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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1915.

The sale of horse flesh for food has been legalized in New York city. Another reason why we wouldn't live in New York city.

Whether Glen Springs has been sold or hasn't been sold is a perplexing question in Spartanburg nowadays.

Baltimore's vice commission would have us believe Sodom and Gomorrah weren't in the same class with their city.

The malls are catching thunder now, but that's nothing to what the malls will catch about January 1st, when the bill collectors come around.

We notice that none of the boys writing letters to Santa Claus have asked him to bring them a printing office.

Justice Hughes seems determined to acquire immortal fame as the only Republican who ever refused a presidential nomination.

A Cuban was arrested for selling cabbage-leaf cigars in Greenville. Why go to so much trouble, Greenville smokers would never have known the difference.

About 11 o'clock Friday night the editors, who have been preaching the doctrine of "shop early" since a month before Christmas, will slip out of their sanctuaries for a brief spell and quietly do their share of the buying.

The redeeming feature, from the American viewpoint, about Yuan Shi Kai's assumption of the imperial crown of China, is that Japan didn't want him to. We can't help suspecting that anything Japan doesn't want China to do must be for China's interest.

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad has risen up to protest against the immemorial "B. & O." joke, insisting that it has spent \$100,000,000 in taking out the bumps and curves that were the original cause of so much uncomplimentary jesting. But it's no use. Such traditions go on forever. And the B. & O. might just as well yield gracefully to the inevitable, and capitalize the country's perverted sense of humor, as Henry Ford has.

THE CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLE

There is an old custom, and a beautiful one, too, originating probably with the French pioneers, of placing a single, tall, white wax candle in a window on Christmas Eve, letting it burn all through the night to "light the Christ-child coming down to earth." The custom, we understand, is kept up in some parts of the country, and there appears to be a growing sentiment to encourage the practice in parts of the country where it has been unknown.

We would like to see the old custom revived and the observance of it made general. It would help the children to remember that Christmas is not all getting and giving of material presents, but that it is the birthday of one who loved them, one whose sweetness of spirit they may well try to learn.

A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY

One of the most important sessions ever faced by congress has just opened. Following his custom, President Wilson read from the speaker's stand to the assembled legislators a message brimming with important recommendations. It matters not whether individually or as party measures we agree or disagree with the president on preparedness, the Mexican situation, the method of raising additional revenue or on any of the other questions taken up in his message, we all must agree that the country stands now on the eve of the greatest prosperity it has ever seen and legislation should be passed which will help instead of retarding or lessening that prosperity. It is, for instance, a tremendously important matter that business be let alone to grasp its opportunity. We have passed through a period of muckraking and restrictive legislation which has, perhaps, been of benefit in making business more human. We have put a heart into the corporations even though they may still be soulless. But in doing so we came perilously near to destroying them altogether. It is certain that many bills will be introduced at the present session of congress which will effect business interests. Those should be passed which will help business to overcome the depression of the past years and go onward and upward. Those which would further restrict business operation should be killed without mercy. This is no time for the passage of radical legislation regardless of the apparent demand for it. Organizations which are demanding certain legislation are noted for the noise they make because of the effect a noisy demand has upon legislators. These organizations should be suppressed altogether, and if not, for the time being at least. The government finds it necessary to raise huge amounts of additional revenue. To make this successful, the president recommends that no present sources of revenue be tampered with. Legislation against existing industries will directly oppose the president's recommendation.

THE ONE-SCHOLAR SCHOOL

Ralph Jackson, who attends a country school near Martins Ferry, O., ought to be well instructed. He is the only pupil in the school. Every morning he trudges to the schoolhouse, and is assembled and brought to order by Edward E. Long, the teacher, and goes through all the usual course of study and recitations, and has his recesses and noon hour, and then goes home after having enjoyed or suffered—the teacher's undivided attention for the day. In a way, it's an ideal plan of education. It suggests the system recommended by Jean Jacques Rousseau, the great French educational reformer. His idea was that each child should have a tutor who devoted himself wholly to that child until its maturity. Americans, however, are not likely to take to the idea very readily. It wouldn't appeal to the average teacher to give all his time to one pupil. And certainly it wouldn't appeal to the average tax-payer to provide a separate teacher for every child, and perhaps a separate schoolhouse, too. Besides, it's probably a pretty miserable existence for young Ralph Jackson. He hasn't anybody to play with or whisper to or throw paper wads at. It's no fun playing tricks on himself. And how can he play tricks on the teacher, when the teacher hasn't anybody to watch but him? If he's a normal American boy, he'd rather have less teaching and more school. Every schoolboy knows that one scholar by himself isn't a school.

