

Scraps and Facts.

—The king of Italy has pardoned the United States naval officers who were recently convicted of disorderly conduct in Venice and sentenced to fine and imprisonment. The act of the king, of course, was suggested by a spirit of comity toward the United States. It is probable that the navy department will now do something toward meting out full and proper punishment. The battleship Illinois has been ordered to proceed at once to Venice in order that her officers may court martial the offenders.

—A magnificent silver service, made from silver coins taken from the Spanish cruiser, Cristobal Colon, for presentation to Admiral Schley, by friends in Washington and Maryland, is now on exhibition in Baltimore. The service consists of one centre piece; one soup tureen and ladle; one roast platter; one game platter; one fish platter; nineteen desert plates. Upon each piece is engraved Admiral Schley's initials in monogram and each bears this inscription: "Made of Spanish silver, taken from the Spanish cruiser, Cristobal Colon, destroyed in the naval battle of Santiago de Cuba, July 3, 1898." The fineness of the silver used was not interfered with and the metal therefore has almost the hardness of steel. The weight of the coins used was about 1,500 ounces and at the present price of silver represents a value of \$600, but near six times that amount was required to purchase the coin from the government. The presentation of the service will be made today at the home of Theodore Marburg, in Baltimore, who, with former postmaster General James A. Gary, and Ives Cobo, of Washington, comprise the commission in charge of its manufacture.

—J. A. Abernathy in Charlotte Observer: It is known to most people that the Mississippi river is higher at certain seasons than the land adjacent to it. This, as every one knows, is caused by the levees forcing the water to remain within a certain channel. The fact that the land gently slopes from the river, however, is calculated to surprise the man who is accustomed to going down the river. But this is the case with the Father of Waters for 100 miles north of New Orleans. All a farmer has to do to water his cane fields (and they require much moisture) is to put a syphon in the levee and let it run. The sugar land is cleared for a mile and a half from the river. At that point the soil becomes too marshy to work and it is undisturbed. Houses are often built on top of the levees, which are about 25 feet high, as the best location that can be found. The graveyards along the Mississippi attract the visitor's attention by reason of the fact that so few of the interments are underground, most of the graves being built up of brick or stone. This is because water is so near the surface and will soon fill a hole a few feet deep.

—Philadelphia Record: The young sons of Rear Admiral William T. Sampson and the late Admiral John W. Philip failed to meet the requirements for admission to the Naval academy at the examination just completed. Admiral Sampson's son was the principal, and had been promised the appointment by President McKinley, which promise was fulfilled by Mr. Roosevelt. Admiral Philip's son was the alternate. Both boys were examined with 31 other candidates by the civil service commission in Washington, and it was thought they were well prepared for the ordeal. The president may give young Sampson another chance; but this is not customary. Six hundred applicants are now filed at the navy department, and hundreds of others are expected when it becomes known the president has a vacancy at his disposal. The President will adhere to a policy laid down by President Cleveland, of appointing boys to Annapolis who are sons of officers and who frequently have no residence in a congressional district. The recent examinations were especially disastrous to aspirants for naval glory, and the rejections were larger in number than usual. Of the 300 candidates only about 30 were accepted, leaving nearly 100 vacancies now existing.

—Salt Lake dispatch: Arrangements were made today for the first reunion of the descendants of the late Brigham Young, president of the Mormon church. For the first time the number of the descendants of the founder of the church was announced by the family. There were 56 children, 47 of whom survived Mr. Young. From these sprang 294 grand children and there are 745 great-grandchildren. This makes a total of over 1,000 descendants of a man who has died since the Civil war. They are scattered in all parts of the world, some by changes of residence, some on missions and others by traveling. No building in Salt Lake is large enough for the reunion and it will be held in the open air. Despite the great number of his children, the descendants say that President Young knew them all by name. Brigham Young's grandson said today: "Grandfather knew every one of his own children by name. He always carried sugar in his pocket to give us. He loved children." This does not agree with the story that is currently believed. Just before he died, President Young met three little boys on the street smoking cigarettes. He stopped them, and asked: "Don't you know you are committing a sin to smoke? Didn't your father ever tell you this was wrong?" "Why, pa," chimed in the three boys, "don't you know us?" The Young family denies this story.

