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Repudiated Bonds.

The recent decision of the Supreme Court of the United States which requires North Carolina to pay some of her repudiated bonds is a matter which concerns all the Southern States, and especially is this true of South Carolina. The Spartanburg Heard says:

"These old bonds were issued by Radical and Carpet-Bag administration in the South and have long since been repudiated. All honest debts should be paid. States are just as liable for debts as private individuals, only a little harder to collect from, but these outrageous bond issues are not honest debts."

We quite agree with the Herald in saying that honest debts ought to be paid. As to South Carolina's repudiation of debts, there may be difference of opinion both as to the act of the repudiation and as to the class of debts repudiated.

As we understand the holders of State House bonds, which were issued before the war, were forcep to take fifty cents on the dollar in new bonds. We never see the State House, nor hear its name mentioned that we do not think of the Rev. Mr. Hankel, who was rector of the Episcopal church in this town. He had bonds of that issue, and that old man, when nearing the grave, was forced by the grand old State of South Carolina to compromise his bonds at fifty cents on the dollar. Will the Herald contend that South Carolina acted honestly in robbing that old man of half his

The Spartanburg and Union railroad bonds were guaranteed by the State. Afterward the State of South Carolina issued "bills receivable" for taxes and other dues to the State. The holders of these bonds were induced to exchange them for "bills receivable."

The State was responsible, too, for certain Blue Ridge Railroad debts. "Blue Ridge Scrip" was issued and exchanged for that guarantee,-both of which guarantees were made by Democrats before the war.

Everything went lovely until the Blue Ridge bonds and the Spartanburg and Union bonds were ssfely cancelled. The courts de-clared that the "bills receivable" and the "Blue Ridge Scrip" were unconstitutional and the State was thus relieved of two other honest debts. When the Democrats come into power the

State was indebted to various officers. They were required to take fifty cents for their claims. Was that an honest deal? Did not South Carolina act shamefully in

each of these transactions? Ought not the chivairic old Palmetto State be made to pay

The way old Westley of New York wa cheated should bring the blush of shame. The Press and Banner hopes to see the day when South Carolina will be required to be

Padded Pension Rolls.

Our esteemed friend, the Carolina Spartan has something to say about the padded pen sion rolls of Spartanburg, which it is alleged, include names of old soldiers who are undeserving and who receive a share of the gov ernment money. The Comptroller General, we believe, first

called attention to what he thought was abuse of public generosity. The old soldiers are passing away, and they

are, because of their reduced numbers, being pushed aside.

They are no longer wanted in office, and it need bread. The Press and Banner believes ground, took the rain as it came, and who were shot at for eleven dollars a month is confederate money.

At the Comptroller-General's request w Abbeville county. In that long list we recognize no name of any old soldier that we

the treasury of the State, but we are not ready to accept the idea in Abbeville county. While some of the old pensioners are more needy than others, yet on that roll is there the name of a single soldier who is unde crust of bread?

ing old soldiers, let them act in the monlier vored the introduction of the better class putation against the honor and integrity of that he commended in the highest terms the this, that a brave and honorable people may providing for the intelligent distribution of make disgraceful charges against those the better class. He quoted the bill almost who fought for their country?

Keep Straight.

The commencements at Due West will soon be on hand, when the students will depart for their respective homes. Before taking final leave of the Theological Seminary the Press and Banner would suggest that the proper authorities teach Theological students able to pronounce the word which indicates the abode of the blessed spirits after their so journ on earth would be something in their

A preacher should be a teacher. He should set us an example in the proper use of the of it which is not available for crops of some language. He should teach us the science of Theology, and he should make plain the rule for guidance in the practice of our purse and complimentary to the South, he pointed holy religion.

Resisting Payment.

The life insurance companies are resisting an unusual number of payment of policies The policies are so worded that it seems to us almost impossible to make the companies pay if not inclined to do so. It has got to be so unusual a thing for the companies to pay that when they do settle up the fact is noted in the

Anti-Trust.

The Supreme Court has been giving out de- and Democracy. cisions in reference to the anti-trust law which action was based on a suit against the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company which owns a number of oil mills. If the Carolina Chemical has no right to exist, and can own no property, why should it be liable to taxa- for the position of "the church paper" we tion? To tax a corporation which has no omitted the Columbia Record. We always right to exist is to tax without protection of have known that the Record was a good pa-

Editor J. J. Hull.

