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W. V. BALL, Proprietor.
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Joining a club spots you; marks you as a democrat or otherwise; clubs under the constitution form the county organization; county clubs make the State organization; State organizations constitute the National organization, as the National Democracy. Thus you are the National Democracy, don't you see, if you belong to a club. The recent flutter among the so-called leaders about "bolting" in case the Chicago fraternity should not resolve to our liking has induced us to examine into the past history of this little frisky State of ours in her bearing towards the National Democracy. More than that, the recent utterances of one of our so-called leaders, in which he makes a sweet candied morsel of the party of "our fathers," ringing the changes most lovingly and luxuriously upon the house of "our fathers," again and again dwelling upon the savory phrase, "our fathers," has inclined us a bit to unpeep the history of the conduct of the "fathers" in the recent past towards the good old Democratic party. Again and again the leaders (so-called) of to-day are fond of bolstering up their boasted democracy with invoking to their aid the good old "Jackson" type. In fact they are every day swearing by their "Jackson" principles in backing up their invincible orthodoxy. Now one would suppose that they were standing to Jackson when they stand to the fathers and vice versa, and this leads us to look a little into the manner of the "fathers" towards the aforesaid Jackson and the National Democracy aforesaid. You will remember old "fat Jack Fallstaff" how he twitted Prince Hal and Poinc with—"call you this backing of your friends?" In 1832 when Jackson needed their votes these "fathers" kicked clean out of the traces and cast the eleven votes of the State for John Floyd of Virginia, leaving the National Democracy to win without them. Jackson at that time was applying the lash with a cat of nine tails over the shoulders of the young Carolina filly and the National Democracy was laughing at her antics. Then again in 1836 "our fathers" still feeling their oats and full of coltish tricks kicked way over the dashboard and threw away her eleven votes upon Mangum, of N. C., refusing to vote for the regular democratic nominee, Van Buren, of New York, thus doing all she could to defeat the choice of the regular democracy. These are sample capers of the cavorting South Carolina Democratic jand, within the memory of the present generation. Jackson, in fact, was denounced by the "fathers" of this State more bitterly, than any leader in recent times. We think the "fathers" were excusable; because they were right and not that we would cite those occasions as precedents for kicking and bolting. In the meanwhile the South Carolina politicians of to-day had better leave Jackson out of their big talks, read history a little and pay less attention to ward politics and to ward political methods. In the meanwhile with the first of May will begin the re-organization of the so-called democratic clubs in this State. We are to consider what we are to do by that time. Party fealty is a good thing. But it some times happens that a majority swerve from the true principles of an organization and would carry a minority into an enemy camp. It would be fealty, and no desertion to abandon the leaders in such case and rejoin the true colors. If the bearings of the boat indicate that she is being piloted towards dangerous shoals and rapids, the thing to do is to jump overboard in placid waters and swim to a healthy harbor.

Let all true democrats and conservatives watch closely the drift of events, keep cool, be in no hurry, but be ready to do the right thing by the time the primaries are ordered. We trust all will go well, but don't hurry.

The following is taken from an editorial in the Laurens Free Silver Democrat:
 "We say it with shame and mortification, but we warn the silver democrats of Laurens county, both reformers and conservatives, that if they would leave an inheritance from financial oppression to their children, let Irby severely alone. We know what we are talking about, we have never yet deceived the reformers of Laurens county or of the State, and at the proper time we will let them know more of Irby's trickery than even he himself has ever dreamed we know."

We suspect that the mutual revelation of the Free Silver Democrat and Senator Irby will be of interest, absorbing interest. When these two brilliant authorities get down to the task of telling what they know of each other, it will be necessary to fumigate Laurens county three times a day.

Not on the earth or in the waters beneath are there two doughty champions like the Free Silver Democrat and Senator Irby. The fun in Laurens will be fast and furious this summer.—Charleston Evening Post.

Union Notes.
 Mr. Josiah Crundup has sold his interest in this paper to Messrs. J. E. Hunter and Lindsay McNally. Dr. M. W. Culp will edit the Times. May good fortune wait on the retiring brother, while we welcome the new recruits into the magic circle of the fourth estate.

Fitz Lee goes to Cuba as Consul General. Fitz will find out in a gallop if the disturbance down there amounts to a row of pins. Should there be a dozen epistles in that island kindred to our Forest, Jeb Stewart and John Morgan, just three such and no more, would be a goodly number.

THE LILLY WHITES.
 The Bayton-Mellon Republicans met in State Convention at Columbia on the 14th instant. They are known as the Lilly Whites, but every hue in the rainbow was in the mixture.—Samps Pope, former Reformer and Clerk of the Tillman Senate was unanimously chosen to preside. Laurens was represented as follows:
 G. B. White, Max Zareck, J. W. Lykes, S. J. A. Johnson, Thomas Williams, A. Harper, J. C. Satterwhite, S. T. Miller, alternates—Hiram Gaylington, T. A. Saxon.

Delegates at large to the St. Louis National Convention: L. D. Mellon, E. M. Brayton, George Washington Murray, S. E. Smith. They are for McKinley and understand how the land now lies—shrewd guessers about the butter on the bread.

