

THE CANDIDATES IN GREENVILLE.

A Serious Charge Made Against Col. Talbert.

Greenville, July 17.—The meeting today at its largest stage numbered about 600 or 800 voters and ladies. Five lusty MacGregors stood upon their native heath—Ansel, Austin, Boyd, Walker and Martin—and with "peculiar pleasure" in the faces of relatives, friends and voters all candidates were closely heard, but not enthusiastically. This was Ansel's home and he had a fine and cordial welcome. Tillman, Heyward and Talbert pulled close for second place, Tillman perhaps having slight lead.

Col. Talbert addressed himself pointedly and vigorously to a dispatch sent to the Greenville News from Pickens after campaign party left yesterday. This dispatch gave details charging Col. Talbert with securing Col. Tillman's mail from Pickens post-office, saying that Tillman was furious and that postmaster, "having identified Talbert" was ready to make an affidavit to this effect. Attorneys were consulted and Postmaster Morris sent his report to Washington.

TALBERT'S DENIAL.

Referring to this at the beginning of his speech today, Col. Talbert said: "I was surprised to see a statement published in your paper charging me with taking Col. Tillman's mail out of the Pickens postoffice. This is nothing more nor less than a fake statement. It is absolutely false and untrue in every respect. I never received any letters there directed to any one other than myself. No man in this audience believes it and people of South Carolina, who know me, would never believe it. I do not know anything about Col. Tillman's mail and I ask him now if he believes I would be guilty of such a thing. Col. Tillman stood and said: 'I have known you, Col. Talbert, from my childhood and without the strongest possible evidence, I would not believe it.'"

During Col. Talbert's statement friends in the crowd encouraged him by pronouncing it a lie, "go on and make your speech," etc.

TILLMAN'S STATEMENT.

Your correspondent interviewed Col. Tillman, who "had nothing to say, except that he had been telegraphed that important mail would reach him at Pickens, which mail had never been received."

The meetings were held at city park in the suburbs of the town, an absolutely ideal spot for such an occasion. Dense shade, peaceful serenity, a cool spring of water and comfortable seats—only one unfavorable surrounding—this only by its suggestiveness. Spring-wood cemetery borders on one side of this park, suggestive of the great political cemetery of 1902 toward which about two dozen candidates out of 37 are slowly but surely journeying.

Tillman Got a Frost.

If the reports of the different campaign meetings that have taken place over the State are as misleading as the reports sent out to the different papers concerning the campaign meeting at this place in some respects then they are not to be relied on. What was said about Mr. Ansel was correct, but there seems to have been an effort to make it appear that Tillman and Talbert were about equal favorites with the crowd and one paper, the Augusta Chronicle, gave the crowd to Tillman and the Greenville News did almost the same thing. This is entirely erroneous and misleading. It was a subject of general remark here after the meeting that Tillman got the marble heart effectually, and in the wordy encounter between him and Col. Talbert it was plainly manifest to every observer that Col. Talbert had the crowd with him, and yet the contrary is made to appear. In all our experience at campaign meetings we have never seen a speech, or a pretended speech fall flatter than Tillman's did on the crowd. There was no enthusiasm from first to last during his speech. He was rattled from the very outset by the demand for the proof of his statement that the whites were robbing the negroes of their school money, and he did not recover from it. It created indignation that he should make such a serious charge against white men. He may not have meant it, but that was what he said.—Anderson Mail.

Refused to Fight an American.

Stockholm, Sweden, July 17.—A great sensation has been caused in military circles here by the conduct of Capt. Arvid Wester, who after challenging an American, Wm. Casper, to fight a duel, failed to appear at the spot selected for the encounter. Last night in the grand arena palace Wester, in the full uniform of a captain on the general staff and wearing his decorations, disturbed the seance of a mind reader. Casper, the manager of the establishment, remonstrated and demanded an apology. This Wester refused and Casper said the officer's conduct was ungentlemanly and disgraceful. The captain then challenged the American who accepted and repaired to the meeting place at 5 o'clock this morning, with his seconds, including the secretary of the United States legation, Joseph Muir. Wester, who was a war correspondent in Cuba and South Africa, failed to appear and, as a consequence, will undoubtedly be forced to retire from the army.

