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The war is not over yet, according to the associated press dispatches. The Insurgent forces near Manila opened fire upon the Americans last Saturday night and killed twenty of our soldiers and wounded about one hundred and twenty-five. It must have been a very serious conflict, as the naval forces under Dewey were brought in to aid the troops. The firing began at night and was renewed at dawn with favorable results for the American arms. The Filipinos do not intend to permit the United States to take charge of their country without resistance, and while it is believed that they will have to submit eventually, we fear they will be able to make the project cost us much blood and treasure.

The Legislature has done the proper thing in repealing the Metropolitan police act. The law was enacted for a political measure to aid in the enforcement of the Dispensary law; and in our judgment it failed in its purpose, and further, it drove from support an element needed. When the Metropolitan force was removed the prejudice had become so deep-seated that it will take a considerable amount of healing salve to heal the wounds inflicted by the Metropolitan police measure. Charleston for years, has kept a wall of prejudice around her and voluntarily excluded herself from the rest of the State; at last she has seen the foolishness of such conduct and she proposes to again become a part of the State, and when it was proposed to take from the Statute books a law that was abnoxious to her there was only one dissenting voice in the State Senate, and the voices of men who had advocated the placing of the law upon Charleston were heard advocating the wiping it off the Statute books. It is gone now and we hope there will never be a necessity for such a law to be placed back.

Capital Correspondence.

Another week of legislation gone without a single thing done which affects the general good as far as I can see, and although the general assembly has had more than enough sessions and a great mass of work done it principally consisted of matters of local import or benefiting railroads, or other corporations. The legal fraternity did a great deal of patching on the General Statutes, and I. M. Woods was forced to return home on account of illness, and Hon. G. R. Jones has been at home confined by sickness ever since the second week of the session.

Doctor Woods' bill to exempt certain portions of the country from the operations of the stock law passed the house, and on reaching the Senate it was referred to the Agricultural Committee; there it struck a statutory snag and was reported unfavorably on the ground that the Statute prohibited the General Assembly from enacting such a law until a majority of the free-holders living in the community asked for exemption have petitioned for it. The act is as follows:

It be enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, now met and sitting in General Assembly, and by authority of the same, That no bill purporting to amend or alter the law relating to the fencing of stock in any portion of the State shall be considered unless the same be accompanied by a petition for such amendment or alteration signed by a majority of the freeholders of the township to be affected by such amendment. Approved December, 23rd, 1898.

There not having been a petition of the freeholders, the Senate was compelled to kill the bill. A bill presented from the Charleston delegation fixing a schedule of tobacco warehouse charges created lively discussion, and it finally passed the house with several counties exempted from its operations, among them was Clarendon, at the request of Hon. H. B. Richardson, who stated that he was not familiar with the tobacco interests and was ignorant of the effect such a law would have upon the tobacco interests of this county, and he had not been advised by any of his constituents or approached on the matter, he would err on the safe side and have Clarendon exempted from the provisions of the act, until he could confer with those familiar with the subject. Since then he has received advice from some of those engaged in the cultivation of the weed, and informed the Senator of his advice, so when the bill comes up for consideration in the Senate, Clarendon will have the exemption removed and will be among the counties of Darlington and Florence where the law applies. The act is as follows:

Section 1. That the charges and expenses of handling and selling leaf tobacco upon the floor of tobacco warehouses in this State shall not exceed the following schedule of prices, to wit: For auction fees, fifteen (15) cents on all piles of one hundred pounds or less, and twenty-five (25) cents on all piles of over one hundred pounds and less than two hundred and fifty pounds; fifty (50)

cents per pile for piles of two hundred and fifty pounds or over. For weighing and handling, ten (10) cents per pile for all piles of less than one hundred pounds; for all piles of over one hundred pounds at the rate of ten (10) cents per hundred pounds for commission on the gross sales of leaf tobacco in said warehouses not to exceed two and one-half per centum.

Sec. 2. That the proprietor of each and every warehouse shall render to each seller of tobacco, at the warehouse, a bill plainly stating the amount charged for weighing and handling, the amounts charged for auction fees, and the commission charged on such sale, and it shall be unlawful for any other charges or fees to be made or levied upon the tobacco made or accepted; Provided, That the provisions of this act shall not apply to the counties of Marion, Horry, Sumter, Clarendon, Pickens and Chesterfield.

