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Congress is doing much talk, and the question of ratifying the treaty.

The Gonzales-Elberie fuss has about died out, and judging from the various comments in the newspapers Editor Gonzales has come out of the affair with the glory of a man who has turned State's evidence. Even the papers that condemn Elberie are severe on Gonzales.

Mr. Featherstone has thrown away his religious principles to make a dicker with the liquor forces to defeat the dispensary. When he runs for governor again he should carry a Sunday school tract in one hand and a corkscrew in the other and prove to the masses how easy it would be for Prohibitionists and liquor dealers to divy the political spoils; and when he makes an appeal again to the women and preachers he should not fail to include the liquor men. Featherstone in his ambition to be governor, has simply stepped upon the Columbia State's banana peel, and slipped up. The Prohibitionists will have to look elsewhere for a leader, for they cannot pose as being sincere in their fight for a religious principle, and at the same time compromise with those who want to sell liquor under license, high or low. The two propositions are diametrically opposed to each other.

The News and Courier's explanation, in issue of the 21st ult., "A Procrustean bid for the Press," is certainly a very learned effort and makes its meaning as clear as very thick black mud. The bill sought to be struck by the News and Courier's headline artist is to regulate the charges for legal advertising. The present law is unsatisfactory to the newspapers and the party having the charge to pay. Last year, this same question came up before the legislature and the Senate without a hitch passed the bill asked for, but when it struck the house in the rush of the last days it struck a snag and went down. A member from Lexington who did not understand the merits of the bill offered some opposition on account of it being a measure from the State Press Association and be managed to get the bill killed and why, he does not know. The bill is up again; this time it comes from a lawyer from Orangeburg who has an extensive practice and who knows by experience that the law regulating legal advertising as it now exists is not only an injustice to the printer, but it fails to help officer, lawyer, or client and is calculated to confuse, and it also leaves room for advantages to be taken. Mr. Moss seeks to remedy this condition by going back to the printer's rule of measurement, fixing a standard type and requiring legal advertisements to be set solid; under the Moss bill no advantage can be taken and anybody can calculate the cost of an advertisement and it is fair to all concerned.

#### Washington Letter.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, Jan. 27, 1899.

A sensational speech against the Hull bill for the increase of the regular army, which will be voted upon next Tuesday, was made in the House by Representative Johnson, of Ind., a republican. He said of Mr. McKinley: "If William McKinley ever changes his policy regarding the Philippines he will bend to the weight of popular opinion, to which he bows, right or wrong." Indentically the same sentiment, in slightly different words, had been expressed the day before by Jerry Simpson. Being interrupted by applause from the democratic side, Mr. Johnson asked that he not be repeated until he had finished, when Representative Henderson of Iowa, sneeringly remarked: "You ought to be able to stand democratic applause." Quick as a flash Mr. Johnson retorted: "I am ready to stand the applause of broadminded, honest men everywhere, just as I am ready to stand the criticism of narrowminded republicans." Speaking of the treaty of peace, Mr. Johnson said: "If I were in the Senate, I would not in my seat before I would consent to that treaty."

The most carefully prepared speech against the Hull bill was made by Representative Hay, of Va., the ranking democratic member of the Military Committee, who said that the bill provided for too small an army to carry out an imperial policy and too large a one if we are not to have an imperial policy.

The absurdity of the charge that the anti-imperialists are holding up the treaty of peace became fully apparent in the debate on the treaty, this week. Senator Gorman told the supporters of the treaty that its opponents were ready to join them in disposing of the treaty at any time, and twitted them by doubting their earnestness about taking a vote on the treaty. Senator Vest spoke even plainer. He said: "We want it understood distinctly that we are not holding the treaty up at all. Name the day. We will agree to any date that will suit you. If you have the votes you can ratify the treaty; if not, it will be defeated; the question will be disposed of, and the Senate can proceed with other business." Under these taunts Senator Davis asked that the treaty be voted on February 6, and it was agreed to.

