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There is no feeling, except the extremes of fear and grief that does not find relief in music. —GEORGE ELIOT

In discussing the polar explorers, say "Perry," not "Pee-ry." The former is the correct pronunciation.

It is estimated that the people of New York city spend \$1,000,000 each day for intoxicating drinks.

Automobiles that are represented as first class are now advertised at \$485. When the price drops about \$400 more we'll then consider the proposition.

Dr. Len G. Broughton has refused the \$10,000-call from the Brooklyn church. Atlanta needs him and he has decided to remain there for several thousand a year less.

It seems that every individual in the South, without regard to color, race or previous condition, must soon or later fall victim of tuberculosis, pellagra or the hook worm disease. Which will you choose for yours?

It may be questionable whether or not Dr. Cook climbed Mt. McKinley, but there is no questioning the fact that the managers of the County Fair reached the very pinnacle of success. Everybody is praising them for their splendid management.

So far as we have been able to judge, farmers in the main are satisfied with the prevailing price of cotton. By reducing the acreage still more, they could be assured of the same or even a higher price a year hence. Begin now to curtail the acreage by sowing largely of wheat and oats.

A daily paper in South Carolina recently published a full page liquor advertisement and a half page advertisement of a cure for the liquor habit in the same issue. That is according to the fitness of things. If a paper is going to tempt its readers to become inebriated, it ought also to tell them where they can be cured of the thirst. Advertising the liquor and the cure both is making money "er gwine and er comin'."

A newspaper which trims itself to suit everybody will soon whittle itself away.—Greenville News.

And just as it should. The newspaper to succeed, must chain itself to rock bound principles of truth and righteousness, and trust in the support of those who stand for these considerations.—Yorkville Enquirer.

That has been The Advertiser's standard all along, and it has steadily grown in the confidence of the people. A newspaper that does not stand for something, that is not a positive force for "principles of truth and righteousness" in a community, has no just claim for existence.

Better off in the South.

A great national exposition by the negroes has been suggested for 1913, celebrating the fiftieth year of their independence. From a long card published in the Atlanta Constitution by Booker Washington, setting forth the reasons for holding such an exposition, we clipped the following:

"The masses of the negro people are better off, in my opinion, in the southern states than in any other part of the world, and for that reason, if for no other, the masses of the people are going to remain in the south. That being so, I believe every sensible person will want to do all he can to see that the black man leads such a life here in the south as will make him of use to the community in which he lives. Everyone knows that a race, like an individual, is always more useful when the race is cheerful, happy and making progress. A discontented, morose and embittered people is a greater burden than any country can afford to carry."

Danger Lurks in Western Produce.

Unsound corn is not the only western product that southern people are suffering from as consumers. Rotten corn kills hundreds of horses and mules and is said to cause pellagra, but there is some-

thing to be dreaded more than mouldy corn and meal, to wit: decomposed products of the western packing houses. The student bodies of three Georgia colleges became suddenly desperately ill last week, and a careful diagnosis pointed to ptomaine poisoning. Western packers seem to be an unscrupulous set. They can everything that comes their way, whether sound or unsound.

Why will southern people continue the policy of buying western corn, flour, meal, beef, bacon and lard, endangering their lives and consuming all of their ready cash, when these things can be produced upon the farm?

Newspapers Cost Something.

How long will it take many persons in the town and county of Edgefield to learn that it requires money—actual cash—to run a live newspaper, and that the chief source of a publisher's income is selling space in its columns? Space is a publisher's stock in trade, it is what he pays his money for to sell to others; yet many individuals make bold to ask that a certain amount of space be given them without money and without price. Suppose a publisher should walk into a bank and ask for a loan of one thousand dollars without interest. What would be the banker's reply? If he should ask a merchant for his merchandise without offering its value in cash, or its equivalent, what reply would he receive?

There are weekly newspapers in South Carolina that do not publish a single line, other than the current news of the day, (not even a notice of church services that are sent in) without charging the usual advertising rates. But Edgefield papers have always been very generous with their space, and have many, very many, times been imposed upon by persons who, to say the least of it, have lost sight of the fact that it costs money to make a newspaper. An Orangeburg contemporary states the matter correctly in the following short paragraph:

"Every line in a newspaper costs its publisher something. If it is to benefit some individual, he may fairly expect to pay something. You do not go into a grocery and ask the proprietor to hand you out 10 pounds of sugar for nothing, even though the grocer may be a personal friend and even though the gift might not be a large one."

