

Situation in This State.

A Glance at the Coming General Election.

Now that the national and general election for State officers is only three weeks from Tuesday next, for the benefit of those outside as well as in the State it is well to give a summary of the situation in South Carolina and present the several electoral, congressional and State tickets that are in the field for the voters to choose from.

There are three State tickets in the field, one being the regular Democratic ticket and the others being those put out by the two factions of the Republican party.

There are four electoral tickets before the people—the regular Democratic, the Melton and the Webster-Republican and the Palmer-Buckner tickets.

In the several congressional districts it is hard to tell as yet how many candidates there will be in each district. It is safe to say that at least two Republicans and one regularly nominated Democrat will stand in each district.

For the information of the voters of the State of all creeds and factions, however, the lists of the several nominees in the field for the several offices to be filled are given as follows:

THE ELECTORAL TICKETS.

Regular Democratic (free silver)—At Large—M R Cooper, T L Gautt, First district, Charles T Pritchard of Bluffton; second, R B Watson of Saluda; third, Cole L Blesso of Newberry; fourth, J J McManahan of Richland; fifth, W D Trantham of Kershaw; sixth, James Staackhouse of Marion; seventh, T W Staadland of Summerville.

Webster Republicans—At Large—W D Crom of Charleston. First district, F. Sebeper, of Beaufort; second, James Powell of Aiken; third, J R Tolbert of Abbeville; fourth, E W Soreven of Richland; fifth, Joseph Clark of Lancaster; sixth, Dr John Lunney of Darlington; seventh, J M Tidball of Sumter.

Palmer-Buckner—At Large—F W McMaster of Columbia, George W Dargac of Darlington. First district, Frank O'Neill of Charleston; second, George B Lake of Edgefield; fourth, Frank Evans of Spartanburg; fifth, A C Springs of York; sixth, A T Harlee of Marion; seventh, James D. Bland of Sumter.

Melton Republicans—At Large—B O Duncan, S E Smith. First district, J A Noland; second, D. E. Yater; third, M H Bryce; fourth, Prof J W Morris; fifth, H L Shrewsbury; sixth, Paul Whipple; seventh, F M Prickett.

THE STATE TICKETS.

Democratic—Governor, W H Elberle of Marion; lieutenant governor, M B McSweeney of Hampton; secretary of state, D H Thompkins of Abbeville; treasurer, W H Timmerman of Edgefield; comptroller general, James Norton of Marion; attorney general, William A Barber of Chester; superintendent of education, W D Mayfield of Greenville; adjutant and inspector general, J G Watts of Laurens.

Melton Republicans—Governor, Sampson Pope of Newberry; lieutenant governor, W W Russell; secretary of state, B R King; comptroller general, V P Clayton; attorney general, L D Melton; treasurer, D J Knotts; superintendent of education, M A Dawson; adjutant and inspector general, A T Jennings.

Webster Republicans—Governor, R M Wallace of Sumter; lieutenant governor, C J Pride of York; secretary of state, B O Duncan of Newberry; treasurer, George Cunningham of Charleston; comptroller general, E F

Cochran of Anderson; attorney general, L D Melton of Richland; adjutant general, E Brooks Sligh of Chester; superintendent of education, E B Barroughs of Chesterfield.

CANDIDATES FOR CONGRESS

First District—William Elliott, Democrat (gold); W Ceille Cohen, white, Webster Republican; George Washington Murray, colored, Melton Republican.

Second District—W. Jasper Talbert, Democrat; G T Chatfield, white, Webster Republican; P W Anness, white, Melton Republican.

Third District—A C Latimer, Democrat; W H Merriek, white, Webster Republican; (no Melton Republican yet named)

Fourth District—Stanlyrne Wilson, Democrat; P L Suber, colored, Webster Republican; no Melton Republican yet named)

Fifth District—T J Strait, Democrat; J F Jones, white, Republican fusion.

