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EDITORIALS.

He was burned in old Kentucky,
Where the meadow grass is blue.
He was shot and mutilated
Hanged and then revived anew.
He was burned in old Kentucky
After all he's mighty lucky
That they didn't skin him offhand,
too.

N. Y. "Press."

The time has come when the attention of the entire nation has been, and just so, turned to the degrading and inhuman evil of lynchings. The matter is now before Congress, and while it may demand much discussion, it will eventually result in the enactment of a law to suppress this barbarous treatment perpetrated upon Negroes. In the Senate Tuesday of last week, "Mr. Cullom of Illinois presented a petition, handsomely bound, and signed by 3,200 colored persons, asking for such legislation as will protect colored men of this country from the "barbarous practices of lynching and burning colored men."
Mr. Hoar, chairman of the judiciary committee, still believed every senator would be able to have such measures adopted as would suppress this wrong and enable officers to enforce the law. No senator, he thought, would dissent to that. He directed attention to the fact that the State laws take cognizance of the crimes referred to in the petition. By what constitutional method of the United States could take action in this question was a difficult inquiry."

In last week's issue of the Messenger, under the caption "Depends upon who it is," we wrote as follows:

Our attention was attracted by an article in Tuesday's State headed "Bad boys steal brass," in which we were again impressed that the punishment for crime, or rather whether one is punished for a crime or not, depends more upon the class or condition of the person committing the crime than upon the crime committed. That the readers of the Messenger may see one of the reasons for our conclusion, we give them word for word, the article as it appears in the State:

Recently considerable quantities of brass have been missed from the Southern railway shop yards. An investigation by the police led to the discovery of an organization of white boys, all in their teens. Some 10 or 12 in numbers which had been formed for the purpose of securing this brass, melting it up and selling it. The boys had a tent in the eastern suburbs in an old field, wherein was a stove, which they used for melting the brass. No one had any suspicion that the boys were up to anything illegal. Finally one of them sold some brass to a junk dealer and was arrested, he gave the whole thing away and the boys scattered and began doing the police. Several were captured, however, and were before the police court yesterday.

The Southern officials, on account of respectability of the parents of nearly all the boys, decided not to prosecute them, provided they are given proper punishment at home.

The lads would go through passenger coaches in the yards and secure every piece of brass they could get off, no matter what its value or how it disfigured the coaches.

But the day of reckoning has come, and most of the youthful band are truly penitent for the deeds that would under other circumstances have landed them in prison."

To show our many readers that we were not merely filling space with empty vanity, but were dealing with facts too plain to be misunderstood, facts that are daily presenting themselves to the public, we reproduce the following clipped from the same publication, issued on the same day of the week, just one week later, and treating upon the very same subject; but behold this time they are negroes in question, belonging to a class very much less able to pay the charges heaped upon them. The alarming story runs thus:

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Wishing the Editor and its many readers, a Happy New Year.

I am Yours Truly,
S. J. McCaulley.

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Friendship In Titute.

This school is in a very progressive condition at present. We are so crowded till we can hardly find seating.

All the teachers are very busy trying to teach the young men and women, boys and girls and preparing them for usefulness in life.

Each person that expects to be felt and known should not hasten out of school but take time and make preparation.

So many are trying to do business without preparation.

To the young we repeat again fools rush in where angels fear to tread.

We have a Literary Society organized with the writer as chairman. And we are expecting to furnish exercises each Friday evening, the public is invited.

P. M. Mayfield.

Fodder Notes From Fodder.

We are to congratulate ourselves when we take into consideration how close we are to the N. C. line where we can hear the noise of the "Mountain Juice" falling over the precipice on its tedious Journey to parts unknown.

We have had considerable rain falling for the last three weeks, but we are again the happy recipients of Sunshine which reminds us of Spring time.

Miss E. J. Tate and Mr. Robt Tate were happily united in holy wedlock on the 14th inst. Rev. J. J. Byers conducted the ceremonies.

Rev. Mrs. M. J. Cammon occupied the Rev. G. W. McDowell's pulpit at the Mt. last Sunday.

We have been looking to see the young writer from Newport at the mourner's bench again asking the Lord to help us to tell some more truth.

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Lancaster Normal and Industrial School.

Lancaster, S. C., Jan. 1900.

