

Napoleon was born with two teeth, but when the time came for him to eat crow the teeth were gone.

While pleading for universal disarmament the Czar of Russia is adding new gunboats to his already powerful navy.

Since their encampment in the South the Northern men in the army assert that they have had their views on the negro revolutionized.

The farmers are behind with their preparations for planting. The constant rains have made it impossible to plow or haul out fertilizers.

Investigations since the death of Keely, of Keely motor fame, show that he was a gigantic trickster, who used powerful, concealed forces to deceive the public.

The treaty of peace with Spain was ratified by the United States on Monday by a two-thirds vote, with one vote to spare, that of Senator McLaurin, of South Carolina.

The trend of events indicates that Gen. Miles will be court-martialed at an early date. The New York Sun in a violent editorial denounces his conduct during the late war, and clamors for his dismissal in disgrace from the army. It looks as if the pride of the haughty Miles is to have a sudden fall.

The redistricting bill makes ours the Saluda district with the following counties: Aiken, Lexington, Saluda, Greenwood, Laurens, Newberry and Edgefield. This bill has already passed the house. Its fate in the Senate is doubtful. It ought to pass. It would give us in this district, probably, the following candidates for "sumpin" or other: B. R. Tillman, G. D. Tillman, J. C. Sheppard, W. J. Talbert, W. H. Timmerman, of Edgefield; Geo. Johnstone and Mower, of Newberry; Senator Effit and...

And be it further resolved. That

before the Legislature this session is the following in the shape of a concurrent resolution offered by Representative N. G. Evans. It means a million and a half dollars to the State of South Carolina if successful, and from Mr. Evans's characteristic push and vigor it seems likely to pass both houses with a rush, in fact there isn't the shadow of a doubt. It is too big a thing not to pass.

"Whereas it is claimed by the Federal authorities that South Carolina is indebted to the United States on the fund known as the Indian Trust Fund, \$125,000 of bonds issued in 1855 for the construction of the new State House, with interest thereon amounting in the whole at this time to something over \$250,000; and whereas there is likelihood of legislation by the present Congress looking to the funding of said bonds, at say 5 per cent.; and whereas there is strong evidence going to show that the United States Government is indebted to the State of South Carolina in the sum of \$500,000 on claims growing out of the common defense, etc., during the war for independence, known as the Revolutionary war with Great Britain, and interest thereon ever since, if interest be allowed; and whereas it is of the last importance that if the State is indebted to the United States it be adjusted by an Act or Joint Resolution of Congress, there ought to be a provision incorporated into any such action of Congress looking to the settlement and adjustment of any claim or claims held by the State against the United States. Therefore, Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, the Senate concurring, That the Committee of Ways and Means of the House and the Finance Committee of the Senate do forthwith institute an active investigation into the merits and evidence of the said claim of this State against the United States, left over from the Revolutionary War, and to that end that said committee have power and authority to meet in joint session, to appoint a sub-joint committee of their members, and they said sub-joint committee to have power and authority to call for persons and papers, and to summon and compel attendance of persons able to furnish evidence and testimony.

And that the State Treasurer and the Comptroller General do make, and cause to be made

A FATAL DAY FOR FILIPINOS AT MANILA.

Four Thousand Dead and 3,500 Wounded.

Capture of Five Thousand Prisoners and the Position Held by Them.

A battle in the Philippines commencing on Saturday last and continuing for a portion of the next two days resulted in the death of 20 and the wounding of 175 American soldiers, the death of 4,000 Filipinos, the wounding of 3,500 and the capture of 5,000 prisoners and the positions held by them. The troops engaged on our side were nearly all Western men, good fighters, as we who were in the Confederate army in the days gone by know. They were from Nebraska, Idaho, Montana, the Dakotas, Minnesota, Utah and California.

forthwith a diligent search, where the same is most likely to be found, for a certain report, with its accompanying documents, made by James A. Black, agent of the State, A. D. 1858, to his Excellency Governor Alston, who had appointed said agent under a Resolution adopted by the Legislature in A. D. 1856, authorizing the Governor to appoint some suitable person to prepare and prosecute against the General Government claims growing out of the common difference, etc., on which report exhibits the Committee on Federal Relations for the session of the Legislature in A. D. 1858 made a report showing nearly \$500,000 due the State on the said claims, not computing interest, which exhibits were authorized to be printed, or it was so stated by the Governor in a message, which report and exhibits of Mr. Black were transmitted in a message by his Excellency Governor Gist at the session of 1890, and then again or dered to be printed, and which exhibits at the same session, on recommendation of the Committee on Claims, was ordered to be filed in the Comptroller General's office for use and reference in any settlement which may at any time be had with the United States Government.

And be it further resolved. That

JUNIOR SENATOR. RETIRING CONGRESSMAN ISSUES AN ADDRESS. CALLS MCLAURIN A TRICKSTER.

Says He Has Been Treacherous to His Colleagues and Unscrupulous—Very Warm Language.

