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His Honor Judge Aldrich in charging the Grand Jury took occasion to make some very appropriate remarks upon the convict-labor system. He characterized it as an evil demanding prompt Legislative action, and showed that while the system of hiring out the laborers is bringing reproach upon our State, as well as other States, the Penitentiary is not sufficiently large to accommodate all the convicts, and that some disposition must be made of them. His suggestion is that one of our Sea-Islands be purchased and the convicts be sent there and be made to work a farm on the Island under the State's supervision, and assist in making their Support. The Island could be easily guarded by boats at less expense than under the present system. Another suggestion of His Honor, is specially worthy of note. This was in reference to sending children to the Penitentiary. Instead of this he suggests that a Reformatory School be established, and that all children convicted of offences be sent there, where they might be educated both intellectually and morally, and they would be turned loose from there perhaps useful citizens, instead of hardened criminals as they now usually come from the Penitentiary. These we regard as exceedingly wholesome suggestions. We are as much bound to care for the unfortunate convicts in this relation to the State, as we are bound to care for them as citizens at home, and this is not done. Other States have houses of correction, and reformatory schools in which to train the idle and the vicious, and find them useful aids in reducing the commission of crime, and sooner or later, we will be found following this suggestion.

THE SYNOD.

The late Synod of the Presbyterian Church of this State which met at Chester, passed the following resolutions condemning the action of the Board of Directors of the Columbia Seminary in their treatment of the Rev. Dr. Woodrow:

1st That the Synod disapprove of the action of the Board of Directors in requesting the resignation of Prof. James Woodrow, as not being justified by the action of the controlling Synod, nor by any statement made by Prof. Woodrow previous to this action.

2d That the Synod disapprove of the resignation of Dr. Woodrow from his professorship as unconstitutional.

3d We believe, a virtual restoration of the Perkins professorship to his seat in the Seminary, provided he possesses meekness sufficient to be left back. Now that the schism which divided this sacred Institution is removed; its friends will expect in a short time to see it regain its pristine place among the leading theological schools of the day.

NEW BUILDINGS.

Only a short time ago Manning had the sleepy, monotonous look of most inland towns away from the rush, trade and traffic which usually follows the construction of Railroads. Concurrent with the snort of the Iron horse has been the sound of the saw and hammer; and property increased in value, in some cases, over three hundred per cent. New buildings running up either and yonder, where, but recently stood, unsightly and vacant lots over run with weeds.

Notwithstanding the fact that the flames have thrice extended their forked tongue over the business portion of the place, and laid three-fourths of it in smouldering heaps of ruin, yet, again and again, has it risen Phoenix like from its bed of ashes.

But judged from results, they have only been "barriers burned away," making room for something substantial. After our last destructive fire the Council, on petition of those immediately interested, passed an ordinance forbidding the erection of any more wooden buildings on this square; and now fronting the Court House, in stately dignity stands a row of elegant brick stores built by the Messrs. Carr, of Sumter. The largest and most imposing in appearance is that of Mr. L. Loyne, one of our live and active merchants, who has laid the Town under obligation to him, for so valuable a contribution to the beauty of the place—a monument to his good sense, benevolent judgement and fine taste. It is stocked from bottom to top and well worth a visit. The next comes the handsome edifice of Mr. B. A. Walker, our worthy fellow townsman, whose long sojourn among us and unswerving integrity has won for him the synonym of honesty and rightly bestowed. This establishment, while not so large as Mr. Loyne's, presents an appearance upon which the passer by will linger long in admiration. The last on the line yet erected, is the tidy and dainty Drug House of Messrs. Dinkins & Wilson—a perfection of neatness and beauty. We would want space to speak in detail of the large two-story store of Mr. J. F. Cole, nearly completed; and the new buildings of Messrs. Barron, Bradham and others. This is designed as having reference only to new work and the burnt district, over which, we trust the fire fiend has led his last red dance to the dismal music of falling roofs and crackling timbers.

AB, THESE BOOMERANGS.

