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IF HE DIDNT, HE 'MOST.

The celebrated mare "Sally" held by Major B. B. Evans, and claimed by Governor W. H. Ellerbe, has had her day in court and the jurors upon their oaths etc., said that the rightful ownership in "Sally" is vested in the Governor, or in case "Sally" is not forthcoming then the gallant Major must go down into his clothes and give up the sum of three hundred dollars.

As we said last week, the contention between these two gentlemen was entirely a private matter with which the public had nothing to do; nevertheless, the testimony in the suit was published in the daily newspapers, and of course the verdict is a court record which changes the matter from a private to a public affair. We read the testimony with considerable care and we failed to find therein any material conflict in the statements of the parties in interest. The Governor did not seem to remember very distinctly what took place between himself and Major Evans at the time of the alleged betting, but he was quite sure that he never made a bet in his life, unless it was a joke. The Governor was exceedingly careful on the stand and when asked if he would swear that he did not make a bet with Major Evans, he replied, "I would not, I may have said something about a bet, but if I did, it was in a joke." And he further said that he would not deny that he said: "I'll bet you a horse against \$500," but he denied entering into a formal bet. Major Evans was positive a bet was made and hands were shaken to make it binding. He stated the time, place and circumstances with a degree of positiveness which left no room for him to be mistaken. He also proved the length of time the horse was in his possession and that during all this time he claimed to be the owner.

The jury, however, were so impressed with the Governor's life-long opposition to betting that they rendered a verdict in his favor. A thorough sifting of the evidence does not warrant the conclusion reached by the jury unless they took the highly sentimental ground that to render the verdict for Major Evans would be in effect convicting the Governor of the State of gambling, and yet, we can see where they could have come to the conclusion that Major Evans was in earnest with his bet, and if the Governor did not bet, he 'most. We have not the slightest doubt that if a similar suit was between two private individuals, before the same jury, with the same testimony, the verdict would be different.

A JUST REBUKE.

Congressman J. W. Stokes, addressed a letter to Capt. D. J. Bradham, with the full knowledge of the relationship existing between Congressman John L. McLaurin and the captain. In that letter, by insinuation, he sought to injure our distinguished young representative in the estimation of his friend, Captain Bradham is not the man to aid any one in such conduct by keeping silent, so he fittingly replied to Mr. Stokes and gave both communications to the press and will be found on our first page. The reply is couched in choice language, at the same time it is very "gingery," and we hope it will have the effect of making Mr. Stokes crawl out from behind his hiding place and come out in broad open daylight whenever he wants to attack anybody. These bushwhacking tactics will be resented whenever and wherever discovered, and the man who resorts to such will not be allowed to go very far before he will be exposed and his career checked. The people, as much as they admire McLaurin, have no objection to any of his colleagues differing with

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him upon any public question, but they despise any sneaking attempts to injure him in their estimation. We are truly glad that Captain Bradham administered a rebuke to Mr. Stokes by giving his letter to the public, that they may form an idea of what extent jealous politicians go when they want to injure a colleague. McLaurin has had a good deal of this sort of thing to contend with and were it not for his exemplary conduct and his zealous and brilliant career, the politicians would have long ago destroyed him.

POLITICIANS WANT A HOBBY.

There is now among political thinkers considerable thought being given to the Dispensary problem. At present, and for some time past, there has been no friction in the execution of the law and the people generally are contented, but politicians must have a hobby to ride and they will take the Dispensary as the hobby. The institution has done a vast amount of good and if the politicians could be driven away from it more good can be accomplished. One set want the liquor system placed in the hands of private individuals with the present restrictions thrown around it, and for that privilege the individual obtaining the permit must pay a high license. Another set want each of the local authorities to make their own purchases direct and do away with the State institution. Then, there is another set wanting the old system of bars, and they will take the Dispensary as the hobby. In our humble judgment there is too much "monkeying" with the Dispensary now, and if the politicians do not let it alone, if the thing will become a stench in the nostrils of the people. If the administration of affairs is satisfactory, why this desire for a change? It certainly is not wanted by the people, for they are perfectly satisfied with its working. True, they may be desirous to see bigger financial results, but with what they get out of it as it is, they do not complain. If politicians want a tale of woe to tell the people, let them give good reasons why we have no better system of free schools, and why it is that our roads and bridges are no better; let them also give satisfactory reasons for the increased taxation and why it was that the last General Assembly spent so much valuable time at the expense of the people without giving the additional tax. The Dispensary here will not do to gnaw upon, unless there is corruption in the institution. If it can be proven that any of the board are in league with the whiskey dealers, it should be exposed and the guilty punished. If any members of the board are known to sleep with whiskey drummers when they visit Columbia, lift the curtain and let the people see the "sleeping beauty"; they might wake him up, to question him as to how much he is to get, or better still, search his pockets for evidence to convict. If any corruption, whether it be in members of the Board, Commissioner, Superintendent, shipping, clerk, or drayman is known, out with it, and the people will fire the corrupt.

