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WHERE THE MONEY GOES.

TWO MILLION OF DOLLARS SPENT EVERY YEAR.

Particulars of the Expense of the State Government of South Carolina—Dots for Reformers to Work On—What can be Cut Off?

The following article will give the reader the particulars of the expenses of the State government of South Carolina for one year. As this is a year of reform and economy the people may from these facts be able to show where a reduction in our taxes can be made. The total amount is nearly one million dollars. If we add the expenses of the various county governments and the poll and school tax we will have very nearly a total of two million dollars to be raised by taxation for one year alone. We hope some one will be able to point out where a reduction in taxation can be made:

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE.	
Salary of Governor.....	\$3,500
Salary of Private Secretary.....	1,500
Salary of Messenger.....	400
Contingent fund.....	4,000
Stationery and stamps.....	250
LEUTENANT GOVERNOR.	
Salary of Lieutenant Governor.....	\$1,000
OFFICE SECRETARY OF STATE.	
Salary of Secretary of State.....	\$2,100
Salary of Clerk.....	1,500
Contingent fund.....	250
Stationery and stamps.....	250
OFFICE COMPTROLLER-GENERAL.	
Salary of Comptroller-General.....	\$2,100
Salary of Clerk.....	1,500
Salary of Bookkeeper.....	1,500
Contingent fund.....	250
Stationery and stamps.....	250
Printing blanks, &c.....	200
For examining the books of County Auditors and Treasurers.....	600
OFFICE STATE TREASURER.	
Salary of State Treasurer.....	\$2,100
Salary of Clerk.....	1,500
Salary of Bookkeeper.....	1,500
Salary of Bookkeeper loan Department.....	1,500
Contingent fund.....	250
Stationery and stamps.....	250
STATE HOUSE AND GROUNDS.	
Salary of Keeper.....	\$500
Salary of Janitor.....	150
Salary of Two Watchmen.....	800
Repairing State House.....	200
Improvement State House Grounds.....	200
OFFICE ATTORNEY GENERAL.	
Salary of Attorney General.....	\$2,100
Salary of Assistant Attorney General.....	1,500
Contingent fund.....	250
Stationery and stamps.....	200
Expenses of litigation.....	4,000
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION.	
Salary of Superintendent of Education.....	\$2,100
Salary of Clerk.....	1,100
Contingent fund.....	250
Stationery and stamps.....	150
Books and blanks for public schools.....	800
Expenses State Board Examiners.....	300
Conducting Normal Institutes.....	1,500
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE.	
Salary of Adjutant General.....	\$1,500
Salary of Clerk.....	1,200
Salary of State Armorer.....	500
Salary of Ordnance Sergeant.....	400
Contingent fund.....	150
Stationery and stamps.....	150
Expenses Adjutant General's Office.....	1,000
Maintaining militia.....	14,000
Confederate rolls.....	500
JUDICIARY DEPARTMENT.	
Salary of Chief Justice.....	\$4,000
Salary of Two Associate Justices.....	7,000
Salary of 8 Circuit Judges.....	28,000
Salary of 8 Circuit Solicitors.....	12,500
Salary of Clerk Supreme Court.....	1,000
Salary of State Reporter.....	1,000
Salary of Librarian Supreme Court.....	800
Salary of Messenger Supreme Court.....	250
Salary of Attendant Supreme Court.....	250
Contingent Fund Supreme Court.....	500
Books Supreme Court.....	1,000
STATE LIBRARIAN.	
Salary of State Librarian.....	\$625
Contingent fund.....	200
Stationery and stamps.....	200
Purchase Supreme Court Reports.....	450
REGISTRATION AND ELECTION.	
Salaries Supervisors Registration.....	\$7,000
Blanks for general election.....	800
Books and certificates supervisors registration.....	2,000
Commissioners and managers of election for per diem and mileage.....	20,000
HEALTH DEPARTMENT.	
Salary Health Officer, Charleston.....	\$1,800
Salary of Health Officer Hilton Head.....	800
Salary of Health Officer, St. Helena.....	800
Salary of Health Officer Georgetown.....	500
Salary of Keeper Lazaretto Hospital.....	400
Buildings at Port Royal.....	200
State Board of Health.....	3,000
Maintaining Quarantine.....	1,600
Repairing Keeper's buildings at quarantine station at Charleston.....	2,575
PENITENTIARY.	
Salary of Superintendent.....	\$2,100
Salary of Physician.....	1,200
Salary of Clerk.....	1,200
Salary of Captain of guard.....	1,200
Salary of Chaplain.....	600
LUNATIC ASYLUM.	
Salary of Superintendent.....	\$3,000
Per diem and mileage of regents.....	2,000
Insurance of buildings.....	3,000
Support of.....	70,000
Purchasing books for patients.....	50
Central building.....	41,110
Repairs on new building.....	700
SOUTH CAROLINA UNIVERSITY.	
Salary of Librarian.....	\$500
Repairs on buildings.....	1,000
Insurance on buildings.....	1,000
Support of schools.....	15,000
Salary of assistant professor of agriculture.....	1,700

MASSACRE OF INNOCENTS.