Senator Clay, of Georgia, who favors ratification of the treaty but opposes expansion, did some common sense talking this week in the Senate. For instance, he said of the failure of the administration to announce a policy toward the Philippines: "If it be wise and statesmanlike to outline our policy as to Cuba before the adoption of the peace treaty, what reason or logic can the friends of expansion give for silence as to the policy of our government in dealing with our other territorial acquisitions," and of retention of the Philippines: "In my judgment, the acquisition and retention of the Philippines means an army of 150,000. It means that the annual expenses of the army will increase from \$20,000,000 to \$200,000,000. And a large standing army means that the pension list will increase from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000 annually."

That there is something rotten about the War Department is every day becoming more apparent, in spite of the efforts made to keep down the truth. The War Investigating Commission seems especially determined to save the contractors who furnished the bad beef, both refrigerated and canned, to our soldiers, insisting that the beef was good, in the face of positive evidence to the contrary. Another proof of the rottenness of the War Department methods is furnished by the assertions made by Gen. Eagan's friends, that he is willing to accept a nominal punishment as a result of his court-martial for blackguarding Gen. Miles, and keep his mouth shut; but that if Mr. McKinley fails to set aside enough of the efforts made to keep down the truth. The War Investigating Commission seems especially determined to save the contractors who furnished the bad beef, both refrigerated and canned, to our soldiers, insisting that the beef was good, in the face of positive evidence to the contrary. Another proof of the rottenness of the War Department methods is furnished by the assertions made by Gen. Eagan's friends, that he is willing to accept a nominal punishment as a result of his court-martial for blackguarding Gen. Miles, and keep his mouth shut; but that if Mr. McKinley fails to set aside enough of the efforts made to keep down the truth.

Senator Lodge, in a speech in favor of the ratification of the treaty, did not go quite as far as Tim Campbell, who is said to have once remarked to Mr. Cleveland, "What's the Constitution between friends," but he must have felt about the same as Tim did when the Constitution stood in his way, when he said: "Constitutions do not make a people; people make constitutions." Like many other epigrams, that of Mr. Lodge is not strictly true. He does not read history aright who does not recognize the powerful party played by the Constitution in making the people of the United States what they are today.

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient a new and healthy nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer one hundred dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for testimonials.

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The owner of a side-door saloon has a system of double entry. The price of a desk is considered a popular loan by some men.

#### Dangers of the Grippe.

The greatest danger from La Grippe is its resulting in pneumonia. If reasonable care is taken, however, and Chamberlain's Cough Remedy taken, all danger will be avoided. Among the tens of thousands who have used this remedy for the grippe we have yet to learn of a single case resulting in pneumonia which was conclusively that this remedy is a certain preventive of that dangerous disease. It will cure the grippe in less time than any other treatment. It is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by R. B. Loryea, druggist.

#### Capital Correspondence.

The delegation have sent to the Governor the following recommendations for appointments:

Auditor, J. Elbert Davis; Treasurer, S. J. Bowman; Magistrate, E. C. Dickson; Manly, A. J. Richardson; St. Paul, A. P. Ragin; Pinebluff, J. E. Richardson; Foreston, J. P. Turbeville; New Zion, J. E. Richardson; Packville, County Commissioners, C. R. Felder, Summerton; W. J. Turbeville, Selma; and three from each township on the Board of Equalization.

Hon. Geo. R. Jones was compelled to return home on account of being sick, and Hon. L. M. Woods had an attack of grippe.

A bill introduced by Doctor Woods to exempt certain portions of the county from the operations of the stock law passed the House and is now in the Senate.

Wood's bill relative to the stock law in Clarendon County was called up by Mr. Richardson and ordered to its third reading.

The bill had gone through when members thought it best to hear from Mr. Woods, who is sick. The bill was then withdrawn and the bill ordered to its third reading. The bill with so many ups and downs provides:

"Section 1. That on and after the approval of this Act the operation of Chapter 27, Title X, Part 1, of the General Statutes, known as the general stock law and fencing stock, all that territory lying between the line of Sumter County and the line of Williamsburg County, provided, the said exempted territory be completely surrounded by a fence, with gates and cattle guards, as hereinafter provided.

