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The booze business approaches nearer and nearer the brink.

A mighty effective weapon to fight the boll weevil with is "Economy."

The legislators will wax warm over the fire insurance and "fire water" problems.

Lawson must have been a heavy loser on account of the alleged Lansing "leak."

Ten mills levied for State purposes would grind the taxpayers mighty fine.

It appears now, thanks to the Stork, that the 14th census will show a decided increase for Edgefield.

Ten days of the new year have passed. Wonder how many New Year resolutions are yet intact?

The Advertiser has old-fashioned paper weights galore, but the paper weight we need now is one that will hold the price down.

Nobody would ever have heard anything about a "leak," had the odds not been in favor of Wall Street manipulators.

The individual who can devise a way of making two hens lay where only one laid before has a good-sized fortune awaiting him.

Bear in mind that home-raised horses and mules never die from shipping colds. It's better to raise 'em at home than to ship 'em from the West.

It is said that an odorless onion will soon be ready for the 1917 menu. It is not probable, however, that the denatured vegetable will supplant the old.

Should the Indiana legislature adopt the suggestion of a woman and prohibit the wearing of corsets, you will see scores of women adorned with real war paint.

An Illinois justice of the peace fined a young fellow \$6 for planting two audible kisses on the ruby lips of an unwilling maid. Wonder how he arrived at their value?

Cotton seed are declining now in price in order to get a "running start" by planting time. The man who failed to reserve enough seed for planting will then learn how short-sighted he was.

Gentlemen of the General Assembly, do not elect a State warehouse commissioner who has the taint of politics upon his garments. Rather let this be the first public office he ever held.

"They say," State Warehouse Commissioner McLaurin will soon hand in his resignation, but if we are to judge the future by the past, there's a difference between a rumor and a resignation.

Mme. Sarah Bernhardt, the divine "Sarah," makes a last call to music lovers. She will never be nearer to Edgefield again than she will when she appears at The Grand in Augusta tomorrow night.

When the Webb-Kenyon bill was declared constitutional in its entirety Monday by the United States supreme court liquor stock dropped almost as much as cotton did 30 days ago. The liquor people have never received so fatal a blow before.

Hunters have been scarce in these parts this season. If the hunters' license law thinned their ranks, then it's a piece of legislation that should remain with us always. The Advertiser would suggest that the fee be doubled, so as to thin the ranks of the sportsmen still more.

Every legal obstacle in the way of absolute State-wide prohibition was removed by the decision declaring the Webb-Kenyon act constitutional, and we do not believe the legislature in session in Columbia can do better than provide for ABSOLUTE PROHIBITION. Now that Uncle Sam is with us it can be enforced.

Can Reduce Cost of Living.

The cost of living, even in the face of high prices, is largely what one makes it. The fabulous prices of many food products are not asked or received by the producer. It is the middleman or the manufacturer who reaps the rich harvest, in many instances, from unreasonable prices. For example, certain brands of hams or breakfast meats are fancily packed and extensively advertised, especially in magazines, and the packing houses ask and receive much higher prices than practically the same meat obtained from other sources would cost. Again, in the matter of so-called breakfast-foods, a pound or so of oats, wheat or corn treated by a special process, which probably partially destroys its nutritive properties, is put on the market at an enormous price. The price of these attractive packages is enormous when we consider the small quantity of actual nutriment contained. The producer received but a few cents for the raw cereals but the manufacturer is the one who makes the cost come high to the consumer.

The cost of living can be very appreciably reduced, if one will strike from the menu those things which, in some instances, "Yankee" ingenuity has devised for separating us from our cash. Doubtless many manufacturers who place high-priced, and in some cases worthless, products on the market chuckle as they say of the consumers: "A fool and his money are soon parted."

The Advertiser is making no war on cereals or breakfast bacon, but we simply refer to these to show that the high cost of living can be reduced in many instances.

"Grand Old Man of the Pee Dee."

During the latter years of the illustrious career of William E. Gladstone, England's greatest Premier, he was known and revered throughout the world as "The Grand Old Man." No one ever questioned that Mr. Gladstone merited this sobriquet.

