

The Venetian Virus is Yellow Fever.

The October number of the New Orleans Medical Gazette, contains an article by the Editor, Dr. E. D. Foster, on the treatment of Yellow Fever in which the writer speaks in the highest terms of the value of Dr. Woodward's doctrine of Venetian Virus as a remedy in this disease.

After giving an account of his success in the use of the virus, he continues: In this manner, I had treated some eight or ten cases with this virus, and was applying it to my eyes, both in private practice and the Charity Hospital, when I happened to meet one of the most extensive practitioners of the virus, who stopped to relate to me a very extraordinary case he had treated with it.

Next follows a summary of several cases, as given by the writer, and concludes: In reading of these first cases, it appeared to me that the virus is a powerful and valuable remedy in the treatment of Yellow Fever, and that it is a safe and reliable remedy, and that it is a safe and reliable remedy, and that it is a safe and reliable remedy.

In conclusion, I must be permitted to say that if the venetian virus should ultimately turn out to be as valuable a remedy in yellow fever, as it is represented to be, it would be a great benefit to the human race, and that it is a safe and reliable remedy, and that it is a safe and reliable remedy.

Donati's comet will, in a few days, appear to increase rapidly in size and brilliancy. It will be nearest the earth on the 20th inst., at which time its brilliancy will be near three times as great as at the 21st of September, and its distance from us about fifty-two millions of miles.

Our Court adjourned on Saturday last, but without finishing the business of the Term. The press of business upon the Criminal Dockets, occupied so large a portion of the week, that his Honor was forced to leave many cases on the civil side of the Court untried.

Another case of homicide, was the arraignment and trial of a lad named Cooke, aged about 15 years, for the killing of a negro boy of the same age, belonging to the estate of Miss Catharine Watson. The homicide was clearly a case of manslaughter, having been caused by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of the boy; and the Jury under the instruction of the Court, returned a verdict of acquittal.

The State Agricultural Fair. The third annual fair of the State Agricultural Society to be held in Columbia, on the 9th, 10th and 12th November next, at which prizes will be awarded on all articles of Agriculture, Horticulture, and Mechanical Arts, as well as on Fanciful work and Domestic economy. Commodious halls have been erected for the convenience of exhibitors; and articles intended for exhibition will be passed free upon the Railroads. Visitors can procure return tickets for one fare.

Mr. Dempsey's estate. We have just seen a broad extract of some of the public notices of South Carolina, emanating from the proud city of Columbia. Under whose auspices it has been gotten up, the public is not informed. We at first supposed that it might have had its origin in certain political differences now so much in vogue in the State; but upon second thought we cannot retain that opinion. Surely no man would condescend to a political position amongst us, would condescend to a political position amongst us, would condescend to a political position amongst us.

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ABBEVILLE C. H. FRIDAY, - OCTOBER 15, 1858.

Advertisements.

We direct attention to the Report of the Commissioners of Roads and Bridges; and to the Report of the Commissioners of the Poor.

The Elections. We publish full returns of the late election, in another column. Owing to the number of candidates, and the closeness of the vote, there was a good deal of interest manifested; but every thing passed very quietly, and all are disposed to acquiesce in the result.

The Synod at Due West. The Synod of the Associate Reformed Church, has been in Session during the present week at Due West; and we learn that there is a large attendance of Ministers and Spectators.

Case of Homicide. We regret to learn, that an unfortunate affair occurred in the upper part of the District on Monday last, which resulted in the death of a young child. It appears that a young man of the name of Davis, had an altercation with a Mrs. Newby, and that in the course of the quarrel, the latter threw at him a shovel, which struck the child on the head, striking it upon the head, and causing his death in a few hours. Davis had been arrested, and we learn he has left the State.

Domestic Wine and Brandy. We had the pleasure a few days since of tasting a fine sample of Domestic Wine and Brandy, made from the Catawba grape, by Dr. H. G. Klugh of our District. The brandy in appearance, taste and aroma, resembled the finest Cognac, and was pronounced by competent judges to be a very superior article. The wine was made from the true juice of the grape, and was the result of genuine fermentation, without any coloring, and is equal if not superior to any previously made in the District.

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South Carolina College. The exercises of our State College opened on Monday, the 4th, under fair auspices of a successful session. The Professors are all of their posts, and able to do the work of the college, except Dr. LaBorde, who is detained in his native District by an indisposition which, it is hoped, will pass off in the course of a week. The students come in in large numbers, and all are expected to return who left last June for the vacation. The press of suspended students will all, it is surmised, except perhaps half a dozen, apply for readmission now. It is earnestly hoped that the Faculty will be every one to a rigid examination, to the end that the reputation of a wholesome discipline may not be rendered nugatory by an easy readmission.

