

The United States Postal Note is to be abolished.

The bankruptcy bill has been defeated in Congress.

By a recent fire Manning lost \$75,000 worth of property.

A most destructive fire occurred in Wincosboro on Dec. 22.

South Carolina has the largest militia cavalry of any State in the Union.

It takes nearly two-thirds of the cotton crop of the United States to pay pensions north of the Ohio river.

The salary reduction bill which passed both houses of the Legislature will make a net saving to the State of about \$45,000 per annum.

After being in session twenty-six days and passing about two hundred and eighty acts, the Legislature adjourned sine die at 11.30 o'clock Saturday morning December 23th.

Eighteen and ninety-three has gone, and we hope she'll never come back. She was the worst of the series. War, pestilence, and famine—she was all combined and then the tale isn't half told.

The State Dispensary employees on Monday, Dec. 18th, worked all that day and until late at night, breaking the bottling record. In that time they had put up 24,544 bottles of whiskey, equal to 2,200 gallons.

The Legislature has coupled with the appropriation for the support of the South Carolina College a provision that at the next session young ladies be allowed to enter not lower than the junior class.

And now the Port Royal Post rises and remarks that the turkeys and other seeds, contributed by the generous Congress of these United States for the relief of the Sea Island cyclone sufferers, are no good, they did not even sprout.

It is said that ex-Mayor Samuel A. Townes, of Greenville, is certainly to be appointed internal revenue collector for the State of South Carolina. The Greenville Mayor thinks that Senator Butler pulled the wool over the people's eyes.

The new form of postoffice money order which will soon be distributed to the postoffices throughout the country will have the name of the payee in the order, thus making them negotiable like a bank check, and of course no letter of advice will be necessary.

It is apprehended that crashes in business are to be general throughout this country during this month, January. The financial stringency is great. Many of last year's accounts remain unpaid, and the banks will have to carry over a great many accounts until next fall.

A concurrent resolution passed both branches of the Legislature of this State, which has just adjourned, asking Congress to provide for the coinage of silver as well as of gold. There is no objection to this concurrent resolution, but it is like casting pearls before swine.

The United States has stationed a revenue officer at the dispensary in Columbia at the suggestion or request of Dispenser Traxler. The officer when he first got on the ground examined everything about the State bottling works and was very much gratified, so those in charge of the institution say, with the system and neatness with which the business is conducted.

In consequence of the resignation of the office of Lieutenant Governor by Hon. Eugene B. Gary, who was commissioned as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court from July 29, 1864, Senator W. H. Timmerman, of Edgefield who has been president pro tempore of the Senate, becomes Lieutenant Governor of the State and has taken the oath of office as such before U. R. Brooks Esq., of the Secretary of State's office.

The Baptist Courier says: "Christians should labor for something higher and better, while, of course, they look upon the dispensary as a less evil than the bar-rooms that have passed away."

"That have passed away." These four last words of our contemporary convey a tribute to the dispensary law that he wots not of, else he would be an ardent admirer of that law instead of damning it with faint praise.

Thus far the winter has been phenomenal in its mildness.

A number of fires, causing great loss of property, occurred at Birmingham, Ala., during the holidays.

Prendergast, the murderer of Mayor Harrison, of Chicago, has been convicted and condemned to be hanged.

A company of British soldiers, under Capt. Wilson, have been massacred by the Matabeles in South America.

December 29 was Gladstone's eighty-fourth birthday. His is truly the most remarkable figure of this wonderful nineteenth century.

The body of Miss Yeargin, who was drowned in Cayuga lake several weeks ago, was washed ashore Christmas night. It was forwarded to her parents at Laurens.

The revolution in Brazil continues. Rio Janeiro is being violently bombarded and a number of persons have been killed by the bombs. All the shops in the city are closed, the people are panic stricken, and to add to the horror yellow fever in the worst form has broken out. The United States has several vessels in the harbor to protect our interests in Rio.