SELF-LIGHTING RAILROAD TRACKS

The problem of properly illuminating railroad tracks at night is causing railroad men trouble. The engineers want brighter headlights on their locomotives, to show the track far ahead. The officials oppose them, insisting that glaring headlights are a cause of danger on the railroads, just as glaring automobile lamps are on city streets, because they blind and confuse people and animals on the track.

It is suggested as an alternative that the tracks themselves be illuminated, so that the locomotive need carry only a dim light or none at all. The plan may be objected to as needlessly expensive, except on stretches of track where traffic is particularly heavy in thickly settled communities.

It is by no means necessary, however, that the tracks should be continuously illuminated. If they were wired with a proper switching arrangement, the light could be turned on automatically by approaching locomotives, making always a quarter mile or halfmile of brightly lighted track ahead of a train, and darkness closing in behind it. That would be a great convenience to the public and the train crews, and ought to pay for itself in the lessening of accidents. It may be the railroad lighting of the future.



Weather Forecast—Fair and warmer Thursday; Friday fair.

"Contractor Johnson is going right ahead with the concrete work on the car track on North Main street from Greenville to Roberts street," stated Engineer Horton yesterday afternoon. "He will finish up by the last day of this month or the first of the next."

Among the Clemson cadets who are at home for the holidays are Messrs. C. S. Major, Leon Richardson, Robble Webb, J. C. Hamlin, Harold McConnell, J. C. Simpson, W. W. Snelgrove, Gadsden Acker, Watson, Barriss and McFall.

"John Johnson, a negro living on Mr. J. A. Wakefield's place, killed a hog Tuesday which was 18 months old and weighed 307 pounds net," stated Capt. H. H. Watkins yesterday. "That hog was the Berkshire breed and cost the negro nothing practically until a few weeks ago when he began to fatten it." This was certainly a splendid hog for its age.

"It would be well to suggest that all of the residents in Anderson keep their homes lighted up on Christmas Eve," stated a prominent citizen yesterday. "Nothing makes one feel better, or brighter than to pass along a street at night and see the homes well lighted. It speaks well for the people, for the town and makes everyone feel better. This one night, let all the people keep their homes brilliantly lighted so that they will look cherry and comfortable."

"If it is about time somebody started to raising holly in this section," a gentleman was heard to remark yesterday. "My wife sent me out to look for some, and of course it had to have red berries on it, and it seemed to me that I had to drive all over Anderson county before I found some that would do."

"I have just been presented this nice pin by the paid members of the city fire department," stated Mayor Geffrey yesterday afternoon. "It is very pretty, and I appreciate it."

The pin is rather unique. A small bell which has a pearl for a clapper, is set in a ring, which looks somewhat like a new moon.

As the Line O' Dope man was coming from the postoffice last night he saw a man come away from the side door of the Southern Express company's office with a dejected look on his face, an expression that would lead to the belief that the man had lost his best friend. The Intelligencer man knew that this man had a peculiar taste for the brew, but decided that it must be something worse than disappointment that caused him to look as he did, so he asked the gentleman what was the trouble.

"I have a suit against the Southern Express company," stated the man. The reporter thinking that he had stumbled into a good story, opened his eyes wide, held his ears at attention, and asked the man what it was about.

"Well," said the gentleman with the

dejected look, "my Christmas package has not come yet, and I think I will just enter suit against the express company."

The following is taken from the Greenville Piedmont of yesterday:

A branch school of Cecil's Business college, of Spartanburg, will be established in Greenville, according to announcement today from R. T. Cecil, founder of Cecil's schools.

A branch of the school was established in Anderson about five years ago and is still in successful operation. The establishment of the school in Greenville will give this well-known institution a still wider reputation as in established commercial college.

