"There is a lad who lives in Arkansaw,
Who can cut more wood than his ma can saw,
And can saw more wood than his pa can saw;
Give'm good saw—out saw any boy you ever saw saw."

Tom A. Hawk.

Tom A. Hawk writes a good letter for THE ADVERTISER this week. Hunt it up and read it.

Baptist Church Meeting.

There'll be a business meeting in the Baptist church to-night (Wednesday). Mr. Booth wishes all the members to be present.

The Edgefield Hotel.

Architect W. F. Doby has just finished reshingling the Edgefield Hotel, kept by our genial fellow townsman, Capt. J. M. Jones.

Leaves for New York.

Mr. Alvin Hart leaves for New York in a few days to buy a stock of goods for the firms of Alvin Hart & Co. and E. B. Hart & Co.

Budding Spring.

Peach and pear trees are just beginning to blossom—unusually late, so late in fact that we have joyous anticipations of a good fruit year.

Millinery.

Mrs. Gibson and Miss Ida Covar have removed their millinery goods to Mr. W. H. Turner's Store—occupying the apartments recently vacated by Mrs. Leonard.

Batesburg Alliance Store.

Mr. Joseph Etheredge has been appointed manager of the Alliance store at Batesburg and has gone to New York to perfect the arrangements.

Fruit Raising.

Mr. Sidney Powell, a Northern gentleman who lives about four miles from Edgefield is planting sixty acres in fruit, mostly grapes, for Northern markets.

J. William Thurmond, Esq.

J. William Thurmond, Esq. has been appointed by Governor Tillman supervisor of registration for Edgefield County. Mr Thurmond will make a most excellent officer.

New Members.

Misses. Emmie and Muriel Timmons and Messrs. Manly and Beauregard Timmons united with our village Baptist church last Sabbath by letter from Stevens Creek church.

Sad Affliction.

Mrs. P. S. Sawyer, of Johnston, died at her home in that town on Saturday last, aged about forty-one years. Mrs. Sawyer was a most estimable woman. She left a large family to mourn their loss to whom we extend our profound sympathies.

Sale of Real Estate.

Conductor T. B. Greneker has purchased a lot from Mrs. C. Abney, opposite Mrs. Bates. The Captain got a bargain, he paid only $300 for an acre. Mr. James Paul, one of our most artistic workmen has the contract for building a handsome house on this lot.

W. J. Rutherford, Co.

We would call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of W. J. Rutherford in another column, of this issue. They keep lime, cement, plaster, hair, ready roofing, Windsor and Acme plaster, hard, salmon and pressed brick. W. J. Rutherford & Co. have a wide reputation for fair dealing, promptness and liberality.

Advertised Letters.

Remaining in the Post Office at Edgefield Feb. [illegible] 1892. Persons calling for these letters will [illegible] "Advertised." Elisha Adams, John Ser[illegible] Davis, Robt. Gil[illegible] Hurd, Mack Kellier, Shipe Lake, R. S. Odell, Wade Osborne, C. O. Plunkett, Wade Pane, L. R. Ross, Geo. Ranford, A. O. Story, T. S. Sullivan. Miss Susan Amgel, Miss. Harrie Booker, Mrs. M. D. Bullock, Mrs. Leah Bonum, Mrs. Hattie Delarge, Henry Davis, [illegible]

[illegible] such a man.

[illegible] Geo. W. Tu[illegible] Thursday [illegible] of the stockholders of [illegible] Farmers Loan and Savings Bank. [illegible] an Aiken county [illegible] the line; but [illegible] give him [illegible] m in [illegible]

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Friend [illegible] Gutz, who [illegible] this week, ran [illegible] the Legis[illegible] 1890, and his friend[illegible] again. "Dag" subscribe[illegible] trine that "they also ser[illegible] stand and wait;" he is waiting [illegible] when the people of Edgefield [illegible] want him, all they have to do is to sh[illegible] out, having never yet flunked at the voice of duty, he promises to hear that call though he may be chasing the wild boar in Cappadocia or feeding flocks on the Grampian hills.

What Mr. Booth Said.

