

Dangerous High Water.

Rivers Out of Banks in Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee.

Columbus, Ga., Feb 14—The waters of the Chattahoochee are falling rapidly. Three thousand cotton mill operatives have been idle four days on account of high water.

West Point, Ga., Feb. 14—The Chattahoochee after a steady rise of four days is falling. The main street of this city was several inches deep in water last night, while in the low lying portions of the town many houses have been abandoned.

Montgomery, Ala., Feb 14—The Alabama river is higher than for several years and is still rising. The water has already reached the underpath at the Union station. All creeks and streams surrounding the city are out of their banks, and many bridges of public roads have been swept away.

Knoxville, Tenn., Feb 14—All rivers in this part of the country are out of their banks and rising.

Augusta, Ga., Feb 14—Some of the inhabitants of Augusta living in the neighborhood of the Savannah river were forced to abandon their homes today owing to high water. The cotton mills were shut down but will resume work tomorrow.

LOANS TO COUNTIES.

For the information of the various counties desiring to make loans, State Treasurer W. H. Timmerman, who is also secretary of the commissioners of the sinking fund, authorizes the statement that any county in the State may at once apply for and obtain loans from the commissioners of the sinking fund to the extent of one-half of the estimated proceeds of said county's tax levy for "ordinary county purposes."

These loans, under the law, are being now made upon the joint official note of the county treasurer and county supervisor, bearing 5 per cent. interest, payable one year from date, and giving a first lien on the whole of the ordinary county levy.

For necessary blanks and further information such officials should write to the State treasurer.

When the Shoe Pinches.

The net result of the educational legislation of the present session is that the "higher" institutions have got all they chose to ask for while the income of the public schools has been cut down by the decrease in the dispensary profits.

Here in Greenville we will have to add half a mill to our taxes to keep our graded schools going and must pay as much more to sustain institutions which are useless to ninety nine hundredths of us and injurious and unfair competitors against educational enterprises we have built and maintained and are content to use—Greenville news.

Brave Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, back-ache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. Listen to J. W. Gardner, Indianapolis, Ind. He says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he is all run down, and don't care whether he lives or dies. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life."

Our contemporaries in other states will have to withdraw the compliments they paid South Carolina recently in the expectation of an act of real progressiveness here. The broad tire bill, after passing the senate, has been defeated in the house. Delay did it. We believe that if the measure had been properly pushed it would have passed, with some county exemptions, ten days ago. But it suffered for lack of good handling, and was allowed to drag until the end of the session, a time when members are weary and hurried and disinclined to take trouble. "When in doubt, kill" is the motto during the week before adjournment. However, better luck next time! The good roads cause is growing and the people are thinking. The bill will pass a year from now.—State, Feb 15.

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Revolution Threatened

Taylor Calls his Friends to Shoulder Their Guns

Frankfort, Ky., Feb 12—Governor Taylor revealed his program in a short speech here today as follows:

"Now, gentlemen, I rejected the peace agreements. The legislature will soon vote to unseat me. Then the case will be appealed to the state court of appeals. The verdict of that body is already drawn and is against me by a vote of four to three. We shall then try to get into the federal courts. If we fail there will be only one cause open to us, and that is revolution."

"Now, how many of you are ready to shoulder guns and come here to help me?" Every man in the meeting jumped to his feet and shouted, "I am!"

The democrats concede that Beckham's claim to be governor cannot stand unless the legislature declares his election in joint and separate sessions.

Both Sides Ask to be Given Possession of the Offices.

Louisville, Feb 14—Suit was filed in the circuit court today by counsel for Gov Taylor, seeking to restrain J. C. W. Beckham from acting as governor and Gen John B. Castleman from attempting to discharge the duties of adjutant general. Summons were served on the defendants this afternoon. The suit will be allotted to one of the circuit judges by a drawing. This drawing may not be held for several days.

Frankfort, Feb 14—The suit of Beckham vs Taylor for the possession of the office of governor was filed today in the circuit court at Frankfort and will be heard at Georgetown Friday.

Gov Taylor tonight sent the visiting delegation of Democratic members notice though the troops would not be removed, legislators would not be molested.

Cincinnati, Feb 14—Holding that the federal courts had no jurisdiction in the contests in Kentucky, Judge Tait this afternoon refused to grant the application for injunctions against the Kentucky State board of elections and the Democratic contestants for State offices other than governor and lieutenant governor.

The case can go ultimately to the United States supreme court. The decision says unusual care was given the court's deliberation owing to "the interests involved and the outrageous character of the electoral frauds under the forms of law which the bills charge that the State contest board is about to consummate."

