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# SPECTATOR

In the long ago I delighted reading about Christmas in Addison's Roger de Coverley papers and others. Christmas of old was a home-coming occasion with the feasting of joyous celebration. It colored my thoughts of the great day and I think of it still as a time of returning sons and daughters, of snow and lights, of great things laid away in the pantry and yet greater, perhaps in the over and ice box.

I went out to see some friends on a farm the day before Christmas and rejoiced with them in cocoanut cake, fruit cake, chocolate cake, banana cake, fruit, candy, nuts-and what-Mark you, I rejoiced. I didn't I participated in spirit, as it were, but not spirits. Our Englisg language may trip you, if you don't

In all ages men have celebrated great occasions with a feast. Even those solemn, stern-faced Puritans ordained a feast to symbolize their grateful acknowledgement of bounty of Jehovah.

Christmas is for the children be cause a baby came to save mankind. As the visitors brought Him presents, and as He was himself the greatest ift to the world, so we bring gifts. Surely rejoicing need not be ex-

essed in maudlin drunkenness. One n not worship God by benumbing Il the great faculties He gave us. very little boy is entitled to eat unhis tummy rebels, and the big boys and old boys, too, may try that; but to swallow something which denes reason is about the most foolish thing that can be done. And it is cone in the name of the Christ; for hat's what Christmas is.

Some days ago the president of the Westinghouse Manufacturing Company wrote to a Senator that the taxes of his company had been increased six hundred per cent since 1934. He gave the following

In 1934 the taxes were \$2,500,000 In 1935 the taxes were \$5,000,000 In 1936 the taxes were \$9,00,000 In 1937 the taxes are \$16,000,000

He made the point that the increase in taxes from 1935 to 1937-\$11,000,000—would pay wages to six thousand five hundred new workers, at the prevailing wage

We see how taxes climb. Many people have the idea that the cry about taxes is overdone, but it must be clear that six hundred per cent increase in three years is pretty steep.

Washington, to require a vote by all by the authority vested in it and be- now), placed in a zig-zag manner in u the people before Congress shall be cause of the responsibilty resting on order to hold the ends that were and large rooms. able to declare war. It brings up the members. a nice point for debate. In ancient times a king led his troops in battle, declare war and send the young men to a foreign country one must be himto battle. That phase of it has self under the laws and under proaroused much of the opposition to Another objection is that it ask of this country, his country, to large Burtons. seems foolish to kill men, women, and protect him in his trouble abroad. children in order to settle a question That reasoning was based in part on at issue. Theoretically the nations the assumption that this country of the world should compose their needs all its sons and all its money differences by peaceful means just as at home and that if a man goes abroad well as individuals are supposed to it is because he is asking some advan-resort to the courts to try their dis-tage beyond what he thinks he would putes and not to depend on a decision by guns and pistols.

Now that is all very well; but what are you going to do when Italy, Germany, and Japan take it into their at home to protect him heads to do just exactly as they please because the other nations don't want

Japan, Italy and Germany will have peace against aggression.

Our legislature is about to meet. It is worth repeating and worth remembering that the Legislature is comwalks of life and trying to represent

others.

nesses, so many agencies, so many for our goods. If our foreign mar-institutions for all sorts of things kets were to be closed entirely that that these big appropriations are would cause the prices of goods at tribe, he would Neal and listen. granted for services which they are home to fall and would cause a great led to believe are most urgent and de-recession of business. It follows, France besides making good wines One was if a rabbit ran across your

sure the Legislature but fail to tell merican business

### **Another Oldtimer**

J. Ebb Long of Prosperity came in Friday and asked to be put on the Sunlist. He is an oldtimer in the camp and of course we are pleased to hav him back.

-And Another

And Others

J. W. Pitts, Newberry, route 3. Mrs. Hunter Browne, City. Mrs. N. S. Conover, Philadelphia.

Practically no sampling has been

EXAMINATION ANNOUNCED FOR

The United States Civil Service

Commission has announced an open

competitive examination for the posi-

n the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The entrance salary is \$1,440 a year,

less a retirement deduction of 3 and

Chas. P. Speck, Saco, Main.