Mr. Editor:—
Please allow me to say something concerning our school and its new building. We have finished putting in the flooring and window sashes. The work was done principally by the boarding young men. The industrial features are fully established. Our school numbers 245 students, 62 are boarding students, 29 of whom board in the building. We have added Miss Maggie A. Howie to our faculty. The school went to Centennial Tuesday night and gave a concert in interest of the building. Quite a goodly sum of money was realized. Among the new pupils are Miss Ella Hooton, Kershaw, S. C.; Miss J. C. A. Jackson, Miss I. J. Jackson of Blacksburg, S. C.; J. S. Campbell; W. W. Edwards, J. C. Williams, J. T. Maloy, R. S. Maloy, Cherauw, Edgar Green, Heath Springs, Dudley Dixon, William Dixon, Leslie; Gracie Springs, Pineville, N. C.

The society has its regular exercises every Friday night.

Col. Terry Springs gave \$100.00 to the school last week. Mr. Thelwo Gregory, J. M. Heath, with Bishop I. C. Clinton gave \$70.00. Prof. M. D. Lee knows how to get to a man's pocket. All this assures him that they will continue their support.

The white people tell him to make bricklayers and carpenters. 4000 brick will soon be put on the yard for practice; plastering will begin in the new building in a few days. He wants a fine shoe maker first class. The line of march to the church on Sunday is now all the attraction. Don't give Prof. Lee out, he knows his business, and was naturally born to teach and lead people. This is evidenced from the love and respect the students have for him. The Lancaster Normal and Industrial Institute is fast coming to the front.

E. L. Avery.

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FROM THE CAPITAL.
The art of preparing food or cooking is often much neglected not that our people can't cook, or want to do so when brought to test. But far too much carelessness is allowed in preparing our plain every day meals. It is just as necessary to know how to cook salt pork as to roast a turkey and more so, because the turkeys come far a part. And the art of making bread belongs to the few. How can a man be expected to perform a day's work after breakfasting on what some call bread? No wonder if he is cross to all the world and things all seem wrong, why his digestive organs are having a war equaled only by that now being waged in South Africa. The coffee made by nine tenths of our people is enough to unstring the nerves of the world the woman who can in her own house, make a delicious cup of coffee is a jewel. Well cooked appetizing meals cause happiness and contentment. Almost any person thinks, "I know how to cook hominy," not so, for it is usually cooked in a hurry when it should be boiled one and a half hour try it and you will be surprised. No girl should think herself accomplished who can not prepare and have a tempting and healthful meal. We have had to put forward our best efforts to prepare food for others let us see to it that we do the same for our loved ones. And that without compulsion but feel it a duty we owe posterity. Better cooks, longer lives and healthy children.

We will hear less about indigestion and altogether find less friction in our daily life.

A. B. A.

AROUND CLINTON INSTITUTE.

Miss J. W. Warner spent a part of three days visiting relatives in Charlotte.

Thru the efforts of Miss Warner, a very neat laundry has been fitted up for the girls. This is indeed a very industrial feature of the much needed addition to the school.

Altho Friday evening of last week was very gloomy outside, it didn't in any way detract from the richness of the Rhetoricals given on said evening. We were all delightfully entertained.

Pres. Crockett has formed and is instructing a large class in elocution.

Among recent arrivals we notice Misses C. A. Heath of Gayden, Cora Miller of White Oak, Valaja Dillard of Messrs. H. L. Hughes, of Hickory Grove and F. A. Carragaw of Concord N. C.

"A Friend"

WASHINGTON LETTER

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, Jan. 22nd, 1900.

President McKinley will use his discretion about giving the information asked for by the Allen resolution as to the application of a representative of the Transvaal Republic for recognition by this government, and why recognition was refused, as on motion of Senator Spooner, the resolution was amended so as to request the President, "if not incompatible with the public interests," to furnish the information. This resolution has no other object than to embarrass the administration. It is a part of the game which has been so unsuccessfully played by the authors of the numerous resolutions, asking for all sorts of information concerning the Philippines, and deserves no answer. The sudden spasm of sympathy for the Boers is in reality a democratic attempt to change the present friendly relations between the U. S. and England, for no better reason than for the making of political capital among the Irish voters. At least two republican Senators seem to have been trapped in this game, as Senators Hale and Ames were among the speakers at a public meeting last night, which was advertised as a "Boer demonstration."

The House will devote three days, beginning Tuesday, to a discussion of the Robert's report and will then proceed to file Robert's either by declaring his seat vacant, in accordance with the majority report, or by swearing him in and expelling him, in accordance with the minority report.

