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WASHINGTON LETTER.

Spain Must Say Yes or No—More Troops for Manila—Receipts and Expenditures.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5, 1898.—Spain did not surprise anybody when it cabled to the French Ambassador, who is representing it in Washington during the peace preliminaries, to ascertain whether it could attach a string to its acceptance of the terms of peace offered by President McKinley—it was so thoroughly Spanish. The French Ambassador knew that the terms offered were in the nature of an ultimatum and so informed Spain. There is no room for any trickery, consequently nothing but plain sailing is now looked for. As soon as the government of Spain formally accepts the terms of peace, which it has already unofficially accepted, peace commissioners will be named by President McKinley to meet like commissioners representing Spain and proceed to the negotiation of a treaty of peace; and a cessation of hostilities will be ordered. While, of course, no one can guess how long it will take to negotiate that treaty, it is the general expectation in official circles that it will require several months, owing to the difficulty likely to be experienced in reaching a satisfactory agreement as to the Philippine Islands. Should the treaty not be signed before November, the Senate will not be called in extra session to ratify the treaty, as no harm would be done by waiting for the regular session in December.

President McKinley has taken occasion to express his gratitude for the cordial support given him in the conduct of the war by the press, regardless of politics, and he thinks it will be of incalculable benefit to the country by showing to the world that however much we may differ among ourselves as to domestic politics, we are all Americans when it comes to confronting a foreign foe.

The figures in Assistant Secretary Howell's statement of the receipts and expenditures of the government for the last fiscal year are very interesting. Notwithstanding the addition to the receipts of \$64,751,223, received by the government for the sale of Pacific Railroads, the expenditures exceeded the receipts of the year by \$38,047,247. Not counting the Pacific Railroad money the deficit was \$68,240,103. Mr. Howell says this large deficit was partly accounted for by war expenditures, which he estimates to have been \$56,000,000 during the last four months of the fiscal year. Accepting his figures, that during the last five months of the fiscal year the receipts of the government exceeded its expenditures, on a peace basis, by more than \$9,000,000; the deficit would have been slightly in excess of \$42,000,000 for the year, had there been no war.

All of the auxiliary cruisers, except the Harvard and the Yale, are to be released to their owners by the government as fast as possible, there being no further use for them, owing to Spain having practically no navy left, even should there be a hitch before peace is assured by the formal signing of a treaty between the two governments, and the expense of keeping them in commission being very heavy.

One of the most curious features of the present situation is that with peace with Spain in sight the administration should be preparing to send heavy re-inforcements to Gen. Merritt. The Spanish at Manila are elsewhere, are already sufficiently whipped, but those re-inforcements are necessary to enable Gen. Merritt to successfully cope with Aguinaldo, whose successes at Manila have made him a dangerous leader for the semi-barbarous Philippine insurgents, as the latest information

makes it almost certain that he will dispute American possession of Manila and the island of Luzon with force. The terms of peace provided that we shall hold Manila and Manila Bay until a peace commission decides upon the future government of the Philippine Islands. In order to hold Manila we must also hold enough of the country back of it to protect the source of its water supply, and it is now regarded as too much of a task to impose upon the present force under General Merritt—he will only have 20,000 men when all the troops now on the way reach him. Members of the administration admit that they are much perplexed over the problem of what to do with Aguinaldo, but they say that the solution must be found by this government alone. The belief is growing in Washington that Aguinaldo is receiving secret encouragement from one or more European governments, which hope to so mix up the Philippine mess that they can get their fingers into it before it is done with. They may get them badly squeezed, too.

More troops are being sent to Porto Rico, to share in the enjoyment of being welcomed by the Porto Ricans, with those already with Gen. Miles. There is little probability of any more fighting over there.

HUGE SWINDLING.

Evidences of Army Contractors' Corruption at Chickamauga.

Major Harvey W. Salmon, of Clinton, Mo., chairman of the Missouri Democratic State executive committee, who is in the city visiting relatives, is convinced that the government and the soldiers have been most shamefully swindled by contractors and inspectors.

He has just returned from Chickamauga where he visited the three Missouri regiments in camp there. He says the men have been outrageously treated.

The shoes issued to the Missouri privates and charged against them at \$1.89 a pair, he says, could have cost more than 60 cents a pair at the factories. The soles and heels are of paper and glue with a thin covering of leather and drop to pieces as soon as they are wet.

Blankets, shirts, trousers and coats are all of the worst qualities of shoddy. The blankets were charged at \$2.50 a pair but when a particularly energetic protest was made the price of them was reduced to 40 cents each, which was their full value. The shirts always fade and run after the first or second washing so that they are left an undecent mottle. Major Salmon says there is ample evidence at the Chickamauga camp that the government was cheated to the amount of hundreds of thousands of dollars.

The Missouri men are sleeping under tents which have been condemned. They are supplied with old style Springfield rifles, many of them in bad order after having been used and knocked about armories for years.

Not only are the equipments atrocious, but they were very slow in coming. Many of the men were actually naked before the government sent them any clothes, their old National Guard uniforms having actually dropped off them. Major Salmon has photographs of these men as they went about the camp with blankets pinned around them and barefoot.

He thinks the trouble was caused by the system of favored and eleventh-hour contracts. These contracts were held back to the last moment and then given to people who could not possibly fill them in the time allowed. As an old order-mance and army officer he is convinced that the government inspectors are incompetent or corrupt. Greenville News.

JUDGE MACKEY'S WIVES.

Two Young Women Claim the Aged Jurist as a Husband.

Ex-Judge Tom Mackey, of more or less unsavory reputation in South Carolina, seems to be a gay Lothario, despite his weight of years. The following New York dispatch to the Washington Post gives an account of his many matrimonial ventures, the introductory sketch of Mackey's career in South Carolina being as invidious as Mackey himself could have made it:

NEW YORK, July 31.—Ex-Judge Thomas Jefferson Mackey, gay in spite of his being within one year of the allotted span of life, has brought misery into the lives of two young women, and both are crying for vengeance and his punishment for alleged bigamy. His present whereabouts are unknown. He was last heard from in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

Ex-Judge Mackey is a native of Charleston, S. C., and his father was prominent as a jurist in that section. He was born in 1829, was graduated from a southern college, studied law with his father, and was admitted to the bar in Charleston in 1851. His eloquence and profound knowledge of the law soon raised him to the front rank as a jurist, and he was in 1855 appointed a supreme court judge. About this time he was married to a southern woman, whose name, it is said, was Rosina Scott. Her beauty and accomplishments made her a favorite in society, and for many years her domestic life was happy. Their children were Beckford Mackey, who was appointed United States consul to a city in Brazil, and was brought into notoriety by killing an editor of a newspaper in a theater, who had publicly insulted him; Argyle Mackey, a physician, of Washington, D. C., who committed suicide in Baltimore, about two years ago; Thomas J., Jr., and Crandall Mackey.