On last Sunday Mr. Booth prefaced his sermon something in this wise: "Last Sunday morning a visitor worshipped with us, sitting about there," pointing to a seat near the middle aisle. He has told me since that he was very much annoyed and embarrassed during the services. I won't say what you did to him. A word to the wise is sufficient." Every one present thought he was the guilty party, and a few of them thought it was she. The word to the wise was sufficient, and from that moment to the benediction all eyes were to the front, notwithstanding a few late comers were a sore trial and temptation.

Blessed is he or she who getteth to church in time to sit in the back of the syhagogue that they may see the stranger within the gates without turning their heads.

"Remember Lot's Wife."

In our Presbyterian church on last Sunday the Rev. A. B. Watson preached a most excellent sermon from the 17th chapter, 32nd verse of St. Luke, "remember Lot's Wife." The reverend gentleman made a practical application of the text to modern social evils, and his whole discourse, while by no means fanatical, certainly inculcated and emphasized the necessity of right living and the avoidance of the latter day rout and revel. Mr. Watson is right. The time has been in Edgefield when to be able to dance the German and, to dance it, was, in the minds of many young ladies and gentlemen, the open sesame to good society, but the better people are now looking elsewhere for an entrance—the truth being that Terpsichore is at best but an accomplished acrobat and when she joins hands with Bacchus, of which our town recently had a notable instance, she becomes a sorry jade indeed.

Death of Mr. Benj. H. Miller.

This most estimable gentleman died suddenly of heart disease at his home near Trenton last Friday night, and was buried from Ebenezer church on Sunday, the large assemblage present at the services testifying to the respect and esteem in which was held by the community in which he lived. The deceased was one of the old landmarks of Edgefield county and a better man never lived or died within our borders. Although quiet and unobtrusive he was a man of decided capacity, and his greet worth and dignity of character was recognized and appreciated by all with whom he came in contact. He was blessed with four children whom he raised to become honored and useful citizens, and to whom the memory of their father will be an incentive and inspiration in every good word and work. To these children, and to his widow, we extend our sincere sympathy in this hour of their sore bereavement.

First in the Field.

The Hon. W. J. Talbert is announced this week for Congress—the first in the field.

Correspondents Wanted.

We would like to have a good, reliable person at every postoffice in the county to act as correspondent for THE ADVERTISER.

And Tom Knows.

Tom Whittle, the Sitting Bull of Mine Creek, says that in Edgefield county Ben Tillman can beat any other man for Governor three to one.

Call at Once.

And get first-class choice of those beautiful French Sateens, only 15c. a yard, at W. H. TURNER & Co.

An Admission.

The Orangeburg Alliance Monitor says: "Reports from all parts of the county say that Tillman holds his own, and is as strong, if not stronger, in most places as last year. We are sorry to hear it."

All at Home.

With this issue of THE ADVERTISER we commence printing both sides ourselves. For the last few years our outsides have been printed in Atlanta. We think the present arrangement of printing both sides here will prove more satisfactory to all concerned.

Our Office.

The temporary quarters of THE ADVERTISER are in the rooms next Mr. J. L. Addison's law office, where we will be glad to see our friends and the public. Come in and look at our new presses, type, papre cutting machine, etc, etc. We are better equipped for the fray than ever before.

Plant Eggs.

During the months of March, April, and May, Mr. Henry P. Cook, of Graniteville, S. C., will sell to Edgefield county people eggs from the purest strains of Wyandottes, Leghorns, Langshans at $1.50 per sitting. Mr. Cook advises the farmers of Edgefield county to plant less cotton and more chickens. Read his advertisement.

J. William Thurmond, Esq.

After an absence of more than a year, this estimable young gentleman has returned to Edgefield and resumed the practice of his profession—the law. His card will be fonnd in another column. Mr. Thurmond has purchased a lot from J. L. Addison, Esq., opposite the office of Gary and Evans, and will commence the erection of a law office thereon in a short time.

Tobacco Culture.

Trapp McManus, A. C. Penn, and several others in the vicinity of Mountain Creek church are going to try the culture of tobacco on a small scale this year. Mr. Penn, who has the general supervision of this new departure, says that the soil of that region is admirably suited to tobacco raising. Read what our correspondent "Tailholt" says about this matter in another column.

