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TUESDAY, MAY 24, 1910.

The Gazette regrets very much to chronicle in to-day s issue the fact that our neighboring town of Stanley voted down a proposition to levy a special school tax. According to the information from our corresthe Stanley public school will be reduced from eight months to four months or less. This is a decided backward step. We believe, however, that our good Stanley friends will find, after putting up with a four-months school term for one year, that it does not pay and that they will later redeem themselves by voting the tax. We are publishing another item of news in today's issue, that from Bessemer City, route denotes that the people of the Sunnyside school district are thoroughly alive to the necessity of a longer school term. With an almost unanimous vote they levied a special tax of 30 cents on the \$100 worth of property and 90 cents on the poll for school purposes. They are to be congratulated on this forward move and we feel sure that they will never regret the step they have taken in this direction.

-Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Glenn and child left yesterday morning for their home at McComb City, Miss., after spending a week or more here with homefolks and friends.

TO BE HEILD IN AUGUSTA.

Next Session of Southern Textile Association Meets July 2nd -Program for the Meeting.

Preparations for the next meeting of the Southern Textile Association to be held in Augusta on Saturday. July 2nd, are now well under way, and the prospects seem favorable for making this a most pleasant and profitable occasion for all who can possibly make their arrangements to

The editor of the Mill News who happens, also to occupy the position of assistant secretary of the association had the pleasure of meeting with many of the superintendents and overseers of the mills in and near Augusta last week, and was pleased to find them generally much interested in the aims and objects of the organization and especially anxious to make this meeting a grand

At a meeting of the local mill men called by the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce at 12 o'clock last Saturday a committee consisting of Superintendents Arthur T. Smith, of Langley, A. H. McCarrel, of Bath, C. M. Harrington, of the King Mill, S. B. Platt, of the Sibley and G. I. Lynch, of the Enterprise Mill, were pondent this means that the term of appointed to confer with the officers of the association and arrange all necessary details while Mr. Loyless, chairman of the entertainment committee of the Chamber of Commerce, who was present assured them that he would see that the funds for the purpose would be pro-

The committee of superintendents organized at once and after a brief discussion of various propositions they agreed unanimously to recommend the following as the order of

Meeting to be called at 12 noon one, which is most encouraging and at Lakewood Park, a beautiful pleasure resort easily reached by trolley line, where the sessions may be held in the open air or under cover, according to the weather.

To adjourn at 1 p. m. for barbecue

Re-assemble at 2:30 p. m. for reading of papers, discussions, etc. Adjournment at 4 p. m. for trolley ride, etc.

Evening meeting at 8 p. m. at

Chamber of Commerce for the completion of any unfinished business, to be followed by a smoker, light refreshments and speeches.

This order of exercises has since been submitted to the program committee, and will be followed as nearly as possible.

Augusta is a fine old city of pleasant homes, broad streets, pro-

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gressive business men and splendidadvantages for manufacturing, all of which the committee in charge will strive to duly impress upon the mem bers of the association and others who may be present at the meeting.

The proprietors of the several hotels also promise to do all in their power to make our stay in Augusta pleasant, and quote us rates as follows: The Albion, on Broad street, near the monument, directly opposite the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce, \$4.00 with bath room attached or \$3.00 without. This includes meals and they are not prepared to make rates on rooms without meals.

The Geneska, which is also near the monument, is conducted strictly on the European plan with rates of \$1.00 to \$2.00 for room only, and the new Planters will make rates of 50 to 75 cents per night.

WHO MAY BECOME MEMBERS? Section 20 of the constitution and by-laws of the association reads as follows: Persons eligible for active membership shall be qualified superintendents, assistant superintendents, overseers of the various departments, master mechanics, chief engineers, electricians, representatives of textile papers and instructors in textile schools.

Sec. 21 provides for the issuance of certificates for "associate members," who may be entitled to be present at all social meetings but not at business meetings; and it may be explained that this was intended to open the doors to the manufacturers and salesmen of mill machinery and supplies, and any others who are sufficiently interested to attend and pay their membership fee.

