# THE YORKVILLE ENQUIRER.

## Scraps and Facts.

— The State Democratic Executive Committee of North Carolina, in session at Raleigh last Thursday, selected Raleigh as the place for holding the next State Democratic Convention. Resolutions reiterating demands for a repeal of the internal revenue laws were adopted.

— The Macon *Telegram* says: Customs differ in different sections. Out west a hunted criminal is lynched; in Connecticut he commits "suicide"; in the South he "escapes." But, while the customs vary, as a general thing the result in such cases is about the same.

— H. M. Brooks, alias Maxwell, the St. Louis trunk murderer, published on Saturday a seven column petition to the public for mercy. This publication purports to contain a history of his crime. He reiterates the statement that the death of Preller was caused by an overdose of chloroform.

— While playing ball on the grounds of the Chattanooga University on Wednesday, two students named James C. Johnson and Ben Magill got into a difficulty, when the latter struck the former on the head with a base ball bat crushing in his skull. Johnson died and Magill made his escape.

— Rev. J. C. Price, colored, president of Livingstone College, Salisbury, N. C., has received a letter from Secretary Bayard informing him that the President has appointed him minister resident and consul general of the United States in Liberia. Price has not yet decided whether he will accept the office or not.

— Although the United States standing army is comparatively insignificant from the point of view of numbers, we are not in a defenceless position. The States have 94,736 trained and well drilled men in their military organizations, and careful estimates put the number of men in this country as available for military service at 8,021,605.

— A New York dispatch of Sunday says: The executive committee of the Republican league of the United States has appointed a committee on the organization of Republican clubs in the Southern States. The newly appointed committee will at once begin work, with a view to completing the organization of the Republicans of the South before the Presidential campaign begins.

— N. B. Lester, who shot and killed J. S. Lane, in Lebanon, Tenn., on the 26th of last July, was sentenced last Saturday by the Supreme Court at Nashville to be hanged on the 20th of April. Lester killed Lane because the latter, as attorney for Mrs. Lester, who was seeking a divorce, prevented Lester from obtaining money secured to Mrs. Lester by the death of her first husband, who was a member of the Knights of Pythias.

— The unveiling of the Jasper monument last Wednesday at Savannah, Ga., was a great success. Over 20,000 visitors were in the city. Speaking of Jasper, the Shelby *Aurora* says: There is a current tradition that Sergeant Jasper, one of the bravest heroes of the American Revolution, was born two miles from King's Mountain on King's Creek, in Cleveland county, N. C. Many of the oldest inhabitants cling to this tradition and now point to the remains of the house in which the heroic Jasper is said to have lived.

— George H. Corliss, the engine builder, died on Tuesday at Providence, R. I., of paralysis of the heart. Mr. Corliss was born in Easton, N. Y. He never saw inside of a machine shop until he was 25 years old. He went to Providence in 1844, and in 1846 began the development of his steam engine improvements, and in 1848 completed an engine which embodied the essential features of the present Corliss engine. Mr. Corliss was a commissioner at the Centennial Exhibition, and his engine for transmitting the power all over Machinery Hall added to his fame. The undertaking cost him $100,000.

— The Tennessee State Prohibition Convention, held in Nashville last week, was attended by eighty delegates. Twenty-four delegates were appointed to the National Prohibition Convention to meet at Indianapolis and instructed to vote for General Clinton B. Fisk as nominee for President. A convention was also called for May 16th, the same day the Republican Gubernatorial Convention meets, to nominate a candidate for Governor. The nomination of full county, legislative and Congressional tickets was urged. The platform affirms allegiance to the national prohibition party, demands a free ballot, the restriction of emigration and liberal appropriations for education.

— The community of Monmouth, Ill., was startled by a terrific roar or explosion on the night of the 22nd instant, which was perceptibly felt to jar the walls and windows of many buildings in the city. The sky was lit up with what appeared to have been a monster meteor on a tramp. Its direction was from southeast to northwest. The meteor passed Monmouth with lightning rapidity and the explosion took place shortly after. Reports from neighboring towns show that they all experienced the same sensations as to the shock and the flight of the visitor, but whither it went is not yet known.

— They tell down East of a poor fellow who owned a remarkably fat hog, and who also owed a rich man. The hog was about all the property he had worth levying on, and the law exempted a man's only pig. One day the creditor meeting the debtor said: "You need another pig; let me send you a nice little one." The poor man was astonished. "Why, I owe for the hog that I've got now," he stammered. "Never mind; you need another one and I'll send it," and he did, and the little pig was put in the pen by the side of the fat one. In less than an hour the constable came and attached the fat hog and took it away, and thus the law and the rich man were satisfied.

— At Bangor, Maine, last Friday, when Clarence Whitney and James Foster were brought in court to plead to the charge of having committed the famous robbery and attempt to murder old Peter Bennett, the miser, at East Newport last December, Foster caused a sensation by pleading guilty. Whitney nearly fainted when he heard his companion's plea, but he himself pleaded not guilty. Foster said he will tell the whole story, implicating himself and Whitney. He takes this course in order to avoid a trial in which his history would be brought out. Foster is not his real name, and he does not want to disgrace his family who are said to be prominent in New York State.

— New York politicians are circulating the report that Governor Hill will try to head the delegation to the St. Louis Convention from that State, and that he will make the speech nominating President Cleveland for the second term. Governor Hill will have nothing to say on the subject, and there is a great difference of opinion among the knowing ones. Hill's most intimate friends say that he will keep himself in readiness for 1892, and that he will not seek re-election as Governor. The air is full of all kinds of rumors, but all agree that the alleged Hill boom is dead, past all hope of resurrection, and that New York will send a delegation to St. Louis solid for the nomination of Cleveland.