Mr. J. M. Wright Replies to Dr. D. A. J. Bell.

Mr. Editor: It seems to be a very common occurrence for some one to criticize a jury that sits on any case of note in our state, and I admit that where justice is not done and the law is not vindicated, that they have a perfect right to do so. I do not know Dr. Bell personally, but from his general reputation I have taken him to be a perfect Christian gentleman. But I do feel that if he desired to criticize the jury that sat on the case of Bill Broadwater, he first ought to have informed himself as to the facts before he made such an unjust criticism. I, as one of the twelve men (of his peer) that brought out a verdict of "not guilty," feel called upon to make a statement of facts in order that we may be vindicated from those epithets that he has applied to us. I think that Dr. Bell wrote as he did, not of his own personal knowledge of the evidence that the jury had to go by, but what he undoubtedly thought they ought to have had. And should we have had the facts as he stated them before the trial as afterwards, no doubt the verdict would have been different. And he being such a "fanatic, jealous citizen," would not come and give us the benefit of his information. Now, Doctor, the first time that I ever heard of Bill Broadwater being drunk, and raising a row with his wife and daughter, and Bob going over there to quiet him, and Bill stabbing him in the shoulder, and Bob taking his mother home with him, and Bill coming over to Anna Broadwater's house in a rage, and deliberately shooting her I saw it in your letter. I did not know whether Bill had a mother, wife, or daughter, as it was not brought out in the evidence. We had but the testimony of one witness and that was Bob Broadwater, the son of Bill, who, being sworn by the state said, in substance that Bill Broadwater had come home from town drinking and was out in the road some distance from his (Bob's) house making some unnecessary fuss, and he went out to quiet him. And when he came up to where he was, Bill had his knife open in his hand and Bob took the knife away from Bill and went back to his (Bob's) home and Bill went out to his (Bill's) home and got his (Bill's) gun and came back over to Bob's house and walked up to Bob's window and asked Bob for his knife (and I think just here the solicitor asked him if Bill acted like he was mad and Bob said Bill did like a drinking man would

GOOD UNION MEETING.

Parkville Fair to Be Held November 26th, Next Union Meeting at Plum Branch.

The union meeting of the 3rd division held at Modoc yesterday and day before was one of the best if not the best, your correspondent ever attended.

The queries, "Why make Money?" "Who is on the Lord's side?" "Keeping the Sabbath" and "Christian Assurance," were all well discussed on Saturday, the brethren coming up prepared full of wisdom and enthusiasm to talk over and about the Lord's work.

By motion Sunday morning instead of Sunday school exercises as announced, the hour was set apart for memorial exercises in honor of the memory of our deceased moderator, Bro. L. F. Dorn.

By request of the acting moderator, Bro. L. B. White introduced suitable resolutions in memory of our beloved brother, and the motion to adopt the same, feeling and tender tributes were paid our dear brother by Mr. J. C. Harvelly, P. H. Bussey, J. G. McKie, J. C. Morgan, L. B. White, and G. Wash Adams. The resolutions were accepted, a copy ordered sent the family, and spread upon our minute book sacred to Bro. Dorn's memory.

The hour having arrived the missionary sermon was preached by Bro. T. H. Garrett of Greenville, his subject being "The Saved Man a Blessing." The sermon was a very able and most excellent one as shown by its effects, the collection amounting to twenty-five dollars and sixty cents, which was given to state missions.

Our union is the baby union, and if the mother unions, who double us in strength and constituency, did as well in proportion to strength and numbers \$125.00 will be sent up for missions today from the churches of the Edgefield association as a result of yesterday's efforts.

Sunday afternoon was devoted to B. Y. P. U. work with all the appointees present.

Mrs. Humphrey McDaniel read a remarkably good paper on "What Should the B. Y. P. U. Stand for." Mr. J. G. Park's paper on "the best way to fit ourselves for usefulness" was highly commended by all who heard it.

Mrs. Jessie Cobb gave us an exceedingly fine paper on "The Spirit of Strictness in Religion." The papers were very creditable and highly instructive and our B. Y. P. U. workers were congratulated on all sides for their contributions and enthusiasm in the work of training the young Christians for usefulness in the Lord's work. The next meeting goes to Plum Branch.

