

Humorous Department.

LAWFUL DEBT, LEGALLY COLLECTED.
—When Mike left the employ of Brother Rubbles, who keeps a country store and also "farms it" in Washington county, Maine, he owed a considerable balance to Brother Rubbles. Mike seemed quite willing to forget about it, but more intimate acquaintances of Brother Rubbles never lost faith that the account would be squared in due time.

After Brother Rubbles had ceased even to drop gentle hints about the little bill, Mike became the owner of a single lusty hog, of which he was inordinately proud. He bragged about it incessantly, and Brother Rubbles made a friendly call one day to see it, and praised the hog in a way that delighted the heart of the lucky owner.

"Can't see how ye got him so fat, Mike," said Brother Rubbles. "Mine don't fill out that way. Then after a pause Brother Rubbles added, 'I've got a shot I'll give ye if you want it. I should like to see what ye can do with my stock.'"

There is an old saying that sets forth the danger of trusting the Greeks, even when they offer gifts, but Mike had never heard it. At the first opportunity he went over to Brother Rubbles' barn, and brought away the sorriest-looking shote that he ever lived.

The next day Brother Rubbles "levied" on the big hog. The law allowed not have permitted him to do that so long as Mike was the owner of only one pig.—*Youth's Companion.*

THE PROFESSOR'S LOVE STORY.—An amusing story is told concerning Professor Duncan of St. Andrew's university, who was in his younger days a teacher in Dundee. The embryo professor proposed to a lady, who curiously refused him. Shortly afterward Mr. Duncan became Professor Duncan, and the lady heard no more of him, not even by letter.

Some time after she went to St. Andrew's to try the effect of sea bathing. She saw Duncan often, and he talked to her on every subject except the subject in which she was now apparently interested in. For I have courageously screwed up her courage and, coming to the point, said:

"Mr. Duncan, there was a subject you once mentioned to me some time ago, and really I am rather surprised that you have never returned to it, for I have changed my mind since that time."

The professor simply remarked: "Yes, but I, too, have changed my mind."—*London Tit-Bits.*

A STRONG INDUCEMENT.—Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania celebrated his birthday recently in Philadelphia, says an exchange. A Philadelphia, during a congratulatory call, said to him, "I remember Penrose's entrance into politics, when he was a boy of 24. He won the liking of Senator Quay by a quaint little speech that he made to the Republican leader during the presentation of a petition.

"This petition was laid before Mr. Quay by a delegation whose spokesman was insufferably long winded and tedious. The man talked to the senator nearly an hour. Every one stood during his speech, and it seemed that it would never end.

"When, finally it did end, Mr. Quay asked wearily if there were any further reasons for the granting of the petition that the delegates had to offer.

"Penrose, tall and straight and boyish, smiled and said in a low voice: 'If you don't grant it, sir, we'll have that speech repeated all over again to you.'"

NOT OLDER THAN SHE LOOKED.—A Brooklyn woman lately returned from Europe was describing to her husband, who had remained at home, her experiences with the customs inspectors who had taken her declaration in the cabin of the liner coming up the bay, and according to the Brooklyn Eagle, this is the conversation:

"When he asked me my age," she said, "I told him 30."

"But my dear," exclaimed the husband, "you're over 30."

"I know it," she returned; "but do I look more?"

"No, you don't; that's a fact."

"Well," she continued triumphantly, "convinced that men were squelched once more by the force of feminine logic, 'until I look more than 30 I'm going to be 30, and I don't care for the old United States government and all the customs inspectors and declarations. They can't make me older than I look or want to be.'"

THE ONE WHO WAS MAD.—A corpulent German came rushing into the circuit court one morning before court was called and said:

"I want to get warrant for a man to kill a dog."

"Well, my man, you don't come to this court to get warrants in cases of that kind. If you want the dog killed you should go to a police court," said the judge.

The German started to leave, when the judge inquired in an interested manner:

"Did the dog bite you?"

"Yes, he bit me."

"Well, was the dog mad?"

"Was the dog mad? No, I was mad!"—*Buffalo Commercial.*

Miscellaneous Reading.

IN COUNTIES ADJOINING.

News and Comment Clipped From Neighboring Exchanges.

LANCASTER.
Lester, Jan. 25: Mr. Joel Blackman, a brother of our townsman, Mr. J. H. Blackman, was thrown from his horse last Thursday night, having one of his shoulders badly dislocated. A physician was summoned, the dislocated member was put back in place, and Mr. Blackman will soon be himself again. Cards will be issued today to the marriage of Miss Una Payseur to Mr. J. Forrest Boswell of Burkville, Va. The nuptials will be solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Payseur, at 1 p. m., February 9th. Rev. J. J. Payseur of Malden, N. C., will officiate. Braska, the little son of Mr. Anderson Johnson of the Newcut section, who was so badly burned on Sunday, 15th instant, died of his injuries last Friday, and the remains of the little one were interred at Hopewell on Saturday. Married, by Rev. M. Hicks, Sunday, Jan. 8, Mr. Presley Wright and Miss Ella J. Neal, all of the Oakhurst section.