— The Chinese minister was asked the other day if his country had any ill-feeling towards the United States for its effort to check Chinese immigration. He said: "None at all. We are trying to restrict it ourselves. Those who come here from China belong to the working class. We are much more concerned with the protection of our commercial relations with the United States and our merchants doing business in America. That is China's chief concern. We wish to extend our commercial relations with this country as much as possible, and to do so our merchants in America must be protected. Concerning this, however, we have no fear, as we rely upon the fairness and justice of the American Government."

— An Edmonton correspondent of the St. Paul *Pioneer Press* gives the facts in regard to the reports of the starving condition of the Indians of the Northwest. He says that the failure of crops and the scarcity of game left the Indians solely dependent on the Indian bureau for food. Government supplies have failed to come, and the consequence is most deplorable. All the stock of fish they had frozen in the early part of winter was spoiled by mild weather in January. The chiefs of the White Fish Lake and other tribes became demonstrative and threatened the Government officials with retaliation unless food was given them. The agent of Saddle Lake came down to Edmonton and refused to return without food, being afraid for his life. The correspondent accuses the Indian department of criminal negligence, and says if the Indians are not looked after the consequences may be disastrous.

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YORKVILLE, S. C.:

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 1888.

### THE NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The National Democratic committee which met in Washington last week, selected St. Louis as the place, and appointed June 5th as the time for holding the Democratic National Convention. This anticipates the Republican National Convention, which will meet in Chicago on the 19th of June. The official call for the Democratic Convention has been made by Wm. H. Barnum, Chairman of the committee.

The action of the Democratic committee is said to mean that the policy of the party in the coming campaign will be aggressive rather than defensive. On this point the Washington correspondent of the New York *Times*, writing last Friday, says:

The determination of the National Democratic committee to hold the Democratic Convention earlier than that of the Republican party, strange to observe, does not provoke that shout of exultant delight that ought to have been expected from a party that has recently declared its firm intention to win with or without James G. Blaine. The Republican members of the ways and means committee of the House, those unemployed gentlemen who are really responsible for the side-splitting sarcasms about "dark lantern" sessions to extirpate American industries, fail to raise their voices anew with predictions of victory. The fact is that they do not realize that the Democratic party would dare to lead off, and they were hopeful that they would wait in order that there could be no tariff bill before the people to discuss at convention time. At last some of the Democrats realize that that they will command more respect by boldness than by hesitation. Republicans can be found in Congress who, if they would permit their opinions to be printed, would be discovered as believers in tariff reduction and as doubtful of the success of the party that fights for indiscriminate and unmitigated protection. One of these Republicans directed attention this afternoon to an editorial in a New York paper, supposed to be Democractic in politics, which intimated broadly enough that no candidate for President could carry New York on a low tariff platform. "Now that's absurd on the face of it," was the comment. "You had a campaign in your State only three months ago. The Republicans had a strong protective platform. The Democrats had a low tariff platform. The vote was large, and the Democrats won. Is there likely to be less interest in the State in November next or less tariff reform sentiment than there was in November last? We Republicans cannot safely base our hopes of getting the electors of New York on any such assumption."

The ways and means committee Democrats are greatly pleased with the selection of an early day for the convention. It may furnish infirm Congressmen with nerve and decision to have a national expression on the tariff question in June. They expect to bring their bill before the full committee next Tuesday. If not possible to produce it then, it will come along on Friday of next week. It will not be brought in because the Republicans want to see it, but because its constructors have made it so conservative and acceptable that Mr. Randall even will not have great reason to condemn it. Mr. Randall, by the way, is quoted as regarding the selection of an early day for the convention as very bad politics. He goes further than his friends, the Republicans, for they are generally silent.

### THE PRESIDENT'S SOUTHERN TOUR.

A week ago to-day the President, accompanied by Mrs. Cleveland and a few friends, left Washington for a hurried visit to the sub-tropical exposition at Jacksonville, Florida, stopping on the way out only at Savannah, Ga., to participate in the ceremonies of unveiling the Jasper monument. The President was received with marked demonstrations at every point on the route, and at Jacksonville the reception was a grand ovation.

Returning to Washington, the party arrived in Charleston at 9 o'clock last Saturday morning, the President having accepted an invitation to enjoy for a short while the hospitalities of that city. The Presidential train was received with a salute by the artillery and the military was drawn up in line. Immediately after reaching the depot the President and Mrs. Cleveland entered a carriage which was in front of the main entrance. The vehicle was drawn by four of the finest bay horses in Charleston. In the carriage were also Mayor Bryan and Judge Simonton. The Presidential carriage was preceded and followed by a detachment of cavalry. On the procession being completed with the other members of the party, the city council, committee of reception and others, all of whom were also in carriages, from the depot the procession passed down King Street to Broad, along Broad to the postoffice, thence to the custom house and along East Bay to the Battery, where a halt was made for the purpose of viewing Forts Sumter, Moultrie and other historical points of interest which were spread out before them like a beautiful picture in the summer-like sunlight. From this point they drove up town again past St. Michael's church. Here the chimes rang out a welcome to the Chief Magistrate of the nation. After this a second halt was made at the Citadel Green, where the President reviewed the cadets and other military and civic organizations which were drawn up in line to receive him. The Orphans' Home was next visited for a few minutes. The party then returned to the train and at 11.30 left Charleston for the North. The decorations along the line of march were very beautiful, flowers, palmetto leaves, flags and banners being used in abundance.

The President and Mrs. Cleveland looked well, showing no signs of fatigue after their almost constant traveling. They appeared to be much pleased with the heartiness and cordiality of their most enthusiastic receivers.

The return to Washington was made over the same route by which the party traveled south—via Wilmington, Goldsboro and Weldon, the train reaching Washington at 3 o'clock Sunday morning. They arrived well and in good spirits, but fatigued from their journey. They say they had a good time and expressed themselves as delighted with their trip.

