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## JOHNSTON LETTER.

**Mr. John W. Payne, a Gallant Confederate Veteran, Died at the Advanced Age of 73 Years.**

Mr. John Wallace Payne died at his home at Johnston on Monday, July 27, at 6:15 p. m. While his four children watched by him, his earth-worn and weary spirit was released from the body, and with only a sigh the end came. He fell asleep with the Lord. The calm and peaceful look on his face was but a reflex of his soul. He trusted his Maker and was but awaiting the summons.

He was able to be about with his friends until a short while before his death, when the decline was perceptible, but his vitality was great, and he was in bed only a few days. On October 19 he would have been 73 years of age.

He was the son of David Payne and Mary Richardson, and was one of 11 children. In his early manhood he gave himself to the Lord at old Chestnut Hill church, near their homestead, near Chappells. After his marriage to Miss Joanna Hannah Smyly, they lived in the homestead for awhile, coming to Johnston later, being among the earliest inhabitants.

The old home was ever dear to him, and at his request, just a short while previous to his death he made his trip there, to view old scenes and to see the few old ex-slaves yet left, who are still tenants.

He was always interested in anything that pertained to the good of the town and was one of the founders of the school system here. Mr. Payne was a Confederate veteran and at the first call of his country, he, with three brothers, enlisted in company E, 7th regiment, Holcomb Legion, which was ordered to Charleston. One of these brothers lost his life at Adams' run. It was always his great pleasure to be with his comrades, and at his request his cross of honor was buried with him. A laurel wreath with a Confederate flag, was placed upon his bier.

Four children are left, Mesdames M. T. Turner, O. D. Black, Miss Zena Payne and Mr. J. Howard Payne, and during his declining days, with them residing on each side of him, they were able to constantly minister to him, and be with him. There are seven grand children, and the little ones were always a source of great pleasure to "papa Payne" as they called him. He was a good and indulgent father, kind and neighborly.

Of the large family of 11 children only one is now left, Mrs. Charlotte V. Spearman, of Newberry.

The funeral services were conducted on Tuesday afternoon at 6 o'clock by his pastor Dr. A. T. King, after which his body was tenderly laid to rest beside the grave of his wife who died four years ago.

The honorary pall bearers were the veterans of camp McHenry, the active ones being Messrs. M. W. Clark, J. C. Lewis, W. L. Coleman, C. D. Kenny, W. M. Wright, H. W. Crouch, John Wright and P. B. Waters. "Jesus lover of my soul" was sung, and the D. of C. softly sang "Our hero soldier sleeping, he'll never march again." The service was beautiful, Dr. King ending it with the thought that "into thy keeping our Father, we leave thy servant sleeping." There were many beautiful floral designs sent by loving friends.

## Augusta-Aiken Earnings.

The Augusta-Aiken Railway & Electric Corporation reports for the year ended June 30 gross earnings \$673,188.96, increase as compared with the next preceding year \$60,132.88; operating expenses and taxes \$362,855.85, increase \$11,433.45; net earnings \$310,333.11, increase \$48,699.43; total income \$335,979.69, increase \$43,913.12; surplus after deductions for interest and sinking fund \$125,523.60, increase \$33,792.90. For June the gross earnings were \$54,985.78, increase \$4,109.32; net earnings \$26,320.20, increase \$4,460.23; total income \$30,088.53, increase \$5,330.62; surplus \$12,430.21, increase \$4,818.64.—Manufacturer's Record.

## TRENTON LETTER.

**Mrs. Walter Wise Entertained the D. A. R. Congenial Coterie Will go to Chick Springs.**

The regular monthly meeting of the D. A. R. took place at the home of Mrs. Walter Wise on Thursday afternoon last. Mrs. Wise received her guests on the spacious vine-clad piazza brightened by vases and brass jardiniere, holding gorgeous golden sunflowers. In a flower surrounded nook, Miss Louise Coleman dispensed delicious fruit punch. At the appointed hour, the Regent, Mrs. A. B. Miller called the meeting to order, and a most enjoyable program was rendered with special interest, centering in Mrs. Walter Miller's splendid paper on the condition of Spain, France and England, at the time of the discovery of America. At the conclusion of the program Mrs. Wise served delicious cream and cake. One especially pleasant feature of this meeting was the presence of our two valued members of Columbia Mrs. Leila Leppard and Mrs. W. M. Leppard. The next meeting will take place at Mrs. Geo. Wise's.

