## COLUMBIA, S. C. guage and exhibits of its chief officer, Wednesday Morning, January 28, 1874

## The Lunatie Asylum.

The mismanagement and decline of the public institutions are matters of universal regret, and for many years past, have supplied a lamentable theme of comment and ground of exposure in the journals of the country. Moneys have been appropriated sufficient for the conduct of the affairs of a kingdom, but educational and charitable establishments have run down in inverse proportion to increase in the amounts nominally supplied to keep them up. Several of them have practically ceased to exist, and others are on their last legs. It cannot be denied that this results from want of a sense of responsibility on the part of those in power. Men feel responsibility who have character to sustain and conscience and honor to guide and control them. This sentiment and influence, operating from within, are confirmed by public opinion when it is enlightened and free and directed pointedly to its proper office. But the publie opinion which bears directly upon our officials is one which they have the taot and ability to shape almost as they please to suit themselves. It is used to justify their extravagance, to bolster their incompetency, to hide their wrong doing, and to fortify them in a defiance of the requirements of a stern and strict accountability. They do substantially what they please, what suits their indiwidual and political interests. The only suggest something like the following: check they recognize is the one which the behests of party impose upon them, and party justifies and vindicates the spective Counties-any thirty tax-paymost reckless proceedings. Offices have ers on real estate to constitute a suborceased to be filled with men who serve dinate league. The basis of these the country. They are the private prethe country. They are the private preperty of politicians, who run them in

their own behalf ... tice one casis. The industry, skill and he will not buy any property sold for taxes at a tax sale, and that he will use untiring efforts of Dr. Ensor to manage all lawfal means to convince those not the Lunatio Asylum in a way that will members that it is inexpedient for them subserve the great interests and high to pay taxes or buy at tax sales. All daties of a hospital for the insane, and so this should be done openly. No caths, grips, signs or pass-words. Each man bring solace to the most afflicted portion of humanity are most afflicted portion should be made to feel that he is enof humanity, are worthy of all praise. of humanity, are worthy of all praise. gaged in a patriotic effort to free him-The improvements which he has introduced, so far as the means afforded him cable tyrants. It should be made so permitted, are valuable, and contribute essentially to the comfort, well-being pledge. and peace of mind of his unhappy oharge. Others which he has suggested are argently needed, but in the present condition of the public finances, are, we suppose, hopeless of accomplishment. be no rush to pay taxes, even among It is painful to read that the number the inert, the cowardly and the nnsuppose, hopeless of accomplishment. who have been discharged cured is nnusually small, for the reason that the institution is filled with chronic and inourable cases. This is due to the fact surer advertised the delinguent list, inthat nearly all the patients who are admitted now have been kept at home or only the widow, the orphan, the embarin County jails and poor houses, waiting it would show every real estate owner in for room accommodation in the Asylum, the County. When the day of sale until their condition has become so had comes, let all be present. The most that cure is almost impossible. Cases of insanity require, prompt treatment, while the disease is in its acute stage. Not receiving it, the disorder becomes chronic and permanent, and many who to society and their friends, have thus State, and no taxes could be again as darkness. Here is a cause springing directly from the inefficiency, lack of udgment and a proper sense of respon-ibilities and a proper sense of respon-

for immediate relief. We can but commend it to the fostering care of those 0480.

We copy the following very remarkable article from the Port Royal Commercial, a Republican paper. Surely those of our people who fold their hands and say the cause of the country the size of the hand. useful lesson from this Republican journal. The movement of the people roots deep in the public conscience. It commends itself to all classes, irrespective of party politics, color or creed:

AN ORGANIZATION OF TAX-PAYERS. -On the 17th of next month, a tax-payers convention will meet in Columbia. A great responsibility will rest upon that body. If its members meet to in-dulge in tirades like that delivered in Georgia by Toombs; if they meet to pass a few windy resolutions and then adjourn into apathy again; if they feel too discouraged, too poor, too lazy to engage in a hearty campaign sgainst official corruption and official insolence, their meeting will be a serious damage to the cause of good government. The effect of a cold or inefficient convention will be to give renewed confidence to the cunning rogues who divide the revenues of the State among themselves. Those who are now members of the convention ought to be cutting out the work to be done. Of the first impor-tance is a plan of organization. We