Judge Mackey, after his retirement from the bench, continued the practice of law in Columbia and Washington, and frequently argued important cases before the full bench of the United States supreme court. He was one of the lawyers who defended General Hazen in the famous trial by court martial.

After ex-Judge Mackey was established in Washington, rumors reached the ears of Mrs. Mackey. She had investigation made, and the result was that she secured a divorce on June 22, 1889, on the statutory ground. He then came to this city and opened a law office in Chambers street, near Broadway. Most of the money Mackey had made in the law business he lost, it is said, speculating in stocks. He added to his income by contributing to magazines, and published several volumes on legal topics. The former judge has several old friends living here, and he frequently visited their homes. On one of these visits he met Miss Sarah Lenore Curtis, the daughter of ex-Judge Curtis, a wealthy man, who lives at Stamford, Conn. Miss Curtis had just been graduated from a college in New England, and had peculiar ideas concerning matrimony. She did not believe in love as the foundation of wedlock, and held that marriages founded upon intellectual sympathy were the only ones which would result in lifelong happiness.

Miss Curtis met ex-Judge Mackey several times and discussed this subject with him. He agreed with all that she said, and after an acquaintance of a few months, proposed marriage. He was then 61, at his last birthday, and she was only 20. Her parents reluctantly gave their consent to the union, and the ex-judge and the ex-judge's pretty daughter were married on May 3, 1891, at St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church, 308 East

Fifty-fifth street, by the Rev. Geo. H. McGrew. Ex-Judge Curtis gave his daughter \$1,000 for a wedding present. Mrs. Mackey had supposed her husband was wealthy enough to give her a home as good as the one she gave up, but soon found out that he was practically penniless. He decided to go to Europe on the honeymoon trip, and spent the \$1,000 in the old country. When they returned they went to housekeeping at 368 West 11th street. The ex-judge was for a time devoted to his wife. Mrs. Mackey had a little money of her own, and her husband borrowed money from her regularly. He soon began to absent himself from home, and has been away for weeks at a time the last two years. He told his wife that he was attending to important legal cases, which would bring him large fees.

Mrs. Mackey never saw any of the money he got as fees. Her husband did not live long at any one house, and since 1891 they have moved five times. He claimed that it was unhealthful to live longer than three months in any house.

On June 8, Mackey told his wife that he was going to Washington to attend to an important case and would be absent for a long time. During her absence he packed up all his clothing and she says he also drew about \$4,000 of her money. She heard nothing from him and could not get any trace of him in Washington. Acting upon the advice of her father and Lawyer John E. Fiske, of 52 Wall street, she obtained a warrant for the arrest of her husband on the charge of abandonment, from Justice Mott, in the Harlem court. A detective was detailed to serve the warrant.

The ex-judge, though in seclusion, was not idle. Last spring, while in Washington, he met Miss Katherine Porterfield, a beautiful young woman. She was living temporarily with Mrs. Loring, who keeps a fashionable boarding house. Mackey made love to Miss Porterfield. He told her that he had been a widower for years, and before he returned to his home in this city she had promised to marry him, if her parents consented. The ex-judge saw Col. George A. Porterfield, cashier of the bank of Charleston, W. Va., the father of his fiancée, and obtained his consent to the marriage. On July the 19th Mackey and Miss Porterfield were married in Colonel Porterfield's home, by the Rev. A. C. Hopkins. In the evening the ex-judge and his bride started for Washington. He told Colonel Porterfield that there was a woman in New York who would attempt to blackmail him if the marriage became known at that time. The ex-judge and his wife spent two days in Washington and then he took her to Plainfield, N. J. On Saturday, July 23, he called upon Mrs. Mackey No. 1 at her home. She tried to communicate with the detective who had the warrant, but was unable to do so. Mackey said that he had been kept away by urgent business, but he agreed to meet his wife at her home the next day.

The ex-judge came at the appointed time and was arrested. He was taken to the Harlem police court and was held for examination on the charge of abandonment. He followed Mrs. Mackey to her home and made this confession to his wife: "I married Miss Katherine Porterfield," said he, "on July 19. I did so against my will."

Mrs. Mackey was astounded at her husband's perfidy, and nearly lost her reason when he proposed a plan to save himself. He admitted that he loved Miss Porterfield, and had tried to obtain a divorce in several states from Mrs. Mackey, so that he might marry her. There was a person in Mrs. Mackey's flat who overheard the conversation. Mackey said that his second wife

did not know of his former marriage. "I will go and see this woman," said Mrs. Mackey, "and tell her who I am. You deserve to go to prison for bigamy."

Mackey became violent at this but when he was again calm said: "I want you, Sarah," said the ex-judge more calmly, "to swear to a statement which I will prepare now. The gist of it will be that you will admit that when I married you you had a husband living, from whom you had not been divorced. This will make our marriage illegal, and will save me from going to the penitentiary. If you will do this I will not desert you."

After this proposition, it took some time for Mrs. Mackey to recover her senses. Then she said: "You are a scoundrel, sir; and I will never sign any paper for you, not even if I could save your life. Leave my house or I will call the police."

The ex-judge left, muttering threats. Mrs. Mackey, after consulting with Lawyer Fiske, decided to give up the abandonment proceedings and start a suit for divorce. She learned that it was her husband's intention to forfeit his bail bond and go to Europe with his bride and she was surprised last Wednesday by the following telegram from her husband:

PITTSBURG, Pa.—Mrs. Mackey, 226 West 11th street: Left to avoid unjust arrest; am alone; will return to you if you will stand by me. Will you? Answer, paid here. THOMAS.

It is said that after Mackey had failed to get his wife to coöperate, he deserted Mrs. Mackey No. 2 in Jersey City, and she returned to her father's home. It was learned there that the old ex-judge had two wives living, and the warrant which he referred to in his telegram, is one obtained for his arrest upon the complaint of Mrs. Mackey No. 2 in the south.