Miss Lucy Quarles has returned home after a very pleasant visit to Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Wells of Edgefield.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. J. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mathis, Mr. James Long, Mr. J. D. Mathis, Jr., Misses Fannie Miller, Sabe Miller, Julia Moss Wise, Maud Bettis, Dolly, Orrie Miller, Susan Elizabeth Mathis will leave home on Tuesday next to spend a fortnight at Chick Springs.

Mr. J. D. Mathis, Jr., and Mr. Bettis Bouknight paid a week-end visit to Newberry and Columbia making the trip in Mr. Bouknight's beautiful new Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Smith entertained a number of friends at a dinner party on Monday last.

Miss Buena Ouzts of Greenwood is visiting her father, Mr. Will Ouzts. This attractive young girl has many friends who are happy to see her.

Miss Ellee Swearingen has a lovely house guest, Miss Williamson, of Vidalia, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Swearingen will give a beautiful tea on Wednesday evening complimentary to Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Ryan and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Roper.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Moss and her attractive children are spending this week in North Augusta with Mr. G. W. Walker.

## A Call to Farmers

We want to see the farmers of Philippi and Long Branch and Johnston and Harmony and Trenton and Horn's Creek and Ropers and Colliers and Meriwether and Red Oak Grove and Red Hill and Antioch and Clark's Hill and Modoc and Parksville and Rehoboth and Plum Branch and White Town and Liberty Hill and Cleora and Gilgal and Pleasant Lane and Berea and McKendree and Meeting Street and Elmwood and Wayercross and Centre Spring take more interest in the county fair. It is your—the people's—fair. Now let's all join hands and make it a splendid success, the best fair yet held. It can be done, easily done. The farmer who is selfish and devotes all of his time and efforts to the advancement of his own personal interests is not a broad-minded, large-hearted, public-spirited citizen. You may make a success of the things that come immediately under your own vine and fig tree, and yet withal your life will be a failure. You can broaden and develop—grow in usefulness and in influence—by reaching out and helping others. When you aid in making a success of a county agricultural fair you are helping others.

## Please Notice

The ladies of Bethany ask that all who have decided to attend the meeting at that church August 26 and 27 Wednesday and Thursday, will please notify Mrs. C. C. Fuller McCormick, S. C., R. F. D. between now and that time, so that some idea may be entertained as to the number who will attend, and suitable homes may be provided.