Let the convention resolve itself into a league; let its members be authorized to form subordinate lesgues in their re-In this dosert, we are pleased to no- by the central leauge; and further, that universal that it would be dishonorable and shameful not to have taken the

If even one-half of the real estate owners of the State could be brought to sign such a pledge as that, it would be enough. The moral influence would do the work with the rest. There would friendly; for even the man who has gained a fortune by stealing in Columbia does not like to pay taxes any better than the honest toiler. When the Treastead of its embracing, as it now does, rassed, the ignorant and the careless, shameless appointee of a shameless administration would quail before such an assemblage, and the heartless speculator who should feel inclined to buy property at that sale, would come to the conclusion that the climate was unsuitaconclusion that the climate was unsuita-ble to his constitution. The delinquent until dissolution followed, his only remight have been relieved and restored land would probably be bid in by the been condemned to a life of mental sessed upon it. In the face of such a

SKETCH OF THE STAMESE TWINS. -The Siamese twins, Eng and Ohang, lately residing in North Carolina, were born mend it to the fostering care of those who control affairs. A heavy responsi-bility rests upon them. Let them not hesitate to meet it in this exceptional case. bore seventeen children. At one time, she gave birth to three, and never less than two. But none of these children were deformed. The twins were united at the exterior part of the chest by a prolongation of a kind of fleshy band This band of is hopeless and advise acquiescence in gesh is about two inches broad and four the most intolerable evils, may learn a inches thick. The whole muss is tough capable of being considerably extended. One could whisper in the ear of one of them without the other hearagainst official corruption is striking its ing; while volatile salts applied to the nostrils of one had no effect on the other; and while pinching the arm of one excited no sensation in the other. still if you put a pin in the cract vertical centre of this connecting link both would flinch from the hurt. The twins were seldom observed to converse with each other. They played a good game of draughts, made pretty much the same moves, and at the same time, and

frequently played against each other. After attracting a vast amount of attention among scientists and physiologists in the old world, they married two addition, they had at one period ample funds invested through their agent in New York. During the most difference in the most of the most eisters, and settled down near Salisbury, New York. During the war they continued to reside on their plantation and lived in the same quiet and harmony as ever, until some few years afterwards. Of course, no one ever though of drafting them, and their negroes prospered, except when out of temper from any cause, it was apt to work itself off in striking the first one that came to hand, from which the best escape was to keep out of the way. The brothers, probably, never would have had any difficulty, but that their wives, though eisters. envy and jealousy to such a degree that and to make an appropriation to pay the twin sister, not being bound together like the twin brothers, would no longer live under the same roof. The brothers were, it seems, about fifty-four years of age, but one, we believe, the smaller and feebler of the two, looked, it is said, ten years older than the other. They could turn either back to back or face to face, but that is as far as the remarkable bond that united them permitted. A few years since they corresponded with some of the leading surgical operators in London, as to the poseibility of the umbilious being cut, so that n case of the death of one, the life of the other might be saved. At the request of the London surgeon they visited that city, and many experiments were tried to determine the safety in such an operation. Among other things a ligature was tied firmly for a few min ates around the connection between them, so as to prevent the circulation of blood through the artery, but it seemed as if each would expire if this were persisted in.

Advices from Mount Airy, N. C., the home of the late Siamese twins, state that it was about 6 o'clock in the morning, on Saturday, when one of the sons of the twins, who slept up stairs, heard a cry or call of alarm. The boy at once repaired to the sleeping-room of the twin, where he found Eng in a very per-turbed and excited condition, the cause being the death of his brother Chang. After this, and as soon as the death became generally known among the memmark being, "I suppose I must die, In exactly two hours, his fears too.' proved only too correct, and he had departed this life.