The Two Kentucky Legislatures May Meet Together.

Frankfort, Feb 15—The prospects for the legislature getting together and holding its sessions at the State capitol are conceded to be brighter tonight than since Gov Taylor adjourned the body to meet at London.

Speaker Trimble told leading Democrats who were in Louisville, today that he thought both branches would meet together here Monday. Efforts are being made to reach an agreement as to whom shall preside in the senate in order to avoid a clash between Lieut Gov Marshall and Senator Carter, president pro tem of the senate. If this is settled, the chief barrier to the Democratic and Republican branches meeting together will have been removed. It is believed this will be accomplished on Monday.

BECKHAM RECOGNIZED AS GOVERNOR

Frankfort, Feb 15—The clash between the Democratic and Republican branches of the State government was emphasized tonight by the prison officials releasing John Seals, a Louisville convict, on a pardon issued by Gov Beckham. Deputy Warden Punch was acting warden tonight and when the pardon papers were presented to him he ordered Seals released and the latter left the city tonight.

Douglas Hays, a Knott county convict, recently pardoned by Gov Taylor, is still in confinement, the prison officials refusing to recognize Taylor as governor.

Taylor's Red Hot Talk

Cincinnati, Feb 14—United States Judge Tait today refused the injunction asked by the republicans of Kentucky against minor State officers. Governor Taylor is reported as saying relative to reports that his partisans are planning to fill judges and legislators who should vote to unseat him: "If the mountaineers and others would do this without saying anything to me why I think the commune for a couple of weeks in Kentucky would bring about a long and satisfactory peace."

In delivering his opinion today the judge took occasion to score the Goebel election law, which he characterized

as the most infamous statute enacted ever come before his attention.

He decides that he has no jurisdiction.

Frankfort—An injunction suit of Beckham vs Taylor, by which the democrats sue to oust Taylor, was filed this afternoon.

New York Feb 13—Congressman Charles A. Chickering, of Copenhagen N. Y., was found dead outside of the Grand Union hotel in this city today. He had either fallen or jumped from a fourth story window of the hotel.

The Burning of Columbia

Today, February 17th, is the 35th anniversary of the burning of the city of Columbia by Sherman's army. It is an anniversary that recalls many unpleasant memories to many whose hair has whitened since the destruction of the city. But Columbia has risen from her ashes to become the most rapidly developing city in the Southern States, and is now recovering from her wounds by leaps and bounds. There are only a few reminders of the memorable conflagration now to be found in and around Columbia.—The State.

Narrow Gauge Opinion.

The senate has killed the wide tire bill. It is well with the bill in such a condition. Such a measure is not the thing now needed in order to have improved roads. We would like to see a rock crusher at work in each township of this up country where the rock is here to be crushed and where there is clay and sand to be mixed with the crushed rock which would make a road that would stand any kind of tires.

The wide tire measure has passed by for the present so far as legal enactment by the South Carolina legislature is concerned; but this fact will not prevent the observation of a citizen of this town that the author of it must have been the man who introduced wide engagement rings, the latter being the more acceptable innovation, however.—Newberry Observer.

As a representative of South Carolina, Senator John L. McLaurin has been a conspicuous failure. Having represented Mr McKinley so faithfully in the senate, it would be a fitting tribute to his fidelity to the president to appoint him as a member of the new Philippine commission. It would certainly be a graceful act for him to accept the appointment and resign the senatorship, allowing Governor McSweeney to appoint a more representative successor.—Anderson Intelligencer.

New York, Feb 16—Roland B. Molineux was today sentenced to die in Sing Sing prison during the week of March 26, for the murder of Mrs Katherine J. Adams and was placed in the Sing Sing penitentiary this afternoon. He made a statement before sentence that he had not been fairly convicted and that "yellow journalism had put a price upon his head, inviting every blackmailer, perjurer and rogue."

Washington, D. C., Feb 16—Ex Senator Edmunds has given an opinion that the proposed amendment to the North Carolina constitution clearly violates the federal constitution in making a distinction in regard to the classes of voters to whom it applies.

Washington, Feb 16—The secretary of war today sent to the senate a statement showing that for the year 1899 the receipts of public funds in Cuba aggregated \$16,346,015, of which \$15,011,089 were from customs, \$244,000 from the postal service, \$787,592 from internal revenue and \$303,331 from miscellaneous sources. The expenditures amounted to \$14,085,805, leaving \$2,260,209 in the hands of the treasurer. The principal expenditures were as follows: Barracks and quarters \$1,269,939, sanitation \$3,052,282, rural police and administration \$1,445,467, public works \$700,126, municipalities \$1,239,403.

