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Three New County Schemes.

Metes and Bounds of Calhoun. Greenwood and Dorchester.

CCLUMBIA, October 20 -The new county fever is quite the fashion just now. Three petitions were received to-day asking for special elections at which to decide whether or not new counties should be formed. Greenwood. Dorchester and Calhoun are the names for the proposed counties as indi- \$1,977,456 Population, total Collecated in the petitions. Those advancing the Dorchester County are not partial to the name, and would not be adverse to accepting the name of Jasper or Moultrie County, and, indeed, the 119, area to be cut off 1,318, leaving latter name may be pushed.

With the petitions now on file elections will be held within the next 60 12,379 Distance to Walterboro, days for five new county schemes, and, nearest county seat, thirteen miles of course, every one of the committees, certain that the projects will be succesmap of the State.

where is not known He has been telegraphed of the petitions being filed, and the desire of the people in the interested communities to have the elec tions ordered at an early day.

Here are outlines of the propositions that are soon to be submitted to the voters in the territory indicated.

CALHOUN COUNTY LINES.

Calhoun County proposes to have 410 89 square miles and will run within 81-4 miles of Orangeburg Court House. The statements indicate that the new county proposes to take about \$1,600,000 of the taxable property from Orangeburg and leave in the old county over two millions of property. The cut from Lexington County will take \$124,902 worth of taxable property, and leave in the old county \$2,-669,885. In the territory to be taken from Orangeburg there are from 800 to 900 qualified voters, and of this number 5:00 have signed the petitions that have been submitted to Governor Evans. In the portion of Lexington County to be taken there are 126 voters, Bryan. and of that number it is said 75 per cent have signed the petition

The new county is to be made up, so it appears, from Amelia, Pise Grove, Caw Caw and Lyon townships in Orangeburg County, and Sandy Run Township and part of Bull Swamp Township in Lexington County.

This map that is presented was made out for the original Calhonn County, which failed to pass the General Assembly several years ago, and has been adopted to meet the requirements of the change of territory for the new county With the proposed cuts Orangeburg will have 931 square miles and Lexington will have 819 square miles left. The cut from Orangeburg County will be just above Elloree and Jamison, so as to leave both of these places in the eld county.

This particular county is one of the oldest projects in the State, and has for a long time had many faithful and indefatigable workers. The committee in charge of the work of pushing the scheme to a successful end consists of Messrs. Julius Jacobson, J. A. Banks and J. B. McLauchlin.

GREEN WOOD COUNTY SCHEME

Greenwood, as shown in the petitions, will get from the territory it proposes to get for the new county the following population: From Abbeville 10,682, and from Edgefield 6,153. The area of the new county will be \$250,140

White Hall, Indian Hill.

DORCHESTER'S OUTLINES.

then comes Druchester County with tampered with Our information is that and the jury comp

wants the following territory from Colleton County: Summerville, Dorohester Township, Collins, part north of public road, Burns Township, Carn Township, Ginham Township, George Township, Knoger Township

To be taken from Berkely County : From the intersection of the county line between Colleton and Berkley with the run of Four-hole Creek, a straight line to a point upon Saw Mill Branch, one mile nertheast of the South Carolina and Georgia Railroad, thence along | cil of ministers held to day. Senor said branch to the Colleton line, and Canovas del Castillo, the prime minthence back to the starting point along lister, presented a summary of the and Berkley counties

\$381,155; part of Brownsville, \$21,included above, \$32,000 Total \$444,-

Total taxable property in Berkeley \$3,192,325, leaving \$2,747,525 after deducting the proposed cut off.

Value of property in Colleton \$4,-386,412, section to be cut off \$1,532,-656, leaving in Colleton \$2.853,856. Value for Barkeley \$3,192.325, section to be cut off \$444,800, leaving in

Berkeley \$2,757,525. Value of property in proposed county

ton 40,294, area to be cut off 11,952.

leaving in Colleton 38,241 Total population in Berkley before Act throwing part to Charleston 54, in Berkley 52,692.