It is stated that the family physician and other medical men who were preibility, on the part of the State Govern- ed to prevent the annual filling of the thers, desired to dissever the ligature or millionaire Simmons, whose act of homembrane that so effectually united micide was committed in the heat of them while living, for the purpose of ungovernable passion, naturally sympa-ascertaining if the death of Eng had thized with him from the moment of ported there is a provision in the wills of the deceased twins against such an operation. COLUMBIA, S. C., JANUARY 19, 1874. Columnia, S. C., January 19, 1874. At a regular meeting of the Trustees of School District No. 1, Richland County—present C. J. Carroll, L. L. Brown, Q. D. Lowndes—Miss H. Q. Brown was appointed assistant teacher in Howard School. On application, Mrs. Lizzie H. Williams was appointed principal teacher of Barhamville Free School. The heard after meture de School. The board, after mature deliberation on the financial condition of District No. 1, adopted the following resolution offered by Trustes Carroll: Resolved, That the sum of \$1,500 be, and is hereby, appropriated to build a school house on a site granted by the City Council for that purpose. C. D. LOWNDES, Chairman.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE. TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 1874. SENATE.

The Senate assembled at 12 M. Mr. Swails, from the Committee on Finance, to whom was referred a joint resolution to relieve certain citizens of the town of Prosperity, Newberry County, from taxation, reported back the same, with the recommendation that the joint resolution do not pass.

Mr. Swails, from the Committee on Immigration, made a verbal report, showing the prosperous condition of immigrants recently arrived and settled in Darlington County; which was received as information.

Mr. Duvall introduced joint resolutions to allow Crenshaw & Barnes to redeem certain forfeited lands in Chester field County; to allow the heirs of D. S. Cronshaw to redeem certain lands in Chesterfield County.

Mr. Wilson-Bill to incorporate the Long Crane Manufacturing Company, of South Carolina. Mr. Wilson-Bill to allow Edward B.

Murray, a minor, to practice law in the courts of this State. Mr. Jervey-Bill to provide for the

revision and recodification of the sta tute laws of this State. A joint resolution to allow Joseph Taylor, John Yates and Patience Mausel to redeem certain forfeited lands was passed.

After consideration of general orders,

appropriation for the payment of the salary and mileage of the members of the General Assembly, salaries of subordinate officers and employees, and expenses incidental theretu.

Mr. Ellison-Bill to authorize and require the County Treasurer of Abbeville County to pay the excess arising from the levy to build the Coart House to the past due indebtedness of said

County. Mr. Cannon presented claims of sundry school teachers for Spartanburg County, for the years 1871 and 1872.

the same.

Mr. Hurley-Joint resolution to authorize and require J. E. Green to turn over the granite in the State House yard for certain purposes therein mentioned. A Senate joint resolution to postpone the payment of installments and interest due upon lands purchased of the Land Commission, was passed and ordered to be enrolled.

A Senate bill to make an appropria-tion to pay the claim of the Citizens Savings Bank of South Carolina and the Central National Bank of Columbia, South Carolina, against the State of South Carolina, was passed and ordered returned to the Senate, with amendments.

Committees reported upon a large number of bills and joint resolutions, which were ordered to lie over for a second reading. At 3 P. M., the House adjourned to

12 M. to-morrow.

THE MURDEREBS' CLUB .- The New York Murderers' Club is a nice institution. All the murderers in the Tombs belong to it, and all the members are bound to each other by the strongest ties of friendship. The wealthy murderers lavish their money on their poor companions, and swear to stick to them to the last. King, a lawyer of fair rank, is to be put on trial, next week, for killing O'Neill. The expenses of his trial, estimated at \$5,000, are to be paid by Simmons, the millionaire lottery-dealer, bis companion in the Tombs, who is awaiting trial for the killing of Daryea, a rival lottery-dealer. King had some wealth as a business man in San Francisco, but as a lawyer in New York, he could not make ends meet, mainly because he spent too much time on the race-course, and on his committal to the

CITY MATTERS .- Subscribe for the The stream of Immigration flows HEINIX. The setting out of shade trees is now grants who have settled here send back PHENIX.

in order. Oold and nipplab, gesterday, with They are sensible enough to perceive every indication of snow.