Section 2. That all of the territory in Clarendon County covered by the Townships of Plowden's Mill, Harlow's Mill, New Zion, Douglas and Sandy Grove shall, from the 15th day of November to the 1st day of the following March, be annually exempted from the operation of the general stock law, as cited in the 1st section of this Act.

An amendment to the Hawkers and Peddlers law, requiring horse drovers to pay a county license, passed the Senate and is now over in the House.

Hon. H. B. Richardson has been kept busy with committee work and is regarded one of the working members of the House meeting it was decided to be for the best interest of the County to raise the county levy three-fourths of a mill; this will bring a sufficient sum to pay off all debts against the county and the running expenses for this year. The debts against the county are \$3,500, at 5 per cent. interest, and if he will use that money with good business judgment he will save to the county not less than 35 per cent. In the preparation of the supply bill, it was carefully worded and it stipulates how the borrowed money shall be expended. It is only to be used for roads and bridges, for dieting prisoners and paupers, and for paying oners and witnesses and bailiffs. All other demands upon the county will have to wait until the taxes are collected. Now if the Supervisor has a bridge to rebuild, the party doing the work will be paid the cash and the county will be compelled to pay for it. Therefore and therefore can afford to do the work cheaper; there need be no shav- ing of bridge claims this year. The food supplies to be purchased for the poor house and chargin' will be bought for cash and there is no good reason why a considerable save cannot be had from this source.

With the cutting off of the extra week of court in the fall our court expenses will be less this year than heretofore, and the county is in a prospect to shake off her debt and get where she ought to be.

Judge of Probate Windham's Commission was sent to him last Saturday and he is now in full charge of the office.

The County Court bill passed the Senate and although its author claimed it would save the tax payers more money, Clarendon's Senator could not see it in that light, as the bill required a salary of one thousand dollars for a period of five years. Clarendon's Senator will oppose the measure upon the ground, that it will fail of its purpose, besides it is unjust to other taxpayers, and if the bill goes to a second reading, he will amend the title of the act and bill, and an encouragement to tobacco planters, that they be also exempt. Our tobacco culture is still in its experimental stage, and we need something in this country to take the place of cotton. If the friends of the big syndicates can ask for tax exemptions we will not be too much to ask for exemptions for the encouragement of those who are nearer to us than the factory people are.

The redistricting bill is now in the Senate, but we believe we will be able to prevent its passage. It is a useless measure and in our judgment it was conceived to help an aspirant get to Congress where he could make \$5000 a year. There is no doubt on the part of the people for such a measure, certain it is that the people of this county do not want it; we are satisfied to remain where we are and where we have been for 10 these many years, and if a man can not get to Congress as the districts are now arranged let him stay at home.

There were many expressions of regret when the news of Mr. Moses Levi's death reached here.

Solicitor Wilson is missed at the engrossing department; he was forced to leave on account of court at Florence.

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Thomas Whitfield & Co., 240 Wabash avenue, corner Jackson street, one of Chicago's oldest and most prominent drug stores, have secured the exclusive right for La Grippe, as it not only gives a prompt and complete relief, but also counteracts any tendency of the grippe to result in pneumonia. For sale by R. B. Loryea, druggist.

A Trade Getter.  
We have lost trade by being out of Ramon's liver pills and tonic p-lets. We can seldom ever induce a customer to take any other as a substitute for when they have once tried Ramon's. —Justice & Fletcher, Crossville, Ala. Sold by Dr. W. M. Brockington, Manning, S. C.

Horrible agony is caused by piles, burns and skin diseases. These are immediately relieved and quickly cured by Dr. W. M. Brockington's B. B. Loryea, Manning; L. W. Nettles, Foreston; H. L. Wilson, Jordan.

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A sluggish Liver causes drowsiness, lethargy and a feeling of apathy. Dr. M. A. Simmons liver medicine arouses the liver, and gives you energy and vigor. Sold by Dr. W. M. Brockington.

