

A GREAT WORK.

The Men and Religion Forward Movement—Every Section of America Takes Hold of The Great Revival With Enthusiasm and Aggressive Energy.

Charleston, Nov. 27.—The wonderful way in which the men of North America have taken hold of the great Men and Religion Forward Movement is almost too good to be true. News from every section of the continent tells the same good news of aggressive united laymen and pastors of every Protestant church, working along sane yet effective lines for the advancement of the Cause of Christ and His Church.

Charleston is headquarters for North and South Carolina. The cities and towns of these two States are reaching enthusiasm of the permanent result—getting sort with that of other sections. At least thirty cities and towns in the two States are to be organized as Auxiliary Cities. Ten of the larger cities are already organized as such and inquiries are pouring in from other communities which desire to have an active part in what has been termed "the greatest Religious undertaking since the Reformation." Pastors and laymen in the various towns should not wait to be asked to join in this movement. Every pastor who has become intimate with its objective and methods has declared that it is what he has been hoping and praying for all these years.

Any one interested should drop a line for information to Robert K. Staley, Executive Secretary, Y. M. C. A. building, Charleston, S. C.

COTTON KING LOSES POINT.

Court Rules That There Was Collusion Between Sully and Plaintiff in Equity Court.

Washington, Nov. 25.—D. J. Sully of New York the one time "cotton king" lost a point today in his legal proceedings against John Hays Hammond. Justice Wright in the District supreme court held that there had been collusion between Sully, who sued Hammond for \$1,500,000 damages for slander, and the plaintiffs in the equity proceeding brought against Hammond by William D. Doremus and others to set aside a voting trust of the stock of the National Cotton Development company. Judge Wright dismissed the equity proceedings. Mr. Sully noted an appeal.

WILL DISCUSS MEDITIA.

Advisory Board Will Hold Session in January to Consider Several Matters.

Columbia, Nov. 24.—The military advisory board, created by an act of the last general assembly, has been called to meet in Columbia early in January, just before the National Guard Association of South Carolina meets, to discuss several matters of interest to the militia of the State. This announcement was made yesterday by Adj. Gen. Moore, and the definite date will be decided later. At the meeting of the board the question of the purchase of a State rifle range will be considered and recommendations will very probably be made to the general assembly. The question of the encampments will be discussed.

The military board met Tuesday night, when the State appropriation of \$12,000 was apportioned.

HAD NARROW ESCAPE.

T. A. Bradham and Family Burned Out Near Manning.

Manning, Nov. 24.—T. A. Bradham's residence, situated a short distance from the western corporate limit of town, was totally destroyed by fire about 1 o'clock yesterday morning. Nothing is known as to the origin of the fire. The family were awakened by the sound and found the upper part of the building in flames. Mr. and Mrs. Bradham, with their four children, escaped with very little clothing, and none of the household goods were saved. The total loss is estimated at about \$2,000, with only about \$300 insurance.

EXAMINE WRECK OF MAINE.

For First Time Members of Board Go Over Debris of Ill-fated Ship.

Habana, Nov. 25.—Owing to the continuous rains, the board of inspection of the Maine only made its first preliminary examination of the wreck today. Rear Admiral Charles E. Vresland, president of the board, and his colleagues, clad in rubber boots and overalls, descended to the lower depths of the shattered portions of the wreck. All members of the board were extremely reticent regarding the inference they drew from what they saw. Inspection will be resumed to tomorrow and will continue probably for ten days.

ACCIDENT IN FLORENCE.

Mrs. E. J. Jeffords Seriously and Probably Fatally Hurt—Others in Car Jump.

Florence, Nov. 25.—Mrs. E. J. Jeffords, wife of a well-known Atlantic Coast Line conductor, was very seriously and probably fatally hurt by a train at the Evans street crossing here this morning, the train striking an automobile in which she was driving.

Mrs. Jeffords was returning from the depot in her automobile and running at a lively rate of speed. She did not hear the train coming in from Charleston, which crosses that busy thoroughfare at Barringer street.

It is said by those who saw the crash that the flagman was signalling the automobile, but that the women in the car did not see him, and they drove on across the tracks. The trains do not come very rapidly across the street there, but the view is obstructed by the buildings on each side.

The auto was smashed. Mrs. Jeffords' sister-in-law, Miss Bertha Lochner, of Timmonsville, who was in the car with her, and one of her little boys cried out as they saw the train and jumped, but Mrs. Jeffords was either too panic stricken to stop or had lost control of the car. The auto very nearly managed to get across, but the pilot struck the rear wheels in the centre of the track and threw Mrs. Jeffords out, probably striking her head against one of the iron posts that have been planted there to keep vehicles from driving through that part of the right of way. She was badly gashed about the head, her shoulder broken and otherwise bruised. At first the physicians thought she was fatally injured when they carried her to the Ilderton infirmary, which is at that corner. They have since thought, however, that the injuries are not so serious as they at first thought.

Near The Truth.

A New York judge in a domestic court seems to have put his finger on a great domestic truth, the understanding of which would settle many marital infelicities. He told a young couple whose troubles were aired in his court, and who sought a divorce just because they could not get along together, that their trouble was that they saw their rights with too big an eye, and that when people got married they might expect to sacrifice their rights, there could be no question of rights among married people, but just how much they could give up for each other. That judge must have had a great deal of experience, or he is a philosopher and has learned the solemn lessons of life from the experiences of other people.—Florence Times.

PLANNING FOR 1912.

Suggestions for Organizing an Agricultural and Live Stock Show for Next Fall.

The splendid meeting of the Chamber of Commerce held last Tuesday evening, together with the gratifying results of organization as evidenced by reports of the different committees, and the big success of Bargain Day closely following the Tuesday night meeting, have unquestionably stirred up public spirit in Sumter.

