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Excitement has been at fever heat during the past week. Rumors have come thick and fast upon the heels of each other. Confusion seems worse confounded and Congress and a majority of the people seems to have run mad over the delay of the President to declare war with Spain...

The indications are that the Supreme Court has turned Judge Simeon down and has ended the government by injunction which has disgraced our State and humiliated our people.

Already the dispensary authorities have commenced the war upon original dealers and Assistant Attorney General Townsland has gone to Charleston where he seized a quantity of liquors and issued warrants for the arrest of their keepers.

A flood at Shawneetown drowned 30 persons, rendered 700 persons homeless and 1500 are in actual need of the necessities of life and damaged property to the amount of \$200,800.

The President has decided to put a stop to the war in Cuba without recognizing the independence of the island.

Deafness Cannot be Cured.

By local applications, as they can not reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure Deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars free.

Resolutions of Respect.

Whereas, God in his wisdom has removed from us our beloved brother, A. Lam Luther Sumner, which the members of St. John's Alliance, No. 794, do deeply deplore our great loss of such an able member, who was always ready to do his duty not only in the Alliance but in all other stations of life...

Resolved, 1. That a page of our minute book be inscribed to his memory.

2. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his bereaved relatives.

3. That our Secretary be requested to have them published in the Cotton Plant and Lexington Dispatch.

J. H. DeHans, Committee.

Preparations.

For the Clash Continue on War Ships.

Recruiting in Both the Army and Navy Goes On—Dead Bodies From the Ill Fated Maine Continue to Arrive.

Key West, Fla., March 31.—During the past few days it has been apparent that the warships have not ceased to make ready for emergencies. They have continued to fill up with coal and provisions, as well as to redouble their supply of munitions and explosives.

The picket ships have been constantly on the alert between this city, Tortugas and Havana, but their varied missions, often very hurried, are wholly unknown to outsiders. The flagship New York continues at anchor, just outside of the reefs, where she directs movement of the fleet, and stands like some great sentinel at the entrance to the harbor.

The naval station is a scene of tumultuous activity, where all the vast surplus munitions and provisions are stored, while the coal yards are being rapidly extended, sacrificing in this work some old cocoanut trees, which have stood guard there for three or four generations.

The streets are still crowded and overrun with naval officers and maines, taking a brief respite ashore from the monotonous existence aboard ship. The bodies of the poor unfortunates taken from the Maine continue to arrive every few days, and are given military burial at the cemetery.

The immense guns for the new mortar battery are expected to arrive tomorrow, and will be immediately towed. These guns are capable of destroying an enemy's warship five miles away.

Recruiting in both the army and navy continues, and it is commendable to observe, in the face of possible war, that a greater number than usual have applied for admission into the ranks.

The naval machine shops, which had been practically closed for a long time, have been reopened and numerous machinists and mechanics present a busy scene. It has also been decided to immediately enlarge the facilities of these shops, and the contract has been let to that end, in the past few days.

Agents of the navy department have secured options on all the large vacant buildings in the city, which could be used for hospital purposes, and the Catholic convent has been tendered for the same purpose by the Sisters to the government in case of hostilities.

The work of deepening the harbor and approaches to the naval dock is progressing so that the largest warships can soon lay alongside for coal.

We are all watching and waiting, not knowing what a day may bring forth. The navy department Monday sent telegraphic orders to the auxiliary board at New York to purchase immediately 10 vessels for the auxiliary navy. These boats are to be between 2,000 and 10,000 tons burden, and the board is directed to conclude the purchases as soon as possible.

Key West, Fla., April 2.—A tug endeavored to pass the flagship New York too close last night, and did not answer the signals of the warships, whereupon a four-pound shot was fired across her bows. Those on board the tug received a severe fright. After the investigation which followed, the tug was allowed to proceed into this harbor. The call to quarters and the firing of the shot was done with extraordinary rapidity, and showed to what a pitch of alertness this fleet has attained.

Dots from Cuba Island.