Washington, Feb 13—The only object discussed at the cabinet meeting today was that of the personnel of the Philippine commission. It was stated that the president is in search of a southern man, as a member of the commission, but that he has not decided to whom the place will be offered. While the president would like to appoint Senator Lodge he thinks that he would be of greater service in the senate and it seems altogether probable that he will select some one not a present in congress.

Washington, February 15.—Senator McLaurin, of South Carolina, had a conference with the president today, and it is understood, was offered a place on the new Philippine commission. The senator assured the president that while he fully appreciated the honor, he thought his duty to his constituents demanded that he retain his place in the senate. He said, however, that he would take the matter under advisement.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I will attend in person or by deputy, at the following places on the days indicated respectively for the purpose of receiving returns of Personal Property, and Poll Taxes for the fiscal year commencing January 1st, 1900:

- At office Sumter, S. C., at all other times up to Feb 20, 1900, inclusive: Tindalls, Tuesday, January 2. Privateer, (Jenkins' Store) Wednesday, January 3. Manchester, (Nettles' residence) Thursday, January 4. Wedgefield, Friday, January 5. Stateburg, Saturday, January 6. Hagood, Monday, January 8. Rembert's Store, Tuesday, January 9. Gaillard's X Roads, Wednesday January 10. Roseards, Thursday, January 11. Gordon's Mill, Saturday, January 13. Mayesville, Monday, January 15. Scottsville, (McElveen's Store) Tuesday, January 16. Shiloh, Wednesday, January 17. Norwood's X Roads, Thursday, January 18. Lynchburg, Friday, January 19. Magnolia, Saturday, January 20. Reid's Mill, Monday, January 22. Bishopville, Tuesday and Wednesday, January 23 and 24. Mannville, Thursday, January 25. Smithville, Friday, January 26.

The law requires that all persons owning property or in anywise having charge of such property, either as agent, husband, guardian, trustee, executor, administrator, etc., return the same under oath to the auditor, who requests all persons to be prompt in making their returns and save the 50 per cent. penalty which will be added to the property valuation of all persons who fail to make returns within the time prescribed by law.

Taxpayers return what they owe on the first day of January, 1900.

Assessors and taxpayers will enter the first given name of the taxpayer in full, also make a separate return for each township where the property is located and also in each and every case the No. of the School District must be given.

Every male citizen between the age of twenty-one and sixty years on the first day of January, 1900, except those incapable of earning a support from being married or from other causes, are deemed taxable polls, and except Confederate soldiers 50 years of age, on January 1st, 1900.

All returns must be made on or before the 20th day of February next. I cannot take returns after that date and all returns made after the 20th day of February are subject to a penalty of 50 per cent.

J. DIGGS WILDER, Auditor Sumter County, Sumter, S. C., Dec 6, 1899.

Notice of Registration.

The State of South Carolina—Sumter County—Office of Supervisors of Registration, Sumter County, Sumter, S. C., February 1st, 1899.

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with an Act of the General Assembly, and in conformity with the requirements of the State Constitution, the books for the registration of all legally qualified voters, and for the issuing of transfers, etc., will be open at the office of Supervisors of Registration in the court house, between the hours of 9 o'clock a. m. and 3 o'clock p. m., on the first Monday of each month, until thirty days before the next general election. Minors who shall become of age during that period of thirty days shall be entitled to registration before the books are closed, if otherwise qualified. The requirements for a qualified voter are that the applicant for registration shall be able to read and write correctly, or possess in his own name property to the amount of three hundred dollars, upon which he pays taxes. T. F. BURROWS, E. D. DEBOSE, J. M. KNIGHT, Supervisors of Registration Sumter Co. Feb 1

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Train No 34 with passenger coach attached leaving Blackburg at 5:30 a. m., and connecting at Rock Hill with the Southern's Florida train for all points South.

Train No 33 leaving Camden, S. C., at 12:30 p. m., after the arrival of the Southern's Charleston train connects at Lancaster, S. C., with the L & C. R. R., at Catawba Junction with the S. A. L. going East, at Rock Hill, S. C., with the Southern's train, No 34, for Charlotte, N. C., and all points East. Connects at Yorkville, S. C., with train No 9 on the C & N. W. R. R. for Chester, S. C. At Blackburg with the Southern's vestibule going East, and the Southern's train No 35 going West, and connecting at Marion N. C. with the Southern's both East and West.

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