—Baltimore Sun: Congress will pay the funeral expenses of President McKinley, including the doctor's bills, over which there has been so much contention. An item is to be inserted in the urgent deficiency bill, now under consideration by the house committee on appropriations, which provides for an appropriation of \$50,000 to defray the expenses attending the death and burial of the president. The committee has gone fully into the question of compensation to the doctors who attended the wounded executive and has decided that, notwithstanding the physicians declined to submit a bill for their respective services, they are en-

titled to liberal fees for their efforts to save the president's life. It is understood that an agreement has been reached whereby \$31,000 of the amount to be appropriated shall go to the doctors and the remainder will be used to defray the funeral expenses. Friends of the dead president and others interested in the subject have been consulted, and it is believed that the allowance thus made is not only liberal and reasonable, but entirely satisfactory to all concerned. Statements of all the expenses incurred were submitted to the committee, and the amount named will cover all obligations of the government.

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YORKVILLE, S. C.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 1902.

It costs some time, labor and hard feeling, too, maybe, to get a school such as they have over in the Gold Hill neighborhood; but it is worth all its costs.

The Republicans who have heretofore pursued a policy of silence as to Democratic criticism of the conduct of the war in the Philippines, have decided to inaugurate an aggressive defense of the administration.

Under the laws of North Carolina, the man who fails to pay his poll tax on or before May 1, is not allowed to vote in the succeeding elections. It is estimated that in Mecklenburg county alone, there are fully 1,000 white men among the delinquents.

In today's issue the republished Senator McLaurin's most recent address to his fellow citizens of South Carolina. The paper explains itself so fully as to render comment unnecessary, and we respectfully commend it to all citizens who may be interested in the important subject of political liberty.

The Greenville News makes the point that if the pledge indicated by Senator Tillman as being a proper one for senatorial candidates, be adopted, the list of eligibles will be thinned down to Messrs. Latimer and Evans, for they are the only two who could sign such a paper without stultifying themselves. The point is very well taken; and it is quite possible that it is because of this very fact that Senator Tillman is proposing such a scheme. He has repeated, until he believes himself, that Senator McLaurin had not a ghost of a chance of election, and he is now probably working a dodge by which he can get rid of the others.

In telling the story of the tragedy of last Saturday at Black's pond there has been no effort to go beyond or color the facts. The thing is too awful to be told in detail. But no one who reads the details in another column, can fail to be impressed, amid all the surrounding gloom, with the brilliant jewels of noble manhood which there came to light. There is no other way to put it than that young Nichols and Lindsay offered up their lives on the altar of what they conceived to be their simple duty. Captain Stephenson and Mr. Black did all they could, and no more can be reasonably expected of any man. With young Marshall Morrow, it appears to have been not only a matter of ability; but willingness to do, and his magnificent work commands the universal homage that it will receive. If there is any blame to be meted out on account of any part of the whole distressing tragedy, it will have to be placed by others. The ENQUIRER has hunted as diligently for blame as for merit; but has been able to locate no blame whatever.

CABLES of Sunday from Manila, tell of an important engagement between American troops and hostile Moros under Datto Bayan on the island of Mindanao. It is estimated that the Moros numbered about 600 men. The American force consisted of the Twenty-fifth battery and seven companies of the Twenty-seventh Infantry, under Colonel Baldwin. There were four mountain guns and 470 rifles. It was necessary for the Americans to work themselves forward for a long distance through tangled grass. The Moros fought furiously, and when their ammunition gave out resorted to their knives, parangs and kamplangs. According to the reports, however, the Americans did not flinch. They did terrible execution with their rifles at long range, and advanced steadily up to the very walls of the fort. Several intervening trenches were filled with dead Moros, killed with clubbed guns and bayonets. After losing their leaders, including Datto Bayan, 480 Moros surrendered. Several tried to escape from the fort after the surrender; but were shot down. It is stated that the officers of the hospital corps were attacked in the rear. Wounded Moros rose from the grass and stabbed at their conquering enemies. The number of Moros killed has not been stated. Lieutenant Bovars and seven enlisted men of the American force, were killed, and three officers and thirty-seven men were wounded. There is another strong fort in sight of the one just captured; but when the dispatch was sent out it was the policy of the Americans to wait for a short while in the hope that as the result of the battle just fought, there would be general submission. The Moros are described as a fierce people who have never been worsted by the Spaniards; but it is believed that so soon as they begin to appreciate the kind of stuff of which Americans are made, there will be a decided cooling down of the warlike spirit that has characterized them for so long. It is possible, however, that they may join together in a holy war and submit to practical extermination rather than submit.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

W. T. Massey, Tirzah—Offers \$50,000 to make plants of the best varieties, at 20 cents per hundred.

O. E. Grist—Has placed a lot of tools in the hands of W. O. Rawlin which are for sale cheap for cash.

Jesse C. Casky, Concord, N. C.—Gives warning to all persons not to harbor or employ his son George, who has left home without consent.