Hoyt's German cologne is sold by W. know how to make allowances for its C. Fisher, druggist.

CASH will be the rule at the PHOINIX they have been acoustomed. Yesterday mice bereafter. a party of a dozen stordy Swiss and By all means stop your team on the French came on under the direction of cross-walk, particularly if the mud on Mr. Gaines. They have situations enthe street is deep.

gaged in Chestor. Three of the Italians The grangers are growing so rapidly have sought employment in the neighin this State that they will soon be able borhood of Charleston, and eight or to begin a Ceres of elections. ten have gone up the Charlotte, Colum-

good reports and induce others to come.

the advantages of the country, and

want of some of the comforts to which

The Governor has made the following bis and Augusta Railroad, to work near appointments: Trial Justices-T. F. Winneboro, in quarrying granite for the Gillespie, of Horry; Francis A. Capers, new post office building. Our people of Chesterfield; A. J. Bailey and John show these strangers as they come all C. Bradley, of Chester; and Robert Y. the kindness in their power. This is H Lee, of Williamsburg, Notary Pub- their instinct, and it is excellent policy.

Persons indebted to the PHENIX office are earnestly requested to call and settle at once. There is a large amount due. at once. There is a large amount due\_ good treatment. the greater portion in small sums. The

indebtedness must be liquidated, or we To SUBSCRIBERS AND ADVERTISEES .shall be forced to resort to extreme mea- Orders for advertisements, job work, etc., must be accompanied with the

Transfer printing inks are invaluable CASH. No exceptions can be made. to railroad companies, banks, mer-Ordinary advertisements \$1 per square chants, manufacturers and others. They of nine printed lines for first insertion; are enduring and changeless, and will tilty cents each subsequent .insertions copy sharp and clear for an indefinite weekly, monthly and yearly rates forperiod of time. Having just received a aished on application. Advertisements fresh supply of inks, we are prepared to inserted once a week, \$1 each insertion. Marriages and funeral invitations, \$1.

execute orders at moderate prices. Messrs. Hoffman & Albrecht, 156 Notices in local column fifteen cents a Main street, are making a fine display line, each insertion.

of their large stock of goods. They MAILABRANGEMENTS. - The Northern have a fresh supply of the best sausage mail opens 6.30 A. M., 8 P. M.; closes in this city; also Wilmington oysters, 11 A. M., 6 P. M. Charleston opens,8 dinate league. The basis of these leagues should be a pledge, to be signed by every member, solemnly pledging himself not to pay any State tax until be has been released from the promise by the central leagues, and children by the period that each had five one of them had a sixth, and this swoke envy and jenlousy to such a degree that candy, all sorts of nuts, English peas, opens 4 P. M.; closes 10.30 A. M. On Lima beans, dried fruit. &c. Sunday open from 2.30 to 3.30 P. M.

EUTAW ENCAMPMENT, No. 2, I. O. O. PHEENIXIANA. - The sweet orb of life-F.-At the regular meeting of this The honeymoon.

lodge, held last evening, the following A highly intelligent dog-The type officers were installed for the current setter. term: J. W. Smith, C. P; J. McCam- A phenomenon of pottery-The care

mon, H. P.; R. B. McKay, S. W.; C. of a pitcher. Wallin, J. W.; James Kelly, Scribe; M. A compulsory hashish-eater-The pa-

tron of a private boarding house.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS .- An official visit We may mention incidentally that was paid Myrtle Lodge, No. 3, Knights the mouth of the Mississippi is to be of Pythias, at its regular convention on improved.