Should there be any corruption shown, that ought not mean the destruction of the institution; South Carolina has plenty of honest men who would conduct the Dispensary as they would their own business, and if the present management does not accomplish the desired results, take out the weak timbers and put in strong ones, until it will stand without propping.

AN AFFIDAVIT.

This is to certify that on May 11th, I walked to Melich's drug store on a pair of crutches and bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm for inflammatory rheumatism which had crippled me up. After using three bottles I am completely cured. I can cheerfully recommend it.—Charles H. Wetzel, Sunbury, Pa. Sworn and subscribed to before me on August 10, 1897.—Walter Shipman, J. P. For sale at 50 cents per bottle by R. B. Loreya, the druggist.

The Evening "Record" made its debut to the public last Monday and the people of Columbia have every promise of an afternoon paper to deserve their patronage. Editor George R. Koester, formerly with the "Register," and who resigned that position to maintain his self respect, is the editor and manager of the "Record." His first issue shows the work of a master add now that Editor Koester is free and untrammelled we expect to see from the city of Columbia an afternoon newspaper which will be an important news and political factor in the State. We extend to the "Record" a hearty welcome and wish it a long and prosperous life.

Den Tillman is preparing a speech on the tariff, and when he delivers it, watch out for the fur that will be flying through the air. He will fill Washington's atmosphere with a sulphurous odor.

We join the brethren of the press in congratulating Editor W. W. Ball upon his recent marriage, and we wish for him and his, many joys to cheer their way through this vale of tears.

BEWARE OF OINTMENTS FOR CATARRH THAT CONTAIN MERCURY. A mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescription from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is too fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists, price 75c. per bottle.

Turk Meets Greek. We hope that the readers of THE TIMES have been keeping posted on the movements of the war between Greece and Turkey. Two weeks ago we gave an account of the cause of the war, stating that the sympathy which the patriotic Greeks had for the people on the island of Crete was the direct cause, and predicting that much blood would be spilled. We also stated that should the war reach any great proportions it would probably affect several of the other European countries. This may yet come true, considering the fact that there are so many relationships existing among the several nations, both by blood and marriage. King George himself, the king of Greece, is a son of King Christian, the king of Denmark, and was elected to the Grecian throne. We could see no direct way in which the war would affect the United States, unless it assumed very great proportions, in which case there would probably be large exportations of wheat, corn and pork, and these articles would advance in price. The price of cotton could hardly be seriously affected, unless the war became so general as to involve England, which government would also have to become so involved as to cause her to draw troops from her island possessions, thereby affecting her manufacturing interests. It is hardly probable that this will be the case, but the last week has been an historic one in Europe. It has been a week of constant fighting between the Turkish and Greek troops, and may prove the turning point towards the extermination of one or the other governments. For the first few days of fighting, the Greeks seemed to win victory after victory, and entered themselves with glory. But under the great odds that are against them, if the other nations of Europe do not interfere, there can be but one result, and that is, Greece will be almost completely annihilated by the fierce and multitudinous Turks.

Up to Sunday, the Greeks had their headquarters at a town called Larissa, and the Turks were stationed at another place known as Elassona. The Turks were only waiting to get sufficient reinforcements when they would be able to put in their bloody work. The latest news is that the Greeks have been completely routed and have abandoned Larissa. Edam Pasha, the Turkish commander-in-chief, who has been spoken of as a poor general, has vindicated himself and proved a true leader of his heroic followers. Great consternation exists in Athens, and the authorities are at a loss to know what to do. King George seems to be somewhat at his wits' end, and unless some action is taken by some friendly nation looking toward the prevention of further hostilities, we predict that the war will last only a short while longer. Edam Pasha, a "hero of Plevna," the Turkish commander-in-chief, has just been supplanted by Osman Pasha, and this fact, in connection with the abandoning of Larissa by the Greeks, increases the speculation and doubt as to what move will next be made on the war check-board. Our sympathies are with the Greeks. Our sympathy exists in Athens, and it is that the sympathies of almost the entire civilized world are also with them, and Turkey will not be given credit for any victories except such as are absolutely true.

