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The agitation of the trolley line from Brookland to Lexington and thence to Leesville, Batesburg, Monetta and Aiken has been revived, and we trust that it will this time prove a success. Mr. Gadsden Spand, chief engineer, who is actively interested in the movement to build the trolley line was in town Friday looking over the field and collecting such information as he could relative to the most feasible route to be taken and other matters which concerned the project. It appears to us that the most feasible route yet proposed between here and Brookland is the one laid out by Messrs. G. T. Graham, Julian E. Kaufmann and A. J. Fox, a few years since. It is not only direct, but would pass through a country that would liberally support such a railway. In passing from Lexington to Leesville, we would suggest that the route proper to be taken would be one on the upper side of the dirt road over next to the Saluda ridge. The local patronage through this section would be excellent, and we presume that local support will count for something. We would welcome such an enterprise through our county and we hope that our people will lend it support and encouragement. Give it all the right of way it needs and encourage other people to do likewise. In the long run it will more than repay you. Lay aside petty bickerings and selfishness and let every body pull together for the good of all.

Here's hoping that Lexington will soon have a trolley.

Mr. A. J. Fox, of our town, energetic and progressive, has been very active in the trolley line, and has been with the engineer corps at Brookland. The engineer force will be here in a few days, and we want our people to give them all the aid and assistance possible as to the best route, &c.

We are glad to note that representative Lever of this District has introduced in Congress a bill seeking to encourage and promote the dairy industry of this country. It is a move in the right direction, notwithstanding the fact that little can be done the first year with the small appropriation provided. What we need in the south is diversification; and the more we diversify the more independent we will become. As long as we have but one crop (cotton) and we depend entirely upon that, we will be like the man with one pair of trousers, when he rips those he has to go to bed until they can be mended; so we with one crop, when we fail in that we have to go to the best we can until another year rolls around before we can mend it. The dairy industry has not been developed in the south, but there is no reason why it should not be if some interest can be encouraged and stimulated as provided in Mr. Lever's bill. We trust it will become a law and that South Carolina will soon experience some of the good results therefrom.

We hope that all four South Carolina congressmen will take up the work interested by Mr. Lever and help push it to a successful termination.

From reports from Washington it seems very likely that Col. William Elliott, of Columbia, will be the United States commissioner to supervise the work of marking the graves of Confederate soldiers and sailors who died in Union prisons and were buried in Union cemeteries during the war, under the Foraker bill recently passed. The appointment will be made by the secretary of war. There are about twenty applicants for the position, one qualification for which is to have been a Confederate soldier.

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In the primary election of the city of Columbia yesterday the present Mayor, T. H. Gibbs, was reelected, defeating Col. J. Q. Marshall by 206 majority.

Richland county will borrow \$15,000 to assist running the county government this year, to be replaced with anticipated taxes this fall.

PECULIAR BANKRUPTCY

Proceedings in Leesville Suit Against a Concern Sold Three Times.

There was an interesting hearing in bankruptcy proceedings yesterday before Referee J. J. Earle. The case involved a mercantile concern at Leesville with claims amounting to about \$6,000 against it. It appears from the testimony that Messrs. A. C. Bouknight and C. P. West sold out their business to Mr. J. P. Able, who afterwards disposed of it to Mr. C. D. Barr. Afterwards claims were filed against Messrs. Bouknight and West for debts and it was claimed by that firm that these debts were transferred to Mr. Able. This is denied by Mr. Able and proceedings in bankruptcy were commenced. On account of the confusion arising from the various exchanges of property it was decided to refer the matter to the referee and a decision will be given on March 20th—State, March 11th.

Fine Record.

Solicitor George Bell Timmerman has returned home again after a long absence in attendance upon the Legislature and the courts of the Circuit. He has set a record breaking pace in the criminal courts of the state. During two weeks work in the Richland county court, he disposed of fifty cases and lost only four of that number. He is the youngest Solicitor the State has ever had and thus far this year has made the best record in the State. We like to see our Lexington boys succeed.

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Given under my hand, this 13th day of February, Anno Domini, 1906.

GEORGE S. DRAFTS, J. P. L. C.
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