

the globe, and by some of the foremost men of this country. This farmer is practically a scientific man. The point applies to all books on machinery. There are books which discuss machinery. It means that here is valuable knowledge which has been found out by men who work on machinery.

Well now, let your mind range just as widely as you please. Begin with what we have of Socrates, then Plato, and take what we have from Aristotle and Thucydides and Herodotus and then take the poets. They give us the sum and substance of the knowledge which had been accumulated by men in their time. Take Plutarch's Lives. You can obtain more history by reading Plutarch's Lives—more history of the old Greeks and Romans—than you can by the old mode, because he has given us the sum and substance of the accumulated experience of the greatest men up to his time. Passing to the Roman side—Tacitus especially, Livy, Horace and Virgil—you find that they give you the accumulated experience of the old Romans, Cicero gives you the simple thinking of the Romans in his day and time. The Romans did not have any ideas at all but what you will find in the writings of Cicero. He gives you the past.

This applies to our own literature. Why is Shakespeare so valuable? Because he has learned the whole scale of human experience, and the marvel will always be how he did it. He absorbed ideas; if there was one there, he absorbed it. In his productions he selected just such elements from the experiences of men as are realized at some time or other by more or less of the human race. A book then has no value except in so far as it is the real exponent of life, and we ought to look at it from that standpoint. Sometimes we say we are very busy with our work, and that may be so, but as long as a man can do that, he will do it. You will excuse me for referring to myself. During the last week or ten days I have had a good many things to do on account of sickness and had to do some household work myself personally—I do not want to go into details here before these ladies, they might ask some questions—but at odd moments I read the life of David Crockett, Thomas Hughes' life of Alfred the Great and the story of Siegfried and one or two other books.

A good book is something that is elevating and helpful and gives us the life of many, many men in different ages.

I do not know when I have been more interested than when I read David Crockett. There are some things in the book that are objectionable. He believed in taking his drams, but with that and one or two other exceptions he was a great man. You remember he perished at the Alamo. Only two that were in the fort were saved. They were Mrs. Dickinson and a negro servant. This book told of Crockett's skirmish with buffaloes and his deer hunts. All of this is fine educational material for boys.

Now that is my conception of what a book is; so that you may take one hundred of the best books and they will put you in possession of the experience of the race so that the individual is enlarged and enriched by the experience of the race.

We are the richest people that the sun ever shone upon and we

### Advice to the Negro

By One of His Own Race—  
Dr. Warner's Lecture in  
the Colored Graded School.

Reported for The News.

The lecture delivered by Dr. A. J. Warner, of Charlotte, Friday night in the colored school building was very practical and met the approval of the large and appreciative audience that heard it.

He said in part: As a race we have much to be proud of and much to hope for. We should seek the friendship of all of our neighbors and try to make the best of life. We have always had friends as well as enemies. We must not allow the vicious vituperations of Mr. Dixon and others of his type to excite us. It is true that his sayings together with his famous exhibition may somewhat intensify the already strained relation between the races, for a short time. I don't think we have anything to fear. I learn that Mr. Dixon's exhibition has not been well received by many of the good white people of the South. We should look elsewhere for enemies.

The "carpet-bagger" taught us that our only friends were in the North and we had little enough sense to believe him. Had we been taught then to make friends with our former masters it would have been much better for us.

We have now learned that ignorance is never to rule intelligence, nor poverty to rule wealth.

Many would-be leaders of our own race have gone North and painted the condition of the race in the south to be much worse than what it really is. They are enemies. Their object is to get money.

Thousands of our people go North and West annually. They are filling up many of the large cities. They claim to be seeking better conditions. Many of them are ignorant and shiftless. They make a bad impression and hurt us all. They are our enemies. The best type of the race is to be found here in the south, buying land and building homes.

There is great competition in labor now and we must show ourselves worthy of the position we hold as laborers, by doing our work intelligently. If we neglect our work for pleasure and continue to show too little regard for a contract, our places will be filled by Poles, Swedes and Scandinavians. We must not allow such a condition ever to obtain.

Dr. Warner gave some good and wholesome advice, which if heeded will result in much good. He declared that the young people of the race are doing well and that they need more encouragement and less abuse.

J. L. Black.

ought to appreciate it and we ought to use it and we ought to make it richer and we ought to make it better than it was when we received it, and we can do that at least by helping to circulate that which we have received from the wisest men of the past.