Total population in proposed county

taking charge of the plans are quite Berkley 10.77; for Dorchester 551.58 Mr. T. W. Stanland, representing the cessful. If the reports from the terri- Dorchester County plan, came up to tory involved are anyways accurate the file the petition for that county He ernment's course. The Liberals, Demnew counties will very soon be on the says that there are 1,400 voters in the ocrats, Carlists, and even the Repub The petitions have been duly filed. number 900 have signed the petitions. The committees are anxious to have the The idea is to have a meeting of the sion with a view of averting internaelections just as soon as possible. Gov interested territory, so as to have some tional complications and the dreaded ernor Evans is at present north of understanding about the country seat intervention of the United States Mason and Dixon's line, but exactly Summerville is not inclined to kill the county idea if it cannot get the county seat. St. Georges is also to be included in the new county. Ridgeville is said to be the nearest point to the geographical centre.

The Way They Get Crowds.

Last Saturday a number of the emplayes of the H. P. Nail Co, the Kilby Manufacturing Co. went to Canton to able the continuation of the wars to see Major McKinley. The men didn't go of of their own accord, but were invited to go and each presented with a mackintosh overcoat and a blue felt hat and their fare paid for them A number of the men refused to go and of case who went the majority were Bryan men. As they marched down to the depot there was one continuous cheer for Bryan and while in Canton they kept up. On the way back a straw vote on the first train showed 166 for Bryan and 162 for McKinley, and a number refusing to vote for fear of what might follow, if they voted for

When the delegation reached the city on their return they marched up the street yelling:

"Who are we?" "Who are we?"

"We are for Bryan, don't you see!" The cry was taken up by the thousands along the sidewalks who joined the procession. They marched around cheering the free silver speakers who were speaking on the square, and then marched to the Plain Dealer office where a halt was ordered.

"Who paid our fare to Canton?" cried one man.

"Mark Hanna," responded the work-

"Who paid our way back?"

"Mark Hanna"

"Who paid all our expenses?" "Mark Hanna "

"Who bought the H. P boys the

coats and bats?" "Mark Hanna."

"And who are we going to vote

"Bryan!" The Republicans tried to break up the crowd but were out-yelled, and retired in disgust. It is said that three fourths of the H. P Nail men are for

Bryan -Troy. Ohio, Democrat,

Washington, Oct. 22 -Senator Marion Butler of North Carolina, chairman of the Populist committee, is said 433 square miles. The assessed prop- to be about to issue a circular adressing erty valuation for Greenwood is shown the supporters of Mr. Bryan to keep the same place, at Mrs. Jopling's to be \$3,467,393, made up as follows: "every eye open" and "to place cool Ninety-Six Township, \$487,705; game men on guard' to watch and ex-Greenwood, \$1,479,480; White Hall, pose a game which he says the Repub- morning and for some time it was \$213,575; four-fifths of Cokesbury, licans are contemplating in the middle- | thought that the case would be a long \$292,328; less than one-half of South- western States, and which be describes one. Witness after witness was ville, \$175,000; less than one-half as follows: "The plan as now reveal- put up by Solicitor Bellinger and the Indian Hill, \$150,000; half Kibler, ed is for so much money to be put into closest examination made of each, undiluted fusion we should amend to \$115,585; Cooper, \$303,580; Gray, the hands of township and ward man- but the case grew weaker and weak agers and so much to be given for a er for the prosecution, and at about The following townships are to be special Republican gain. It has been 3:30 o'cleck, when the last witness taken from Abbeville County: Ninety- found impossible to buy enough indivi- for the State concluded his testimo-Six, Greenwood, Coke's, Southville, dual votes to cary the election and the ny, Solicitor Bellinger turned and replan foreasted is to be the one. In- quested the judge to charge the jury stead of the voter the poll itself is to be to render a verdict of not guilty, on for countyhood. She this alar has already begin in Ohio." of

Cuba Will Be Free.

Spanish Prime Minister in Effect Admits it.

