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ITEMS *

GATHERED FROM
NEIGHBORING COUNTIES.

Ozark.

From the Star.

Geneva is to have another bank, with R. Tillis president and J. M. Jeter cashier.

Mr. Tully Edwards and family of Enterprise visited relatives here this week.

Mr. M. A. Pridgen, one of Enterprise's most sterling young business men was in town Saturday and gave the Star a pleasant call.

Uncle Tom Byrd, the "only original genuine," came over from Enterprise and spent a few hours in town Saturday with old friends. He always receives a cordial welcome from Ozarkians.

The editor of the Star is in re-

of the following invitation:

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Clements
request your presence
at the marriage of their daughter,

Alta May Johnson
to

Mr. William Harris Edmonds,
on Wednesday morning, August the
fourteenth
at half past eight o'clock
Baptist Church,
Enterprise, Alabama.

The Star desires to extend its hearty congratulations in advance.

Brantley

From The Reporter.

Mr. J. M. Head of Andalusia spent Sunday in this city. He got on in the train Monday morning and the last we heard of him he was hollowing "put me off at Buffalo."

On last Saturday afternoon the Brantley base ball team crossed bats with the Glenwood team; it was a one sided affair from start to finish. The Glenwood team was composed of good ball players but Brantley was just an over match for them. The score was as follows: Brantley, 62; Glenwood, 7. That is the most runs ever made by a team in the history of the grand old sport.

On Tuesday afternoon of last week the Brantley Base Ball Team crossed bats with Andalusia. It was a hard fought battle and every inch was contested for, but our boys were defeated by a score of 7 to 14 in favor of Andalusia. The features was Lord's fine slab work and Cosby's good work behind the bat. Our boys are going down there in a few days and have the battle over and in which they expect to win.

The Luverne base ball team has a standing challenge open for Andalusia and why don't they accept? If agreeable with both teams the Brantley base ball team will tender their base ball ground to them and by playing here both teams can meet on half way ground and fight the bloody duel. We make this suggestion thinking that it would be more convenient for both teams and to let them know that they can get together if they are not scared.

His Happiest Home.

The negro laborer evidently does not flourish in the Northern States. His happiest home is in the South, for here his education, opportunities and habits are best understood and most intelligently dealt with.—Huntsville Tribune.

WATCH WORK.

I still do watch work of high quality at very reasonable prices. I can be found in the Probate office at the Court House. All work entrusted to my care will receive prompt attention.

J. J. Morris.

Send us your job week.

A Disturbed Contemporary.

The reply of The Constitution to the solicitude betrayed by the New York Sun in behalf of colored men "at a distance," seems to have made itself felt.

The Sun asks:

Does a republican form of government exist where the negro is disfranchised or intimidated? As a matter of fact, the negro has no rights in the south which white men are bound to respect unless they elect to do so, especially white men in democratic conventions assembled. So it is the height of impudence for The Constitution to say that "the poor colored man of the north can only look to the democratic party of the union for the assertion of his natural rights."

A practical answer is always best, and we hasten to give it. The wounded negroes, carrying bullets received from republican marksmanship in Virden and Panama, did not find a republican form of government in Illinois.

When they returned to Enterprise they did not find such a government. The negroes recently held back from Melrose by shot guns did not find "a republican form of government." Even the effort of the governor of the state to enlist the preachers of Melrose on the side of humanity failed. The order was: "The negro must go!"

The negroes who have been driven out of Indiana towns by vigilance committees did not find a republican form of government until they had crossed the river into Kentucky.

The negroes who were hanged by the mob in Washington courthouse and who were chased out of Akron did not find "a republican form of government" in Ohio.

Now for the other side. Every negro driven out of the north has found in the south "a republican form of government" strong enough to gain for him the unstructured right to earn an honest living. A Georgia sheriff has interposed his life between violence and his negro prisoner. Colored offenders against womanhood have been given trial by law through the sympathetic aid of the state authorities. White assailants of colored homes have been convicted and sentenced by white juries and judges. All this is of recent record in Georgia, as against the record in Illinois, Ohio and Indiana for the period.