TILLMAN'S REPORT.—Representative Tillman and the members of the special committee appointed by the House to investigate the cause of the recent strike of the employees of the Reading Railroad and Coal Company, have returned to Washington. Mr. Tillman states that the committee will be ready to submit its report to the House in about six weeks, as it will take that time for the stenographer to write out his notes. Mr. Tillman proposes to make a big speech on the subject of the investigation. In conducting it he used a probe instead of a white-washing brush.

For the Yorkville Enquirer.

### ABOUT EPIDEMICS.

CLOVER, February 27.—Epidemics are bad things. That is, some of them are. But there are some epidemics that are good things. There is an epidemic that has been raging all over our country for years that is called the railroad epidemic, and that is a good thing. It is surprising the amount and extent of railroads that have been built over our Southern country, and still the work goes on.

Then there is another epidemic that seems to be spreading rapidly, and it is called the factory epidemic. That is a good thing. In fact, it is one of the best things going. In nearly every paper I pick up these days I find something about factories. All the large towns and cities have factories of some kind. Even the smaller towns have been struck with this epidemic. Companies are forming and subscriptions are being raised to build factories. York county is almost on a boom about factories. Clover has caught it. The first step has been taken—that is, the *talk*. That is the first step in all great enterprises. Whether the next will be taken or not I do not know. One thing I do know, and that is that Clover and vicinity has got men who have got the *vim* to push whatever they undertake. It is true that "vim" won't build factories, but it is a very important factor in the matter. If our friends hear nothing more of this epidemic here they may conclude that another important factor was lacking. I earnestly hope that I will be able soon to have something more to say about the factory.

I will not attempt to say anything about the benefit that would accrue to this entire section of our county. I saw a large circular price list the other day that had been sent out by an extensive hat factory in a Northern city. On the circular was pictured a large mill, and near by some boys driving sheep into the hopper, and at the bottom wool hats were dropping out. Now that is the kind of factories we need; factories in which when you throw a bale of cotton it will come out cloth, shirting, checks, cottonades, prints, &c., ready for use.

The last time I was in Yorkville I was asked the question, "Has Clover got the epidemic yet?" On asking what epidemic was meant, the answer was, "Why the epidemic that produces candidates." Well, that is a new kind of epidemic, but I reckon the name is correct. I don't think Clover has it yet. At least if it has, it has not broken out nor made its appearance. It may be in the system, under the skin, as it were, and may show itself later. It is only February and we have nearly a dozen out in the county, and only three or four precincts heard from, and not a full report from them either. That is all right. They are good men. It is a rule and I always set it down as sure, when I see a man's name in the paper as a candidate that he is all right. York never fails on that point. That is one of the first things I look for when I receive the ENQUIRER. I am expecting more, and I want to know who they are. In fact, I would like to have an office myself. I mean a big office with a big salary. One that would enable me to live without work and worry. One that would enable me to take my family and go to the mountains in summer and to Florida or some other warm place in winter. But I will not come out yet. I am afraid the "*run*" would be too long. Being a little lame I might "*fail*" before I get there. J. D. G.

Correspondence of the Yorkville Enquirer.

### LETTER FROM BLACK'S.

BLACK'S, S. C., February 27.—Solomon's Ass has given "One of Them" such a heavy kick that he brays "One of the People;" stigmatizes the lawyer for handling "ugly facts," then wants the lawyer to give a "little more light on the subject," consummates his elaborate work "on finances" in Chapter No. 2, and finds it "an irksome task." The whole system of our finances is discussed in detail and minutely in just two chapters! Ha! thread off your spool already? When the star of Bethlehem disappeared from the skies, "One of Them," the wise man, was left in utter darkness, his book on "Finances," closed with Chapter 2, and he never reached the manger. Where has he gone? Allied himself with the people and will yet be transformed—"a truce to all that"—into a political aspirant. Watch him!

Capitalists from Birmingham have been amongst us recently prospecting our iron ores. We have the finest magnetic ores in inexhaustible quantities, and their early development is looked for by our people with great anxiety.

Brown Bros., of Cowpens, have bought D. D. Gaston's brick store room, and will occupy it the first of next month as merchants, with a full stock of goods. Mr. Gaston is having dirt moved, preparatory to the erection of a large brick store room, which he will occupy when completed.

We had heavy and constant rain for two days last week, and it is strange to say that there was no accident or delay to trains on the railroads.

The people of our town have been at a high degree of excitement for a week on account of the double marriage of Miss Florence Little. Frst to Mr. Augustus Mintz, of Black's; then to Dr. Atkinson, of Chester. She was married to them both within the same week. The question now under discussion is: Whose wife is she, and what is their remedy for relief? When she married Mintz all parties were competent to enter into a marriage contract, gave their consent, and did undertake the contract by the performance of the marriage ceremony by a competent officer; but this lacks one element in consummation—publicity. "That such contract has not been consummated by the cohabitation of the parties thereto."—Rev. Stat. 2028.

When she married Atkinson, all parties were competent to enter into a marriage contract, (if Miss Little had not made a legal marriage contract with Mintz), gave their consent and the contract was entered into by the performance of the marriage ceremony, performed by a competent officer and they lived together as man and wife for a week, hence the necessary element to consummate this contract is not wanting. "That such contract has not been consummated by the cohabitation of the parties thereto."

As all divorce laws in this State were repealed in 1878, the parties will either have to apply to the courts to interpret the contract, or ask the Legislature to grant them a divorce. W.

Correspondence of the Yorkville Enquirer.

### NOTES FROM WESTERN YORK.

HOODTOWN, February 25.—There has been but little farm work done the present week, as it has rained every day. The prospect for a crop of wheat is pretty gloomy. Farmers who sowed oats in the fall were fortunate as they are looking quite promising. Those who sowed since Christmas are doubtful about them as they are not doing any good toward growing. From what I can learn some of our farmers are going to improve their lands, and, that too, without the use of commercial fertilizers. Mr. John J. Wallace is on the aggressive. He informs me that he will use this year, on a three horse farm, from 80 to 100 tons of compost. It is to be hoped that others will follow his example, and instead of wasting time and money getting guano, spend the same amount of time and money in making home fertilizers, which will be of more permanent value, both to the growing crops and the future improvement of their lands. So long as we (the farmers) continue to buy and use manipulated guanos to the detriment of home fertilizers, just so long will we remain poor.

