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FREE TUITION.

The fight is on in the Senate and we shall soon know whether the scholarship and tuition farce in State institutions is to continue, or whether the matter is to be put on a business basis.

If we are to have free tuition, it should be free to everyone. The man who pays the taxes to support the state institutions should certainly be allowed to send his boy to one of them without paying tuition if the boy of the man who does not pay any taxes is to be allowed to go without paying.

But we are opposed to free tuition. After the state has provided by heavy taxation schools for the boys and girls of the state and has provided the necessary equipment, we believe it but fair that some tuition should be demanded for the payment of running expenses and incidentals.

The proposed taking of notes, etc., in lieu of money, and the effort to put the fight off until some political machine may pass on the question is begging the question, and is an effort to prevent proper consideration of it.

And in case the matter is referred to the heads of the institutions, or to the Board of Charities and Corrections (if this high-sounding Board must have some excuse to live) on what shall they base their findings?

These being the facts, the General Assembly should, in our judgment, face the situation and make some just requirement of all the students in state colleges, or all should be exempt from paying tuition.

TO THE GANG. The House of Representatives has passed the Bill introduced by Representative Liles providing that persons convicted of selling liquor in this state shall be punished by imprisonment, and not by fine.

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ment of sixty or ninety days on the gang is too severe for the unlawful liquor seller. It may be true as was stated that the punishment originally provided in the Bill was as severe as the punishment for the crime of manslaughter.

And the friends of prohibition need not fear that the people will not convict men of selling liquor if the sentence is something more than a fine. The vote at the recent election should convince them that we are in earnest about stopping the unlawful sale of liquor; and if it does not, the liquor-seller, himself, will be convinced when he faces a jury.

CONFESSIONS.

According to the accounts as contained in the newspapers, a negro was tried for forgery in Spartanburg last week and convicted; he then plead guilty to a similar charge. It now turns out that the negro was in Athens, Ga., at the time the two offenses were committed, and that another party was guilty.

We would like to know what the courts think of the plea of guilty. We presume that it was made at the suggestion of some officer, or friend of justice, who was seeking a "confession."

The truth is that a negro generally confesses to what the officer or other party believes is the truth, or wants the negro to say. In nine cases out of ten the confessions are obtained by duress; the negro is either afraid not to say what is wanted, or is persuaded by some designing party to make a statement, often at variance with the truth, through hope of assistance; in the other one case out of ten, the "confession" is made up out of the whole cloth.

TWO IMPROVED NEWSPAPERS.

We are always glad to note any improvement that is made in a newspaper. We have a kind of pride in the work that gives us pleasure when we see the other fellow make good.

This is preliminary to saying that we have been delighted to see recently such marked improvement in both The Saluda Standard and The Abbeville Press and Banner. This improvement has been all around and on lines that go to make a newspaper what it should be.

A newspaper may have its news service and its editorials alright, but if it is poorly printed with badly set ads it stabs itself right in the heart; for no one likes to handle a newspaper that is all besmeared with ink and dirt.

If all the political lies told during a campaign were nailed, the nail factories would have to work over time.

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In Memoriam

My brother is dead. Within the bleak walls of a hospital, tended by the gentle hands of those hitherto strangers, James Foster Bradley gave up his life. But as yesterday, he stood up in the strength of maturity, buoyant with hope and promise.

If a man die, shall he live again? That is the question of Holy Writ. Before it philosophy is dumb, and faith but feebly echoes the answer in the human breast.

A seed planted in the earth must die before it can spring up into new life, with new form. Nature strips herself of life in the winter, only to reappear in the spring, brighter and more beautiful. The sun goes down amid the shadows of the west, only to rise more resplendent, more glorious.

I repeat: What wonder, then, that the heart is crushed by the severance of earthly ties?

I recall the sunny days of childhood, when my brother and I, wandered over hill and dale, or angled in the noisy brook that skirted the deep woodland in the rear of our old home; when we fought and played and romped, until worn out with the day of innocent pleasure, we knelt together on a mother's knee.

I recall those later days, when childhood matured into young manhood and each took on himself the graver responsibilities of life.

