

The Watchman and Soutron.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25.

Our State Contemporaries.

Derivation News. About ten miles east of Darlington, on the Cheraw and Georgetown road, and three miles from the river, is to be found one of the prettiest farms in the whole of Darlington County.

Hon. P. M. Hamer, of Marlboro, died last week full of years and honor. He was a member of the Wallace House and represented his people with fidelity and sound judgment.

We think it would be a good idea for the law to be so changed that the members of the Legislature be elected for a term of four years and have only one session every two years.

Another rich gold mine has been discovered near Holy Springs in this county. Last week Mr. C. C. Bearden brought to town specimens that were very rich in gold.

The cotton mills of the State report an average profit for the past year of about 20 per cent. One of our wide awake merchants here points out, however, that this large profit comes from fortunate speculation in cotton, and not from the manufacture of cotton goods.

What ever wrong that brightest and most genial of malcontents W. C. Bennett, of Abbeville, did in the Episcopal State Convention he has been fully punished for.

The New York Herald now explains that it is because Mr. Henry W. Grady, who Mr. Henry Watterson for vice president were only sham intended to draw out Dana of the sum and obtain from him a declaration of his political purposes.

Surely no two men have ever had better cause to be indignant than have Messrs. Grady and Watterson. To be used as bait for such a disreputable and foul old fish as Dana is the last and foulest of degradations.

Therefore we never like to say anything against any one upon whom trouble has fallen, but it does seem to us that there is a point at which forbearance ceases to be a virtue, and so we regard it in the case of Jefferson Davis, late President of the Confederate States.

To us it is never pleasant to speak of a man who has fallen. Adversity, although common to men, is generally the break up among his fellow men. There are few people so generous or magnanimous as to regard with charity the misfortunes of his fellow man, and when the clouds burst there are always, or nearly always those who will forget the past and join in the terrible cry of the present.

Col. Peters' Advice. One of the most honored advisory members of the Young Farmer's Club, as well as one of the ripe and rare experience, is Col. Richard Peters, of Atlanta, Ga., a man of big brain, big heart, big enterprises and big results.

On Friday afternoon of last week the Swift Creek section below Camden was visited by one of the heaviest rainfalls that has ever been known there. Every bridge that could be washed away was torn up by the water, and the fences were also torn down in many places.

The machinery and material for the Brown factory has arrived and Mr. Brown, the proprietor, is now off for Savannah, where he goes to obtain his employees. In a few days we shall see this enterprise in full blast.

Has it occurred to the leaders in the sad divisions in the Episcopal Church, which culminated on Friday last in Charleston, that their action may be fatal to the interests of the Church, as was that of the Secession Convention of 1862?

We have been recently requested to send a copy of the Press and Banner to the reading room of a Young Men's Christian Association. In reply to his request we would say that we make our money by the subscriptions received.

The decision in the Alabama case referred to proves nothing at all as to the South Carolina case. The Alabama case may have been decided according to law. But if not, two wrongs do not make one right.

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