To the Editor of the Dispatch:

In giving you what news that could be culled from this immediate locality, I could do no better than reiterate the common chat viz., that of marriage and of raising cotton to an advantage. To the former I cannot well raise any serious objection at this time, for the voice of whisper would, most likely, command me hush!

thus showing that the Paradiacal institution is not totally abrogated, and further concluding that a happy marriage is the greatest blessing and consolation which can be enjoyed on this side of eternity. In referring to the latter, I could rebash the oft repeated estimate of the cost of production etc., but I shall not dwell upon this. We are to lament that we know this only too well. I must say that it seems to me, doubly strange to notice our farmers, with their teams, some in good condition, others not overlaid with superfluous flesh, applied, with all the mechanical force obtainable, in hauling that curse to millions of farmers, commercial fertilizers. This is not as it should be; but in defiance of the fact that we farmers have been urged by men who know whereof they speak, by Alliances, and from various other sources, we go on blindly and unthoughtfully, preparing every possible way by which we can surpass our fellow neighbor in the production of cotton. Oh, ye sons of the soil! How dark are your fortunes.



The well known poem, "Cure Shall Not King to Night," in which a young woman is hanging to the ceiling of the life of her lover, condemned to be executed, is only one of a thousand striking instances of how a woman will dare everything for love.

Women are ready to make heroic sacrifices for their loved ones. They are ready to take the commonplace, everyday precautions which insure the greatest happiness. Most women are careless about their health. They forget that physical weakness and disease will wreck the fairest chance in life and shut them out completely from happy womanhood and wifehood.

Weak, bilious, nervous women are robbed of their natural attractiveness and capacity. They lose healthy color and energy and ambition. The blood becomes poor and thin and laden with disease germs. The true antidote for this condition is Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It acts directly upon the digestive organs and the liver, creating pure, red, healthy blood free from bilious impurities; it renovates every organ and tissue of the body, building up brain, elastic flesh and muscular strength and imparting nerve power and permanent vitality, which mail extracts do not give.

At 2115 Howard St., New York, N. Y., I was taken with stomach trouble—nervous dyspepsia. There was a coldness in my stomach. Everything that I ate gave me a shivering chill. I had a bearing down sensation, as if a rock were upon my stomach. I had a ridge around my right side, and in a short time I was unable to walk across the room without assistance. Then Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery was recommended to me and I got it, and commenced the use of it. I began to improve very fast. The use of a few bottles. The physicians said my disease was leading into pulmonary consumption, and gave me up to die. I thank God that my cure is permanent.

How very hard it is for us to finally conclude that necessity, that stimulus to human exertion, shall force us to sadly realize that there is a providence attending virtue and a curse attending vice. When we reflect on past occurrences, on the changes that we anxiously await for at the present day and those big events now probably at the door, any person who thinks for himself, and is not callous to all important things, must feel a degree of interest in our country's welfare. It is a self evident matter of fact that there has been, and there still is, a great deal of oppression and consequently, misery amongst us; but we have no room for complaint. It is our fault. We have unloaded the serpent of discord before our own doors, and individually one seeks to take care of himself only, as charity is said to begin at home; but mark me, there is a time coming when we shall, of necessity, be forced to come together as a unit and not only to simply unite, but act as regards each other's welfare and concentrate our forces against the ever surging monopolies and trusts.

It must be taken for granted, and our own experience and observation will justify the conclusion, that all things are not right in the human family, the sides do not balance, and it rather seems that our side needs springs and levers which will aid us to rise from our present low state. As to what shape these levers and springs shall come to us as blessings I know not, but I hope with others that we can devise some means for the better protection of producers of cotton in this and in other States. To view the situation in this light seems but natural. We are in trouble, others are merry at our distress. Some command us because it is their pleasure and we must obey however imperious the command. A favored few claim almost the entire wealth of the country and we must be subservient and pay them for the privilege to live in it or very nearly suffer extinction and starvation. They have millions, gained by the labor of an impecunious people, while most of us have not the assurance of a day's provisions, nor money to procure sufficient raiment, much less the promise of a friend in the day of adversity. How such differences come to exist amongst men? We know that to take from any one his or her rights of action without his or her consent, or giving him or her an equivalent is contrary to every rule of equity; but has anybody deprived any of us of this right? If not, why stand we here idle when our enemies are already in the field? We are here like so many snakes with their backs broken, doing our share of waving our heads and working our tongues, but to no avail, for we remain in the same condition as formerly, and if we have the least idea that Wall Street's population will come to our rescue, I have but to say that we will continue until doomsday to do things, as usual, by main strength and agricultural awkwardness, and that the monotony and sadness of our song which is applicable to our surroundings will ever be sung: The worn-out fields neglect the field. Unpruned the orchard stands. For they who tended them long ago, Have gone to other lands. E. J. H. Hope Station, S. C., Mar. 29, '98.