LONDON, Oct. 21.—The Daily From the Washington Post Standard will to-morrow print a dispatch from its Madrid correspondent presided at the meeting of the counville, \$10.600; railroad property not and eastern parts of the kingdom, winter a slow work. The withdrawal import large amounts of breadstuffs. troubles in the Phillippine islands had markedly diminished the exports of manufactured and agricultural products to the West Indies and the Phillippine islands, causing great distress and discontent In the towns and rural districts there was visible a feeling of impatience and anxiety, all figu classes of the people having been led to hope for quicker and more decisive results from their sacrifices Everybody the premier said, recog-Area off C. lienton 54981, off of nized the fact that the drain cannot long continue at the present pace. Patriotism and national pride alone can check the criticisms of the govterritory that is wanted, and of that licans have a sort of instinctive 'esentment that impels them . uegovernment The gloomiest feature of the situation, the prime minister declared, is the difficulty which the government finds in obtaining a loan of one billion pesetas to defray the expense of the war in Cuba and the Philippine islands to strengthen the finances of the country.

The Spanish press is almost unanimous in approving the idea advanced by the premier appealing to native capitalists and banks for funds to ena successful issue.

AMERICAN CLAIMS.

Madrid, Oct 21 -- At a meeting of the cabinet to day, the claim of the United States government for damages for losses sustained by Americans in consequence of the enforcement of Captain General Weyler's decree prohibiting the export of tobacco from Cuba was considered, but no decision in the matter was reached. The cabinet adopted a resolution to send General Polivieja, who some time ago was mentioned as General Weyler's possible successor in the captain generalship of Cuba and Brigadier General Zappino, to the Philippine islands to assist Captain General Blanco in the work of suppressing the revolution there. It was also resolved to remodel the frigates Numancia and Vittoria, so they may be put in commission as

Rapid Growth of Cities.

In Scribner's for October is found he following: "More than one-third of the entire population of these United States now live in cities In some states it much grater; in Massachusetts, 70 per cent; in New york, 60 per cent.; in Connecticut, 54 per cent.; in New Jersey, 52 per cent. In 1790 there were but six 'cities'-i.e., having a population of more than 8,000-in 1890 there were 448 such cities; In 1840 there were but three cities with more than 100,000 inhabitants; in 18-90 there were twenty eight such cities. In 1870 there was no city-having 1,-000,000 inhabitants; in 1890 there were three such cities In 1896 the as follows: new New York is estimated to contain 3,200,000 inhabitants, or nearly as many as the thirteen United States when George Washington took the oath of office as first President."

Wiley Thompson, of Augusta, charged of his strength: with the murder of Garvin Allen of place near Bath, S. C., on the 22d of ut lear

The Post's Estimate.

A Really Non-Partisan Paper Gives Bryan a Great Show.

The Post's estimates on the election, given out some fortuight or so ago, saying that Queen Regent Christina have attracted widespread attention. The explanation of this is to be sought in the fact that The Post is recognized everywhere as a genuinely independent journal-a journal which has its own the line of division petween Colleton evente which have occurred in Spain views as to public measures, but which and the colonies within the past does not adjust these views to the dic-The property showing as made up is three months and a forecast for the tate of any individual or party. The as follows: Part of Summerville, near future. The outlook, he said, country understands that The Post showed that great distress existed speaks its honest convictions upon all 045; in either Summerville or Browns- among the people in the southern matters, without fear or favor, that it owes no allegiance to political leaders which fact would render the collec or organizations. When, therefore, tion of taxes during the coming | we offered an estimate on the situation as it appeared to us at that time, our of 200,000 men from the plows and figures were generally accepted as the mills within the past twenty months, cresult of an intelligent and unbiased inhe said was severely felt and Spain vestigation. They may have been would, in consequence, be obliged to | challenged here and there, but not because of a suspicion as to their coloring. The prosecution of the war against No one imagined that they were the the insurgents in Cuba and the product of partisanship or unthinking

