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DAKE CORNER

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WHACKY.

ky, March 2.-The past week intensely cold and some snow fell m the 17th, but the weather has ed breatty the past three and today is quite werm

Very little progress has been made farm work up to this time.

come of the farmers expect to a few acres of corn this week. here to less elekness in the emmunity w then in several weeks There are some cases of grippe among the

r. and Mrs. Percy Stuckey, of ville, visited relatives here yes

The death of Mr. J. M. Spears, of le: was a shock to his He had many warm friends, and ela-where, who were grieved ar of his sad death. Mrs. Spears the sympathy of the entire comty in her great affliction her ther having aled but two months

STATEBURG Stateburg, March 3 .- Mr. Marshall est, of Sumter returned to his me last evening, after a pleasant what to Mr. Guy Nelson.

Miss Anna P. Burgees returned on sday from Camden, where she had toon enjoying a few days at the lovebe home of Mr. and Mrs. John Boy-

Mr. J. Singleton Moore, of Sumter, to spending a few days at "The

Miss Ina Mellette, who is teaching school near Sumter, has been at home dor a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Pinckney and oir attractive little daughter, Emma, of Sumter, are visiting Mr. and It's done so for thousands, why not Mrs. Screven Moore.

Col. R. C. Richardson, of Sumter, Drug Store. a guest at "The Ruins," the stable home of Mrs. James Pinckone day this wook. Here, in the of some of Statoburg's charmmusic loving young ladies,

Col. Richardson spent a most enjoyable, but too fleeting, stay!

DATAKLIA

Dalzell, March 2 .-- We are at last having some fine weather to work, and the farmers are trying to make good use of the time. Some of us are somewhat behind with our work, the land being too wet to work.

There is considerable fertilizer being hauled now, and judging from all appearances about the same amount of fertilizers will be used as last season, and the same amount of cotton planted. Hope the farmers won't forget last year's experience, buying corn and hay.

Well, your correspondent had a very pleasant; trip through South Georgia a few days ago. Leaving Sumter on the 10th instant, I went to Charleston and spent Friday, until 11.07 Friday wight. In Charleston I think the blind tigers are doing the best business in the place. Leaving Charleston for Savannah we were etained two and one-half hours on the road on account of a wreck. We arrived in Savannah at daylight, which gave me a chance for seeing the country. Well, we started for Wayeroos, and I must say for miles and miles we went through some of the worst looking country I have ever seen. Arriving at Waycross we changed cars for Thomasville. Well, we saw a lot more of awful had looking country. We found Valdosta a very ice looking town, and as we neared Chomasville the country began to ook better. We arrived in Thomas-He Baturday about 1 o'clock, and must my I was very much pleased with the place. The principal streets are paved with brick, the aldewalks with coment and kept very neat. I nd the people very clever. I visted Mr. W. M. Moreland and his ons, who many will remember left this community about 12 years ago. and them all comfortably situated

Thomas county is not so much of cotton county. Their principle POPE ATO COME DE ere, melons and er cohe. There are lots of fine pear erchards, which they tell mo grow to perfection. They don't have the stock law the they take lots of house and which the tell me pay better then tton. They plant their corn about 1-2 feet in the rows with a row of pinders in the middle. Their hoge ther the pladers and got which is far retter than having of them from the barn to fatten h, there is considerable turpe ind worked out there. We mw lot of new bottes furt cut and it looks the a sin to cut some as smal as we and the Mai could be reached with a 19-foot pole. It looks like a law night to prolitift the timber being

in good homes of their own, and sur-

rounded with pleaty.

ruined so. Lots of tourists go to Thomasville for the winter, and several Northern people have beautiful residences built out in the pine woods, which they

occupy Juring the winter. We never saw but one man in Georgla who looked like he was under the influence of whiskey, and he was in Savanah Wednesday night as we came home. and we were told there is a plenty in Savannah now, if the State is dry.

ANTIOCH

Antioch, March 2.- March has come and with it the winds also.