The trade review of Dun & Co., of New York, for the year now closing, states that 1893 has proved in sudden shrinkage of trade, in commercial disasters and depression of industries, the worst for fifty years. The year closes with prices of many products the lowest ever known, and with millions of workers locking in vain for work. Let us hope that 1894 will bring a brighter record and more prosperous times.

Under the new dispensary law a citizen can buy out of the State and bring into the State and carry to his home as much as one gallon of liquor without violation of the law. He can also keep in his house for his own use as much as five gallons without violation of the law. The State board of control has also the power under the law now, to reduce the price of liquor where brought by the gallon or in larger quantities than a gallon.

All these are excellent features and an improvement on the old law of last year and add to instead of taking from the liberty of the citizen.

This is War. A white man has been whipped by a mob of twenty negroes in Spandanburg county for the offence of being a State constable appointed to assist in executing what the Legislature and some of the courts of State have declared to be law.

While going home, says the dispatch, "he was attacked by a crowd of negroes and severely whipped to excess along the railroad, a distance of several squares. Pieces of rubber hose were used to do the whipping work. Davis was made to take off his hat and address these negroes as gentlemen and also to swear that he would quit Tillman's service and go home."

And some of the extreme anti-Tillman organs are so lost to all sense of the public good and public safety as apparently to applaud this deed. There is where they go beyond Governor Tillman in his worst folly! There is where by comparison the odious dispensary law becomes a gospel of truth and light!

A law officer whipped in a public place by a negro mob for performing his duty, white men stood by aiding and abetting the deed by their presence? The anti-Tillman party will not recover from the effect of that one blow for many a long day.

No, men and brethren; this is not child's play. It is a race issue with all the rights of law and justice on the side of the white men as against the negro desperadoes and their white sympathizers. Now the natural, tendency of the dispensary law to be unpopular has been more than offset by the stirring up of a prejudice beside which it sinks into insignificance.

Were it not so disgusting it would be amusing to watch the scramble of "Conservatives" for Federal offices. In and out of season they charge Reformers with office-seeking and condemn them for it, but for every office that Grover Cleveland has to give he finds a host of "Conservative" applicants. They vie with each other in lauding Cleveland to the skies, seeming to think that the most skillful flatterers will stand the best chance of getting the office; that the way to his heart is through his vanity. Doubtless they have not studied him in vain. They are meeting with fine success in securing offices, though of course there are not enough to go around.

Prosperity Reporter, Subscribed to the Edgefield Advertiser.

CURTAIN THESE COURTS!

The Liberty of The People Threatened.

The newspaper reporters flocked to the Executive Mansion last night to interview Governor Tillon on the decision of the United States Supreme Court in the Swan case. He was not in the least excited, but said, in answer to a multitude of inquiries: "Prejudice don't even stop at Washington. Before I say anything I want to see what possible excuse they can have for such a stretch of judicial authority."

The Governor was then asked for an expression on the simple fact that the decision was against the State. He answered, and there was something of a prediction in what he had to say: "Well, I can say that it only intensifies the demand that must arise for the curtailment of the powers of the Federal Court, or we will have no liberty at all. It further shows that the Federal Supreme Court is not above partisan decisions when aimed at the Reform movement. If we cannot arrest contraband liquor in the hands of a receiver we cannot arrest a murderer on a train run by a receiver, for the State law is paralyzed by every such decision as this. Swan had disobeyed no order of the court. He was simply guilty of a trespass. I imagine my message had more to do with it than the law. I can stand it, however."

This was all the Governor would say, but it was brief and breezy, thoroughly characteristic of the man why is fighting what he believes is the infringement of States' rights by the Federal Courts.

Carpenter in Jail.