Since then there have been some changes in the superficial aspect of identification or estimate And under things, and it seems to us that a revision of our first survey is in order. For

purpose of making thi	
ires:	
Bates reasonably sure	for Bryan:
Albama	11
Arkansas	8
Florida	4
Georgia	13
Louisiana	.8
Mississippi	9
Missouri	17
South Carolina	9
Tennessee	12
Texas	15
Virginia	12
Colorado	- 4
Idaho	3
Montan	3
Nevada	3
North Dakota	3
South Dakota	3 4 3
Utah	-3
Washington	4
Wyoming	3

Total 148 States reasonably sure for McKinley: Maine New Hampshire Vermont Massachusetts 15 Rhode Island Connecticut New York 36 32 Pennsylvania New Jersey 10 Ohio

140 Total States likely to go for Bryan in the event of complete fusion:

Kentucky

Kansas	10
Nebraska	8
Indiana	15
North Carolina	11
Total	57
Summary:	
Bryan	205
McKipley	140

Doubtful states, out of which Bryan must get 19 and McKinley 84 votes in

ier to be elected:		
Illinois		24
Oregon		4
California		9
Maryland		8
Delaware		3
West Virginia		6
Minnesota		9
Michigan *		14
Wisconsin		12
Iowa		13
	-	
Total		102

Such seemed to us to be the situation two or three weeks ago. To-day we find the outlook somewhat different. To-day we should take California and Oregon out of the doubtful list and add them to the states reasonably sure for Bryan, making the basis of his strength

Votes originally counted	148
California	9
Oregen.	4
Total	161
To McKinley's list we	

AIKEN, Oct. 21 .- The trial of Wisconsin and Iowa, making the basis

Votes originally counted	140
Wisconsin	12
Iowa	13
Total	165

The table of states likely to be won by Bryan in the event of a genuine and make it as follows:

Kansas	10
Nebraska	8
Indiana .	15
North Carolina	11
Total	44

opears to be the order of the Fusio day in t ur cases here specified

we should summarize the probable vote | Prof. W. L. McGee Meets a -as things stand now-thus: Bryan

McKinley 165 This reduces the vote of doubtful states from 102 to 77, as follows: **Ullinois** Maryland Delaware West Virginia Minnesota Michigan Kentucky

Total

It will be seen that the changes we make have not increased the Bryan estimate first given, while they have increased the McKinley estimate from 140 to 165. Bryan still has 19 votes to get from the doubtful states, but McKinley now has only 59, as against 84 on the first count. If Bryan can carry Kentucky and West Virginia, he will, with the other states we have assigned him, be elected. If he can carry Illinois or Michigan and Maryland, he will be elected. As we said before, in connection with our first survey of the field, the chances all seem to favor McKinley in the doubtful states. But this is a campaign quite without precedent. The great forces are not easy of such circumstances of uncertainty the young man from Nebraska is dangerously near the goal.

Insurance Fake Pleads Guilty.

The Winant case has come to an end. It will be remembered that E. L. Winant was secretary of the defunct Citizen's Fire Insurance Company and was one of the corporators. He got out of | ulty. town as soon as the exposure came, but was arrested in Charleston. The case Messrs. Sloan & Green thought it best fully. for Winant to plead guilty in open Court, and a five of \$400 was promptly paid. The indictment was for making false representations as to the capital of an insurance company.

The sentence was for six months or \$400 Creditors were about ready to pounce on Winant, but he paid up several claims and made double quick time for the station so as to get off on the first train for the North. He has evidently had sufficient experience with trying a fake company in Carolina, and he can thank his stars that Sloan & Green got a fine accepted. The State is satisfied with having made the example it has .- News and Courier.

Comptrolier Trying to Oil the Tax Machinery.

The mixed up condition into which the tax business of many of the counties in this State have gotten, as revealed by the recent disclosures as to the counties of Sumter, Chester, Edgefield and Richland, has caused the comptroller general to determine to take active steps in the cases referred to. He stated yesterday, also, that he had decided to ask the legislature to allow him to appoint an exbe to visit the several counties fre-

in Sumter county examined from beginning to end He has engaged ham was chairman. Auditor William H. Dorrill, of in the State, to go to Sumter and go ently refused a fair proposition to there. Mr. Dorrill is now confined of the committee left the city for to his room, but expects to be in their homes to night. L L Cle-Sumter by Tuesday next Mr. Nor- ments says that he is going to vote joubelong to his political faction.