R. Meek Barnett, agent for heirs of Mrs. J. M. Barnett—Gives notice that he will sell three shares of Clover Cotton Manufacturing company stock on Saturday, May 17th, to the highest responsible bidder for cash.

D. C. Clark, Agent—Says that the Keller pear is the best suited to this climate and invites you to see him for particulars.

J. F. Pursley, Clover—Tells you that he has received a lot of Armour's hams. He sells the Boles cotton hogs. He is receiving vegetables from Florida constantly.

W. M. Kennedy, Agent—Invites your attention to farm tools, inks, stationery, seeds, tobacco, crockery, prunes, canned goods, and calls special attention to tailor made clothing.

Jas. M. Starr & Co.—Tell you that their soda fountain is now blazing. They tell you of Dr. Reid, who is now with them, and they want to sell you the drugs you need.

H. C. Strauss & Co.—Tell you that their millinery sales this season are beyond their expectations and invite the ladies to come and see them.

AT THE K. M. M. A.

The following special orders, signed by W. G. Stephenson, Superintendent, were published at the King's Mountain Military academy on Monday:

SPECIAL ORDER NO. 9.

Whereas, in the providence of God, a deep and sore affliction has been visited upon us and upon our entire community by the sad and untimely death of Cadets E. M. Nichols, J. Frank Lindsay and Harry G. Stephens, it is hereby ordered: First, That all regular members of the academy be suspended until 6 o'clock p. m., on the 6th instant. Second, That for the next thirty days our flag fly at half mast. Third, That for the next thirty days the academy staff and the corps of cadets each wear a badge of mourning, consisting of a band of crape around the left upper arm. Fourth, That memorial services be held in the chapel on the 6th instant at 4:30 o'clock p. m.

SPECIAL ORDER NO. 10.

For heroic and meritorious conduct manifested and shown by Cadet Morrow on the 3rd instant, in his successful efforts to recover the bodies of his drowned comrades, he is hereby promoted to the rank of third lieutenant of Company A.

THREE SAD FUNERALS.

Arrangements were made last Saturday night to take the bodies of Cadets Stevens, Lindsay and Nichols to the K. M. M. A. barracks, prepare them for burial there, and hold a common funeral service in the Presbyterian church on Sunday morning; but through deference to the wishes of the parents the matter was ordered otherwise.

The bodies of Nichols and Lindsay were taken to their respective homes without unnecessary delay, and Captain Stevens, accompanied by sons and daughters from Rock Hill and Kershaw, came over on a special train for the body of his son and carried it to Rock Hill. In view of this change of arrangements, it was decided to divide the corps of cadets into three detachments, and that one detachment attend each funeral.

Captains Wolf and Witherspoon accompanied one detachment to Bethel; Colonel Stephenson and Captain Schneider went with another to Rock Hill, and Major Bernard and Captain Stevenson remained in Yorkville to attend the funeral of Cadet Lindsay.

The funeral services of Cadet Nichols took place at the home of his parents at 2 o'clock p. m., and were conducted by Rev. W. A. Hafner. Hundreds of sympathizing friends had visited the house during the morning to pay their respects to the distressed family, and there was quite a large number present to participate in the funeral services. Mr. Hafner offered a touching prayer and made a very appropriate talk. After the services the procession moved to Bethel cemetery, some six miles away, where the interment took place. There were many people also at the cemetery. Quantities of beautiful flowers were sent from Yorkville and from all the country surrounding.

The funeral of Cadet Stevens was conducted from the First Presbyterian church of Rock Hill. There was a large congregation in attendance there also. Rev. Dr. J. H. Thornwell conducted the services. He was assisted by Rev. W. E. Thayer, Messrs. Leroy Davidson, Gilbert Green, W. B. Wilson, Jr., Theodore Moore, Lloyd Phillips and R. J. Lindsay acted as pall bearers. The services were most impressive and the people of Rock Hill showed deep sympathy for the stricken relatives.

