

The 40 Conference meets in Columbia on Wednesday of this week.

R. G. Dun, & Co., in their weekly review say "indications of improvement in business grow more distinct."

Augusta had a cyclone last week that destroyed twenty houses and thirty thousand dollars worth of property. No lives were lost.

Gen. Hampton, Gen. Butler, Senators, Tillman and Irby, Governor Evans, Ex-Governors Haggood, Sheppard, and Richardson, and the editors of the State, Register, News and Courier, Greenville News, and Spartanburg Herald have all been invited to meet with the 40 Conference on Wednesday 27th.

"It becomes," said ex-Senator George F. Edmunds, in the supreme court on Monday, "an interesting subject of speculation as to how long the government can last under a system which allows those who pay nothing to tax their fellow citizens. One evil step will lead to another, as one vice follows another, until by and by we will have revolution, then anarchy, and then a tyrant to rule us."

We Get Together.

At a meeting of sundry citizens of Edgefield County on last Saturday, held pursuant to a call and notice published in these columns for the past two weeks, Dr. W. H. Timmerman was called to the chair, and S. B. Mays and W. D. Ready were made secretaries.

Whereas, it is of supreme importance that the Democracy of South Carolina in adopting a new constitution for the government of the State, shall be actuated by the desire to maintain and perpetuate white supremacy—which can be accomplished only on the basis of white unity, so as to subserve the common interests, and promote the general welfare of all the people alike.

And whereas, in order to accomplish these purposes successfully it is necessary to eliminate factional prejudice and preference from the body politic, and inaugurate the spirit of mutual forbearance among the differing factions of the Democracy of the State: Therefore be it

Resolved, That in the selection of delegates to the Constitutional Convention fitness alone for the important work to be done should be considered; and that men of prudence, patriotism, and high character should be chosen as delegates without reference to their past political affiliations beyond the fact that it is essential that they shall be faithful to the principles and purposes of the Democracy of our fathers.

2nd. That we are in full sympathy with the purpose of the gentlemen who have invited a conference of Democrats in the city of Columbia on the 27th inst., and will elect six representatives from this county to said conference.

In accordance with the above resolutions the following gentlemen, three reformers and three conservatives (we used to call 'em antis) were elected to represent Edgefield County in the conference to be held in Columbia on Friday of this week:

W. H. Timmerman, J. C. Sheppard, J. B. Suddath, H. H. Townes, N. G. Evans, S. McG. Simkins.

We have no comments to make on the meeting except to say that although not large it was fairly representative of the sentiment of the county, and might be dominated a political love feast between the two factions in Edgefield.

Farmers Moving South.

The movement of the Northwestern farmers to the South has already taken tangible shape. Mr. D. N. Wheeler, of Pender, Neb., has spent some weeks in Alabama and other Southern States at the instance of a number of Nebraska farmers who have grown tired of the protracted winters of Nebraska and are preparing to move to the South. Mr. Wheeler has just returned home and made a favorable report, and as soon as spring opens the farmers will begin to move southward. On February 1 nearly 300 Illinois farmers started on a prospecting tour through the South.

Fifty families left Chicago on February 6 for Arkansas on a special train bearing the inscription: "Farewell to Drouths, Blizzards, Crop Failures, Doctors' Bills and Mortgages." They were fleeing from the blizzards, the long winters, the expensive fuel and the draughts upon vitality of the Northwest. A number of Iowa Dutchmen have bought 25,000 acres of land in Louisiana. They find Louisiana very similar in soil, climate and surroundings to Hol-

land. Two hundred families will shortly remove from one section of the Northwest to Florida. Some Ohio peach growers are putting out 2,000,000 peach trees in Georgia. They propose to duplicate Peachtree street, Atlanta.

It is estimated by the New Orleans papers that nearly 10,000 settlers from the Northwest have recently moved into Southwest Louisiana. Car loads of immigrants with goods, stock, etc., are arriving at Crowley, La., every day, and not a barn, shed or habitation of any kind is unoccupied. At Norfolk, Va.; Galveston, Tex.; Lumberton, Ala.; Jackson, Miss., and other places Northerners have lately settled. The agents of Southern railroads report that the number of applications for transportation rates from the West to points in the South is unprecedented.

