

TWO AMBASSADORS CHOSEN.

Oscar S. Straus Goes to Turkey and W. W. Rockhill to St. Petersburg.

Washington, May 3.—Oscar S. Straus, former secretary of commerce and labor, has been selected for ambassador to Turkey, and W. W. Rockhill for ambassador to Russia. Mr. Rockhill was formerly assistant secretary of state and latterly minister to China.

Mr. Straus was twice before minister to Turkey. He succeeds Ambassador Lehman, who goes to Rome in place of Lloyd S. Griscom, who has expressed a desire to come home. Mr. Rockhill succeeds Ambassador Riddle at St. Petersburg.

Mr. Straus telegraphed from New York his acceptance of the mission to Turkey to Secretary Knox. It is not known at the state department when he will take up his diplomatic duties.

The Burrow Sisters.

The following is what an editor said of one of the Burrow Sisters in 1895, when she was but a child:

"Little Miss Nelle Burrow performs most amazingly for a little five year old pianist. She sang sweetly and played most graciously on the piano. Much was expected of the little musician and the audience was not disappointed. Faultlessly dressed in a pink silk costume, with a bewitching cluster of golden curls she was the cynosure of all eyes as she sat at the piano and played with as much self-confidence and artistic touch as is possessed by 'Blind Tom.'"

Monday night next is set for their visit to Sumter.

Tickets 25 and 35 cents.

Messrs. R. L. Manning and Marlon Moise have bought from Mr. W. B. Boyle the property fronting on E. Liberty Street and Harvin street now occupied by the Boyle Live Stock Co., and when this company removes to the new stables which will be erected on the lot on East Liberty, east of Harvin street, within the next few months. Messrs. Manning and Moise will make extensive improvements in the property.

BURDENS LIFTED.

From Sumter Backs—Relief Proved By Lapse of Time.

Backache is a heavy burden; Nervousness wears one out; Rheumatic pain; urinary ills; All are kidney burdens—Daily effects of kidney weakness. No use to cure the symptoms, Relief is but temporary if the cause remains.

Cure the kidneys and you cure the cause.

Relief comes quickly—comes to stay.

Doan's Kidney Pills cure kidney ills.

Prove it by your neighbor's case. Here's Sumter testimony.

The story of a permanent cure. J. A. Burgess, 317 W. Liberty St., Sumter, S. C., says: "About five years ago I suffered severely from backache and my kidneys were much disordered. I used Doan's Kidney Pills, procured at China's drug store and they cured me. I gave a statement for publication recommending them in 1903 and at the present time, after five years have elapsed, I can say that I have not had a return of my old trouble. Doan's Kidney Pills are the best remedy I ever used for my back and kidneys and I am glad to confirm all I previously said about them."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other. No. 8.

The Bank of Sumter Located at Sumter, S. C.,

At the Close of Business Apr. 28th, 1909.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts,	\$375,544.97
Overdrafts,	5,718.31
Bonds and Stocks owned by the bank,	15,500.00
Furniture and Fixtures,	1,776.54
Other Real Estate,	17,550.00
Due from Br's and Trust Companies,	48,827.25
Currency,	2,832.01
Gold,	651.00
Silver and other Coins,	2,165.58
Total,	\$469,997.78
LIABILITIES.	
Capital Stock Paid in,	\$75,000.00
Surplus Fund,	40,000.00
Undivided Profits, less Current Expenses and Taxes paid,	19,586.24
Due to Banks and Trust Co's,	551.08
Individual Deposits subject to Check,	186,669.57
Savings Deposits,	63,690.91
Reserved for Taxes,	1,500.00
Reserved for Dividends,	3,000.00
Bills Payable, including Certificates for Money Borrowed,	80,000.00
Total,	\$469,997.78

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF SUMTER. Before me came W. F. Rhaine, Cashier of the above named Bank, who being duly sworn, says that the above and foregoing statement is a true condition of said Bank, as shown by the books of said Bank. W. F. RHAME, Cashier. Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4th day of May A. D. 1909. T. V. WALSH, [L. S.] Notary Public for S. C. Correct Attest: RICHARD I. MANNING, President, H. F. WAINSWORTH, R. J. McLAURIN, JR., Directors. May 5th, 1909.

REPUBLICANS WRANGLE.

DOLLIVER AND ALDRICH EXCHANGE HOT WORDS.

The Debate on the Tariff Develops Strife in the Republican Camp and Senators Pass the Lie in Parliamentary Terms.

Washington, May 4.—Senator Dolliver spoke on the tariff today and enlivened the proceedings of the senate. Mr. Dolliver said he had been accused, in pursuing the course he had taken in supporting lower tariff duties, of "a mere cowardly acquiescence in sentiment in Iowa." He read an editorial criticism to that effect, saying he would not have done so "were it not an enthusiastic echo from the senate chamber itself." He said his course was in pursuance of a contract entered into with the people of his State nine years ago when he was first elected to the senate.