To the people of South Carolina: Since manifestos, addresses and exposes are in order in South Carolina, I have decided to have a word to say. The star player in the recent performance has been writing his own plays, criticising and damning all others while painting his own part in glowing colors without regard to truth or the interests of any save himself. I have decided it to be my duty to keep quiet no longer while he is allowed weekly to exploit himself and his actions through the leading newspapers of our State. I shall confine myself to a statement of facts that can be fully substantiated by the entire delegation in congress, and, in fact, all who had an opportunity from the inside to observe the trend of matters during the last six years. The people of South Carolina have a right to know what is now and what has been going on behind the curtain. And when they have learned all the facts they will not be slow to make up their minds.

The address recently issued by Mr. W. A. Neal, it is well known, was not written by him. He was sick at the time, and could not judge for himself what the effects would be, nor how despicable it made him appear in the eyes of both friends and foes. It is well known that it was written by John L. McLaurin, who hastened down to Columbia from Washington and as hurriedly came away after he had penned this infamous slander, an instrument of apostasy, and induced Neal, poor, sick fellow, to sign it.

claration that McKinley was the "most popular president since Lincoln and ought to be renominated by acclamation" is another part. All these things go to prove his absolute unreliability and his unscrupulous ambition. He is a democrat only because he believes that is the way to gratify his ambition.

I would go on and give instance after instance of his colleagues, and of his trickery, but this is enough for one installment. Let him dispute what I have said thus far and I will give him some more, and what is more to the purpose, let the people know more fully what manner of man it is they have sent to the United States senate in the place of the noble Joseph H. Earle.

Very respectfully,
T. J. STRAIT.
Washington, D. C., Feb. 1.

WORK VS. FERTILIZERS.

To the Editor of Atlanta Journal: In Wednesday's issue of your valuable paper you ask for communications from experienced practical farmers as to the cause of the present depressed condition of the average farmer, and invite suggestions as to the best remedy for this financial improvement. Now, there is no question, not even the shadow of a doubt, among all sensible people, that the success of every business on earth depends upon the success of the farmer. The farm is the foundation, the starting point of all branches of trade and industry. The various products of the soil produced by the farmer not only start but keep in motion the machinery of the world.

The life and existence of every animate being on earth depends upon the man who tills the soil. His is the noblest occupation within the gift of the Creator of the universe; stop the farmer and everything stops; but stop the farmer from producing so much cotton in the south or teach him how to produce it at less expense, so that he will have a few dollars left after his expenses are paid, and being familiar with the opinions of the majority of the farmers in the south on the subject of "cotton raising" as a livelihood, I shall not try to impress them with the necessity of planting less cotton,

in the south to-day, and one of the practical causes for his present condition, is the fact that he depends upon the use of commercial manure to make his crop, without work. I tell you it isn't 5 cent cotton that ails the average farmer of Georgia. Instead it is the careless, slovenly, slipshod manner in which he prepares his land and cultivates his crops, depending upon the "guano" he uses to make his crop without labor. That's precisely what ails nine-tenths of the farmers in the south to-day, and diversified crops won't help him one iota. If he ever expects to better his condition he will have to take off his coat, roll up his sleeves and go to work, throw away his antediluvian "scoters" and "twisters," get common sense modern farming implements, and put his land in such condition that his crops can utilize the plant food already contained therein, of which there is an abundance, sufficient to grow and develop to perfection any crop he may be disposed to plant upon the poorest worn out field in the south.

My experience has been, all my life, that in order to produce a good crop of anything that the physical condition of the soil needs looking after more than the chemical. In 95 per cent. of all the tillable land in the south nature has stored every element of plant food in abundant proportion necessary to the perfect development of all kinds of crops, and if the tiller of the soil will use common sense, good judgment and labor in the preparation of the land and the cultivation of his crops, and neither use nor depend upon chemicals, I will guarantee that he will find a panacea for all his troubles.

I do not want to be misunderstood in this matter. Chemical manures properly applied are beneficial as a stimulant to plant growth, and sometimes can be profitably used under certain conditions and circumstances; but those conditions and circumstances do not exist in the south. Especially is this true as regards the method of application by the average farmer in the south. In summarizing I would say, let the farmer's motto be, first of all, get modern, up-to-date farming implements, if necessary better give your note for them than for a ton of guano; thoroughly break up and prepare your land before planting, and thoroughly cultivate your crops afterward; plant and

NATIONAL SURGICAL INSTITUTE AND SANITARIUM.

Illustrations Showing a Few of the Actual Cases Successfully Treated at this Institution.

MANUFACTURE ALL KINDS OF SURGICAL APPLIANCES FOR THE CURE OF DEFORMITIES.



