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Wednesday, March 2, 1904.

The war between the legislative committee on the one side and the old State house commission, the architect and the contractors on the other is now on. The contending armies are marching their forces in full array before the interested public and the toxon has been sounded. While the preparations for the combat is actively going on it may not be out of place to remark that the legislature of South Carolina had appropriated a large sum of money, (\$50,000 we believe) to complete the State house according to the plans and specifications submitted by the architect; that bids were duly invited by advertisement, the contract awarded and work began. As the work upon the Capitol building progressed Senator Marshall, of Richland, sounded a cry of warning contending that the work was not being properly done, according to the plans and a botch job was being palmed off on the State. But his fellow commission men overruled him and sustained the architect and contractors and the work was carried on, finished and upon the recommendation of the architect, that the contractors had complied with their agreement, accepted by the commission. It afterwards transpired that the sewage system was offensive to the nostrils of the Secretary of State; that there was a death breeding sink somewhere abouts and an investigation located it in the sewer pipes. Then, from time to time, the gilded paint began to wear off and thus things went from bad to worse until an investigation was demanded and given. The result of that investigation is of so recent a date as to still linger in the memory of our readers, that the State house is not now completed is shown from the fact that the last legislature appropriated \$45,000 to complete it.

In saying this we do not wish to intimate that any reflection whatever can be cast upon the personal integrity of the members of the old board of State house commission, the character of each one of whom is above reproach. They simply had their hands full in attending to the exacting duties of the office to which they were elected by the people and trusted too implicitly upon the judgment and honesty of other parties to faithfully perform their duties and carry out their contract.

Congressman Lever is to be congratulated on the successful termination of his efforts to have the government farm established in Richland county, instead of going elsewhere. This is the first farm of its kind in the country and unusual care and attention will be taken to make it successful. It was first intended to commence with only 33 acres but Prof. Spillman of the department of agricultural, who was in Columbia the other day, was so well pleased with the diversification farm that he decided to increase its acreage to 100. The farm is for the purpose of demonstrating the profit in other products besides cotton. The farmers of Lexington, as well as those of Richland, will watch the progress of this work at the farm with absorbing interest.

There were two homicides in Columbia Monday. Lee Strickland, white killed Mr. David Folk, white, watchman of the Southern's trestle over Congaree river, because Folk would not allow him to cross the bridge without a permit. The fatal blow was delivered in the stomach from a handsatchel.

The other one was of a more sensational nature. Robert Abraham colored, objected to Smith Watson also colored, paying such marked attention to his wife and a fight ensued during which Abraham received a stab from a knife in the hands of Watson which penetrated his heart killing him instantly.

The Cosmopolitan is making a vigorous fight for the establishment of a parcels post in this country. The editor continues his able argument in the March number, showing what portion of the population would be most benefited by such a service, and his editorial in the front of the magazine is of special interest to manufacturers, small storekeepers of the country towns and villages, and merchants in the large cities, for these classes would profit most by the parcels post, although the majority of them do not fully appreciate the benefits they would derive.

A presidential convention of the Middle-of-the-Road, or People's party, is called to meet in Springfield, Ill., on July 4th. Its purpose is to put a candidate in the field for President of the United States. The exclamation follows: "Here we come, d—n our fool souls!"

Senators Tillman and Latimer, Governor Heyward and State Chairman Willie Jones, will probably be the delegates at-large from South Carolina to the Democratic National Convention.

The State of South Carolina is now a full fledged, wholesale and retail liquor dealer, the U S Court of Claims having decided that it must pay the revenue license the same as any other dealer.

The office of Commissioner of Immigration, to which Gov. Heyward has just appointed Mr. E. J. Watson, of Columbia, carries with it a salary of \$1,900 per year. A pretty juicy plum.

Capers and Deas, who have opposed each other for the leadership of the Republican party in this State, have buried the hatchet, and the Caucasian and Ethiopian now lie together in peace.

This will Interest Mothers.
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It is reported from Washington that Congressman George W. Croft, of Aiken, is desperately ill. His brother, Dr. Croft, has been summoned to his bedside.

