

Paying Debts.

Sherman once made a remark to the effect that "War is Hell," the same is true and worthy of all acceptance.

In Spanish countries and such other lands where men may be imprisoned for debt and kept in jail at the expense of the government until the debt is paid—in such territory Sherman's definition of war is perfectly applicable to debt, except that it expresses it very mildly.

For some men debt is a good thing. It enables them to pile up great fortunes. No man can make a fortune without going in debt to do so.

On the other hand there are men who should never be allowed the use of a dollar which they have not made themselves for they are utterly devoid of that business acumen which makes the dollar to increase instead of diminish.

Every man looks on debt with his own glass at his own focus. To some a small debt seems as big as a mountain. To others a debt as big as a mountain seems small.

Some men don't try to sleep until they owe more than they can pay.

We go into debt for different reasons. Some go in debt for bread; some go in debt to make money; some will not go into debt for any cause.

In this day of business and enterprise nearly every man owes some debts. On account of the universality of debt men have taken this means to measure their fellowman.

This exception is not always among the poor classes. While he is never rich he is counted "well-to-do."

Not only should a man pay his debts but he should do so promptly, as promptly as he can. If he cannot pay promptly he should incur the debt.

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Kentucky Outlaws.

Midnight riders in Kentucky are constantly reported as doing damage to person and property. Three hundred night riders went into Eddyville on last Sunday morning, took men from their beds and severely whipped them, after firing hundreds of shots.

The despatch, among other things, says: "After the whipping the riders awakened County Judge W. L. Crumbaugh, and warned him that his immunity from similar punishment would depend entirely upon the friendship he was expected to show the Tobacco Growers' Association."

If the State or Federal Government will do its duty the last one of the night riders will be brought to the bar of justice.

The Lien Law Stands.

Notwithstanding the fact that strong pressure is put on the Legislature to destroy the only means of credit which many poor men have, yet in the wisdom and humanity of the Senate, it refused to concur with the House in its effort to comply with what may have been thought to be the public demand.

Any imputation against honesty of men need the credit which the lien gives is gratuitous and uncalled for.

Those who laugh last, laugh best.

Mr. A. D. Kennedy of Due West, was an honored guest of this editor one day last week. He is a friend indeed who knows the right, and who dares to be an active worker in the right.

A Pretty Little Girl Sends This Editor a Valentine.

This editor received on the 14th a nice valentine from one of the prettiest young girls to be found in all the land.

Woman Dead From Medicine.

A woman died in Union last week, and a physician was prosecuted. It seemed clear that the medicine which had been administered had killed her.

Remarkable.

A gentleman of Newberry announces in the papers his "thanks" for "great kindness extended to him and his family during the last illness of his wife."

Senator Blaise is on the war path. He is indignant at what he thinks a combined effort to connect him with the whiskey scandal.

The legislature having refused to enact a prohibition law, prohibitionists must for a time at least depend on moral suasion, or the instilling into the minds of men the duty of abstinence and the danger of tippling.

Congressman Alken is at home for a few days. In Washington he is a worker for the people, and at all times, at home or in Washington he enjoys the distinction of having secured the passage of more bills than any other man in the House.

The Grip.

Mr. H. T. Tusten and Capt. F. W. R. Nance, old and much-respected citizens, not being specially busy just now, are putting in time fighting the grip.

The lien law still lives, and the poor man still has a chance to work a crop for himself.

The sun, for about six days last week, kept his face hid behind a cloud, and the modesty of the moon induced that luminary to wear a veil at night.

Court News.

The February term of Court convened on Monday morning, Feb. 17th. Judge Gale is presiding.

Our efficient officers of the Court were promptly to hand as they always are.

A man could do better than that depositing his surplus in either one of our banks.

SENATOR LATIMER ILL.

Undergoes Operation at Providence Hospital in Washington.

Washington, February 17.—Special: Senator Latimer is critically ill at Providence Hospital, this city. He was unwell almost all of last week, but the illness did not become seriously acute until midnight Saturday, when he began to suffer to such a great extent with his chest that physicians were called in.

It was then found that he would have to go to a hospital. The members of the family desired to take him to Johns Hopkins, at Baltimore, but being assured that there was no time to lose he was rushed to Providence, and within an hour was on the operating table being operated upon for appendicitis.

Mr. J. C. Palmer, printer, formerly of Pickens, but now of Atlanta, was in town a few days ago. He is a handsome young gentleman, and we suspect that he is here looking after his interest in Cupid's Courts.

The post office at Abbeville is kept in a most acceptable manner, and as far as we know, Mr. Tolbert gives entire satisfaction to the whole community.

Editor W. P. Calhoun of the Edgefield News says that a man in Vermont wants a farm. Who doubts it?

Atlanta always beats the world. Don't you think the mud is deep in that town?

And the Senate refused to kill the lien law. That was well. The poor man still has a chance in this country.

Glass Blowers.

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