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Senator Tillman's Resolutions.

Wants to Find Out Whether National Banks Make Campaign Contributions.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Senator Tillman today introduced two resolutions which are intended to bring out the fact as to whether any of the national banks of the country have made campaign contributions in recent years. The first of the resolutions directs the Secretary of the Treasury to report to the Senate whether any of the reports of the examiners of national banks made since 1893 have been destroyed and whether such reports as are on file show that contributions have been made by the banks to campaign committees. The other resolution directs the Senate committee on privileges and election to inquire into the same subject.

Attempted Suicide--Woman Cuts Her Own Throat.

Waxhaw Enterprise:

Mrs. Taylor Baker, a well known lady of the Indian Trail neighborhood, made an attempt to end her own life last Sunday by cutting her throat with a knife. Mrs. Baker has been ill health for several months and the theory is that she became demented on account of brooding over her illness. The gash inflicted by her own hand extends from underneath the right ear, around the throat, barely missing the jugular vein. When the unfortunate woman was found, blood was flowing freely from the ghastly wound and it was feared she would bleed to death before medical assistance could arrive. Dr. T. N. Reid, who lives only a short distance from the Baker home, was summoned and he reached the woman's bedside in time to save her life.

Secretary Jones's Speech in Pleasant Valley.

Pleasant Valley cor. Fort Mill Times:

George W. Jones of Lancaster, our secretary of the cotton growers' association, met with the Pleasant Valley club Friday evening and made a rousing speech in behalf of the farmers. Some seem to be a little doubtful of the proposition of forcing the price to 15 cents, for fear the market might react in the end, while others are eager to see it go beyond this price.

Lieut. Gen. Sakharoff, Russia's former minister of war, was assassinated Thursday, in the province of Saratoff, where he had been sent to quell the revolution. He was shot and instantly killed by a woman belonging to the revolutionary movement.

Homicide in Aiken--An Engineer Killed by an Old Man.

Special to The State:

Aiken, Dec. 7.—W. J. Tennant, engineer on the narrow gauge railway running from Bath to the McNamee chalk beds in this county, was shot by Richard Allen, night watchman at the mines, on Monday evening and Tennant died from his wounds Tuesday about 1 o'clock.

Mr. Tennant was about 35 years old, strong and muscular, and leaves a wife, one son and a blind baby six months old. Mr. Allen is a gray-haired man 81 years of age and has one daughter and four sons. Both parties to the tragedy were highly respected citizens of that section.

Cutting Affray in Chester.

Chester Lantern.

In a fight that occurred near the crossing Saturday evening Lonnie Hudson was stabbed and otherwise cut several times by Jim Ivy. Both parties are mill operatives. Hudson's wounds while not dangerous are painful. Ivy was brought before the mayor yesterday morning, but is was decided to send the case up to higher court, and the prisoner was committed to jail.

Must Have Picnicked in Lancaster County.

A number of young people of Waxhaw spent Thanksgiving day at Andrew Jackson's birthplace. They carried dinner, had a picnic and spent the day in general enjoyment.—Waxhaw Enterprise.

Trains Late in Chester, Too.

Chester Lantern:

What's the matter with the trains these days—running so far behind their schedules? They are on time about as often as some people in Lancaster go to church.—Lancaster News.

If the Lancaster trains are late as frequently as those in this section and our brother's last statement be true, all we have to say is that there is a distressingly small crowd of worshipers in Lancaster.

Fire in Monroe.

A barn belonging to Dr. H. D. and Messrs. Edward and W. C. Stewart in the western portion of town was burned on Wednesday night of last week. A cow, a mowing machine and a buggy, a lot of lumber and forage was lost. The loss is about \$400 with no insurance. It is supposed that careless hunters set fire to the barn.—Monroe Enquirer.

Mr. J. C. Neel, of the vicinity of Newberry, lost his residence by fire Thursday. Loss \$1500; no insurance.

The Catawba Indians

To Bring Suit against the State--Claims that the Legislature Broke Faith with Them.

Columbia Record.

The Catawba Indians will bring suit against the state of South Carolina for the land claimed to have been taken from them several decades ago. Before the suit is brought, however, a memorial will be presented to the legislature setting forth their complaints and praying for the appointment of a commission to hear them. Mr. W. S. Partlow, a Washington attorney, has been retained by the Indians and he called on the secretary of the state historical commission today for data covering his case. Mr. Partlow represented the six tribes of New York state in a similar suit and succeeded in recovering several hundred thousand dollars from the state of New York on account of Indian claims.

