

LOCAL NEWS FROM TABOR.

Splendid Entertainment at the Home of a Musical Family.

Tabor, Feb. 3.—Special: The farmers are getting along very slowly breaking up their land.
Miss Lena Abbott spent two weeks with her sister, Mrs. J. S. Colley, recently. She has returned to her home near Wallhalla.
Miss Vada Perkins, of Avalon, Ga., is visiting Miss Eva Tannery.
Miss Maggie Abbott and brother, Eugene, spent Saturday with their sister, Mrs. J. S. Colley.
Miss Estelle Craig, of Pleasant Grove, spent Saturday and Sunday with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Owens, of Tabor.
Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Knox spent a few days last week in Westminster.
A pound supper was given at the home of Mrs. A. L. Tannery Saturday night. It was a great success and enjoyed by all. Those present were: Carl Bryant, Edmund Cleland, Ben Cleland and Jack Jones, Madison; Albert and James Martin, of Retreat; Miss Eva Tannery and Vada Perkins, Vinnie Singleton, Estelle Fricks, Lola King, Joe King, King, DeWitt King, Alfred Tannery, Homer Tannery, Misses Lena and Maggie Abbott, Beulah, Daisy and Mae Tannery.
On Sunday, January 30th, there was a happy gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. King, when splendid music was enjoyed by a large number of friends. Miss Mae Tannery and Lester Tannery are organists and E. C. Tannery leads. Miss Mae is a sweet little lady and loved by all who know her. Her voice is like that of a nightingale. It does one good to visit the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Tannery and hear them sing. Lester sings tenor, and Misses Beulah and Daisysoprano; Miss Mae alto, and their father leads for them. That is a happy home, and may God bless them. Mr. Tannery has one son in Texas and one daughter married, Mrs. W. E. Huff.
Irvin King, of Pendleton, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. King. T. D. S.

More people are taking Foley's Kidney Remedy every year. It is considered the most effective remedy for all kidney and bladder troubles that medical science can devise. Foley's Kidney Remedy corrects irregularities, builds up the system and restores lost vitality. J. W. Bell.

Items from Wolf Stake.

Wolf Stake, Feb. 2.—Special: Neville Bros., of West Union, have recently erected a nice dwelling in this section, which adds greatly to the appearance of our community.
Our farmers are eagerly waiting for good weather so that they can get down to their farm work in earnest. There is going to be a meeting at Wolf Stake school house on Saturday night, February 12th, for the purpose of organizing a camp of Woodmen of the World. All of our men between the ages of 18 and 52 years are urged to attend promptly.
We are informed that Mrs. R. C. Emerson recently received \$500 from the Sovereign Camp, W. O. W. This will be a great help to her, and we are glad to know that the Woodmen came to her rescue so promptly. L. L. D.
A variable stroke petroleum engine has been designed, intended to overcome the difficulties which prevent such engines being applied directly to the shaft of a vehicle, as in the case of the steam engine.



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Mr. JAMES G. Lutz, of 1100 9th St., S.E., Washington, D.C., writes: "Thirty years ago I fell from a scaffold and seriously injured my back. I suffered terribly at times; from the time of my back I all around my stomach was just as if I had been beaten with a club. I used every plaster I could get with no relief. Sloan's Liniment took the pain right out, and I can now do as much labor work as any man in the shop, thanks to Sloan's Liniment."

Sloan's Liniment

Mr. J. P. EVANS, of Mt. Airy, Ga., says: "After being afflicted for three years with rheumatism, I used Sloan's Liniment, and was cured sound and well, and am glad to say I haven't been troubled with rheumatism since. My leg was badly swollen from my hip to my knee. One-half a bottle took the pain and swelling out."
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AS TO CROP MORTGAGES.

Various Phases, Pro and Con, Fully Discussed and Reviewed.