The Spring is Upon Us,

And we are receiving this week a nice line of Spring Calicoes, Ginghams, etc.

Call and examine them.

Very truly,
W. H. TURNER & Co.

Mrs. Campbell's Bakery.

Mrs. Campbell is certainly a public benefactor. She has put up a regular baker's oven in which she bakes bread, rusks and cakes, and she does more than this, she has them rolled over town in a little bijou of a cart and sells them at such reasonable figures that it makes your hair stand on end with joy. The loaves of bread are sold one for a nickel and two for a dime, Johnnie get your bread baked just like mine.

State Depository.

The Farmers' Loan and Savings Bank of this place has been denominated as Treasurer Bates as one of the depositories for State funds. This is a compliment to the prudent and successful management of this institution—an institution which from small beginnings has grown to most respectable proportions. Indeed with such financiers at its head as President Norris and Cashier Padgett the results could not have been otherwise.

An Iridescent Dream.

Before the fire in January which placed THE ADVERTISER temporarily [illegible] de combat, the ADVERTISER man [illegible] ally had a desire to retire [illegible] ess—from the sinful world [illegible] lishing, but when retirement [illegible] thrust upon him he didn't find the [illegible] owery beds of ease he was looking for. Four weeks of retirement [illegible] tisfied his longings. Retirement [illegible] ppiness, is an irridescent dream. [illegible] happiest life for mortal man is a one.

First Piece.

This is the first piece printed on our new press. It got things slightly mixed, but it's all right now.

"Last night, yesterday morning about one o'clock in the afternoon, before breakfast, a hungry boy about forty years old, bought a big custard for a levy, and threw it through a brick wall nine feet thick, and jumping over it, broke his right ankle off above his left knee, and fell into a dry mill pond and was drowned. About forty year, after that, on the same day, an old cat had nine turkey gobblers; a high wind blew Yankee Doodle on a frying pan, and killed a sow and two dead pigs at Boston, where a deaf and dumb man was talking to his aunt Peter."

The Town Triumphs.

More than a decade ago the town of Edgefield issued bonds to aid in the construction of what was then denominated the Edgefield Branch Railroad. The act which authorized the issuing of these bonds required the railroad company to give to the town a first mortgage of its road-bed and franchises to secure their payment. Well, things rocked on this way for a time when along came the Edgefield, Aiken, and Trenton railroad and scooped up the Edgefield Branch railroad, bonds and all. A little later the Atlantic and French Broad swallowed the Edgefield, Aiken, and Trenton railroad. Still later the great Carolina, Cumberland Gap and Chicago railroad gobbled up all the railroads in sight. With each successive legislature, additions and changes were made to the charters, and of course legal things got badly mixed, and no ordinary mortal could tell whether the town of Edgefield owed the railroad company or the railroad company owed the town—

Whether the snake that made the track
Was going south or coming back.

At this juncture a suit was brought on the part of the town to foreclose its mortgage and the case was brought into the courts.

After looking over the legal field to find a man who could do justice to the subject, the Court appointed Judge Samuel W. Melton, of Columbia, to untangle the web—as special referee to report the law and facts. In this now celebrated case the town was represented by Messrs. Gary and Evans and J. W. DeVore, Esq., the railroad company by Simpkins and Butler and Col. Geo. W. Croft, of Aiken.

On last Tuesday Judge Melton sent up his report, in which he decided all the points in favor of the town of Edgefield, and recommended a foreclosure of the mortgage and a sale of the road. Messrs. Gary, Evans and DeVore deserve great credit for their legal acumen and research as well as for the zeal and persistence with which they have fought this case to a successful end.

Personal Mention.

Contractor Joe Reese is quite ill with pneumonia.

Hon. W. J. Taibert met with our County Alliance on Friday.

Henry A. Kearsey of Smithville Ga., is in Edgefield for a few days.

Our young friend, Freddie Parker, is studying dentistry with his father, Dr. H. Parker.

Our genial friend, S. C. Cartledge, of the State Department, Columbia, S. C., was in our town on Friday.

