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Very fortunate is the man who is quick to see a good opportunity and who is wise enough to profit by it.

Some people imagine they are free thinkers when the one obvious fact is that they are free from thinking.

Old age may bring wrinkles to the cheeks and brow, but the heart may be kept fresh with perennial youth.

The man who foresees trouble suffers twice over. He suffers in the anticipation and in the trouble itself.

It is the empty vessel and not the full one that gives forth the most noise. So in human life it is the man of little understanding and sense who loves to make himself heard.

The test of a man's religion is not in his ability to make long and eloquent prayers or to engage in theological controversy, but in his everyday life at home and in the world.

One of the monthly magazines recently showed the picture of a \$10,000 bed in which some wealthy man nightly rested his weary limbs. Probably he gets no more satisfaction out of it, or as sweet a sleep, as a poor man gets out of his \$10 bed.

By the way some people act they look upon life as a great game of grab. They live for themselves only and care not whether others sink or swim. In the lust for gain they show no scruples as to the methods employed, their sole aim being to act the part of the large fish that swallows the little fish.

Another international wedding has taken place in which good American dollars were given for possession of an ancient title. So long as impecunious noblemen exist on one side of the water, and young ladies dazzled by the thought of a coronet exist on this side of the water, just so long will such marriages take place. That the majority of such alliances prove anything but satisfactory in the long run seems to put no check upon the ambition.

Spring will soon be here and backyards will need to be cleaned up and all decaying vegetation removed. Too often this is neglected with the result that sickness comes, and probably death. Under such circumstances people are likely to question the goodness of the Almighty and talk about the mysteries of divine providence. There is no mystery about it. Rotten vegetation and other things reveal the cause as plainly as daylight.

No sensible man expects that the wealth of a country can be so distributed that all the people would share and share alike. Even if such a distribution were possible, inequality would at once arise because of the difference of personal temperament, disposition and ability. But sensible men do wish to change conditions that work in favor of special interests with resultant colossal fortunes for a few people, and which conditions just as surely work injustice to the money.

Now and again some one in a sceptical tone asks if the world is getting better. Of course it is, every day, in spite of the political corruption, business dishonesty and other evils that flout themselves. One has but to contrast present conditions with those that existed years ago to be convinced of this truth, and the best of it all is that this betterment is affecting all classes. To be sure there is much, very much yet to be done to get the world where it should be, and that fact shows that everyone can lend a hand if he will.

The Washington correspondent of the Springfield Republican says Champ Clark's speech in the House in which he sought to emphasize the Republican split and to rub salt into Republican wounds, succeeded admirably in its purpose. His assertions that President Taft in putting forward the reciprocity agreement was only adopting Democratic policies, as it was intended, and it is known that one result of Mr. Clark's speech was to increase the number of Republican votes cast against reciprocity. But this also was just what Mr. Clark intended.

A French scientist tells us that laziness is a disease due to a deficiency of quality in the blood. This news will give comfort to those indisposed to work but who have had a hard time explaining the reason for it. If the scientist who has made this discovery will only show how to remedy the defect in the blood of the lazy man he will deserve well of his fellow men. In the meantime it is worth noting that many lazy men can and do work when necessity compels them, notwithstanding the poor condition of their blood, which leads to the conviction that laziness is a disease of the will rather than of the blood.

Postal Changes Suggested.

At the instance of Postmaster General Hitchcock the House committee on postoffices and post roads has incorporated in the appropriation bill for the department a provision that after the present calendar year city letter-carriers shall not make delivery at any residence or business house which is not furnished with a suitable mail-box, located near the door or entrance. It is estimated that this step will save the government a million dollars a year besides markedly promoting the promptness and efficiency of the service. The statutory provision was asked because the public had paid simple requests that it provide these boxes very little attention.

Anybody who will not take the trouble to rig up a box for the mail-carrier's convenience at no necessary expense whatever to himself does not deserve free mail delivery. Of course boxes will be provided everywhere once the requirement is made. This is an administrative reform against which no rational objection can be made. Different, however, are other proposals looking to economies in the "allway mail service." It is on these points that a resolution offered by Senator LaFollette takes issue with the department.

Calling for specific information in the matter, Mr. LaFollette's resolution asserts that the department has been seized with a mania for retrenchment which is rapidly lessening the efficiency of the whole department and demoralizing its employees. It appears that, effective March 10, the department proposes to cut out two lines of 60-foot mail cars between Atlanta and Washington, besides reducing the salaries of three clerks from \$1,500 to \$1,300 a year and three other employees' pay from \$1,300 to \$1,100. Department inspectors have reported that \$6,000 can be saved by changing to the compartment cars, on which no rent for any under forty feet in length is paid the railroad companies, haulage paid on mail being the only item of expense.