Swansea Doings.

To the Editor of the Dispatch.

The rain has settled the dust. I, and all efforts so far have failed to settle the dues from last year bad crops. On Sunday afternoon, 26th March, our little town was cast into gloom by the sad accident to Willie Berry, which caused his death. On Monday following, Magistrate Hutto held an inquest over his cold remains and Drs. Johnson and Lungford, as professional experts, testified that Willie Berry came to his death by injuries received on the back of the head. On Tuesday his lifeless body was laid in the graveyard of Florence (Baptist) church to await the summons to arise. Willie was an industrious, moral, upright young man and had just reached his manhood. The wounds on his head were the result of falling on a stump from the buggy as the horse ran, and the whole affair was a very sad accident.

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A Good Time at Boiling Springs

To the Editor of the Dispatch:

Those who attended the closing of Miss Estelle Lungford's school at Boiling Springs, on the night of March the 10th, will ever remember the occasion with thoughts of pleasure. It was one of those good times which all present seemed to enjoy. The night was calm and pleasant, just the kind for an open air exercise and at an early hour the people began to come in from all directions, so when the time for the entertainment had arrived quite a crowd had collected in front of the handsome stage, the inside of which no one as yet had been permitted to view. But when the curtain rolled away, revealing the back and sides of snowy whiteness beautifully decorated with interspersions of evergreens, the numerous lights and beautiful bouquets, and in the center of it all, a group of lovely creatures with waving tresses and delicately tinted bows, the charmed audience for an instant could but think that they had caught a glimpse of the fairy world. After prayer by Rev. S. P. Slumpert and a Sunday school chorus, "music and love," by the young ladies on the stage, with an accompaniment on the organ by Miss Lungford, the curtain fell preparatory to the performance of the "wee small ones" and many a smile of pure appreciation was seen often breaking into a laughter of enjoyment at the quaint ways in which the different ones gave their witty little speeches. Next followed dramatic recitations and comic dialogues by the older pupils interspersed with sweet strains of music, vocal and instrumental, led by Mr. "Bob" Langford with his favorite instrument, the banjo, accompanied with the guitar by Miss Estelle. The dialogues were especially fine and the recitations were so well rendered that the audience was held spellbound, especially in Dan Perito's ride, by little Miss Gerlie Clarke, when one could almost hear the shouts of the doomed and the roar of the waters as they swept down the valley of Conemaugh. The last performance on the program were "Beautiful Belles" an effective motion song, by the girls and in response "Beautiful Dudes," a comic motion song, by the little boys in mirth provoked a de la tire.

Miss Langford then thanked the audience for their excellent behavior and announced that the next performance would be a grand cake walk, in which all who felt disposed were invited to participate.

In a few moments a large table covered with lovely cakes, furnished by the generous hearted ladies of the community. This to some was the most pleasurable part of the evening, but to others, whose best girl walked off with some fellow from a distance, it was a most deplorable affair indeed, nevertheless, the majority were loath to have the place where they had been so excellently entertained and the hours were growing small ere the old school house was finally deserted.

This ended the entertainment which reflects credit upon the teacher and all who participated and closed the second year of Miss Lungford's career at Boiling Springs which has been so successful that the people asked her to teach for them again, showing their appreciation of her efforts and ability as teacher.

Biliousness

Is caused by torpid liver, which prevents digestion and permits food to ferment and putrify in the stomach. Then follow dizziness, headache, insomnia, nervousness, and, if not relieved, bilious fever or blood poisoning. Hood's Pills stimulate the stomach, cleanse the bowels, cure headache, dizziness, constipation, etc. Sold by all druggists. The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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the sympathy and support of the people of this entire land to this end. The secretary was instructed to send copies of the resolution to the President and our Congressmen from this State.