AMOTHER TAKES POISON AND BRAINS HER FOUR CHILDREN.

One Killed Outright and None of the Victims Expected to Live—Repeated Attempts of the Demented Woman to Commit Suicide—Says She Killed Her Children to Save them from Hell.

KEYPORT, N. J., April 25.—Mrs. Fannie Smith, the wife of a farmer living about seven miles South of this place, became insane Friday morning, took a dose of poison and crushed in the heads of four of her children with an axe. The youngest child died immediately and the others are not expected to live till morning. Mrs. Smith is also very low and will probably die.

The family consists of J. Monroe Smith, the father, about fifty-five years old; the mother, who is forty-three years of age, and their five children—nineteen, eighteen, thirteen, eleven, seven and four years old respectively.

The family retired rather earlier than usual, so Mrs. Smith arose about 5 o'clock in the morning and roused her husband at the same hour. Their breakfast had been prepared by a colored woman who has been in the family's service for years. After eating, Mrs. Smith left her husband in the kitchen, and went out to the hen-house. Mr. Smith followed her in a few moments to a hot-house, which was about one hundred yards away from the house. In the hen-house Mrs. Smith took out of her pocket a package of Rough on Rats, which she bought and concealed over three years ago. She swallowed a large dose of the poison and threw the box away. On her way back to the house she picked up a large axe, which she concealed beneath her dress.

SHOCKING DOMESTIC TRAGEDY.

A Jealous Man Shoots His wife, and Then Blows Off His Head.

NEW ORLEANS, April 23.—Early this morning Mrs. William E. Nessen was awakened by her husband, who told her that as they could not live peaceably they had better die together. At the same time he drew a revolver. Mrs. Nessen caught his arm, but he fired, the bullet passing through her wrist. Their thirteen-year-old son rushed in grappled his father's arm, but the second shot took off the boy's finger and sent the bullet into his wife's breast, inflicting probably a fatal wound. Mrs. Nessen ran screaming from the house, but sank unconscious to the sidewalk. Her husband did not attempt to follow, but going to their room removed his false teeth, and placing the muzzle of the revolver in his mouth blew off the top of his head, dying almost instantly. He has frequently accused his wife of infidelity and they had many quarrels in consequence. He leaves ten children, the result of three marriages. The youngest child is six months old. Nessen was sixty-two years of age. His wife is forty.

Buried in a Sand Bank.

QUINCY, ILL., April 22.—Eddie and Charlie Kinsmeyer, aged twelve and seven years, and Charlie Kellerbach, aged ten years, disappeared on the 4th of last September. Yesterday a man hauling sand for a foundry was loading his wagon near the river bank, and on lifting his shovel was horrified at finding that he had cut the head from a human body. Upon further investigation the bodies of three children were exhumed from the sand bank and were identified as those of the missing boys. It is thought that the boys were digging a cave in the sand when it caved in and buried them alive.

Resurrected from Death.

Last week an accident occurred in this county, the results of which are rather remarkable. Mrs. Barnwell Akin missed her little girl, and after searching some time found her in a tub of water dead. This was some time in the afternoon. The body of the little one was taken out and carried in the house, and after night came on life asserted its sway, to the joy of the parents. Our informant states that she was quite ill on Sunday and may yet die from the effects of being in the water so long.—Barnesville (Ga.) Gazette.

Ex-President Arthur's Illness.

NEW YORK, April 22.—There are many conflicting rumors in regard to the illness of ex-President Arthur, but that prevailing is that he is slowly improving. Mr. Sherman W. Knevels, his law partner, said last night: "I have not seen Mr. Arthur for a few days, but have heard from him within the last twenty-four hours. He is gradually improving, and I do not think his condition at all serious. I believe that he has some trouble with his kidneys, but if the fine weather continues we may hope to see him about soon."

Shad by the Thousands.

Shad are more abundant in the Catawba River this Spring than they have been in twenty-five years. There is a perfect camping ground at the Catawba Falls, and we are informed that many people are there night and day. Last Sunday the traps got so full of shad that the buzzards flocked around the traps and ate the fish which had died in the traps by reason of the traps being so full of fish that the water did not cover them.—Chester Bulletin, April 23.

ERED. F. VAN MEERBEKE, of New York, who is making a tour of the county on a bicycle, passed through Spartanburg a few days ago. He averages thirty-four miles a day.