I recall the pleasures and disappointments of maturer years; how we have borne each other's burdens and shared each other's joys. The ever pleasant smile, the ever genial greeting; the ever hopeful word; how the memory of these stir my soul to its depths, when I recall that these are earthly ties, sweet memories of by-gone days—now ashes of the past.

The Master was speaking literally when he said, referring to the multitude, "These are my mother and my brethren." Death broadens the family circle to take in all mankind.

Free men in their lives fulfill this broader conception of the brotherhood of man. It is something more than the humble tribute of a brother who may have been blinded by love, for me to say that my brother fulfilled in large measure, even in life, this broader conception of the brotherhood of man.

Liberal to a fault, he has had his own burdens, but they were never so heavy as to prevent him from responding to the appeals of others more needy.

Free from malice, always, he could more liberally forgive the malice of others.

Doubtless there are those who will recall some fault or weakness in his life. To err, is human, and few men are spotless. As I go a little further along life's way, in sorrow and loneliness, I prefer to think only of his known virtues, and if they were not all that might be desired, I prefer to hope that when he came to die, and in childlike faith, asked his God to cover his sins with the mantle of his love, he heard the answer from the other shore: "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

W. W. Bradley.

POPULAR AT CLEMSON.

Prof. M. E. Bradley is in Abbeville for several days on account of the death on Thursday of his brother, Mr. James F. Bradley, treasurer of Abbeville County. Mr. and Mrs. Bradley have been visitors on several occasions to Clemson College, where they have many friends who were grieved to hear of his death.

THIS WEEK ENDS OUR 1-3 OFF SALE

Boy's Suits and Overcoats

Better come in now and make your selections. Our 33 1-3 PER CENT CASH DISCOUNT SALE CLOSSES SATURDAY NIGHT, JAN. 29th. Until that time we offer all of Boy's Suits and Overcoats at 1-3 OFF of the regular prices for SPOT CASH.



BOYS' SUITS.

Table listing boys' suits with prices: Boys \$2.50 Suits 1-3 off now \$1.67, Boys 3.00 Suits 1-3 off now 2.00, Boys 4.00 Suits 1-3 off now 2.67, Boys 5.00 Suits 1-3 off now 3.34, Boys 6.00 Suits 1-3 off now 4.00, Boys 7.50 Suits 1-3 off now 5.00, Boys 8.00 Suits 1-3 off now 5.67

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These goods are new and made in the best of styles, of good, dependable materials, Serges, Worsteds and Cassimeres, in splendid quality.

Take advantage of this opportunity now to get your boy a good Suit and Overcoat at a big saving in price. Nothing charged at these prices.

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Our Entire Stock of Shoes at 25 per cent discount

SPECIAL January Sale CASH BARGAIN STORE

All Boy's Clothing and Men's Pants at 25 per cent Discount.

Must Turn Our Goods Into Ready Cash

Table listing various fabrics and their prices: Best bleached Homespun, 10c quality 7 1/2c, Better Cotton Flannel, 12 1-2c quality 9c, Good Lonsdale Cambric, 10c quality 7 1/2c, Best Cotton Flannel, 15c quality 11c, Best Lonsdale Cambric, 15c quality 11c, Good Sea Island, 5c quality 4c, Best Cannon Cloth, 15c quality at 11c, Better Sea Island, 6c quality 5c, Good Cannon Cloth, 10c quality, at 8c, Best Sea Island, 8c quality, at 6c, Best Percals, 10c quality at 7 1/2c, All 25c quality underwear 20c, Best Dress Gingham, 10c quality, at 7 1/2c, All 50c quality underwear 39c, Good Cotton Flannel, 10c quality at 7 1/2c, All 45c quality underwear 35c, Best Outing, all colors, 10c quality 7 1/2c

All Men's Hats at 25 per cent off. Our Entire stock of Hosiery at 25 per cent off. All trunks and Suit Cases at 25 per cent off. Entire stock of Shirts at 25 per cent off. All lace and embroidery at 25 per cent off.

Buy Coats and Coat Suits from us at your own price. Everything in our store going at cut prices. Nothing excluded except patterns. Come early and get best selection, as the best plums are always picked first.

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