What Clemson is Doing.

Last week a man was pointed out to the Advertiser who is about 23 years old and is at the head of the weave room in one of the largest cotton mills. "How did he get that job at that age?" was asked. "Oh, he's a Clemson man" was the answer. The job pays about as much as the best lawyers about here make.—Laurens Advertiser.

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Trustees are Going Slow—Many Suggestions Made.

Great interest is being manifested in the filling of the vacancy in the presidency of the South Carolina college, and speculation is rife as to who will be the new head of the State college. The trustees have provided for the operation of the college by competent authority and are in no hurry to fill the position. They propose to look about carefully and select the right man for the place. In the meantime no end of applications have been presented from well-known educators in all parts of the country, and the friends of others have been writing to the different members of the board, making proper suggestions and giving information. All of these applications and suggestions are being given due consideration by the individual members of the board and when the meeting is held the board will find plenty of good timber from which to select. Several of those suggested are former South Carolinians resident in other States.—The State.

Dr. Hartzog Accepts.

Calhoun, July 17.—It is reported here today that President Hartzog has accepted the presidency of the University of Arkansas and that he has gone there to see about it. If he has accepted he will be expected to take charge Aug. 1.

Declined by Mr. Randolph.

Charleston, July 17.—President Harrison Randolph has declined the call to the presidency of the University of Arkansas which was recently tendered to him. His determination to remain at the head of the College of Charleston is a source of much pleasure to the trustees, the faculty, students and public generally. He has proven an exceptionally able and successful president. The call was a flattering one to Dr. Randolph. He was formerly professor of mathematics in the university of Arkansas.

Georgetown's New Enterprise.

The Atlantic Coast Lumber Company will soon begin the construction of a large number of kilns for the making of charcoal. This new branch of their work will doubtless prove an important one. It is yet in infancy, as it were, but gives promise, of assuming almost gigantic proportions later.

For experimenting purposes four brick kilns were erected several weeks ago and gave most encouraging results. These kilns have the appearance of ordinary furnaces, except that there is only a small outlet for the smoke to escape. The process is one of smothering. Once the wood is stored in and the fires lighted, the pile is left enclosed to burn slowly for several days before it is thoroughly charred. But such a method is a crude one, for much valuable matter escapes with the gases. It is proposed now to expand the business to the utmost. Mr. J. A. Mathieu, of Detroit, an expert, has been engaged and will arrive this week to take charge of the new works. Already the ground is being cleared up and the trolley line extended preparatory to getting an early start. Seventy-five brick kilns will be built, thirty-six feet in diameter. With the process improved, not only charcoal will be the output, but all the volatile matter will be retained from which wood alcohol, turpentine and other less important fusibles are derived.

Briefly outlined the method of manufacture is this: The wood slabs are piled into the almost air tight oval furnaces and allowed to smother for six or eight days. The smoke and gases given off are allowed to pass into a cast-iron retort, out of which the "by-products" are extracted by distillation. The non-volatile matter, charcoal, remains, of course, at the bottom of the kiln.

To what uses these burnt wood products may be put are almost too numerous and extensive to be mentioned. All the gaseous articles will most likely be exported, but the charcoal will be consumed for fuel at the large lumber plant here. With such an abundant supply of raw material there seems almost no limit to the output of the kilns. Instead of burning the pine slabs for fuel, as is done now, hereafter they will be converted into charcoal. The charcoal process renders the wood exceedingly light in weight and proof against decay. Another month will see the buildings completed and the process begun.—Georgetown Outlook.