CHESTER.
Lantern, Jan. 24: Mr. William Cousar, who has been critically ill for the past week, is gradually growing weaker, and little hope is entertained for his recovery. Miss Mary Adams, of Richburg, died Friday evening after only a few days' illness with pneumonia. She was nearly 74 years old. Two sisters are left to mourn her death. The funeral was conducted by Dr. J. S. Moffatt, at Union A. R. P. church Saturday and the burial was in the cemetery there. Mr. John C. McFadden received a message telling of the death of Mr. Robt. H. McFadden in Pine Bluff, Ark., last Saturday night. He was a brother of the late Major C. W. McFadden and was the last of the family. He moved to Arkansas about 1858 and was perhaps about 68 years old. Married at the Methodist parsonage Sabbath evening, Jan. 22, by Rev. M. L. Banks. Mr. Glenn Carroll and Miss Mamie Cameron, both of this city. Mrs. L. T. Nichols has returned from Charleston, where she made an address on Library Extension, before the City Federation of Clubs of Charleston. While there she attended the meeting of the executive board of the State Federation. She was the guest of Mrs. J. C. Tiedeman on Broad street. Mrs. Margaret Hood, widow of the late Archibald Hood, d. Saturday at the residence of her nephew, Mr. W. W. Stokes, at the old McIlroy place just above town. She was nearly 77 years old and had been in bad health for some time from some kind of paralysis. She had no children of her own but raised her nephew from an infant as her own child. The funeral was conducted by Dr. J. S. Moffatt at the home Sabbath afternoon at 2:30 o'clock and the burial was in old Purdy graveyard. Mrs. J. T. Whiteside, saleswoman for the DeHaven-Dawson Supply Co., and Miss Maude Marion, of Carnesville, Ga., were married last Thursday, Jan. 19, 1905, at the Piedmont hotel, Atlanta, Ga. They arrived in the city Friday and are boarding at Dr. S. G. Miller's.

Miss Kate Johnson, of Bethel township, York county, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Brown. Mr. Henry Kirkpatrick, a native of this county and brother of Mrs. Wm. Mayfield of this city, Mr. G. W. Kirkpatrick of Bascomville, and Mrs. T. O. Estes of Baton Rouge, died at his home at Louisville, Miss., Monday, Jan. 15, aged 75 years. He had been in failing health two or three months with some dropsical trouble but was confined to his bed only about a week. He was buried in the cemetery at Louisville Tuesday with Masonic honors.

CHEROKEE.
Gaffney Ledger, Jan. 24: Mrs. Lella McCraw of Byersville, N. C., died Friday at 6 o'clock from the effects of cancer. Mrs. McCraw was about thirty-eight years of age, and was the mother of five children. She was buried at Lavonia church last Saturday in the presence of a large crowd of relatives and friends. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. Jack Bonner. Mamie Lee, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Taylor, died Sunday night and was buried in Oakland cemetery yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. A. M. Simms at the cemetery. Mrs. Sensilena Jolly, wife of Wm. S. Jolly, near the battleground, died Saturday, the 21st, after a month's illness, and was buried at the Martin graveyard near her home Sunday. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. Jack Tate, in the presence of a large crowd of relatives and friends. Mrs. Jolly was about thirty-eight years old, and a husband and four children. Giles Hill and family have moved from Gaffney to Star Farm, and now occupy the old residence of Samuel Jefferies where Mr. Hill will run the farm this year. W. Sam Lipscomb left Sunday for New Orleans as a delegate from this county to the Cotton Growers' Association which convenes the 24th (today). He was accompanied by his brother, J. H. Lipscomb, of Trough, who is the delegate from Spartanburg county.