Watch the result. Try Electric Bitters as a remedy for your troubles? If not, get a bottle now and get relief. This medicine has been found to be peculiarly adapted to the relief and cure of all female complaints, exerting a wonderful direct influence in giving strength and tone to the organs. If you have loss of appetite, constipation, headache, fainting spells, or are nervous, sleepless, excitable, melancholy or troubled with dizzy spells, Electric Bitters is the medicine you need. Health and strength are guaranteed by its use. Fifty cents and \$1.00 at R. B. Loreya's drug store.

Ex-President Cleveland delivered himself of a great big speech at a recent dinner in New York, which read very much like a missionary sermon pleading for light to be given to the heathens—the masses. Cleveland and those who like him are worshipping the golden calf, and endeavoring to play the "I am holier than thou" racket; those who do not agree with them are political heretics. Do be a Democrat, according to Cleveland, Carlisle and that set, you must fall down and let the golden juggernaut roll over you without a murmur.

We see it stated that Mr. John A. Moroso, one of the "News and Courier's" city reporters has accepted a position on the staff of the New York "Journal." This is exceedingly gratifying to his many friends among the country pencil pushers and we hope his new field of labor will bring him fame and fortune. Good luck to you, John!

The Coosaw Company has given notice to Governor Ellerbe of its intention to stop operations. The State has already reduced the royalty to twenty-five cents per ton, and if Coosaw is not willing to pay that sum we think the sooner they vamoose de ranche the better for the State.

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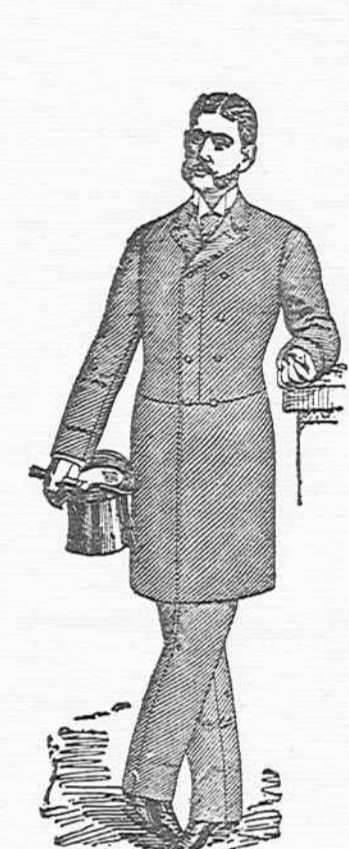
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Spring Dress Goods.

Ladies, you have only to come and see that our Dress Goods Department represents Bargains that cannot be found elsewhere. 40-inch All Wool Black Skirting, only 30c. per yard. All kinds of Spring Worsted, 36 inches wide at 20c., 25c. and 30c. per yard. Shirt Waist Silks, 20 inches wide, only 22 1-2c. per yard. A finer line of Shirt Waist Silks at 35c. and 50c. per yard. Scotch Lawns, 4 1-2c. per yard. Shirt Waist Percales, at 4c. and 4 1-2c. Yard Wide Percales, only \$ 1-3c. per yard. The prettiest line of White and Figured Organdies ever brought to this market, ranging in prices from 10c. to 35c. per yard. A large line of White Marseilles, for making Boys' Waists, only 10c. per yard; heretofore sold for 15c. and 20c. Ladies, you can only appreciate our line of Spring Dress Goods by calling and seeing them.

A Reality.

Heretofore the Millinery business has only been an experiment, but this Spring it is a reality. We feel safe in saying that we have the largest line of Ladies' Fine Millinery ever shown in this town. Our Miss Beckham the North, where she has just returned from spent several weeks and selecting Pattern ing your Spring Hats you need not have will get the latest We especially call and see our Pat- prices. We sell our er than other milli- because we have a Fine Dress Goods, General Merchandise uniformly small profit. In connection with carry a nice line of and we sell them at would have to pay for them in New York.

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