Proprietors and surgeons in charge of the National Surgical Institute and Sanitarium are K. H. Boland, M. D., and J. T. Renouff, M. D., who have been at the head of this Institution since 1874. The accompanying illustrations are reproduced from actual cases successfully treated during that time, which are taken from only a few of the more general deformities brought here for treatment. Splendid success has attended the Institution in the treatment of Spinal Affections, Club Foot, Wry Neck, Dis-eases of the Hip, Knee, Ankle and other Joints, Paralysis in all its forms, Piles, Fistula, Piles, Tumors, Rheumatism, Hernia, Female Diseases, Catarrh, Private Diseases, Nervous Affections, Heart Lip, Cleft Palate, Dis-eases of the Stomach and Bowels, and all other affections. Any information gladly furnished on application. Address all Communications to National Surgical Institute and Sanitarium, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

S. M. SMITH, LAND SURVEYOR. EDGEFIELD, S. C. Terms: \$4 per day, \$2 for plat. Always have deeds and mortgages on the field from which to find adjacent landmarks.

HAVE YOU VISITED THE * South Carolina . . . Co-Educational Institute?

WE WOULD BE GLAD TO HAVE YOU DO SO

THIS SESSION WE HAVE ENROLLED..... ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-EIGHT STUDENTS.Seventy-nine of Whom are Boarders.

OUR Institution is the largest and oldest one of the Co-Educational Boarding Schools in South Carolina. The Faculty consists of

NINE EXPERIENCED TEACHERS Who give their entire time to the Institution, besides other teachers who teach in the school from two to three hours daily.

THE COURSE OF STUDY In all Departments is thorough and our graduates may be found teaching in almost every county in South Carolina.

THE CADETS Are drilled daily and are well supplied with guns and military accoutrements.

WE HAVE THE Largest and Best Equipped Buildings OF ANY SCHOOL IN THIS PART OF THE STATE. Write or Call at the Institute for Descriptive Circulars.

Evans were present. As soon as the meeting opened McLaurin mentioned that Koester, then editing the Register, and Bowden, two prominent South Carolinians, then in Washington, ought to be admitted to our council. Irby and McLaurin were then not on good terms on account of a scandal involving McLaurin, of which I will not speak here, because it is too nauseating, and they began to quarrel, Irby declaring that he would not have anything to do with a Populist, and before anything was done, or the purpose for which we had been brought together mentioned, McLaurin angrily left the room, saying he would "stand by his friends."

Geo. B. Nigh.

Where he will still continue to give his

FREE EYE TESTS For all defects of sight. Grind any shape and style of lenses while you wait. ALL WORK GUARANTEED. Tells if you need glasses, rest or he oculist.

STYLISH, RELIABLE ARTISTIC Dressmakers. They Always Please. McCALL BAZAR PATTERNS 10c 15c NONE BETTER AT ANY PRICE. THE McCALL COMPANY, 138 to 146 W. 14th Street, New York

60 YEARS' EXPERIENCE PATENTS TRADE MARKS DESIGNS COPYRIGHTS &c. Scientific American.

Your Cotton. Parties bringing in Cotton for sale will take it to the Cotton Mill. Mr. H. A. Smith is with the Cotton Mill now and will be glad to buy all cotton brought in

Augusta, Ga.

Where he will still continue to give his

FREE EYE TESTS For all defects of sight. Grind any shape and style of lenses while you wait. ALL WORK GUARANTEED. Tells if you need glasses, rest or he oculist.

STYLISH, RELIABLE ARTISTIC Dressmakers. They Always Please. McCALL BAZAR PATTERNS 10c 15c NONE BETTER AT ANY PRICE. THE McCALL COMPANY, 138 to 146 W. 14th Street, New York

60 YEARS' EXPERIENCE PATENTS TRADE MARKS DESIGNS COPYRIGHTS &c. Scientific American.

A Little Money Buys Lots of Goods at Our Store.

This Solid Oak Bedroom Suit, Dresser, Washstand and Bedstead, with large, beveled Mirrors in Dresser; double enclosed Washstand; Bedstead 4 ft. 6 in. wide, over 6 ft. high, bracket rails and double books; all beautifully carved and highly finished. Worth everywhere \$25.00, but to introduce our business we will sell one car load of these suits for \$15.00 PER SUIT.

It is useless to spend \$25.00 to \$40.00 for Stoves with high sounding names and worthless guarantees when we can ship you a nice, plain, well-made, heavy No. 8 Stove; the good kind, the kind that lasts, including 40 pieces of ware, for only \$10.00. The oven is large enough to bake a turkey. Your money back if Store is not satisfactory.

We Want Your Trade. This advertisement describes two of our sledge hammer bargains, we have lots of others, including bargains in FURNITURE, BABY CARRIAGES, CARPETS, DINNER SETS, CHAMBER SETS, MATTINGS, LACE CURTAINS, KITCHEN WARE, SHADES, AND SEWING MACHINES. Everything that we touch is a bargain! Correspondence solicited.

The Padgett Furniture Co. 1110 AND 1112 BROAD STREET, AUGUSTA, GA. GEO. P. COBB, JOHNSTON S. C. Furniture and Household Goods Wagons, Buggies, Harness, Saddles, Etc. HAVE JUST PURCHASED A NEW AND BEAUTIFUL HEARSE Calls by Telephone promptly answered and attended to. LOWEST PRICES.