

The Watchman and Southern

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5.

The Sumter Watchman was founded in 1850 and the True Southern in 1866.

EDITORIAL ITEMS.

Col. John C. Haskell, of Columbia, has been chosen to represent the State upon the National Democratic Executive Committee.

The Yorkville Enterprise says: We learned from the County Treasurer yesterday that all the special school tax had been collected.

The religious order of the King's Daughters, which has just held its meeting in New York city, has grown so rapidly during the four years of its existence that it now has nearly 100,000 members.

Rev. John M. Lander, of Williams-ton, has decided to heed the urgent call of the church to go to Juiz de Fora, Brazil, to found a school for the christian education of boys and young men.

The Missouri Legislature has passed a law directed against "trusts" so broad that it may be found to interfere with the transaction of perfectly legitimate business.

Rev. John Jasper, the famous-colored preacher who is the author of the theory that "de mao do move," says that he had a dream in which the fearful storms that have been devastating the North were clearly foreshadowed.

Charleston has organized an association for an inter-State drill to be held in the fall, at which handsome money prizes will be offered for successfully competing companies.

The newspapers of the State are already beginning to talk of the Governor to be elected in 1890, probably because they have very little else to talk of.

The Pittsburgh Tribune, organ of the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers, calls the duty of \$17 on steel rails "a howling sarcasm and an outrageous fraud."

The United States Supreme Court has recently made some important decisions, among which we note the following: In a case from the Supreme Court of West Virginia, it has rendered a decision "that parties can not be held responsible for seizures of property committed as acts of the legitimate warfare during the recent rebellion."

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nominal aggregate. It appears that ten Southern States are loaded with more than two-thirds of all the State debts of the Union.

And yet President Harrison is trying to organize a respectable Republican party in the South.

SATIS.

The Sumter Advance of June 1st, has the following:

Mr. Editor: The Watchman and Southern has declined to publish the following communication and at the request of the members of the City Council I ask that you give it space in your columns.

At this time these papers formed a combination and agreed to divide the pay equally so for 1887 there was paid \$25.00 each \$70.00 for 1888—both papers, 125.00

On the 12th of June, 1889, appeared for last time Mr. Osteen appeared for last time to do the public printing and stated that \$195.00 was the lowest figure at which he could do it.

Your statement that the Council had made a contract with the Watchman and Southern which had violated a mistake which you might have avoided had you made more careful inquiry, is no such contract exists.

The writer of this communication is mistaken when he says it was refused by the Watchman and Southern. The piece as originally written, contained a paragraph altogether at variance with the writer's usual style, and for his sake, as well as our own, we suggested an alteration.

The suggested change was made prior to publication, and the article, as above written, would never have been declined by this paper.

For the sake of history we will make a little addition to Mayor Moody's statement: In 1881 when the contract was given to the Watchman for \$65, that was the lowest bid between the papers then published in the town, and the Advance was not one of them.

The competition was such that this paper offered to do the work for nothing, and was "stood aside" as no bidder.

The work of the town increased each year, under the arrangement for a fixed price without limit as to the quantity. When the price was agreed upon for the year 1887—\$125.00 for both papers—it was upon a basis of the amount of work and the price paid therefor at the time of the formation of the "combination," and which averaged \$8 cts. per inch for two insertions.

The Council declined to be limited, but claimed that the work would not be increased during the year. It did increase, as can be seen from the books of this office, to such an extent that last June when Mr. Osteen appeared before Council he showed to Council that the work done during the year had amounted to \$195.00 at the rate of 88 cts. per inch for two insertions.

As stated in a late issue, the Mayor has assured us it was not the policy of Council to post new ordinances. This assurance is, by implication, repeated in the communication quoted above, and there is nothing left except to recapitulate:

We have shown the order fully of posting ordinances. We know that the people agree with us on that point. We have proven and stand ready to verify our proof, that the papers have not charged unreasonable rates for public printing.

In conclusion, we predict that should Council attempt to collect the penalty for failure to make tax return this month, the payment of such penalty will be at the option of the taxpayer.

AMERICA'S GREATEST FLOOD.

The most disastrous storm of wind, rain and snow that has visited this country spread devastation and ruin from Indiana to New England last Friday.

Following are a few particulars of the disaster: Some hollow, Pa., June 1.—The first reports of the loss of life were entirely too late.

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., June 2.—The situation here has not changed and yesterday's estimates of the loss of life do not seem to be exaggerated. Six hundred bodies are now lying in Johnstown.