When Mr. Dolliver declared, as he said, on the authority of Mr. Aldrich, that schedules of the pending bill were made by officers of the New York custom house and not by the committee on finance, Mr. Aldrich promptly denied that he had made a statement on which such an assertion could be based.

When Mr. Dolliver reiterated his statement Mr. Aldrich again protested against what he declared "was absolutely false." When Mr. Dolliver still declared that the senator from Rhode Island had said that the officials had written the schedules, Mr. Aldrich a third time rose to protest. He explained that what he had said was that those officers, exerts of the government, had been entrusted with the duty of calculating the amount of the specific duties imposed in place of the ad valorem rates, but that he had turned over to them the making of the schedules he denied.

Mr. Dolliver read from Mr. Aldrich's remarks and declared that his interpretation of these remarks was "warranted by a man agitated in his feelings."

"I know he is agitated," said Mr. Aldrich, looking over the chamber, "and I trust I will not have occasion to allude to it."

Mr. Dolliver proceeded, referring to Mr. Aldrich's remark on a former occasion to the effect that "he was circulating false Democratic tariff rumors." His quotation of Mr. Aldrich's remarks was again excepted to by the senator from Rhode Island, who declared that the Iowa senator was speaking "from a guilty conscience."

Mr. Dolliver proceeded, and when Mr. Aldrich interrupted to say something about senators coming to him with samples of cotton goods, he was sharply cut off by the senator from Iowa, who refused to yield for what he declared was intended to be an answer to an argument he had not yet made, and he declined to permit the senator from Rhode Island to complete his statement, saying he would not permit his remarks to be sneeringly discredited in his own time.

With strong voice the words of the Iowa senator sounded throughout the chamber. Quick of retort he frequently provoked laughter. When Senator Warren undertook to give some information concerning the wool business Mr. Dolliver replied that he had studied the wool business "from the birth of the lamb to the manufacture of the piece of cloth."

After Mr. Dolliver had criticized the practice of applying the wool tariff to articles of clothing that have in them a trace of wool, Mr. Aldrich interrupted to say he wished to controvert in the record remarks by the late Senators Jones, of Arkansas, and Vest, of Missouri, both Democrats, on precisely the same line.

The statement the senator is now making, said Mr. Aldrich, "could have been read word by word from speeches of Senators Jones and Vest and they would have produced the same effect."

Mr. Dolliver declared he was for the Dingley cotton schedule and inquired of Mr. Aldrich whether the cotton manufacturers when they went before the house could say they did not increase these rates.

Mr. Aldrich said that he did not know what had taken place before that committee.

When Mr. Dolliver had spoken for three hours, Mr. Tillman requested that he suspend until tomorrow and permit the senate to adjourn. Mr. Tillman declared that he was not fatigued, for, he said, he never had enjoyed anything more in his life, but the session had run for six hours. Mr. Dolliver agreed, but Mr. Aldrich announced that discussion of the bill would go on nevertheless. After numerous appeals from the South Carolinian, Mr. Aldrich yielded, but he gave notice that the country was waiting for the final passage of the bill and said that better progress must be made and therefore the sessions hereafter would be longer.

Sumter is too big a town for the reporter to walk out on the streets and see who are in town, so if you have visitors, let the Item know it by phone or otherwise.

BATTLESHIP SILVER SERVICE.

Details of Presentation Design Outlined by Gov. Ansel.

Columbia, May 4.—Gov. Ansel has issued to the jewelers interested in the design for the silver service for the battleship South Carolina an outline of plans adopted by the commission for the engravings on the various pieces. The engravings include some of the most notable events in the Revolutionary history of the State. The bidders are notified that simplicity and elegance are more desired than undignified crowding in the various pieces, and for that reason all are urged to pay attention to the details as outlined. The commission decided to have special emphasis laid on the Revolutionary records made by the State and with the appropriation of \$5,000 it is believed that a handsome service can be prepared for the battleship named after the Palmetto State.

Following is copy in full of the specifications: Competitors to submit designs on or by the 16th day of June, 1909; all tenders to be within the appropriation of \$5,000; the metal to be of uniform fineness, standard grade, sterling silver.

The propositions to give the capacity of all hollow ware and the weight in ounces of each piece separately. Workmanship to be of the best and to follow in all details the designs submitted.