EDITORIALS ON THE WAR PATH.

A Street Fight Between the Editors at Walterboro'.

Our streets were thrown into quite a state of excitement on the morning of the 16th instant, by an encounter between the editor of the Star and the senior editor of the Press. The facts as related by several eye witnesses are as follows: On the morning of the 15th inst. one day after the issue of the Press, at about half-past 7 o'clock in the morning as the senior editor of the last named paper was on his way to breakfast, and just as he passed the corner of the street on which is situated the store of Messrs. Terry & Shaffer, his attention was attracted by someone hailing. Stopping to listen he heard footsteps approaching from around the corner, and directly the editor of the Star made his appearance, each advanced toward the other, and when they got within speaking distance the editor of the Star inquired, "Are you responsible for the article which appeared in the last week's Press?" Press answered, "I am." Whereupon the editor of the Star struck him a blow on the shoulder with his fist, which was immediately resented on the part of the editor of the Press by a blow in the face. The editor of the Star then struck his opponent on the shoulder with his walking cane, which was resented by a blow in the face, as before. Again did the editor of the Star raise his cane, but before the blow descended the Star's editor rolled on the ground, from which position he arose to renew the attack. Canes were now out of the question, and the battle continued in regular fisticuff style, and sparring continued for a while. The parties then came together, and the representative of the Press was tripped. Both fell together, the Star's editor falling on top, which vantage ground he immediately made use of, striking two or three blows on the face of his opponent with a large seal ring. At this juncture the friends of the Star raised his editor up and prevented the parties from again engaging in the fisticuff.—Colleton Press.

THE TERRIBLE FIRE AT STRY.

Sixty-Eight Bodies Taken From the Ruins—Twenty Deaths From Exposure.

VIENNA, April 21.—The condition of affairs at Stry among the people who lost their homes by the great fire is most pitiable. Most of the victims are without food or means, and are rendered desperate by the thought of starvation. Farmers in the vicinity have been visited by mobs of men, who have first demanded food, and then, if refused, stole it. Owners of farms are now compelled to barricade their houses as the only way to guard them from being plundered of food by the mob, which on account of hunger is becoming uncontrollable. Numerous struggles for food, resulting in bloodshed have taken place. All the public archives and registers of the city of Stry were lost in the fire. It will be necessary to ask grants of money from the Limberg Diet and the Reichrath to relieve the distress of the thousands of destitute people.

The Fatal Wedding Party.

The fatal ending of the wedding party near Rice Station, Minn., forms one of the saddest features of the wholesale destruction of life and property wrought by the recent cyclone. The party was assembled at the residence of John Schutz, a farmer, to celebrate the wedding of their daughter, Mamie. The ceremony was performed about 1 o'clock by the Rev. Gustavus Smith. The afternoon was spent in social enjoyment, and at 4 o'clock the party gathered about the wedding feast. It was a happy assemblage of nearly forty persons, celebrating the bridal festivities of the favorite daughter of the house. The cyclone came, and in the space of five minutes the house was converted into kindling wood and scattered all over the farm. Of the happy party of but a few minutes before, ten were corpses and many other were injured, several of whom will die. There was not a building left in which the few survivors could care for those not past help. The bridegroom was killed outright, but the bride was only injured. The neighbors who had escaped the fury of the cyclone went to the rescue, and the bodies of the dead were taken to the school house at Rice Station.

An Editor's Awful Crime.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., April 22.—Thomas W. Ellis, a young man about 23 years of age, who a month ago began to publish a sensational weekly paper called "The Hornet" a kind of miniature Pall Mall Gazette, late last night shot and killed Clara Ross, an inmate of the house of ill-fame. Ellis hurriedly left the house and, proceeding to a hotel near, he surrendered himself to the officers, not, however, before he had attempted suicide with the pistol placed at his own head. There were no witnesses to the affair. The woman was found locked in a room shot through the head.

Collector Bradley Confirmed.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—Among the confirmations made by the Senate to-day was D. C. Bradley to be Collector of Revenue for South Carolina. This case gave rise to considerable discussion, Bradley being charged with moonshining predilections. Edmunds is said to have led the opposition to Bradley in person, but he had been favorably reported by the Finance committee and was confirmed by 27 to 16.

INSANE FROM FRIGHT.

We learn that Miss Maggie Cline daughter of a respectable citizen, of Cabarrus county, has become insane, and efforts are being made to secure her admittance to an asylum for treatment. The case is a sad one. Mr. Cline owns a vicious bull, which has the liberty of a pasture, and a few days since the young lady was going through the pasture, when the bull gave her chase and ran her across the field. The animal came very near overtaking her, and such was the shock to her nerves experienced by fright over the occurrence, that her mind gave way. It is hoped that time and good treatment will effect a complete restoration of her reason.—Charlotte Observer.