The good work of Gov. Northen, Major Frank Y. Anderson, Mr. P. Sid Jones and others is bringing fruit even before winter breaks up. The invasion of the South by the North this spring will excel in numbers the invasion of the spring of 1863, but whereas the Northerners came thirty-two years ago to burn and destroy they come now to restore and to build up.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

CORRESPONDENCE

Views of the Y. M. C. A. Work.

The public Y. M. C. A. meeting in the Presbyterian church on Sunday night last, was one of the best ever yet held. The subject for the evening was "Views of the Y. M. C. A. Work." Mr. J. L. Mims made the opening prayer. Mr. H. Cantelton delivered a beautiful address on "How a Christian worker Views the Work." Mr. S. McGowan Simkins then gave his views as a new member, which was indeed a treat to all who heard his magnificent remarks. Rev. Mr. Baldwin and Rev. Dr. Gwaltney spoke very earnestly on how they viewed the works as Pastors, and also how they sympathized and would always support the work. Secretary John Lake, read a very sweet letter written by a noble Christian lady on "How a Lady Views the Work."

The music for this occasion was grand. Mrs. R. H. Mims as organist, Miss Eliza Mims and Miss Florence Adams performed exquisitely on the violins, while Mr. George Mims's sweet clarinet added much to the occasion. The singing was beautiful and was led by Miss Belle Mims, whose sweet voice is always enjoyed by an Edgefield audience. Miss Marie Abney also lent the charm of her voice to this occasion.

These public meetings are held once a month in the different churches every fourth Sunday night, to which the entire community is invited. The next meeting will be held at the Baptist church.

L. B. T.

An Edgefield Boy, an Operative in the Pelzer Factory, Urges Our People to be Up and Doing.

Mr. Editor: As I am too unwell to-day to attend to my duties in the Mill I will drop you a few lines in the hope that I may stimulate old Edgefield to get on board at once and build a factory; not that I know a great deal about factories, or how to build them but because I do know this much at any rate, that they are great developers of a country, give work and money to large numbers of people and scatter plenty, if not luxury.

"Over a smiling land." Pelzer is a delightful place, made so by its factory beyond any question. Here we have one of the largest cotton mills in the South, a six hundred thousand dollar factory, and another one in process of construction with equal if not greater capital, the direct result of the first one. But for the first mill we would never have had the second. This second mill is to be run by electricity. Why will not Edgefield build a cotton mill? It is not a question of whether it will pay or not but it is a matter of necessity. If Edgefield people sit still and other towns do not, and they do not, then Edgefield will soon lag superfluous on the stage of action and some of her little neighbors will get the coon and go.

Thirty-five years ago a proposition was made to bring the C. C. & A. R., through Edgefield if a few thousand dollars in bonds could be secured to aid the construction. Her people declined the overtures, with thanks. The result was that half a dozen small towns were built up in Edgefield County all of which drain Edgefield town; and the great Southern Railway which might have been a benefit to Edgefield "passed by on the other side," to her actual detriment. But enough of this. Old Edgefield will not long slumber and sleep. The time to awake arouse or be forever in the soup has come and her sons, conspicuous everywhere and foremost in every place, will not fail to harken to the call to get a business, financial, commercial move on her. Let the tocsin sound aloud and let every mother's son of you chip in his thousands his hundreds his tens and even his fives for a cotton mill.

Did it ever occur to you, Mr. Editor, to ask why it is that cotton mills and kindred industries are so much more desirable to a community than many other enterprises. Well, in the first place, to operate a cotton factory you have to import, bring in, a population to do the work and this population, men, women, and children, is supported, clothed fed and housed by the mill. Second the money to

do all this with comes from the sales of the factory products; but these sales are not made in the immediate community but are made abroad, all over creation from "Greenland's icy mountains to Africa's golden sand."

It may then be laid down as a maxim of political economy that that industry is best for any community which reaches out farthest for its business and with the longest arms for its sales and profits, and then pours out these ingathered skekels in the laps of home people.

This thing is what cotton mills do; they bring back every dollar from sales made abroad to spend at home, except only the profits, and the profits are often after a few years reinvested in another cotton plant of the same kind.

T. S. H.

Dots From Antioch.

Mr. Editor: The hearts of the farmer once again beat with joy because of the sunshine, and it is useless to add that they will avail themselves thereof. The farmers are more backward with work than for a number of years. If we can get ten good work days however we can catch up. I am glad to say that oats are yet being sown, though the chances are against them. I saw oats planted last year the latter part of March and they made fair oats. We have to risk making cotton and corn, why not risk a few more oats.