The funeral of young Lindsay showed that the town was stirred by the tragedy as it had seldom been stirred before. The young man had scores of close friends, and was held in the highest esteem by all who knew him. The family stands high in Yorkville. There was a continuous stream of visitors to the house from the time of the first news of the tragedy up to the hour of the funeral. A long line of carriages followed the hearse to the Presbyterian church, and the building was crowded to its fullest capacity. It was literally a heart service that followed. Rev. W. G. Neville, the pastor, was affected almost beyond expression. He read the first hymn with difficulty and broke down in his prayer. There were few dry eyes in the congregation. The services were addressed to the cemetery, where Mrs. M. C. Willis rendered, with touching effect, the beautiful hymn, "Asleep in Jesus." The grave was hidden under a covering of flowers.

WITHIN THE TOWN.

—The town of Yorkville needs many things, but nothing so badly as a first class home for the graded school.

—There will be a special memorial service in the K. M. M. A. chapel this (Tuesday) afternoon at 4:30. All of the people of Yorkville who desire to do so are expected to participate.

—Because of the sad tragedy of Saturday, the King's Mountain chapter of the D. A. R. has withdrawn the invitations that were issued to the presentation of the Eliza Lucas Pinckney medal in the court house this (Tuesday) evening. The presentation will be made informally at some future date, not yet fixed.

—It is reported that the South Carolina and Georgia Extension is contemplating another change of schedule under which it is proposed to make one passenger train do the work the two are now doing. It is said that the change will go into effect soon, and, if so, the southbound train will arrive earlier and the northbound train later.

—The town council is considering the question of acquiring the Tavora Cotton Mill company's electric light plant. At a special meeting of the council held on Monday, it was decided to employ an expert to appraise the value of the property with a view to making the Tavora people an offer. If the Tavora people agree to take the valuation reported by the expert, it is probable there will be a trade.

—"I would like it stated," said Colonel W. G. Stephenson, with reference to the terrible tragedy at Black's pond last Saturday, "that the cadets were there by proper permission. Cadet Nichols came to me with a request in behalf of himself and the other boys. Knowing nothing of the place, I asked him, as to its character, and from what he said I decided that there was no danger. I, therefore, gave my permission conditioned on their securing the consent of one of the professors to take charge of the squad. It turns out that all that Cadet Nichols told me as to conditions was correct, as the situation had been understood for years. I am sure that he would not have intentionally misrepresented the matter to me for any conceivable consideration."

—Pursuant to the call of the mayor, a mass meeting assembled in the court house last Friday night to hear the financial report of the town treasurer and to make nominations for the ensuing two years. There were only about 25 people present. The report of the treasurer was received as information, and Mr. M. C. Willis was unanimously re-nominated for mayor. The meeting was divided on the question as to the propriety of so few people making nominations for aldermen, and after discussion of the matter, it was decided to adjourn until Monday night, when it was hoped there would be a larger attendance. The attendance on Monday night was about the same as at the previous meeting, and, upon motion it was decided to proceed with nominations. An aldermanic ticket was completed as follows: Ward 1, S. M. Grist; Ward 2, W. B. Moore; Ward 3, J. J. Hunter; Ward 4, J. R. White; Ward 5, T. C. Dunlap; Ward 6, M. L. Carroll. Messrs. S. M. McNeel and G. W. Williams were both nominated for re-election; but both declined to serve. The other gentlemen were nominated in their absence. Dr. J. D. McDowell and Mr. W. I. Witherspoon were nominated as school trustees, Dr. McDowell to succeed himself and Mr. Witherspoon to succeed Mr. H. C. Strauss, who declined re-election.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Mr. E. Peyton Moore, of Chester, was in Yorkville, Sunday.

Mr. W. B. Moore went to Kershaw on business on Monday.

Senator Brice went to the Charleston exposition yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Beard are visiting the exposition this week.

Mr. Chas. Simmons, of Forest City, N. C., was in Yorkville on Sunday.

Mr. E. B. Lowry left Monday night to visit the exposition at Charleston.

Mr. J. J. Hull, editor of the Rock Hill Herald, has been quite sick for several days.

Miss Edna Owens of Rock Hill, is visiting the family of Mr. T. B. McClain.

Mr. J. L. McGill, of Bethany, returned Saturday from a trip to Corsicana, Texas.

Rev. W. G. Neville left for Columbia yesterday. He will be absent until Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wylie, and Miss Rachel Wylie left yesterday for the Charleston exposition.

Mr. T. M. Martin and Mr. W. A. Youngblood, of Concord, gave The ENQUIRER a pleasant call on Monday.

