

THE LAST HOPE.

The proceedings of a meeting of the citizens of the community, held at the Court House on Friday night, are published elsewhere in this paper.

It will be seen that the meeting has adopted a resolution pledging the citizens of the town to subscribe bonds to the amount of 5 per cent. of the taxable property of the town in aid of the C. C. & C. R. R., upon condition that the towns along the line of the road subscribe a like amount, and the citizens of Charleston subscribe an amount equal to that thus raised.

It is demonstrable that the amount thus collected will grade and cross the road, ready for the iron; then the R. C. R. R. will haul the rails supplied by the company with whom Mr. Schofield has contracted, and the work of construction can go rapidly on. The meeting was essentially representative of the business men of the town. It was marked by an earnestness that is indicative of good results.

Genl. Hemphill thought we had better not issue bonds, and wanted the money expended within our County. But that is not practicable. The work must begin at Aiken, in order that we may obtain the aid of the S. C. road in transporting the rails.

Now, the above is the plan that Abbeville has suggested. Will the other towns join us? We believe that they will. Will Charleston come to our aid? We believe it must! Already Charleston is restricted in her South Carolina trade to the scope of country below and east of Columbia.

The Georgia Central system has laid her hand on six of the best counties in upper Carolina, and is full of bold and aggressive energy. Charleston's trade is languishing; her merchants feel the full force of hard times; the Midland scheme has failed, and it would seem that every consideration of financial policy must impel her to join in this enterprise. Her safety from commercial ruin depends upon her securing a connection with this section of the State, and an outlet to the West.

What more practicable scheme has been presented to her consideration than this we now propose? Surely there can be no hesitation upon her part. She ought to jump at the opportunity. For ourselves, we have all to make and nothing to lose by this proposition. Our subscription is conditioned upon terms which, if complied with, will raise a fund sufficient to put the road in that condition which will enable its officers to raise upon its bonds the money to complete and equip it. Five per cent. upon the assessed value of the taxable property of the town will raise in the neighborhood of \$25,000. It is proposed that the bonds shall run for twenty years, and the addition to the annual taxation necessary to meet the interest, and retire the bonds will not be onerous. The townships of Lowndesville, Magnolia, Calhoun's Mills, and Bordeaux have for four years paid a railroad tax of seven ad valorem mills to the Savannah Valley road, and by the time the road is completed will have paid forty or fifty mills. The city of Anderson has subscribed \$75,000 in bonds to the same road. Surely, for the great ends we have in view, we can risk \$25,000! "Nothing venture, nothing gain."

Moreover, we have reached that pass when something must be done. Green-wood, by her indomitable energy and pluck, has secured a railroad competition that enables her to sell bacon at from 1 1/2 to 1 cent per pound, and corn at from six to seven cents per bushel less than it costs our merchants to lay these articles down in Abbeville. We do not begrudge our neighbor her prosperity and success. On the other hand, we rejoice at it, and admire her courage and spirit. But we must emulate them, or else give over our town to the bats and the owls.

The fear is entertained by some that this project will fail, and will delay the plan of building a road to Verdery. We do not think so. This matter will be determined within thirty days, and if the other places interested, and Charleston refuse their co-operation, it only remains for Abbeville to raise the \$15,000 necessary, and build the road to Verdery.

It seems to us, as Mr. Bradley said in the meeting, that we have reached that tide in our affairs which, taken at its flood, leads on to fortune. Neglected, we shall live to repent and regret it.

This is a plain business transaction in which every citizen of the community is vitally interested. It is really Abbeville's "Last Hope" to achieve that connection which is absolutely essential to her welfare and prosperity.

Let us work together, and in harmony, and inspire the other towns along the route with the confidence and energy necessary to the success of a grand scheme. We have put our hand to the plow—do not let us turn back. If we build this road we can retain that trade which the Savannah Valley Road threatens. We can compete with Greenwood and attract trade from other sections. Indeed, we may then sing with some show of truth—"Hard times come again no more."

Of the thirty-eight Governors of the thirty-eight States of the Union, twenty-two are Democrats, fifteen Republicans, and one, Governor Cameron, of Virginia, is a Mahone man.

THE COLUMBIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

There was a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary of Columbia, held in Augusta, January 28th, for the purpose of filling vacancies caused by the resignation of Professors Hemphill and Boggs, and the removal of Professor Woodrow. Rev. J. A. Lefevre, D. D., of Baltimore, was chosen to fill the Chair of Biblical Literature, and Rev. J. D. Tadlock, D. D., of Bristol, Tenn., was chosen to fill the Chair of Church History. The election of a professor for the Perkins Chair, was deferred to a meeting to be held in Columbia, in May next.

DEATH OF GENL. CHESNUT.

Genl. James Chesnut died at his home in Camden on February 1, at 3 o'clock. Genl. Chesnut was a distinguished son of South Carolina, and represented the State in the U. S. Senate at the breaking out of the war.

Genl. Chesnut was a man of high character, beloved by all the community in which he lived. True and faithful always to duty, he has gone to the grave with a clean and white record.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The papers last night contain an account of the shooting on the streets of New York, by a woman, of O'Donovan Rossa, the great American dynamiter. No cause is assigned for the shooting, as the woman who did it is very non-committal. The wound is not a serious one, and Rossa will soon recover. Is this age to be noted in future times for such deeds by the women? God pity us, if such is the case.