Mr. J. B. Nunamaker is building a neat and cozy cottage, and Willie Funtick, the contractor, is pushing the construction to a finish. April 1, 1898. Spectator.

WINE OF CARDUI. M. E. LEESE'S Wine of Cardui. It has demonstrated ten thousand times that it is a blood purifier. FOR WOMAN'S PECULIAR WEAKNESSES. Irregularities and derangements. It has become the leading remedy for this class of troubles. It cures a wonderfully healing, strengthening and soothing influence upon the muscular and nervous systems. It stops flooding and relieves suffering.

Nice Jewelry. Ladies' shirt waist, sets stick pins, gent's collar and cuff buttons, and a number of novelties, in the jewelry line, at J. E. Kaufmann's.

Columbia, April 6.—Cotton quiet, middling 53 Lexington, middling 53.

PROCLAMATION. WHEREAS, INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED AT THIS DEPARTMENT THAT ON THE 21st DAY OF MARCH, A. D. 1897, the stable and manse of J. M. Boone, in the county of Lexington, were burned and there being reason to believe that the burning was an act of incendiarism; Now, therefore, I, W. H. ELLERBE, Governor of the State of South Carolina, in order that justice may be done, and the majesty of the law vindicated, do hereby offer a reward of One Hundred Dollars for the apprehension and conviction of the person or persons who committed said act of incendiarism.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, at Columbia, this 30th day of [M. C.] March, A. D. 1898, and in the one hundred and twenty second year of the Independence of the United States of America. W. H. ELLERBE, By the Governor: D. H. TOMPKINS, Secretary of State. April 2, 1898—1x21

Homestead Notice. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Mrs. Mary Brooks Murdoch has made application to me to have homesteaded a lot to her and her child out of the Estate of John W. Murdoch, and her petition, thereon, is now on file in this office.

Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions. Clerk's Office: Lexington, S. C., April 6th, 1898—4x21

DR. CHAS. C. STANLEY, Surgeon Dentist, 1123 Main St., Over Messrs. Stantley Bros', China Store (X. M. C. A. Building.) COLUMBIA, S. C. January 16—1y.

PURE BRED POULTRY. Why send out of the State for Eggs and Poultry when you can get the best near home. We won this season on every class entered at both Columbia and Shelby, N. C. Our pens are mated from the following breeds: S. L. Wyandottes, B. Plymouth Rocks, Indian Games, Black Minorcas, S. S. Hamburgs, S. C. White and Brown Leghorns. EGGS, \$1.50 FOR 15. One year's subscription to the Reliable Poultry Journal for two sitting orders. We are now taking orders for Eggs for future shipment. Show record furnished on application. PARKER & MILLER, Proprietors, Catawba Poultry Yards, ROCK HILL, S. C. February 2, 1898—1m.

Grand Spring Opening! MIMNAUGH'S THE MOST COMPLETE Stock of Goods in the South!

We have Thrown Open Our Doors and Ask the Public to Inspect Our Spring Selections from the Looms of Europe and America. Dress Goods. Black Goods. 1 case fancy weave Wool Dress Goods worth 35 and 40, our price, 25c. 100 Dress Patterns in Wool Dress Goods, at \$1.98. 50 Dress Patterns in Wool Dress Goods, at \$2.98. Dress Patterns from \$15 to \$25 Suit

LADIES READY MADE CLOTHING DEPARTMENT. 100 Calico and Cambric Wrappers 49c. 100 Calico and Cambric Wrappers 98c. A new line of Cambric Underwear, consisting of SKIRTS, CHEMISES, DRAWERS, GOWNS, CORSET COVERS, ETC. Ladies' Shirt Waists in Gingham Lawn and Percale. A new line of Ladies' Ready Made White goods in Lawns, Nainsock, English Long Cloth, etc. 1 case White Spreads at 49c. 1 case White Spreads at 88c. JUST RECEIVED, our spring stock of Matings, new crop, popular prices. See our line.