Mrs. George Steele, Jr., and Miss Anna Lou Abell, of Lowrysburg, were in Yorkville on Monday on a shopping tour.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Strauss who visited Texas during the Dallas reunion, are expected home within the next ten days.

Miss Bessie Williams, of Winthrop college, was in Yorkville Sunday and Monday, on a visit to the family of Mr. L. R. Williams.

Mr. G. W. S. Hart left yesterday for Enterprise, S. C., on a visit to his mother. Mr. Hart will be absent about ten days or two weeks.

Mr. Frank Tiddy, an attaché of the Yorkville Buggy Co., has been quite sick at the home of Mr. Alonzo Rose for several days past.

Mr. Harry C. Smith, of Charlotte, visited his grandmother, Mrs. Margaret Smith, and other relatives and friends in Yorkville this week.

The following party left Yorkville yesterday for Charleston and the exposition: Mrs. Jas. F. Hart, Mrs. W. G. White and Master W. G. White, Jr.

Mr. J. T. Ferguson, of Catawba Junction, made a pleasant call at The ENQUIRER office yesterday. He said that Mrs. D. T. Lesslie, who was so severely injured by a fall some months ago, is improving slowly.

On being asked Monday whether it was true that he would not be a candidate for re-election, Representative J. R. Halle said that he had been hesitating about the matter; but he rather thought that there would be no other way for it than he should enter the race again.

Among the out of town people who attended the funeral of Cadet Frank Lindsay on Sunday, were Major and Mrs. A. H. White, of Rock Hill; Mr. David Black, and sons, Fred R. and Benjamin, and Miss Jessie Black, of Bethesda, and Mr. Lindsay Hunter, of Forest City, N. C.

The following citizens of the Bethany neighborhood left yesterday via the S. C. and Ga. Extension railroad for a visit to the exposition: Messrs. R. N. Plaxco, Emmet Pursley, Bonner McGill, Haskell Howe, Jno. A. McKnight, Frank Davis, W. T. McKnight, and Worth McKnight.

"What I did," said Mr. F. C. Black,

referring to the tragedy at the pond, "amounted to nothing. I didn't accomplish anything. But the efforts of that young fellow Morrow were most remarkable. He can swim like a duck; but his pluck, courage, discrimination and devotion to duty are superior to his swimming. I have never before known anything like the work he did under such trying circumstances."

Mr. W. E. Ferguson left last night for a visit to his sister, Mrs. Frank Smith, at Mt. Pleasant, S. C. Incidentally he will visit the exposition at Charleston. Dr. George Walker, of Baltimore, Md., arrived in Yorkville last Sunday afternoon on a brief visit to relatives and friends, returning on Monday afternoon. He expects to sail for Europe today with a view to spending six months in Berlin, Leipzig, Germany, and Paris, France.

Master Frank C. Riddle had a narrow escape from severe injury last Saturday evening, as the result of a fall from his pony. He was galloping out to Black's pond. When he reached a point opposite the jail, the pony made a sudden halt and he was pitched over its head. He was rendered insensible from the fall, and there went out a rumor that he had been killed. Dr. R. A. Bratton happened along opportunely in the same direction, however, and gave him quick medical attention. Master Frank has about recovered from the jolting he received.

YORK COUNTY DEMOCRATS.

The York County Democratic convention met in the court house last Monday, pursuant to the call of the executive committee, transacted the routine business for which it was assembled and adjourned.

The temporary organization was effected by the election of Mr. J. R. Halle as chairman and W. B. Wilson, Jr., as secretary.

Upon motion, a committee consisting of one member from each precinct was appointed to investigate the credentials of the delegates presenting themselves for membership. This committee was as follows:

Ogden, W. H. Dunlap; Bethel, R. M. Barnett; Bethany, J. D. Smith; Blairsville, T. A. Gwin; Bullock's Creek, (represented); Clover, J. E. Beamguard; Coates's Tavern, J. R. Gettys; Clark's Fork, R. M. Wallace; Ebenezer, W. B. Howell; Fort Mill, T. G. Culp; Forest Hill, W. A. Youngblood; Hickory Grove, T. P. McDill; McConnellville, J. P. Ashe; Newport, J. W. Taylor; Rock Hill, J. J. Waters; Sharon, J. H. Saylor; Smyrna, R. W. Whitesides; Tirzah, J. M. Seagle; Yorkville, E. A. Crawford.

