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Enoch Pratt of Baltimore commenced life with the grandest capital in the world-"determination to succeed; and to succeed honestly. In the accumulation of his immense wealth his magic wand dispensed in fabulous showers blessings on his adopted city. "Enoch Pratt's life was filled with that great happiness which comes from genuine generosity." His career so unselfish, se noble, so consecrated to his fellow man was laid on the altar of duty, of prayer, of industry, of faith in Jehovah's arm. Conscience to this man was God's vicegerent guiding and guarding him in action; never did the ghost shake his bony finger in his pallid face-frightened, because he had robbed a brother or turned a cruel shoulder on suffering humanity. Hear the rich eulogium on the departed. "Was he just? Was he generous? Did he 'teel a brother's woe? Was he pure? Ah! Heaven has gained a ripe, wealthy soul and earth mourns his loss." In thousands of homes will Enoch Pratt be remembered as long as Baltimore endures. His motto was, "I have made my money in Baltimore and I must give to her a royal share, bequeathing every talent "doubled" to the interest of my God and my Kind.

To young men and to the old h gives this "Great Lesson of His Life." "The best capital is a good name, a clear cut purpose and unflagging persistence. We are here to serve the public, let us die in harness. Let the rich man be his own executor and let him share his gold with his less fortunate neighbor. All honor to the lofty man, and let the monumental city ever inscribe on her towering shafts: "Well done good and faithful servant."

Florida, Georgia and South Caroequinoctial storm. Although long delayed, and of short duration it marked its path, death and despair remain in its wake.

know what a storm is. To see one in its fury we must be on the coast or out at sea where the waves rise mountain high, and the largest ship is but a toy in ocean's grasp. Then it is that men are at their wit's end and even wicked man calls upon the name of his God.

The mother of the Gulf-stream,that artery of life to western At lantic and to northwestern Europeseems also to be the prolific breeder of the storms that plough through our forests, level our houses and scatter our shipping. If "variety is the spice of life," we have it to abound as an effervescence from the tropics. It is something grand to witness one force of nature holding another in abeyance. The "sun crosses the line," as the sailors say and the elements are at war. Land and sea are willing witnesses to the strife. The moon, with the sun, has drawn the waters of the sea after her into our bays and inlets and rivers, but they will not follow her on her backward course because a greater than she holds the waters under his giant sway. The storm is doing what the silvery moon cannot. And thus when again she invites the waters forward, moon and storm, hand in hand open the flood gates and, old ocean glad for a spree, waves, rolls and tumbles.

ing for their state and country. Imper- | ton, if he ever gets there.

fect as it is, the record is a good one. Had the writer been better informed there would have been a better show-

The writer quotes from a former mayor of Charleston to tell us the ED. H. DeCAMP, Manager and objects the Citadel has in view. These are his words: "To train the mind and to develop the body, to instill a lofty appreciation of honor bute regular news letters must fur- instincts of patriotism, to teach self- any thing. control and subordination of the individual to the discipline, of recognized law," and Mr. White adder No the got them to the office by Tuesday. higher standard can be conceived, and All correspondence should be ad- if these principles are inculcated in the youth, good results. may reasonably be expected in the man." -

Self-reliance, self-control, promptitude, obedience to law and recognized authority, when made a part of the man himself is a good foundation. It is not acquired on dress parade, but by dint of untiring effort, after repeated failures from the date of entrance to the time when the state

About one out of seven who enter her walls become graduates, but four times five hundred have remained long enough to be materially helpful by wholesome discipline of mind and body, and who are as good and noble citizens as any state can boast, of. The work goes bravely on notwithstanding there are many who view it full. suspiciously. It will bear thorough inspection.

THE SEABOARD.

The "rate war," inaugurated by the Seaboard has come to an end. It now looks as if it was the struggle of what claimed to be a wealthy corporation. Its struggles only hastened its end. Propositions are now being considered to sell a controlling interest in its stock. If \$650,000 is sufficient to control its management, it is a small thing after all. But the public is not so much concerned in the cutting of rates as it is in the Seaboard being maintained as an inswallowed by the Southern-its sworn enemy that pursued it refentlessly, and was in at the finish.

Two systems flourish in our statethe Atlantic Coast Line in the East, and the Southern in the West, and between them there is room for no other? Gradually the coils are growing stronger, and other smaller and independent roads may look out.

