

# The Lexington Dispatch

Wednesday, February 4, 1903.

## Pine Ridge Notes.

To the Editor of the Dispatch:  
Old Pine Ridge is still holding its own with the bright and lively scholars who have not yet led the old renowned teacher astray.

We can give an account of the terrible cold and freeze because there were four marriages last Wednesday, the 21st. More inhabitants beginning life.

We shall not hear and see much religion until the holiness shall return in Chapin again.

The Rev. Mr. Lybrand will preach now every third Sunday until a regular preacher is secured for the Piney Woods charge.

At the home of Mr. J. L. Eargle, Miss Corrie Wessinger and Dr. John Bickley were united in holy matrimony on January 21, 1903. They were entertained by music that night.

I tell you this cold weather makes the small grain draw up its nose and put on a reddish dress.

The debating society of Pine Ridge last Thursday, after some debate, decided in favor of the negative.

The man that keeps everything moving is beginning to stir himself. If he is the man behind the plow he never gets no rest.

If you wish to purchase good smoking tobacco see that the package "toats" the Dutch Fork label on its back.

We regret very much that one of our schoolmates, Mr. F., cannot come to school on account of sickness.

Swea.

Pine Ridge School, Jan. 26.

## Escaped an Awful Fate.

Mr. H. Haggins, of Melbourne, Fla., writes, "My doctor told me I had Consumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all throat and lung diseases by the Kaufmann Drug Co. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

## In Memoriam.

James Harold Rawl departed this life January 22nd, 1902, aged 21 years, 1 month and 1 day. Just standing on the threshold of manhood, gazing with delight at the panorama unfolding and buoyant with bright anticipations, the lamp of life that lighted up this earthly tenement and lighted with such brilliancy the clear window that looked out from the soul, was fanned out by the chilling winds of the death angel. Away from home, striving to complete his education, won his laurels and bear them in triumph to his dear one, he was cut down. The mark was too bright, death saw it, aimed his dart and after lingering in the balance, twixt life and death, the scale tipped and death won. Do we wish him back? Ah no! He had drunk only life's cup of youthful sweets and was nearing the dregs of realities and disappointments. Rest in peace, while memory weaves a garland and lays on the altar erected in each heart for you.

Brother.

## Dots from Adair.

To the Editor of the Dispatch:

The health of our community is pretty good at present with the exception of Mrs. Joe Shull. We hope she will soon be well again. We are pained to hear of the death of Mrs. Sallie Drafts. The family have our heartfelt sympathy.

Miss Sallie Smith and Mr. J. Abram Leaphart, of Trenton, have returned home from a visit to Mr. W. A. Leaphart's and other relatives. We were serenaded Saturday night by the band. Messrs. Dedrick and Eddie Kaiser and Lester Harman. We are justly proud of our musicians. Come again.

Cherokee school is flourishing under the care of Miss Lillie Evans, of Orangeburg.

We attended services at Shiloh

last Sunday and was highly pleased with the sermon by Rev. W. S. Henry.

Guess what man started shopping the other day and got out for a little exercise and let his mule beat him to town.

Best wishes to the Dispatch and its many readers  
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January 29, 1903.

## The Easy Pill.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers do not gripe nor weaken the system. They cure biliousness, jaundice, constipation and inactive livers, by arousing the secretions, moving the bowels gently, yet effectually, and giving such tone and strength to the glands of the stomach, liver and bowels that the cause of the trouble is removed entirely. These famous little pills exert a decided tonic effect upon the organs involved, and if their use is continued for a few days there will be no return of the trouble. Kaufmann Drug Co.

## Proposed New Circuits.

The lawyers of the House of Representatives have agreed to present a bill proposing two additional judicial circuits. A committee consisting of the members from each judicial circuit have framed a bill to that effect. The ninth circuit will be composed of Charleston, Berkeley, Georgetown and Horry. The tenth circuit is all of the "fighting eighth" with Abbeville left out—Anderson, Greenville, Oconee and Pickens. Following is the proposed grouping of circuits:

First—Orangeburg, Dorchester, Colleton, Beaufort.