Propositions to embrace the following pieces:

- One punch bowl, seven gallons.
- One plateau for punch bowl.
- Twenty-four cups, one-half pint.
- One ladle for punch bowl.
- One centerpiece.
- One water pitcher, three quarts.
- One tray for water pitcher.
- One tea set, consisting of five pieces and a kettle and tray for same.
- Two fruit dishes.
- Two roast dishes, one with well and tray, one without, both same size.
- One fish dish.
- One salad bowl.
- Two bonbon dishes.
- Two compotiers.
- Two vegetable dishes.
- Two entree dishes.
- One Humidor cigar box, made of native wood, cedar, to hold 300 cigars, silver mountings and ornaments.

The general design to be plain and simple as far as is consistent with the ornamentation specified. The designs to consist of a combination nautical in their suggestion, and the trees, fruits and flowers indigenous to this State; for instance, palmetto, pine, cypress, magnolia, Jasmine and trumpet vine, corn cotton, rice and tobacco, strawberry, melons and peaches. These can be used on the borders and around the base. On the sides of the large pieces and in the bottoms of the trays and waiters, arms and seal of the State, flags of the State and navy and of the United States in combination or otherwise, State house, palmetto trees, with national emblem eagles, et cetera.

The following historical designs are to be used on large pieces: Jasper at Fort Moultrie.

Marion's dinner to the British officers.

Mrs. Motte's destruction of her own house.

Etchings of Gens. Sumter, Marion, Gen. Moultrie, Col. William Washington, Gen. Morgan, Gen. Pickens, Commodore Ingraham, the United States battleship South Carolina, and the following emblem:

"Presented by the State of South Carolina to the United States battleship 'South Carolina.'"

"Millions for defense but not one cent for tribute."

The designs to be different on each piece and to be so used as to avoid crowding, simplicity preferable to ornamentation, less attention paid to show than elegance, the general motive simple, elegant and dignified.

The successful bidder to deliver the service, properly packed, not later than the 15th day of January, 1910. The successful bidder to give bond in the sum of \$2,000, to make delivery at the point to be hereafter designated on or before the date named, and have the service insured at his or their expense until presentation is made. Formal contract to be entered into between the successful bidder and the commission, the commission reserving the right to reject any and all bids and designs.

After the execution of the work, the designs shall become the property of the State of South Carolina and shall be turned over to the State historical commission. Payment for said service to be made as follows. Cash on delivery of the service and acceptance of same by the commission.

Memorial Day will be observed on Tuesday, May 11th, instead of on the 10th, circumstances being such that it is necessary to make the change. Col. James Armstrong, of Charleston, has accepted the invitation to deliver the address. Col. Armstrong is no stranger in Sumter and his many friends and admirers look forward with pleasure to his approaching visit.

A lodge of the Pythian Sisters will be organized at Greenville.

COUNTY BOARD MEETING.

Anti-Tuberculosis Association Make Requests—Want Lot for Office Building and Part of Poor House Farm.

The County Board of Commissioners met Tuesday with all members present.

Dr. H. A. Mood, Miss Suddie Furman and Mrs. W. H. Ingram appeared before the board in regard to the sending of tuberculosis patients to the poor house. Dr. Mood was of the opinion that it would be detrimental to the health of the inmates and that such patients should be provided for elsewhere and that they be colonized by themselves. He said that a part of the poor house farm could be set apart for the Anti-Tuberculosis Association upon which they could erect a building for the care of tuberculosis patients and allow the county physician to attend them.

Dr. S. C. Baker also spoke in advocacy of setting apart a portion of the poor house farm for the use of tuberculosis patients.

Miss Suddie Furman and Mrs. H. W. Beall urged the necessity of provision being made for the care of tuberculosis patients.

On motion of Commissioner Thomas the board requested the executive committee of the Anti-Tuberculosis Association to confer together and formulate some definite plan of operation and state definitely what is expected of the board, and then advise the Supervisor as to the date they would wish to meet with the Board of Commissioners.

Mrs. H. W. Beall renewed the request that the board donate to the Anti-Tuberculosis Association a lot on the Court House grounds (the part reserved for law offices) upon which the association may erect an executive building for the use of the Anti-Tuberculosis Association. Mrs. Beall made a very earnest plea in behalf of the office building.

Mr. R. A. Dennis appeared before the board to explain his position in respect to a certain proposed public road in Shiloh township concerning which a difference of opinion has arisen. Mr. Dennis's statement was received as information and the matter will be taken up at a later date.

Payment was refused of bill of Boyle Live Stock Co., against Sheriff W. H. Epperson for hack hire for trip to Mayesville on the night of April 27th. This is a bill against the sheriff and not against the county.

M. J. Morris, J. M. Smith and W. L. Watts were granted aid as ex-Confederate soldiers in need of public sustenance. They will receive \$3 per month. There are now 42 ex-Confederate soldiers on the roll to receive \$3 a month from the county—a total of \$1,512 a year, and the list is growing steadily.