Colonel Porterfield's sons, it is said, have declared that they will take the law into their own hands. It is said that one of them, Robert, lives in Brooklyn. There is a Robert Porterfield in the Brooklyn directory whose address is given as 157 Rainbridge avenue. The Porterfield who lived there recently has moved, and his present address is not known. Lawyer Fiske is collecting the evidence and will file a petition for divorce as soon as possible. Mrs. Mackey No. 1 is in comfortable circumstances and her home is neatly furnished. A woman friend lives with her. After she gets a divorce she will return to her home in Stamford.

Daring Bank Robbery.

One of the most daring and successful bank robberies ever perpetrated in Michigan was carried out at Richland last Thursday night.

According to witnesses, the gang was composed of six men, who came to town on a hand car. Four were placed on guard outside the Union Bank, which is a small wooden building. Three charges of dynamite were exploded before the robbers got at the money and escaped. The bank is owned by N. S. Whitney and P. H. Gilkey. They say that the loss is between \$6,000 and \$7,000, mostly farmers' deposits.

Foetal Rates to Our Islands.

We are informed by the postoffice authorities at Yorkville that the rate of postage to Cuba and the Philippine islands has been made the same as the domestic rate. Thus an ordinary letter can be sent to those islands now for 2 cents instead of 5 cents as formerly. Postoffice money orders are also issued at ordinary domestic rates, good in the islands. The postoffice department seems to be moving along about as rapidly as the army and navy.—Yorkville Freeman.

THE BANKRUPTCY LAW.

The Important Act in Effect This Week.

Columbia Record.

The federal bankruptcy law went into effect last Monday, but so far as is known no Colombian, and in fact no South Carolinian, has yet taken advantage of its provisions to wipe out his debt and start life anew and rid himself of the ghost of duress. But it is thought that ere long the federal courts will have plenty of such cases before them, and that extra vigilance will have to be observed by the court officials to keep down fraud and prevent those persons taking advantage of the law merely for the purpose of shunning an honest debt which they are amply able to pay.

The new law provided the bankrupts do not prove too sharp for the officials and shuffle off debt they are able to carry, promises good results, but of course nobody can tell how the thing is going to be carried out, and the lawyers and business men are anxious to try it so as to find out how it is going to operate.

The new law, which is intended to provide a uniform system of bankruptcy and which, it is felt, the country has so long needed, gives relief to those who cannot pay their debts and starts them out in life again with all liabilities against them wiped out. All they will have to do to get this absolution will be to apply to the Federal court through the referee or register appointed by the court for this purpose for a discharge. Of course it must be shown by the applicant that he is unable to pay, and though he may in involuntary bankruptcy retain his homestead he must give up all other property.

Thus a business man who fails may start up again in his own name without fear of being interrupted by his old creditors, instead of as heretofore hiding his affairs behind another name.

Individuals also, said an attorney today who had studied the question, may also reap the benefits of the new law. "I cannot see," said he, "why anyone cannot under the law go into voluntary bankruptcy and get a discharge just as the proprietor of a business can. He will simply have to make his application, give up his property except the homestead and show that he is unable to pay, but he will have to look sharp to keep from being caught by the fraud provision of the act."

As to time of going into effect the law says: "This act shall go into full force and effect upon its passage: Provided, however, That no petition for voluntary bankruptcy shall be filed within one month of the passage thereof, and no petition for involuntary bankruptcy shall be filed within four months of the passage thereof. Proceedings commenced under state insolvency laws before the passage of this act shall be affected by it."

Approved July 1, 1898.

Swindling Constable.

A case, reeking with rottenness, consumed the board's attention this afternoon. Constable Gardner was reported to the board for swindling a prisoner out of \$25. It was alleged that while he was a passenger on the Laurens train recently, he persuaded, after much effort and entreaty, a negro passenger to sell him a drink out of a private bottle for 15 cents and then arrested the negro and carried him to Newberry. While there he agreed to drop the case for \$25, which the negro paid. Commissioner Vance was informed of the matter and reported the constable to the board. After discussing the matter all the afternoon and concluding that only the governor had authority over such officers, the board decided to report the matter to him for prosecution.—Columbia Special to Greenville News.

As this is the day on which the county campaign begins, it is the last on which candidates can file pledges and enter the race, so the candidate who retires tonight without opposition can rest tolerably easy on that score.

The Greenwood Journal has passed into its fifth year "satisfied with the past and confident as to the future." We congratulate the Journal on being able to put on long clothes and "regard the time of probation ended."

Last Sabbath afternoon we saw a girl, as we passed her home quietly studying the Bible with Henry's commentary. This explains why some girls have so much more useful knowledge and normal and spiritual force than others. Of course this would be too strong diet for giddy, novel-reading girls.

Gen. Wood, the military governor of Santiago, is doing a good thing in requiring food to be sold at reasonable prices. Last Saturday he called a meeting of the butchers and retail provision dealers for the purpose of agreeing upon a schedule of reasonable prices by 11 o'clock the next day, on the penalty of leaving their places closed up. They had been charging exorbitant prices and were indignant at military interference.

The "Immunes" now have their "foot in it." It may soon be said in a more literal sense that they have both feet in it, to wit, in fever-stricken Santiago. The government, acting on the presumption that immunes are immune, is bringing home the soldiers at Santiago, who are suffering with yellow fever, and will replace them with the immunes. Friends of the latter protested that they are not immunes at all, except in name, and that they are more subject to disease than those somewhat seasoned, but the government insists on the order. It should be said that the men themselves wish to go.

The Club Roll.
Is your name on the club roll? In the primary election "no person shall be permitted to vote unless he has been enrolled on a club list at least five days before the said primary election."

We have not been informed what arrangements other clubs have made for that purpose, but the court house club appointed a registration committee, viz: W. Y. White, W. H. Hood, and R. A. Love.

We do not know what efforts the committee have made; they have not handed any names to the secretary. A few names have been brought in by others.

The roll of this club is at the LANTERN office.

Waterworks at Davidson.
The executive committee of Davidson College has ordered the establishment of a complete system of waterworks, large enough to furnish an abundant supply of pure water for drinking and sanitary purposes, and for equipping the institution with modern bath room conveniences. The water will also be furnished to all the college boarding houses, and the town is taking steps to co-operate with the college and extend the system throughout the corporation for the use of all the citizens.

As it will require eight or ten weeks to bore the necessary artesian wells, and put the plant in operation, a number of small wells, reaching to a depth of from 100 to 150 feet, will be driven immediately, so as to furnish water of tested purity for the opening of the term in September.