William Carpenter, who about four years ago was convicted of the murder of Preston Yonce, and escaped from the Edgefield jail a short while before he was to have been executed, gives the following account of his wandering and doings since said escape, as taken from an interview with him published in the Augusta Chronicle of Dec. 22nd last:

"It was in June, four years ago, when Preston Yonce was killed. I don't remember now just how it was, but any way George Murrell, the road near Edgefield when we met Yonce and had some words. Yonce shot at us first and I returned the fire. We did not know that he was hurt badly, so the next day, which was Sunday, I got Murrell to go down to Yonce's house to see how he was. When he got there he was arrested, Yonce had died. Then they arrested me and we were put in jail. We were tried and found guilty of murder and sentenced to hang in the following January. In December we managed through the aid of friends to get some tools in the jail and we bored out from the cell to a room below, and from there found it easy to get away. Murrell was caught a little while after, but I managed to get away from the officers. For two months I did not sleep in a house but lived in the swamps near Edgefield. My food was brought to me by friends. After this I came to Augusta, walked up the Georgia Railroad and got on the train at Harlan. From there I went to Atlanta and then to Fayette County, I worked on a farm near Fayetteville for two years under the name of Henry Dixon.

"Leaving Fayette County I went to Dodge County and got a job as a convict guard at the camps near Amosneg. This place I held for two years up to six weeks ago. "One day I went to Eastman and there got in a fight with a negro named Geo. Walker and after being shot by him I killed him. That night I went back to the convict camp to get my wounds dressed and was arrested and sent to jail in Macon on the charge of murder. I don't know how the people in Edgefield knew where I was, and the first thing I knew of it was when Mr. Hardy came for to-day. We left there to-day and got here to-night."

Toddles—Papa, which are the bestest, ladies or men? Papa—Ladies, my dear. Toddles—Then don't you sink you an mamma ought to be patient with us boys tansse we got a wrong start—don't you see?—New York Recorder.

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Burning For Centuries. Here is an instance of a fire that has been burning for centuries. According to the testimony of the Duchess of Cleveland, the great hearth fire in the hall of Raby castle has never been suffered to expire. This castle is perhaps the noblest and most perfect specimen of feudal architecture in England. It was in the large banquet hall of this famous mansion that ages ago 700 knights are said to have paid suit and service to the earls of Westmoreland, one of the many titles borne by the princely family of the Nevilles.—London Tit-Bits.

Posted. Kindly Old Gentleman—Do you know what happens to little boys who run out in the rain? Little Boy—Yessir. Sometimes they get cold, sometimes they get a spanking, and (triumphantly) sometimes I've got both.—Harper's Bazar.

The Curious Man. He is who looks into guns that are not loaded and not only finds a load, but has it inserted in his head. He also looks down elevator shafts, and the elevator approaches him from above, and he is looking. He wants to know why the why and wherefore of everything.

Improving on Nature. One of the cases in which the work of man is superior to that of nature is in the material now being employed by the builders of the walls of the elaborate batteries at Portland headlight. This is a combination of stone, broken fine by the steam crusher, and cement. The compound is blocked out in molds, and the slabs thus formed, 3 feet in length by 1 1/2 in width, are laid in the walls brickwise. This is expected to withstand any shot, and big guns are in the immediate prospect for this purpose to the natural stone.

Twenty-five Cent Naps. It was on the 2 o'clock up town elevated train on the Sixth avenue road yesterday morning, a fat, drowsy man strolled into the car. He beckoned to the guard and handed him a quarter. "Seventy-second street," he said. "Right," said the guard. When the train reached Seventy-second street, the guard woke the fat man. "Do you get many such patrons?" asked the guard. "Oh, yes," was the reply. "Some nights I make as much as \$2. Other nights I fall as low as a quarter. But I have regular customers, so I can count on about \$1 that comes to me on account of the drowsiness of mankind."—New York Sun.

Leathery Winged Bats. Most curious in origin of all nocturnal insect hunters are the leathery winged bats, which may be regarded, practically speaking, as very tiny monkeys, highly speckled with the most of catching the nocturnal flies and midges. Few people know how nearly they are related to us. They belong to the self same division of the higher mammals as man and the apes. Their skeleton answers to ours, bone for bone and joint for joint, in an extraordinary manner. Only the unessential fact that they have very long fingers with a web between as an organ of flight prevents us from instantly and instinctively recognizing them as remote cousins, once removed from the gorilla.—Cornhill Magazine.