SILKS, CLOTHING AND HATS. 50 Silk Waist Patterns in the new plaids, one of a kind. We carry the different weaves of Regatta Silk, every yard guaranteed. Our spring stock of Clothing is now complete—new designs, new patterns. 100 Fine Cassimere Suits at \$5.00. 100 Fine Cassimere Suits at \$6.00. A complete line of French Worsted at \$4.00 suit. A new line of Dress Suits for evening wear. 50 Negligee Shirts without collars, the fashionable garment for this season of the year, 50c. each. Laundered Negligee Shirts at \$1.00. Finer goods at \$1.25 and \$1.50. Spring shapes in Hats now ready. John B. Stetson's and other celebrated makers.

A War Issue. Ladies wear our \$1.50 Oxfords, made with military heels, cloth tops black Persian kid, circle foxed, also in brown and chocolate shades. A large stock from which to make your selection.

J. L. MIMNAUGH & CO., COLUMBIA, S. C. 1523 Main Street, At Sign of the Golden Star, COLUMBIA, S. C. April 25—1y.

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FRUIT AND PRODUCE, 217 East Bay, Opposite Custom House. Mail Orders Solicited and Carefully Filled. W. H. MIXSON, Manager. March 16, 1898—1f

Style and Comfort. are combined in the SPRING SUITS that we are selling at remarkably low prices. Men's Spring Suits. For \$2.50, \$3.75, \$5.00 and \$6.00. Business Suits. At \$7.50, \$8.50, and \$10.00. Boys Suits. From 50 cents to \$6.50. Youth's Suits. From \$2.50 and Up.

Also a complete line of Soft and Stiff Hats in the Latest Styles. NECKWEAR AND UNDERWEAR FOR SPRING.

M. L. KINARD, THE OLD RELIABLE CLOTHIER, 1523 Main Street, COLUMBIA, S. C. At Sign of the Golden Star, COLUMBIA, S. C. April 25—1y.

WE DESIRE TO CALL THE ATTENTION OF OUR LEXINGTON FRIENDS TO THE FACT THAT WE ARE STILL MANUFACTURING HARNESS of all kinds on the Post Office Block, No. 1723, and we guarantee all work and material for use without the best labor and material in our business. (No other like it used in the State except in very fine harness.) We make single buggy harness from \$5.00 up. Double harness in proportion, and wagon and farm harness are all made to suit the times. We also carry a nice line of Saddles from \$2.00 up; also Collars, Collar Pads, Whips and a very nice line of Lap Robes. We are a handling Buggies, Phaetons, Cabrioletiers, Surrys, Victorias, Bricols, Landaus, Coupes and Doctor's Phaetons. Buggies from \$30.00 up. We will make this line a special feature in our business in the future and will give you a very close price when goods are ordered direct. We desire to thank our customers for the kind patronage they have extended to us during the past year, and hoping that they will continue to bestow their favors on us in the future, for we guarantee our goods to you, and beg to remain, yours truly, L. B. RAST, Agent. COLUMBIA, S. C. When money accompanies mail orders for harness from \$9.00 up we pay freight.

THE BEST SEEDS GROWN ARE FERRY'S. The best seeds known are Ferry's. The best seeds known are Ferry's. It pays to plant FERRY'S FAMOUS SEEDS. Ask the dealer for them. Send for FERRY'S SEED CATALOGUE. It contains a list of all the seeds and vegetables that we grow, and retail at a good price. D. M. FERRY & CO., Detroit, Mich.

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Notice. THE CONTRACT FOR BUILDING the new county poor house will be let to the lowest responsible bidder on Friday, the 15th day of April. Bids solicited. All bids to be filed before 11 o'clock a. m., of said day. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. Work to be commenced as soon as the contract is made. For plans and specifications, apply to the undersigned. L. J. LANGFORD, Sr.,ervisor. March 28, 1898—3x22.

For Sale. 125 ACRES FINE TIMBERED land 21 miles of Columbia, situated near Augusta R. R. For terms and particulars, apply to J. LEE SMITH, No. 1905, North Main Street, Columbia, S. C. FOR SALE—Lots to suit purchasers, on the street leading from Lexington Mill to Depot street, on Depot street. Apply at Dispatch Office.