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We have heard of, read of, and seen places, blinds and obscure, out-of-the-way, well arranged, secret places where whiskey was sold by what is now known as blind tigers, but never before has it been known to man or thought of by the most ingenious and fertile mind of man to sell whiskey in a church. It has been left to the negro sexton of the Episcopal church in Yorkville to carry on this illicit, diabolical traffic in the church in that town.

The holding company of the Union and Buffalo Cotton Mills proposes to satisfy the creditors of these mills by issuing 1st preferred stock at 6 per cent. This of itself will increase the capital stock to the extent of such issue of stock to creditors. If the old organization should by this be forced to go through bankruptcy, and the new organization and holding company buy at the bankrupt sale, that will leave the original stockholders out in the cold, and the mill properties pass into the hands of strangers, Northern capitalists. This is what has been aimed at from start to finish.

Arrangements are now being made by the Southern cotton mills to ship the output of the mills direct to foreign markets and thus cut out the commission merchants, through whom sales of the manufactured goods have heretofore been made at the enormous expense of 4 per cent. commissions. In this way the Southern cotton mills have been at the mercy of the merciless money sharks and have paid many hundred thousand dollars. All of this could have been given to the consumers in the reduced price of the cloth, now it will be. The question of commissions is one of the causes of the breach between Lucas and Milliken.

THAT DAM DAM.

By injunction the Columbia Electric Street Railway Light and Power Company purposes to compel the Union Manufacturing and Power Company to let and continue to let and not cut off the natural flow of water in the channel of the Broad river, by any arbitrary measure or means in its power at the Neal Shoals dam. In other words the Union Manufacturing Company must give to the Columbia Electric Street Railway Light and Power Company all of the water the river affords, even if it be necessary to open and keep open the gates, regardless of the conditions at the Neal Shoals electric power plant, and in case of a protracted drought and utter lack of rainfall so that all of the water above the dam is not sufficient to supply the demands of the Columbia Electric Street Railway Light and Power Company, then the president of the Union Manufacturing and Power Company is and will be required to cause it to rain until that stream will afford a sufficient supply of water to satisfy the demands of the Columbia Electric Street Railway Light and Power Company, otherwise the Union Manufacturing and Power Company will be held for damages, whereby the arbitrary power alleged to be exercised by the Union Manufactur-

ing and Power Company will be transferred to the Columbia Electric Street Railway Light and Power Company. And further, if this does not satisfy the Columbia Electric Street Railway Light and Power Company the reorganization committee and holding company and the Southern Railway Company, then the Neal Shoals electric power plant is to be turned over to these corporations as assets, and if this does satisfy all of these corporations then the Union and Glenn Springs railroad must go in the same way, all of which will doubtless be regarded by these corporations as a very modest demand. The little boat ought to join in this complaint because it can not go from Columbia to Georgetown unless the Union Manufacturing and Power Company give it water from the Broad river. Now it must be observed that for the past three months there has been less rainfall than for many years previous at this time of the year. For this the Columbia Electric Street Railway Light and Power Company holds the president of the Union Manufacturing and Power Company responsible—and justly so—because he is expected in his alleged exercise of arbitrary power to do this, therefore has been guilty of a breach of trust and derelict in his duty to himself, his company and his neighbors.

While the attorneys for the Columbia Electric Street Railway Light and Power Company were presenting their case before Judge Townsend asking for an injunction Mr. E. N. Chisolm, engineer for the city of Columbia was at the Neal Shoals dam making investigations in support of the allegations of said complaint, and while there he saw the water running over the dam and when he got back to Columbia he found that there was no lack of water. The only time at which the water below the dam could have been lessened was during the filling of the dam, and after full the water flowed over the dam and the supply was equal to that prior to the closing of the gates for the purpose of filling of the dam. Another thing is obvious. There are more and larger tributaries to Broad river below the dam, that is between the dam and Columbia, than there is above the dam, so that the water supply is greater by reason of these tributaries between Columbia and the dam than above the dam, so that practically very little water is held by the dam, so far as Columbia is concerned. The Neal Shoals electric power plant is about ready to furnish power for the running of the machinery in the Union cotton mills but no steps are being taken to attach the transmission wires, because the reorganization committee have not the control of this power plant, and control is what is wanted, and must be obtained at all hazards.

"LIVE AND LET LIVE."

This is a trite saying, but nevertheless a good motto for every one to adopt and practice, to live and let live. We have followed with pleasure and increasing interest and have been in full sympathy with and aided in our feeble way the now perfect organization of the Southern Cotton Association. It has been truly gratifying to note how so nearly solid have the farmers stood to and carried out the purpose of this movement. Under the instructions and advice and by virtue of their pledges the cotton acreage and use of fertilizers in 1905 were reduced, cotton held for 10 cents, all of which worked out according to predictions and as desired. Again in 1905 cotton was held for 11 cents and the farmers got it and a little more. The farmers have not followed blindly, but intelligently and have reaped the reward of reason. Now President Harvie Jordan says cotton is worth 15 cents and advises the farmers to hold for 15 cents, and join in holding three million bales from the market until that price be paid for it. We should be and generally are content to follow a leader as long as the path through which we are led is not beset with snares. When