We have been having some excellent weather for ploughing and the farmers have been taking advantage

Mr. W. T. McLeod spent Saturday

n Camden. Mr. and Mrs W. J. Gibson, of Rishopville, spent yesterday with the latter's father, Mr. J. W. Weldon, Also Mr. and Mrs. L. A. James, of Bishopville spent yesterday with Mr and Mrs. J. B. Wilson.

Miss Irene Weldon, of this place. visited relatives at Heriot and Oswego last week.

We are having more sickness in our comunity than has been in long time. In almost every home there are one or more cases of grippe or pneumonia.

On Friday, Feb. 20, Mrs. T. A. Colline died of typhoid pneumonia. She left a husband and six childen to mourn for her, but just 22 hours after she died her oldest son, Lawrence A., who was 13 years old, passed away, from the same disease. Rev. Inabnit preached their funerals at St. James Methodist church, of which they were both members, and they

were buried in the same grave. Rev. T. L. Belvin, of Erhardt, S C., is here with his aged mother, who is critically ill.

you've suffered, or what failed to cure you. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tee makes sick, weak men, women and children strong and healthy. for you? \$5c., tea or tablets. Sibert's of the monument, the board adopted Chapman, Nashville, Tenn., and Rube bureau to say unto the people of that wins them. Begin now. 35c.,

If the South Carolina legislature were a brass band every member would want to blow the first cornet .-Anderson Mail.

GARY AND WALKER LEAD.

IN THE RACE FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR.

The Result of the Election Will Probably be Known Tomorrow-The Nominations.

Columbia, March 4 .- The race for the United States senate for successor to the late Ashbury C. Latimer appears to be between Hon. Frank B. Gary of Abbeville and Hon. LeGrand G. Walker of Georgetown, though it is not certain that either man will be elected. Several "favorite sons" were last night placed in nomination and one of these may be successful in case of a deadlock or as a result of release of pledges made on the initial ballot

The senate and the house last night in accordance with the provisions of the United States constitution, took separate ballots. resulting as follows, the figures representing both house and senate:

Frank B. Gary, 65; LeGrand G Walker, 42; Jas. L. Coker, 20; W. L. Mauldin, 18; Wille Jones, 7; Joshua H. Hudann, S; Jas. H. Carlisle, 1.

Under the constitution it was necresary for a candidate on the day of tie first ballot to have a majority of each house and this was not shown last night. Mr. Gary lacked one vots of a majority of the house, while Sonator Walker lacked two votes of a majority in the senate. This result was expected.

Gary Still Leads.

Special to the Daily Item. Columbia, March 4.—The first joint sallot for senator resulted as follows: Gary, house 57, senate 5; total 63; Walker, house 24, senate 17, total 41; Mauldin, house 12 senate 7, total 19; Coker, house 20, sentte 4, total 24; Lee, house 3, senate 2, total 5; Jones, house 5, senate 8, total 8.

Majority of those voting necessary to choice. Total vote was 159; necessary to choice, 80.

WPETILS' BIRD FOES

cientists Find Relief From Cotton Boll Evil-Favorite Food of Many

Washington, March 2.-That the otton boll weevil is to be destroyed by birds is the belief of many of the Agricultural department scientists. igents of the department who have just returned from Louisiana, Toxas and Mississippi cotton fields say there are now 54 varieties of birds which feed upon the weevil.

"The discovery that so many birds are now eating the weevils is of great importance indeed," said Dr. Hart Merriam, chief biologist of the agricultural department, "fer 1 neans that the pest may be kept in check, if not exterminated in time. The entomologists are working to eradicate the weevil by means of insect enemies and the spread of certain diseases or parasites among them. Although these experiments have not perhaps been crowned with entire success, some headway has been gained. Every little helps in the battle, and now that we have the birds on our side the outlook is

brighter for the planter." According to men who have made study of the subject not more than f per cent, of the weevils survive the winters. The birds attack this surviving 5 per cent. even more industriously in the winter than in the summer time, for their food is scarcer then. The weevils hibernate in the stalks of the plant, in cracks of the earth, in crevices of tree trunks, anywhere, in fact, where they can slip out of sight. Many varieties of birds are now becoming expert at hunting the weevils. As soon as the plowing is begun on the cotton fields flucks of hirds follow the furrows as they are turned and eat the weevils brought to light. In this manner great numbers are consumed, and as each weevil is a potential army, millions upon millions of the beetles are thus put out of business or are prevented from ever going into busi-