W. J. McKerall, Esq., who has been on a short trip to Marion, S. C., returned home on last Saturday.

Miss Mary McKie, the bright and winsome daughter of Mr. R. H. McKie, has returned home after a pleasant visit to her friend, Miss Mary Addison.

Miss Agnes Griffin and Miss Ella Mobley, two charming young ladies, are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Orlando Sheppard.

Miss Sunie Ambler, of Pickens, whose vivacity and grace won her many admirers during her stay in Edgefield, has returned to her mountain home.

"Dag" Ouzts, representing Pelzer, Rodgers & Co., the great fertilizer manufacturers, of Charleston, S. C., is in the city.

Mr. W. H. Russell, formerly of the ADVERTISER corps, has taken service with the McCormick News. Bud is a good fellow and Edgefield misses him much.

Mr. M. P. Wells, of Horns Creek, had a political letter in the News and Courier last Wednesday. Mitch is a good fellow, even if he is opposed to Tillman, and wields a vigorous pen.

Col. John T. Gaston, of Aiken, is among us now—an old habitue. The colonel is working in the interest of the Osage Hedge Company, of Ohio. He is also laying rails on his own political fence.

Mr. W. H. Turner spent a couple of days in Augusta last week, replenishing his stock of groceries and other goods. It is well known that many of the heavier staple groceries can be bought to better advantage in Augusta than any other town, North or South.

CORRESPONDENCE

Cheering Letters from Various Sources.

The following are sample letters we have received since our loss of the 21st Jan. last:

Thomas J. Adams, Esq.,

DEAR SIR: Sorry to hear of your big loss. Enclosed please find our check for $6.50 to balance our account to date.

Wnen you start up again call on us. C. J. T. BALK.

Augusta, Ga.

MR. EDITOR: Enclosed I send postoffice order for $7.50 in payment of bill to date. Please credit same.

I am sorry to hear of your misfortune, but know you'll pull out all O. K.

Yours very truly,
HENRY P. COOK.

Graniteville, S. C.

DEAR SIR: I enclose list of subscribers at this office, with new ones who wish to subscribe.

Hoping soon to see a copy of the old sheet resurrected from its misfortune and ashes, brighter, better, than before. I am

Very respectfully,
G. M. S.

Hamburg, S. C.

DEAR MR. ADAMS: Your friends in this section—and they are many—are glad to hear that you expect soon to publish the solid old ADVERTISER again. We have sorely missed its familiar face, and will rejoice to have it pay its weekly visit as of yore, with its welcome budget of news, political, judicial, social, and religious. Long live the ADVERTISER!

Yours truly,
W. A. W.

Seiglers, S. C.

MR. EDITOR: It is reported that you will shortly begin to publish your paper again. I hope this is true as we farmers can't do without our old friend, the Edgefield ADVERTISER. The Tillmanites around here were getting very sad, for all the anti-Tillman papers were pouring out abuse of the farmers' governor, and the ADVERTISER was burned up and couldn't go for them. Now, we feel cheered up, because we hear the historic old sheet is getting her guns ready. Long live the ADVERTISER!

Yours very truly,
J. N. O.

Kirksey's X Roads, Feb. 28, '92.

DEAR MR. ADAMS: I rejoice to hear that you have made arrangements to rebuild the old home of the ADVERTISER and start your paper again. A few days after the fire, by which you lost so heavily, a friend of yours said to me, "This is a hard lick to Tom Adams, but he'll get on his feet again. You can't keep Tom Adams's head under water, or fire either." Results have confirmed his judgment of your character, and it is with sincere pleasure that I learn you are "on your feet again." With best wishes for the ADVERTISER.

Your friend,
J. T.

Batesburg, S. C.

MR. EDITOR: One of my neighbors told me yesterday that when he was in Edgefield village last Saturday, he heard much talk about your buying a brand new press and starting the ADVERTISER again. It's no use to say I am glad. I am a ramracker, and ain't it natural for me to feel joyful when I hear that the paper that has stood up so manfully for us ramrackers will rise from the ashes, and once more scatter the rays of truth and right broadcast over Edgefield county! I hope and know the ADVERTISER will always "git thar" in the future as in the past. A RAMRACKER.