these appear we begin to feel that we are misled, and call a halt. This is the way we now feel about the leadership of President Jordan when he advocates and advises the holding of cotton for 15 cents. This we regard as unreasonable, because we cannot and do not think cotton is worth 15 cents a pound, and at this price the manufacturers could not survive, as at this price they would be forced to put the price of their product out of the reach of the masses of consumers, and thus leave the output upon the hands of the manufacturers as unsalable, even should they risk buying cotton at that price and making it into cloth. We believe in getting a reasonable living price for our products, but do not believe in extortion. This move of President Jordan looks too much like a trust, making a corner on cotton. But it may be just retaliation on the cotton speculators who for years bought the cotton of the South for less than the cost of production; but again we in doing this strike at the progress and prosperity of our home industries, which are dependent upon the farmers for the raw material. We believe in fair and just dealing and treatment of all parties concerned and interested. Let us endeavor to carry out in our lives the motto, "Live and let live."

Jonesville Jottings.

Jonesville, Nov. 20.—A much needed rain came to this community last night and today is much cooler. The good weather all along this fall has caused most all the cotton bolls to mature and open and after all the cotton crop in this section is a fair crop and at 10 cents and sometimes more the money crop may be considered a good one this year. The corn crop has turned out much better than was expected and all things counted it is a good year and Union county would be in good condition if it was not for the condition of the Union and Buffalo cotton mills and the bad effect cast over the county. It seems there is something sure to happen to upset the prosperity of the country when we get into a prosperous way. How sure are the words of holy writ when it says, "All is vanity and vexation of spirit."

Drs. Douglass, Hanes and Ellerbe amputated a finger of a negro man's hand yesterday name Huston Johnson who accidentally shot himself through the hand with a shot gun Saturday evening. The operation was a nice job of surgery and the wounded fellow is doing nicely.

The county treasurer is here today gathering the taxes for this year year. He says collections are better here than any place he has been and this finishes his round in the county.

Union Progress said last week Jonesville would have a new depot soon, which is news and good news to our people, for we have been without a new depot since the 9th of July and there are no visible signs of a new depot here to this date. We only hope Progress is right.

Mr. John T. F. Gault has an apple tree that has borne two crops of apples this year. It is a horse apple tree and the second crop is as large as turkey eggs and about mature.

Mrs. W. T. Jones and little son of Santuc spent several days in Jonesville with Mrs. Jones' mother, Mrs. S. A. Porter last week.

Miss Wickham Ellerbe, of Florence, is visiting her brother, Dr. F. M. Ellerbe and is the guest of Mrs. T. L. Hanes.

Mr. Cornelius Holcomb and sister Miss Bertha Holcomb of West Springs spent Sunday in our town and attended services at the Methodist church.

Rev. D. E. Camak filled his pulpit here yesterday morning.

Rev. H. K. Ezell was unable to fill his appointment here yesterday morning on account of a hurt he received a few days since and his congregation worshipped with the Methodist congregation.

Mr. Roy Whitlock who is at Furman University ran over Saturday and spent Sunday with his parents.

Miss Sallie Bertha Blair, sister of Mrs. D. E. Camak, and Mrs. A. M. Blair, sister of Rev. D. E. Camak, both of Rockton, S. C., have been visiting at the Methodist parsonage.

Messrs. W. W. Wood and A. J. Wright will leave here this evening for Oklahoma to attend a big land sale.

TELEPHONE.

Happenings at Grindall.

Rev. L. R. Gaines preached the funeral of little Eddie Petty Sunday to a large and attentive audience. School opened at the Holmes

school house last Monday morning. Miss Maud Whitlock of Jonesville is the teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilliard Mitchel, of Asbury, are rejoicing over the arrival of a boy at their home.

Rev. L. R. Gaines and Jno. Bentley of Gaffney spent Saturday night with J. G. Hanes.

Misses Mildred and Margaret Foster of Goudysville visited Mrs. R. J. Harris Sunday.

Messrs. Hayes Webber and Arthur Hedgepath of Jonesville, attended services at Rehoboth Sunday.

Miss Pauline Pettit of Ravenna, the teacher of the Goudysville school, is boarding with Mrs. J. A. Hanes.

Mr. "Ran" Spencer, who was attacked and seriously injured by Abe Smith, a colored rowdy, is getting along nicely.

I failed to state in my last communication that Mr. Gaines had had the interior of the church nicely painted.

None can help from feeling proud of the new school building erected near Mt. Moriah, but there are many of us who will continue to cling to the memory of Mt. Moriah as to that of a departed friend. Every foot of ground around this old building is hallowed with sweet or bitter memories for many.

ANNIE LAURIE.

The Oldest Inhabitant.

It is our peculiar pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of a picture of the oldest inhabitant on the line of the Union Pacific railroad, an immense buffalo: the last of his race, mighty, majestic. "He is a type of par excellence in the animal kingdom; type of courage, power, nobility. For centuries he has dominated plain, forest, mountain, and canon, free, fearless, pioneer." He has witnessed all of the advancements, encroachments and innovation of his foe—man, while he fought for life, land and liberty; but at last succumbed to the advancement of civilization, the building of the Union Pacific railroad.

Married

At the home of Thomas Jackson in the Cross Key House on November 12, 1905. Mr. Richard Jackson and Miss Iba Davis, both of Spartanburg. Just a few friends of the immediate family witnessed the ceremony, which was performed by Magistrate John W. Gore.

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