We regret to say that Mrs. Ezra Talbert is very sick. Mrs. Talbert is one of our most highly accomplished women, and is an earnest Christian worker. May a merciful Father spare her life for more usefulness in His vineyard.

Mr. John McDaniel has returned from a trip to Langley.

Mr. Julien Hart passed on Sunday on a visit to — Jule certainly has a bad case, and I am afraid some of our fair girls will yet have heart trouble.

Rev. John Lake preached at Antioch on last Sunday. Sunday School at 10 a. m.

Mr. Milledge Glanton was baptized on last Sunday morning at Antioch by Mr. Lake. Mr. Glanton is a young man admired by all who know him—and his friends are rejoiced that he has taken the noble step.

School Reform—It Cannot Come too Soon.

DEAR ADVERTISER: While an article of some time since on "School Libraries" was not written as surmised by our "Pedaagogue" to provoke ascension, yet if it does act as a weak stimulus even in calling forth expressions from brother teachers on the greatest question of to-day, viz: the importance, the vital importance of more general education, of competent instructors, of better school buildings, and the introduction of improved methods of teaching, we shall feel ourself more than fully repaid and here and now pledge our humble services as an aid in battling for these ends so greatly needed but so long disregarded.

Most heartily do we agree with "Pedaagogue" in reference to the absolute need for better school buildings. As surely as a tree is known by its fruit just so surely is it true that the interest manifested in education by any given community is known by the character of its school building. This is true from the simple fact that wherever a wave of educational enthusiasm has struck a community the log-hut immediately gave place to a large and comfortable and modernly equipped structure. It is too true that some people are willing for their children to spend the cold winter days in a building they would not suffer their stock to remain in; they seem to have an idea that because it is a public building anything in the shape of a house will answer every purpose and that any stock they may take in a nicely erected building is of a gratuitous nature. A greater mistake was never made. The school building ought to be the best, the most attractive, the most comfortable, and the most thoroughly equipped one in the community. It ought to be such a one that the whole community could feel justly proud of it. A good school—and by that is meant first an active interest on the part of the whole community; secondly a nicely finished building; third a live and thoroughly competent teacher and the necessary number of assistants, is the finest advertising medium any section of country can have and will do more to enhance the value of land and add to its progress than any other agency under the sun. It draws the people together; furnishes a community of common interest and promotes social and intellectual activity.

We are glad to see an awakening of the people along this line within the past few years. This we attribute to the adoption of the excellent system of school districts—a system "Pedaagogue" very wisely, we think, deploras. While it may, as all systems must, have its imperfections yet in view of the vast improvement of the common schools since its introduction every observant and unprejudiced mind must be forced to admit its superiority over the time honored (?) unsystematical "old field" school plan. We think "Pedaagogue's" objections to special districts are as groundless as his reasoning is illogical. His objection is that a "favorite" of the "Trustees or mayhap a "relation" will be employed! Some of the patrons will not be pleased with the selection!! All of this is purely hypothetical, highly imaginary. He further argues (?) that special districts may suit a "thickly

settled country," but in "thickly settled communities" the system "is a miserable failure." In other words when there are a great many children have but one school and no competition; but where there are scarcely enough pupils to have one respectable school, have several, one for each school perhaps, so every patron can be "pleased," and where "competition" will prevent "degeneracy."

No "Pedaagogue" cease to follow that Will of the wise idea of yours and instead of belittling and trying to destroy the school district system turn your powers in a holier direction and aid in its furtherance and perfection. More anon.

B. W. CROUCH.

Clio, S. C., '95.

Pedaagogue Replies to P. J.

Mr. Editor: It would not be the part of wisdom to answer a fool according to his folly. Reference to the article in question will show whether I made an unjust inference or not. We had nothing against the Professor. Criticism makes us send our faults and I thought I was doing him a favor. I fear P. J. is touched in some other place. His composition is foolish throughout and would send a small pupil to the corner. In what respect have I been egotistic? and what has P. J. done for the world that he should become censor? We have been abused for forcing the disgorging of seven thousand dollars belonging to the poor children of the county. P. J. has never done and will never do that much for the children of the county and we accomplished this much with a few strokes of the pen. But we have been a benefactor in other respects. We have taught a thousand children of the Saluda county, and we have done this in the section in which we were born and raised and think God, we still have the honor and confidence of honorable people. Can P. J. say as much? I know the world will not stop revolving nor the sun go out when we die, but there will be a record left behind in the memory of the children of the Saluda county that will live long after we are dust. The world will never know that P. J. ever lived. If this is egotism it is the only thing that I can be charged with.