THE POET PRIEST DEAD.

LOUISVILLE, KY., April 23.—Father Abram J. Ryan, the "Poet Priest of the South," died at the Franciscan Monastery at St. Bonifacius in this city tonight. He came here a month ago from the Catholic institution at Reading, near Cincinnati. He intended to make his retreat here, and finish "The Life of Christ," which he had undertaken. He became ill within a week with organic heart disease and grew steadily worse. For several days past his mind wandered and he has talked pitifully of his eventual life in war days and has preached to imaginary audiences. Yesterday he passed into a comatose state, from which he never roused.

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QUESTION OF THE HOUR.

CAN LEGISLATION PREVENT LABOR STRIKES?

An Open Letter from Ex-President Jefferson Davis—A Court of Arbitration Suggested as a Solution of a Difficult Problem.

GALVESTON, TEX., April 24.—The following letter from Ex-President Jefferson Davis, of the Confederate States, to H. W. Pope, of Marshal, Texas, in which Mr. Davis gives his views as to what legislation might be adopted to bring about harmony and unity of action between capital and labor, has just been made public.

BEAUVOIR, MISS., March 27, 1886.—The Hon. H. W. Pope—My Dear Sir: Fully appreciating the compliment conveyed by your request for my views as to what legislation might be adopted to adjust the conflict now going on between capital and labor, I regret that the compliment is so little merited. The old war between capital and labor has called forth the best intellects of Europe. It has disturbed commerce, overthrown governments, produced anarchy, and crept from the wreck without solving the problem. With us the contest is in its incipient state and happily it may be that something can be done to check its growth. Self interest and free competition for labor will, where laborers are abundant, give to the rich the power to oppress the poor. We cannot legislate to destroy the motive of self-interest, for that lies at the foundation of progress, and our efforts must, therefore, be directed to unifying the interest of labor and capital as far as this may be done by the legislatures of the States. The present form or conflict in our country is between associated labor and the organization employing it. It is not a sufficient answer to say that the price of labor has advanced, unless it can be shown that the profits moved pari passu with the profits of capital; for in this, as in other things of comparative welfare, we must consider the relative improvement. The standard of comfort rises proportionately to the increase of wealth in the country. Your idea of a Court of Arbitration, I think, has much to recommend it. The organization of such a Court, so as to secure equally the confidence of both the contending parties, would require both liberality and discretion, should be based on something like a co-operative principle of industrial partnership, in which the wages of employees should be measured by the profits of the corporation. If in this manner a community of interest could be established, the welfare and contentment of both would seem to be a possible result.

"With sincere regard and best wishes for you and yours, I am your friend,
JEFFERSON DAVIS."

The Work of a Fiend.

ATLANTA, GA., April 22.—A wrecker placed a crossie on the track of the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia Railroad, near Silver Creek, Tuesday night, then stepped back in the dark and watched an approaching freight train strike it and roll down a ten foot embankment. One man was instantly killed and another fatally injured. The man who was killed was Thomas Shenan who was firing for his transportation from Chattanooga to Atlanta. He was crushed and cut to pieces. Letters on his person show that he was a citizen of England. Jack Wright, the engineer, was so badly injured that he will die. Mike Wrinkle, the regular fireman, was asleep in the tender. He was not scratched. The engineer saw the obstruction just before he struck it, but was not able to stop the train. The wrecker has not been captured.

A Fiendish Murder Confessed.

AUGUSTA, April 23.—Preston Valentine, colored, who was arrested at Lowndes, Virginia, and brought to Augusta, confessed to the murder of William Vales before the grand jury to-day. Vales was watchman at the depot of the Augusta and Summerville Railroad. Valentine struck him on the head with a pick, saturated the body with oil and fired the buildings. After avoiding arrest for eighteen months he was finally captured in Virginia. The murder excited deep indignation, and fears were entertained that Valentine would be lynched. The law will take its course. The object of the murder was robbery.

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Entering the house she went first to the bedchamber of the four-year-old daughter Edna, who was quietly sleeping. She took the axe from under her dress and brought it down with terrible effect on the child's head. She did this three times until she saw that the little curly head was split open. Then she left and entered the bedroom of her son Rufus, thirteen years old. She struck him three or four blows on the head with the back of her axe, which laid the side of his head open. Next she turned her attention to her eleven-year-old daughter, Bessie, whom she found on her knees praying. The child seemed to know that her turn had come, as she had witnessed the attack on the others. She lifted up her hands imploringly and begged her mother in a faltering voice to spare her, but this had no effect on the frenzied woman, for she took the axe and came down on the poor little child's head with as much force as at first, and a moment later her third victim was lying on the floor with her skull fractured. A moment later she had struck Alida, another of her children.