Now let us ask The Sun:

"Does a republican form of government exist in Illinois, where negroes are not permitted to earn their daily bread?" In Ohio, where they do not receive the benefit of trial by court? Or in Indiana, where the vigilance committee brutally orders the negro to "move on?"

Finally:

Would it not be advisable for each state to attend to its own house cleaning?—Atlanta Constitution.

Population of Cities.

The census of 1900 shows that in all the large cities the females outnumber the males. Which accounts for the youths of the country deserting "pastures green," and fleeing to the environments of the city.—Mobile Item.

LIGHT WORK AND GOOD WAGES

We give employment to energetic ladies and gentlemen at their homes. Write at once for particulars to J. F. Robinson, Mgr., box 411, Thomasville, Ga.

LATER DETAILS

Of The Enterprise Negro Lynching.

RAPED WOMAN IN GARDEN I

blacks were piling brushwood around the iron pipe. The negro saw his doom and screamed in terror, while the crowd stood silently by. The frightened brute was limp and had to be supported while the chains were fastened around his neck and body.

THE MATCH APPLIED.

When all was ready the cry was given and the crowd stood back. A match was applied to the pile, and with oil to feed upon the tiny flame soon burst into a roaring fire. The terrified negro again pleaded for mercy in the most agonizing tones and prayed to God that those around him might perish. He then called upon the Maker for forgiveness, and as the flames leaped up and encircled his neck an unearthly shriek was heard and the man's eyes bulged out of their sockets.

By this time the fire had gained such headway that nothing could be seen except a wriggling motion in the center of the fire. A deathly silence enveloped the awful sight, and in a few minutes the flames had sufficiently subdued to set that Pennington's head had fallen forward and fell limp over the iron chain. He was dead.

The body was quickly consumed and all of Pennington that remained was a pile of ashes.

The crowd then quietly dispersed. It was the general opinion among the farmers of the neighborhood that Pennington had met a just fate.

RATES TO SAN FRANCISCO.

The Southern Pacific Co.'s, "Sun Set Route" takes pleasure in announcing very low round trip rates from all Coupon Ticket Offices in this territory to San Francisco, Cal., account of the above occasion.

Tickets on sale September 18-26

Stop overs are allowed on the going trip in Texas and West therefrom provided passengers will reach San Francisco not later than October 2nd, and on the return trip at points West of Colorado Common Points, San Antonio and Fort Worth, Texas, provided passenger reach starting point within the extreme limit of the ticket, November 15, 1901.

The privilege of going one route and returning another will be allowed.

Particular attention is called to the "Convention Special," one of the finest trains in the world, from New Orleans through to California without change. This train carrying the equipment of the "Famous Sun Set Limited" Vestibuled Sleeping and Dining Cars, especially arranged to carry the delegates and visitors to California, will leave New Orleans Wednesday, September 25th. Stops will be made at various interesting points enroute.

The following rates have been authorized from various points to San Francisco and return.

Aniston : : : : \$55.55
Atalia : : : : \$55.15

Birmingham, Selma, Decatur, Mobile, Montgomery and Tuscaloosa : : : : \$51.75

Eufaula : : : : \$50.55
Florence : : : : \$50.95

Huntsville : : : : \$53.20

Opelika : : : : \$55.70

Rates are open to all.

For further information call on or address, GEO. W. ELY,

T. P. A. "Sun Set Route,"
15-6 Montgomery, Ala.

Washington's Faintlings Known.

Lawrence, ear of George Washington had a most temperamental, and one day in a fit of passion he cut down with his sword the ear of a good friend, Dr. Johnson. The latter had given no provocation for the deed, and the crime was an act of brutality heinous save that the ear may not have been well balanced mentally. He was brought to trial for killing Johnson and demanded and received the privilege of being tried by his peers.