Sixth District—J L McLaurin, Democrat; Joshua Wilson, colored, Webster Republican; T H McGee, white, Melton Republican.

Seventh District—J W Stokes, Democrat; T B Johnson, white, Webster Republican; D J Knotts, independent Republican; (Melton Republican to be named on the 19th inst—The State.

In Gladstone's Pew.

The Archbishop of Canterbury Dies Suddenly.

LONDON, Oct. 11.—The archbishop of Gaterbury, primate of all England and metropolitan, the Rt Hon. and Most Rev. Edward White Benson, D D and privy councillor, died suddenly to-day while attending divine service in the church at Hawarden.

The archbishop was the guest of Mr. Gladstone, through whom he was appointed to the archbishopric of Canterbury, and, in company with the Gladstone family, went to the Hawarden church this morning. After the service had commenced a commotion was noticed in the Gladstone pew, and immediately thereafter church attendants were seen removing the archbishop, who, it is supposed, was suffering from a fit.

Archbishop Benson was 67 years of age. The archbishop and his wife arrived at Hawarden castle, Mr. Gladstone's residence, Saturday evening from the north of Ireland, where they had been visiting. The archbishop appeared to be in the best of health. He attended communion at the Hawarden church at 8 o'clock this morning and then breakfasted with Mr Gladstone and family. Later he attended the morning service.

The "confession" was proceeding when he fell forward.

The church attendants removed the archbishop to the rectory as quickly as possible. The Rev. Stephen Gladstone, the rector of the church, continued the service until he received a message that the archbishop was dead. He then closed with the prayer for the dead from the burial service.

As the congregation left the church the organist played a dead march and a muffled peal was rung on the bells.

Mr. Gladstone was not at the church, the weather preventing. He was greatly distressed at the death of the archbishop. They had been close friends for a long time.

Archbishop Benson was esteemed by all sects for his moderation and broadmindedness. His death was announced at St. Paul's, London, at the afternoon service. The news quickly spread and this evening there was a great assemblage at the cathedral. The preacher highly eulogized the dead archbishop for his services to the church, his personal uprightness of character and lovable disposition.

After the service, the organist played the "dead march," the congregation standing as the solemn strains filled the edifice, the great bell of the cathedral meanwhile being tolled in memory of the dead. Deau Farrar paid an impressive tribute to the deceased archbishop in Canterbury cathedral.

Hasselbine Sentenced to the Penitentiary.

LANCASTER, Oct. 10.—Court has been in session since Monday, Judge Watts presiding. Up to this time the court of sessions has been kept busy with the trial of criminal cases. Ernest B. Hasselbine who used \$4,000 of the funds of the Bank of Lancaster in wheat and cotton speculations, plead guilty to two indictments, one for "breach of trust with fraudulent intent," and was sentenced by the court to a term of 21 months in the State penitentiary in both cases—twelve months in one case and nine months in the other.

It was a sad spectacle to witness the young man receive his sentence. He was completely overcome and wept bitterly. The court of common pleas, now in session, will not adjourn before the middle of next week.

Pheasants in Fairfield.

Major Tom Woodward's Experiments With Them.

To the Editor of The State: I am frequently interrogated on the subject of pheasants, and finding it irksome to reply to all singly I take this method of doing so.

Three years ago I purchased of F A Stuhr, Portland, Oregon, a trio—cock and two hens—Mongolian or Chinese pheasant at a cost then of \$5 a piece and exp. usage on the lot, \$10. They arrived in May, the 25th, the party having delayed shipments in order to get the eggs. In consequence of the late shipment, I secured only a few eggs and did not raise any that year. The next year the two hens laid 162 eggs, an average of 81 a piece; one of them, the younger, laying 100. From these I matured 30 fine birds and turned out 15 of them, which are now reported breeding and doing well, nests and young broods having been seen by responsible farmers around. The next year I lost all my hens from cholera caused by feeding shells laid by chicken hens with the disease, and secured only one setting of eggs, from which I succeeded in raising eight pheasants from them this year. After distributing about 150 eggs in several counties, I have reared and set free 42, which are daily seen in the pea fields around, and if allowed to breed next year with those heretofore will supply this section bountifully in a few years.