The new school in Greenville will be centrally located. It will be under the general supervision of R. T. Cecil, founder of the Cecil schools, and under the immediate management of Virgil Adams, formerly with the Stenotype company, of Indianapolis, and more recently teacher of stenotypy in the Spartanburg school.

While general commercial courses will be offered in Greenville, the feature of the school will be stenotypy, as it has already so become in the older institution at Spartanburg. Most people are now familiar with the sight of the machine—the stenotypy—and it has ceased to be a novelty. While the stenotypy is comparatively young yet, it has already taken its place in the courtroom and the business office. It may be interesting to note that the Spartanburg and Greenville schools are the farthest south stenotypy schools in the country. Mr. Cecil first introduced it in his Spartanburg school in September, 1914, and since that time "the machine way in shorthand" has been making rapid progress.

"You newspaper men always seem to know everything," said one of the members of one of Anderson's well known business firms yesterday, "and I want you to tell me how we can get our Christmas package out of the express office. A traveling salesman sent two quarts of whiskey to Anderson in our firm's name, and under the law of the state, a firm cannot receive whiskey. Now I cannot go to the express office and get that whiskey and neither can my partner. It is too late for us to write to that fellow and have him send it to us separately, for Christmas is right on us. My colleague is a strict prohibitionist, but he has tried to get that whiskey under power of attorney and is at present trying to get Governor Manning to take special action in the matter. If you will only tell me how to get that package out of the office I will tell you one of the best stories you ever heard—yes, after we drink it."

The following from yesterday's Columbia State will be of interest since Mr. Holland was formerly a resident of this county:

Florence, Dec. 21.—William P. Holland, for many years an engineer on the Atlantic Coast Line, died here on Sunday afternoon as the result of injuries received in jumping from the second story window of the infirmary where he had been sent for treatment on account of an ailment from which he had suffered for years, and which was the cause of his death, hastened by his accident. Mr. Holland came to Florence from Anderson county in early life and was employed by the Atlantic Coast Line as long as he was physically able to work. Four sons and one daughter survive him.

Attention is called to a news article in another column in regard to a special entertainment at Green Pond school this afternoon. Splendid music will be furnished by the quartette of the First Baptist church of this city.

NURSES IN TROUBLE

Red Cross Forced to Abandon Equipment in Retreat.

Salonki, Dec. 22.—The English Red Cross unit attached to the Serbian army had to abandon \$5,630 worth of tents, several motor cars and some valuable sets of operating instruments, besides leaving the wounded behind in the hands of the advancing Bulgarians. Two of these nurses have reached Salonki with nothing but the clothes they had on. Everything else was lost.

The two young women had tramped for seven days, making twenty-four miles in one day. Roads were covered with mud and the women had to spend the night in barns and earthen hovels. Some of the refugees and prisoners were so hungry that the nurses that they ate the bark of trees. They demanded the patience and endurance of the Serbians, was marvellous and there was no complaining.

The Columbia State says St. Louis is more than half Southern. Did the State ever make a serious inspection of the ancestral Republican majorities that St. Louis rolls up?—Houston Post.

THE confidence you feel in buying from this store is really a confidence in yourself; you don't have or need to have any doubts about excellence of quality in the goods; or about the security of your satisfaction.

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Hand Bags.....\$2.50 to \$15.00
Suit Cases.....\$1.00 to \$15.00
Pajamas.....\$1.00 to \$2.50 suit
Bath Robes.....\$3.00 to \$10.00
Neckwear.....25c to \$1

Men's and Young Men's Overcoats \$10 to \$20.

Men's Shoes in superior qualities \$3.50 to \$6.50.

Shirts, Manhattans, Eclipse and B-O-E 50c to \$3.50.

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Silk Handkerchiefs.....\$1.00
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Silk Socks.....50c to \$1 pair
Cuff Buttons.....25c to \$1 pair
Shirt Studs.....25c to 50c
Stick Pins.....25c to \$1.50
Shirts.....50c to \$3.50
Collars.....15c each, \$1.50 box

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RECALL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN ATLANTA

Atlanta, Dec. 22.—Although a city council has sustained Mayor Woodward's veto of the recall, the recall election will be held just the same next Tuesday, unless the anti recall people succeed in stopping it by a court injunction—a method entirely outside of city politics. So far as politics alone is concerned, the recall is scheduled to be held. The apparently paradoxical situation is due to the fact that no sooner had city council sustained the mayor's veto than City Attorney James L. Mayson announced that he ruled that Mayor Woodward's veto was illegal in the first place and therefore void in itself regardless of what council has done. In a practical sense, there, it means the thing which finally decided the actual holding of the recall election was the legal opinion of the city attorney.