GASTON.
Gaston Gazette, Jan. 24: Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hutchinson will move in a few weeks to the William Wilson farm near Bowling Green. Mr. Hutchinson is there now looking after the completion of some improvements to the house. Mr. H. H. Harwell, aged 55 years, died Sunday night at 10 o'clock at his home near the Arlington mill. He had been ill for some time and death resulted from a complication of diseases. The burial will take place in the city cemetery this morning at 10 o'clock. Mr. Harwell leaves a large family, most of whom are operatives at the Arlington cotton mill. Jacob Lee, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Carpenter, died Thursday night at their home on North Marietta street. Funeral services were held at the home Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock by Revs. W. H. Reddish and E. L. Bain after which the body was laid

tenderly to rest in the city cemetery. In response to Col. Abernethy's call the farmers of the Lucia settlement assembled last Saturday evening at 2 o'clock, where he addressed them, after which a large number of the best farmers of the section joined River Bend township Cotton Growers' Association. At least 90 per cent of the farmers of the section were there and at no time has there ever been a more determined set of men got together in that section. The supper given Friday night by the Book club for the benefit of the library was well attended and furnished an occasion of real enjoyment. The music on the violin and piano by the Misses Arrowood of Bethel was a feature of the evening which called forth many expressions of pleasure. The net proceeds of the supper will amount to \$40 or \$45.

TO ORGANIZE FOR GOOD ROADS.
Plan Adopted For the Formation of Associations in the Counties.
President F. H. Hyatt of the South Carolina Good Roads association is arranging to publish a pamphlet containing the constitution and by-laws of the association and the plan of organization, arranged by the secretary, Mr. Earle Sloan, for the formation of branch associations in the different counties. The book will also contain the names of the county supervisors and other interesting information. The plan is as follows:

1. A branch association of the South Carolina Good Roads association may be organized in each county of the State of South Carolina in the following manner:

- The county supervisor and one or more of the county commissioners of the related county shall by advertisement in a county paper issue "a call for all good citizens of _____ county who may be interested in good roads to assemble at the court house to organize the _____ county branch of the South Carolina Good Roads association on the _____ day of _____, 19__ at the hour of _____.
- That at the specified time the supervisor shall call the meeting to order, read the advertisement announcing the purpose of the meeting, and appoint a temporary secretary who shall submit for the signatures of all intended members present the following form:

"We, the undersigned, do hereby subscribe ourselves as members of the _____ branch of the South Carolina Good Roads association subject to the constitution provided for such branch associations. (Signatures follow.)"

- The county supervisor shall then appoint three tellers and call for the election of a president by a majority vote of the listed members.
- The president so elected shall then take the chair and successively call for and require the election of a vice president, a secretary and a treasurer, by a majority vote of the listed members.
- The convention shall then adopt the following constitution:

(a) The _____ branch of the South Carolina Good Roads association shall comprise as permanent members all citizens in good standing who may from time to time subscribe to the roll of this association.

(b) The officers of the _____ branch of the South Carolina Good Roads association shall be a president, a vice president, a secretary and a treasurer, whose term of office shall be co-ordinate with the term of office of the county supervisor. The county supervisor and one or more of the county commissioners shall ex officio constitute an executive board to whom the _____ branch association may delegate specific duties.

(c) The _____ branch association may, at appropriate times, elect delegate members to the South Carolina Good Roads association whose term shall be co-ordinate with the official term of the county supervisor. The number of delegate members so elected or appointed shall equal the number of representatives to which _____ county may be entitled in the South Carolina general assembly. The county supervisor shall be one of these members and be ex-officio chairman of the county delegation to the South Carolina Good Roads association.

(d) That the annual dues of each member shall be _____.

(e) The _____ branch association shall meet not less than once a year at such time as may be agreed on and as much often as the executive board may from time to time determine.

(f) All matters of appeal or contest which may arise shall be referred to the South Carolina Good Roads association whose decision shall be final and binding.

THE MODERN TORPEDO.

Takes an Important Place Among Destructive War Materials.
The original inventor of the torpedo was David Bushnell of Connecticut, who flourished during the American war of independence. His torpedoes—kegs of gunpowder—were secured to a ship's bottom by the aid of a submergible boat and fired by a time machine. The vessel containing the submergible boat was sunk by the British, and the boat itself badly damaged. Bushnell then determined to float his kegs against the British ship by aid of the tide or by a towing line. By way of preliminary experiments he blew up one or two hogheads in ponds. Then, in 1777, he went forth in a whaleboat and launched one of his kegs against a British frigate, the Cerebus. The official report of this experiment, written by Bushnell himself, reads rather quaintly:

"This machine fell in with a schooner at anchor astern of the frigate, and concealed from sight. By some means or other it was fired, and demolished the schooner and three men, and blew the only one left alive overboard, who was taken up very much hurt."

In 1778 the Americans floated a number of Bushnell's kegs down with the tide against the British shipping on the Delaware, "but the British, fearing the making of ice, had warped in their ships to the wharves, and so escaped much of the intended mischief."