Pleasant Lane.

Thomas J. Adams, Esq.,

DEAR SIR: We note with regret the serious fire which recently did so much damage in your town, and we extend sympathy to you personally.

Can we do anything for you? If it would be of benefit just now we would renew our advertisement gladly.

Let us hear from you.

Yours truly,
AUGUSTA LUMBER CO.
CHAS. F. DEGEN,
Gen. Man. & Sec. & Treas.

Thos. J. Adams, Esq.

MY DEAR SIR: I am deeply pained to hear of your loss. I knew nothing of it until I received your letter this morning. THE ADVERTISER was cherished by all who read and knew the paper for its hallowed, time-honored memories and associations. * * * It seems to be a strange coincidence that the fire occured on the very day you wrote to me—probably only a few hours after.

Well, I trust you will be able to rebuild and again give us a paper that will do credit to its time-honored predecessor, around whose name so many fond memories still cling with devotion "that amounts to sublimity." If I am spared to complete my task, it will afford me great pleasure to perpetuate its memory in my coming book, giving credit therein to each contribution from this faithful old "war horse" in journalism.

With kind remembrances of your many courtesies and with best wishes for all possible success to you, I remain,

Yours truly,
G. B. W.

Savannah, Ga.

Tobacco Culture on Mountain Creek.

MR. EDITOR: Several people in this neighborhood—the neighborhood of Mountain Creek Church—notably Trapp McManus, F. P. Johnson, Rufus Bryant, Bill McClure and A. C. Penn, are making arrangements to go into the business of raising tobacco. They have burnt their seed beds and broken up their ground. Mr. A. C. Penn, a Virginian, who understands thoroughly the culture and manipulation of the weed has built a large barn for drying the tobacco, and will have charge of curing all the tobacco raised in the vicinity.

Small grains looking fairly well.

Old Ben Tillman is still riding the wave up here, and we farmers intend to keep him on the crest and push him in. But didn't he mop up the floor with Lyles in that Agricultural Hall business? We are going to send Ben a chaw of tobacco as soon as we get some cured.

Success to the ADVERTISER.

X. Y. Z.

Mountain Creek.

A Strong Paper for the Administration—Tom A. Hawk Handles a Virile Pen.

MR. EDITOR: Please allow me to extend congratulations to THE ADVERTISER on its [illegible] the journalistic field [illegible] rejuvenated and in[illegible] the ashes. May you individually meet with that success you deserve, and the old A[illegible] more than ever the [illegible] cate of the right, and the true exponent of the opinion and sentiment of the county on every question and issue affecting the public weal.

For the sake of change, break the monotony of this everlasting abuse and criticism of Tillman, and if see something can't be found to commend in the Executive and the Legislature.

If that faction opposed to the present status of affairs, who are now doing all the talking and inkslinging, would lay aside prejudice and recognize the right of the majority to rule, there would be no breach to close. Instead, they are doing some high kicking, and making frantic efforts to regain control of the State government, more from a desire to enjoy the honors and emoluments of office than to secure Democratic unity. The people see into their hand and the little game they propose to play.

After keeping up an infernal din for two years, and kicking because the people chose to inaugurate a regime of reform, and after setting up an independent standard which could only signify an appeal to the negro, and while capitalizing, encouraging, and patronizing an independent organ which has daily abused, criticised and ridiculed the personel and every act of the government of the people, they now profess great apprehension that Democratic supremacy may be jeopardized by division in its ranks.

The people were never more united than now, and there was never greater unanimity than that which demands the re-election of Tillman, yet these practised politicians and old-timers in their anxiety to unite the people and close the breach are *pretending* to fight each other about the *manner*. In the meantime the "misguided followers of Tillman" are not being fooled by the little sham fight carried on. That's an old trick known to every seventy-sixer. The people recognize the fact that the fight is not so much against Ben Tillman as against them. They have not forgotten how their opponents whooped up Tillman when he took issue with the Alliance on the sub-treasury. It was seriously suggested then to make Ben Tillman the anti-Alliance candidate—ah, yes, we all remember that!