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New Cotton Screw. We have recently examined says the Chronicle and Sentinel, the model of a new Cotton Screw, the invention of G. B. Hack, of this county, which we think is superior in its construction to any other Screw we have seen. It combines simplicity of construction and cheapness, with strength and speed, and occupies a very small space, not exceeding six by ten feet square. It may be put up in the gin house, having the top extending into the cotton room, and may be driven by a belt connecting with the gin gear. A horse at ordinary work speed will pack a bale of cotton in three or four minutes, weighing six hundred pounds.

A City of Gardens. The Columbia Guardian says:—We think we are within bounds when we say that Columbia can boast of more beautiful private gardens and ornamental yards than any city in the South. The one belonging to Mr. Sondley is far ahead of any we have seen. To think of arches, corridors, pillars, columns, and even a summer house, all made from evergreens. The pillars and columns are from fifteen to eighteen feet high, and near five feet in diameter, kept trimmed in perfect order. There are many others which we will not give in due time.

The Farmer and Planter. The October number of this valuable monthly has been received, and we take pleasure in commending it to the patronage of our friends as one of the best of our agricultural exchanges.

Judge Douglas and the Dred Scott Decision.

The only point in the Dred Scott Decision of practical utility to the South, is the avowal that Slavery exists in the territories of the United States, under the protection of the Constitution, and that no territorial legislature can constitutionally refuse to legislate for its protection. It affirms, that Congress has no right to abolish Slavery in a Territory, and consequently can authorize no territorial legislature to exercise the right; that the Constitution recognizes the right of the Master to property in his slave, and makes no distinction between that species of property and others, and therefore that no territorial act depriving the authority of the United States, can deprive the institution of its constitutional guarantees.

Neither are the commissioners their only income—so liberally have they assessed the District, that it seems they frequently have large amounts of cash on hand, sometimes so long as twelve months, without accounting for any interest—for instance, the General and Sub-Treasurer of the Commissioners of Roads and Bridges have on hand at this time, cash to the amount of \$2500; the Commissioners of the Poor, \$1825, 20; and the Commissioners of Public Buildings, \$28,10; none of which seems at this time to be needed, and may not be needed for months to come.

It is further ordered, that so much as relating to the Out-door Pension system of the Commissioners of the Poor be copied and served on the Commissioners of the Poor, with a rule requiring them to comply, or failing to do so, that they show cause at the next Term.

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Report of the Grand Jury.

The Grand Jury of Abbeville District beg leave to report that they have examined the reports of the Commissioners of Roads and Bridges, of the Commissioners of the Poor and of the Commissioners of Public Buildings, and would report in reference thereto, that the Commissioners of the Treasury of said District are too great and enormously disproportionate to the services rendered. In the first place they would take up the report of the Commissioners of Roads and Bridges, and here we find the commission of the General Treasurer amounting to over Four Hundred dollars, and this amount added to the commissions of the Sub-Treasurer, makes the amount which the District pays for receiving and disbursing the public money in that department alone, near Five Hundred dollars, and that for services which any good accountant could discharge in a few hours.

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ELECTION RETURNS FOR ABBEVILLE DISTRICT—OCTOBER, 1858.

Table with columns for Precincts, For Representatives, and For Sheriff. Lists names and vote counts for various candidates across different precincts.

Table for Commissioners of Poor, listing names and vote counts for candidates like P. D. Klugh, J. E. Kennedy, etc.

Annual Report of the Commissioners of the Poor.

Of Receipts and Expenditures by the Commissioners of the Poor for Abbeville District, from 1st October, 1857, to 1st October, 1858.

Table showing Receipts and Expenditures, listing items like Balance on hand, Receipts from S. A. Hodges, etc., and their respective amounts.

REPORT OF Commissioners of Roads and Bridges.

Report of the Commissioners of Roads and Bridges, detailing the state of roads and bridges in the district for the year 1857-58.

Table showing Receipts and Expenditures for Roads and Bridges, listing items like Balance on hand, Receipts from S. A. Hodges, etc.

RECAPITULATION. Amount of Receipts brought down, Amount of Expenditures, Balance on hand to pay semi-annual expenses in January.

EXHIBIT OF THE BOISSEAU FUND. Amount of Bonds of the Boisseau Fund bearing interest from 1st Oct. 1857, Receipts, Deduct 1 year's interest on bonds.