Even some of the "old guard" gamecocks who have been sitting upon their roosts and declining to crow or to attend meetings have been heard to remark that they had taken advantage of Bargain Day to dispose of their "vinegar" stocks, the chief ingredient used in manufacturing "grouches" to other and less progressive cities and towns and had in the meantime secured bargain day rates on supplies of molasses, sugar, taffie, gasoline and other supplies used in making up "booster dope," which is all the go now in Sumter among "real live people."

The low price of cotton can't "frazzle" the Sumter spirit to any great extent. In fact it is a well-known commercial maxim in Sumter that the harder times look the harder Sumter people "boost" and work for better conditions, more business, extension of trade territory, and we can always manage, without microscopes, to see the "silver lining to every cloud" of temporary adversity which overshadows our commercial or agricultural horizon.

Plans are being discussed for the early organization of an annual livestock and agricultural exhibit or county fair. Mr. E. I. Reardon has interviewed a number of business men about this matter and says that the signs are favorable. Chairman L. I. Parrott, of the Committee on Rural Relations has agreed to call his committee together this week to discuss this matter. Secretary Snell has promised Mr. Reardon his hearty support.

Orangeburg's county fair is reported to have netted four thousand dollars profit to the association this year, not to mention the benefits derived by stimulating interest among the hundreds of farmers in raising their own horses, mules, hogs, cattle, sheep, poultry, hay, and other necessities for which each and every county, (Sumter County included) sends off hundreds of thousands of dollars every year.

Sumter city is the best geographical location for a county fair in the State. With eight lines of railway now, and the ninth line, Seaboard Air Line, on the way, with the convenient morning and afternoon schedules from all of the eastern Carolina counties, and being the chief

commercial and agricultural distributing point for the great agricultural and cotton-growing section, it is a wonder to many why Sumter business men have not before realized the benefit to this city and county of an organization to promote the raising of livestock, and other products.

The Chamber of Commerce will, no doubt, backed up by the Retail Dealers' Association, give this proposed agricultural and livestock organization a thorough study, and if the Sumter county farmers and other business men show the right interest, the machinery of the commercial organization will be started to help out the promoters of the fair.

The Sumter County Farmers' Union will be asked to co-operate with the different committees of the commercial organization after Chairman Parrott has had his committee to look into the advisability of trying to organize the association.

President S. C. Baker, of the Chamber of Commerce, whose interesting and instructive report last Tuesday night showed how many hundreds of thousands of dollars are uselessly sent out of this county for foodstuffs which could be raised at home, and of better and more wholesome quality, at lower cost, now has the opportunity to foster his ideas that Sumter county, and all other East Carolina counties, should become the shipping instead of the receiving points for millions of dollars worth of commodities such as corn, wheat, oats, rye, Irish and sweet potatoes, peas, beans, okra, tomatoes, fruits, and other canned

goods, and for mules, horses, cattle, hogs and, in fact, to be brief, that things should be reversed and this section should be sending out millions of dollars surplus commercial commodities instead of having them coming in.

Organized effort towards these ends can best be secured by co-operation between the merchants farmers, and real estate dealers, in the formation of an association which brings about competitive efforts with premiums offered for the finest and largest yields, the biggest hogs, finest mules, horses and cattle, the encouragement of diversified farming, and the hitching up together of scientific and practical agricultural pursuits and many other stimulating methods for better conditions which will put this section on a cash basis, and independent of low priced cotton panics.

Go at this livestock and agricultural exhibition on a small scale at first if a large affair can not be immediately financed. But organize for a 1912 fall live stock and agricultural exhibit by all means. Offer suitable and tempting prizes and have it understood that the thing is going to be pulled off and pulled off successfully as Sumter county always accomplishes things. All that is needed is co-operation.

Mr. J. M. Kolb of Privateer, who brought 42 children to town in one of the Bethel School wagons, won the prize for bringing the largest number of persons to town on one vehicle on Bargain Day.

The Markets

| New York Cotton Market. | | | | |
|--------------------------|--------|------|-----|---------|
| New York, Nov. 27. | | | | |
| | Opened | High | Low | Close. |
| Jan. | .890 | 890 | 881 | 882-83 |
| March | .895 | 901 | 892 | 894-95 |
| May | .910 | 910 | 898 | 900-01 |
| July | .914 | 916 | 906 | 908-09 |
| Sept. | | | | 913-15 |
| Oct. | .926 | 926 | 917 | 917-19 |
| Dec. | .914 | 914 | 906 | 908-10 |
| Spots, 9.30-10 off. | | | | |
| Sales, none. | | | | |
| Opened barely steady. | | | | |
| Closed steady. | | | | |
| Liverpool Cotton Market. | | | | |
| Liverpool, Nov. 27. | | | | |
| | Open | | | Closed |
| Jan.—Feb. | .493 | 1-2 | | 490 |
| Feb.—Mch. | .495 | | | 492 |
| Mch.—April. | .496 | | | 492 1-2 |
| April—May. | .498 | | | 495 |
| May—June. | .500 | | | 497 1-2 |
| June—July. | .502 | | | 499 1-2 |
| July—Aug. | .503 | | | 501 |
| Aug—Sept. | .502 | | | 500 |
| Sept.—Oct. | .501 | 1-2 | | 499 1-2 |
| Oct.—Nov. | .502 | | | 500 |
| Nov.—Dec. | .494 | | | 490 |
| Dec.—Jan. | .492 | 1-2 | | 488 1-2 |
| Receipts, 9,000. | | | | |
| American, all. | | | | |
| Spots, 5.13-6 off. | | | | |
| Sales, 8,000. | | | | |
| American, 7,700. | | | | |
| Opened easy. | | | | |
| Closed quiet. | | | | |

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