Rural District.

Mr. Hemphill Bigham, of Sharon, York county, and Miss Alma Bigham, of Wellridge, visited friends in this neighborhood last week.

Mr. J. W. Gallant, of Columbia, spent several days with the Misses Bigham last week. He left for Chester Monday evening to spend a day or two with Doctor Bigham. Mr. Gallant lived two years in this neighborhood and made many friends while here.

Mr. J. W. Carson, of All Health, N. C., spent a week with his sister and other friends recently.

Master Joe, and Misses Nellie, Maud and Mary Bigham, who are visiting their aunts, expect to return to Chester Monday afternoon.

At a meeting of the congregation at Hopewell a few weeks ago it was decided to build a rock wall around the new extension of the graveyard. Quite a number met Tuesday of this week with wagons and teams and hauled rock; and next Tuesday is the day appointed to meet again and finish hauling rock and sand.

Preaching preparatory to a communion service tomorrow, commenced at Hopewell yesterday. Rev. C. B. Betts, of Richburg, is assisting the pastor.

Misses Mattie Boyce and Macie Stevenson, missionaries of the A. R. P. church in Mexico, worshipped with the congregation today and made an interesting talk to the ladies and children during the intermission about their work there and its needs. Miss Neva Mills, of Georgia, was appointed by the ladies' society to welcome the missionaries and introduce them to the congregation, which she did in a brief but graceful manner.

The sacrament of baptism was administered to Charles Ralph, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Bell during the afternoon service.

Misses Sarah Dunbar and Mary Jane Henry, of Avon, Fairfield county, are visiting Mrs. R. I. Bell and Mrs. W. H. Lathan and attending the meeting at Hopewell.

Miss Beatrice Mills expects to leave Monday to take charge of Miss Mattie's school at Baton Rouge. Miss Mattie's friends will be glad to know that she is improving and we hope will soon be entirely recovered from her recent illness.

At a meeting of the Y. P. C. U. of Hopewell yesterday Rev. J. A. White, Mr. Ambrose Wylie, and Miss Anna Bigham were appointed delegates to the synodical convention of the Y. P. C. U. of the A. R. P. church, which meets at Pisgah, N. C., the 19th instant.

Rev. J. A. White has been quite unwell this summer and the session has granted him a month's rest.

Occasional.
August 6.

Rodman Riples.
Mrs. George Sawyer, of Sally, and Misses Emmo-Delle and Lucie Price, of North, are visiting Mr. John Kee's family.

Miss Louise Stigreeves, of Winnsboro, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ike McFadden.

Several of our farmers went down to the falls last week. They report plenty of fish, delightful soup and a good time all around.

One of our charming young ladies has been sick for the past week and we judge from the looks of one of our most popular and "well read" young men that he has a genuine case of blues.

Mr. and Mrs. LaFayette Kee, of Lancaster, are visiting relatives in our neighborhood.

"I'll not be selfish; so I'll leave the rest of the news for 'Intruder.'"
OLD MAID.
August 8, '98.

The Sure La Grippe Cure.
There is no use suffering from this dreadful malady, if you will only get the right remedy. You are having pain all through your body, your liver is out of order, have no appetite, no life or ambition, have a bad cold, in fact, are completely used up. Electric Bitters is the only remedy that will give you prompt and sure relief. They act directly on your Liver, Stomach, and Kidneys, tone up the whole system and make you feel like a new being. For sale at Woods & Brice's Drug Store. Only 50 cents per bottle.

About Church and State.

Rev. W. E. Entzinger showed us yesterday a paper published in the Portuguese language. We did not have time to read it—it would have taken us several months—but Mr. Entzinger gave us a translation of the items which follow:

"The Presbyterian church in Brazil is making splendid progress. There are now four presbyteries, 76 churches, 138 out-stations, 40 ordained ministers, 4 licentiates, and more than 25 native ministerial students. There are 5,137 members in full communion, and in 3 years, 1,031 persons have united with these churches."

"The Catholic church in Spain has eventually caused the ruin of the once richest and most powerful of all the nations. There are at present in that country, 73,000 priests, 68,000 friars, 32,000 nuns, 21,000 licentiates, and 12,000 Christians, supported by the state. This vast army of parasites has amassed enormous wealth, all of which is exempt from taxation. For centuries they have been the power behind the throne, which at last has dethroned it of its power."

"The recent riots in Italy, known as the 'bread riots,' were incited by the clergy of the Catholic church, for the purpose of overthrowing the government. And now the Italian government has ordered a dissolution of all the clerical associations and suspension of 6 of their newspapers."

War Revenue for July.

WASHINGTON, August 3.—It was said at the treasury department this morning that the internal revenue receipts for July will exceed \$26,000,000. This is double the receipt for a normal month and the increase is due to the war revenue tax.

The commissioner of internal revenue said that the receipts for July could not be taken as an estimate of what war revenue law will produce, because it is not yet in good working order. The indications are that the receipts for August will exceed those of July.

Treasury officials are confident that the law will yield a handsome revenue, much larger than the friends of the measure anticipated.

To Wholesale to Blind Tigers.

At last Thursday's session of the state board of control, a wholesale dispenser's license was granted to Matthers F. Stelling, of Charleston, who argued that with such a privilege they could pick up a large quantity of blind tiger and other trade that the State could never get. They are to sell in large quantities.—Yorkville Enquirer.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Woods & Brice.

Distillery in Cherokee.

W. H. Newbold, Esq., appeared before the state board of control last Wednesday and secured for Mr. J. F. Jenkins the privilege of operating a distillery in Cherokee county.—Yorkville Enquirer.

A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold, which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. My doctor gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Saviour, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at Woods & Brice's Drug Store. Regular size 50 cents and \$1.00. Guaranteed or price refunded.

Don't Mix Melons.

There is complaint that water-melons are not generally good this year. Clerk of the Court Wylie has a theory that it is because different varieties are mixed in the patches. He says that where the melons are kept separate—one variety to itself—the result is always more satisfactory.—Yorkville Enquirer.

BOOKS AND STATIONERY.

Box Paper and Tablet, School, Office and General Stationery of every description. Wall Paper, Pictures, Envelopes, Second Hand School Books at

HAMILTON'S BOOK STORE.

Trespass Notice.

All persons are warned not to hunt, fish, cut timber, pass over, except on the appointed roads, or otherwise trespass on our lands. All who disregard this notice will be prosecuted. No exceptions. I. E. SIGMON, Mrs. S. E. W. CAMPBELL

Primary Election Notice.