I. Holland Wilson, City.

our style, poor tho is it!

one half per cent.

twenty-fifth birthday.

growing Sunlist:

(Note: Words in black letters -And Another Likewise A. J. Holt of Whitmire responded immediately to a sample copy and is securely fixed for another

-And Another

Another friend of long standing South Carolina may be fairly reprevas in Saturday complaining that we sentative of most parts of the State and a few in some adjacent counties. Wallace Moore, son of W. O. Moore, Many early families that came from a real veteran, a partisan we might say, was in Saturday, following a period in attempts to use the phonesample copy or two and was kind etic or English form of spelling often nough to indicate he wanted more of inadvertently spelled their names like

Counties

representing some occupation. meeting people who are earnest in gratifying. We are of course glad that were first planted among them. oldtimers come trooping back to the the foundations for a cultivated spirit. that the sun and the trees are parts! of God's universe.

its humorous side.

tion of Student fingerprint classifier The first roads were small narrow drives or paths, rough, in whch fre-Applicants must have completed a bushes grew in large patches by the the wated for drinking. They knew 4-year high school course, or must be side of the roads, and often around the nothing about Derricks then with

a/Box attached to the rear, had large, fore the War between the States, by heavy wheels with large hubs and slave women. The women had a Farr the legislators what we think. They spokes, and were driven to the village distance to carry their loads, but it frequently hear only one side and they for supplies. The Farmers would was near water. If there were no hear that side so often and so loudly bring some product from their farms Bridges they would Ford the streams that it seems to them the whole State is in an uproar for what is being requested.

The Farmers and Taxpayers League

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The state is of the many some product from their taxas bridges they would rot the state to get to a suitable Pool or Spring, which was perhaps under a Round-roughness of the roads and the slow-ness of travel somethimes they spent naked, and would ring the wet clothes has been the only organization that I the Knight, sleeping in a canvass by twisting, one at each end; and good know of that had no axe to grind but covered wagon on the lower public Ringers were rare.

payers League the South Carolina thing they needed to eat; making good Grace, and would never Terry, federation of Commerce, Agriculture their own clothes, with the cards and in their work. and Industry will be a potent in-fluence in co-operation with the Gen-Colonial and Revolutionary War times Merry-man clocks which had Dials as eral Assembly to do something for clothes for both men and women were the State.

Colonial and the Colonial

except by direct appropriation and wished. Occasionally a rail fence could boast of better citizens than A resolution has been introduced in the House of Representatives, each legislature in its own name and Small, long Striplings (Striblings Some of the Holmes were kept in laces. They were very adept placed one on another.

tection of that country and should not

New-man of him. tage beyond what he thinks he would strap his Hipps with a cedar chests, behind which would uary 4th, 1938.

receive in this country, and that, leather band, and with nerves of Crouch a yellow Catt with it's head Whitmire—Aragon-Baldwin therefore, the advantage to him and the hazard to him must be accepted trail—and Howe he felt his Oats! relics of by-gone Days or maybe an Longshores—Thurscopy him equally without calling on us Game was plentiful, including the old Cobb pipe. Oh, Tutt! it as just a 1988, from 9 until 12. The reasoning I have given is true so far as concerns those wealthy men the Martindale which often made its and women who live in other countries nests in gourds that were hung on tall the middle of the floor, perhaps, a because of attractions which they find sapling poles in the yards, while the wide white cloth was spread on which Japan, Italy and Germany will have to be curbed and they fear nothing but force. They are convinced that this country will not fight, that this dountry not only could not protect its citizens and rights but will have no force in the world as a power for great corporations in the United States which do vast foreign business. The Standard Oil company of bring home the Bacon. They wasted sons, according to signs. Planting New Jersey, The United States Steel no Shells and no Cannon was better Irish potatoes and other root vege-Corporation, The National City than their aims.

posed of men representing all the Bank, Grace and company and many Another sport was fishing. Fish those that mature above ground had These concerns by their the people of the State, as they under- foreign connections and branches Rivers; and Hope was high in his on a Bright day. Of course they stand what the people of the State help us to handle that surplus part Youngblood, as he made a Webb that of the products which we must sell would Hook his game. Summer days There are some men in the Senate in order to keep our business going. were always eventful, going Singley at anytime after maturity, but vege-down some Lane—never Dunn, and tables were gathered Early, as their State and are as economical as any-body could be—in their private busi-years has been the decline of our exness. When they go to Columbia ports. The American agency in sports, as well as his Work, Reid the they are called upon by so many busiforeign lands helps to find markets signs Wright to the West or to the

then, that a man engaged in furthering American exports is helping Aure the Legislature but fail to tell

Tecession of business. It follows, France besides making good wines of the was if a rabbit ran across your latter which time a from their own grown Vines (French wines were especially in demand), had the art of making Crout; using a while running around the House,

Auditor Ne

Newberry County and Adjacent nomical living.

