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THE BANK OF CALIFORNIA

BY PRENTICE MULFORD.

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[The following portion of this story is reproduced this week on account of an accident in the publication of the same in last issue, by which the type got mixed.]

"I think I can coach for what the gentleman says," said John to his wife. It was that of Blanche Sefton.

This appearance of a beautiful woman in the court in connection with the trial was even more phenomenal than the quart. There was a great deal of excitement, and then a profound hush to hear her words.

"After being sworn in as a witness, she continued: 'I came here to say that my uncle, Mr. Pratt, has recovered his faculties and declares that Mr. Holder committed no assault upon him.'"

"She then paused. 'How do you know he says that?' roared the district attorney.

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THE PALMETTO FLAG IN MEXICO.

Of late we have seen several references to the fact that the Palmetto flag was the first standard planted upon the fortifications of the city of Mexico.

There can be no doubt that our State flag was first on the walls and it was in the hands of F. W. Sellick from Abbeville. He was afterwards awarded a handsome medal for this act of gallantry.

Where we got the information we cannot remember but the story is about this way. William W. Loring afterwards a distinguished soldier in the late war and also in Egypt in attempting to plant the colors on the wall lost his arm. Cadmus N. Wilcox then undertook the perilous feat but was disabled by a wound in the leg and had to give it up. Then Frederick W. Sellick seized banner and held it in place as it floated over to the breeze although he was desperately wounded in the knee. Sellick now lies in Upper Long Canal cemetery and his grave is marked by a monument erected to his memory by his Captain the late J. Foster Marshall.

If these statements are true they are of historical value and should be preserved. As above stated we do not know where we got the information, but such has long been our understanding. There is no doubt that the medal was awarded to Frederick W. Sellick.

—Abbeville Median.

Downed by a Dark Horse.

WASHINGTON, May 24.—The President to-day appointed Abial Lathrop District Attorney for South Carolina to succeed Leroy F. Youmans. This act of the President caused much sorrow and disappointment in the Brayton and Melton camps. Each was confident after consulting the President and Attorney General Miller a few days ago that the appointment would drop into his individual grasp; hence their surprise must be very great. At the White House it is said that neither Mr. Brayton nor Judge Melton created a very favorable impression on the appointing power, and Mr. Brayton spoiled whatever chance he may have had by confiding to a friend of the Administration the fact that he had not practiced law for a number of years. In making this selection the President ignored the contending South Carolina factions and picked out a comparatively dark horse.

Mr. Lathrop made his canvass so quietly that few of his friends were aware that he was in the race. He had the endorsement of Judge Sinton and several other Judges in the State, and even his enemies admit that he is a good lawyer and a man against whom nothing personal can be charged. The South Carolina contingent here was completely knocked out when they saw the official announcement, and they are like strangers in a foreign land; they do not know which way to turn or what course to pursue. They claim that Mr. Lathrop is not a party leader by any means, he is regarded as a negative man, his personal affiliations have been with the Democrats more than with the Republicans. Whether the regulars will hold an indignation meeting and denounce the President is a question for further consideration. They are too full of utterance.

At the instance of Mr. Brayton, Joseph W. Talbert has been appointed postmaster at Ninety Six, Abbeville County, vice T. Beacham, resigned; and J. J. Reynolds at Verdery, same county, vice R. D. Williams, removed.

—Special to News and Courier.

The County Alliance.

Pursuant to the call of the President of the Marion County Farmers' Alliance met in the Court House yesterday.

There was a good attendance, every section of the county being represented. A resolution was introduced that the Alliance use cotton bagging this year instead of jute. This resolution was adopted with enthusiasm without one dissenting voice. The Alliance in this county is steadily growing in influence and members. It has already enrolled in its books of membership a large majority of the best farmers in the county while the interest in the organization is daily becoming stronger as its plans and purposes become more familiar.

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What Can Be Done With a Bushel of Corn.

The Greenville News says: "The Clemson will case will be in the courts, maybe, for several years to come. It would not be there but for the action of a faction in the Legislature, aided and abetted by Governor Richardson. Let us keep the responsibility fixed where it belongs and meantime there may be ways and means to make some people regret the delay much more deeply than the friends of the Clemson College."

TERRIBLE FOREWARNINGS.

Cough in the morning, hurried or difficult breathing, rising phlegm, tightness in the chest, spasm of the diaphragm in the evening or at night, all are signs of these things and the first signs of consumption. Dr. Acker's Cough Cure is the only medicine that cures these terrible symptoms, and it will under a few days relieve you of all your troubles.

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TAKEN BY SIEGE.

The Story of a Young Journalist's Experiences in New York.

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The publication of this Serial Story will begin next week.

THE NICARAGUA CANAL BEGUN.

The steamer Alvina, which sailed from New York for Greytown last Saturday, had on board a corps of engineers, with material, machinery and supplies, to begin the construction of the Nicaragua canal. Work, it is stated, is to be begun at once in earnest, and proceed without interruption until the 170 miles of the canal route have been opened for business. Every important preliminary has been successfully concluded. A charter has been obtained from the United States government, agreements have been had with the local government, and the canal company's engineers have completed surveys and investigations which enable capitalists to form an idea of the practicality of the proposed interoceanic waterway. What is of the first importance, money, it is said, is forthcoming to the extent of the company's present needs. Since November, 1887, a force of engineers has been engaged upon the line of the new enterprise. This force is now being largely reinforced with a view to actual construction. Several hundred laborers are already employed, but from this time on their number will be greatly increased. Some thousands will be obtained. Nicaragua, but for the fifteen or twenty thousands to be employed when the work is fully under way the company will have to rely largely upon the negroes of the South and of the West Indies. Southern commerce will, it is thought, receive an appreciable stimulus from the construction no less than from the completion of the new trade route. Immense quantities of pine and other supplies will be drawn from that section during the progress of the work. The cost of the canal, including 25 per cent. for contingencies, is estimated at about \$66,000,000. This estimate embraces, besides the construction of the canal prism, the approaches to it and the buildings, electric light, telegraphs, railroads, &c., required to make it practically serviceable. As amended by the most recent surveys the route will consist of 56 1/2 miles of lake navigation, 64 miles of river navigation and 2 1/2 miles of basin navigation, leaving but 29 miles of canal to be constructed. Lake Nicaragua at the summit level, greatly facilitates the work. By the construction of dams its level will be extended to 154 miles. The height of the surface of the lake above the sea will be 110 feet. Vessels will reach this height and descend again by means of six locks. A vessel will require but forty-five minutes for each lock, so that, allowing an average tonnage of 1,750 tons, vessels of an aggregate tonnage of 20,000,000 tons could traverse the canal in one year. About one-fourth of this tonnage, it is believed, would use the canal from the first, so that a moderate charge per ton would enable the canal company to pay dividends. An advantage the Nicaragua route will have over the Panama route is the stability of the country it traverses. Both for its builders and its users this will constitute a distinct and permanent ground of preference.

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