Various inventors followed in Bushnell's wake, but none of their torpedoes was a success. At length a Captain Lupus of the Austrian navy produced a torpedo which should float on the surface of the water and be directed by ropes from a fixed base. The Austrian government thought the suggestion was not feasible unless Lupus could devise a reliable independent motor. He consulted with Mr. Whitehead, the English manager of an engine manufacturing company at Fiume. Whitehead saw that there was something in the idea, though Lupus' device was crude, and set about inventing a torpedo by himself.

In two years he produced the first Whitehead torpedo. It was charged with eighteen pounds of dynamite, and its speed was six knots. The great defect was that it would not keep its proper depth. Sometimes it skimmed the surface and sometimes it plowed the bottom. In 1858, however, Mr. Whitehead invented the "balance chamber," which keeps the torpedo at the right depth. The secret of the "balance chamber" was kept till 1894, the Austrian government refusing to deal. Whitehead offered his torpedo to other powers, and Great Britain asked him for two.

After exhaustive trials the committee appointed by the admiralty to try the torpedo reported that a stationary ship might be fired upon end on with every probability of being struck at 200 yards; a ship at anchor might be struck broadside on at a distance up to 400 yards, and that a ship moving at a moderate speed could be struck with a fair degree of certainty up to 200 yards.

These achievements, though far out done by the up-to-date Whitehead were deemed satisfactory. "In spite of the protests and sneers of the old gunnery school of officers," says Lieutenant Armstrong in his invaluable work on torpedoes, the English government purchased the secrets and rights of manufacture of the Whitehead torpedo for \$75,000.

Other nations followed suit, and the Whitehead is the torpedo of today. It is made in various types, and its charge ranges from sixty pounds to 300 pounds of gun cotton, its speed from twenty to thirty knots an hour, and it can be reeled upon up to 800 yards—almost half a mile.

Russia has several factories where Whiteheads are manufactured. Her favorite type has a charge of 300 pounds and a speed of thirty knots. In 1897 Japan ordered 150 Schwartzkopf torpedoes, a Berlin made variety. This order was promptly completed. Afterward Japan ordered a consignment of Whitehead torpedoes, each to

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have a 200-pound charge and a speed of twenty-five knots. England's torpedo fleet is, of course, the greatest of any. Alan H. Burgoyne, in his complete and up-to-date book on "Submarine Navigation," says:

"That country has in its service something between 4,100 and 4,500 torpedoes, each capable of sinking the most powerful vessel afloat if hit in a vulnerable place. Even if half of these were to take effect on the combined war squadrons of the world (including obsolete and torpedo craft) the fleets of the universe would be sunk more than twice over."

This is especially encouraging in view of the Japs' recent exploits with the torpedo.—From the St. Paul Globe.

LUCKY MAN.—In crossing the ocean a father and son both became very seasick. The father recovered quickly, but the son was so exhausted with the attack that he sank into a state of apathy, from which it seemed impossible to arouse him.

The steamer physician, thinking he would try a sudden shock, said: "I have had news for you. Your father is dead!"

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YORKVILLE, S. C., November 29, 1904.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned, Auditor of York County, will meet the several taxpayers of said county at the places and times stated, to receive their TAX RETURNS FOR 1905, of PERSONAL PROPERTY and such CHANGES IN REAL ESTATE as have taken place SINCE JANUARY 1ST, 1904 by purchase or sale.

ALL NEW BUILDINGS ERECTED SINCE JANUARY 1ST, 1904, must be reported, otherwise the penalty for non-return attaches. Township assessors and special assessors are required by law to report all delinquents in this particular.

The law requires taxpayers to list their property at what they believe to be its "market value."

A tax return, in due form, will be required, before a magistrate, notary public, or other officer qualified to administer mail to Auditor, at Yorkville, S. C., before the 20th day of February, 1905.

When parties so desire, they can make returns under oath, on the proper blank, before a magistrate, notary public, or other officer qualified to administer the same, and send by registered mail to Auditor, at Yorkville, S. C., before the 20th day of February, 1905.

For the purpose of receiving returns, the Auditor will attend, either in person or by assistant, at the following places and at the times stated:

At Rock Hill, Friday, Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, January 27, 28, 30 and 31, and February 1, 2 and 3.

At Yorkville from Saturday, February 4th until Monday, February 20th, inclusive.

All males between the ages of 21 and 60 years, except ex-Confederate soldiers above the age of 50 years, are liable to \$1 poll tax.

Taxpayers, liable to poll tax, are specially requested to inform themselves as to the number of the school district in which they reside.

Taxpayers are requested to examine their last tax receipt and see that the number of acres, lots, etc., are correctly reported.

I respectfully request taxpayers to meet me in their respective townships in order to avoid a rush at Yorkville during the closing days.

W. B. WILLIAMS, County Auditor, Nov. 29

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