Those who elected the present State officers esteem them their faithful and efficient servants and the peers of their predecessors mentally, morally, and socially. They are *not* "a disgrace to the State," as styled in a recent interview in an independent sheet by a prominent breach-closer and harmonizer.

The reform government has given us an able and successful administration. For an honest endeavor to fulfil the pledges made the people, they deserve our "well done," and vindication from the foul aspersions of their detractors. That success has not been accomplished is attributable to the obstacles thrown in the way by the obstructive policy of the opponents of the people's demands. Many prominent in the ranks of those who demand the removal of Ben Tillman have unpatriotically depreciated the State's financial credit in order to embarrass and cripple the administration. A wicked attempt is now being made to saddle on the taxpayers of the State a fraudulent debt of two million dollars and not a protest has been uttered by a journal opposed to the present administration. We verily believe that there would be rejoicing in the camp of the Hasselites and so-called conservatives if the State could not float a bond or our local banks obtain a dollar, if thereby a revolt from Tillman could be brought about. They continually prate that the government is inimical to capital and is keeping money away. The wish is father to the thought, for the truth is, more railroads have been built, more banks chartered, more enterprises started, and more capital invested in this State during Tillman's term as Governor than in any given period before, notwithstanding the low price of cotton and great financial depression.

Let no man be deceived by the specious plea for harmony. No objection can be raised to each individual or faction exercising his or their personal preferences; so long as they act in conformity with party rules the utmost freedom of expression and preference may be exercised.

Ben Tillman's "gang" are standing by the constitution of the true Democracy, and have done all that could be reasonably required for the sake of unity. Let the cry for unity and harmony go up after the State nominating convention; until then all these professions of anxiety about peace and unity is political clap-trap, and is intended to dupe the people into a desertion of their leaders and sacrifice of their principles. Danger can only come through persistent opposition by those who oppose the choice of the majority.

If nothing but stultification and sacrifice of principle will secure peace we want none of it. If our principles were right two years ago they are right now. If we are right it would be cowardly in us to back down, and we would forever deserve the political ostracism of those to whom we so dishonorably capitulated. If we falter now, all we have gained will be lost, and our hopes and expectations can never materialize. Let the old regime be restored and more disgrace will attach to you for your adhesion to Tillman in the past. [illegible] for emancipation in 1863. Patriots previous to 1778. We are not yet ready now to consider the question of [illegible] for self government and principle [illegible] longer.

T. A. H[illegible]

Cashier Padgett Writes a Vigorous Letter to the Edgefield Monitor.

EDITO MONITOR:—Your statement tht "the president of the Farmers Bank of Edgefield went to Charlston to borrow money for his banko loan out to the farmers, but repoed back that "he was unable to otain a single dollar" is untrue. We do not suppose that you intended to say anything that would inure this bank, but we think in our zeal to bring discredit upon the present administration of our State, you lost your judgment in venturing upon hearsay to make a statement which you kno can have no good bearing upon the bank. We think it is time for patriotic and honest men to cease to say things which are not based on the truth, but are calculated to weaken confidence in the financial institutions and public credit of our State. Do not in your madness drag down these institutions in trying to force down our people political opinions other than those the people now hold. This bank does not care to be used as a cudgel to beat people into believing things that are not true; namely, that the bank are unable to borrow money on account of the acts of the present administration of South Carolina. Such an assertion is false, and those who insist on making our people believe it, are attempting to deceive the people.

Banks loan money upon the collateral and ability of the borrower to pay back. If the banks of our State show themselves in sound condition and offer good paper we have no doubt but that they can borrow as much money as conservative banking will admit. The present administration of South Carolina has not been instrumental in enacting any law that prejudices the claims of creditors, teaches repudiation. They have created no bogus credits, nor stolen the public moneys. But taxes have been reduced.