(Greenwood Index.)
As will be seen by the summary of the work of the General Assembly the status quo of crop mortgages will not be disturbed this year.
Representative Hydrick wanted to amend the section providing for crop mortgages by providing that no such mortgage should be good unless said crop was up and growing at the time the mortgage was made. His bill was killed.
Some how or other the popular idea has been that this was the way the law read now, but it does not at all. It may be that a test case before the Supreme Court would go alter the status of Section 3005, but as yet no such test case has been brought, or seems likely to be brought, and to all intents and purposes the system of credit, based on unplanted crops as security, remains just exactly as it was before the repeal of the lien law, no more, no less.
The common question is then, Why the lien law at all? One would better ask, to be logical, why the crop mortgage act? The lien law was enacted first. It was intended to create a system of credit for a broken down and impoverished people who had nothing upon which to base their applications for credit other than a crop, "to be planted," their "promise to pay" would have been as good as gold if they had had the gold or any other wherewithal to pay, but that was rather uncertain. To aid them in getting credit and getting on their knees so they could get on their feet, the lien law was enacted in 1878. The lien law had some deficiencies and developed some abuses, of course, and it would appear that an effort to cure some of both of these was made in 1891 when the crop mortgage act was passed. See 20th Statutes, S. C. This crop mortgage act limited the contract to one year and further made it obligatory to accurately describe the lands on which the crop or crops were to be grown. Both laws remained on the statute books until last year when the General Assembly, in its traditional wisdom, repealed the lien law, but did not so much as touch with its sacred fingers the crop mortgage act, which stands to-day as it has done since its passage in 1891, and as it is likely to stand for many, many years to come. At least it would appear so from the decided vote recently when an effort was made to limit it to crops "up and growing."
As The Index stated when the agitation first began to repeal the lien law, the wisdom of it was doubtful, or at least there was good argument on both sides. It would seem now that this system of credit is so natural with our people that they cannot live without it, just as the morphine eater, or better perhaps the coffee drinker, cannot live without the long-used stimulant, and as in the case of the coffee drinker, while in some cases, maybe many cases, the individual would be better off without the stimulant, it does not seem to weaken him perceptibly, if at all, and he goes right on living and doing the day's work as well as any one else.
As stated last week, the repeal of the lien law has done one good thing. It has opened the eyes of the landlord to his rights, and as one of the objects aimed at in the repeal of the lien law was to bring about better control of labor on the farms, this good is not to be overlooked, and the repeal of the lien law should have full credit for this much.
As a basis of credit for a merchant, either a lien or a crop mortgage without other security and without releases from the landlord is an exceedingly risky thing. Few if any merchants depend upon it alone. Certainly they cannot get much in the way of bank loans when such papers are offered as collateral, so chattel mortgages are taken as additional security, and landlords are required to waive their statutory liens for rent and for advances by all merchants with good business judgment.
The practice will have to die out of itself. Times will have to so improve that no man, white or black, will have to fall back on his unplanted crop to get supplies; ere the practice will be obsolete. Certainly it will be some time before legislation will seek to restrict the right to a growing crop and it can never take away the right to mortgage the crop after it is in existence.

Just as Many Goods Sold.
(Yorkville Enquirer.)
There will be just as many goods sold on time this year as usual, and there will be as much cotton raised under the advance system as there would have been if the lien law had not been repealed.

Sore Lungs and Raw Lungs.
Most people know the feeling, and the miserable state of ill health it indicates. All people should know that Foley's Honey and Tar, the greatest throat and lung remedy, will quickly cure the soreness and cough and restore normal conditions. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar. J. W. Bell.

Will Use Electric Power.
President J. M. Geer, of the Easley Cotton Mills, signed a contract last week with the Southern Power Company for 250 horse-power of electricity, or as much more as he may desire, with which to supplement the power, used to run the Easley Cotton Mills and also to light the mill village. The Southern Power Company will go to work at once extending the line from Greenville to Easley. The municipal authorities will also, no doubt, take advantage of this opportunity to light the city of Easley. It is thought that the line will be finished by the first of April.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

OLD FIGHT RENEWED.

An Effort is Again Being Made to Get New Federal District.