## Apportionment of School Funds For Edgefield County 1914-1915

DISTRICT	Number	Unexpended Fund	Roll Tax	3 Mill Con. Tax	Special Tax	Dog Tax	Total
Blocker	1	\$200	\$ 86	\$454 41		\$ 35 00	\$ 775 41
Antioch	2	48 30	164 70	390 30	\$ 158 52	59 00	820 12
Red Hill	3		106 50	217 90	209 30	34 00	566 21
Flat Rock	4	8 59	58 60	33 20	101 50	18 00	264 29
Collier	5		64 50	293 20	164 40	37 00	558 60
Liberty Hill	6	57 29	5 00	147 35	107 20	33 00	425 84
White Town	7	70 66	112 00	242 40	212 58	43 50	681 14
North Elmwood	8	6 35	65 00	127 05	67 34	35 00	300 74
South Elmwood	9	226 65	55 00	141 90	90 87	15 00	531 87
Hibler	10	153 00	45 00	166 85	109 73	23 00	497 58
Johnston	11		395 00	843 15	2596 80	83 00	3920 95
North Meriwether	12	5 12	65 00	207 90		30 50	312 52
South Meriwether	13		95 00	242 55		62 50	396 00
Pickens	14	67 89	185 00	298 65		75 00	630 54
Plum Branch	15	4 01	272 00	688 40	720 78	72 50	1764 69
Shaw	16	12 27	136 00	201 30	799 54	34 50	1177 61
Tabert	17	161 33	144 00	518 20	198 22	54 00	1075 75
Modoc	18	198 62	90 00	226 90	214 72	38 50	762 74
Clark's Hill	19	20 24	131 00	378 15		66 00	595 39
Wards	20	77 01	261 00	580 80	301 22	77 50	1297 53
Wise	21	164 19	189 00	546 15		84 00	983 34
Moss	22	36 74	252 00	653 40	467 88	93 00	1503 02
Harmony	23	26 15	96 00	382 80		31 50	536 45
Fork	24		106 08	234 40		47 00	387 40
Edgefield	25	12 23	396 00	1000 40	3044 80	82 00	4535 43
Parksville	26	72 92	137 00	381 15	655 36	59 50	1242 93
Trenton	27		260 00	514 80	120 37	73 00	2051 17
Gregg	28	212 95	47 00	262 20		23 50	545 65
Meriwether Hall	29	17 50	102 00	209 55		48 50	377 60
Meeting Street	30		60 00	165 00	63 40	28 50	316 90
Central Meriwether	31	9 63	88 00	287 10		36 50	421 23
East Collier	32	46 27	101 00	74 25		42 50	264 02
Prescott	33	19 44	00	130 85		64 63	253 17
Bacon	34	50 98	186 00	481 80	978 25	55 50	1752 53
Long Caney	35	126 51	65 00	295 80	115 30	34 00	636 61
Oak Grove	36	1 77	68 00	202 95		22 50	402 31
Lime Stone	37	153 89	102 00	302 94		35 50	594 33

Upon a petition of the majority of the qualified electors of North Plum Branch, No. 30, that district is consolidated with Plum Branch, No. 15. Meeting Street District will be known as No. 30.

W. W. FULLER,  
E. H. FOLK,  
G. W. SCOTT,  
County Board of Education.

## How Gov. Blease Treats Farmers.

Several different reports of the vehement conversation between Gov. Blease and John T. Dyar at Walhalla last week have been heard here. A representative of this paper was not present at the Walhalla meeting, and Farm and Factory carried no report of this feature of the campaign meeting. It is said by some that Gov. Blease's bitter words to Mr. Dyar were uncalled for, while others approve of Blease's attack.

The Keowee Courier of this week, has a lengthy write-up of the Blease-Dyar spat and that paper has the following to say:

### BLEASE ASKS QUESTION.

"How many of you farmers got any advance in price for your cotton by holding it on E. D. Smith's advice?" asked the governor.

"I did," said John T. Dyar, one of the most prosperous farmers of Oconee, who resides in the Seneca-Newry section.

"Yes, your clothes look like you have gotten a whole lot for your cotton," came back from the governor.

"I got more by holding on his advice."

"You're a nice looking something to come up here and interrupt a gentleman when he is speaking, aren't you? What you want to do is to go back home and learn some manners. You look like you need to stand there and hold to the back of that chair. You ought to get behind it for shame at interrupting a gentleman."

Commenting editorially on the incident, the Courier says further:

John T. Dyar, who lives near Seneca, is one of the best farmers in Oconee. He has made a success of his business; he has worked for and earned every dollar he owns. He is what is known as a self-made man, and he has every reason to be proud of the job. Gov. Blease's taunts and jabs at him last Thursday at Walhalla were unjust and uncalled for. The governor asked a simple question and Mr. Dyar gave a civil reply. What more could a gentleman want? Yet Mr. Dyar got unkind jabs and taunts that were unjust to him and to an Oconee audience. There are hundreds of farmers in Oconee deserving the highest praise for their attainments, but we doubt if there is any more deserving than Mr. Dyar.

## Where Are the Apostles of Peace.

If this European trouble is not settled by diplomacy and arbitration during the next thirty days, there will be a war such as Europe has not experienced since the Crimean war nearly sixty years ago.