Second—Hampton, Bamberg, Barnwell, Aiken, Edgefield.

Third—Sumter, Florence, Williamsburg, Clarendon, Lee.

Fourth—Caesterfield, Marion, Marlboro, Darlington.

Fifth—Saluda, Lexington, Richland, Kershaw.

Sixth—York, Lancaster, Fairfield, Chester.

Seventh—Cherokee, Spartanburg, Union.

Eighth—Laurens, Newberry, Greenwood, Abbeville.

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Tenth—Greenville, Pickens, Anderson, Oconee.

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## "You Lie!" Shouts a Girl.

Washington, January 21.—Something of a stir was caused just before Mr. Cochran, of Missouri, conducted his speech in the House yesterday by an unexpected interruption from the ladies' gallery. Mr. Cochran was speaking of the "truckling policy of the United States toward Great Britain." When that truckling ceased, he declared, the people of Canada, now intensely loyal to England, would change their attitude.

"You lie," cried a stylishly dressed woman in a clear, ringing tone. All men turned to the ladies' gallery, where the young woman leaned forward defiantly as though she intended to say something further, but her companion pulled her back and she then left the gallery.

## Mysterious Circumstance.

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25 cents, at the Kaufmann Drug Co's. Store.

The Senate has passed the bill providing for bi-ennial sessions of the Legislature. Should this retrogressive measure be accepted by the people in good faith many a "statesman" will find himself "out of a job."

Not many doctors have for their motto: "Let well enough alone."

# THE GRAND PROMOTER

He Pays a Debt, but Can't Make Out How He Came To

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MAJOR CROFOOT had been talking to a caller for half an hour on the profit of rearing long tailed oxen and establishing soup factories all over the world when he opened the door to let the man out and found another ready to step in. It was a man with a bill for \$2.50 for a hat.

"I have come to see if you intend to pay this bill," said the collector as he stepped inside the room and set his jaw.

"A bill, and against me?" queried the major in a surprised voice. "My dear man, but there must be some mistake—there surely must."

"It is for a hat, and the account has been running for two years."

"A hat? Ah, is it possible that I bought a hat two years ago and didn't pay for it?"

"It is not only possible, but it's a cold fact," replied the collector. "I have worn out a pair of shoes hunting you, and now I want to know what you are going to do about it. Understand right off the reel that you can't bamboozle me. I'm on to all your little tricks."

"You seem to be laboring under considerable mental excitement," calmly answered the major as he walked about. "and therefore I shall overlook your somewhat insulting remarks. My friend, I can pay \$1,000 for \$1 as fast as any old debts come in."

"Then pay the face value of this one. You have shirked it long enough."

"Exactly. It shall be paid. Will you have cash or a check?"

"The cash. Your check wouldn't be worth the ink it was written with. Two and a half, please."

"You shall have it, and I trust you will later on render me full and ample apology for your words. Meanwhile let me ask you if you know anything about explosives?"

"I know when I'm blown up or when I blow some one else up. What's explosives got to do with this old debt?"

"A good deal, indirectly, perhaps. You haven't heard of the Crofoot warship exterminator because its existence has not yet been made public and won't be for ten days yet. It is an ex-



"PRODUCE THAT MONEY OR I WON'T LEAVE A WHOLE BONE IN YOUR BODY."

plosive shell of my own invention and will be tested by the government inside of a fortnight. We will say the situation is this: An enemy's fleet is—"To Texas with an enemy's fleet!" interrupted the man as he dug his arms around. "I want the cash for this bill—two and a half—and your locus pocus don't go."

"An enemy's fleet is approaching our shores with hostile intent," mused the major as he looked up at the ceiling. "It has arrived within a distance of twenty-eight miles and is slowly creeping in—six vessels in line—when the Crofoot cannon is fired, and the Crofoot shell goes whizzing through the air. Five seconds later it falls among the fleet. There is a terrific explosion, followed by shrieks and groans of despair, and six shattered men-of-war, each manned with 350 men, slowly disappear in the depths of the Atlantic, to be heard of no more again. Not a ship—not a man—escapes. My friend, my conscience almost upbraids me for having invented such a thing."