Wesley and Luther did more for humanity than a country full of Washingtons and Columbuses. If the country is in such a condition financially as P. J. thinks, would it not have been better that we had remained attached to the English crown, for then we would have had a pure administration of government. It may be that P. J. is one of those bigoted fanatics who deduced to in our article.

not wonder at anything we made no false statement, we advocated an article. As a school teacher and member of a school board I am interested in the subject.

If P. J. is so much interested in the subject of education, let him call in the name of the Lord of the Creek and I hope I will be able to give him satisfaction. I love to reason with a gentleman of information, but not with an ignorant fool.

PEDAOGUE.

Big Creek, S. C.

WEST POINT CADETSHIP.

A competitive examination will be held at Blackville in Barnwell County on the 21st of May next to nominate for Cadetship at the U. S. Military Academy at West Point from the 2nd Congressional District of South Carolina. Applicants will be examined in the following branches: Reading writing and orthography, arithmetic, grammar, geography and history. The second highest will be appointed alternate. Applicants are required to be between the ages of 16 and 21 and at least 5 feet in height, physically sound and of good moral character. The appointment must be made by the 1st of July, 1895, and the term of the successful candidate will begin at West Point in June 1895. Young men desiring further information may obtain circulars by applying to the Secretary of War.

W. J. TALBERT,

M. C., 2nd Dist.

NOTICE TO BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.

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The Chairmen of the Township Boards of Commissioners are required to meet in the Auditor's Office on the days below mentioned for the purpose of reviewing the returns of taxable property in their respective Townships:

Messrs. R. H. Cochran, S. E. Freeland and J. B. Nelson on Monday, March 25th.

Messrs. L. J. Courtney, J. M. Bell, J. D. Fraser, J. H. Reel and N. D. Timmerman on Tuesday, March 26th.

Messrs. A. Horne, Jas. P. Dean, W. E. Boddie and M. G. Bowles on Wednesday, March 27th.

Messrs. J. W. Edwards, L. B. Blease, M. L. Wheeler and Zed Crouch on Thursday, March 28th.

Messrs. W. F. Whittle, J. W. Aiton and H. Q. Talbert, on Friday, March 29th.

Messrs. D. T. Mathis, J. H. Bussey and J. F. Atkins, on Saturday, March 30th.

J. B. HALTIWANGER, Auditor, E. C.

March 19, 1895.

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ATTENTION, HUSSARS. YOU will meet at Edgefield prepared for a mounted drill on Saturday, April 20th at 11 o'clock.

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CITATION. STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF EDGEFIELD.

By J. D. Allen, Esq., Probate Judge. WHEREAS E. B. Steadman hath made suit to me, to grant him Letters of Administration of the estate and effects of A. W. Kennerly, dec'd.

THESE ARE THEREFORE, to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said A. W. Kennerly deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Edgefield C. H., on the 11th day of April next, after publication hereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand, this 25th day of March, Anno Domini 1895. Published on the 27th day of March in the Edgefield Advertiser.

J. D. ALLEN, Probate Judge.

EDGEFIELD RIFLES, ATTENTION

THE Edgefield Rifles will meet at their Armory on Saturday the 13th April, for drill, preparatory for inspection. All members are requested to be present. By order

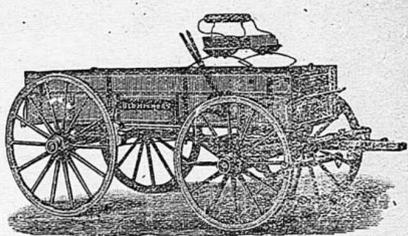
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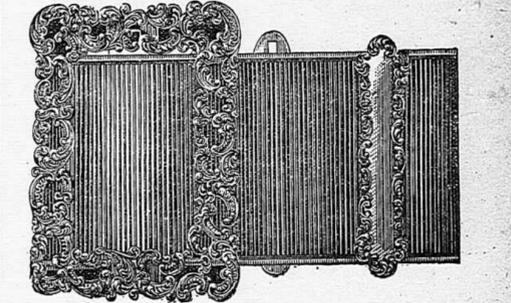
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