Stripling Won't Be Pardoned

Atlanta, Dec. 22.—Thomas Edgar Stripling, sentenced to life in 1897 will not receive a pardon Christmas as expected. He became police-chief in Danville, Virginia, was recognized and returned to prison in 1911. Governor Harris last July promised to pardon Stripling and intimated he would free him before Christmas. The records are in the hands of the prison commission. It is understood that strong influences against his pardon are before the commission. The papers have not reached Governor Harris.

Hoke Smith Works.

Atlanta, Dec. 22.—United States Senator Hoke Smith is actively engaged in working to secure the passage of a measure making modifications in the interstate commerce law, which will provide for the appointment of two or more additional members of the interstate commerce commission.

These bills were prepared by Congress W. C. Adamson of Georgia at whose request they were introduced by Senator Smith. The senator was heartily in sympathy with Congressman Adamson's views on the subject and the two are cooperating in every way to secure the passage of the measure.

Russia Orders War Supplies.

Seoul, Korea, Dec. 22.—Russia has placed another big order for war supplies with the Chosen Tanning Company. It includes 200,000 pairs of boots and 260,000 ammunition pouches. The new order will be executed by June next year. Since the outbreak of the war the demand for Korean tungsten has shown remarkable increase. As the mineral is not found in abundance its price has soared rapidly and is now quoted about three times what it was before the war; namely, about \$1,500 per ton.

Monroe Succeeds Haig.

London, Dec. 22.—Lieutenant General Murray has been appointed to succeed Sir Charles Monroe, the British commander at the Daridanelles records are in the hands of the prison commission. It is understood that strong influences against his pardon are before the commission. The papers have not reached Governor Harris.

Marriage in Waltham.

Waltham, Dec. 22.—The crowning social event of the season was the marriage yesterday at one o'clock, in the Waltham Methodist church of Miss Annie Irene White to Professor Herbert William Gasque. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. L. Stokes, D. D., pastor of both the bride and groom.

Prior to the entering of the bridal party Mrs. Mary Law Montgomery played "The Rosary" on the organ, accompanied on the violin by Miss Daisy Stross, and Mr. J. B. S. Denny sang "A Perfect Day."

Promptly at one o'clock the wedding march by Lohengrin was begun, and the bridal party entered in the following order: Miss Theo. Hughes with Dr. W. R. Craik; Miss Julia Maxwell with Houston L. Craig of Greenville; Miss Lucile White, sister of the bride, with L. E. Beard, followed by Miss Gailo Frazier of Spartanburg, maid of honor. The flower girls, Dorothy Brown and Kaloner Lucas entered, and took their positions within the chancel. The bride entered with her father, W. Oldridge White, and was met at the altar by the groom, attended by his brother, Dr. Gasque of Columbia, his best man. After the ceremony according to the ritual of the Methodist church was performed, the party left the church under the strains of Mendellson's wedding march, and entered waiting automobiles, and were driven to Seneca, where the bride and groom boarded a south bound train, for Atlanta and points further south.

Mrs. Gasque is one of Waltham's most popular young women. She attended Winthrop college, and for the past year has taught in the schools of Oconee county.

A Suggestion respectfully submitted for your consideration. The Holiday Season is here. The perplexing question—What present can I make my friend? Why not a daily reminder of your friendship and generosity—The Daily and Semi-Weekly Intelligencer an endless source of information and entertainment? Think of your acquaintances who would appreciate a newspaper like The Intelligencer. What a delight it would be to them to have such a daily visitor, brimful of what is going on in the world! The Daily and Semi-Weekly Intelligencer mailed, postpaid, to any address in the United States—Daily for 3 months, 75c—Semi-Weekly one year \$1.50. If this interests you and you subscribe for your friends, we will inform them that they are to receive The Intelligencer with your compliments. The Anderson Intelligencer