The committee reported the following list of duly accredited delegates, which list, on motion, was adopted as the roll of the convention:

Bethel—J. A. Ratteree, S. N. Johnson, R. M. Barnett, J. H. Adams. Blairsville—J. P. Blair, T. A. Gwin, J. A. Graves, J. L. Rainey. Clover—W. T. Beamguard, J. B. Jackson, Fred Jackson, D. J. Moore, J. L. Jackson, J. E. Beamguard, W. B. Smith, M. L. Dickson.

Bethany—W. T. Jackson, E. W. Pursley, W. M. Stove, J. W. Pursley, J. Warren Pursley, J. D. Smith.

Coates's Tavern—T. W. Boyd, J. T. Spencer, J. R. Gettys, R. W. Patton.

Clark's Fork—R. M. Wallace, A. H. Ebenezer—W. B. Howell, Jr. J. C. Wilborn.

Fort Mill—J. L. Kimbrell, C. P. Blankenship, W. H. Winkle, J. S. Sutton, J. P. Halle, J. W. McElhane, T. G. Culp, D. G. Kimbrell, Phil Barnett, Forest Hill—W. A. Youngblood, L. T. Wood.

Hickory Grove—B. F. Scoggins, R. N. Leech, R. M. Whitesides, R. N. McElwee, W. T. Slaughter, S. B. Lathan, D. M. Simpson, T. P. McDill.

McConnellville—P. M. Burris, Cal Gordon, J. S. Jones, J. P. Ashe, J. T. Crawford.

Newport—A. T. Neely, S. P. Pierce, J. M. Taylor.

Ogden—W. H. Dunlap, J. B. Davis, W. B. Byers, W. H. Linson, Marlon Nelson.

Rock Hill—J. E. Massey, Sr. W. C. Wrenry, W. J. Rawlinson, W. H. Wylie, T. C. Beckham, W. H. Moore, E. W. Comer, W. J. Cherry, J. J. Waters, A. H. Green, W. B. Wilson, Sr. A. H. White, J. W. Marshall, G. A. Cowan, R. D. Owens, W. H. Giadden, H. L. Gibson, W. A. Fewell, G. W. Setzer, W. B. Wilson, Jr.

Sharon—J. H. Saye, Elias Ramsey, J. M. Sims.

Smyrna—R. W. Whitesides, R. T. Castles.

Tirzah—W. T. Massey, J. M. Seagle, Yorkville—F. P. McCain, D. C. Clark, I. B. Gordon, Harry Neal, J. R. Comer, J. S. Brice, B. F. Caldwell, J. S. Sandifer, J. B. Scott, R. E. McFarland, J. D. Clark, J. S. Drakeford, W. Y. Dickson, J. E. Lowry, J. M. Wallace, E. A. Crawford, H. I. McCaw, W. W. Lewis, T. F. McDow, P. T. McNeel, John Caldwell, R. G. McCaw, J. J. Keller, A. L. Robinson, N. J. N. Bowen.

The next business in order was the election of delegates and alternates to the state convention. Upon motion of Mr. J. S. Brice, the chair appointed a committee consisting of one member from each club to nominate one delegate and alternate at large and one delegate and alternate from each township. After taking the matter under due consideration the committee submitted the following report, which was unanimously adopted:

Alternate.

AT LARGE.

J. S. Brice.....T. M. Allen.

BROAD RIVER.

T. P. McCain.....R. N. McElwee.

BULLOCK'S CREEK.

Kelly Inman.....J. L. Rainey.

BETHESDA.

J. F. Ashe.....W. B. Byers.

BETHEL.

W. A. Youngblood.....D. G. Stanton.

CATAWBA.

J. J. Hull.....A. H. Green.

EBENEZER.

J. C. Wilborn.....W. B. Fewell, Jr.

FORT MILL.

J. R. Halle.....S. H. Epps, Sr.

KING'S MOUNTAIN.

D. M. Hall.....J. E. Beamguard.

YORK.

T. F. McDow.....F. P. McCain.

The next business in order was the election of a county chairman, and on motion of T. F. McDow, Esq., J. S. Brice, Esq., was re-elected unanimously by acclamation. Mr. McDow next nominated Mr. J. C. Wilborn for re-election as state executive committee man, and Mr. Wilborn was also unanimously elected by acclamation.