A Wrong Start. Toddles—Papa, which are the bestest, ladies or men? Papa—Ladies, my dear. Toddles—Then don't you sink you an mamma ought to be patient with us boys tansse we got a wrong start—don't you see?—New York Recorder.

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A Great Naval Battle. WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—All of the Brazilian navy in this country and England has arrived at ports in Brazil. Minister Mendonca today received official notification of the arrival of the America at Pernambuco, and was also informed that the torpedo boat Destroyer will sail from Martiniague on the 3d, arriving at its destination about the 15th. It is expected that by the middle of the present month ten torpedo boats, five gun boats and two cruisers will be in position to act in concert along the coast of Brazil. Twelve of these seven-ten boats are now in position and when the other five arrive it is expected that a naval battle will take place, precipitated by the government vessels.

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Master's Sale. STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, EDGEFIELD COUNTY. Court Common Pleas. M. A. REAMS, et al. against MARY FREEMAN, et al.

PURSUANT to the decree in this cause, I will offer for sale at public outcry before the court-house, town of Edgefield and State of South Carolina, on the first Monday in February, 1894, (being the 5th day of said month) between the legal hours of sale, the following described realty, to wit: Tract No. 1. All that tract of land lying, situate, and being in Edgefield county and State of South Carolina, containing one hundred and seventeen (117) acres, more or less, known as the "Homestead tract" bounded on the north by what was formerly known as the David W. Holloway land; east, by the land of William Mays; south, by lands of Lewis Culbreath.

Master's Sale. STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, EDGEFIELD COUNTY. Court Common Pleas. JOHN E. HARTER, et al. against E. L. R. GRADICK, as Executor of the last will and testament of S. P. Street, et al.

Master's Sale. STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, EDGEFIELD COUNTY. Court Common Pleas. BOSWELL ALSOP and JUNIUS MOSBY, partners in trade under the firm name and style of ALSOP, MOSBY & Co., Plaintiffs, against B. S. JONES, et al., Defendants.

PURSUANT to the judgment of foreclosure in this cause, I will offer for sale at public outcry before the court-house, town of Edgefield and State of South Carolina, on the first Monday in February, 1894, (being the 5th day of said month) between the legal hours of sale the following described property, to wit: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate, lying, and being in Edgefield county and State of South Carolina, containing one hundred and forty-seven (147) acres, more or less, and bounded by land of S. P. Street, Peyton Herrin, T. B. Crocker, E. Garrett, Mrs. P. Ables, and E. P. Jones.

Master's Sale. STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, EDGEFIELD COUNTY. ELLEN RHODEN, Plaintiff, against MARY BERRY, et al., Defendant.

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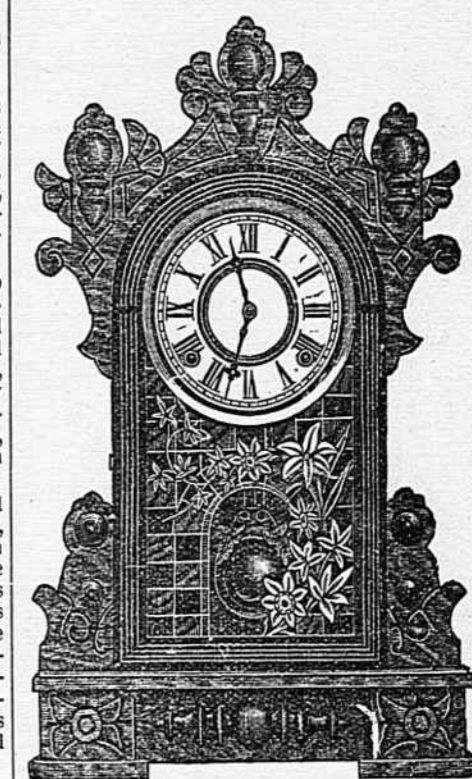
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