The Mongolian pheasant is the finest game bird on this continent, gorgeous to look at, finer in flavor than the quail, very hardy and stands well to the dog. It was sent from China about 1882 to the Portland gun and rod club by the United States consul to Shanghai, and has overrun the State of Oregon and Washington. With clubs in each county to repeat the experiment made here, and with good laws such as will no doubt be passed by the next legislature, it would be but a few years until the State would swarm with this grandest of birds. They are not as large as the English mixture, but I think are more hardy and certainly more prolific. The cocks weigh three pounds and the hens two pounds, the common quail weighs barely half a pound. They are not more difficult to rear than young turkeys and command a good price if raised for profit.

T. W. Woodward, Rookton, Oct. 10, 1896.

A Tidal Wave.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Oct. 9.—A special to The Morning News from Brunswick, Ga., received at 11 o'clock tonight, says: A big tidal wave came in on an October northeaster today. No lives were lost or great damage to property sustained in Brunswick. Citizens owning rice plantations are fearful that their entire unshipped crops are gone and this seems probable. The loss of rice planters will thus be heavy and not easily sustained by them in view of past mishaps. The tidal wave to-day furnished the most interesting sight since the one of 1854. The water completely hid all the marshes between Brunswick, Fancy Bluff, Jekyl, Sain: Simons, Southern railway docks and other places. Long stretches of the boulevard were under water and thousands of marsh and water animals were driven on shore for refuge.

FERNANDITA, Fla., Oct. 9.—Heavy winds from the northwest have been blowing the entire day and the tide has risen so high that it has done a big lot of damage along the river front. The dock which is used by the Florida Tie and Lumber company is under water, and numbers of ties have been washed away. The water rose for a block up Centre street and ties and lumber drifted right up into the street. The storm signal which was raised this morning has beaten itself into nothing but a rag. The entire row of Florida Central and Peain suar railroad tracks along the river front are under water, and the foundation of dirt is washed away.

The democrats and populists will not fuse in Florida. The silver democrats have sufficient strength to carry the election.

The condition of affairs in Turkey grows steadily worse.

The French Government has decided to reject the demand of the English Government for the extradition of the Irish-American dynamite, Tynan.

OKLAHOMA CITY, O T., Oct. 11.—Harry St. John, son of ex-Governor St. John, of Kansas, died here yesterday afternoon of la grippe. At the time of his death young St. John was under indictment for the murder of his wife.

LONDON, Oct. 11.—The Times will to-morrow publish a dispatch from Constantinople, saying that after an interval of 10 days the diplomats met on Friday and rejected the Porte's claim to search foreign steamers for fugitive Armenians. The dispatch adds that the embassies have made strong representations to the effect that the state of affairs in Crete is intolerable, owing to the fact that the Porte's promises of reforms have not been executed.

An irade has appeared extending to the whole empire the reforms granted by the sultan in October, 1895, to the province of Anatolia.

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SOUTH CAROLINIANA.

News Items of Interest From State Exchanges.

Lee Reed and his wife, who live on Capt. J. C. Foster's plantation near Riverside, went to a prayer-meeting, last Friday night leaving their ten month's old baby in charge of an old colored woman who lived with them. The baby began crying shortly after the parents left home and the old woman, who habitually used morphine, concluded to give it a little to quiet it. She ran her finger down into the morphine bottle and stuck it in the child's mouth. In about fifteen minutes the child went to asleep, and it never awoke from that sleep. The coroner's jury found a verdict that the child came to its death from an overdose of morphine.—Lancaster Ledger.

The South Carolina Holiness Association, of which Rev. T C Ligon is president, will meet at Leesville, S. C., next Tuesday.