In accordance with the rules of the Democratic party, notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, August 20th, 1898, a primary election will be held in the usual places of voting in the county for the purpose of nominating Democratic candidates for the following offices:

- One Governor,
 - One Lieutenant Governor,
 - One Secretary of State,
 - One Attorney General,
 - One State Treasurer,
 - One Comptroller General,
 - One State School of Education,
 - One Adjutant and Inspector Gen.,
 - One Railroad Commissioner,
 - One member Congress 5th District,
 - One State Senator,
 - Three members House of Rep.,
 - One County Supervisor,
 - One County Supt. Education,
 - One County Treasurer,
 - One County Auditor,
 - One Probate Judge.
- By order of the chairman.
R. B. CALDWELL, Secretary.

Concord Special!

Grand Excursion in the interest of the COLORED BAPTIST CHURCH of this place, will go to Concord, N. C., FRIDAY, AUGUST 12th. Special coaches for white people.

T. H. WARD, Manager.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

SUPERVISOR.

CHESTER, S. C., March 15, '98. I hereby announce myself a candidate for nomination to the office of County Supervisor at the ensuing democratic primary election, and pledge myself to abide by the result of said election. The cordial support of my fellow citizens is respectfully solicited. J. R. CULP, Sr.

AUDITOR.

We are authorized to announce W. M. Corhill as a candidate for re-appointment to the office of County Auditor, subject to the action of the Democratic primary election.

TREASURER.

Being well pleased with Mr. W. O. Guy's services as treasurer of Chester county, we hereby nominate him for reappointment to the same office, subject to the recommendation of the democratic primary.

AUDITOR.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of auditor; subject to the result of the democratic primary. JNO. A. BLAKE.

PROFESSIONAL.

Dr. SAM'L LINDSAY, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON, CHESTER, S. C.

Office, over Brandt's Store, Residence at Wm. Lindsay's.

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REMOVAL.
Dr. JAMES B. BIGHAM, SURGEON DENTIST.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Charbonnier are visiting in the city.

Miss Sue McIlroy is visiting relatives in Yorkville.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rice returned from Union yesterday.

Mr. Grandison Williams spent last Sunday in Blackstock.

Mrs. M. C. Deaver, of Carlisle, is visiting Mrs. R. H. Cousar.

Miss Addie Stricker, of Concord, is visiting Miss Fannie Stricker.

Miss Marie Horn went up to Rock Hill yesterday afternoon on a visit.

Mrs. Jos. Groeschel and Mrs. L. Samuels have gone to Harris Lithia Springs.

Mr. F. C. Withers was in the city yesterday in the interest of the State.

Miss Eunice Davis returned last week from a visit to relatives in Greenville.

Mr. W. B. Lynn, of Rock Hill, spent yesterday in the city with his brother.

O Wullum, Wullum, you should not try to Ford it on a bicycle in rainy weather.

Miss Ada Corkill, who has been visiting in Rock Hill and vicinity, is expected home today.

Miss Mamie Hull and little sister, of Rock Hill, are coming down today to visit friends.

Mrs. Maud R. McLure and little son, of Columbus, Ga., are visiting relatives in the city.

Mr. J. H. Marion hopes to get here on a furlough to speak at the court house on the 22nd.

Mrs. F. B. McCaw and her children, Anna Steele and Robt. Brice, are visiting in the county.

Mrs. J. R. Thompson returned last night from a visit to Hickory, Lenoir, and Blowing Rock.

Mrs. J. C. McFadden and Miss Louise will go to Cleveland Springs tomorrow to spend a fortnight.

The many friends of Auditor W. M. Corkill will be sorry to know that he is still confined to his room.

Mrs. A. Coke Smith, of Virginia, and Mrs. J. W. Humbert, of Yorkville, are visiting at Mr. J. L. Glenn's.

There will be no prayer meeting at the Methodist church tomorrow afternoon, on account of some work that is going on in the building.

Miss Mayme Meacham, who has been visiting in the city, returned to her home in Fort Mill Saturday.

Capt. M. H. Hunter and his son Summy went over to Whitmore yesterday to visit Capt. Hunter's daughter, Mrs. Wright.

Capt. T. M. Sanders returned last evening from Greenville, where he has been attending the United States court.

Mr. A. J. Clark, editor of the Lancaster Enterprise, passed through the city yesterday going to Columbia and returning.

Messrs. Julian Sloan and Willie Irwin last week enjoyed a glorious visit to Mtford. As they were riding bicycles and the roads were wet they didn't hurry back, and then returned to two sections.

Mr. J. C. McCullough, of Wylie's Mill, spent last Sabbath in the city with his brother.

Miss Annie Hardin left last Saturday for Greenwood, where she will spend some time visiting friends.

Miss Mary Corkill, who has been spending several weeks with friends at Albemarle, N. C., returned to the city yesterday.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Mr. Sam'l A. Hood, of Chester, and Miss Pearl Hudson, of Waxhaw, N. C., on August 17th.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Brown returned last night from their trip to the mountains. Mrs. Gladden and children, of Grover, N. C., came with them.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Brandt left last evening over the Seaboard Air Line for New York. Mr. Brandt will purchase his fall stock while in the North.

For the February, 1899, term of the T. S. district court, Mr. W. A. Hicklin, of this county has been drawn as a petit juror and Col. W. R. Davis as a grand juror.

Messrs. Hal Simril, Frazer Williams, Will Horne, and John Hinton, came up last Saturday morning from Jacksonville, on a week's furlough.

The Progressive Union will hold a county convention at the court house on Thursday, August 18, at 10 a. m. F. L. Whitlock, Esq., will deliver an address.

Miss Fannie Abell, of Lowryville, returned yesterday afternoon from a visit to Eastover, Richland county. Her friend, Miss Mel Kamena, came home with her.

Mr. Ben Cassels, of Fairfield county, spent Sunday and Monday in the city with his mother, Mrs. T. T. Cassels, who is spending some time at Mr. T. N. Bennett's.

Mrs. Josiah Miller, near Pleasant Grove Presbyterian church, mother of Mrs. W. R. Brown, took suddenly ill a day or two ago. Mr. and Mrs. Brown went to see her today.

There was a game of ball played at Chapel last Saturday afternoon between Wellridge and Seeley's Creek. The Wellridge boys came out victorious, the score being 3 to 0, in favor of Wellridge.