Sec. 3. That for each and every violation of the provisions of this act a penalty of ten dollars shall be enforced, and the same may be recovered by any person so offended. Sec. 4. That this act shall go into effect immediately upon its approval. Clarendon's Senator voted to repeal the Metropolitan police act for the reason as he stated upon the floor, that the law was obnoxious to the people of that city, and the necessity for it does not any longer exist.

The bill to exempt factories from taxation for a term of five years was killed in the Senate and Clarendon's representative was among those who helped to kill it. He did not believe it was right to exempt a class of people from sharing the burdens of taxation when a still larger and poorer class were forced to pay taxes. He put himself in the position, if the bill was going to pass to add an amendment to make the act apply to those engaged in the cultivation of tobacco, but as the vote on the second reading showed clearly it would be killed, the opportunity for his amendment did not arise.

Governor Ellerbe has been extremely ill and he was now glad to say that he is much better and hope he will soon be at his post again. The prospect for a short session grows less every day, and it is still hard to say when the end will come. All of the legislators are anxious to get up and go home, but the flood of bills has been almost unprecedented.

It has often been said that the present general assembly is the strongest body of men that has assembled in Columbia for many years, but we cannot agree with those making the assertion, because when we look around us and see who are filling the seats of men like Simpson, Shivers, Garry, Buchanan, Pope, Jones, Finley, Wilson, McLaurin and others we have come to the conclusion that other assemblies have been composed of stronger material. There is one thing to be said in favor of the present assembly, and that is the total obliteration of factional feeling; every man acts and thinks for himself, and all with a desire to work for the best interests of the State.

The great battles are yet to come; in the house the privilege fight is over, and it will come over into the Senate for final action. The opponents of Clarendon have made a desperate fight to cripple the institution by forcing appropriations of money from the treasury; but the Senate will reject the measure for the next future to decide. The red-baiting bill comes up this week and we believe it will disappoint those who are desiring to carve out Congressional berths.

The proposition to force upon the people two additional circuit judges has met its deserved doom, and the aspirants for judicial honors will have to wait until the completion of the Assembly's session. As we stated in a previous issue, our county supervisor has the money in his hands to pay cash for bridge work and dieting prisoners; this money is not, nor should it be used for the paying of salaries; and we feel sure if the money is used as the delegation intended it, and if it is supplied bill, there will be considerable saving to the people.

On account of sickness the Senate took a recess Saturday until Tuesday night and the House until Monday night; Clarendon's Senator objected to the recess until Tuesday night, but the majority contented that the Senate calendar was cleared, and as many of the Senators lived in the township they could not spend Saturday at home and return before Tuesday night.

Washington Letter. (From our Regular Correspondent.) Washington, Feb. 3.—Gen. Miles has stirred up the editorial machinery of the commission by again charging that embalmed beef was issued to our soldiers. Secretary Alger would like to have Miles court-martialed, but he is afraid to do so, because he knows that would give Miles an opportunity to prove his charge, and that is just what Miles wants. The positive assertion of Miles that he has abundant proof that the beef was embalmed has greatly disturbed the war investigation commission, which had about completed its report declaring that no embalmed beef was furnished the army. It is now a little bit afraid to make its report so strong in favor of the beef contractors that it is afraid to say "over by a jugful."

It is now believed that a sufficient number of Senators who were inclined to vote against the treaty will content themselves with the adoption of the resolution declaring that the treaty does not comply with the wishes of the Philippines to result in the ratification of the treaty, Monday.

Nobody has any cause to be surprised when the House is passing the increase of the regular army to 100,000 men was passed by the House by a vote of 168 to 125. Four democrats and one populist voted for the bill and six republicans voted against it. The humbuggery of the amendment giving the President authority, in his discretion, to reduce the army to 50,000 men was fully exposed by the democrats before the bill was jammed through under orders from the White House. It is Mr. McKinley who is responsible for a standing army of 100,000; consequently nobody will expect him to voluntarily make the number smaller. Just before the bill was passed a shrewd move was made to add to its strength in the Senate, by the adoption of an amendment for the abolishment of the army "antennae." For several years the temperance and reform organizations of the country have been asking Congress to do away with the "antennae," but their requests have been ignored until now, when their influence is needed to get the Senate to agree to a standing army of 100,000 men. The republican leaders are about as slick as they make them, when it comes to manipulating legislation. The bill for the perpetuation of the gold standard, the retirement of the greenbacks, and other purposes, has been favorably reported to the House from the Coinage Committee, under pressure from the gold standard men who have been urging financial legislation, but, easy as it ought to be for the republicans to put the bill through the House, it is very doubtful whether they do it.