(Note: Words in black letters of all kinds than their Neighbors. of all kinds than their Neighbors. The Irish families, too, had many of common in the early period.)

By G. Leland Summer

(Note: Words in black letters of all kinds than their Neighbors. The Irish families, too, had many of these early customs which they brought from the old country, that were acquired through their interpretations, giving around the wood soles, and which as notes are sold to be greased with home made tallow day, to the highest bidder; and such represent family names that were sold to be greased with home made tallow day, to the highest bidder; and such represent family names that were sold to be greased with home made tallow day, to the highest bidder; and such represent family names that were sold to be greased with home made tallow day, to the highest bidder; and such represent family names that were sold to be greased with home made tallow day, to the highest bidder; and such represent family names that were sold to be greased with home made tallow day, to the highest bidder; and such represent family names that were sold to be greased with home made tallow day, to the highest bidder; and such represent family names that were sold to be greased with home made tallow day, to the highest bidder; and such represent family names that were sold to be greased with home made tallow day, to the highest bidder; and such represent family names that were sold to be greased with home made tallow day, to the highest bidder; and such represent family names that were sold to be greased with home made tallow day, to the later sign over the door to be greased with home made tallow to be greased with home made tallow day, to the highest bidder; and such represent family names that were acquired through the house, with the accuracy to be greased with home made tallow day, to the highest bidder; and such represent family names that were acquired through the house, with the words, and the words are present family names that the words are present The folklore of this section of French settlers.

had not sent him a sample and ex-plaining that he had "heard about it" to many old families, too, whose of their Holmes, or buried it in the lieved he was ridden by a witch, he cat", baying bases and using barrel "took the cake"; but the wedding cake had not sent him a sample and explaining that he had "heard about it" to many old families, too, whose and wanted to get on. He was and is D. S. Halfacre.

during the early period. It pertains gold and silver in holes of the Walls lieved he was ridden by a witch, he had "heard about it" to many old families, too, whose and wanted to get on. He was and is ones, who lived in Newberry County ones, who Wise he laid up for a Rainey Day; it up in his yard he shot it "in effigy" for the Gaines were mostly in Nickles thus getting rid of the witch. European countries in the colonial and Pennys. Many a Farmer yet Counts his money in small change; and when the dreary, Black days veyances disclose peculiar situations. ground and endeavoring to roll it income to keep his Head quite Leavell When Lewis Hogg who lived on a to a hole. Then came croquet which some animal, or material object; while and Waits for a Fair day to come. And Others
who swell the total of the rapidly origin retained the ancient clan form,

A trip through any part of the county is refreshing—seeing and Flowers grew Wilde around the place meeting people who are earnest in they were soon gone, for the Hoggs they were soon gone, for the Hoggs their daily activities, and who retain and other cattle were allowed eo eat many wholesome traditions of their in the Stubblefield, after the grain tent to live all his life near the big forbears, living in many cases on the was gathered for the Mill. They Practically no sampling has been done in the country but the word is getting 'round and the response is getting 'round and 'round a gratifying. We are of course glad that were first planted among them, even though some were Walkers. lived and died, and some of his deoldtimers come trooping back to the the foundations for a cultivated spirit, ever, often one operator serving others wigwam it makes us believe they like and which enables them to observe in his community.

that the sun and the trees are parts of God's universe.