Several days ago Major J. L. Coker of Hartsville celebrated his 80th birthday, and we believe that, although he has preferred to spend his life "far from the madding crowd," away from the glamor of public life, he deserves to be known as "the Grand Old Man of the Pee Dee."

In many respects Major Coker is a remarkable man. He is richly endowed with those inestimable qualities and graces of character that make for true greatness—a man of rare intellectual and heart culture. In the development of his intellectual gifts, unlike many impractical brainy men who become "ne'er-do-wells," he developed in like degree the passion for him to bring things, large things, to pass.

Major Coker stands out pre-eminently as a man who has made a success of life. He has through the proper exercise of inherent gifts amassed a large fortune, which, contrary to the selfish spirit of the age, he is using to the glory of God and to the uplift of his fellow man. Instead of gathering about him an immeasurable estate in order to gratify a selfish ambition and gloat over his gold, this good man has given lavishly of his large means to bless the lives of others.

Besides other beneficent and philanthropic acts, Major Coker has founded and endowed a college at Hartsville for the education of young women which will prove to be an ever swelling stream of refreshing waters to humanity long after his honorable earthly career shall have ended. This splendidly equipped institution very fittingly bears the name of its founder and it will be a monument far more enduring than marble or brass. Memorials of stone and brass moulder into dust, but the teeming hundreds and thousands of young women, who in the years to come will proudly own "Coker" as their alma mater, will for succeeding generations be living monuments to the unselfish generosity of "the Grand Old Man of the Pee Dee." May he be spared another score of years in order that he may see Coker college, the apple of his eye, grow into the leading college for women in the South, which we confidently believe it is destined to become.

Another way in which Major Coker has proven a blessing to his fellows has been through his devotion to agricultural pursuits. Although an honor graduate of the University of South Carolina, fitted by training, as well as endowed by nature, for a brilliant professional career, yet he chose agriculture—erroneously regarded by some as the most common place of the arts—which through him and his achievements has been dignified and magnified. The name of Coker has become a synonym for progressive and scientific agriculture. The development of plants and the scientific breeding of seeds at Hartsville, now under the direction of Mr. D. R. Coker, a son of Major Coker, has proven a blessing to farmers throughout the South.

In a brief article one can but touch lightly upon a few ways in which this venerable Christian gentleman of the Old School has been of inestimable value to his day and generation. Would that there were many others who also, like Mr. Gladstone, deserve to be spoken of as "the Grand Old Man."

JOHNSTON LETTER.

(Continued from First Page.)

are to all present to meet with the honoree again, and the occasion was a most pleasant one. The luncheon served was beautiful in all its appointments, and was an elaborate one.

The school children have been rejoicing over a long Christmas holiday. The exercises were to begin on January 3rd, but as the furnace was out of order, and the necessary fixtures had been lost in Christmas orders, the opening is delayed a week or more.

The cantata which the music class had practiced for, under the Director, Prof. John Waters, and was planned for the evening of December 2nd, will be had at an early date. The proceeds will be for the school piano.

Miss Bettie Warren who has been sick for some time, is now much improved.

It has been the custom of the Mary Ann Buie Chapter, during the Christmas season, to remember the Veterans with fruits and to send flowers to the elderly lady members. One of the dear old lady members was sick and the Chapter, instead of sending her fruit, decided to give her an egg shower, as eggs was her chief diet.

There are fifty seven members, and each egg was brought tied up very attractively. She appreciated greatly the thought of the Chapter, and as she was convalescing, enjoyed the sight of so many of her friends coming during the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Teague Price, of Greenville, are visiting in the home of the latter's father, Mr. J. R. Hart.

Mrs. T. R. Hoyt was hostess for the Apollo Music Club last week, and during business, presided over by Mrs. Mims Walker, the chief points were in the drawing up of resolutions concerning the care of the feeble minded, and the reading of a letter from Mr. Reed, of Columbia, Chairman of the Belgium Relief Fund, thanking the Club for a check of \$4.50 for this purpose. Mrs. L. E. Stansell, who was soon to make her home elsewhere, resigned as secretary and treasurer. Miss Zena Payne was elected to fill the office.