It is true that the low price of cotton for two years past has brought less money to agricultural regions to exchange for cotton than former years when the staple was selling higher. This has caused an unusual scarcity of money in the South, but not alone in South Carolina. In consequence of this there is more demand to borrow money. The banks of the country cannot supply the demand. But the resources of our State and people are abundant to supply sufficient and safe security for all the money our banks our to loan with their present capital. Moreover, we have no doubt but that our banks in South Carolina, and in other southern states too, will be able to borrow as much money as conservative banking ought to permit.

Hereafter, when you wish to use any statement for argument or politics' sake, regarding the success or operations of this bank, please do the management the kindness to consult them as to the truthfulness of the statement you find convenient for your argument.

Very Respectfully,
A. E. PADGETT.

Edgefield, S. C. Feb. 27. 1892

Takes the Offensive.

EDITOR MONITOR: In your factional opposition to the powers that be, in your editorial of last week, you went out of the way to make an attack apparantly upon the Farmer's Loan and Savings Bank of Edgefield, when you said, "We understand that the president of the Farmer's Loan and Savings Bank of Edgefield, went to Charleston to borrow money for his bank to loan out to farmers, but reported back that he was unable to obtain a single dollar."

Your statement, I am officially authorized to say, is postively untrue and made without any foundation of fact. In making such unwarranted statements you are guilty of gross injustice to the bank and its officers, since if allowed to go uncontradicted, it might work financial harm to the said institution. The fact that the bank has been able to negotiate loans both at Charleston and New York to a limit usually extended to such institutions, is a direct contradiction of both your assumptions and deductions. And this is in keeping with the line of editorials furnished not only by the Monitor, but by many other papers of the State, in your and their insane attacks upon the present Governor and General Assembly of South Carolina.

Rarely, if ever, in the political history of the world, has any State administration been subjected to such criticisms, besides assumptions, misleading insinuations, unreasonable deductions, false conclusions and malignant persecutions as the present one, week by week and day by day, by the major part of the press of the State, lead on by that arch fiend of Democracy, "The State," which constitutes, in name alone a very infinitesimal part of the State, save in its own distorted and conceited imagination. If your and their real purpose is to harmonize and conciliate, heal asperities and unify sentiment, would reason and prudence dictate such a course as pursued? No, indeed! The reasonable and patriotic course would be to admit that some good may come, has come, out of Nazareth.

In the light of passing events [illegible] centum of taxation three-fourths of a mill, aggregating more than one hundred thousand dollars, in the face of every possible obstruction thrown in the way, both in the execution of the laws and in the course of legislation. But after all, this conflict comes because of a great fundamental principle involved. That principle is self-government—the rule of the people, of the white majority. A minority seeks to subvert this order of things and claims by acts, if not by words, that the power to rule, whether by heritage, purchase, position, caste or divinity is not clearly indicated. Unwholesome as it may be to some, they will be forced to learn, sooner or later, that this is a Democratic State, de facto as well as de jure, Republican in its form of government, progressive in its ideas, and that majorities have a right to rule and will rule, whether they come from the mountain fastnesses, the sunny plains, the cities, the towns, or the villages. The cry of the dishonest politicians that "your Governor, your administration is the cause of the scarcity of money here," will recoil on the sordid hearts that nursed it and still the tongues that uttered it. Every thinking man knows that the present financial pressure is consequent in the South largely upon the low price of our chief money crop, cotton, but not altogether. National legislation in the interest of corporations and speculators is not without its effect. W. H. TIMMERMAN.

Timmerman's, S. C., Feb. 27,-'92.

The letter of Col. Jos. H. Earle published on the first page will be read with much interest, and to say that it is a "broad, liberal, courageous, and patriotic letter is but to say the truth. Perhaps no man in the State has had the opportunity of knowing the sentiment of the people more than Col. Earle, he having taken an active part in several campaigns and meeting the people from all sections of the State face to fact. His opinions will doubtless be favorably considered, and we predict that if all factions heed them peace and harmony would prevail in the Democratic party in less then twenty-four hours after their acceptance.—Ex.

The News and Courier is standing on tiptoe endeavoring to get the first glimpse of the rising of Cleveland's sun. But it seems to be doomed to utter darkness—there is such a big Hill between it and its visionary expectations that Cleveland's political sun seems to be in total eclipse.—Greenville Democrat.

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