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**A STATEMENT.**

There has gotten out an impression in some quarters that the proprietor of the County Record has bought an interest in the Lake City Times. This is a mistake. When we were told by editor Hill that the paper was to be discontinued we bought from the proprietor of that paper a portion of the office supplies, type, &c., which we were in need of—but nothing more. Editor Hill arranged with the proprietor of the County Record to have the Record sent to the subscribers who had paid for the Times in advance and whose subscriptions had not expired, for the unexpired time, at this time it was not known that the Times was to be continued. No one connected with the County Record owns any interest in the Times whatever. The Record will be sent to those whose paid-up subscriptions to the Times had not expired, for the unexpired time only—unless we are notified by the subscriber to continue the paper.

Every paid-up name that was given us has been notified by postal card, so that error, if any there be, might be corrected at once.

Governor Ellerbe has already positively announced his candidacy for re-election. A special to the State one day recently said that Mr. W. C. McGowan, of Abbeville, would be in the race, and from all accounts it seems that ex-Congressman George D. Tillman will enter the contest. There is lots of opposition to Governor Ellerbe but it will be a very difficult matter to defeat him. The precedent has long since been established to give a Governor two terms if he so desired it, and this rule has not been broken since the days of Hampton. In every case where the Governor only served one term, it was not his desire to be re-elected, unless exception be made in Governor Sheppard, who succeeded a two-term Governor after the candidacy of John Peter Richardson was full grown, and Sheppard had but a short time to make a record for himself. Ellerbe may or may not have two terms, but it is our opinion that he will be re-elected unless some very strong and popular man opposes him.

McGowan is a good man; and popular. Tillman has thousands of ardent admirers and supporters. Either one of these would make just as acceptable a Governor as Ellerbe—or more so—yet we do not believe that either of them can defeat the present chief executive.

The indications point to a prohibition candidate for Governor next year. We believe that unless the Legislature in January passes some acceptable liquor bill that there will be a candidate brought out by that party. If there is such a candidate in the field he will receive much support from all factions. He will doubtless be a pure man, and will, therefore, command the respect and admiration of all men regardless of factional affiliation. This move on the part of the prohibitionists would complicate the political chess board to such an extent that prediction as to the final outcome would be but mere guess-work.

The News and Courier last Monday published a table of the murders that have occurred in this State in the past eleven years. The figures are appalling. No less than sixteen hundred homicides are recorded. Considerably over two hundred killings have occurred during the present year! In Williamsburg only two murders have occurred this year—the two unknown Italians who were killed near Salters last April. Clarendon, Florence, Hampton, Horry and Oconee have recorded only one murder each during 1897. Charleston records the largest number, 18, with Aiken a close second, having 16 on record. But two lynchings are reported—Simon Cooper, who was lynched in Sumter county last January, and Lawrence Brown, the negro who was lynched in Orangeburg county the same month.

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It was not a modern American writer who, discussing the children, wrote of them thus: "How many are there who will give place to a man out of respect to his age and dignity! They are shrewd men already and know everything. They are in awe of nobody, but take themselves for their own example." These were the words of Pliny the younger used in one of his famous letters during the first Christian century, but they will strongly apply to much of the young America of today.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Not an island has risen or sunk from sight in the Pacific ocean in 34 years, and geologists say that nature is resting for a future mighty effort. A geologist predicts that within 50 years a convulsion of nature will sink the whole of New Zealand 50 feet below the surface of the sea.

A specialist in nervous diseases says that women should sleep at least nine hours at night and one hour in daytime. In these busy days it is the exceptional woman who can follow, or who does follow, the latter part of this prescription.

A German scientist recommends bromine for sterilizing water. One grain is sufficient to destroy the bacteria in a quart, and the bromine can be afterward neutralized by ammonia so as to give a clear, tasteless water.

Each year about \$50,000 is expended in sprinkling the streets of London with sand to prevent the horses from slipping.

In Great Britain 15 persons in every 1,000 keep a carriage.

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**MAY GO TO A VOTE.**

WILL THE PEOPLE DECIDE THE LIQUOR PROBLEM?

What is Said About the Question of the O. P. Store.—Predictions Impossible.

The prohibitionists of the State are very active just now. They are moving along very quietly, but those who are in a position to know seem to think that something will "drop" before very long. The politicians are watching every move, however quiet and apparently insignificant, with keen interest. The coming Legislature will have a tough nut to crack in solving the dispensary problem. Governor Ellerbe promises that his message to his General Assembly will be devoted almost exclusively to the whiskey question. Just what recommendations he will make it is not known.

The Columbia State in discussing the matter last Saturday said:

As the time draws near for the assembling of the State legislature in annual session the various members of the general assembly who happen in the capital city are discussing more generally the liquor situation. One cannot but be surprised at the drift of all their remarks. It may be summed up in the statement that they do not know exactly which is best to be done. So far none of them have been heard to suggest any material changes in the dispensary in fact, taking the liquor question as a whole, they all seem to entirely at sea.

In the last few days there has been considerable talk about turning whole business over to the people to settle at the ballot box. In other words to leave the liquor problem to a general election and let the people go to the ballot box expressing their preference (1) for dispensary, (2) for prohibition, and (3) for high license under the constitutional restrictions. The general assembly abiding the result. A prominent State senator a few days ago said that this was the only way he saw of settling the matter to the satisfaction of the people as a whole. The dispensary advocates claim that the mass of the people want the dispensary as it is, o. p. or no o. p. thrown in; the same thing is true of the prohibitionists as to their system of control, and the high license people believe that the people of the State will vote down the dispensary and prohibition.

It does not appear that it is going to be an easy undertaking either, to devise a way of getting at the o. p. business within the United States law. If a high license is imposed upon the o. p. agencies the United States law will require that it be also imposed upon the dispensaries, and will come in an act of South Carolina supreme court which prevents the State from licensing its own agents. Some have suggested the plan of putting the o. p. agencies on the same basis as dispensaries—under the control of the county board of control in all respects, requiring them to make reports as dispensaries have to do, and also requiring them to sell at the prices as dispensers. The trouble about this is that the State dispensary has to make about thirty per cent on the liquor before it goes to the local dispenser; then the additional profit must be made there in the retail sale. This, it is easily seen, would make a handsome profit to the o. p. manufacturer, who would not have to provide for profit No. 1.

It is a serious question that confronts the General Assembly. At present it is absolutely impossible to foretell what course will be pursued.

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About the 1st of January the State dispensary will have paid in to the treasury \$70,000, which will be available for the public schools of the State. The State board of education will meet during the month of January to divide the money among the various counties. The basis of the division will be upon the figures made up by Comptroller General Norton before he decided how much money would be needed from the State dispensary to give the \$3 per capita for every school child in the State. The dispensary fund available in January will be distributed upon a basis of the school attendance for 1895, and not for the present year.

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