South Carolina's day at the Exposition is fixed for February 19th. The hope is indulged that the Railroads will reduce the fare considerably for that occasion, and will also give visitors who wish to come here from New Orleans the benefit of low rates.

President-elect Cleveland has had interviews with various men prominent in Democratic circles. Among others, Senator Garland, of Arkansas and Mr. Randall, and Speaker Carlisle. Speculation is afloat as to the meaning of these interviews.

Some New York papers are afraid that Stonewall Jackson's war horse said to be on exhibition at New Orleans, will attract more attention than the "Liberty Bell."

We welcome our old school-mate Dr. J. P. Olt, into the journalistic ranks. We see that he is soon to start a paper at Branchville, S. C., to be called the Banner.

We hope Charleston and Aiken will do their part towards building the Carolina, Cumberland Gap & Chicago Road. Abbeville has set them a good example.

Dynamiters have been at work in New York. Two dry goods stores were attempted to be blown up on Sunday last. The dynamiters were promptly arrested.

The Liberty Bell has reached New Orleans safely, and is hanging just over the Mexican nugget of gold.

The news paper reporters at Washington all concede Senator Butler to be the handsomest man in the Senate.

MR. CLEVELAND'S POLICY.

Alleged Meaning of Consultations With Democratic Congressional Leaders.

ALBANY, January 31.—The political speculators are briskly engaged in discussing the visit of Mr. Samuel J. Randall to President-elect Cleveland. All sorts of rumors were circulated. Mr. Randall remained at the White House residence of the president-elect, and left for New York on the 2:40 train. The conversations held between the two distinguished gentlemen were, of course, conducted in strict privacy. It is understood, however, that almost every imaginable topic bearing upon democratic policy and public affairs from a national standpoint was discussed at length. The republican local journals seem at their wits' end this afternoon to frame plausible accounts of what really transpired. The Evening Journal says: "It is rumored that the president-elect is not satisfied with the way things are going on in congress, and that it may be his purpose to build a fire under some of the balky democratic members."

A story is also given out by the same authority as coming from "a prominent democrat," who claims to be of the inner circle, and who is evidently not quite satisfied with the prospects. This informant sums up the story in this way: "As things are going now, the democratic policy seems to be directed to the postponement of all measures of legislation which can possibly be so treated. This policy applies to the several treaties now under consideration; to appropriations for naval construction, and various other measures of public interest. A continuance of this policy is likely to result in an extra session of congress immediately after the inauguration of the incoming administration. To this policy it is rumored that Mr. Cleveland is decidedly opposed. The presence in Albany of the democratic congressional leaders in quick succession is easily accounted for. The impression has gained currency in democratic circles that Senator Brown, of Georgia, Mr. Randall and others in sympathy with them have been very successful in gaining the ear of the president-elect. Not many days ago the Louisville Courier-Journal read Mr. Cleveland a sharp lecture upon the fatal results which would follow such an alliance. This warning has evidently been heeded. The order of succession in which these two democratic leaders have been called to Albany is thus

clearly explained. The time has come when Mr. Cleveland must make his wishes definitely known to the leaders of his party."

As to the "order of succession" alluded to in the above, it is well known that letters of invitation were sent to both Messrs. Randall and Carlisle by the president-elect. The telegraph was not utilized in either case. The statement that Mr. Cleveland has sent out invitations to a number of prominent gentlemen to meet him in New York next week is also contradicted here.

Rossa Shot.—The Wound will not Prove Fatal.

[By Telegraph to the Chronicle.] New York, February 2.—O'Donovan Rossa was shot by a woman this evening, on Chambers street, near his office, and is reported to be dead.

LATER.—The shooting of O'Donovan Rossa took place at twelve minutes past 5 o'clock this afternoon. He is still alive. He was in front of the Stewart building, on Chambers street, when he was approached by a handsome young lady, dressed in plain clothes. She wore spectacles and had the appearance of an intellectual looking school teacher. She drew a five-barreled revolver from her dress pocket and, leveling it at him, fired one shot. Rossa threw his hands above his head and cried, "I'm shot." He then fell heavily to the sidewalk. The woman fired the remaining bullets in her pistol at the prostrate man, calmly and unconcernedly walked off with the smoky revolver in her hand. She was followed by a large crowd, while a still larger mob surrounded the wounded dynamiter. City Marshal James McAuley, in the absence of a policeman, saw the revolver in the woman's hand and arrested her. She was conducted to the twenty-sixth precinct station house, in the City Hall. Her imperturbable gravity and coolness of demeanor were remarkable. When arraigned at the sergeant's desk, McAuley handed the revolver, a small caliber five shot, to the sergeant, and said he found the woman brandishing the weapon on the street. A citizen who entered the police station with the prisoner said she had just shot a man on Chambers street.

"Do you know the man?" asked Sergeant Cass, turning to the woman. "Yes; I shot O'Donovan Rossa," said the prisoner, with a slight English accent.

She looked very pretty, as she stood at the bar, and betrayed no excitement whatever. She gave her name as Yesset Dudley.

Three young men of this section of the country advise "G. P. B." foxhuntingers to lie low. They are J. H. Goree, Edgar H. Slight and H. S. Knight. They have run eight races this season, and have caught seven foxes—two reds and five greys—with six hounds.—Newberry Observer.

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