(Washington Cor. News and Courier)
The old fight to divide the State of South Carolina into two judicial districts and to provide for the appointment of a district judge has been revived here by the introduction of such a bill in the House of Representatives by Mr. Johnson, of Spartanburg, and already there are rumors that several attorneys in different parts of the State will get on the good side of Mr. Taft.
If this bill passes, and it will unless the old fight of four or five years ago is resumed, when Chester, Spartanburg, Greenwood and other towns in upper South Carolina fought the measure to its death, it will place in the Western District the counties of Oconee, Pickens, Anderson, Greenville, Spartanburg, Laurens, Abbeville, Greenwood, Edgefield, Saluda, Newberry, Union, Cherokee, York, Chester, Lancaster and Fairfield.
The Eastern District will comprise the other counties of the State. In addition to the appointment of another judge the President would also have to appoint a district attorney and a marshal in the event of the measure becoming law.
By the framing of this bill the present district judge and marshal for South Carolina would have jurisdiction in the Eastern District only, so that a new man or judge would have to be chosen from the up-country.

Filmham Game at Westminster.

(Cor. News and Courier.)
On last Wednesday a nicely dressed couple appeared on the streets of Westminster and began to make small purchases. They went to L. A. Tannery's cash store and made a small purchase and handed the clerk a \$10 note to change. The clerk gave the change, but the lady immediately discovered that she had a nickel and requested that her bill be returned. As soon as the woman had departed, the clerk discovered that she had been flimflammed out of \$5 in the deal. Mr. Tannery at once began to search for the offending persons and learned that others had been treated in the same way. A complete search was made and the couple was located between Westminster and Richland. Just as they were boarding train No. 40 for Greenville Police Officer Will Mitchell, from Westminster, arrested them and brought them to Westminster, where they were fined \$50 by Mayor Zimmerman.

Dyspepsia is America's curse. Burdock Blood Bitters conquer dyspepsia every time. It drives out impurities, tones the stomach, restores perfect digestion, normal weight and good health.

Marred "Old Glory."

(Greenville News.)
An amusing incident occurred in the operating room at a local hospital the other night when Thomas Poole, who had, in a row in the suburbs, been slashed three times across the abdomen with a carving knife, was under the hands of two physicians. In the mixup in which Poole had been involved, the other party to the controversy having been found dead in a nearby ditch, a bullet had lodged somewhere in Poole's chest. The physicians found it necessary to remove a certain portion of the skin. On this part of Poole's body there had been drawn by an old sea dog, many years ago, a miniature American flag, in all its brilliant colors, the work having been done aboard a man-of-war when Poole was enlisted in the navy. Poole refused to take an anesthetic and appeared much interested in the operations. Presently one of the physicians ran a little knife through Old Glory, marring the picture forever. Poole made a "pass" at him, but the doctor warded off the blow. In his convalescence Poole swears he will seek damages in the courts, even if he finds it necessary to take his case to Congress, and haul up the doctor for desecrating the American flag.
If the wives who are obliged to account to their husbands for every cent they get were to turn the tables by demanding an audit of the tobacco and beer expenses, things would be different.

Freedom for Avant Pending Appeal.
Columbia, Feb. 4.—By a decision of the Supreme Court Wednesday W. B. Avant, who was convicted in Georgetown several months ago on the charge of killing Mrs. Ruth Crisp Bigham, and who has been held at the penitentiary for the past several weeks, will be liberated pending an appeal to the Supreme Court, providing he can furnish bond in the sum of \$3,000. The opinion is by Eugene B. Gary. The husband of Mrs. Bigham was convicted at the same time.

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SOUR MILK DRINK CRAZE.

Gripping Britons in Hope of Attaining Old Age.