Meeting of County Board.

county board of com missioners was in session yesterday, all the members being present. At the morning session a number of applications were acted upon in the matter of extending aid to ex-Confederates, accounts for payment listed. and several matters relating to highways considered. Also the application for a site on the Court House grounds for a monument to the late W. S. Graham, which application was presented by Dr. C. C. Brown, was It makes no difference how long disposed of. After reading a letter from the county attorney in regard thereto, giving the opinion that while the board has the right to grant the al association: site, another board might hold a difa resolution that, while regretting its | Waddell, Cairo, Ill. inability to comply with the request it does not see its way clear to do so.

beria does not exceed 700,000.

BASEBALL NOTES.

At a meeting of the Sumter Baseball association held Monday the following officers were elected:

President-Willie Bultman. Vice President--A. D. Harby. Secretary and Treasurer-L.

Directors-W. Bultman, A. D. Harby, Philip Booth, J. H. Levy, T. Scarborough, Dr. S. C. Baker, P. Bowman, Dr Archie China, Claude Hurst, A. L. Jackson, W. B. Boyle, G. L. Ricker, R. L Edmunds, J. D. Blanding, H C. Haynsworth.

... Guy Gunter, "the Fox," has quietly signed eight new swift youngsters for the 1908 season, and their spurs will be sharpened up for the fray. Sumter expects to keep the "rag" in the Game Cock City. The local association is in trim for good ball.

The deal with Danville for the sale of Shortstop Lindsay is off for the present. Lindsay is at Guilford Colege and says he cannot play ball until June 1st. Danville wants him to report at the opening of the season and as he cannot do so Danville's manager will make other arrangements for an infielder. Lindsay still belongs to Sumter.

The sale of Price to Danville has been consummated.

The management of the Norfolk club are indignant, and, according to the evidence, with good reason, over the sale of Lindsay and Price of Sumter, S. C., to the Danville club.

President Otto Wells and Secretary Billy Hannan think that Manager C. G. Gunter handed them a lemon in letting Danville get the crack infielder and pitcher, in view the fact that the Norfolk management helped the Sumter people out of a bad hole when he needed players, and that Mr. Wells had a gilt edge bid in for the players.

Lindeay was wanted in Norfolk to preside at shortstop, and though the management have several other likely men in view, they were especially anxious to get the South Carolina man.-Richmond News-Leader.

Norfo:k has no good reason for being indignant over their own neglect to tuy Lindsay and Price. The Norfolk management has known since last season that these players could had a heart to heart talk on the be bought for cash only, that Sumter subject.

the the challe The players for the Orangeburg far as the last year players are con- do for you at any time you many count erned, says the Orangeburg Evening on me." News. The contracts were all sent to the old players some days back in order that they would reach them before the first of March, and these contracts were sent by registered mail. The receipts of these registered letters have all been returned. Thus the contracts have been received by the old players and they will be held for the 1903 season.

.... Winston-Salem baseball fans are him to do whatever the bearer wentubilant over the announcement made cd. The bearer wanted the Marine by the Winston-Salem Atheletic asso- band to go down to Stateburg on the ciation to the effect that six star play- occasion of the unveiling of the Gen. ers have been secured from the Sum- Thomas Sumter, memorial monument. er, S. C., team, which won the pennant in the South Carolina league the promise of it, which gave him last season. These players have been almost as much pleasure, and he got signed for Winston-Salem's team in the letter with the president's handthe North and South Carolina Base- wrting on it, which he framed and ball league. They include two pitch- hung upon the wall of the Gen. ers, one catcher, one infielder and Thomas Sumter Memorial academy two outfielders and are considered the for future generations to read and best players on the famous Game write compositions about. The for-Cock pennant witning team.

or players, but it is not likely that any scratched on the margins of letters other men will be signed until a man- today, but he got the president's ager for the team is selected.