The Charlotte Observer says that it does not think that true governmental economy is to be promoted through congested mail cars and lower-paid, lower-grade clerks. Within recent weeks the treatment of the clerks, actual and threatened, has caused such a large number of resignations that demoralization from this one cause is in near prospect unless the policy shall be changed. Railway mail clerks are in no sense political employees but workers who give full value on a business basis. They are about the last class of postal employees whose salaries should be reduced. It seems rather strange that a government which tolerates unlimited pension graft and gally throws away tons of millions in other directions should be so petty.

Great Wealth a Barrier.

Andrew Carnegie told a company of working women a few days ago that married life is not nearly so congenial or happy among wealthy people as it is among the working people. Certainly he could speak with authority for his social associations for many years past have been with the rich. The reasons he gave in support of his views are undoubtedly correct.

While there are notable exceptions it is not less the fact that the majority of wealthy women (and it was of women he was speaking in particular) are marked by frivolity of life. They receive no mental stimulus and as a consequence their mind stagnates and disastrous domestic and other effects follow with startling frequency. It all goes to show that life is something more than silk and satin, a plethora of wealth, costly equipages and stately mansions.

Life is of but little account unless it gives content, satisfaction and true bliss, and if Mr. Carnegie is right, which he is, the family of a working-man or of a farmer is far more likely to have these blessings than the family of a millionaire. One thing is evident, and it has a potent part in producing this condition, and that is that work is a tonic, is invigorating, promotes health, and therefore is a very great blessing, while idleness, especially when associated with wealth, is sure to produce morbidity and lead to temptations and mischief.

Stopped His Paper.

Nowadays, when a subscriber gets so mad, because an editor differs from him on some trivial question, that he discontinues his paper, we remind him of the late Horace Greeley, the well-known editor of the New York Tribune. Passing down Newspaper Row, in New York City, one morning, he met one of his readers, who exclaimed: "Mr. Greeley, after that article you published this morning, I intend to stop your paper."

"Oh, no!" said Mr. Greeley, "don't do that."

"Yes, sir; my mind is made up; I intend to stop the paper."

The angry subscriber was not to be appeased, and they separated. Late in the afternoon the two met again, when Mr. Greeley remarked: "Mr. Thompson, I am very glad to did not carry out your threat this morning."

"What do you mean?"

"Why, you said you were going to stop my paper, didn't you?"

"And so I did. I went to the office and had your paper stopped."

"You are surely mistaken. I have just come from there, and the press was running, and business was booming."

"Sir," said Thompson, very pompously, "I meant, I intended to stop my subscription to the paper."

"Oh, thunder!" rejoined Greeley, "I thought you were going to stop the running of my paper, and knock me out of a living. My friend, let me tell you something. One man is just one drop of water in the ocean. You didn't set the machinery of this world in motion, and you can't stop it; and when you are underneath the ground

things upon the surface will wag on the same as ever."

CLASSIFIED COLUMN

One-half Cent a Word Found Notices Free.

Wanted—To buy at once a gentle family horse. B. M. Foreman, 225 East Whitman. 2-21-6*

Three farm hands wanted to do general farm work. Apply to H. W. Black, R. F. D. No. 3. 2-11-4

Plymouth Rock Eggs—75c per setting of 15 Apply to Mrs. Isaac Bennett, Jamison, S. C. 1-31-14*

For Sale—Tools improved cotton seed. \$1.00 per bushel. Cash with order. J. A. Weathersbee, Norway, S. C. 2-4-12*

Money to Lend—We are in position to negotiate loans on improved real estate in Orangeburg City and County. Glaze & Harbert. ::

Wanted—500 to 1,000 Cords Short Leaf Pine Wood, delivered at Cameron, S. C. Write Wesner & White Manufacturing Co., Cameron, S. C. 2-16-1m*

Let us collect your rents. Prompt attention given weekly or monthly collections. Small commission. F. R. Simpson Real Estate Co., 33 W. Russell street, up-stairs, Orangeburg, S. C. 2-4-1m*

Notice—Anyone having clock repairing to do will oblige me by giving me their patronage. I can now see well enough to do repairing. Parties can find me at city hall. A. D. Powers. tr

Wanted—You to list your city and country property with us for quick sale. We turn it into cash and get your price. F. R. Simpson Real Estate Co., 33 W. Russell street, (upstairs), Orangeburg, S. C.