Gen. John D. Kennedy died suddenly of apoplexy, on the 13th inst. at his home in Camden. He was a noble hearted gentleman and an able and distinguished Carolinian. He was commanding as Brigadier Kershaw's old Brigade at the close of the war and to survivors in Laurens of the 2d S. C. V. and James Battalion this will be sad news. He was Consul General at Shanghai under Cleveland; was Grand Master of Masons and held other distinguished positions. No man in the State was more universally beloved.

The platform of commitments adopted by the "Lilly White" Convention, over which Dr. Pope presided, has this spice among its ingredients: "We are opposed to an incompetent, partisan, and factional judiciary, and pledge its restoration to respectability, capacity and non-partisanship as rapidly as possible." This was not delicate to the presiding officer, as of that "Judiciary" the chairman's brother is known to be magna pars.

Our Present Duty.
 As advised to-day we are of the opinion that Democrats should join the clubs of their organization. If these clubs are at any time found drifting into undemocratic waters, it is easy to pull out. We advise of course with such lights as are today before us.

Bismarckism.
 At Denver they presented Tillman with a pitchfork of silver and gold, the ordinary of that country. The presentation was made by a handsome young Miss which of course gave additional relish to the gift. The next day, addressing the silverites he alluded to the incident, suggesting a pitchfork as an emblem of liberty, in place of the spear which now adorning the wreath on the brow of the soldier of the "Kaukasides." Good for Benjamin.

Adjutant General Watts.
 On his official visitation to Hampton county, Adjutant General Watts is sincerely welcomed by soldiers and citizens alike. General Watts' career in the office which he so well fills has already confirmed the people's wisdom in promoting him to his present station of responsibility. A graduate of the Citadel Academy, General Watts was appointed in 1890, to the post of Assistant Adjutant General by General Farley. The wisdom of that selection was shown in the appointee's excellent performance of every duty, and was confirmed by his promotion in 1891. General Watts has not lost a vestige of his earnestness to the duties of his office. The fruits of his good work are seen in the improved condition of the volunteer militia. The troops all over the State are in excellent trim, and there are pleasing signs of still further improvement. This is a worthy tribute to the different commands in Hampton county. Their organization and discipline, as well as their equipment, are better than ever. General Watts and the different officers who have brought about these conditions, deserve the thanks of the people of the State.

It is understood that General Watts will stand for re-election. The long-recognized custom of rewarding a good officer with a second term could not be more appropriately followed than in the case of the Adjutant General. The Guardian would like to see him nominated and elected without opposition.—Hampton Guardian.

APRIL
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THIS IS THE MONTH
 to cleanse the blood! Malaria, Chills and Fever, that dull, heavy, tired feeling, pimples, blotches and headaches, all are due to impure blood. Treat the system for Summer's treacherous drain upon your energy by using this scientific blood purifier.

DR. CLARK JOHNSON'S INDIAN BLOOD SYRUP
 Not an experiment, but a household remedy for 30 years, for all blood diseases, Rheumatism, Scrofula, Liver and Kidney Complaint and lack of vitality. Millions of bottles sold. Easy to buy, easy to take. Try it!
 50c. per bottle; all druggists.

NOTICE
 Any person having business with the County Superior, I will be in the office on Monday of each week between the hours 10 a. m. to 3 p. m.
 R. P. ADAIR,
 Supervisor of Laurens County, S. C.

NOTICE
 The law requires all streams in Laurens to be cleared of all obstructions in the months of May and August of each year. Attend to this matter or the law will be enforced.
 R. P. ADAIR,
 County Superior.

NOTICE
 Persons crossing the bridge at McDaniel's Mill across Tabna and the bridge at Boyd's Old Mill across Reedy river do so at their own risk as I consider both bridges not safe.
 R. P. ADAIR,
 Supervisor.

NOTICE
 Terms of Sale—Cash. Purchaser to pay for all papers.
 GEO. S. MORAVY,
 April 11, 1896. S. L. C. S. C.

NOTICE
 The regular examination for teachers, both white and colored, will be held at Laurens on April 24th.
 JAMES A. MADDEN,
 School Commissioner.
 April 11, 1896—24—31

NOTICE
 All road overseers in Laurens county are hereby ordered to call out their respective hands and teams, and have one day's work done by the 15th of May 1896. By order of the County Board.
 E. P. ADAIR,
 County Supervisor.

Sheriff's Sale for May.
 STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
 COUNTY OF LAURENS,
 In Court Common Pleas.
 H. S. Anderson, Plaintiff, against T. B. Anderson, Defendant.
 By virtue of an execution to my directed, issued upon a judgment in the above stated case, I will sell at Laurens, S. C., on Saturday, May 10, 1896, at 10 o'clock, the legal heirs of said T. B. Anderson, and having a front of 60 feet and running back a distance of 130 feet. Located on and to be sold as the property belonging to T. B. Anderson on the day when said judgment was docketed in said county, to satisfy the aforesaid execution and costs.

J. B. PARK,
 Attorney at Law.
 LAURENS, - - SOUTH CAROLINA.
 Special attention given to the investigation of titles and collection of claims.

DR. W. H. BALL
DENTIST,
 OFFICE OVER NATIONAL BANK, LAURENS, GREENVILLE, S. C.
 OFFICE DAYS—Monday and Tuesdays.

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