We are sorry to see that Editor J. J. Hull, of the Rock Hill Herald, is in bad health, and that it will take time for his physicians to restore him to good health. The Press and Banner has a warm place in its heart for Brother Hull, and we wish for him a speedy recovery and a long sejourn of happiness on this side What's the matter, neighbor?

Russessan Corn Cure makes rough roads

Destruction of the Russian Fleet.

Magnitude of Togo's Brilliant Victory Astrouds Russian Government.

(the State.)

Latest advices confirm the magnitude of the di aster suffered by the Russian fleet, and point to the fact that Russia's hopes, so far as this war is concerned, now lie in whatever may be accomplished by the off-beaten army in Manchuria. An official report received from Tokio by the Japanese legation at Washington Monday evening says that the Russian iosses definitely known includes two battleships, a coast delense ship, five cruisers, two special ships and three destroyers sunk, and two battleships, two coast defense ships, one destroyer and one special serviceship captured, while over 3,000 prisoners have been taken, including Rear Admiral Nebogatoff. The Japanese, it would seem, are still pursuing the Russians and it may be some time before the final result is known.

There is nothing to clearly indicate the extent of the Japanese losses and it is suggested from one source that the Tokio government is waiting to hear from Admiral Rejestivensky by way of Vladivostok before announcing to what extent its fieet has suffered.

The news of the disaster has caused deep depression in official Russia, though it is not yet known generally among the Russian people.

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Rejestvensky's defeat has given rise to renewed talk of peace. It is pointed out by the Associated Press correspondent at St. Petersburg that Russia in this crisis will turn to France through its foreign minister, M. Delcassee, while from Wasnington comes information that President Roosevelt, in accordance with his promise announced a long time ago, is taking steps to do all his power to bring about peace negotiations.

Nothing has been heard from Vice Admiral Rejestvensky. In Tokio there is some belief that he has perished, while another source says he was rescued by a torpedo boat but that he is wounded.

Tokio, May 29.—530 p. m.—The personal fate of Vice Admiral Rojestvensky is not known. There is some belief that he possibly perished.

Tokio, May 29, 9 p. m.—The number of Russian vessels of all descriptions sunk and captured by Admiral Togo's fleet now stands at 19. It is possible that three additional warships were sunk in the fight Saturday and others later.

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The navy department refrains, however, from crediting reports of this nature until it is assured of their correctness. It is believed the Ural is the name of the captured transport which has been omitted in the list previously cabled.

All Togo's Ships Attacked Enemy.

London, May, 30.—According to the correspondent of The Daily Mail at Seoul, Korea, early on Saturday morning Vice Admiral Togo, with practically all the powerful fighting ships of the Japenese navy, was at Masampho, Korea, when wireless signals from his scouts between Tsu and Quelpart islands announced the approach of the Russian fleet in full force.

A few York, May 29.—Advices received from London and other leading continental fluancial centers by local bankers were all of the option that Japan's declaive victory would christen peace.

Reports that the government at Washington had signified its willingness to act as mediator in the event of peace proposals were current and added to the hopeful feeling in financial circles that the end of the war might be looked for.

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A few hours later the scouts reported that the Russians were not ascending the western channel, as had been anticipated, but that they were coming up the eastern channel, which caused some surprise.

Admiral Togo immediately started at full speed around the north of Tsu island and when he doubled the island he saw the Russians coming in two columns. He then brought a terrific fire to bear on the flank of the porte column and as the Russians tell into disorder he forced them steadily eastward towards the Japanese coast where they were stacked by every vessel that flew the Japanese flag.

Repeated torpedo attacks were delivered,

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MAY SEEK PEACE,

some of them with the greatest success.
The vessels which escaped, the correspondent says, will probably be able to reach Viadivostok and he adds that other operations of the utmost importance are proceeding.

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Washington, May 29—The following official report from Tokio was received at the Japanese legation today.

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First report, received morning, May 27: "Immediately upon the receipt of report that Russian squadron was in sight, our combined squadron started for attrack. Weather is fine today but with heavy sous."