With Charles F. Gounod as the subject for study, Mrs. Jas. Strother gave a very profitable hour with the following arranged: Gounod's Personality, — Mrs. Mims Walker.

Vocal Solo, — Mrs. C. P. Corn. Story of Faust, — Mrs. T. R. Hoyt. Vocal Solo, "Ave Maria," — Mrs. James White.

Violin Selection, "Ring, Smile, Slumber," — Mrs. O. D. Black. All enjoyed the tempting repast served by the hostess, Mrs. J. W. Mobley assisting.

Mr. Elbert Timmerman has been quite sick, but is now improving. Last week he was operated on at the University Hospital in Augusta.

Mrs. Octavia Rushton will leave next week to spend two months in Florida.

Mrs. James Cullum, of Hartsville, has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Annie B. Harrison.

Mr. Henry Whitaker left last week for Detroit, Mich., where he has a position with the Ford Automobile Co. His family will follow later.

"Is Just Wonderful," Mrs. Rollins Declares.

FOR A LONG TIME WAS UNABLE TO VISIT HER AGED MOTHER—WAS SICK 3 MONTHS.

SPARTANBURG WOMAN HAS AT LAST OVERCOME HER MULTITUDE OF TROUBLES, SHE DECLARES.

"It is just wonderful the way Tanlac built up my strength," said Mrs. W. J. Rollins, of 110 Jennings St., Spartanburg, in a statement she gave September 6th in indorsement of Tanlac.

"For four years I was so sickly and weak that I could not go to see my mother, she will be a hundred years of age on her next birthday. She lives only a few miles from here," continued Mrs. Rollins.

"My health was very bad and I suffered a great deal from weakness, indigestion and constipation," said Mrs. Rollins. "I had no appetite at all, and many a day I would eat only a few bites during the day, and I was so weak I could not do anything without having to go to bed for a while. I lost weight until I became skin and bones only.

"All the time I suffered with headaches and spells of 'swimming in the head,' which almost drove me crazy. If I rode in a buggy, I would have had vomiting spells, and I had several of these attacks

before I found out what caused them, and with them I had awful sick headaches.

"For three months before I began taking Tanlac I had sick headaches every day, but I have not had them since I began taking Tanlac, and when the first bottle of Tanlac was taken the headaches were gone.

"We had heard so much about Tanlac, we were influenced to buy it because of what it had done for others, and Tanlac has given me wonderful relief in every way. It is just the best medicine anyone ever took. It quickly gave me a better appetite and now I eat a lot. My nerves are strong and I am free of those terrible headaches. My system is in good order and I feel wonderfully improved in every way. I am strong now and I am not troubled with weakness. It is just wonderful the way Tanlac built up my strength. The Tanlac relieved that constipation, too. I gained a good deal of weight, too, though I was so poor I could hardly go when I began taking Tanlac.

"I now recommend Tanlac because it did me more good than all the doctors I ever had and all the other medicines I ever took. I think there is nothing like Tanlac, and I sure can and do praise it."

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Horses, Mares and Mules

Have just received a fresh shipment of horses, mules and good brood mares.

Come in to see them.

Wilson & Cantelou

Notice. During the session of the Legislature my clients may see me at my office on Monday and Saturday of each week. In the meantime they can either write me at Edgefield or Columbia, and all matters will have prompt attention. B. E. NICHOLSON. Feb. 9, 1917.

Bargains in ladies' shoes. We are offering 50 pairs of ladies' shoes for \$1.19 the pair. We have your size—1 to 3 1-2. The Corner Store.

FOR RENT: 5-room house on Addison Street. Apply to J. H. Allen at The Bank of Edgefield.

Wanted—To buy 7 pounds of goose feathers. State price per pound. Mrs. E. H. Crews, Edgefield, S. C.

WHICH SHALL IT BE? Prosperity and all the comforts of home or a bare living and its poverty, self-denial and disappointments? The time to decide this question is NOW—before you sow your crops. For the true answer lies in the preparation of the soil! "Making the farm pay" calls for careful consideration of every factor that adds to the productivity of the land—and THE BEST FERTILIZER is the only kind you can afford to use. Don't risk the profits of an entire season by experimenting—use the fertilizer that HAS produced bigger, better crops for farmers of the South

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