ROASTED IN THE RAINS. The most awful culmination of the awful night was the roasting of a hundred or more persons in the midst of the flood.

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FOR RENT

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SHERIFF'S SALES.

BY virtue of Sundry Executions, to me directed, will be sold at Sumter C. H., on the first MONDAY and day following in JULY next, 1889, and as many days thereafter as may be necessary, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following property:

That lot of land and buildings thereon in the City of Sumter, bounded on the South by Ellis Street and measuring thereon one hundred (100) feet. East by lot of C. F. H. Bultman, North and West by lot of George W. Reardon, levied upon and to be sold as the property of James T. Flowers, under the separate executions of James A. Blanning and the City of Sumter for city taxes against James T. Flowers.

One lot of land in the City of Sumter, containing one and 1/2 acres more or less, bounded on the North by old cemetery lot, South by a street, East by a street known as Republic Street, East by a street of said town known as Green Street, and West by a lot belonging to James Gately, levied upon and to be sold as the separate execution of E. H. Frost & Co., and the separate execution of E. H. Frost & Co., and the separate execution of Otto F. Weiler, Weinman & Co. and the Eagle & Phoenix Manufacturing Co. against John P. Moran, Jr.

That stock of goods, wares and merchandise, consisting of home-made shoes, low-cut groceries, can and shell goods, paper bags and wrapping paper, pistols and ammunition, general assortment of hardware, tinware, glass ware, wooden ware, crockery, chewing tobacco, cigars, shoe case, &c., &c., levied upon and to be sold as the property of John P. Moran, Jr., under the separate executions of Otto F. Weiler, E. H. Frost & Co., Weinman & Co., The Eagle & Phoenix Manufacturing Co., and the City of Sumter against John P. Moran, Jr.

R. SCOTT CARSON, S. S. C. Sheriff's Office, June 5, 1889.

A NUISANCE. The cigarette young man has spread his presence over the country until, like the English sparrow, he is now ubiquitous. Like the sparrow he is a filthy and unprofitable nuisance, and like the sparrow you cannot get rid of him.

By the cigarette young man, we do not mean the man who smokes cigarettes simply. Any gentleman may smoke a cigarette if so inclined, without offense to the most fastidious taste.

The cigarette young man is one who makes the cigarette a necessary part of his toilet and of his company manners.

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JOHN REID.

AT THIS TIME HORSES AND MULES MAY BE SCARCE, But I am still in the ring with Wagons, Carriages, Buggies, Phaetons, Road Carts, Corn, Hay, Oats, Bran, Shorts, Lime, Cement, Plaster Paris, Hair and Fire Brick.

TO ARRIVE: 2 Car Loads No. 1 Timothy Hay. May 8, '89.

SAVE YOUR MONEY. SAVINGS DEPARTMENT FOR Bank of Sumter.

ON and after May 1st, 1889, THE SIMMONS NATIONAL BANK of Sumter, will establish a SAVINGS DEPARTMENT. In connection with their present business, and will pay interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum, payable quarterly upon such sums of money as may be deposited, subject to the rules and regulations, usually adopted by Savings Banks.

COUNTY AUDITOR, SUMTER COUNTY.

THE FOLLOWING ACT IS PUBLISHED in accordance with Section 3: An Act to allow unimproved lands which have not been on the tax books since 1875 to be listed without penalty.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, now met and sitting in General Assembly, and by the authority of the same, That in all cases where unimproved land which has not been upon the tax books since the fiscal year commencing November 11, 1875, and which are not on the forfeited list, shall at any time before the 1st day of October, 1888, be returned to the County Auditor for taxation, the said Auditor be, and is hereby instructed, to assess the same and to enter it upon the duplicate of the fiscal year commencing November 1, 1887, with the simple taxes of that year.

Section 2. That all such lands as may be returned to the Auditor for taxation between the first day of October, 1888, and the 5th day of October, 1889, shall be assessed and charged with the simple taxes of the two fiscal years commencing, respectively, on the first day of November, 1888.

Section 3. That as soon as practicable after the passage of this Act, the Comptroller General is directed to furnish a copy of the same to each Auditor in the State, and the Auditors are required to publish the same in each of their County papers, once a week for three months during the year 1888, and for the same period of time during the year 1889; and the cost of such publication shall be paid by the County Treasurer, upon the order of the County Commissioners, out of the ordinary county funds last collected.

Approved December 19, 1887. W. R. DELGAR, Auditor Sumter County. May 8—3m.

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