Second report, received night, May 27: "Combined squadron attracked Russian squadron today near Okinoshima (southeast of Tasahima) and defeated it, souking at least four ships and inflicting heavy damage upon others. Dumage to our ships is insignificant. Our destroyer and torpedo flottlia delivered attack siter sunset."

Third report, received Monday, May 29: "Main force of our combined squadron continued pursuit since the 27th and attacked the 28th near Liancourt Rocks (northeast of Okinoshima), a squadron consisting of Nicholai I., (battieship.) Orel, (battleship.) Senyayin, Aprexin and Izamurud, Izumurud flad while remaining four ve-seis surrendered. No damage to our ships. According to statements of Prisoners, vessels sunk in engagement May 27th, were: Borodine, (bitteship.) Alexandre III, (battleship.) Zemichug and three other ships. Rear Admiral Neba gotoff and about 2,000 other Russians were taken prisoners"

The following are damages suffered by enemy in addition to those given above since commencement of battle as reported by commanders not under immediate command of Togo and by observation stations:

Admiral Nackimoft. Dimitri Donskoi Svitiana, Admiral Usakyff, Kamtchatka Irutshush, and three destroyers. Captured.

Valadimir Nonomach, founderen after capture. One special service ship, whole name unknown, and one destroyer coptured.

Russian losses definitely known so far may be classified as follows: Two battleships one coast defense ship, five cruisers, two special ships, three destroyers are sunk; two battleships, two coast defense ships, one special service ship, one destroyer were captured. Total 19. It is not yet clear whether three vessels as stated by prisonert to have been sunk are included or not in above 1 st. There are more than 1,000 prisoners besides 2,000 taken by main force of combined squadron. The naval engagement is still in progress so that it will take some time before the final results can be known.

The Financial Effect.

TARIFF AND SOUTHERN DEVELOPEMENT.

Complimentary Beference to Repre-

sentative Aiken by Mr. Schwab, Gustave H. Schwab, one of the best informed men on economic questions in this counefore the Southern Industrial Parliament on "Foreign Commerce and Ocean Transporta-

Though a protectionist in time past, he admits the crying necessity for a more general application of the doctrine of reciprocity. It must be gratifying to those who have improved in health. stood consistently for a moderate "tariff for revenue," to hear one of such recognized seems that the brave defenders of Southern ability admit that reciprocity, on an exten-Rights are to be given a stone when they sive scale, is a necessity; for reciprocity is a subterfuge from the too glaring evils of prothat a little pension is an exceedingly small tection. It is the Democratic docurine dwarfreward to the old soldiers, who for four years, ed, maimed and in a new garb, but never lived on scanty rations, went to bed on the theless an improvement on existing condi-

tions. There is little wonder however, that leading men in the Republican Party beginning with the President, recognize the necessity have published the list of the pensioners in for taking a few brick from the tariff wall, when the retaliatory protective idea is gaining such strength in England, and when think is unworthy of the State's bounty, Germany stands ready at the expiration of and we found on that list the name of no old our present trade agreement to strike us from soldier to whom we would deny the little her list of favored nations. This would mean It may be that in other counties the old tunately a very small portion of the loss soldiers are seeking to perpetrate a fraud on would fall on the South. Mr. Schwab advo-

serving of the gratitude of the people, and conditions in the South. He dwelt at length who; should be given a stone instead of a on the wonderful resources of the South, developed and undeveloped, and the great fu-If the people and their representatives are ture that is before her, now somewhat dortired of giving ald and comfort to the totter- mant for lack of intelligent labor. He faway, and say so. But let them make no im- of immigrants, and we may say in passing, the men who went to battle. Has it come to Bill introduced by Representative Aiken Aiken's speech in support of the bill-Amongst other paragraphs of interest quoted from his speech might be mentioned the folfarm acrease was 387,690,426 acres. The total of rich cut glass was numbered improved acreage was only 145,185,599. This among her presants. leaves about 242,000,000 acres of farm lands to te put into profitable cultivation. The unhow to pronounce heaven. For them to be improved farm lands of the South give a greater area for settlement and cultivation than the total area of Texas, Louisfana and Arkansas combined. Over 100,000,000 acres of this land lies east of the Mississippi River, and there is comparatively a small amount