The Columbia Record says: "Every rain that comes shows that the next legislature will have to put an entire new roof on the state house, as a result of the gross negligence of the state house committee in not seeing to it that this defect, which was pointed out several times, was properly attended to before the contractor was paid. It will cost quite a large sum to do it, but there is no other way to do about it."

Lord Lister, the eminent physician, who is in attendance on King Edward, comes of a long line of distinguished medical men. Edward Lister was physician to Elizabeth and James I. and his younger brother, Sir Matthew, filled the same office to Anne of Denmark, James I., Charles I. Martin Lister, son of Sir Martin and nephew of Sir Matthew, was a famous zoologist and also second physician to Queen Anne. Lord Lister is now 75. His discovery, in 1867, known as the antiseptic treatment, rendered possible the operation on the King. Lord Lister has the distinction of being the first medical peer.

Poisoning the System.

It is through the bowels that the body is cleansed of impurities. Constipation keeps these poisons in the system, causing headache, dulness and melancholia at first, then unsightly eruptions and finally serious illness unless a remedy is applied. DeWitt's Little Early Risers prevent this trouble by stimulating the liver and promote easy, healthy action of the bowels. These little pills do not act violently but by strengthening the bowels enable them to perform their own work. Never gripe or distress. J. S. Hingston & Co.

A BEAUTIFUL TRIBUTE.

Monument to Confederates Rearranged on West Virginia Mountain.

Elkins, W. Va., July 17.—A Confederate veteran's monument was dedicated today on top of Valley mountain near here in memory of southern soldiers who fell at the lonely spot. There was an immense parade, several thousand persons being present. The money was raised for the monument chiefly by a number of wealthy English residents of Mingo Flats, W. Va., Bishop Peterkin of the Episcopal diocese of West Virginia was orator of the day.

During the Civil War half a dozen or so of Confederates were killed in the skirmishes there and were buried in a lonely spot on top of the mountain far away from any human habitation. The monument is not an imposing marble shaft, but is a plain slab of native West Virginia stone, nicely engraved and finished by an old Confederate veteran of Randolph county.

Wife Murderer Lynched.

Owensboro, Ky., July 17.—Joshua Anderson was taken from jail here early this morning by a crowd of men and hanged to the crossbeam of the city scales. Thursday night Anderson went to the home of his wife, three miles from town, called her out and shot her three times, instantly killing her. The lynchers battered down the prison door, and while some went to the prisoner's cell to lead him out, others of the mob surrounded the jailer and his family to prevent them from giving the alarm. Anderson was soon secured and in a few moments was led across the street from the prison where a rope was placed about his neck and he was hanged. The mob then dispersed quietly. No arrests have been made. Anderson was the first white man ever lynched in Daviess county.

Age of Senatorial Candidates.

To the Editor of The Item. Those of your readers who are interested in the campaign now going on in South Carolina, for United States senator, will probably be interested to learn something about the ages of the six candidates, and we therefore give below a table stating where and when the candidates were born. In compiling this table, we have been much assisted by sketches in Garlington's "Men of the Time." We mention the candidates according to their ages. William Elliott, of Beaufort, born there September, 1838, and is now 63 years old. George Johnstone, of Newberry, born there April, 1846, and is 56 years old. Dan S. Henderson, of Aiken, born at Walterboro, April, 1849, and is now 53 years old. John J. Hemphill, of Chester, born there August, 1849, and will be 53 next month. Ashbury C. Latimer, of Anderson county, born in Abbeville county on the last day of July, 1851, and is nearly 51 years old. John Gary Evans, of Spartanburg, was born in what is now Greenwood county, October, 1863, and is now 38 years old. It will be noticed that both the candidates whose name commences with H—Henderson and Hemphill—were born the same year. All the candidates are native Carolinians. McDoald Furman. Privateer, Sumter Co., July 16, 1902.

The Barn Did Not Dodge.