The Editor of the Herald and Star has always shown an irrepressible penchant for tampering with the Infantry of Williamsburg County; having had, it is said, local reporters ever on the alert, to signal the presence of these juvenile adventurists; passing around compliments on the happy recipients free of charge. All cases of double entry he went for with zest and interest as keen as the Astronomer's.

mers of the day follow up the new-found "star of Bethlehem." Suddenly there was an ominous silence brooding over the Herald office; local reporters called in, on every lintel and door post stood the edict, placing this subject under the ban. His friends began scurrying around to find an adequate cause for revulsion so sudden, and after diligent search learned of two little girls—pretty as pink, and ought to compensate him for the loss of fun he was having out of others, who had traveled the same road, if only received in proper spirit and with becoming humility. We trust brother Cunningham will continue to enlighten us, as has been his wont.

WE POOR COUNTRY PEOPLE.

Mr. Editor: Please allow me a very small space in your paper for a short reply to your highly esteemed correspondent, "Meipse." He is laboring under a cloud and has shot wide of his mark. I am a farmer in a very small way, but I have no store, turpentine still or factor, nor am I the representative of any. I paddle my own boat, and pay for my labor in money.

I am sorry for "Meipse," I am afraid he is among the unfortunates who were born with silver spoons in their mouths, and know not how to get rid of them. I never had one myself, except that which I worked for, and consequently have never found much difficulty in getting rid of it when the occasion demanded. He speaks of those delightful adjuncts to a pleasant home—the giving his wife, daughters and sisters all those sweet comforts, so dear to a woman's heart. I am no brute myself that I would deprive my family of any of the luxuries I could afford them. I do not know "Meipse," but will venture the assertion that he spends more money on himself than he does in amusement for his family. He goes hunting and fishing, and resorts to places improper for ladies to visit, has a host of company, big dinners, Havana cigars and elegant wines, while his good, gentle wife and her lovely daughters weary themselves, that everything may look attractive to this fastidious epicure, husband and papa, and his merry companions. If all men possessed perseverance and economy equal to our good women, there would no longer exist a need for factors. For the benefit of my friend, I will relate an incident about one of these silver spoon men which occurred here in our midst. The one I have reference to had been giving leaves regularly from the first appearance of the Lien Law upon the Statute book, until he had lined himself out of everything except his land, a mule and a heavy debt; at this juncture (two years ago) his wife steps up and prays that the lien business stop. Well he listens to her. Of course they endured trials for awhile, but where are they to-day? Out of debt, and with a bright prospect for a big harvest. Now I have no doubt my friend's faithful wife has, or will urge him to adopt the same course. Try it "Meipse," and I am satisfied you will in two years thank "Ox Farmer" for the suggestion. At least let me advise you not to borrow your factor's money, and then rantingly abuse him because he has accommodated you. Not wishing a public discussion, I close.

Ox Farmer.

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The untold benefit I have received from the use of S. S. S. leads me to acknowledge its virtues and recommend it to all who are suffering with humors, and especially in its terrible form, cancer. A year ago this July, I wrote to the company in Atlanta, Ga., concerning a cancer that had troubled me two or three years past, but which had been increasing in size and redness quite rapidly for three months preceding that letter. I had heard of the wonderful cures of Swift's Specific, and resolved to try it. I commenced taking it in April, 1884. My general health was much improved, yet the cancer which was in my breast continued to grow slowly but surely. When I wrote in July last I received a treatise on blood and skin diseases, with advice to keep the S. S. S. I did so. The bunch grew and became quite heavy, also very dark and angry looking, until the middle of December, when I felt that I must either have it cut out or die. But contrary to all expectations, it commenced to ooze a little bloody substance, and in a week it seemed to break, making a large opening and discharging quantities of almost black, thick blood. It continued to discharge less and less, healing around the edges, until February, when it was entirely healed up and well. I took 26 bottles of the S. S. S., and feel that I owe my life to its virtues. My case is a wonder and a miracle to all in and about this community. I wish I could tell everybody of the benefits I have received, and induce all who suffer from cancer to use Swift's Specific. I am seventy-five years old, and my health is so improved, that I feel better than I have for years.

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