. . . Orangeburg team in the State league, framing these and hanging them on has been selected to guide the destiny the wall, but they are duly framed of the Spartans this year. Buesse is and hung upon the walls of the now in Atlanta, Ga., his home, where colonel's big heart, and that will he is engaged in securing a string of serve, perhaps fast players. He writes most enmanners. He carries his Bible with pleasure and encouragement. him when he goes on the road and reads it diligently.

The following players have been signed by the Anderson team, contract with whom have been recognized by Secretary Farrell of the nation-

cinnati.

Infielders-E. Henrhorst, Covington, Ky., W. F. Kulhman, Cincinnati, James Corrigan, Allegheny, Pa. E. H. Poole, South Carolina, Lee Meyers, Cincinnati, John Jaekle, Jr., Dunkirk, N. Y., George Rossiter, Baltimore,

and Abe Heightowsinger, Seattle. Wash. Outfielders-Frank Dobson, Jersey City, Amos Strunk, Philadelphia.

Mr. Elmore D. Heins, former sporting editor of the Roanoke, Va., Times, is team manager. He halls from Cin-

The Winston-Salem Athletic association of Winston-Salem, N. C. has closed a deal with Robert Carter, of Memphis, Tenn., as manager of their baseball team.

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Maj. C. H. Gattis, one of the di rectors of the Raleigh Athletic association, was here yesterday conferring with local devotess at the shrine of baseball in regard to Wilmington's putting a team in the proposed Eeastern Carolina Baseball league which will be formed at Wilson next week. Maj. Gattis received a number of very encouraging responses from the Wilmington fans, who met him at noon. It was agreed to send a representative to the meeting at Wilson and from present indications Wilmington will have a strong team in the circuit when the season opens in April.-Wilmington Star.

McGHEE GROWS FACETIOUS.

Col. John J. Dargan's Second Visit to White House Furnishes the Target for His Nimble Wit.

Washington, Feb. 29.—Col. J. Dargan of Stateburg is in Washington, He is a candidate for the United States senate, and he intimates that he is goint to run to beat the band. But that is not his business in Washington. He is here strictly in the interest of the Gen Thomas Sumter Memoral academy, Col. John J. Dargan, principal.

He and President Roosevelt had a conference on the subject today. The president is a very interesting man to the colonel. He is so enthusiastic over education in the country. The colonel says that the president has in truth been working along the same lines that he has been working along a Stateburg. The president took his old friend by the hand today and they

Dargan," said the president, "You knew I am a very busy man and canteam for the coming year have all not talk long, but you are doing been sent their contracts, that is so a able work, and anything I can

> That's the way the president talked to him, and he shook his hand several times.

It must be borne in mind that this is not the first visit to the president which the colonel has made. The two country educators had a conference last summer when the president wrote on the margin of a letter of introductien from Goy. Apsel a little note to the secretary of the navy, directing He did not get the band, but he got mer visit was recalled today. The Negotiations are now on with oth- colonel did not get any more notes smile and his "Dee-lighted," both of which made him unspeakably happy. Carlton Buesse, who managed the There really ought to be some way of

Col. Dargan also paid a visit to Dr. couragingly of the outlook and says Galloway and Dr. Knapp, two inthat he will go to Spartanburg with a portant officials of the agricultural bunch of 25 athletes for a tryout on department, connected with the buthe team. Among the players signed reau of plant industry. He did not go are some of last year's material, to them to consult them about runamong them being O'Mara, pitcher; ning for the United States senate ei-Armstrong, pitcher; Watson, third ther. He wanted them to help him base; McKenzie, second base; Benbow, in the establishment of an agricultufirst base; Martin, shortstop. Benbow ral department in the Gen. Thomas is from Greensboro, N. C., and is a Sumter Memorial academy at Stateveteran player, having played in burg. They said they would be glad many leagues. He is known as the to render any assistance in their pow-"Preacher" because of his quiet, easy er, and this gave the colonel much The colonel goes on to New York

tonight, where he has some business to attend to for the enlargement of his school. He would not talk on the subject of the United States senate: that is, not for publication. What he has to say on that subject is for private ears alone, for the present. But to the altar. Girls. get wise, take Hol-Pitchers-Reuther and Retzch, Cin- it is the duty of the managers, direcferent opinion and order the removal cinnati; Watkins, Columbia; Harry tors and manipulators of the State that clear, sweet look, happy smile South Carolina that along about the lea or tablets. Sibert's Drug Catchers-George Foley, Buffalo, N. second Tuesday in August and a little Y., Daniel Farrell, Cincinnati; Ted G. before-well, I will not say what, but Swink, Woodruff, S. C., George Wood, you better look out, for a little bird The entire native population of Si- Atlanta, and G. Schraffenberger, Cin- tells me that there'll be something them in the face if they offer for redoing .- Zach McGhee in the State.