COST OF MEMBERSHIP.

The dues have been fixed for the present at \$1.00 per annum and blanks will be mailed promptly to those desiring to become members on application to G. S. Escott, assistant secretary, Charlotte, N. C., who will also be pleased to answer any further requests for informa-

Tantalizing Ownership.

In a French village a citizen had upon his land a part of an old building containing two very beautiful willdows. He was in debt and embarrassed and eagerly closed with the offer of a rich archaeologist, who bought them. Thereupon the government inspector, hearing of the bargain, arrived just in time to stop the masons from dislodging the windows. "You cannot," he said to the villager, "seil antiquities, my man." "But, excellency, I have used the money and paid my creditors." The villager was in despair, but the official was untouched. "That's all right," he said. "The money is safe. The windows are no longer yours. But the buyer can t move a stone of them. He can, however, come with a camp stool and sit down and look at his property as much as he likes."

Sham Wisdom.

The Sophists were a body of teachers in ancient Athens during the fourth and fifth centuries B. C., who gave instruction in any or all the higher branches of learning. Although they were not a philosophic sect and held no doctrines in common, the Sophists were nevertheless skeptics and maintained a belief of uncertainty of all particular knowledge and, in fact, in the impossibility of all truth. Their two leading representatives were Protagoras and Gorgias. The Sophists were charged with bringing reasoning into contempt by casting uncertainty over the most obvious truths and in consequence were ridiculed and denounced by Aristophanes, Socrates and Plato. Aristotle defined a Sophist as "a man who makes money by sham wisdom."

A Remarkable Banquet Party.

One of the most notorious Hungarian duelists fought his thirty-fifth duel in 1886 and celebrated the event by a bauquet, to which only those who could prove that they had participated in at least six duels were invited. There was a room full of such warriors, some with faces seamed with scars, others minus an ear, an eye or with two or three fingers missing. The most marked of all was a Frenchman who had lost his nose in an encounter with Count Andrassy, the statesman. There was only one relaxation of the rule. and that was made in favor of a lady who had killed her man.

Protecting Hiraself.

"Prisoner at the bar," said the portly, pompous and florid magistrate, according to the London News, "you are charged with stealing a pig. a very serious offense in this district. There has been a great deal of pig steating, and I shall make an example of you or none of us will be safe."

Midnight Messages. The bour grew late.

"Do you believe in mental telepathy?" asked the first clubman.

"I do," answered the second clubman. "I know what my wife is thinking right now."-Washington Herald.

Judge of a man by his questions rather than by his answers .- Voltaire.

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PUBLIC LOVE LETTERS.

Curious Appeals Appear In Newspapers of Southern Italy.

The printed love letters in the advertising columns of papers in southern Italy fill the tourist with wonder. mingled with deep respect for the sentiment which will pay for their insertion. The following letter, taken from the Palermo Ora, contained 174 words, which at the advertised rate of a cent a word would cost \$1.74. If the Italian saying, "A lira is a dollar," is true, this would equal a bill of \$8.70, which would require a pretty devoted American lover to pay:

"Dearest Little One-What have I done to thee? Why this slience after thy promise? I experience from it a grief so violent that it renders me belpless

"Thou art good, my Santuzza, as good as dear; thou knowest how this makes me suffer. Why dost thou do it? Thou knowest how I love thee, that thou art my religion. Have I

offended thee? "I seek intense occupation to keep me calm, but a thousand thoughts gnaw my soul. Perhaps while you amuse yourself you do not know how your silence agitates me. Oh, dear Madonna mine, darting, darting, my blessed joy, do not forget me; thou art my life, all there is for me, my good

"I could not longer live without thee. Forgive me if I have offended thee in any way, blessed little bird. Here all is as if thou wert to arrive at any moment, I seek to create for myself this most beautiful allusion, ever speaking to thee, vainly expecting news from thee with every post, with a violently beating heart.

"Do not believe me bad; I love thee so much: I kiss thy dear lips, thy most entrancing little countenance, all infinite passion and tenderness. I am insane to hear once more thy dear, enchanting voice."