Wanted—to sell a nice 10-room house No. 50 E. Glover Street on Lot 9x220. This is a desirable piece of property close in. See me quick. F. R. Simpson Real Estate Co., Orangeburg, S. C. 1m

For Sale—Eggs for hatching. Mammoth Pekin Duck eggs. Price \$1.25 per setting of 11 eggs delivered at your house in city or express office, \$1.00 if you send to my residence for them. J. L. Phillips, 85 Sellers Ave. 2-11-1f

Wanted—to sell a nice 6-room house on E. Palmetto Street on lot 65x200. Good barn and garden. This property will not stay on the market at the price we are offering. Terms to suit purchaser. F. R. Simpson Real Estate Co., Orangeburg, S. C. 2-16-1m*

Notice to Trustees and Teachers. Trustees are requested to sign the Annual Report of each teacher and send it in with the last claim from each school so that the enrollment for each district may be made up correctly. Teachers are requested to send in at once to this office the names and addresses of those who desire to join the Boys' Corn club. All teachers are invited to attend our teachers' meetings at the court house the fourth Saturday of each month. All teachers may secure blank report cards at this office free.

L. W. Livingston, Co. Supt. Ed. O. C. Feb. 20, 1911.

To the Democratic Voters of Orangeburg County.

At the suggestion of several of my friends, I hereby announce that I am a candidate for Judge of Probate and Special Referee. Should you see fit to entrust this office to me I beg to assure you that I shall use my best efforts to discharge the duties of this important position carefully and efficiently.

Yours very truly, L. K. Sturkie.

To the Democratic voters of Orangeburg county:

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Judge of Probate and Special Referee of Orangeburg county, and pledge my best services to the people if elected.

Edward B. Friday.

Notice.

Office of County Supervisor, Orangeburg, S. C., February 18, 1911. Notice is hereby given to the public that on Tuesday, February 28th, the steel bridge over the Edisto river at the foot of Russell street will be torn up for repairs. I desire to warn the public that it will be somewhat dangerous to haul extra-heavy loads over this bridge between now and the 28th.

F. J. D. FELDER, Supervisor.

Call to Creditors.

State of South Carolina—County of Orangeburg. In Common Pleas. Mary C. Dibble, Plaintiff, against Edward A. Hughes, et al., Defendants.

All persons having claims against the respective estates of the decedents George W. Hughes, Narcissus Hughes and Eugene G. Hughes, are hereby required to prove their respective demands before the undersigned, on or before February 20th, 1911, or be debarred payment.

ROBT. E. COPEL, Judge of Probate, as Special Referee. January, 30th, 1911.

Prussia's Population.

Prussia has a population of 40,157,573. The official figures as recorded in Dec. 1, 1910, were made public today. The increase in the last five years is slightly more than that of the preceding census period.

Academy of Music ALL THIS WEEK SCOTT LESLIE -and his- FUN MAKERS --AT-- POPULAR PRICES 10, 20 and 30 cents.

COTTON SEED. Improved Tool. Improved Moss Seed. Peterkin Improved and Money Maker.

Only a small quantity on hand, and prices cheap. Ayers & Williams, Orangeburg, S. C.

Notice of Discharge and Call to Creditors. On February 28th, 1911, I will file with the Judge of Probate, for Orangeburg County, S. C., my final account as Executor of the last Will and Testament of Harriet H. Bookhart, deceased, and will thereupon ask for my discharge as such Executor.

The State of South Carolina—County of Orangeburg. In Common Pleas. The Edisto Savings Bank of Orangeburg, South Carolina, a banking corporation of said State, Plaintiff, against Leonidas L. Jackson, Defendant.

By virtue of the judgment in the above entitled case, I will sell at public auction at Orangeburg court house, during the legal hours for sale, on the first Monday in March, 1911, being the 6th day of said month, the following described real estate:

All that certain tract of land, known as the Bailey Place, consisting originally of two tracts contiguous to each other, one of eight hundred acres, more or less, formerly of the late John S. Jennings, of said county, deceased, conveyed to Samuel Dibble by Harpin Riggs, Esq., Sheriff of said County, by his deed dated March 1st, 1896, and recorded in the Clerk's office for said County in Book 5, pages 297 and 298; and the other tract containing two hundred acres, more or less, conveyed to Samuel Dibble by E. I. Cain, Sheriff of said County, by his deed dated December 2nd, 1872, and recorded in the Clerk's office for said County in Book 12, pages 551 and 552; and containing in all one thousand acres, more or less, situate in the County of Orangeburg, in said State, being the same land sold and conveyed to Leonidas L. Jackson by Samuel Dibble by his deed bearing date September 20th, 1909; and said mortgage being for the balance of the purchase money on said lands.