APPEAL TO SUPREME COURT.

ATTORNEY GENERAL LYON MAKES NEW MOVE.

The Comimssion Declines to Pay Money to Him in Obedience to Legislature's Command

Columbia, March 3 .- After a conference between the attorneys interested on behalf of the State in the litigation over the State dispensary fund, it has been decided to request a hearing before an extra term of the South Carolina supreme court in order to obtain at decision on the availability of the \$15,000 given for the prosecution of the "graft cases." Chief Justice Pope, after hearing the arguments made by Attorney General Lyon, issued an order for a hearing tomorrow on the question of ordering the payment of this money to the attorney general under the act of the egislature.

This action by the State authorities vill add interest to the proceedings now in the United States court and, unless adverse action should be taken by the State courts, will possibly bring the commission into contempt proceedings. unless a stay is granted in the United States circuit court. pending appeal to the supreme court.

It will be recalled that the order issued by Judge Pritchard of the United States circuit court last Friday. decreed that the fund is subject to jurisdiction by the courts, and the commission is therefore liable for suits and such action might be brought by corporations or individuals. This, it is argued by the commission, ties up the disbursement of the \$15,000 appropriated for the prosecution of the cases, and after a conference yesterday Attorney General Lyon presented a petition to the supreme court.

The order of Chief Justice Pope is as follows:

"Whereas, an act of the legislature was approved on the 24th day of February, 1908, authorising and requiring you. as State dispensary commission, to pay into the State treasury the sum of \$15,000 out of any funds in your hands arising from the business and property of the State dispensary, and nevertheless you have unjustly refused to turn the same into the State treasury, as required by said act, to the injury South Carolina, as appears to us by the complaint in the above-stated

"Now, therefore, we be willing that speedy justice be done in this behalf, to command and enjoin you and each of you that immediately after the receipt of this order you show cause before the supreme court, at Columbia, on the fourth day of March, 1908, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon why a mandamus should not be granted as prayed for in said petition.

"It is further ordered that copies of this order and the petition herein be served on the respondents.

"Y. J. Pope. C. J." Letter to J. F. W. DeLorme,

Sumter, B. C.

Dear Sir: A certain paint-manufacadvertised "Waldorf-Astoria painted throughout with my paint." A part of the basement was so painted; not satisfactory; painted Devoe

There's a certain paint, a big concern, very proud and ambitious that hated to see so big a job of another paint; so it went for that business.

That former paint was about twothirds not paint, but this proud and ambitious paint was only about onethird not paint. It succeeding in getting a triat: 25 gallons, 5 kits of gallons each.

When the painter had used one kit, he called the manager; not satisfactory; 4 of the kits returned. A paint, one-third not paint, is not goodenough to displace Devoe.

This was several years ago. That proud and ambitious paint is better now; it is nearer honest; it isn't shortmeasure at all and only 15 per cent. adulterated. It is a pretty-good paint now; 13 or 14 gallons of it goes as

far as 10 of Devoe. Judge I D Fairchild owns, two houses alike in Lufkin, Texas. J M Torrence painted both houses, one Devoe, and the other with that proud and ambitious adulterated-15-percent paint. It took 15 1-2 gallons Devoe and 25 gallons of the proud

and ambitious paint. It takes pretty-good paint to disturb Devoe.

Yours truly F W DEVOE & CO P. S .- Durant Hardware Co. sells

How She Won Him-It's the pretty winsome face that's leading most men lister's Rocky Mountain Tea and get

Some members of the legislature are going to find the lien law staring election -Anderson Mail.