The Catawba Indians' claims are rather complicated. It is said that in 1840 the state legislature agreed to give the Catawba Indians suitable compensation for the land belonging to them and unlawfully taken by the white settlers. The legislature also agreed to give the tribe \$1,500 a year. In less than two years the state violated its agreement as to the annual appropriation and reduced it. The state also broke faith regarding the settlement of the land claims of the tribe and with characteristic indifference to moral obligations ignored all offers of a settlement. This has been one of the distinct features of the South Carolina legislature, notably in the Lord bond case and the claim of Black against the state for settlement of the English war claims. The fact that this body generally ignores moral obligations has much to do with the market value of state bonds now in the market. The suit brought by the Catawba tribe, if a suit is brought, will be in the United States courts.

Georgia Farmer Assassinated.

Bainbridge, Ga. 6.—J. M. Harrison, a prosperous farmer near Cairo, was called to his gate yesterday about dusk and shot twice in the breast with a shotgun loaded with buckshot and killed instantly. The murderer, up to the present time, has not been apprehended. Sheriff Patterson was summoned and went to the scene of the tragedy, but was unable to find any clue to the identity of the person who did the shooting.

The Masonic Grand Lodge will hold its 129th annual meeting in Charleston next week, convening Tuesday.

New Federal District for South Carolina--Delegation Agreed on Bill.

Washington special to The State, Dec 8th:

The South Carolina delegation in the house of representatives held a caucus this morning and agreed upon a bill for a new federal district Representative Johnston was delegated to draft and introduce a bill for the western federal district, with federal court houses at Greenville, Greenwood Spartanburg and Rock Hill.

This practically is the same bill that passed the house last year after the amendment putting in Greenwood. Senator Latimer has introduced in the senate the same bill that passed the senate, putting the federal court house at Chester.

Child Crushed to Death by an Engine.

Special to The State.

Anderson, Dec. 7.—A two-year old child of Mr. Harmon Thompson, who lives near the Blue Ridge railroad, several miles west of the city, was killed this morning by the passenger train from Walhalla. The child started to cross the track just as the train was approaching and the engineer did not see the child in time to stop. The child's body was cut half in two. Coroner Pruitt held an inquest this afternoon and the jury exonerated the engineer from blame.

Edgefield Votes out the Dispensary.

Yesterday's State.

Trenton—For dispensary, 8; against, 48.

The election on the dispensary, under the Brice law, was held in Edgefield county yesterday, and from the meagre reports received it appears that Edgefield has gone like all the rest.

The boxes heard from up to midnight were the largest in the county and it is likely that they indicate the sentiment of the county. The town of Edgefield gave 107 votes against the dispensary and 55 for; the town of Johnston gave 56 against and 8 for; Modoc gave 25 against and 18 for; while the town of Trenton, the home of Senator Tillman, the father and the sole defender of the dispensary, gave 8 for and 48 against the Great Moral Institution.

Shooting in Cherokee.

In a difficulty last Monday between Mr. C. J. Hughes and Mr. Rufus Byars at their home in Cherokee township both men were considerably beaten about the head and face, and Mr. Hughes was shot twice with a shot gun.—Blacksburg Chronicle.

The Flat Creek Killing.

Thomas, the Wounded Negro, Still Living--Was Operated on Thursday.

Hosea Thomas, who shot and killed Levi Johnson in Flat Creek township last Sunday night and was himself desperately wounded, as published in Wednesday's issue of The News, is still alive, but his recovery is considered doubtful. He was operated upon Thursday by Dr. G. W. Gregory and Dr. Miller.

Little Girl Burned In Cherokee County.

Special to The State:

Gaffney, Dec. 7.—News of a horrible accident has just reached this city. A little daughter of Mr. Jud Allison was frightfully burned yesterday at home, about three miles from Gaffney. From the meagre details at hand it is learned that the mother left the little one to go to the well a short distance from the house. On returning she met the child in flames. The condition of the child is serious.

Railroad Wreck--Ten Persons Killed.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 7.—Ten persons were killed and 11 train employes and eight passengers were injured in the wreck of the Overland Limited passenger train No. 2, on the Union Pacific, five miles west of Rock Springs, Wyo., this morning. The limited was run into head-on by a freight train and both engines were demolished. The dynamo car, mail car and dining car on the limited burst to the wheels. Several of the dead were incinerated.

Basket Supper at Fork Hill

There will be a basket supper at Fork Hill school house on Saturday night, the 23rd. Proceeds to go to Library. Public cordially invited.

Miss Cora Hinson,
" Lizzie Small,
" Gladdis Faulkenberry,
" Pearl Connor.
Committee.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Porter, Formerly of Lancaster, Lose a Child.

Monroe Journal.

Little Jimmie Porter, the ten months old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Porter, died yesterday morning at four o'clock. The little fellow had been delicate all his life, and his death was not unexpected. The remains were carried to Matthews for interment, and Rev. W. B. Ware conducted funeral services.