Mrs. Davis immediately recognized him and the negro broke down and wept, pleaded for mercy, but with cries of terror, the trembling man was dragged from the house and into the woods where the crowd had gathered. Several of the citizens had already driven a stake into the ground and as the men approached with Pensington both whites and

ADULTERATED COFFEE.

GROCER WHITE FOUND GUILTY OF VIOLATING OHIO'S PURE FOOD LAWS.

Interesting Facts Concerning the Roasting of Coffee Brought Out by Scientific Experts—Presence of Bacteria.

Toledo, O., Aug. 8.—The jury in Judge Meek's court in this city has found James White, a local grocer, guilty of violating Ohio's pure food laws. The prosecution was based on a package of Aransas Ariona coffee.

The State of Ohio, through the Pure Food Commission, prosecuted White. The case was on trial for nearly a month and attracted national attention.

The manufacturers of Ariona coffee conducted the defense for Grocer White. The best attorneys in the country were retained to defend him, but, after a short consultation, a verdict of guilty was returned by the jury. The State of Ohio considers this a big victory. Pure Food Commissioner John C. H. Blackburne said that the warfare on spurious food articles and the department has been successful.

The complaint of the State of Ohio was that Ariona coffee was coated with a substance which concealed defects in the coffee and made it taste better than other coffee. The State charged this coating or glazing was a favorable medium for the propagation of bacteria.

Prof. G. A. Kirchmayer, of this city, a well known chemist, was the principal witness for the State. He had examined a sample of some pieces of Ariona purchased from Grocer White in the open market. He found that each Ariona bean contained an average of 300 bacteria. Mr. Kirchmayer further testified that other coffee he examined contained few bacteria or none at all. He declared that the Ariona coffee was not a wholesome food product.

Chef Schmidt, of Cincinnati, corroborated the testimony of Prof. Kirchmayer. The State did not present further testimony.

The defense through the Arbuckles, who are some of the most eminent chemists and scientists in the United States to give testimony in their behalf. Prof. H. W. Wiley, of the United States Agricultural Department; Prof. Vaughn of Ann Arbor University; Prof. Blella and Webber, of the Ohio State University, were called to defend Ariona. Dr. Wiley, who is a well known authority on the method of manufacturing Ariona, said of the 13,000,000 eggs used by the Arbuckles yearly in the preparation of this glazing. On this point in cross examination, the State's attorney deftly drew from him the information that these eggs might be kept in cold storage by the Arbuckles for a year or two at a time.

The experts who heard Dr. Wiley's testimony were pleased to be able to "catch" so famous a chemist. The doctor at one point in his testimony explained that a clear bowl of water is the best way to test for bacteria. He said that when the egg was put into Ariona coffee at the factory it became congealed, and as egg cannot be congealed but once, that the coating on coffee was practically no value, as a "settler" when it reached the coffee pot.

Dr. Wiley acknowledged that the glazing might be a favorable medium for the propagation of bacteria, although he would not testify either way because he was not a bacteriologist.

Prof. Vaughn, of Ann Arbor, also a well known chemist, said he had found bacteria on Ariona coffee.

Prof. Blella, another witness for the defense, found any number of lively bacteria on Ariona coffee he examined, and he agreed that glazed coffee surely was a more favorable medium for the propagation of bacteria than unglazed coffee.

The Food Commissioner Blackburne says: "The State is very much elated over its victory against this corporation. We are now considering the advisability of informing every grocer in the State of Ohio that it is an infraction of the laws to sell Ariona, and at the same time give warning to consumers that the coffee is an adulterated food article."

The verdict of the jury in this case is of national importance because a great many other States have pure food laws like that of Ohio, and it is natural to suppose that similar action will be taken by other Pure Food Commissioners to prevent the sale of glazed coffee.

BIDS WANTED.

The Commissioners will receive bids at the next regular session of the commissioners Monday in October—for the painting of seven iron bridges in the county.

Regularly adopted

School Books
at Clipper office.