Like the English they had their other occupations. There were Bakers, Cooks, Shepherds, Smiths, FINGERPRINT CLASSIFIER each generation there have been gradual changes in customs, schools, United States Civil Service roads, enterprise, and even in the but like the ancient Spearman or Bow-

Wells were not at first dug on the farms, but Springs, usually on the sides of Banks and walled with Stone quently the rains washed gulleys. or near Brooks and beneath the Bow-Many Canes, plumb trees, and Berry ers of some weeping willow, furnished bushes grew in large patches by the the wated for drinking. They knew

but which has year in and year out worked for the whole state. That organization is still vigorous. In They lived independent lives, ecother own blacksmith shops. They able, except those that were made in host and hostess would serve someaddition to the Farmers and Tax nomically, producing nearly every- Went about their tasks though, in

Spectator joins those who call on the General Assembly to prepare an Appropriation bill which will show every dollar that may be spent by authority of the State. It is not that anything is being improperly spent, or that there is wrong-doing; but that no money can be legally spent being allowed to roam wherever they doubtful if the Mayer of any Towne the hostess served good things to eat.

with wide Halls with Hart wood and the shingles were When a girl would Wed-a-man the Hart, making Leaks a rare occurance I used to think that Americans who male attendants sometimes wore Gunns were hung over the doors of so when a king declared war it meant go abroad to live and engage in busithat he was going to war himself and that he would be in the thick of cepting at their own risk the hazards or maybe a Gray shirt. When a later forced habit since the days of Indians tax returns of all real estate and perand that he would be in the thick of cepting at their own risk the nazards or maybe a Gray shirt. When a later the fray. It does not mean that now. of living in other countries. In other that in going Little longer, though not Long enough though, in handling certain tools, as erty in more than one district will Little longer, though not Long enough though, in handling certain tools, as erty in more than one district will to reach the ankles, the men began to Brooms were stood up in corners the make returns for each district. All wear White shirts that had Ruff straw pointing the way it grew—oten able bodied male citizens between the sleeves which were fastened with large Burtons.

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Way would Ward off sickness. The liable to \$1.00 poll tax; all persons Their Coats were short, of a color Walls were painted or papered in between the ages of twenty-one and to blend with the pants, making a colors of Garnett, and sometimes the fifty outside of incorporated towns Kitchens they would Garner. The and cities are liable to pay commu One of the principal sports at that tables and beds of the wealthy were tation tax of \$1.00. All dogs are to time was going on a Hunt. When the Younghusband became a Hunter he retts were sometimes old trunks or Whitmire—City Hall, Tuesday, Jan-Steele, get his dogs and Hitt the Low, reposed in which would be some deer, Fox, Hare, Koons, wild turkeys, plunder room; for on the Walls hung Larks, and Byrds of Aull kinds, even Green corn with a Clamp of Cord around them, Crisp, yellow ears. In

> tables "in the dark of the Moon", and was plentiful in the Waters of the to have a Ray of Sunshine-planted 1938 would Farrow the soil, much as they do now. Major crops were gathered bacco was raised to supply workers until 5. on the plantations

There were many other superstitions, too, that, no doubt, were until 12. the cld country or were imparted by

meant that somebody in the family embroider much. was going to die soon. Then, some believed in witches, like the early around the house, making Basketts, Puritans of New England, they Wicker chairs with Wood bottoms, or Produced Moore witches out. This custom was carried raw Hyde leather which was tacked vegetables, Corn, or Mays, and Fowles out for several generations; giving around the wood soles, and which had marriages with the German and became ill a horse-shoe was nailed they are at the present time. They the party and indulged in the "frolic"; French settlers.

Over the stable door, or was kept they are at the present time. They are at the present time they are at the present time. They are at the Banks, and the people often hid their per" or other horse ailment. A rare Rook. They did have a kind of disappear. On such occassions the

large plantation near Enoree River was popular for several generations; and Broad river bought another tract nearly every front yard or backyard on the creeks and rivers, in which to grind their own Wheat and make their own Wheat and make their own flour and cattle feed. If any farm and disappeared into fields Fish, and old man who died there, consendants, "flew the coop", as it were, going to other sections.

Some phases of humor are shown

These Hardy men worked their own Lands, never split Hairs with anyone. If they committed a Senn they Quickly sought a pardon. churches—much growth and developments. With it all there has been its humarous side.

Wells were not at first due on the its humarous side.

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4-year high school course, or must be senior students now in attendance in their last year of senior high school.

