

**NEGROES TO DIG THE CANAL.**

5,000 To Be Taken To Panama. And They Will Be Housed by White Men From the South Who Understand Them.

Washington Special, 13th, to New York Sun.

William J. Oliver and Anson M. Baugh, the contractors who will probably build the Panama canal, are waiting for the Isthmian canal commission to take action on the proposition they presented yesterday to construct the canal for 6.75 per cent of the total cost. Mr. Oliver if awarded the contract, and there is little doubt, will take with him a great force of white steam shovel men, superintendents, foremen, sub-foremen and the like. They, like Mr. Oliver, will come from the South, where they have been working with negro labor, and it is declared that they will not find trouble in pushing the black man forward at a rapid pace in making the dirt fly. Mr. Oliver expects to take 5,000 negroes to Panama with him and maybe more will be taken out of the South.

**Gaillard Jurors.**

The following jury was drawn for the February term of criminal court, of Gaillard county which convenes on the 25th:

E. H. Zimmerman, Walter Shepherd, Alfred E. Gresson, W. H. Neese, John Layton, Robert F. Troxler, J. F. Andrew, J. F. Dick, Robert L. Causey, Thomas Causey, James May, F. R. Snipes, James M. May, W. J. Hendrix, John C. Kearns, John M. McCulloch, J. F. Highfill, W. D. Moore, E. M. Sellers, J. F. Fulton, C. P. Boren, M. C. Groome, A. S. Coltrane, J. T. Rhodes, C. S. Cook, Thomas M. Rayl, John P. Watson, Jacob Leonard, Jr., J. A. Harvey, W. D. Harrison, A. A. Grant, W. F. Gray, W. W. Grossett, J. C. Welch, J. W. Gayer, M. H. Wheeler.

The following jurors were drawn for the civil term:

First week—Samuel A. Brown, W. G. Causey, J. R. Kernode, J. M. Clapp, Charles A. Cobbe, L. A. Jessup, P. V. Carter, C. I. Weatherly, Edgar Blair, W. E. Lyon, W. C. Dorsett, W. H. Brookbank, Charles E. Hunt, John Hodgkin, Charles Case, W. W. Tucker, A. R. Hamner.

Second week—Isaac Pritchett, Charlie Bernhardt, A. G. Amick, C. D. Seoggin, J. Henry Fields, R. J. Ballard, C. C. Shaw, O. L. Tucker, J. H. Grant, C. Mebane, C. W. Meade, C. F. Johnson, John A. Gretter, John A. Suits, A. S. Clark, H. W. Frazier, F. M. Pickett.

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**Death Despoiled.**

From Malherbe, "On the death of a beautiful child," by Curtis Hidden Page in the February Metropolitan Magazine.

But she lived in this world, where the love-liest things are the most to deplore; So, a rose, she could live but the life of a rose— A morning, no more.

**Death of Mrs. King.**

Died Jan. 4th, 1907, Mrs. Sally King, aged 81 years. She had been a member of the church for 40 years, and was much beloved by all. She leaves 3 children: Mrs. Mary Ashworth, Mrs. Martha Scott and Joshua King, also ten grand children and 7 great grand children.

**Card of Thanks.**

"We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for the many kindnesses and their faithful attention during the last illness and death of our beloved grand mother, Mrs. Sally King. May heaven's blessings attend them."

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**Reflections of a Bachelor.**

A gauzy scarf can always keep a woman warm enough if it is pretty enough. The way to make a woman happy is to tell her that's the way she makes you. Nobody ever makes money out of a thing to be perfectly truthful about it. When a man has a good temper his wife always is afraid he is concealing a confession he ought to make.

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**MIKE TO PAT.**

Your Uncle Patrick—You've heard of ignorant men, have you? There are men that don't know the war has ended. Yes, there are men who never heard of his flood men who don't know when they belong or how to tend their own business, men that think they are called upon to speak for the public when they can't run their own business successfully, men who are sore and feel spiteful toward everybody that has made a success of their business. But the climax of all ignorant men is the one that can't see how a man who has served as County Treasurer can serve as a Finance Committee member after his term as Treasurer has expired. Of course he don't have to approve his own reports. It'll be his business to look after the next man's reports, and if his reports are to be based after the other two men on the committee could do it.