There were eleven letters of this kind in the same issue of the Ora. about an average number for a Palermo paper. Such letters are found in all Italian papers, but they grow shorter and shorter as one travels north until in Milan one line in the "agony column" suffices to express the lover's anguish.

A style which seems theatrical to an American seems perfectly natural to an Italian. He will write exactly this sort of love letter in private. Some of the published letters of Napoleon to Josephine in their early married life are in the same strain.-St. Paul Pioneer Press.

HE TOOK THE CAKE.

A Story of William Black, the Novelist, and Mary Anderson.

One time when Mary Anderson was playing in "The Winter's Tale," in Dublin, William Black, the novelist, who was very intimate with Miss Anderson and her family, insisted upon assuming the part of one of the supers, who was dressed as a very old man with a venerable beard and locks that fell upon his shoulders. When Black went upon the stage in this disguise he walked about among his fellow supers with unceasing restlessness and, judging by the wild motions of his arms, seemed to be addressing to each in turn an impassioned harangue. The audience began to wonder who the new actor was and what on earth be was doing in a play in which neither Shakespeare nor the stage managers ever intended him to appear.

Presently came the time when it was the business of Perdita to distribute flowers among the peasants, among whom Black had his place. Miss Anderson, carrying on the practical jokes of the family circle, had prepared a surprise for this moment, and, baving distributed flowers among the less favored supers, she handed to Black a large cake crowned with a wreath of laurel, saying as she did so, "You take it," in allusion to his triumphs in the contest of wits at the supper table.

To her consternation, Black showed that he was quite prepared to carry out the jest, for, taking the cake from the hands of Perdita, he immediately distributed it in substantial portions to his hungry fellow suppers, who, finding it to be of excellent quality, began to munch it greedily under the eyes of the house.-Exchange.

·Elephants' Love For Finery.

Strange as it may seem, the elephant is passionately fond of finery and delights to see himself decked out with gorgeous trappings. The native princes of India are very particular in choosing their state elephants and will give fabulous sums for an animal that exactly meets the somewhat fanciful standards they have erected. For these they have made cloths of silk so heavily embroidered with gold that two men are hardly able to lift them .- Pearson's Weekly.

Force of Habit. "I understand that all star cast was

rather languid." "Yes; they played poorly for stars.

Even the life they put into the mob scene was accidental and came about merely through each of them trying to grab the center of the stage."-Philadelphia Bulletin.

Trouble Makers. "What men think," remarked the

knowing woman, "causes fully onethird of all the trouble in the world." "Yes," rejoined the mere man, "and what women say causes the other twothirds."-Chicago News.

Poor Consolation. Mrs. Benham-You have torn my train! Benham-That's all right. Your train is long enough to be in two sections.-Judge.

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Sanders-White,

The following item from The Charlotte Observer will be of interest to the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. White, of McComb City, Miss., who formerly lived in Gas-

"Cards reading as follows have been received by Charlotte friends: " Mr. and Mrs. J. J. White

request the pleasure of your company at the marriage of their daughter

Beulah Irene Mr. Alonzo B. Sanders Tuesday evening, the seventh,

at eight o'clock McComb City, Mississippi. "Mr. Sanders is the popular superintendent of the Highland Park mills of this city and one of Charlotte's most aggressive cotton mill

-Miss Sallle Carson left Saturday on a visit to the home of her brother, Rev. E. G. Carson.

Matter Carried Qver.

Shortly before noon today during an electrical storm lightning struck two posts of the light and power lines and for nearly three hours the electric current was cut off. As a consequence The Gazette's linotype was out of business as a result of which we were unable to get into type for this issue an account of the commencement exercises at Linwood College and a quantity of other live local matter, all of which will appear Friday.

Miss Hayes Dead.

Mr. Ned Hayes of the city fire department was called to Hickory Sunday morning by a message conveying the sad intelligence that his sister, Miss Maude Hayes, had died that morning. She had been ill some time and while her death was not unexpected it came none the less as a severe shock to her family and friends. Mr. Hayes has the sympathy of the community in his.