Monday evening, by Grand Chancellor It may not be generally understood, E. H. Rodgers and Past Chancellor R. yet it is nevertheleas true, that at the Senior, of Charleston. The following marriage in St. Petersburg recently, a officers were installed for the current Guelph took a Roman-off.

term: R. B. McKay, C. C.; E. A. Nel. The writer who says that rose-bud son, V. C.; W. B. Miller, P.; C. F. parties are simply daughteroultural Newnham, M. of E.; W. E. Harth, M. shows, has evidently passed from the of F.; E. S. Bouknight, K. of R. and bloom of youth into the sere and yel-S.; Charles A. Calvo, Jr., M. at A.; low leaf of bachelorhood.

Frederick Wurz, I. G.; H. L. Tinsley, There is a preparation for coloring ladies' gums a heautiful and delicate pink, and the result is a song that is

The committee appointed by the meeting of the tax payers of Marion County "Gum, oh gum with me." are quictly waiting the action of the Clerical neck-ties for the ladies are the

Legislature. A bill has been introduced latest. They are of white mull, and into the House to give the remedy de- made exactly like those worn by Epiqsired. It is at the end of the calendar, copal clergymen. and will not be reached in some time,

The profits of a saloon keepers' busiunless taken up out of its order. Meanness are bar-gains. time, Mr. Fillebrowne, chief clerk in

It is very easy to say, take things as the Comptroller's office, has gone over to Marion, to make an examination of An article you can always borrowthe tax collector's books, and to look Trouble; and never obliged to return it. into the matters complained of care

LIST OF NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. Meeting Columbia Chapter. H. & S. Beard-Auction. J. Agnew & Son-Potatoes. E. M. Nathan-Bargains. R. & W. C. Swaffield—'To Rent. D. C. Peixotto & Sons—Auction. Hope & Gyles-Biscuits.

ment, working directly against one of coffers in Columbia, no reform is possithe prime objects of a hospital for the insane.

The Superintendent gives us a melanquate provision made for the ordinary support of the institution. Last year it was the burden of his report, and we hoped the strong appeals then made would have sufficed to prevent its repetition. But the evil is deep. The institution is run entirely upon credit. There is never any money in hand to make purchases. "No one," says Dr. Encor, "can or ever will know the embarrassments to which I have been subjected since the beginning of my administration here. As the disbursing officer of the institution, I have not only not been able to pay its liabilities as they fell due, but, as an individual, I have not been able to pay my personal liabilities, from the fact that all my efforts, all my means, all my credit, and that of my friends, have been absorbed endore for another year the embarrassment, mortification and mental anxiety which I have endured for the past three skillful physician. years, on account of this institution." This affecting language is enough. We

ble. As long as two millions a year are sent there by the tax-payers to be di-

vided, the same parties will be on hand to take it. County and municipal taxes choly narrative of his embarrassments might be paid. The proper expenditure of these can be watched, and in a great measure controlled, and the continuance of the functions of local government is necessary to secure our comfort and the good order of the community. But the State Government is simply a nuisance. It would be a blessing if it ceased.

The Augusta Chronicle and Sentine!, of January 14, 1874, says:

A WONDERFUL CURE.-Yesterday morning, John G. Arthur, a young man who resides in Graniteville, South Carolina, come into our office, and requested us to look at his eyes. They were badly crossed, and had been so, according to his statement, for eighteen years, since a short time after his birth. Having heard of the wonderful cures performed by Dr. J. A. Jones, he had come to the city for the purpose of letting the latter operate upon him. the course of a couple of hours, Mr. Arthur returned, and stated that the defect in his vision had been entirely rethat of my friends, have been absorbed moved, and that his eyes were as in maintaining the institution. No straight as those of any one else. His amount of money would induce me to looks fully corroborated his assertion, and there was every evidence of a won-derful cure having been accomplished in an incredibly short space of time by the

need not follow Dr. Ensor in his further specific statements and instructive include 100 Germans, 75 Irishmen and figures. They demand from the Legis-the remainder Englishmen. The de-\$5,000, and his insurance \$1,000. lature the promptest attention. The mand for immigrants has not abated one