The House Elections Committee No. 1 has reported in favor of Hon. W. F. Aldrich, who is contesting the seat held by G. A. Roberts, democrat, from the 4th Alabama district, and there is no doubt of the seating of Mr. Aldrich.

Chairman Payne, of the House Ways and Means Committee, said of his bill providing for an extension of U. S. laws to Porto Rico and the establishment of customs and internal revenue collection districts on the island, which is now being considered by that committee: "It is all along the line suggested by Gen. Davis, Gov. General of Porto Rico," Gen. Roy Stone, who has had extensive experience there; the Porto Rican delegation, now in Washington, and those representatives of American Commercial interests who have spoken on the subject. The bill is not the result of any conference or agreement, but I think it expresses the general view of those who have followed the hearing. The essential point is that the legislation will aid Porto Rico, without in any way injuring American interests."

That Mr. Bryan is beginning to realize that his party has got on the wrong side of the expansion question was shown, while he was in Washington, a day or two ago, by his advising the democratic Senators and Representatives to be very particular in their language when discussing the question publicly, and by his saying in an authorized interview: "I am not opposed to all expansion; such proposed annexation must be settled upon its own merits." It is the old, old democratic story. In every Presidential campaign for years, that party has favored, or pretended to favor, any outlying territory to catch voters, and has not hesitated to favor a thing in one locality and oppose it in another.

Before the campaign fairly started, democratic speakers and Editors are likely to be declaring that they have never opposed expansion at all; that it is only the bugaboo they have themselves manufactured and labeled "imperialism" which they oppose. That sort of game isn't likely to fool anybody. There are no imperialists in this country, and are not likely to be.

The Naval Board of Construction has, by a vote of 4 to 1, turned down the recommendation of the Naval officers who, after witnessing the trials of the submarine torpedo boat Holland, thought the government ought to buy the boat which is now at the Washington Navy Yard. The reason given for the action of the Board was that this class of boat is still in the experimental stage. In fact, the government is itself experimenting, as it is having built, by the Columbian Iron Works, of Baltimore, a submarine torpedo boat.

The House adopted an important amendment to the regular Pension Appropriation Bill, before passing it. It authorizes the Commissioner of Pensions to withhold the fee of any attorney when he has knowledge that the attorney has not discharged his full duty to the claimant. It is said to have been the practice of some attorneys to do nothing toward getting a case allowed, after they filed it, trusting to the claimant getting some member of Congress to push it through, knowing that being the attorney of record in the case, they could not be kept out of their fee when it was allowed.

Secretary Wilson was one of the most pleased men in Washington when President McKinley declined to pardon the Philadelphia merchants, who are serving a term in prison for violating the oleomargarine laws, as he had fought the application for pardon from the first, claiming that to pardon them would encourage the violations of those laws which were enacted for the protection of the dairy interests of the country as well as that of the consumers of butter.

TEETHING AT SEVENTY.
Adaline Woodin, a colored woman, seventy-four years old, of Jeffersonville, is cutting a full set of teeth. She has been toothless for years and a few days ago was surprised by a jaw tooth appearing. She makes a living by mending cement sacks and she says that the cement dust which she has inhaled is responsible for the new teeth.—Ind. Freeman.

Some experienced physician, acting upon this suggestion, will, before the close of the twentieth century, be recommending a remedy for producing a full set of teeth for the unfortunate without the aid of the dentist.—Ed.

DEAD.

Mrs. Della G. Hood, a recent resident of our city from Sharon, S. C., died last Saturday. She was in the 20th year of her age, and was a devoted wife of Mr. Roland A. Hood. Her funeral was preached Sunday by Rev. C. M. Young. She leaves a husband, and two little children who will greatly miss her tender cares. We sympathize with the bereaved.

Railroading Patents.

A single firm of patent lawyers, C. A. Snow & Co., Washington, D. C., have in the last year procured 1,630 patents for their clients, many of them for rejected inventions. C. A. Snow & Co., have been accused of railroading patents through the Patent Office, but they insist that this locomotion is better than carting them for by the latter process the inventor often dies before he gets his patent.

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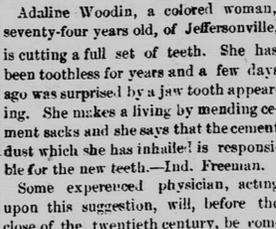
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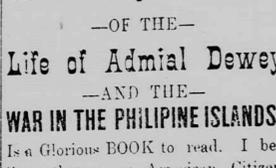
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