They must have reached their eighteenth but not have passed their twenty-fifth birthday.

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The women darned and knitted socks and stockings, and made many

AUDITOR'S TAX NOTICE

Wednesday, January 5th, 1938. Silverstreet-Thursday,

6th, 1938, from 2 until 5. Chappells-Friday, January 7th Hollingsworth Store—Tuesday Jan-uary 11th, from 9 until 12.

Kinards-McGill's Store, Tuesday January 11th, 1938, from 2 until 5. Prosperity-Wednesday and Thurslay, January 12th and 13th, 1938. Little Mountain-Tuesday, January

Glymph's Store-Wednesday, January 19th, 1938, from 9 until 12. J. L. Crook's Store-Wednesday, January 19th, 1938, from 2 until 5. Peak-Thursday, January

Pomaria—Tuesday, January St. Lukes-Wednesday, January 26th, 1938, from 9 until 12.

O'Neal—L. C. Fellers Store, Wednesday, January 26th, 1938, from 2

Maybinton—F. B. Hardy's home, Thursday January 27th, 1938, from 9

Reese Brothers Store Thursday, January 27th, 1938, from 2 until 5. At Auditor's office to March 1st, after which time a penalty of 10 per Pinckney N. Abrams, Auditor Newberry County

round a small piece of cork or rubber. After the War between the States parents home the quickest. in instances where some old land con-veyances disclose peculiar situations. In a standard st "roly-poly" came into style, which was wooden balls with wooden mallets to put them through the wickets. These

> The master may have been a church | As for the churches and schools the leader or community leader, and like first ones were made of logs, small the Pope he governed affairs gener- one room huts, with chimneys made of the Pope he governed affairs generally in his community. He may have been a Justice of the Peace, and rode a fine horse, with his Kitt by his side. His system was thorough, with his Cooper and foreman. At the first Beam of morning when the Jay began to sing, his yard Bell would ring or Bulls horn sound for the hands to go to Work. Each had his duty to perform. His Smith or shop workers, Sawyer, Field workers, and maids were some of them; and they are room huts, with chimneys made of rough hand hewn boards, plastered on the inside with mud. If the mud is the sample with

they all had large gardens and had many things to eat for themselves and their slaves. Some slave families were allowed a Halfacre on which to plant anything they wished to plant; Hentz, they were kept busy. They cured their own Hamm for the Winter's use, and sold their surplus products in the village markets—a Worthy people.

Turning back the Pages of time we note that at the very earliest, and on up to recent years, methods of community co-operation prevailed. Log-rollings, corn-shuckings, cotton pickings, pender-pullings, and quiltings were some common forms of co-operative enterprise among the peoples of the various communities. The Neighbors would help one another, if one got behind in his work or wanted to gather grain quickly when rain apositive enterprise and they done the Holidays that are for the Holidays that are for the Holidays that are now cherist and they and they and they called this for extend white people's chirch and they are some of them; and they are some of them; and they are states, the negroes whorkers, and they called the for attend white people's chirch and they called the provent are some of them; a out their pass and were caught by the "patrollers" (this was a committee which rode around to catch runaways) since the time of the old oven.

sticks to find runaways Few Masters allowed their slaves to learn to Reid or Wright. They Some Family Names in Sections of Hopper or large pork barrel. They thought that a horse-shoe had to be Fish nets. Some were Shoemakers, they were caught with a book or piece

considered it demoralizing to them. If had the Keys to many ways of eco- nailed over the front door to keep the who make shoes from hometanned of paper writing they were promptly whipped. Many were sold "on the block," much as horses are sold to-

grown-ups were different from what ding ceremonies always stayed with wine which was offered the one who could ride the fastest or to the bride's

in home-made traps, as the rabbit "gum," a long, Box like trap with Fall" is not used at this time. Wild may be called easy Going, as compared with the present Day games. turkeys, too, were trapped; but the turkeys "call," in imitation of the turkey's mate turkey's mate, was a common decoy to approach within Gunn shot Slaves always looked up to their to approach within

# Notice

The following penalties will be in effect after December 31st:

> January, 1 per cent February, 2 per cent March, 3 per cent April, 7 per cent

J. C. BROOKS, **County Treasurer**