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Allens Foot-Ease. It rests the feet. Cures Corns, Bunions, Ingrowing Nails, Swollen and Sweating feet. At all druggists and shoe stores, 25c. Ask today. 20

Attorney-General Gunter is preparing to bring action against the Southern Railway to test the validity of the purchase of the South Carolina and Georgia railroad, the State Constitution forbidding the purchase of one competing line by another.

There is a growing feeling in Ohio that Congressman Charles Dick will be chosen to the United States Senatorial vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Hanna.

The house Election Committee, has decided in favor of Congressman Lever, in the contest for his seat by Dantzier, the negro politician.

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As a matter of record only we state that Senator Tillman voted against and Senator Latimer for the ratification of the Panama Treaty.

Both Turkey and Bulgaria are getting their war dogs in training to fight each other.

Russia is uneasy over the attitude of England and the United States toward herself.

Columbians are enjoying the luxury of an exciting municipal election.

Notes from Pineville Academy.
To the Editor of the Dispatch:

The health of the community is badly broken by colds and LaGrippe. Farmers are busy hauling guano and some of the early birds are preparing their soil.

Mr. C. Sease has recently made a stalk cutter. He was successful in getting it to work. It makes peices of the old stalks.

Roof & Steele have recently passed through this country with their show which was extra good. They have some cute tricks.

Miss Amanda Shealy closed a thriving term of school at this place Friday evening. The children will miss her. May joy and prosperity be theirs and the teacher's. Miss Amanda is a friend gainer where ere she goes.

Miss Cora Ballentine also closed her term as an assistant teacher at Pine Ridge Friday. Wonder how those people around Pine Ridge are going to do without cousin Cora? She is willing and ready to lend a helping hand in a good call.

Mrs. W. W. Koon has been visiting her son, Mr. John Koon, of the Pond Branch section, for the past week.

Good people, don't let 12½ cents cotton fool you. No doubt it will be 3½ next fall.

Mr. W. O. Steele continues to do a flourishing business at his shop.

There is a plan on foot now to complete St. Pauls church. Hope the good work will go on.

Best wishes to the Dispatch.
Feb. 27, 1904 C.

Cures Blood Poison, Cancers, Ulcers.

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A Personal Tribute.

Early on Friday night the 11th of February, 1904, the angel of death appeared in the home of Mrs. Debbie Risinger and bore away the spirit of her dear son Perry. The turning of the wheel of time will soon land us all on the shores of eternity but it has finished already its turning for Perry, and he is now resting in Jesus. Perry was a Christian young man and strove to keep the golden rule, "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you." He was a young man of noble character and won many friends during his short stay among us in this world. His place in the school room is now vacant. Peace to his ashes and rest to his soul. Mary Caughman.
Feb. 26, 1904.

Why Do We Die.

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A New York Alderman's Experience.
Hon. Joseph A. Flinn, alderman Fifth District, writes from 104 Christopher street, New York City, as follows:
"When a pestilence overtakes our people we take precaution as a nation to preserve the citizens against the dread disease.
"La Grippe has entered thousands of our homes this fall, and I noticed that the people who used Peruna were quickly restored, while those who depended on doctor's prescriptions, spent weeks in recovering, leaving them weak and emaciated.
"I had a slight attack of la grippe and at once took Peruna, which drove the

disease out of my system in a few days and did not hinder me from pursuing my daily work.
"I should like to see our Board of Health give it official recognition and have it used generally among our poor sick people in Greater New York."
Joseph A. Flinn.
D. L. Wallace, a charter member of the International Barber's Union, writes from 15 Western avenue, Minneapolis, Minn.:
"Following a severe attack of la grippe I seemed to be affected badly all over. I suffered with a severe headache, indigestion and numerous ills, so I could neither eat nor sleep, and I thought I would give up my work, which I could not afford to do.
"One of my customers who was greatly helped by Peruna advised me to try it, and I procured a bottle the same day. I used it faithfully and felt a marked improvement. During the next two months I took five bottles, and then felt splendid. Now my head is clear, my nerves steady, I enjoy food, and rest well. Peruna has been worth a dollar a dose to me."
D. L. Wallace.
Mr. O. H. Perry, Atchison, Kansas, writes:
"Again, after repeated trials of your medicines, Peruna and Mannalin, I give this as my expression of the wonderful results of your very valuable medicine

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O. H. Perry.

A Congressman's Experience.
House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.
Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio.
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Very respectfully,
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