We heard a Chester lad say a day or two ago that when he is not well he would rather be lying in the barn at home than in a good bed anywhere else. He has been visiting recently and may have been (home) sick during the time.

Mr. W. S. Hall and family returned to Gaffney yesterday afternoon, after spending most of his summer vacation with friends in this county. Mr. Hall is superintendant of the graded school, lately organized.

Miss Inez Hunter went down to Douglass yesterday afternoon to teach her sister's school for a while. Miss Beatrice in doctoring her ear put in some medicine which contained carbolic acid, not knowing the acid was in it, and so rendered herself hors de combat.

There was as much politics at Tizah this year as usual, no doubt; but if any slates were agreed upon, they are not necessarily so sure of being preserved whole as has been the case in former years. The old slate business seems to have about played out. The people are on to the racket.—Yorkville Enquirer.

Born.

At Blackstock, S. C. Wednesday, August 3, 1908, to Dr. J. A. and Mrs. Fanny Thorn Hayne, a son.

First Open Ball.

Mr. Jno. T. McCracken brought us the first open ball of season we have seen. It was well developed and fully open. It is the Early King variety. Mrs. McCracken says it is opening considerably; there was another open ball on the stalk this one was taken from.

Mr. Jas. Wylie, on Jones & Co's, McCullum place, also reports open cotton.

Children's Day at Armonia.

Next Saturday will be observed as children's day at Armonia. The public generally are invited to come and bring provision for a basket picnic.

Death of a Young Lady.

Miss Janie McNinch, daughter of Mr. I. J. McNinch, died Sabbath morning, after an illness of fifteen months, aged about twenty-two years. Funeral service was conducted at the Baptist church by Rev. H. C. Buchholz, the pastor, and the remains were buried in Evergreen cemetery.

Parsonages.

The Methodist and A. R. P. parsonages are on adjoining lots. Both have been worked over and made practically new buildings. The work on both has just been completed. Both are very handsome and convenient houses, with waterworks, sewerage and all such improvements.

Spain's Answer.

There is almost nothing new to report in the way of war news. Spain's answer to our government's demands was received yesterday by the French Ambassador and will be presented to the president today. Judging from its length, it is thought that it is probably not a direct answer, though it may accede to the main demands. It is probable that further delay and messages will be necessary.

Hopewell.

Messrs. Matthew White, S. B. Lathan, J. M. McDaniel, J. K. Henry, and J. T. Bigham, Dr. J. B. Bigham, and Mrs. M. E. White and children attended the communion service at Hopewell last Sabbath. Hopewell is the old church home of all these except Mrs. White and children. "Her very dust to this is dear."

Rev. C. B. Betts, who is one of the patriarchs, preached last at tentative and interested audience.

Bottling Establishment.

Our townsman, Mr. W. H. Witherspoon, went to Chester yesterday to open up a bottling works, to be known as the Chester Bottling Works. They will put up and handle all kinds of light drinks, including ginger ale, soda water, and carbonated ciders. The projectors of the enterprise are Messrs. W. H. Witherspoon and L. S. Elliott. The former will be the manager in charge. We wish them success.—Lancaster Enterprise.

Primary Managers.

The rules for democratic primaries provide that: Each county executive committee of the democratic party in this state shall meet on or before the first Monday in August of each election year, and shall appoint three managers for each primary election precinct in their respective counties. The names of such managers may be published by the chairman of each county executive committee in one or more county papers, at least two weeks before the election. It is to be presumed that the first part of this requirement has been attended to.

The executive committee is composed as follows: P. L. Hardin, chairman; R. B. Caldwell, secretary; R. L. Cunningham, Jas. R. Dye, I. M. Hyatt, Dr. W. B. Cox, L. H. Grant, H. W. Miller, W. N. Gaston, W. W. Hicklin, H. C. Brawley, R. O. Atkinson, and R. E. Shannon.

Dr. Moffatt at Saratoga.

While the United Presbyterian church, of the North, and the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church, of the South, are not united organically, they are about one in nearly all other respects. The young people's societies of the two churches are united under the name of the Young People's Christian Union. This explains why delegates went from the South to the meeting, now in session at Saratoga.

It will be a matter of pride and

satisfaction to the host of friends of Rev. J. S. Moffatt, of Chester, to learn that in the organization of this immense assembly he was made president. The Daily Saratogian speaks of him all through as "Dr. Moffatt", for the reason, no doubt, that he is precisely the kind of timber the best D.'s are made of and the Saratogian couldn't distinguish him from those who had been thus labeled. This circumstance furnishes the paper the subject for its leading editorial in its issue of August 5, in the course of which it says: The election yesterday of Rev. J. S. Moffatt, of Chester, S. C., as president of this enthusiastic body of workers, signals a new era in this church and one that will be applauded by other religious bodies. The South Carolinian is a distinguished member of the Associate Reformed Synod of the South.

And this: The selection of Dr. Moffatt as the president of the Young People's Christian Union means a consolidation of the forces of the church. His election was, figuratively speaking, the clasping of the hands of energetic church forces, North and South, and a firm resolve to march together under the same church banner. It cannot be thought else but a source of deep gratification that so much has been accomplished, and the example set might well be emulated by others.

Two or three dozen men came in last night to join Capt. Crawford's company. They will probably be examined today.

LITHOGRAPHING and ENGRAVING.

We now represent one of the most reliable and up-to-date lithographing establishments in the United States. If you want wedding invitations, visiting cards, etc., lithographed in the most approved style, call and see samples. Our prices are the lowest for first-class work.

Lantern Job Office.

Must Go. ARE GOING. SOON BE GONE. GOOD BYE. To everything that can be classed as summer goods Klutz is now saying good bye. If you have a want a little bit of cash will here end it and leave you an enriched and happier individual. I have just about quit selling goods and am now mighty nigh giving them away, price is no object, the goods must go, and are going too. The way the people are carrying and hauling out these good cheap goods is a plumb sight. No dull times in Klutz' New York Racket, always busy, goods wrapped up in a whoop, cash planked down, and the people carrying out the goods with a pleased smile that leaves Klutz the happiest man in Chester.

Never before have you had such a chance to make your light weight pocket book feel heavy, because buying your goods now in this the biggest store in the State is just like picking up dollars. No summer goods to be carried over, all must have chopped off heads in this good bye sale. Here you find beautiful organdies, lawns, perals and every imaginable kind of summer dress goods, and shirt waists, summer corsets, and clothing, shoes, hats, etc., all so dirt cheap that if you don't need them now, you can afford to buy and lay them away for next summer.