Upon motion the respective delegations were requested to report the names and postoffice addresses of the newly elected executive committee men, and at the call of the chair the list was handed in as follows:

Ogden.....W. H. Dunlap, Ogden. Bethel.....G. L. Riddle, Zeno. Bethany.....W. T. Jackson, Zado. Blairsville.....J. P. Blair, Bullock's Creek.....J. E. M. Bankhead, Bullock's Creek.

Clover.....W. B. Smith, Clover. Coates's Tavern.....T. W. Boyd, Lesslie. Clark's Fork.....R. M. Wallace, Clark's Fork. Ebenezer.....T. A. Barron, Old Point. Fort Mill.....C. P. Blankenship, Fort Mill. Forest Hill.....J. L. Kimbrell, Forest Hill. Hickory Grove.....B. F. Scoggins, Hickory Grove. McConnellville.....P. M. Burris, McConnellville. Newport.....T. B. Glenn, Newport. Rock Hill.....J. J. Hull, Rock Hill. Sharon.....J. H. Saye, Sharon. Smyrna.....R. W. Whitesides, Smyrna. Tirzah.....R. C. Jackson, Tirzah. Yorkville.....J. S. Brice, Yorkville.

Upon his re-election as state executive committee man, Mr. Wilborn was called upon for a speech. He made a few remarks appropriate to the occasion and mentioned the fact that he was in the field for re-election as railroad commissioner. He was liberally applauded. Later on, on motion of Mr. W. T. Jackson, Mr. James Cansler was also accorded the privilege of the floor. He made a talk, humorous and otherwise, exciting much merriment.

At the conclusion of Mr. Cansler's remarks, Mr. Brice suggested that as the business for which the convention had been called had been transacted, a motion to adjourn was in order. Mr. Cansler suggested that there was another candidate on the floor—Mr. W. B. Wilson, Sr., and moved that he be heard from. Mr. Wilson had no desire to make a speech under the circumstances and adroitly dodged by moving an adjournment. The motion was put and carried, and the convention accordingly adjourned sine die.

THREE CADETS DROWNED.

Harry G. Stevens, Eddie Meek Nichols, and J. Frank Lindsay were drowned in Black's pond, two miles west of Yorkville, last Saturday afternoon. The first named was a son of Mr. J. W. H. Stevens, of Rock Hill; the second a son of Mr. T. J. Nichols, of Bethel township, York county, and the third a son of Captain J. R. Lindsay, of Yorkville. All three were cadets of the King's Mountain Military academy.

The unfortunate young men went to the pond with a party of sixteen, in charge of Captain R. T. Stephenson, of the K. M. A. faculty, for the purpose of enjoying a half hour or so in the water. This was about 5 o'clock. It was only a very short time after their arrival until they met their tragic fate, and not only the town of Yorkville, but the whole country surrounding, was shocked by the terrible news of the occurrence. A representative of THE ENQUIRER reached the spot after the bodies had been recovered, and gathered some of the details of the story on the ground. The balance of the information he obtained from participants in and eye-witnesses of the tragedy. Because of the deep interest in the young men who lost their lives, and the noble efforts that were made in their behalf, he has been careful to make the narrative satisfactorily full and as accurate as possible.

By way of preliminary explanation, it is proper to say that this pond, though formerly quite shallow, was materially deepened by the freshets of last summer. The dam was broken by an unusual flood, and one freshet coming after another, the channel was washed out to a depth of ten or twelve feet. The pond had been there since previous to the Revolutionary war, and up to a few years ago was the most popular place for swimming in this immediate vicinity. So far as there is any record, no one was ever drowned there previous to last Saturday.

Within a short time after their arrival, the cadets were in the water. They had been duly cautioned as to the character of the bottom by Mr. Fred Black, who is one of the owners of the mill property and who had gone to the place to see the boys enjoy themselves. Captain Stephenson instructed them as to the dangers. Those of the boys who could swim well, struck out at will, wherever they liked. Others tried to keep on the side of safety. Presently Cadet Nichols, who was walking along the dam, slipped into the water and disappeared from sight. He knew but little about swimming and was helpless. Cadet Morrow, who is a good swimmer, happened to be near, and seizing hold of his struggling companion, pulled him from the water. The incident occupied but a minute; but Cadet Nichols was pretty severely strangled, and it was some little time before he could get rid of all the water he had swallowed. Nearly all the boys saw the accident and most of them were much impressed with it; but as they had been in the water only a short time, they were not yet ready to give up. Cadet Nichols took a seat