This is my conception of what a book is, and I believe it is a correct one.

### Dispensary Profits

Dry Counties do Not Want  
to be Deprived of Funds  
Now on Hand.

Columbia Record:

The dispensary fight against the Brice law by Messrs. Belling and Welch and John G. Capers is on again. Major Robert H. Welch appeared before Chief Justice Y. J. Pope at Chambers in Newberry yesterday and secured two orders in connection with this matter. In both matters the petitioner is Adam Aull, a resident taxpayer of the county of Newberry. In the first petition he sets out that out of the net income derived by the state from the sale of liquors in this state under the dispensary law, after apportioning the required amount to the deficiencies existing in the various counties of the state, there is still remaining in the state treasurer's hands, subject to payment on the warrant of the comptroller general, a large surplus subject to apportionment by the comptroller general, and he contends the common schools of Newberry are entitled to a portion of said surplus. That the said comptroller general threatens, and is about to so apportion said surplus fund, as to deprive the common schools of Newberry of any part thereof, and refuses to draw his warrant in favor of said schools for any amount whatsoever.

Miss Lilla Quighey, teacher in the Memminger School, Charleston, died suddenly in her class room last Friday.

President McCurdy, of the Mutual Life Insurance company, has had his salary cut, at his own request, from \$150,000 to \$75,000 a year.

The store of J. E. Brown, in Aiken county, was blown up with powder Thursday night.

The residence of Mr. B. Frank White, in Yorkville, was burned Friday morning.

More than one hundred persons were drowned Sunday morning by the sinking of a steamer in the British channel.

Notice to all Persons Indebted to  
the Lancaster Mercantile Co.

As you well know, we made some business changes the first of last year, and it is absolutely necessary that we must collect all past due notes and accounts in order to settle with the late members of our concern; therefore, we now ask our friends, whom we have been so liberal with, to now make arrangements at once to pay us. All past due notes and accounts not settled promptly will be placed in the hands of our lawyer for collection.

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R. E. WYLIE,  
Attorney-at-Law.

### Notice.

To the overseers of the Public Roads of Lancaster County.  
I again ask you all to warn out your hands and work each of your sections of the public roads, as many days as the law requires or until you get your road in good condition. I want to find that each section of road in the county is worked good between this and the last day of November. As you all know you can't do much good working the clay roads during the winter months.

The grand jury held a meeting on the first Monday in September last and requested me to give notice to all of the overseers to put four days' work on each section of road by the first Monday in Oct. and for each of you to make a report to me that day. And I did so, but many of you failed to work or to make any report. So I kindly ask you all to read the report of the grand jury at the last term of the court. You will see by that report that they want to have the roads worked better than they have ever been in the past, or have the law enforced against any one who fails to discharge his duty. Let every one do his duty, and the law will not be enforced against any one, but otherwise, they say it must be done. Take due notice therefore and govern yourself accordingly.

Respectfully,  
M. C. Gardner  
Co. Supr.

### Town Property for Sale.

The following lots in the town of Lancaster, S. C., belonging to the estate of the late Mrs. Julia A. Taylor will be sold at public auction at Lancaster court house the first Monday in December next, to-wit:

The vacant lot corner of Chesterfield Avenue and Market street, lying West of L. C. Lazenby's residence, containing 3 acres—lot capable of division into several desirable building lots.

Also lot, with commodious, 2-story dwelling thereon, south of Lancaster & Chester Ry. depot, formerly occupied by Col. H. G. McIlwain.

A perfect, guaranteed title will be given purchaser or purchasers. The heirs of Mrs. Taylor being all of age will join in execution of titles.

WALTER S. TAYLOR,  
MRS. H. G. MCILWAIN,  
MISS JULIA A. TAYLOR,  
J. BURROUGHS TAYLOR,  
Heirs of MRS. JULIA A. TAYLOR.

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YOU can hurry me all you want to; I have got the stuff for your THANKSGIVING Dinner. Anything you can name that you will want. Call on me and get your orders filled correctly and at once. Cherries, Olives, Cranberries, Cranberry Sauce, Celery, Pickle, Catsup, Preserves, Saratoga Chips, Candies, Honey, Cakes and Crackers, Cheese, Maccaroni, Nuts, Raisins, Dates, Citron. Just anything you want.

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