The people at the election said they didn't want any Republican in their business now who is it that haint got sense enuff to know the people hold the party for which they voted responsible for the management of public affairs, if that party was elected? Aint it a party party that is so doggedly hungry for office that it raises a racket because it can't get one of its men on the Finance Committee? The people had the Republicans on their Finance Committee in full blast in the nineties, and they don't want any more of their kind in business. They financed everything in debt, in other words they ran the show so deep in the ground that the Democrats had to dig a hole to find the handles, when they were elected (to the nuts, you sluggard, learn how to bite decently and be wise).

I wonder who the sorebacks want on the Finance Committee—Jim Young, Abe Middleton or Isaac Smith? Alright, sorebacks, you can name em when the people put you in power; but just now the people don't want you. Maybe you would like to have a carpet-bagger or some other idiot. But it's not your time. Just be patient, little fellows. It has been said that every dog has his day, but a fool don't have that much assurance.

Mike O'Sgarahfield would like to ask every traitful Republican, Democrat, Socialist, soreback, carpet bagger, who wishes to take a look at the books of the county treasurer, to do so at once. They are open six days in every week to public or private inspection, and we want to ask why all doubters have not already looked at them? They don't want to do it, for they know that their peep at the books might bring a comparison with the books from 1896 to 1900. One thing certain, Will Miller was able to balance his books, and the Republicans cant boast that they had such a man.

Well, now aint it a pity that Mister Black burn had to run to Washington to keep out of the way of the officers? People ought to be hard on him, for he didnt get the support of the Republican machine, and some do not think he is bright anyway. He is like some other little hollow heads he tried to make it appear that the Democrats had done wrong and he failed to make good his claims. Its mighty hard to make North Carolinians forget the two advents of the Republican party in North Carolina—when the carpet-baggers commenced coming and the times from 1896 to 1900.

Uncle Pat, did you know that the Republicans elected Mister Adams as United States Senator? They gave him about a dozen votes! early every Republican in the Caw-cuss at Raleigh voted for him. They held their caw-cuss behind closed doors, and wouldnt let many people know what they was a doing. I dont blame em, I'd be ashamed of it, too.

The Governor of South Dakota has just said in a message to the Legislature of his State that it was a dirty trick for Mary Ann and Dan to trick his state into collecting repudiated bonds from North Carolina, especially when the bonds were issued by carpet-baggers just after the Civil War. Any state that deals with carpet-baggers and traitors will always have trouble. A carpet-bagger is a man (or a piece of one) that has run out of business in his own state, and gone to another state to try to run things. A traitor or scallawag is a man or some other two-legged animal that takes up with a carpet-bagger. The people of this state dont want any more of Mary Ann or Dan's kind. The South has suffered awfully from faithless, disloyal, false-hearted, traitorous, perfidious, deceitful men, whose main business has been to run down, defame, malign, deery, vilify, slander, misrepresent and abuse our own native men who have served the public honorably. Such has been the greediness, rapaciousness and insatiable thirst for office and a chance to plunder the public that they have never ceased to pervert, dodge, cavil and quibble about the public acts of clean men, and make false insinuations about their

unimpeachable characters. A rogue is first to cry "ditch," a blackmailer first to cry "repealedness," and a top-spirit is first to yell "let us look at books" that any man that's honest and means to render to every man his just due look at the books in any office in this or any other county in the state, and then if he desires to become adviser for the public let him admit those who might desire it to an inspection of his own books, and if he is up-to-date in his private business and is making buckle and tongue meet he will do to tie to, and it will be no mistake to make him the guardian of the people.

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**MINNESOTA ROAD BUILDING.**

A Narrow Roadbed, Like a Single Track Railroad, Needs.

Mayor Harry M. Rubey arrived at Mason, Minn., recently from Minneapolis in his new flying transport motor car, comprising a capacity of 700 miles without the halt of a minute for repairs. The trip through Minnesota and northern Iowa was made at the average rate of seventeen miles an hour, which means they frequently run thirty miles an hour.

