One black horse Male. Leveled upon as the property of Americus Elward, at the suit of Robert Aldrich. J. W. LANCASTER, Agent. October 19, 1878.

Foreclosure of Lien.

R. J. Steedley vs. Peter Daniels—Foreclosure of Lien. BY VIRTUE of a lien warrant to me directed by J. J. Frabham, Esq., Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for Barnwell county, S. C., I will offer for sale, at public auction, at Hunter's Gin House, Fish Pond township, between the usual hours of sale, on Tuesday, the 5th of November, 1878, the following described personal property, to-wit: Fifteen hundred pounds seed cotton, more or less; 55 bushels of corn, more or less; 100 bushels of fodder, more or less; 300 stalks of Corn, more or less; 25 bushels of rough rice, more or less. Leveled upon as the property of Peter Daniels, at the suit of R. J. Steedley. Terms of sale: Cash. oct17-1d

Attachment Sales.

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