Now or never is your chance, but you must be quick, else your spry neighbors will gobble up all these great bargains, and poor soul you will be left to fret and to mourn over what might have been your own pleasure and happiness. It is not my will that any of you should miss this good bye sale; so everybody now all together, come in a run if you want to keep up with the folks making for KLUTZ' NEW YORK RACKET. During August here open from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m.

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For the very cheapest good goods in the market. WE ARE CRANKS about giving you the very best goods to be found at the very lowest prices possible. People who buy elsewhere find that they have paid too much. There is no argument to be brought against us, our exceptional experience has GIVEN US THE LEAD.

To Make a Clean Sweep for our next opening we have GREATLY REDUCED everything until September 1st. NOW IS YOUR CHANCE AGAIN.

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—EVERYTHING CHEAP AT— Wm. LINDSAY & SON'S. Just received car load of NEW ORLEANS MOLASSES, in new clean barrels, which we will let go as fast as possible, so come and see us. We will sell you good TOBACCO so you can make money on it. Don't forget us.

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FURMAN UNIVERSITY.

GREENVILLE, S. C. Thorough courses leading to the degrees of B. Lit., B. S., B. A., and M. A. The Faculty has been enlarged. Special attention to English, Eloquence, and Pedagogy. New courses in Biology, History, Latin, Modern Languages, and Physics. A new Graduate Department. Early application for rooms in the Mass Hall should be made to Prof. B. E. GREER, Secretary of the Faculty, Omesar's Head, S. C. Address: Greenville, S. C. Sept 23. A. P. MONTAGUE, Greenville, S. C.

Notice of Final Discharge Estate of Caleb P. Shanley.

Notice is hereby given that at 10 o'clock A. M. on Wednesday, the 9th day of August prox., at the office of the Probate Judge for Chester county, the undersigned will make a final settlement of the estate of Caleb P. Shanley, deceased, and apply for a final discharge. THOS. O. BIRKING, 8-3 Adm. with the will annexed.

Erskine College, Due West, S. C.

Opens last Wednesday in September. Attendance last year from ten states and Mexico. Two courses leading to the degrees of A. B. and B. S. Total expenses for the nine months in the "Home" \$115.00 in private families \$135.00 Spacious and comfortable "Home" complete and equipped with modern conveniences of bath rooms, etc. Entire building heated by hot water system. Write for Catalogue to W. M. QUINN, President.

Citadel Examination.

A competitive examination for scholarships in the South Carolina Military Academy will be held at my office in Chester on Friday, August 15, 1908. W. D. BROWN, County Superintendent.

TEMPERANCE COLUMN

UNDER DIRECTION OF REV. J. B. MOFFATT

Is it right for South-Carolina to sell liquor to her sons that they may drink and become drunkards?

"Reduced" and "Marked Down."

At a recent meeting at the Association, while its president was addressing the audience of 900 unfortunate, discouraged men, most of whom were wrecked and ruined by rum, after telling them of the utter folly of carrying their hard-earned money to the saloon-keeper, among other things he said: "Manufacturers and merchants like to display their products in their windows. Millinery, dresses, clothing of all kinds and of the most beautiful styles and patterns, hats, caps, neckwear, musical instruments, hardware—in fact, every conceivable kind of manufacture except one—is thus displayed, and men and women are usually proud of their products. Not so with the place commonly called a 'saloon'; a better name is the 'rum mill,' not that they manufacture rum, but that they manufacture drunkards. Why not have a large show-window in such places, and put therein six or eight samples of drunken debauchery and ruin, and put on a large show-card: Samples of our work; these are what we make here; these have been reduced; these have been marked down."

"From sober men to miserable drunkards. "From a life of honor to one of shame. "From a life of health to one of disease. "From an upright life to one of disgrace and crime. "From a life of respectability to one of dishonor. "From a life of ease, comfort, and plenty to one of privation, hardship, and squalor. "From a life of sweetness to one of bitterness. "From a life of rejoicing to one of mourning. "From a life of blessed hope to one of hopelessness and despair. "From everything that is good to everything that is bad. "These have been 'reduced' and 'marked down' and are now valued at \$000 less than nothing."—The Rescue Evangel.

Two Sad Cases.

A deaconess was calling one afternoon at a certain house, where several children were playing about the doorstep. One of them, a girl of ten, having gone away, the lady of the house said to her caller:

"Did you notice that child? Well, her father—her mother both—drink beer. The mother is worse even than the father, for she gets so intoxicated that she lies like a log on the floor. This girl has been taught to drink the stuff until she likes beer better than water. O what a wretched home it is! There are eight children, and the eldest son and daughter, disgusted with the condition of affairs, have left home. How I pity the children who are left. What is to become of them and what can be done to bring about a difference in that home?"

"At another house a broken-down, dejected-looking woman said to the deaconess:

"Yes, I would come to the revival services, for I love such meetings, but for one reason. My husband was once a Christian, and a class leader, but he began to drink beer, and has been going from bad to worse ever since. As soon as supper is over, if he can slip away from me, he's off to the corner saloon, and there spends his money till it's all gone, drinking and treating others, for he's very free-hearted. Many a time have I gone after him, and he always comes home with me. Perhaps I'm not right in this one thing—I don't object so much to his bringing home a pitcher of beer as having him go to the saloon to drink there. If I go to church, I know he's spending the evening at O'Brien's, so I've given up going to meetings. As long as I can get him

to come home with me, I think it's my first duty to go after him. O we used to have such a happy home for George was a 'good-tempered man, never giving me a cross word, and now he's morose and contrary all the time. God help us! I know that the only thing that will help my husband is to be soundly converted. The Lord can take the desire for liquor away from him, and my prayer is that George may be brought to see his lost condition and to seek salvation through Jesus Christ.—Temperance Banner.

Depend on Christian Apathy.

Perhaps it is a peculiar fault of the Christians that they get tired too soon. The secret of the defeat of righteousness in its warfare for good citizenship is discovered right at this point. Christians cannot be counted on to maintain the warfare. When inspired to a special effort, they do royally, and always carry the day. But, as a leading New York brewer put it the other day: "We know that when the church people wake up they can beat us, and we have to give in; but we know also that they cannot be counted on to keep up the fight, so we just 'lay low' until the excitement dies out. Then we go ahead as usual and carry our point."