It is understood that seventy-seven and five-sixths (77 5-6) acres of said land was sold to Vernon Brabham and released from the lien of this mortgage; and it is further understood that the pine timber on said lands was also conveyed to Vernon Brabham and the same released from the lien of said mortgage.

(Plats will be exhibited on the day of sale, and a suitable purchaser can arrange with plaintiff for a portion of the purchase money on credit secured by mortgage of the premises.) Terms—Cash. Purchaser or purchasers to pay for all papers and taxes falling due after the day of sale; and in case the purchaser or purchasers fail to comply with the terms of sale, the said premises will be resold on the same or some subsequent sales day on the same terms, at the risk of the former purchaser or purchasers, and the bidders will be required to put up a forfeit of one hundred dollars when the land is bid off.

G. L. SALLEY, Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, Orangeburg County.

For Judge of Probate and Special Referee.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Judge of Probate and Special Referee for Orangeburg County, made vacant by the election of Judge Robert S. Copes to the Circuit Bench.

Andrew C. Dibble.

A \$400.00 PIANO FOR \$300.00. We have made for us quite a number of Pianos with the most Scientific Scale. All made in beautiful Mahogany and possessing musical qualities of the highest order. Our name is blown in the Iron Frame and also stamped on the fall board. Every one fully guaranteed free from any defects. These Pianos are sold under the maker's name for \$400.00. In order to get double advertising and get them introduced, we will sell during the month of February 1911, twelve of these Pianos for \$300.00 each. This is on a cash basis, but we will give the following liberal terms: \$75.00 cash, \$75.00 December 1st, 1911, \$75.00 December 1st, 1912 and \$75.00 December 1st, 1913 with interest of six per cent per annum. OR \$48.00 cash, balance \$7.00 per month, or \$84.00 cash, balance \$6.00 per month. This offer will be withdrawn after March 1st. If you are going to buy a Piano, take advantage of this splendid offer. If the above terms do not suit you, please call on us or write us and no doubt we can arrange terms to suit. THE MERCHANT MUSIC CO. 53 East Russell St. Orangeburg, S. C.

Assessment Notice For 1911 Personal Property.

Notice is hereby given that I, or deputy, will be at the following named places on the days specified for the purpose of taking returns of personal property for taxation in Orangeburg County for the fiscal year 1911.

All taxpayers must give the number of School District in which property is located. Especial care should be taken in locating property in or near special school districts. School trustees in the different townships are requested to meet the Auditor at these appointments and assist in the proper location of special school and poll taxes.

All personal property owned on the first day of January, 1911, must be returned and all transfers of real estate noted.

All persons whose income exceed \$2500.00 per annum (clear of business expenses) are liable to the State income tax. Blanks for income tax returns will be furnished upon application to the Auditor.

Table with columns: WEST-BOUND NO. 7, EAST-BOUND NO. 8, and train schedules for Charleston and Cincinnati.

Notice for Letters of Administration.

The State of South Carolina, County of Orangeburg. By Robert E. Copes, Probate Judge.

Whereas, J. B. Sharpe, has made suit to me to grant to him Letters of Administration of the Estate and effects of Jefferson Sharpe, deceased.

These are, therefore, to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and Creditors of the said Jefferson Sharpe, deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Orangeburg, S. C., on February 25th, 1911, next, after publication hereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand this eighth day of February, Anno Domini 1911. (L. S.) ROBT. E. COPEL, Judge of Probate.

CAROLINA SPECIAL, High Class Electrically Lighted Train Between Charleston and Cincinnati. Southern Railway. In Connection with C., N. O. & T. P. Railway Beginning January 2, 1911. Consisting of Combined Baggage and Smoking Car, First Class Coach, Pullman Drawing Room Sleeping Car, Pullman Observation Sleeping Car and Dining Car Service. SOLID BETWEEN Charleston and Cincinnati. ON THE FOLLOWING CONVENIENT SCHEDULES: WEST-BOUND NO. 7, EAST-BOUND NO. 8, and train schedules. A GREAT BURDEN. To buy a poor piano is to put a burden upon yourself which you're sure to regret. Such an instrument is an endless source of disappointment. Get the best. The Krantz & Back pianos are the highest standard of excellence. Perfection, construction, touch, tone and action, as well as beautiful in design and moderately priced, too. Cash or installments. Guarantee with every one. THE MERCHANT MUSIC CO. All the latest Magazines ON SALE AT SIMS BOOK STORE 49 E. Russell St. : : Orangeburg, S. C. New Line of Local Post Card Views at Sims Book Store.