The Simpsonville ginney and cotton seed oil company made a start last week. They have in position three 70-saw gins, but owing to a lack of power are now running only one of them. A delay has arisen in the arrival of the remainder of the needed machinery which was ordered some months ago, but it is expected that all of it will arrive soon, and by December the making of cotton seed oil is expected to begin. The ginning outfit will be complete in all its details and will include all the labor saving appliances of the present day.—Greenville Mountaineer.

The deficit of Treasurer Keels, of Sumter, is \$7,164—far too large a sum to be accounted for on the theory of "bad bookkeeping." It is a case of bad morals. Keels is a criminal. We ask the attention of honest "Reformers" to the fact that Keels and his son were among the pioneer "Reformers" of Sumter county, fully endorsing Tillman's charges of corruption in former administrations and seeking office in order to set things right. The last we heard of the son he was up for forgery, and now the father has embezzled \$7,000 of public money. Moral: Don't trust everybody that howls for "Reform"—The State.

Mr. J. D Roper, formerly of Edgefield, died in Columbia, Wednesday. He was found dead in bed.

Leon Morrow and one Milling made an attempt on Tuesday night to assassinate Hon. N W Graydon, of Abbeville. They fired four shots at him.

Mr. A. C. Davis has been appointed clerk of court to fill out the unexpired term made vacant by the death of his father.—Manning Times.

Hon E. R Lesesne, of Williamsburg was in town last Monday, and while here he informed us that he would be an applicant for the position of sergeant-at-arms of the State Senate. Mr Lesesne has served several terms in the legislature and is quite popular with the old members of the general assembly.—Manning Times.

Miss Lavada Hensley, a more or less comely looking white woman, is charged with the heinous offense of engaging in the retail of spirituous liquors in the neighborhood of Wellford. The allegation is that she has been driving a good trade in booze, and owing to the close proximity of Tucapan mills to her secret rendezvous and the mountains as a base of supplies she has grown and prospered in this nefarious calling. Deputy Marshal Miller, however, on information, yesterday brought the lady down and carried her before Commissioner Calvert, who bound her over for a preliminary trial which will be held in a few days. She gave bond.—Spartanburg Herald.

Prof. Lucius S. McSwain, who will be remembered by our older citizens as the youngest son of the late Rev. W. A McSwain, died at his home in Seneca, S. C., on Monday last. This will be sad news for his many friends in this county who knew and loved him in his young manhood. Mr. McSwain was a teacher by profession, having abandoned the law for the schoolroom, and was a most excellent and successful teacher, as his many pupils in Georgia and South Carolina will cheerfully testify; and he was a thoroughly consecrated Christian. A good man has gone to his reward and his rest. His remains were buried in Oak Hill cemetery last Tuesday afternoon in Seneca.—Laurens Herald.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, } SS. Lucas County. Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, county and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of one hundred dollars for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure. Frank J. Cheney. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1896. [SEAL.] A. W. Gleason, Notary Public. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Pianos, Organs and Sewing Machines sold on easy terms, and exchanged for old ones at the Sumter Music House, in Masonic Temple.

"Limestone" Wanted.

Upper Carolina New County Scheme Being Pushed.

Although the advocates of Salem county were the first to file their petition with the governor for the calling of an election in behalf of the project, under the provisions of the new Constitution and the act relating to the formation of new counties, the friends of Limestone county have gotten the drop upon them and have succeeded in being the first to have an election ordered. The Salem people omitted to get one small certificate from a county official and hence their election has not yet been ordered. The petition in behalf of the Limestone county project was filed yesterday and the governor finding that all the provisions of the act bearing upon the subject had been complied with, immediately issued the desired proclamation, which will be found below.