Mr. J. E. Good, of Cedartown, Ga., visited his mother, Mrs. M. A. Good, last week. She has had a severe attack of pneumonia, but we are glad to note that she is now convalescent.

Mr. Benjamin Childers, who lived on the Whitesides place, died Tuesday night, after a few days' illness. The cause of his death was pneumonia. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Harley on Thursday.

Mrs. John R. Edwards came near being seriously burned one day this week. Her clothing caught fire, and was being rapidly consumed by the flames, when fortunately Messrs. Edwards and Mickle came upon the scene. They quickly extinguished the flames before any harm was done except the burning of Mrs. Edwards' clothing. The hands of both the gentlemen were pretty badly burned.

A young negro who represented himself as being a physician has been imposing upon the credulity of some of his own color in our community. A few days ago he told a negro girl that she was poisoned, and proceeded to use the knife freely, splitting her arm from the shoulder to the elbow, when forbearance ceased to be a virtue. Some of the more intelligent took him, and after carrying him some distance into the woods, proceeded to administer a sound thrashing, giving him, I have been told, 300 lashes; to which I add, "well done." The above occurred near Mr. J. Ed. Leech's place.

What has become of our county commissioners? It has been several months since they promised to have the road adjacent to Bullock's Creek bridge, near this place, repaired, but so far have taken no steps in that direction. I hear some complaints among the people of the community about the matter. Our roads in many places are almost impassible. We hope they will give our section some attention at an early day. RAMBLER.

Correspondence of the Yorkville Enquirer.

### LETTER FROM ROCK HILL.

ROCK HILL, February 28.—Last week was a wet week for a *dry town*. It rained from Monday morning until Friday, and yesterday morning we had a slight fall of snow.

On Saturday a notice was posted on the postoffice here that the President would pass through Rock Hill at 5.12 P. M. on his return from Florida. As the regular train on the C., C. & A. Railroad passes this place at that hour, a large majority of our citizens, including women and children, were at the depot to get a glimpse of the President and his wife. But all were doomed to disappointment. It would not have been well for the person who posted the notice had his name been ascertained.

Sam Hart, a colored man, was adjudged a lunatic before Trial Justice Whyte on Thursday last, the examining physicians being Drs. Fewell and Crawford. He was committed to the Asylum.

On last Wednesday evening, Pinky Edwards and Virgy Scott, colored women, had a fisticuff on Railroad street. The former received a severe wound in her head by a rock in the hands of the latter. There was a man in the case this time, instead of a woman.

Two hundred and sixteen wheelbarrows were received here last Saturday to be used by contractors in this vicinity in the grading of the Charleston, Cincinnati and Chicago Railroad.

The farmers who have been in town during the past week report the roads to be in a dreadful condition. In some places they are almost impassable. We are soon to have a new grand jury, and it might be well for the supervisors and overseers, to look out!

A meeting of the incorporators of the proposed new cotton factory at this place was held last night. Of $86,000 subscribed to the capital stock of the company, $56,000 was represented. The following gentlemen were elected as board of directors: W. M. Frew, W. L. Roddey, A. E. Smith, A. Friedheim, R. T. Fewell, Jno. R. London, W. J. Roddey, W. J. Rawlinson, Dr. T. A. Crawford. The directors will, at a future date, elect a president and other officers. The sentiment of the meeting was that the mill shall be built at once, and the directors were requested to proceed immediately with the construction of the building. Work on it will be begun within the next thirty days. It is contemplated to have the machinery in operation in time to work up cotton of the crop to be grown this year.

The efforts to settle for the right of way of the Charleston, Cincinnati and Chicago Railroad over the lands of Mrs. Eliza Steele, J. C. B. Smith and Mrs. W. J. Kimball, for which purpose Major Hart, attorney of the Construction Company, was here last Tuesday, proved abortive. HAL.

### THE SENSATIONAL MARRIAGE.

The Shelby *Aurora* of last week contains the following additional statements concerning the recent marriage of Dr. Atkinson and Miss Little, which gives promise of becoming a sensational affair, unless the alleged bride of two husbands can make a satisfactory explanation of the awkward position in which she seems to be placed:

The *Aurora* last week published the sensational marriage of Dr. Atkinson, a druggist of Chester, S. C., to Miss Florence Little, a charming young lady of Gaffney's, S. C. At midnight at Black's S. C., on Sunday night, Feb. 12, 1888, Rev. G. M. Webb performed the ceremony at Crosby's Hotel. We stated that a previous day for the nuptials had been appointed, that Dr. Atkinson arrived at Gaffney's on Wednesday train, 2 o'clock, according to appointment, but on his arrival at the affianced's home, the lover found that the object of his adoration was smiling upon another lover, Mr. Augustus Mintz, son of John Mintz, of Black's, and that she was enjoying a protracted buggy ride with Mr. Mintz in the country. The groom waited for his affianced to return that night and shed joy upon his soul, but she came not until Thursday morning, 9 o'clock.

As she leaped into the buggy she said to her ardent admirer: "This is your day, Mr. Mintz; to-morrow will be Dr. Atkinson's day."

Mr. Mintz whispered to a friend that he expected to return a married man, before Wednesday afternoon's ride. He returned alone after midnight to the hotel at Gaffney's. She returned alone on Thursday morning, the day for her appointed marriage to Dr. Atkinson, of Chester, who was impatiently awaiting her return to Gaffney's.