We owe much to our railroads, they have developed out of the way sections of our state, and continue right himself. in the good work. We are glad for the spirit of enterprise which they are so ready to show, but there is danger of being ground to powder when placed between the upper and nether millstones of uncontrolled THE STORM ALONG THE COAST. and concentrated power. And it looks very much as if we are now aplina have been swept by the recent proaching that condition, if indeed we are not already in it. Notice that the accession of power is never lacked not in violence. Destruction followed by greater adventages to the patrons of the road. Nearly always you will find a tightening of the reins Here among the hills we hardly and a minimum of conveniences.

MCKINLEY'S LETTER.

The Republican nominee for presidential honors has every now and then to face some of his earlier indiscretions? Now, it is in the shape the free an unlimited coinage of the silver product of American mines. Perhaps McKinley had not at that time aspiration to occupy the White House. At any rate, he failed to look so far into the future as to be able to guide his political bark clear of shoals and whirlpools. A man SEEof one idea, as McKinley undoubtedly is, can hardly have that grasp or that breadth of thought that comes so naturally to the stateman. Placed in the nation's capital to direct a nation's affairs at this critical period of her history, when one misstep would lead to untold woes, his weakness will be all the more apparent: The chief executive should be a man of the clearest vision, easy to see, quick to decide and as firm as the rock of Gibralter. Not one of these qualities does McKinley posssess

Who knows where he really stands on the financial question? There are grave doubts if he has any standing ground whatever that he can call his very own. He has spoken, but it has been after much coaxing, and then it some with that uncertain THE S. C. MILITARY ACADEMY. sound that one knows not whether it Mr. C. G. White, of Charleston, in was a call to advance or to retreat. an article in The News and Courier, There are a plenty who have spoken writes in terms of commendation of for him. And that's the trouble. the Citadel. He takes the five hun- Not having a mind of his own-exdred and one graduates and shows cept on one subject-his sponsors. what they have done and are still do- now will be his sponsors in Washing-

above ordinary men.

Dots From Arkansas.

(Correspondence of The Ledger.)

PACTOLUS, ARK., October 1, 1896.-I am at home alone, My wife and son-in-law and family have gone to reader of THE LEDGER for a long time Sitborn on a visit and will be gone but I thought I would come again to

The earth has dried out until it is oose as a bed of ashes. My neigh- or twist and pucker so many mouths bors have sowed wheat and it come to keep them in shape for scolding. up nicely. We have had four light showers of rain in the last month view of husband taking their wive's that wet the earth about two inches | counsel, but it wont do to get one of corn crop. I made good corn consi- for they would send you to buncomb dering the drouth. I planted four- in a hail storm. teen acres and made 500 bushels of good corn. My land was an old Webber Miss July Harrill, W. V. clover meadow while many of my Bridges and J. E. Fowler dined at T. neighbors will not make 100 off of the

same amount of land. I will tell you something now that don't look altogether reliable. Corn is selling here all over the country list week. at 25c per bushel; wheat 45c; hogs bids her son go forth and do the work | 7c; lard 7c. Cattle is having a better price than any one thing. A good horse that is worth \$100 can be have got Old Patty afraid to see him bought for \$20 dollars. The people for fear she will loose her old heart in this country are not fretting over | tco. hard times they would like to have a little more water and so would I.

Apples are selling at 20c per bushel. This time last year I did not know what to do with them but around Cowpens went to the negro I know now I gethered them today association near White Plains Sunin the wash-pan and did not have it day.

for me. He has some symptoms of wanting to marry.

This leaves us all well. Great success to THE LEDGER.

I hope you will get a new county.

Mt. Tabor Church Troubles.

MR. EDITOR :- Will you allow me space in your columns to state the trouble that came up in the Mt. Tabor Church during the series of meetings in August.

Deacon D. C. Smith brought a charge against Pastor H. K. Bates, which came up before the church for trial. After fully investigating the cine in the world. Every family Co. case the board said the testimony was not sufficiet to convict, so Rev. dependent system. Now there seems Bates was pronounced not guilty to be serious danger of its being Smith has made a confession. This left the church in the spirit of God. After this the pastor stayed in Jordon the Third Lord's Day and baptised three souls in Christ's name. Preachers keep your eyes on your armor bearers. M. D. H.

A negro is a strange being anyway. but when he gets hold of a good thing he never knows it until its gone and he can't-get it back. All societies under the heavens have never confirmed the negro. Take him in churches. He will find fault with the minister, consequently he is not

If the develish women would let the preachers alone we would hear better preaching from the negro preachers than we do. I have never heard of such a time as has been at negro Baptist Church in Wilkinville settlement. They should throw away half of the deacons of that church and turn out one third of the women. A SECOND TO HOUSER.