The new county is to include the whole of Cherokee township in York county, the whole of Limestone township in Spartanburg county; 50 square miles of White Plains township in Spartanburg county; 15 1/6 square miles of Cherokee township in Spartanburg county, and Draytonville, Lowdysville and Limestone townships in Union county. The area of the proposed new county is to be 428 1/2 square miles. The total taxable property in this area will be \$2,196,605, according to the last returns. Exclusive of the property in White Plains and Spartanburg's Cherokee townships the realty will amount to \$1,543,145, and the personality to \$652,905. No line of the new county will run nearer to an existing court house than eight miles. The population of the territory proposed to be included in the new county will be 21,685.

Of course the name and county seat will also have to be voted upon. Gaffney it is supposed, will be the county seat. The following is the proclamation of the governor fixing the election for December 8th, 1896:

Whereas, a petition signed by the qualified electors of certain sections of Spartanburg, Union and York counties, has been filed with me, and from said petition and accompanying papers, it appears that one third of the qualified electors residing within the area of each section of the old counties proposed to be cut off for a new county have signed said petition; and

Whereas, the boundaries of the proposed new county, the proposed name, the number of inhabitants, the area, the taxable property, as shown by the last tax returns, and that the proposed lines for the new county do not run more than eight miles from any court house now established, and set forth in said petition.

Now, therefore, I, John Gary Evans, governor of the State of South Carolina, in compliance with the requirements of the act of the general assembly, entitled an act "to provide for the formation of new counties," etc., approved March 9th, 1896; do hereby order an election in the counties to be cut off for the new county on Tuesday, the 8th of December, A D 1896, to be held in accordance with the requirements of the said act, at which election the electors shall vote "yes" or "no" upon the question of creating the new county, and upon the name and county seat of said proposed new county.

There are some five or six other new county schemes, most of which the general public has heard of from time to time. The latest is that of "Dorchester" county, which will take a big slice off Colleton county as give and historic name to an historic section of the State. Greenwood, Honea Path and Calhoun are some of the names proposed for other new counties for which certain citizens are working.—The State.

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A special to The Morning News from Clyde, Ga., says: A horrible homicide took place three miles from this town yesterday. Three months ago a young white man by the name of Tommie Long married Miss Roxie Tillman from Chatham county. He brought his wife to live at his father's near this place. It seems the honeymoon was short, for yesterday about 1 30 p. m., she killed him, splitting his head open with an axe. The coroner has been sent for to investigate the case. She made a confession. She said that she killed him in self-defense. There were no eye-witnesses to the killing.

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Estate Of Mrs. Ollie H. Stubbs, MINOR.

I WILL APPLY to the Judge of Probate of Sumter County on November 7, 1896, for a Final Discharge as Guardian of Person and Estate of aforesaid Minor.

MRS LILLIAN H. STUBBS, Guardian. Oct 7—4t.

Estate of John P. Brown, Dec'd.

ALL PERSONS having claims against said Estate will present same duly attested, and all persons in anyway indebted to said Estate will make immediate payment to JOHN SINGLETON, Agent for THOS. D. DAY, Qualified Executor. Oct 14—3t.

Tax Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the County Treasurer's books for the months of November and December, 1895, and the fiscal year 1896 will be open for the collection of said taxes from the 15th day of October, 1896, to the 31st day of December, 1896, inclusive, at his office in the County Court House in the city of Sumter. The total tax rate is 10 1/4 mills, apportioned as follows: For State purposes, 4 1/2 mills. For ordinary county tax 3 3/10 mills. For school tax 3 mills. There is also the following additional special school taxes levied in the school districts named: Swimming Pools District No. 16, 2 mills. Bishopville " " 20, 4 " " " " " " 18, 2 " " Sumter " " 1, 2 " " Middleton " " —, 2 " " Mt Olio " " —, 2 " " Providence " " —, 1 1/2 "

All male citizens between the ages of 21 and 60 years, except those incapable of earning a support or otherwise exempted, are liable to a poll tax of one dollar. The Treasurer would respectfully urge prompt payment, inasmuch as there is no possibility of an extension. Those waiting until the last will be liable to serious delay and inconvenience, as there is always a rush toward the end. H. L. SCARBOROUGH, Treasurer Sumter County.

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