Now for the secret divulged this week, a secret that causes a sensation, a scandal and soon an appeal to the courts, in which the fair and attractive Miss Little, the belle of Gaffney's, S. C., occupies an embarrassing position. On that memorable Wednesday's buggy ride, Mr. Augustus Mintz and Miss Florence Little halted at the residence of Rev. J. G. Carter, below Gaffney's a few miles, and were secretly married and invoked the minister's silence. They were to keep the marriage a secret for two years and then divulge it to the world. Each were to live as formerly and tell no one until the expiration of two years. A rash, silly promise, which leads to a sad denouement! All this time Dr. Atkinson, a stranger, was ignorant of the plot and blind to the situation, for he "loved not wisely, but too well." No one at Gaffney's except the contracting parties and Mr. Black knew of her secret marriage until recently. Now for Miss Little's marriage eleven days afterwards to Dr. Atkinson.

Her prolonged and strange absence and apparent indifference provoked her betrothed's jealousy and anger, which culminated in his hasty departure home.

Soon mutual explanations were made. She said she was ready and true to her promise on that Thursday, but he left in anger. Love, which laughs at locksmiths and overleaps all obstacles, culminated in a correspondence and an interview at Black's, where she met, by appointment, her Chester lover. The interview was protracted into a wedding ceremony which blended together the lives and bliss of Dr. Atkinson and Miss Florence Little on Sunday at midnight, February 12, 1888.

TRIALS OF A TRIAL JUSTICE.—Our readers will remember that some months ago considerable dissatisfaction was created in the Feasterville neighborhood at the action of trial justice Shields Gladney in disinterring the body of a negro (who had been dead over a month) and holding an inquest. The county commissioners went before trial justice Cathcart on Saturday, the 18th, and indicted him for official misconduct. The grand jury also looked into the matter and found a true bill against Mr. Gladney. He, however, did not appear for trial when his case was called, so the sheriff went and brought him before the court. In the meantime the court of sessions had adjourned. The judge, however, bound him over to appear at the next term of court in the sum of $500. Mr. Gladney went home ostensibly to secure bondsmen, but not returning, the sheriff again went for him and lodged him in jail on Thursday night. On Friday Mr. Gladney gave the required bond and was released.—*Winnsboro News, Saturday.*

## LOCAL AFFAIRS.

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

F. A. Gilbert, Town Treasurer—Treasurer's Report of the Town Council of Yorkville, S. C.
Prof. William Baker, Charlotte, N. C.—Piano Tuning.
John C. Kuykendal—Pointed Paragraphs.
Withers Adickes—It Will Pay You.
J. N. Roberts—Pay Up at Once for the Enquirer.
Lowry & Starr—Important, Paints, Paints.
Parish & Kennedy—Pickled Pigs Feet and Sour Crout.
T. M. Dobson & Son—New Goods.
H. F. Adickes—Just Received.
W. C. Latimer—Sewing Machines, Curtain Goods, &c.
J. W. Dobson—Livery and Feed Stables.
M. Strauss—Read and Reflect.
Hunter & Oates—B Quick, C Sharp and don't B Left.
Will H. Speck, Jeweler—Fine Watch Movements. [4th page.]
James M. McDowell—Candidate for County Commissioner of York county.
W. H. Moore—Pay Up at Once for the Enquirer.

### THE TOWN ELECTION.

Although the time for the annual municipal election for the town of Yorkville is near at hand, the date being only a week from to-morrow, there is so little interest, apparently, felt upon the subject that not even a ticket has yet been publicly announced.

### THE WEATHER.

If it be true that he laughs best who laughs last, the cold weather joke may yet be on the sunny South. Monday last was the first really cold day we have had since the winter set in, the thermometer on Monday night registering 11 degrees above zero.

### UNITED STATES PRISONERS.

The recent term of the U. S. District Court at Greenville contributed three prisoners to the York county jail, viz.: Eli White alias Alexander, for resisting an officer; and Nathan Crosby and Wm. Farrow for retailing liquor without a United States license. All are colored.

### FOR STEALING A COW.

Daniel White, a young colored man, was committed to jail yesterday to await his trial in the Sessions Court, on the charge of stealing a cow from Mr. Richard Ashe. He drove the animal to Yorkville and sold it to Mr. Alonzo Rose for beef, and on being charged with the crime he confessed his guilt.

### COL. MATSON FOR MAYOR.

The Johnson City, Tenn., *Comet* nominates Col. T. E. Matson, Chief Engineer of the Charleston, Cincinnati and Chicago Railroad, as a candidate for Mayor of that city. Could the people along the line of the road have a voice in the matter his election would be assured by a handsome majority.

### DEATH OF S. L. ADAMS.

We regret to record the death of Mr. S. Leroy Adams, which occurred at his home near Bethel Church in this county, on Tuesday morning of last week. Mr. Adams was the youngest son of Rev. James S. Adams, long a pastor of Bethel congregation, and was one of the best citizens in his community. He died of dropsy of the chest and was seventy years old on the 5th instant.

### A YORK HORSE ASTRAY.

The Shelby *New Era* of last week says that a horse belonging to Mr. T. F. Jackson, of York county, S. C., broke out of the stable at Mr. J. H. Elliott's house, on Monday night, and wandered on the track of the C., C. and C. R. R. The horse walked along the track until he reached the bridge over First Broad River, when he fell between the sleepers and was badly injured. He was rescued the next morning by the section hands.

### FIVE PAPERS THIS MONTH.

According to the witlings, the women talk less in February than any other month of the year, it being the shortest. An unusual occurrence is the fact that we print five issues this month, short as it is. We trust the ENQUIRER has contained enough good things to supply the deficiency caused by the deprivation of the fair sex to indulge full thirty days in their traditional characteristic.