WHERE IS THE SILVERWARE

Bequeathed by President Jackson to the State of South Carolina?

Many queer letters and epistles find their way daily to the governor's office, but the one printed below is a little different from any which Private Secretary Evans has had to deal with lately. President Andrew Jackson before his death bequeathed certain pieces of silverware to the State of South Carolina, and, according to the writer in question, these valuables have somehow got beyond the limits of this commonwealth, and he asks that they be found and returned. The letter comes from Mr. Jno. L. P. Cantwell, who now lives in Wilmington, N. C. He was a private in the Mexican War, and a member of Co. H, Palmetto regiment, from this state. Here is the letter to Gov. Ellerbe:

"His Excellency, W. H. Ellerbe, governor of South Carolina. Governor: The prayer of your petitioner respectfully sheweth: That the late Andrew Jackson, of Tennessee, a native of South Carolina, formerly a general in the military service, as also president of the United States, did by his last will and testament give, bequeath, and devise to the State of South Carolina, certain pieces of silverware; and whereas your petitioner, a party at interest, is informed and believes that James D. Blanding, of Sumter, S. C., custodian of said silverware, has transferred the custody thereof to parties beyond the limits and authority of the State of South Carolina, in opposition to the known wishes of your petitioner and others of the same interest:

This is to call the attention of your excellency to the fact that action be had to the end that the will of the said Andrew Jackson, deceased, be obeyed and the interest of your petitioner and others of the same interest be protected by the return to within the limits of South Carolina of said silverware; the patriotism and state pride of whose officials and citizens is concerned for care, guard and preservation, until ownership is decided. And your petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray."

The piece of silver has been located in a bank in Columbia, where it has been for years.

Serious Situation.

LONDON, August 5.—There is great uneasiness on all sides here in view of the Chinese situation, which is regarded as bringing England and Russia within measurable distance of an open conflict.

Ella—Where does Bella get her good looks from—her father or her mother? Stella—From her father; he keeps a drug store.—New York Journal.

Personally Conducted Tour to Providence, Boston and White Mountains, via S. A. L. and M. T. Co.

July 25th, 1898, is the date selected for the special excursion to Providence via Seaboard Air Line and Merchants & Miners' Transportation Co. Steamer Tickets will only be sold on the 23rd, and will be limited to 20 days from date, allowing passengers to return on any regular steamer and train within that limit. The following rates and schedule will apply:

Table with columns: City, Rate, Schedule. Includes Atlanta, Albion, Lawrenceville, Winder, Rates to Boston, \$1.00 extra.

The steamship "Fairfax" will be placed in service on this occasion and the service will be first class in every respect. Meals and accommodations on berth on steamer, going and return, will be furnished holders of special excursion tickets, without extra charge. The capacity of the steamer is of course limited and application for reservation should be made as early as possible in order to secure the best accommodation. S. A. L. Ticket Agent at Atlanta, Ga., will make reservations and furnish number of rooms occupied. The Seaboard Air Line at Portsmouth, Va., has issued an attractive itinerary of this trip, copies of which will be furnished upon application to any S. A. L. Agent.

Campaign Meetings.

The County Executive Committee has arranged the following calendar for the congressional and county campaigns. Local clubs will please take notice, and make such arrangements as are necessary to meet the candidates, and prepare a suitable place for the speaking:

CONGRESSIONAL CAMPAIGN.

Chester, Monday, August 1st. Wilksburg, Tuesday, August 2nd. Cornwell, Wednesday, August 3rd. Richburg, Saturday, August 6th.

COUNTY CAMPAIGN.

Rossville, Tuesday, Aug. 9th. Batton Rouge, Thurs., Aug. 11. Elbethel church, Saturday, Aug. 13. Hollis' Store, Tuesday, Aug. 16. Chester, Monday, Aug. 22. By order of the chairman.

R. B. CALDWELL, Sec.

Notice to Candidates.

The secretary of the County Executive Committee is now prepared to receive the pledges and assessments of the various candidates; and on account of the present financial condition of the committee, we will be glad to have them all at an early date.

By order of the chairman.

R. B. CALDWELL, Sec.

Campaign Meetings.

Orangeburg, Thursday June 16. St. George's, Friday, June 17. Charleston, Saturday, June 18. Walterboro, Monday, June 20. Beaufort, Tuesday (night), June 21.

Hampton, Wednesday, June 22. Barnwell, Friday, June 24. Bamberg, Saturday, June 25. Sumter, Tuesday, June 29. Manning, Wednesday, June 29. Monck's Corner, Thursday, June 30.

Georgetown, Saturday, July 2. Kingsport, Tuesday, July 5. Florence, Wednesday, July 6. Marion, Thursday, July 7. Conway, Saturday, July 9. Darlington, Tuesday, July 12. Chesterfield, Thursday, July 14. Bennettsville, Saturday, July 16. Bishopville, Tuesday, July 19. Camden, Thursday, July 21. Lancaster, Saturday, July 23. Chester, Monday, July 25. Winnsboro, Tuesday, July 26. Yorkville, Wednesday, July 27. Gaffney, Thursday, July 29. Spartanburg, Friday, July 29. Union, Saturday, July 30. Newberry, Monday, August 8. Laurens, Tuesday, August 9. Greenville, Thursday August 11. Pickens, Friday, August 12. Walhalla, Monday, August 15. Anderson, Tuesday, August 16. Abbeville, Thursday, August 18. Greenwood, Friday, August 19. Aiken, Monday, August 22. Edgefield, Tuesday, August 23. Saluda, Thursday, August 25. Lexington, Friday, August 26. Columbia, Saturday, August 27.

War Atlas.

The Seaboard Air Line has gotten out and placed in the hands of all its Ticket Agents at principal points, a War Atlas, showing the United States, European Countries, Cape Verde and Philippine Islands, Cuba and its larger cities in detail, and with maps of the World, North America, Europe and South America. These Atlases are full of information and will prove of great assistance in understanding the movements of fleets and armies as given in the newspapers. On account of the great expense of getting out this Atlas, the Seaboard Air Line is compelled to fix a price of twenty-five cents each, which is merely nominal. They can be obtained upon application to Agents, Representatives, or to T. J. Anderson, General Passenger Agent, Portsmouth, Va.

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GAFFNEY DIV.

Table with columns: NORTHBOUND, SOUTHBOUND, Stations, Times. Includes Blacksburg, Gaffney.

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