The published cause of the declaration of war does not seem an adequate reason for hostilities. Back behind that there have been months of intrigue and sharp diplomacy. The situation has been understood by Russia, for that country has been putting her army on a war footing for some time. Germany, in a quiet way, has been backing up Austria. It was evident that during the recent Balkan war Austria and Germany were ready for interference and an aggressive movement, but the proper time and occasion did not come. France has been watching and waiting for a chance at Germany since Sedan. So when one considers the past and reads between the lines it looks as if these great powers are ready for war. England, up to this date, is neutral and wishes to settle the difficulty by arbitration. Germany and Italy will support Austria and Russia and France may be expected to champion the cause of Serbia. If there should be a general war it will require a military prophet to tell where the final conflict would take place. It is probable that the Crimean field would again be the theatre of hostilities. If England is forced to take part she would not be on the side of Germany, for these two countries look on each other with suspicion.—Spartanburg Journal.

## The Size of Servia.

An Atlanta, Ga., man with a taste for geography and figures, got busy and figured out the size of the little Servia, which just now is looming so large beneath the dark clouds of war.

"Three Servias could be fitted into the state of Georgia and still leave enough over for a good-sized front yard. You could put all of Emperor Franz Joseph's possessions in one corner of Texas, Servia in another, and then have 5,000 miles of frontier between them," he said.

But the population is something else. Servia, a third the area of Georgia, has a population of 3,000,000, or nearly 400,000 more than Georgia.—Spartanburg Journal.

## SENATORIAL MEETING,

**Account of Edgefield Meeting as Reported by the News and Courier's Special Correspondence.**

The one thousand people of Edgefield who heard the candidates for United States Senator here to-day were almost entirely anti-Bleese, excepting for a small coterie who cheered the Governor and attempted to heckle the other candidates.

The anti-Bleese doctrine as preached by L. D. Jennings and W. P. Pollock delighted the Edgefield audience and they showed it by tumultuously cheering their every statement.

United States Senator E. D. Smith was accorded a great reception and the wearers of the cotton blossoms predominated.

B. E. Nicholson, county chairman, presided. The meeting was held in the grove on the military institute grounds.

An onslaught on L. J. Williams, of North Augusta, and others responsible for calling of the elimination conference of anti-Bleeseites for Friday to centre on the man for Governor featured the speech of Governor Bleese.

"They passed the set of rules and bless God they are trying to bolt their own rules," charged the Governor, saying the call for the conference "reeked with partisanship."

Likening the call for the conference to the Haskell Convention in 1890, the speaker said the same persons who were fighting him were those who fought Tillman and made Haskellism possible.

"I hope they will hold their rump convention of anti-Bleeseites," he stated. He quoted from the rules for-bidding a candidate of a clique or faction running in the primary, and this, he said, is what will be done by whatever candidate is centred on by the elimination conference.

### PREDICTS VICTORY

He said his side had "em beat by from 18,000 to 20,000 votes," and predicted his election as Senator and of a Bleese man for Governor.

The Governor said he could tell by to-morrow what each side had enrolled.

His attack on Senator Smith for leading Mr. Weston as district attorney, and his statement that Senator Tillman should have had the patronage and praise of J. William Thurmond, whom Mr. Tillman recommended, was another feature of the Governor's speech. He denied that he was losing ground in Anderson County and read a letter from "Josh" Ashley saying he was stronger than ever.

Citing the Coleman incident at Whitmire, the Fowler incident at Anderson and the Norwood incident at Greenville the Governor denounced what he said was the situation which made it so ladies did not want to attend some meetings for fear of disorder. He devoted some time to this subject and charged that it was the work of anti-Bleese men and that no Bleese men were guilty of bringing about such conditions. He urged the building of a monument on the State House grounds to Gen. Mart Gary and closed by saying he was a happy man because of the honors which come to him. He was presented with flowers and drew applause from the followers.