"And you want me to go into it, of course?" sarcastically queried the collector.

"The position of secretary of the Crofoot warship exterminator has not been filled yet, and as the salary is \$20,000 per year and you are a trusty man—"

"Look here, old man," said the collector as the major paused, "I have come for cash. I'll either have it or give you such a lambasting that you'll be in bed for a week. Don't hold me here five minutes longer, or I'll break loose."

"There was a time, and not so very long ago, when I was hard up. I found it hard work to even pay my laundry bills. Certain people, and you are one of them, stood by me and had faith in my promises."

"Never! I always took you for a deadbeat! Don't spring any guff of that sort on me!"

"And it is such men I would like to reward now that my sun of prosperity has risen," continued the major in even tones. "You may not know anything about explosives, but you can learn, and under the circumstances—"

"Do you pay, or don't you?" shouted the collector as he seized the major's coat collar.

"My dear boy, it was settled long ago

that I would pay. I will at once write you out a check for twice the amount, and I hope—"

"I want no checks."

"Then you shall have the ready cash. If you took the position of secretary, I should expect you to report within a week. Can you do so?"

"I'm right here this minute. Cough up that two and a half."

"If the position and salary of secretary are not to your liking, then I would suggest"—began the major, but he never finished the sentence. The collector grabbed him and backed him up against the wall and "chugged" him three or four times and said:

"Now, by the beard of Joshua's goat, you produce that money, or I won't leave a whole bone in your body! Out with it!"

"I owe you two and a half," said the major as his right hand went down to his pocket.

"You do?"

"And—and here it is. That is to say—"

That was to say that he pulled out only a dollar, but the collector "chugged" him again, and a dollar and a half was added. The bill was receipted and left on the desk, and as the man went out he said:

"That's all today, and I hope you'll enjoy the novel sensation."

But the major didn't. He sat down and got up, and he walked to and fro and stood still, but he seemed to be in the midst of wheels going round. "I owed two and a half," he mused. "It was an old debt for an old hat. I have been ass enough to pay it, and the man has departed with the money. How did I come to? What has happened? What's wrong with me?"

And two other creditors at the door, who had found it locked, heard the major pacing to and fro and talking to himself, and they wondered whether it would be a case of suicide or one for a lunatic asylum. M. QUAD.

## No Monkey Ranch There.

"During the last campaign," said Senator Heitfeld, "I spoke all over Idaho. One day, up in the northern part of the state, a wheel came off the buggy in which I was riding. I walked along the road a piece until I came to a rancher's house. The only person I could find was a big, shock headed Swede.

"My friend," I said, "can you tell me where I can find a monkey wrench?"

"He looked at me blankly for a minute and then said:

"No; this has been a sheep ranch an' over that ben a cattle ranch. I don't know where thar's a monkey ranch."—New York World.

## How It May Be Done.

"Do you think that it is really possible to support a family on \$10 a week?" said the woman with a worried look in her eye.

"Certainly," answered the business-like friend. "The experiment may be made quite remunerative if one only has the knack of writing magazine articles about it."—Washington Star.

## It Annoyed Her.

"Yes, the widow is perplexed."

"How is that?"

"She doesn't know whether it means that her husband was a good man or she is a vixen."

"I don't understand."

"When he died, the papers said that he had gone to a happier home."—Brooklyn Eagle.

## Slow Boy.

Ascum—And what profession is your son to follow?

Pater—I don't know yet, but that's about all he'll do, I guess.

Ascum—What? How do you mean?

Pater—He'll follow some profession. He never seems able to catch up to anything.—Philadelphia Press.

## Easy For Him.

"I don't see," she said, "how you can pursue a train of thought here in all this noise."

"Oh, I am an old commuter," he replied, "and pursuing trains has become second nature to me."—Chicago Record-Herald.

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