### PARDONED.

Governor Richardson has pardoned George Beckham, colored, of Yorkville, who was convicted before Judge Witherspoon at March term, 1886, and sentenced to the penitentiary for ten years for manslaughter, the charge against him being the murder of a colored man named Crawford, in a riot at a colored religious meeting at Mt. Zion in this county. George returned home last Friday evening. The pardon was recommended by a large number of citizens and had the endorsement of Judge Witherspoon and Solicitor McDonald.

### TRAIN WRECKED.

On Saturday afternoon last the south-bound freight train of the Chester and Lenoir Railroad met with a serious accident about a mile north of town. The cars were laden with shingles and fertilizers, and the train was running at a moderate rate of speed, when the truck of one of the cars broke, causing a derailment and smash up of several cars. The engine remained on the track and none of the train men were injured. The north-bound passenger train remained here from 6 P. M., until 9, by which time the track was cleared.

### WILL SECURE A PENSION.

By a note received at this office, we are pleased to announce what her many friends here will also gladly learn, that Mrs. Jane Kerr, of Spartanburg, is hopeful of securing at an early day a pension for the services of her husband, Jerome B. Kerr, as a soldier in the Mexican war. Mr. Kerr lived in Yorkville, for many years after the close of the Mexican war, and as will be remembered, Mrs. Kerr was here a few week ago for the purpose of securing testimony to enable her to secure the pension to which she is justly entitled.

### PERSONAL MENTION.

We learn that Mr. John B. Pankey, who will be remembered by many of our older citizens as a teacher in this county, but who has been teaching in Texas and Mississippi since the war, has returned to this State, and will resume his profession of teaching in the western part of Chester county.

Mr. M. G. Johnson, a son of Samuel Johnson, who moved from York to Meridian, Miss., about twenty years ago, is visiting his uncle, Mr. John L. Starr, and other relatives in this county.

Miss Iva Curtis, of Chester, is visiting Mrs. Isabella Steele.

Mrs. John A. Darwin is visiting her parents at Black's.

Senator Black was in town last Monday.

### CHURCH NOTICES.

Baptist—Rev. J. K. Fant, Pastor of Flint Hill Church, will preach at Union at 11 A. M. next Sunday, and in Yorkville at 7.30 P. M. Sunday-school at 3 P. M. Prayer-meeting this evening at 7.30.

Associate Reformed Presbyterian—Rev. J. C. Galloway, Pastor. Services next Sunday at 11 A. M. Sunday-school at 3.30 P. M.

Presbyterian—Rev. T. R. English, Pastor. Services next Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sunday-school at 3 P. M. Prayer-meeting to-morrow evening at 4 o'clock.

Methodist Episcopal—Rev. W. W. Daniel, Pastor. No service next Sunday morning. Service at 7.15 P. M., by Rev. J. L. Harley. Sunday-school at 3 P. M. No prayer-meeting this evening.

Episcopal—Rev. Edmund N. Joyner, Rector. Sunday-school at 3 P. M.

### PROGRESS OF THE RAILROAD.

The Johnson City, Tenn., *Comet* of last Thursday has the following concerning the progress of the Charleston, Cincinnati and Chicago Railroad north of Rutherfordton, North Carolina.

At a meeting of the officials of the Charleston, Cincinnati and Chicago Railroad Company in New York, on the 15th inst., Col. T. E. Matson was re-elected Chief Engineer and Gen. Rosser was appointed Consulting Engineer, to have charge of location north of Marion, N. C., until the grading is completed on the southern division. Col. T. E. Matson returned Monday via South Carolina and was seen by a *Comet* representative and found to be full of important information that will be read with pleasure by our citizens and those interested in the future of Johnson City. He says it is the intention of the company to complete the location of the entire line during the coming summer, and to do this four additional engineer corps will be put in the field at once. Two of the corps will be put to work between Marion, N. C. and the Tennessee line and the Breaks at the Kentucky line. Reports &c., as heretofore, to be given to the Chief Engineer. The instruments, tents, cots, &c., have been ordered, and the outfit for two corps are expected to arrive in Johnson City within a week. The other two outfits will go to Marion, N. C. As has been said, the work of location will begin at once, but just where the corps will commence has not been definitely settled, but it is thought that the line will be located each way from this place. As to when grading will begin no time has been fixed, but a large Western Construction Company is negotiating with them for the contract for grading the uncompleted portion of the road and propose to build the entire line within twelve months. Whether the contract is awarded this company or not, it is certain that dirt will be broken at different points along the line during the coming spring and will be pushed right along as rapidly as possible.

In regard to the progress along the line, Col. Matson has completed the location through the Breaks and is now with his corps on the Big Sandy near Pikeville, Ky. Capt. H. W. Lumsden is progressing as rapidly with his work of grading as the state of the work in the Breaks will allow.

Capt. Ramsaur has completed the location between Rutherfordton, N. C., and Marion, N. C., and the contract for grading has been awarded and work will be commenced in a few weeks.

It is contemplated to transfer at an early day the office of chief engineer from Rock Hill to this city.

### SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS.

— It is reported in Columbia that Col. E. B. C. Cash is dead.

— W. G. Parish, a Mexican war veteran, died at his home in Rossville township, Chester county, last week.

— Mr. O. L. Schumpert is spoken of as a candidate for Solicitor of the Seventh Circuit, which now makes five in the field.

— There are thus far twelve applications from Chester county for State pensions—six from soldiers and six from widows of soldiers.

— Mr. W. H. Hinnant, the contractor for carrying the mail between Winnsboro and Long Run, died suddenly in Winnsboro, last Monday, of hemorrhage of the lungs.

— The name of the postoffice on the Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta Railroad in Chester county, heretofore known as Chestnut Grove, has been changed to Lewis' Turnout.

— Rev. T. M. Bailey, D. D., the popular and efficient Corresponding Secretary of the Baptist State Mission Board, and Miss Sue H. McMillan, of Barnwell county, were married on the 15th instant.

— Spartanburg *Spartan:* According to the Dutch sign this will be a good wheat year. Last Wednesday was Ash Wednesday and it was a fair day, which indicates that wheat heads will be well filled. Watch and see if there is anything in the sign.