(London Cable to Houston Post.)
The fashionable craze of the moment is neither rinking nor aviation, but the drinking of sour milk or the munching of specially prepared tabloids charged with sour milk bacteria. The craze began a little while ago with the publication of Dr. Reinhardt's book, "One Hundred and Twenty Years of Life," in which he detailed from Prof. Metchnikoff's theory that sour milk prepared according to the Bulgarian plan is the real elixir of life. Dr. Metchnikoff, the famous pathologist of the Pasteur Institute, of Paris, was much struck when visiting Bulgaria to find that in many of the country parts the proportion of centenarians was greater than anywhere else. He started to investigate the cause, and came to the conclusion that the long life of the people was due to the fact that they used sour milk in their daily diet. This milk, prepared by means of a living culture of lactic acid form of bacilli, destroys preformative organisms in the human stomach, so at least Dr. Metchnikoff maintained. This theory, which has since been supported by Dr. Oster, has caught on amazingly.
Every chemist shop is full of sour milk lozenges and chocolates. Every careful wife is urging her husband to drink especially prepared Metchnikoff milk that is sold by the leading dairy companies at fabulous prices. Cooks have a fresh burden added to their lives by being asked to prepare sour milk at home, a process taking many hours and much careful regulation of temperature. Meanwhile, the folks to whom an expenditure of from \$2 to \$5 per week per head for specially prepared sour milk is impossible, can obtain much the same result by drinking the once-despised buttermilk.

Does Not Look Fair.

These are the sections of the statutes on which Senator Tillman is relying to retain custody of the children deeded to him by his son, B. R. Tillman, Jr.:

"Section 2689. The father of any child or children, under the age of 21 years and not married, whether born before or after the death of such father, or the mother of any such child or children, the father being dead, whether such father or mother be under the age of 21 years, or of full age, may, by his or her deed, executed and recorded according to law, or by his or her last will and testament, made and probated according to law, dispose of the custody and tuition of such child or children for and during such time as he, she, or they, respectively, remain under the age of 21 years, to any person or persons, in possession or remainder."
"Section 2690. Such disposition of the custody of such child or children shall be good and effectual against all and every person or persons claiming the custody of such child or children, as guardian in socage or otherwise."

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No More Boll Weevil Money.

An unsuccessful effort was made by Southern Congressmen in the National House of Representatives last week to have the appropriation for the study and demonstration of the best methods of meeting the ravages of the boll weevil, the foe of cotton, increased from \$215,000 to \$500,000. The proposition was defeated by a vote of 88 to 115.
Mr. Clayton, of Alabama, made a speech favoring the increase of appropriation. In the course of his remarks he said:
"You Yankees want cheap cotton, but if you let the boll weevil eat up our cotton you will have to pay 40 cents a pound for it."
Another effort to increase the appropriation, this time to \$300,000, was defeated by a vote of 96 to 108.

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33 KILLED IN COAL MINE.

Drakesford (Ky.) Mine Has Explosion—Many Injured.
Thirty-three miners are known to have been killed, two are missing and fifteen more or less injured as a result of the explosion in the Browder coal mine, near Drakesford, Ky., last Wednesday.

There were one hundred men in the two wings of the mine at the time of the explosion, but the fifty in the west wing were uninjured and easily escaped. Those in the east wing, however, felt the full force of the explosion, and it is believed the list of dead will total thirty-five. One or two of the injured are in a critical condition. The dead miners were nearly all residents of the immediate section in which the mine is located, about half being whites and the remainder negroes. There were no foreigners employed at the mine.
As a result of the disaster all of the mines in the vicinity closed down, the men offering their services in rescue work.

PROMINENT PHYSICIAN KILLED.

Augusta, Ga., Feb. 3.—Dr. Chas. W. Hickman, one of the most prominent physicians in the South, was found dead from gunshot wounds at 10 o'clock last night on the streets in Summerville, the fashionable suburb of Augusta. The Hickmans live in Summerville, and Dr. Hickman had been at his brother's home, leaving there shortly after 9 o'clock.
There were two wounds, one in the head and one in the body. The pockets had been rifled and Dr. Hickman's watch had been torn from his vest. A number of letters from the dead man's pockets were found scattered along the street. It is not known by the family whether Dr. Hickman had valuables or money in any extent on his person. Some think the bullets that killed the doctor were intended for another man, and that there was no robbery.
Two negroes are being held on suspicion, they having been found in the neighborhood of the killing.

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