Representative Handy, of Del., has filed the minority committee report against the Hanna Payne shipping bill, and it is a stinger. Words are not minced, but the bounties provided for by the bill are named for just what they are, personal grabs upon the people's money. Of the report says: "By careful and conservative estimate we find that the government will be obligated by

the contracts likely to be entered into during the first twelve months under this bill to pay bounties amounting to more than \$163,000,000." Its concluding words are: "This bill is the offspring of mere bounties. Representatives of both political parties are equally responsible for it. It is not necessary for the rehabilitation of our merchant marine to give hundreds of millions of the people's money. The bill is wholly unjustifiable."

When the Ambassador of a foreign country allows himself to be interviewed for publication, it is generally to help the government of the country to represent to carry out some plan. Consequently there is much curiosity in Washington since the German Ambassador declared in a published interview that Germany would not interfere with the plans of the U. S. in the Philippines, because the U. S. did not interfere with Germany's plans in China, as to what Germany's game is. Some think that the interview was intended to notify us that American non-intervention in German plans in China is a condition precedent to German non-intervention in American plans in the Philippines.

The Sampson clique are not as chippy as they were. They realize that their pull is getting weak in spots. First, the Senate refused to give official recognition to the next Secretary Long declined to assume the responsibility of deciding Sampson and the crew of the New York to be entitled to prize money for participation in the destruction of Cervera's fleet, and ordered that the claim be referred to the Court of Claims. All of which is nuts for the friends of Schley.

The House passed the River and Harbor bill this week. It appropriates a little more than \$30,000,000.

One of the first results of the passage of the bill to provide for a standing army 100,000 men is the announcement that the Military Appropriation bill, which will be reported to the House next week, will carry \$90,000,000. Imperialism comes high.

News From Pine Grove.

Editor THE TIMES: There has been considerable sickness in the community, and the measles, fever and pneumonia are still keeping the doctors busy. However, we are glad to say the measles have nearly run their course, and they scared us more than they hurt us anyway. Not so long ago one of the neighbors was heard to say that measles were not fit for a dog to have, and I suppose any of us can testify that we do not wish to be fit to have them, but for some reason or other they will fasten themselves to some of us; I suppose that is what we get by being so attractive, as the old lady said, after the lightning had struck her. Since the snow and sleet have come and gone, it is hoped we can shake off our diseases.

Washington's birthday will be celebrated at Pine Grove School again this year; this seems to be an established custom with the school and the people always expect an entertainment on that day. The program indicates that the coming entertainment bids fair to be up to the average, and will probably excel anything of its kind that has ever been held at Pine Grove. Something new will be introduced this year, and that is a debate by four of the young men upon a query suitable to the day and occasion: "Resolved, that Americans owe more to Washington than to any other man." We are expecting Dr. Jno. A. Rice, President of Columbia Female college, to be with us on that day to give an address along the educational line, but we are not yet certain that he will be there.

Notwithstanding sickness, the school is holding up fairly well, and pupils and teachers seem to be enjoying their work. The session is now half completed, and the next half will pass quietly and, we hope, profitably to all parties concerned. Parents of Pine Grove, let us urge you to see that your children are at school every day that they can possibly be there; for you do not know what a hole even one day's absence makes in the year's work, and when it comes that the child is absent about one-third of the time, it takes fully two years to accomplish what could be done in one. I know what I am talking about; I have been along there. So, by all means, see that your children attend school regularly.

Preaching is still conducted in the school house, but we understand that a movement is on foot that will, in all probability, enable the trustees to raise the necessary sum of money to pay all church indebtedness, and then the church will be opened up for regular service Sunday after Sunday. It is not yet known when the dedicatory service will be held, but we are expecting a large congregation at Pine Grove on that day.