There's nothing that bores a man who is in love more than a crowd.

Paul Perry of Columbus, Ga., snuff-pot, aged thirty years, and then cured his piles by using Dr. W. M. Brockington's B. B. Loryea, Manning; L. W. Nettles, Foreston; H. L. Wilson, Jordan.

It hurts a person less to be lied about than it does to lie about others.

During down sensations, internal heat and female weaknesses are cured by use of Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets. Sold by Dr. W. M. Brockington.

It isn't always the most promising man who pays his debts.

Don't wreck a life! From girlhood to womanhood the monthly courses should be regulated with Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets. Sold by Dr. W. M. Brockington.

Cupid can see the silver lining of the darkest cloud.

Mr. S. A. Fackler, editor of the Micanopy (Fla.) Hutter, with his wife and children, suffered terribly from the grippe. One Minute Cough Cure was the only remedy that helped them. It acted quickly. Thousands of others use this remedy as a specific for the grippe and its exhausting after effects. R. B. Loryea, Manning; L. W. Nettles, Foreston; H. L. Wilson, Jordan.

Some people have no time to think because they talk so much.

Dr. M. A. Simmons liver medicine by expelling from the body the excess of bile and acids, improves the assimilative process, purifies the blood, tones up and strengthens. Sold by Dr. W. M. Brockington.

The moral of a dog's tail is that it invariably points to the past.

Two or three weeks' course of Dr. M. A. Simmons liver medicine will so regulate the excretory functions that they will operate without any aid whatever. Sold by Dr. W. M. Brockington.

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La Grippe is again epidemic. Every precaution should be taken to avoid it. Its specific cure is One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Shepperd, publisher Agricultural Journal and Advertiser, Eldon, Mo., says: "No one will be disappointed in using One Minute Cough Cure in grippe. Tasteless and quick to act. R. B. Loryea, Manning; L. W. Nettles, Foreston; H. L. Wilson, Jordan."

Lots of married men who have no knowledge of music play second fiddle.

J. H. Lunsford and Son, Craft, Tex., say that Ramon's Pepsin Culi Tonic is certainly the best on the market. They have never known it to fail to cure, and their customers say it cures at once. Have just ordered more and must have it. Tasteless and guaranteed. 50c. For sale by Dr. W. M. Brockington, Manning, S. C.

It's hard to become a thief that there are any honest men in the world.

The life preserver which has carried many ladies safely over the dangerous sea "change of life" is Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets. Sold by Dr. W. M. Brockington.

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An Honest Medicine for La Grippe.

George W. Watt of South Gardner, Me., says: "I had the worst cough, cold, catarrh and grip and have taken lots of trash of no account but profit to the vendor. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the only thing that has done any good whatever. I have used one six-cent bottle and the cold, cold and grip have all left me. I congratulate the manufacturers of an honest medicine." For sale by R. B. Loryea, druggist.

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So much misery and so many deaths have been caused by the Grip, that every one should know what a wonderful remedy for this malady is found in Dr. King's New Discovery. That distressing, scorching cough, inflames your throat, robs you of sleep, weakens your system and makes the way for Consumption is quickly stopped by this matchless cure. If you have chills and a fever, pain in the back of the head, sore throat, swollen glands, aching joints and a full, hot grip, you need Dr. King's New Discovery to cure your Grip, and prevent Panacea or Consumption. Price 50c and \$1.00. Money back if not cured. A trial bottle free at R. B. Loryea's drug store.

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Jan. 30, 8 a. m.—Height of Wateree river, 8.5 feet, being a rise of 1.5 feet during past 24 hours.

Columbia, Jan. 27, 8 a. m.—Height of Congaree river, 1.5 feet, being a fall of 1-10 of a foot during past 24 hours.

Jan. 30, 8 a. m.—Height of Congaree river, 2.4 feet, being a rise of 1.3 feet during past 24 hours.

St. Stephen's, Jan. 27, 8 a. m.—Height of Santee river, 8.9 feet, being a fall of 2-10 of a foot during past 24 hours.

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