— Blythewood, in Fairfield county, a station on the C., C. & A. Railroad, is stirred up over a war between the families of Hogan and Hoffman, the most prominent people in town. The origin of the trouble was the betrayal of Miss Hattie Hogan, an 18-year-old girl, by Thomas Hoffman.

— The Columbia correspondent of the *News and Courier* advises all those who propose to apply for State pensions to do so at once. The pension board will meet to consider the applications about the latter part of March, and the board would like to have all the applications considered together.

— In the sessions court of Sumter, last Monday, all the cases growing out of the Bowman-Keels affair, in which trial justice Haynsworth was killed, were continued. John R. Keels, Kincheon Pennington, Peyton G. Bowman and Walter I. Harby, all charged with murder, are on bail until the next term of Court.

— Winnsboro *News:* Two peddlers who have been around selling jewelry and other trinkets, were attacked at the upper part of town by two negroes who knocked them senseless with large sticks. The negroes then robbed them of the money which they had and some of their goods. They claim to have had twenty dollars in cash.

— The fish warden at Georgetown reports that the run of shad so far this year has been greater than for any season in the past twenty years. Already 33,000 shad have been shipped from Georgetown. This increase is attributed to the large plants of young shad made by the department in the rivers of the State during the past few years, and in part to the enforcement of the fish laws.

— Fifteen families of negroes left Newberry last Thursday for Little Rock, Ark. There is great indignation in that county against emigrant and railroad agents, and two—one a colored emigrant agent and the other a representative of the Memphis and Little Rock Railroad—have been threatened with violence. The negro took to the woods and the railroad agent left on the first train.

— The United States District Court, in session at Greenville, adjourned last Thursday to the August term. The *News* says: The Court at its present term has disposed of sixty-six cases. Thirty-four of the accused in these cases have been found guilty and twenty-seven have been acquitted. One prisoner pleaded guilty, and in four cases mistrials were ordered. This is the record so far as it could be made up from the journal of the Court.

— Charles Veal, a mulatto, charged with assault with intent to rape a little 13-year-old white girl, Fannie Joyner, at Winnsboro, last fall, was tried on Tuesday of last week before Judge Witherspoon at Winnsboro, found guilty and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. The convicted mulatto was placed in Winnsboro jail, but danger of lynching being apprehended, on that evening the sheriff caused him to be secretly conveyed to Chester and next day he was taken to the penitentiary.

— A Columbia dispatch of Thursday says: An attempt was made in this county Wednesday night by a gang of unknown men to cremate a family alive. A white man, William Myers, had been living with a colored woman and had several children. A party, to punish this conduct, surrounded the house, barred up all doors and windows on the outside and set the building on fire in several places. An axe was in the house, and with this Myers cut a hole in the door in time to save himself and the other inmates from a terrible death, but they were severely burned.

— B. F. Welsh, of Lancaster, has committed such brutal treatment upon his wife that he was arrested and tried on Tuesday of last week before Trial Justice Witherspoon. Welsh's wife's father and mother came into court, begged for protection and testified to the most horrible and brutal treatment. All three have suffered at his hands. The court was crowded and was overrun by the best citizens who were wild with excitement, and demanded the maximum bond on his life. The court made the bond five thousand dollars. He was committed to jail.

— Says the Newberry *Observer:* Twelve miles from Newberry, just this side of Heller's Creek, is a high round top hill. On this hill lives Mrs. Sarah Beam, who is just now very much alarmed. About a month ago a portion of this, about eight inches in diameter, caved in, leaving a hole in the ground, nobody knows how deep. About a week after another spot, about four inches in diameter, near by, caved in, leaving another apparently bottomless hole. Mrs. Beam insists that she has seen blue smoke issuing from these holes, and that she is constantly feeling shocks. Our informant visited the dread spot recently. He says he did not see any smoke or feel any shocks, but that he felt electric influences very sensibly while on the hill.

CLEVELAND'S WISDOM.—Mr. Cleveland's proverbial good luck sticks to him. He went away from Washington when the Democratic committee was to meet, and was berated for it. The committee has met and every one of its actions have been for the advancement of the administration's cause. It is now seen that it was a wise thing in Mr. Cleveland to go away from Washington when he did.

The committee meeting was looked on to make new developments in the Presidential contest. It was a congress of party leaders from every State and Territory and might have been trusted to develop any Presidential booms lying around loose. But the adjournment has left the ranks of the party closed full up, and Cleveland more than ever preeminently the only candidate the party needs.—*Greenville News.*

### MERE-MENTION.

Mrs. Mary Harrod, aged 47, committed suicide in the jail at Washington, Ind., last Saturday morning by hanging. She was a stranger and was arrested a few days ago for stealing. She was a daughter of Judge John P. Norris, of Columbus, Ohio, and a sister of Col. John Norris, of Washington, D. C.……Jacob Helbert was killed and W. H. Kelly fatally wounded last Saturday, while attempting to serve a writ of habeas corpus at Mechanicsville, O. An old man named Lewis Crescrown and one of his sons are supposed to have done the shooting.………Advices received from Havana are to the effect that small pox is raging in Cuba. Between May of last year and January, 1888, two thousand persons died of the disease, and four thousand were stricken with it throughout the island during the same period.………The sale of the famous Libby prison, at Richmond, to a Chicago company, has been confirmed. The building will be removed to Chicago.………It is asserted, by those who profess to know, that the entire surface of Raleigh county, West Va., is underlaid with coal from four to twelve feet in thickness.………Business failures during the last seven days number for the United States 237, Canada 33; total 270, compared with 209 for the corresponding week of last year.………Mrs. Josephine M. Ammons, a wealthy lady of Cleveland, Ohio, who was committed to jail six weeks ago for contempt of Court, in refusing to disclose the whereabouts of Josephine Blann, the missing heiress, has been released on bail of $1,000.………W. W. Corcoran, the millionaire philanthropist, died at his home in Washington, Saturday morning.………Bethune Jones, a student in a college at Milledgeville, Ga., died last Friday night of hydrophobia, the result of a bite by a rabid dog last October.………In an interview with the European correspondent of the New York *World*, Mr. Blaine reiterates his determination not to enter the Presidential contest. He says he has retired from politics and considers that the Presidential game is not worth the candle.………On Monday the engineers and trainmen on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad went on a strike. Over six thousand miles of railroad is affected, and probably fourteen thousand employees will be thrown out of work.………George H. Clark & Co., hat jobbers, the oldest and until recently the largest in the business in New York city, suspended last Monday.………A regular blizzard struck Columbus, Miss., last Sunday night, and Monday morning the ground was covered with snow.