"The first job I got at my profession after leaving the university several years ago," said a graduate of Ann Arbor, according to the Detroit Free Press, "was up in New Hampshire, and it was no job at all. In other words, I was fishing along a creek when a farmer warned me off and wasn't a bit gentle about it, either. He wanted stone for the foundation of a new barn and he was going to get it by blasting a big rock on the steep hillside back of the spot. I took a look at the route it would have to travel and I made up my mind that the old barn would suffer. I decided to have my revenge on him by not saying a word, but by and by my conscience got the better of my pique and I said to him: "If you set that rock to rolling down hill you'd better figure on where it's going to bring up." "I have," he replied. "Do you want the old barn made kindling wood?" "No, of course not." "Well, then, you'd better go slow." "Who are you?" asked the farmer, as he turned on me. "A civil engineer, sir." "What's them?" "Fellows who can see an inch or two beyond their noses." "He asked no more questions, but got a blast under the rock and let her go. She went. She took a beeline for that barn and knocked the structure into the middle of the next week, and as the pieces ceased to rain down, the old farmer spat on his hand and held it out to me and said: "Durn my cats if you didn't know as much as a lightning rod man! Why didn't you tell me that the old barn couldn't dodge?""

Mother Always Keeps it Handy.

"My mother suffered a long time from distressing pains and general ill health due primarily to indigestion," says L. W. Spalding, Verona, Mo. "Two years ago I got her to try Kodol. She grew better at once and now, at the age of seventy-six, eats anything she wants, remarking that she fears no bad effects as she has her bottle of Kodol handy." Don't waste time doctoring symptoms. Go after the cause. If your stomach is sound your health will be good. Kodol rests the stomach and strengthens the body by digesting your food. It is nature's own tonic. J. S. Hingston & Co.

The Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac and the Washington Southern, forming the 115-mile line between Washington and Richmond, are to be double-tracked the entire distance. A contract for the first twenty miles out of Richmond has already been let. The work involves more than double-tracking, as part of the line is to be entirely rebuilt to eliminate curvature. It is understood that the work will require a year for its completion. These two roads carry a very heavy traffic, as all business, both passenger and freight, of the Seaboard Air Line, Southern Railway, Atlantic Coast Line, Pennsylvania, Baltimore and Ohio and Chesapeake and Ohio between Washington and Richmond passes over them.

The Best Liniment for Strains.

Mr. F. H. Wells, the merchant at Deer Park, Long Island, N. Y., says: "I always recommend Chamberlain's Pain Balm as the best liniment for strains. I used it last winter for a severe lameness in the side, resulting from a strain, and was greatly pleased with the quick relief and cure it effected." For sale by Dr. A. J. China.

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THE MINERS' CONVENTION.

President Mitchell Opposed to a General Walk Out—Appealed for Aid for Strikers.

Indianapolis, Ind., July 17.—If the voice and influence of President Mitchell of the United Mine Workers, shall prevail with the members of his organization there will be no general strike of the organization. In his speech in the convention this afternoon Mr. Mitchell advised strongly against a strike and urged that the bituminous miners continue at work and that a system of assessment upon the members of the order, which he outlined, be carried into effect as the best means of affording aid and support to the striking anthracite miners in the east.

His recommendation, if it had been adopted by the convention this afternoon, would have settled the entire question for which the convention was called, and an immediate adjournment would have followed. A motion to adopt them provoked a long debate, in which the general sentiment was against the ordering of the strike. The men from the anthracite regions finally asked that they be allowed to hold a caucus to determine upon an expression of opinion as to what they thought the convention should do, and asked an adjournment pending the caucus. This was granted. In the convention three speeches were made by members of the anthracite districts, asking that the soft coal men walk out, and twice as many were made by the anthracite men arguing the soft coal men to continue at work.

The Oregon Desperado Escapes.

Black Diamond, Wash., July 17.—Tracey has escaped again. He has eluded the sheriff of King County and many picked men, who had advanced on his hiding place three miles from here last night. The posse arrived at Tracey's hiding place six or eight hours after he had left. He had taken a row boat and gone to the east end of Sawyer Lake, presumably about 2 o'clock this morning, accompanied by two confederates. The chase from this point has been abandoned.