The paragon, begun about a year ago, is to be completed in the near future, and will add much to our community. But whether it is to be used as a paragon right away or be rented for a time is not yet fully decided. We know the pastor hopes for the former.

February is here, and St. Valentine's day is close upon us. The half shy, half youths and the coy maidens are, perhaps, already torturing their brains to turn out a few rhymes to show that other party that: "If you love me like I love you, No knife can cut our love in two."

Or, "My love to you shall ever flow Like 'lasses down a 'water' road."

Or, "As sure as grass grows round the stump, I'll marry you if you love me."

Or again, "Grape vine warp and pine knot firm, I'll marry you if man and devil's firm."

Oh yes, ye sedate and well-settled, all these things must come in a life time; just think how you used to enjoy them! And they are, indeed, "things of beauty and nightmares forever." There has been or will be a time in the life of every one of us; when "young lovesick, Pickwick" exactly suits the case, and the sooner we shed these things the better for us.

Pine Grove, Feb. 1, 1899.

School Discipline.

Editor THE TIMES: Being a teacher by profession, your scribble wishes to address a few lines to the teachers of Clarendon County, hoping that they may be benefited by the words of another teacher saying the report says: "By careful and conservative estimate we find that the government will be obligated by

subject is: School Discipline. What a solemn, tender and arduous task is imposed upon the teacher into whose hands is committed the training of the human character, and human soul, which is more imperishable than stony marble, and no doubt other teachers will agree with me, that some of the best lessons we ever learn, we learn from our failures and mistakes, and that the error of the past is the wisdom and success of the future; so failures are necessary to success, and if rightly treated may be transformed into positive benefit. The government of a school is similar to that of a well regulated family; everything is agreeable and harmonious. Hence it is the power that regulates the rights, duties and privileges of students in their relation to each other, and to the school itself. Therefore, in order to succeed, employ the best method of discipline. No one teacher can lay down rules which are applicable to all places, cases and circumstances. Yet we can exercise our judgment, form such habits and taste in childhood as to make the best of citizens in later life, what is the success which we desire. Is it not to send forth children equipped mentally and morally for the life struggle, the growing into perfect harmony and adjustment with the wise laws of the universe? I believe in no-old methods, but in positive, frank, and candid remembering that only a small percentage of human characters are original, but established by custom and fashion therefore, make no restraint upon by reason and benevolence which will always appeal to even the rudest, and be consistent with the higher obligations of religion and virtue. Obey the dictates and compunctions of a Christian conscience, your candor will win confidence and success will await you.

BLONDELLE.

Packsville, Feb. 5, 1899.

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100 barrels Half Patent Flour, at.....42 cents per barrel
100 barrels Family Flour, at.....35.00 per barrel

3 lb cans Standard Red Ripe Tomatoes, per dozen.....90c
2 lb cans Standard Red Ripe Tomatoes, per dozen.....70c
2 lb cans Early June Peas, per dozen.....90c
2 lb cans Extra sitted Peas, per dozen.....\$1.60
3 lb cans Bartlett Peas, per can.....10c
Good Sugar Corn, 2 lb cans, per dozen.....90c
Best Sugar Corn, Maine packed, doz. 1.15
Good Salmon, per doz.....90c
Best Columbia River Salmon, per doz. 1.60
American Sardines, 100 cans at.....2.50

Soap.

100 cakes in box, per box \$1.50, 2.50, 3.50
40 lb boxes best Star at.....1.40
Good Luck Baking Powder, per case. 3.75

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Slaves of Water.

Camden, Feb. 3, 8 a. m.—Height of Wateree river, 8.5 feet, being a fall of 3.2 feet during past 24 hours.

Feb. 7, 8 a. m.—Height of Wateree river, 28.8 feet, being a rise of 3.10 of a foot during past 24 hours.

Columbia, Feb. 3, 8 a. m.—Height of Congaree river, 1.9 feet, being a fall of 3.10 of a foot during past 24 hours.

Feb. 7, 8 a. m.—Height of Congaree river, 17 feet, being a rise of 7.5 feet during past 24 hours.

St. Stephen's, Feb. 3, 8 a. m.—Height of Santee river, 8 feet, being a fall of 1.10 of a foot during past 24 hours.

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