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Cowpens News.

(Correspondence of The Ledger.) COWPENS, S, C., Oct 5 .- I have been crippled but I have been a silent

several days. They left me to look tell you my views and disappointafter our interests. When I prote ments. Leap year is about gone and last we were having hot weather and I am old Patty yet and no prospects no rain. The weather s cool and of any thing else, but I have finally and nice now. We had a nice frost concluded that I had rather be one last night and we had several frosts | blessed old maid than a dozen gigand of duty, to cultivate the highest last week bac no rain to amount to gling girls running my own self crazy. or twenty scolding wives having to keep a dark frown on so many brows.

> I appreciate Mrs. Ann Water's inches time. I have gathered my them mad and then take their counsel

Mrs. Horton, Mrs. Harrill, Mrs. Webber Miss July Harrill, W. V.

Mr. Cleve Gossett has his dwelling house nearly complete. Mr. Johnie Thomas is on the sick

llars' Sunday.

I think Old Flaw creates a sensaand bragged on him so that they

Mr. Horn, a young man from North Carolina visited, these diggings last Sunday.

Every thing white and black in and

Messrs. J. P. Blanton and H. S. Jasp Harris is here clearing land | Swofford visited Horace Webber not long since. Good luck to all the visitors and the visited.

PATTY PACE.

that Chamberlain' Colic, Cholera No. 18 Main St. and Diarrhoea Remedy is all that is claimed for it, as on two occasions it stopped excrusiating pains and pos- Md.-I sold a bottle of Chambersibly saved us from an untimely lain's Pain Balm to man who had year. grave. We would not rest easy over | been suffering with rheumatism for night without it in the house." This several years. It made him a well Address remedy undoubtedly saves more pain | man. A. J. McGill. For sale at 50 and suffering than any other medi- cents per bottle by The DuPre Drug should keep it in the house, for it is sure to be needed sooner or later. For

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MR. EDITOR :- Some people seem to think that because "Limestone" has been placed in the petitions for the election for the new county that 'Limestone' is to be its name. Far from it. The law requires that some name be placed in the petition, but every voter can vote for the name that he prefers, and the name that gets the most votes will be the name

of the county. "Limestone" has little significance. Iron would have more. Let us show to the world that we still revere the names of our worthy heroic dead, and vote to have our new county bear the name of a native of to make meat per pound 2c; bacon | tion every w re he goes, all the girls | York county who was a laborer in that saw him fell in love with him | Spartanburg county, also a laborer in Union county when by his own exertions he attained eminence as a citizen, as a legislator and a lawyer; and who died where patriots die, in the front rank of his country's army its. These pills are easy in action and almost at the muzzles of the guns | and are particularly effective in the of his country's enemies. Let us call cure of Constipation and Sick Headthe new county Gadberry.

NEW COUNTY. If Troubled With Rheumatism Read

This. Annapolis, Md., April 16, 1894 .-I have used Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism and found it to be all that is claimed for it. I believe it to be the best preparation for rheumatism and deep seated muscular pains The Darlington, Wis., Journal says on the market and cheerfully recomeditorially of a popular patent medi- mend it to the public. John G. cine: "We know from experience Brooks, dealer in boots, shoes, etc.,

> ALSO READ THIS. MECHANICSVILLE, St. Mary County.

An Agreeable Constable.

(Correspondence of The Leager.)

CHEROKEE, S. C., Oct. 5. -On last Saturday a constable from Blacksburg came down armed with a warrant for a young man for selling whiskey. The boy, or his father one, happened to have a supply on hand at the time, so the officer was not anxious about leaving at once. So he and the boy's father had a general good time. Both got drunk and the officer got completely down, and the boy he had a warrant for took possession of the papers.

What do you think of that for an officer of the law? CITIZEN.

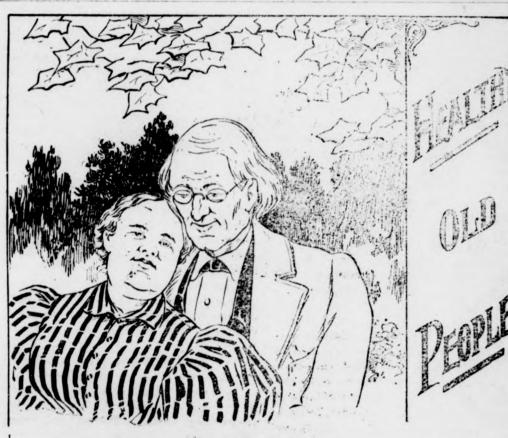
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