FIRE IN DARLINGTON,-Sunday morning, about 8 o'clock, the residence of Mr. S. Marco, in Darlington, took fire, And in's an hous's time was converted into ashes. The origin of the fire was purely accidental. The building was a two-story house, with six rooms. Mr. Marco was one of the merchants burnt out at the late fire, and he had some of MORE IMMIGRANTS.—Another band of 200 immigrants arrived in Charleston lost is not known, and cannot be accorfained in less than two or three days. Mr. Marco's goods were valued at

Asylum is without oredit and without jot, and there is no prospect that it will Wisdom Nelson, colored, was acci-do so. Other immigrants are expected dentally drowned in Goose Creek Mon-day.

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been produced by some vital artery passing through it, but to this the family strongly objected. It is clao re-Tho two have since had a table in com-Ancient Languages and Literature in The two have since had a table in common, supplied from Mrs. Foster's restaurant in the Tombs, and, over the whose legal expenses are to be paid by Stokes, will try to prove insanity from the time of his brother's murder; while Sharkey, who was supplied with funds for his defence by Simmons, has gone to parn some money for himself.

> tion of E. B. Stoddard, a rule was issued against Henry C. Grady, of Greenville, to compel him to show cause, in Charleston, on the 3d proximo, why he should not be declared a bank-rupt. The report of Registrar Clawson on the petition of J. N. Nesbitt and others, to establish a lien on the estate of Adam Ivy, bankrupt, was confirmed. The petition of Jas. Crockett, of Lan-caster, for final discharge in bankruptcy, was referred to Registrar Clawson for report.

> Capt. John Johnson, seventy-four years old, formerly a steamboat builder in Baltimore, lest his life on the 23d, at the Gibson House, Cincinnati, by putting his head into the elevator tower through a window, looking down, when the ele-vator, ascending, sheared his head off, leaving the trank on the floor.

GOOD NEWS FROM A FRIEND .- We had the pleasure, last evening, of receiving a letter from our old friend,

Ehrlich, Treasurer.

Urbana University, Ohio. We are gratified to learn that his position in it NERVOUS DEBILITY .- A DEPRESSED,

which a large circle of warm friends and acquaintances cordially unite. action of the state of the sector of the state of the state of the sector of the state of

PROF. DENCK'S CONCERT. - Mr. Joseph H. Denck's concert, last evening, was an enjoyable affair. The selections druggists, or sent by mail on receipt of and delightful sounds. He was well supported by Miss Feininger, Mr.

ence more than gratified.

champagne and cigars that Simmons has ordered, they have speculated upon their chances of acquittal. Scannel, and kindness, and is highly appreciated MEMORY, OFTEN WITH DEBILITATING, IN-as a gentleman and scholar in his new VOLUNTARY DISCHARGES.—The consehome. Urbana is a beautiful Northern town of about 5,000 inhabitants. The finds a sovereign cure in Humphress' University is represented to be in a HOMEPATHIC SPECIFIC, No. 28. It flourishing condition. We send the tones up the system, arrests discharges, UNITED STATES COURT .- On the peti- Professor affectionate greetings, in dispels the mental gloom and despond-

were such as to bring out Mr. Denok's price. Address HUMPHREYS' SPECIFIC original and happy skill, in eliciting 562 Broadway, N. Y. For sale by from his instrument the most varied GEIORR & McGREGOR, Columbia, S. C. Deo17 #11m

Zawadil and Mr. Ollever. It is a high satisfaction to have such distinguished talent amongst us, and we should be pleased to have the benefit of it more popular man, with this remark: "Enter frequently. We cannot particuls e aside by the court.' I want it to be where all was so well done; but the understood that it takes thirteen men to strains from the Nocturno, in Don Pas- steal a man's farm in this court."

A girl of the period thus comments quale, linger fondly in memory, bring. A gentleman, in search of a man to do on Mormonism: "How absurd! Four or ing out as they did the strength and some work, met on his way a lady not hve wives to one man, when the fact is, each woman in these times ought to have four or five husbands. It would take about that number to support one decently." years for one myself."