"They have a system of road building up in that country," said Mr. Rubey, "which might be followed with advantage in Missouri. Instead of distributing their efforts over a roadway of from forty to sixty feet, they make a roadbed of from ten to twelve feet and concentrate all their work on that, leaving the balance of the right of way to take care of itself. Across the bottom and towards the road is banked up like a railroad fill or embankment. You can see far enough ahead to stop if you happen to encounter a vehicle coming against you on a hill. This narrow strip of roadway is kept hard and smooth, and we glided over it at a rate that would have jolted the machine to pieces on most of the roads down here. It is built of earth, compactly, so that rain has little effect on it."

**Good Roads For Automobiles.**

Although since the use of automobiles became widespread in a considerable section of the country a good deal of money has been expended on the improvement of roads, very much more must be devoted to the purpose if long distance traveling is to be promoted, says Harper's Weekly. Under the auspices of the Good Roads League a movement has been started for the construction of a highway suitable for automobiles from the Schuylkill river to a provisional terminus at Pittsburg. The distance is nearly 500 miles, and the estimated cost of such a structure would be between \$3,000,000 and \$5,000,000. A more interesting and promising plan was mooted the other day by the Philadelphia Public Ledger. The scheme proposed by that newspaper contemplates the restoration, improvement and extension of the old National road, otherwise known as the Cumberland road, which was built by the federal government during the thirty-three years preceding 1829. Made, as it was, under the supervision of engineers of the regular army, this highway has been compared for solidity with the military thoroughfares created by the Romans, the remains of which are still turned to account in many parts of Europe.

**Macadam Road Maintenance.**

Neglect to properly maintain a macadam road after it has been built is one of the worst enemies of road reform of which we have knowledge, says Good Roads Magazine. Many cases are on record of where a stone road has gone to pieces within a very short time after its completion owing to negligence in giving the matter of repair due attention. Experience shows that a road once properly built can be maintained indefinitely by making prompt repair as soon as a weak spot is discovered. The practice in European countries could well be followed in this country. A road requires care and attention for its upkeep the same as a railroad track. The original cost of a macadam road is too great to allow it to go to pieces within a year or so and then practically rebuild it. Most failures are due to the fact that inadequate provision for repairs has been made by the county or state. Since roads cannot take care of themselves, they must be looked after constantly if rebuilding is to be avoided.

**Prepare For Fall and Winter.**

As the season approaches for heavy rainfalls and the consequent muddy roads it is well to call the attention of road supervisors to the necessity for seeing to it that ditches and culverts are open to allow the free passage of

water, which would block macadam. Water is the deadly enemy to a road and should therefore be kept as far away as possible. In the construction of a new road proper crowning and draining are the two essential things to be kept constantly in mind. Keeping the surface smooth by the use of the road scraper or drag is all important if good, passable roads are desired. In the northern sections of the country, where deep snows are found in the winter months, preparations should be made early for rolling down the snow or otherwise keeping the roads open for traffic.

**Oranges in Texas.**

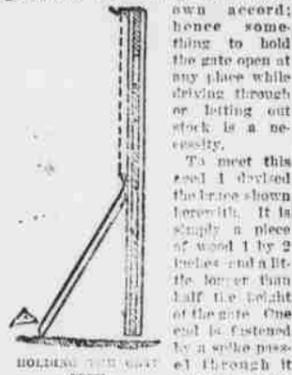
South Texas is growing oranges, lemons and cane pulpas. It is only a step to pineapple culture under canvas. Some enterprising ranchman of that section should go into "apple" culture on a large scale.

**Kaffir Corn.**

The crop should be cultivated like sorghum or corn. Kaffir corn may be harvested in several ways. Unlike corn, the fodder remains green after the grain matures.

**To Hold a Gate Open.**

The illustration shows a very handy method which I invented to hold a swing gate open any width. Most gates are hung so they swing upward a little in opening, to clear snow, grass, etc. Their swing shut of their own accord; hence something to hold the gate open at any place while driving through or letting out stock is a necessity.



To meet this need I devised the device shown herewith. It is simply a piece of wood 1 by 2 inches and a little longer than half the height of the gate. One end is fastened by a spike passing through it and driven into the edge of the vertical board at the end of the gate, or it may be put on with a hinge. The dotted lines show its position when not in use, it being swung upward and stowed beneath a spring nailed to the top of the gate, says a writer in American Agriculturist.

**Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Never Suspect it.**

How To Find Out. Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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