While Mr. Schwab's speech was very clearly and distinctly to those things which retard development. In his discussion of the tariff he depricated the selfishness of the manufacturer in resisting necessary general reformers because the immediate result would appear to reduce the bounty given him by the government. He advocates the larger policy of developing friendly relations and open ports for our goods abroad rather than by an unfriendly and exorbitant tariff have the doors of our best customers closed C. T. Bryson in retaliation. This from one of the oldest disciples of protection indicates, in no small degree, the modification of public sentiment M. G. Giffen on tariff the question which is and has been the dividing line between Republicanism

In naming last week the possible claimants per but we didn't know until last week that Editor Brice was an Associate Reformed Presbyterian. We haven't been fooling with 'the Sabbath' and religion and we therefore accidently didn't know of its claims.

trial development of Charleston. We haven't neard of many first class funerals in that city.

The News and Courier is urging the indus-

Wooden ware in profusion at Dargan's and 10 cents store.

A Goat and Several Boys.

A wagon load of goats was brought to town one day last week. One of the goets got ou of the wagon, and for a time it was hard to tell who had the most fun, the goat or the boys. All seemed to enjoy the fun of chasing each other, until the goat run on the cemen sidewalk, when he slipped and fell. Then he try, recently delivered a masterful address cried and the boys laughed, as they brough the animal again into captivity.

Got Away With His Life.

Sepator Tillman was in Atlanta some time ago for treatment, and he is at home now He escaped from Atlanta with his life.

SHOT THROUGH THE HEART

With Bow and Arrow Sent the Shaft Right Through the Vital

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Austin Thompson request the honor of the presence of a number of friends at the marriage of their daughter Miss Rispah Lothrop to Mr. James Foster Barnweil, which interesting event will occur on the evening of Wednesday, the seventh of June, at nine o'clock at home, Abbeville, South Carolina.

our present trade agreement to strike us from her list of favored nations. This would mean millions of loss to this country, but, fortunately a very small portion of the loss would fall on the South. Mr. Schwab advocates the reduction of tariff as the best means of increasing and expanding trade and too without a loss in revenue.

Another feature of this very interesting speech was his comprehensive review of conditions in the South. He dwelt at length on the wonderful resources of the South, developed and undeveloped, and the great furnished. that goes to make an excellent manhood Mr.
Barnwell stands high. And in the hour of
his supreme happiness a host of friends ex
tend congratulations to him and offer their
best wishes to the bride.

A June Bride surrounded by natures choicest gifts, beautiful entirely and also quoted freely from Mr. flowers and lovely foliage would none the less think that the artistic hand added much to the glory lowing interesting figures:-"The land area of of living if the Quaker City make

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of Letters, Re-union of Bearts, and a Season of Good Fellowship at Erskine College.

The Faculty and Graduating Class of Erskine College have sent cordial invitations to their sixty-sixth Annual Commencement, June 4th, to 6th, 1905. Due West, S. C.

SABBATH, JUNE 4TH-Baccalaureate Sermon by Rev. J. H. Thornwell, D. D. MONDAY, JUNE 5TH 8:30 p. m.-Annual Celebration of Literary Societies. TUESDAY, JUNE 6TH-Graduating Exercises.

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J. L. Moore C. S. Crowther Miss F. E. Sloan

Death of a Belfast Sea Captain.

The Beliast (Ireland) News-Letter.

The death took place at Whitehead on the 6th inst. of Captain Hugh Wilson, who for upwards of half a century was one of the best known mariners trading to the port of Beliast. The late Captain Wilson was born seventy years ago at Islandmagee, and at an early age was apprenticed to the well-known firm of shipowners, Messra. J. P. Corry & Co., and during his entire subsequent career, extending over a period of almost half a century he remained in the service of that firm. His promotion was very rapid, and after gaining the master's certificate he was placed in charge of such well-known vessels as The Queen of the West, The Charger, and the St. Helena, trading principally between Quebec and Beliast. About ten years ago Captain Wilson retired from active duties, and lived principally at Whitehead, where he was high ly esteemed by a wide circle of friends. Captain Wilson was a member of the Presbyteterian Church, and warmiy supported every undertaking naving for its object the welfare of the church. His death will be much regretted. The Belfast (Ireland) News-Letter.

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	Abbeville,	-		-	10.75
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