The board discussed the advisability of putting in concrete abutments for the bridge across Blandings Mill. It was decided to refer the matter to Supervisor Pitts and Commissioners Brogdon and Mims and they were empowered to employ Mr. W. L. Lee to advise them. The committee will meet at the bridge on Friday, May 7th.

Priority.

The wagons of "the greatest show on earth" passed up the avenue at daybreak. Their incessant rumble soon awakened ten-year-old Billie and his five-year-old brother Robert. Their mother feigned sleep as the two white robed figures crept past her bed into the hall on the way to investigate. Robert struggled manfully with the unaccustomed task of putting on his clothes. "Wait for me, Billie," his mother heard him beg. "You'll get ahead of me."

"Get mother to help you," counseled Billie, who was having troubles of his own. Mother started to the rescue and then paused as she heard the voice of her younger, guarded, but anxious and insistent: "You ask her, Billie. You've known her longer than I have."—Everybody's.

An Aquatic Outflier.

One day a ship was lying at anchor at Boca Grande when the crew observed a dolphin chasing a flying fish, both coming directly toward the ship. On nearing the vessel the flier arose in the air and passed over the bow just above the foremast. As it did so the dolphin went under the ship and, coming up on the other side, sprang from the water and caught the flying fish on "the fly" just as it was curving gracefully down in its descent to the water.—Punta Gorda Herald.

Overboard.

"Overboard" is engraved on a metal label fastened to many articles of paraphernalia seen about the decks of a modern war vessel. It means that the article so marked should be thrown overboard whenever action with an enemy's ship becomes imminent. Alcohol chests, turpentine tanks, paints, spare spars, unnecessary hatches and other articles easily destroyed or splintered by shell fire are thus labeled. The president of Occident college, California, is said to have given the word a new meaning in civil life when he used it to indicate those who are unfit, useless or inapt in the struggle of life. It is a strong word and as such can be appropriately applied to men and things which when a ship must go to battle are not necessary or material to the end desired.—Army and Navy Life.

FEAR OF BLACK HAND.

Petrosino's Widow Gets Only \$2,500 From Performance—Hundreds are Threatened.

New York, May 3.—The remarkable fear which the Black Hand is able to install into the minds of many was emphatically shown last night at the widely advertised benefit performance held in the Academy of Music for the widow and infant daughter of Police Lieut. Joseph Petrosino, who was assassinated in Sicily. It was expected that fully \$5,000 would be raised by the benefit, especially as Timothy L. Sullivan was back of it. Hardly half that amount was netted.

This was explained after the performance by a member of the theatrical firm which had the matter in charge, who said that a few days before the date set, letters had been received by many persons, including the large and influential Italian colony, which had intended to lend liberal patronage, threatening their lives if they attended or assisted in the benefit. Several well known Italian singers had signed contracts to appear, but they strangely failed to reach the theatre. Hundreds of seats which had been engaged by Italians and Italian societies remained vacant.

"We can only explain the failure of the benefit performance," said a representative of the managers, "by the activity of the Black Hand Society. We ourselves were threatened if we persisted in giving a performance. Threatening letters were scattered throughout the Italian colonies of the city and the performers were threatened. In a mysterious yet effective manner, these blackhaired organizations spread the word all over the city in a few days that dire consequences would result to those who patronized the performance. It had its effect. Although well advertised, and with a programme by the most noted actors in the city, the house was half-filled."

BASE BALL GAME.

Seventh and Eighth Grades Have a Hot Time.

The baseball teams representing the seventh and eighth grades of the High School played a hard fought and interesting but one-sided game, the eighth grade winning by a score of 18 to 5. The summary of the score follows:

- 8th Grade—Hits 10; runs 18; errors 6; bases on balls, 9.
- 7th Grade—Hits, 6; runs, 5; errors, 6; bases on balls, 5.
- Batteries—8th Grade: Moore and Nash. 7th Grade: Brown, Haynsworth and Hall.
- Umpires—Randle and Lucius. Scorers—Gibson and Moore.

The regular statement of the Bank of Sumter is published today. It is worthy of careful analysis by stockholders and others interested in the growth and development of Sumter as a financial centre. The large loan account shows that the Bank of Sumter pursues a liberal policy in extending accommodation to its customers; the deposits which are greater than at the same date last year evidences a healthy increase in business, the surplus and undivided profits accounts show a marked and satisfactory increase since the last statement; the rediscunts are less than last year and from every point of view the condition of the Bank of Sumter is entirely satisfactory.

Mrs. William Mahter was killed in Charleston by being struck by a Southern railway train.

Representatives of the Eastern Carolina Rivers and Harbor Congress met in Charleston to confer with U. S. officials.

A free clinic has been established in Greenville for the treatment of the sick of the city who are unable to secure medical aid.

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