Auditor Wise, of Aiken, who was to examine the books in Edgefield county, has declined the appointment for some reason. Mr. Norton says he expects to send Mr. James McLarnon, who made the examination in Chester county. Mr. McLarnon, the comptroller says, is an ex pert accountant.

here to take charge of all the books county.-The State.

Violent Death.

While the Professor of Agriculture was Showing a Class the Workings of a Corn Shreder He was Fatally Cut by the Saws.

CHARLESTON, Oct. 22 - A special to the News and Courier from Clemson College says: Prof W. L. Mc-Gee was fatally injured about 12.30 to-day and died at 5 this evening. He was at the barn showing the senior class the working of a new corn shredding machine, when his coat was caught by the saws of the machine and and he was instantly cut in the side by the saw teeth. It was soon seen that he was fatally hurt and he began giving directions as to his burial and the disposition of his property His father was telegraphed to, and he asked that his old friend and preceptor, General Stephen D Lee, should be notified also. The latter sent the following reply to President Craighead: "Tell McGee that I am shedding tears that one so beloved and promising should meet such a fate."

This message fitly expresses the sentiment here, for Professor McGee enjoyed the respect and friendship of all and his death is greatly deplored. He was 34 years old, affable and quick and of commanding presence. He came to Clemson as assistant professor of agriculture in March, 1894, and was elected professor in 1896. His remains will be sent to his home at Lexington, Miss, to-morrow, escorted by two members of the fac-

Prof. McGee exhibited remarkable calmness throughout, knowing that was to have been tried this week, but he could not live, and died peace-

Fillibuster Caught.

JACKSONVILLE, Fig., Oct. 21.—Off New Smyrna bar this morning, the United States cruiser Raleigh captured the filibustering steamer Dauntless and ber tender, R. L. Mabey. The Dauntless was caught about 6 o'clock, and the Mabey later. The latter steamer was putting out to sea with coal and supplies for the Dauattess when the Raileigh fired a blank cartaige for her to stop. The Mabey turned about and tried to escape, whereupon the Raleigh fired a solid shot across her bow and the tug heaved to. An officer was put in charge of the Mabey and the Dauntiess was brought to St. John's bar, and now lies inside, in charge of officers from the Raleigh. Cubaos here are greatly excited over the news, but claim that the Dauntless had no arms nor men on board. In chasing and capturing the Danotless the Raleigh used her guns several times and the Dauntless came near being

Going Back on Watson.

ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 23.—The Poppert accountant whose duty it would ulists of Georgia have taken down their State electoral ticket This acquently and thoroughly examine the tion was taken to night by the speaffairs of the offices in those counties. cial committee, which was given Comptroller Norton states that he plenary powers by the executive has determined to have the affairs in committee on Tuesday. The special the treasurer's and auditor's offices committee was composed of six members, of which John Cunning-

In making the announcement the Georgetown county, one of the most committee says simply that, "Whereexpert accountants and best officials as the Democratic party has persistthrough everything in connection fuse, the Populists withdraw their with the management of the offices electoral ticket" All the members ton says that he selected Auditor for McKinley. W. H. Peck, who Dorrill, first, because of his compe- was withdrawn from the Congrestency, and second, because he does sional ticket yesterday, would not say what he intends to do

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Cure Fore Headache.

As a remedy for all forms of Headache Electric Bitters has proved to be the very best Mr. Norton went on to say that he It effects a permanent cure and the most intended to bring Mr. McLarnon dreaded habitual sick headaches yield to its in the treasurer's and auditor's offices influence. We urge all who are afflicted to in Richland county and make a com- procure a bottle, and give this remedy a fair plete examination He said he had trial. In cases of habitual constipation determined to do this in consequence Electric Bitters cures by giving the needed of certain reports and rumors that tone to the bowels, and few cases long resist the had reached him in connection with use of this medicine. Try it once. Fifty the condition of affairs in Richland cents and one dollar at J. F. W. DeLorme's Drug Store.

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