### JENNINGS ON ETIQUETTE.

"I have always been taught to bow my head while the corpse was being taken away," said L. D. Jennings in the cheers of the Bleese men who accompanied the Governor from the grounds. At once taking up the reference of the Governor to Mr. Thurmond, the speaker said, "I know Mr. Thurmond is on the anti-Bleese side in this fight, side by side with Mr. Weston, and the rest of us trying to redeem South Carolina," while the audience cheered. In a reply to a "Hurrah for Coley," the speaker said, "Oh, that's so weak it reminds me of a dying kitten."

The Sumner man exonerated the pardon record of the Governor, saying, "Bleese's record is worse than any of the carpet-bag Governors." After going into detail about the Alan Emerson parole the speaker exclaimed: "A man who can hold up his head after a record like that must be a man of abnormal cheek."

He said the Governor absolutely has no chance of election and is dead politically, saying that in a recent meeting of some 4,000 voters in Anderson the "Bleese men were as scarce as they are in Edgefield." He was warmly applauded and given flowers.

### POLLOCK CHEERED.

W. P. Pollock was greeted with an outburst of cheering and immediately "it into" the Governor, saying of him. "He is feather-legged and hasn't dared to stay on the stand since I opened on his damnable record, but is ashamed of it and runs away." He arraigned the Governor for his remarks about the elimination conference to be held Friday, saying it was "Bleese who had preached factionalism from every stump, boasted of his political machine and held caucuses in the Supreme Court room and the Governor's office to which only Bleese men were admitted."

He charged the Governor "with trying to swing to the coat-tails of J. W. Thurmond, whom he called Pussy-foot Bill two years ago," and of attempting to get some votes by flattery Senator Tillman, and added, "Anderson County, which disgraced itself by giving Cole Bleese over 2,000 majority two years ago, is going with the rest of the counties and will wipe Bleese and the whole Ashley clan from the face of the earth on August 25," which drew tremendous applause.

Mr. Pollock made a necker admit he came from Greenwood County, and asserting that the Bleese hecklers were "imported," drew another cheer and laughter from the crowd by saying, "A Bleeseite can make more noise than five human beings."

His reading of the "Farriner" list, the parody on "Old King Cole," the references to certain colonels on the Governor's staff and particularly the Republican ticket of 1880, on which he said Col. J. P. Gibson, of the Governor's staff, ran for the Legislature in Marlboro county, kept the audience laughing and cheering. He pleaded with the people not to elect the Governor Senator "to disgrace his nation as he has his State," and complimented Edgefield for its heavy anti-Bleese vote before. The crowd wanted him to continue, but his time was up and he sat down amid great applause.

### SMITH IS POPULAR.

Senator E. D. Smith was greeted with prolonged cheering and got more when referred to his colleague, Senator B. R. Tillman. Edgefield's son, saying, "Were it not for the limitations of the flesh brought about by Providence, B. R. Tillman would ask no greater gift of the God who controls the destinies of men, than to be in this fight to help bring back right conditions in South Carolina."

The Senator's relation of his work for the farmer and of how he had "kept the faith" by carrying out the promises on which he was elected, received the closest attention. He was accorded little short of an ovation and presented with a watermelon and peaches from admiring farmers. That it was a Smith crowd was easily seen by the number of coats and the reception accorded him.

The reporters were the recipients of some fine Edgefield peaches, the gift of Mr. J. W. Hardy. They were sent up to the stand during the speaking "With the compliments of J. W. Hardy to the newspaper reporters."

## Special Peach Trains.

With the movement of peaches from the South Georgia orchards at its crest and that from the orchards of Northeast Georgia just coming on, the Southern Railway is now running from five to seven special peach trains out of Atlanta every night, carrying the luscious Elberta to the markets of the East and North. The total movement over Southern Railway for the present season has run above 2000 cars of peaches to date, and with them about 200 cars of cantaloupes. The heaviest movement for any one day was that of the night of July 21, when 161 cars of peaches were moved and it was necessary to run six special peach trains from Atlanta to the East and one to the West.—Manufacturer's Record.