Whitney as a Prophet.

A story is going the rounds about William C. Whitney and one of his negro hostlers, says the New York Times. Mr. Whitney had noticed that each time he visited his stable this man watched every move he made, and upon one pretext or another, managed to keep near to him from the moment he entered the stable till he left it. The financier was greatly puzzled by the conduct of the negro, and one day he called him aside. "Peter," he said, "why do you follow me around and watch me so closely every time I enter the stable? You must have some good reason for your actions. What is it?"

"Has I gatter 'splain,' sah?" "Certainly." "I's powful 'fraid dat it 'll spoil de charm, sah." "Spoil what charm? What do you mean?"

"Well, sah, it's dis yere way. Ev'ry maw'n' I looks up de entries fo' de day's races. Den I names things in de stables fo' de hosses, see? De wheels of de kerriges; de heads, an' de tails, an' de harnesses, whips—ev'rything in de stable's done gatter name of one of de hosses dat'll run in de races today. Fo' instance, when yo' comes an' yo' touches things. Whatever yo' touch, I plays. Dat air wheel that yo' just shook, ter see if it's sound, is named Gold Heels, an' dis nigger 's gwine ter play Gold Heels, fo' de limit."

Mr. Whitney laughed heartily. "Are you lucky, Peter?" "Lucky? Why, Mr. Whitney, dem hans of yurn knows mo' 'bout prophecy dan ole 'Lijah hisself!"

Florence, July 17.—The tobacco market was formally opened today with the largest "break" that has occurred in the history of the market. Over a hundred thousands pounds were sold at prices ranging from 5 to 30 cents a pound.

New York, July 17.—It is announced that the stockholders of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical company have approved the issue of \$7,000,000 collateral trust bonds for the purpose of funding its existing indebtedness and returning part of the working cash capital. This was made necessary by the recent acquisition of some valuable properties at an outlay of about the amount of the bond issue just approved.

London, July 17.—Details of an important move by Russia which has evidently been suppressed hitherto by the censor, have transpired in London. This move is no less than a proposal by the imperial government for an international conference to deal with trusts.

Cholera in the East.

A Serious Epidemic; Forty Thousand in Manila in Camp.

St. Petersburg, July 17.—Official dispatches announce the serious spread of cholera in Manchuria, accompanied by great mortality. Out of 643 cases at Inku, 477 died up to July 4. At Kharbin there has been 575 cases and 322 deaths up to July 10. At a score of other places affected cholera stations have been established and the passengers on all trains are inspected by sanitary officers.

Resisted the Officers.

Augusta, Ga., July 17.—South Carolina deputy sheriffs passed through the city yesterday, enroute to Saluda, with a prisoner by the name of Willis Daniel, wanted as an accessory to the alleged crime of murder. Daniel had a gun-shot wound in the neck, inflicted by one of the officers. It seems that Daniel was located down in South West Georgia and the officers notified, although no arrest was made. Daniel resisted arrest. He first ran from the two officers. When closely pursued he turned on the officers and began to fire at them with a pistol. The fire was returned. At the fifth or sixth shot, Daniel fell to the ground and the officers rushed him. As the officers were upon him the negro raised up and again endeavored to use the pistol, but was promptly knocked down with the butt end of a pistol. The last lick took all of the fight out of him and he was handcuffed.

Peace in the Philippines.

Manila, July 17.—An extensive drive, with the object of capturing the Ladrone chiefs, Montalvo and Felizardo, and 50 of their followers, is progressing in Cavite province. Twelve hundred constabulary, commanded by Capt. Baker, moved today at daylight, forming a complete angle-shaped cordon, covering 60 square miles. Patrol launches are guarding the rivers. It is expected to close the cordon on Saturday.

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