BRITISH GOLD UNEARTHED.—Several years ago a party of persons came to Pungoteagu, Accomac county, Va., from England, and spent a large amount of money in excavating on a farm. To all inquiries they answered that they were looking for treasure buried there by a wealthy English resident of Accomac county during the Revolutionary war, who went to England during the struggle and never returned. No attention was paid to them and their search proved futile.

A few days ago a tenant on the same farm named Alonzo Mears, while digging a post hole, unearthed an iron pot filled with gold and silver coin, some of which bear the image of Charles II and others of George III. Mr. Mears is very reticent about the matter, and refused to divulge the amount; but it is certainly very large, as it took two men beside himself to carry the pot to the house. The rest of the farm is being dug over very rapidly by anxious treasure seekers, but without avail as yet.

FIGHTING PROHIBITION IN IOWA.—A Dubuque dispatch says: The articles of incorporation of the Dubuque Personal Liberty League have been filed with the Secretary of State. The objects of the association are to secure information regarding the operation of prohibitory laws in other States, to apply for and obtain by any and all legislation the repeal or modification of the prohibitory laws in Iowa, and to secure compensation for losses sustained by reason of the existence and enforcement of such laws in Iowa, to render to all members of the association who may require the same aid in defending their rights of person and property, and to obtain by legislation the enactment of a license law in the State. This means that a united and vigorous effort is to be made to nullify the prohibitory law in Iowa. The headquarters of the league will be in Dubuque and branch organizations will be formed all over Iowa.

THE BLAIR BILL.—A Washington dispatch to the *News and Courier* gives the following in reference to the Blair educational bill: The House committee on education does not appear inclined to act promptly on the Blair educational bill, which was referred to it over two weeks ago. Among some of the members of the House the opinion prevails that the Simmons' bill, to loan the States $65,000,000 for educational purposes, will be substituted by the committee for the Blair bill. Such a proposition is hardly acceptable to the real friends of the original bill, and they realize that such a movement would ultimately defeat the measure. On the other hand, it is alleged that a majority of the educational committee, as well as Speaker Carlisle, are opposed to the Blair bill, and it stands but a poor chance of receiving consideration by the House, unless its friends resort to strategy.

TO HONOR THE BRAVE.—The surviving members of the Philadelphia brigade, of Cowan's First New York battery and of Pickett's Confederate division, all of whom participated in the battle of Gettysburg, have decided to build a monument near the "bloody angle" on that historic field, where Pickett's immortal charge was repelled after a loss of 3,300 killed and missing out of 4,700 men. The survivors have selected as an inscription the following words uttered by Senator Sherman in his speech at Nashville last March: "The war is over, thank God; but the courage, devotion, and fortitude of both sides remain the common pride and heritage of us all."

THE RUTHERFORD RAILROAD SUBSCRIPTION.—The Commissioners of Rutherford county, N. C., have been summoned to appear before Judges Bond and Dick, of the Federal Court, in Greensboro, April 9th, to show cause why a peremptory mandamus should not be issued to compel them to levy a tax to pay interest on bonds subscribed to the Charleston, Cincinnati and Chicago Railroad.—*Greensboro Patriot.*

THE NEW YORK DEMOCRACY.—Sterling Democrats in Albany and New York city are delighted at the national committee's selection of the time and place for holding the coming Convention. They consider it a victory for President Cleveland, and say that nothing can now prevent his unanimous nomination.

— At the office of the Secretary of State, last Thursday, a declaration was received and a commission issued for the incorporation of the Catawba Cotton Mills, of Fort Mill. The capital stock is placed at $40,000 divided into 400 shares.

## Market Reports.

YORKVILLE, Feb. 29.—Cotton, 9½ to 9⅝.

LIVERPOOL, February 27.—Cotton, steady with fair demand; uplands, 5 9-16d.

CHARLESTON, February 27.—Cotton nominal; middling, 10¼.

NEW YORK, February 27.—Cotton quiet; uplands, 10 9-16. Futures closed barely steady, with sales of 86,600 bales, as follows: February, 10.45 to 10.47; March, 10.52; April, 10.58 to 10.59; May, 10.66; June, 10.73 to 10.74; July, 10.75 to 10.76; August, 10.77 to 10.78; September, 10.25 to 10.26; October, 9.93 to 9.94; November, 9.82 to 9.83; December 9.83 to 9.84; January, 9.89 to 9.90.

**Comparative Cotton Statement.**

NEW YORK, February 24.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending Feb. 24, 1888:

| | 1888. | 1887. |
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| Receipts at all ports for week | 68,823 | 95,286 |
| Total receipts to this date | 4,849,901 | 4,750,447 |
| Exports for the week | 973,363 | 82,716 |
| Total exports to date | 3,395,708 | 3,400,692 |
| Stock at all U. S. ports | 850,572 | 852,831 |
| Stock in interior towns | 187,426 | 138,652 |
| Stock at Liverpool | 84,7000 | 960,000 |
| Stock afloat for Great Britain | 160,000 | 180,000 |