Rev. L. H. Garrett being with us last night, our B. Y. P. U. program here was put off and Rev. Garrett was asked to preach, which he did from the words: "Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God is that Israel might be saved," from which he got the subject "a passion for souls." This was a most excellent and earnest effort and Rev. Garnett leaves with a warm place in our hearts.

Our people, old and young, are loud in their praises of the fine hospitality of the good people of Modoc at our recent union.

Our Fair association held a meeting here Saturday afternoon in the interest of our approaching Fair to be held Friday after Thanksgiving day. This will give our Clark's Hill Agri-

sometimes do and he was not afraid that Bill would shoot him) and was standing several feet from window with the gun. Bob saw the barrel, reached out and caught hold of the gun, gave it a jerk. The gun was discharged and shot Anna Broadwater who was sitting on the bed on the opposite side of the room in the dark, for there was no light in the house.

The question for that jury to decide was whether Bill Broadwater intended to shoot Bob or whether by Bob grabbing the gun and giving it a jerk and that fired the shot that killed Anna Broadwater, for Bob swore that the gun was fired at the time he jerked it. Now on this point the judge charged us that it was obligatory on the state to prove it was not an accidental killing. I made this statement a few days ago in the Columbia State and the editor in his comments said that I must have been mistaken and I restate them here on authority of one of the ablest attorneys at Edgefield, who said it was correct as to charge and that it was law as given in the case of the State vs. McDaniel. I am no lawyer and am not familiar enough with the code to tell you what volume or page to find it. You will have to look it up for yourself.

Now, Dr. Bell says that "hell was a necessity to punish perjured jurors and court officials who fail to give justice here and let the red handed murderers go free, roaming up and down our streets." All may be so but when the white-winged messenger of death shall come and lay his cold and icy hands upon the breast of the twelve jurors that sat on the Bill Broadwater case, I do not think that when they have crossed over the other side they will find a little corner cut off at the right hand filled with white-robed redeemed ones who got there by heaping abuse on those that did not see things as they did.

J. M. Wright.

cultural Club an opportunity to exhibit their products here after the close of the Georgia-Carolina Fair, to be held in a few days.

We want all the home-raised stock brought in. Good prizes in money and grand prizes have been offered by our enterprising promoters.

Anything that is produced at home will be exhibited and is especially solicited. We understand that enterprising White Town is preparing a fine exhibit, and we simply ask you to keep your eyes on White Town, because they "live" at home and board at the same place."

Bring your colts, cows and single footers. Judge Bell of Clark's Hill has made John Bailey, of Red Hill, promise to put up his single-footer. Come one, come all, and see how we live, for one day at least.

MORE ANON.

PLUM BRANCH NEWS.

The Town growing, New Ferry Across the Savannah Brings Cotton and Seed from Georgia.

Plum Branch, S. C.—It has been a good while since I gave you any news from our town, so long that you thought, as old M. B. predicted more than two years since, that if there was not something done and done quickly a shroud, a box and a hole in mother earth, would be the final requisites for the town of Plum Branch. After deliberating over the matter the old man thought best to delay the preparation for the interment and to make a more thorough examination of the case. We thought it best to call in some other physician, one more experienced in such cases.

The old man called in Wm. P. Calhoun, and between the two they decided to try the trolley line from Plum Branch to Edgefield. C. H. M. B. did his part by riding over the proposed line and talking up the possibilities and probabilities of the project until the people along the proposed line became interested in it, and some of them, to all appearance, were very much enthused and a mass meeting was called at Plum Branch and Edgefield. In the meantime Wm. P. Calhoun was not idle but was flourishing his pen as never before, which aided very materially the cause, and all that mortal man could do to arouse the people of old Edgefield from their lethargy to take hold of the opportunity that lay at their door.

A grand pow-wow was called to meet at Edgefield and decide upon some plan of action. The delegates or committeemen and all the big chiefs met, and the result was—I guess the reader has not forgotten. We know old M. B. came home crestfallen looking very much like an old game chicken just out of the pit, with what feathers there were left on him very much disheveled which bespoke defeat. In a few days the old war horse came out with a bright smile on his countenance that said that Richard was himself again, and renewed the fight.