Burning of the Crystal Palace.

Shortly after five o'clock on Tuesday afternoon the 5th inst., a fire broke out in the Crystal Palace. The fire was first discovered burning at the north side, in a room filled with old materials, models, &c., belonging to the Crystal Palace Association.

The Secretary of the Interior has just approved to the State of Florida the lands inuring thereby under the grant of Congress of May 17, 1855, to be used in the construction of the Florida Atlantic and Gulf Central Road.

DeBow's Review. We have received the October number of this well known Journal, and have found it a very valuable and interesting number. The following is the table of contents:

African Slavery adapted to the North and Northwest, by Perry Roberts, of Mississippi; Improved Agriculture for Southern States, by A. A. Turner, of Georgia; The Fort Royal Enterprise, by R. W. Hatcher, of South Carolina; Reaction and the Administration, by George Fitzhugh, of Virginia; The States' Duties in regard to Education, by De. Thornehill, of South Carolina; Cotton and the Slave Trade, by John Buchanan, of South Carolina; The Love and Objections of the Mississippi; Fish and Fish Ponds, by Thomas W. Woodman, of South Carolina; The Mississippi's Trade Commercially, by Dr. Cartwright, of South Carolina; Miscellaneous, Statistical, &c.; Department of Agriculture; Department of Commerce; Department of Manufactures and Mining; Department of Internal Improvements; Department of Education; Department of Louisiana; Editorial Miscellany.

MANY KINDS OF MEDICINE ARE ADVERTISED that we are assured will strengthen the hair and prevent its falling out; but none that we have seen does all that it promises, says that of Professor O. J. Wood. This we know is good for nothing, and we witnessed several cases in which it truly benefited. Dr. Wood was kind enough to send us a couple of bottles, and after finding that it prevented our hair from falling out, we presented a bottle to a friend who had lost his hair for about thirty years; it has restored his hair entirely, and it is now as thick and glossy as when he was twenty-five. This we say in all sincerity, and we are glad to see a medicine that is good for themselves, as we believe it is just what it professes to be. For real worth, Wood's Hair Restorative is undoubtedly the best preparation now in use for restoring hair on bald heads, and we are glad to see it in the market. It is good for a cosmetic or cure for itching, and for taking the place of other preparations. No lot of new days is complete without it.

MARKETS. ABBEVILLE.—Oct. 13. The first of the week this article freely commanded 12 1/2 cts., but in consequence of a general depression of prices in the seaboard, it fell to 12 cts. in price, and depression in Europe, our market fell down to 11 1/2 cts.

LOST POCKET BOOK AND NOTES. LOST or Stolen on the 24 inst., at the Abbeville Steam Mills, a large Portmanteau, containing one \$4 and one \$1, South Carolina bills, and also notes of the following persons: A. E. Ellison, \$20; J. A. Wood, \$20; S. A. Lusk, \$50; R. W. Hill, \$50; Robt. Wilson, \$25; Robt. Wilson, for bedstead, \$10; John Cook, \$100; T. J. Claxton, \$75; W. H. Sells and J. A. A. B. \$25; J. A. Crawford, \$20; G. W. Hutchins, and W. T. Head, \$120; Morris Rodin, about \$25.00; V. W. Bullock, \$15.00; credit of \$100.00; J. E. Verrell, \$100; also a Note given by J. E. Verrell payable to R. L. Owens, of \$75.00, with two credits, which was handed to me for collection.

THE SUBSCRIBER OFFERS FOR SALE, Five hundred acres of very valuable land which he will sell in two tracts, to suit purchasers, if desired. They will be offered first, on the 20th December next, and if not sold by that time, will then be offered to the highest bidder. Also sixteen number one Negroes; among them are the best of Cooks, Washers, Trainers, and Field hands; also a Corn, Fodder, Wheat, Oats, Peas, Shucks and Cotton Seed; also Fine Blooded Cattle, Hogs, Sheep and goats; Wagon and harness; Carriage and harness, &c. &c. &c. A good supply of Plantation tools; a No. 1, Plano, of the best make; Household and Kitchen furniture. Any of the above can be seen or traded for by calling on myself or James McCaslin, Esq., my agent.

NOTICE—BRIDGE BUILDERS. WILL LET TO THE LOWEST BIDDER, on Saturday, 20th inst., the Rebuilding of Rufford's Bridge across Rocky river. S. S. BAKER, Esq. Oct. 12, 1858.