The inquiry was, "What's up old boy?" Well boys we will change the medicine and treatment altogether. The program is just this: You all know in '76 we called on Lincoln county in Georgia and they responded. The skeptic: what do you expect from them and in what way? Just this; If I can find a place on the Savannah river below the old Douly ferry where I can put in an up-to-date ferry I will save Plum Branch. Just watch me. I found the place and a good one it is, and we have an up-to-date ferry now with a steel cable across the river with a breaking strength of 22 tons where the farmers of Georgia can cross in safety and quick, until the river overflows its banks, and bring their cotton and seed to one of the best cotton and seed markets along the line of the C. & W. C. R. R.

Brother Mims, come up and see what we are doing with the ten to twenty wagons from the dark corner of Lincoln county loaded down with cotton and cotton seed. All of them crossed at the new ferry.

Come up and see the new improvements that are going on and others being planned. Three new residences are being planned among them which is a Baptist parsonage which, when completed according to the designs, would be an ornament to a much larger town than ours. If we miss the waste basket we will come again.

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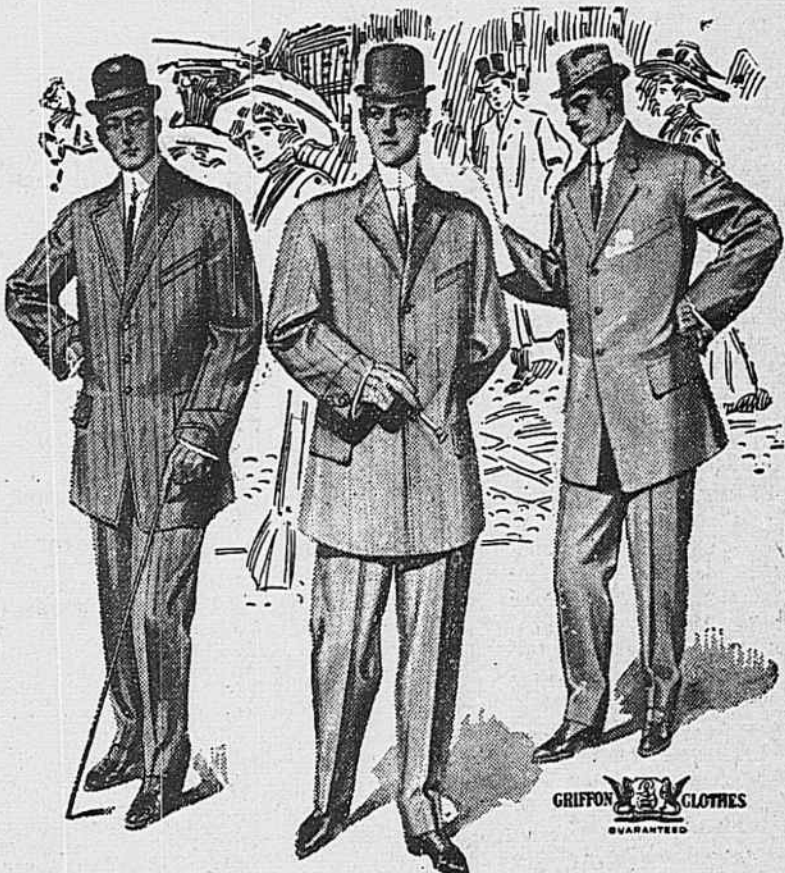
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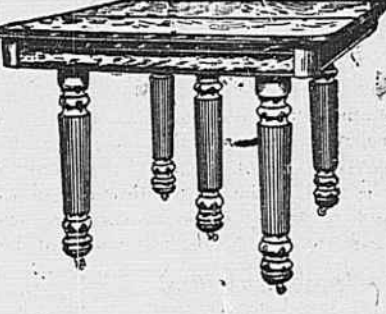
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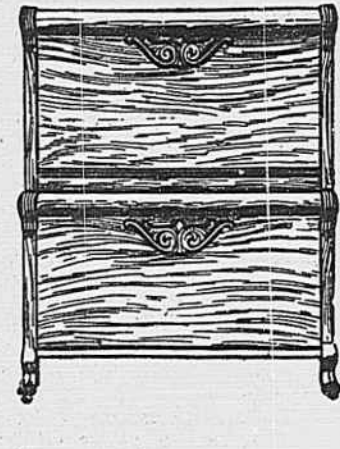
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