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A REPORTER'S FRESHNESS MAKES MATERIAL FOR OUR ENEMIES.

A reporter for the News and Courier last Friday endeavored to create a flutter in political circles by making an impression which had no foundation whatever. We had business in Charleston, and it so happened that Senator McLaurin had business there also, neither expected to meet the other, but there being a vacancy in the office of Collector of Customs, this enterprising reporter takes advantage of the incident of McLaurin and ourself being in the city at the same time, to misrepresent the Senator by intimating that he was there to confer with District Attorney Capers to give us this position.

There are some who say they would not accept an office from a Republican president, but we should hate to take any risks with such people; in our opinion they will take anything they can get, and the very first job in sight. But in the present case, while we have not been offered the Collectorship, nor have we any reason to believe there is any likelihood of it being offered to us, we would not accept it because there is not enough money in it; but the report in the News and Courier, which endeavored to make it appear that we were about to step into that office, gave some slanderous-tongued a sweet morsel of I-told-you-so to roll, and go about intimating that we had gone into the Republican camp, a quietus was put on them however, when the next day our reply appeared.

The leaders, in a county which, in a primary election, polls more votes than it has legal white voters, if they are not parties to the crime, will use every honest effort in their power to put a stop to such tactics. We have no idea that there is a man in Clarendon county at all familiar with the number of white voters who believes there was over 1450 legal votes cast in the last primary, notwithstanding the fact, there were nearly 1800 votes reported. We are morally sure there was fraud committed, and we believe before an impartial tribunal if the game was worth the candle, we can prove it.

There are some isolated cases which are easily proven: we have in mind the name of a voter on the poll list, who died last February, he did not vote in the first primary, but rolled out of his grave in time for the second, we also have information of names on poll lists of parties who did not go to the polls, and we have information of men who voted more than once. With this miserable condition existing in the party, it becomes more urgent for honest men to stand by it, and work to drive the rottenness.

A building and loan association is needed here and should be organized right away, and with it a land improvement company. Other towns have been built up by these institutions, why not this of ours?

SETTLED FOR AWHILE.

The coal strike is at an end, and the country will have relief from the anxiety it has felt for the past five months. To President Roosevelt is largely due the credit of bringing about a cessation of hostilities between the contending forces—Labor and Capital. How long the trouble will stay settled we have no idea, but we do not believe it is permanent. We believe there must be something done by the State and National governments for the protection of both Capital and Labor, before anything like a permanent adjustment can be had.

In our opinion, every State in the Union should create some good strong legislation on the questions of labor and capital, and we know of no State where it is more needed than in South Carolina. This State is largely a manufacturing State, becoming more so every year. Every community that can do so, establishes some kind of manufacturing enterprise, and as these institutions grow, there comes amongst us an element which is restless, and discontented. Then follows an element of agitators, who take advantage of the restlessness condition, and they organize unions which they control and manage to their own advantage; whenever it suits these agitators they levy a demand for increase of pay or shorter hours of labor, and in many instances both. This demand is a species of blackmail, for accompanying the demand is a threat to strike. If the factory owners refuse to accede, the employees at a given signal walk out and the business stops dead still; this is usually done when large orders are in, and labor is needed most. The working people out of their daily earnings must pay into these unions a certain portion, this money is to pay benefits, aid them when they go out on a strike and pay salaries to the officers—floor delegates they are called. In the Southern mills there have not been many strikes, but the indications are they are coming; we have had a few, but they are getting more frequent, and it behooves this State to profit by the recent trouble in Pennsylvania.

Deafness Cannot be Cured
By local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflammation of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition hearing will be forever lost. Cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that can not be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars free. J. C. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

President Roosevelt deserves a very large slice of the credit for getting the coal strike settled, if only temporary. John Mitchell had the President's sympathy from the start, and President Baer with his insolent flaunting of power, should go away back and sit down.

Look Out For Fever.
Biliousness and liver disorders at this season may be prevented by cleansing the system with DeWitt's Little Early Risers. These famous little pills do not gripe. They move the bowels gently, but copiously, and by reason of the tonic properties, give tone and strength to the glands. The R. B. Loryea Drug Store.

Col. Willie Jones of Columbia has been made a brigadier General by order of the Governor, and a deserved promotion it is. Col. Jones has taken more interest in the militia than any other man in the State and we know of no man who is more popular with military men. We salute General Jones.

SHYLOCK

Shylock was the man who wanted a pound of human flesh. There are many Shylocks now, the convalescent, the consumptive, the sickly child, the pale young woman, all want human flesh and they can get it—take Scott's Emulsion.

Scott's Emulsion is flesh and blood, bone and muscle. It feeds the nerves, strengthens the digestive organs and they feed the whole body.

For nearly thirty years Scott's Emulsion has been the great giver of human flesh.

We will send you a couple of ounces free. SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, 409-415 Pearl Street, New York, N. Y. 5c. and 10c. all druggists.

Governor McSweeney will retire from the office of governor with fewer mistakes charged to him than any of his predecessors since 1880. There has been nothing of the sensational about his administration. It started off on business principles and stayed square on the track. We hope his successor will follow in his foot-steps.

Forty Years' Torture.

To be relieved from a torturing disease after 40 years' torture might well cause the gratitude of anyone. That is what DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve did for C. Hanev, Geneva, O. He says: "DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured me of piles after I had suffered 40 years." Cures cuts, burns, wounds, skin diseases. Beware of counterfeits. The R. B. Loryea Drug Store.

Let us caution our farmer friends to remember how much more they have to pay when they buy on credit than when they buy for cash. Don't waste the good results of this year's toil by spending your money recklessly, remember the fearful results of last year, and the thick skin bacon you were forced to buy this summer on a credit. Hold your money to pay for your fertilizers and living supplies, and next fall you will know how it feels to be an independent man.

His Life in Peril.

"I just seemed to have gone all to pieces," writes Alfred Bee of Welfare, Tex. "Biliousness and a lame back had made life a burden. I couldn't eat or sleep and felt almost too worn out to work when I began to use Electric Bitters, but they worked wonders. Now I sleep like a top, eat anything, have gained in strength and enjoy hard work." They give vigorous health and new life to weak, sickly, run-down people. Try them. Only 50c at The R. B. Loryea Drug Store.

The way the newspapers of the country are roasting David Bennett Hill about the platform of the New York convention is a caution. Hill characterized government ownership of railroads and telegraph lines as communism, and in the recent Democratic convention in his own State he advocates government ownership of coal mines. At one time we held David Bennett Hill in high admiration, we believed him to be one of the nation's greatest statesmen, but his recent antics to touch a popular chord has lowered our estimate of the man, and now we regard him a cheap politician and of the shoddy variety at that. The plank in the New York Democrat platform calling for government ownership of mines insures defeat before the campaign begins.

Natural Anxiety.

Mothers regard approaching winter with uneasiness, children take cold so easily. No disease costs more little lives than croup. It's attack is so sudden that the sufferer is often beyond human aid before the doctor arrives. Such cases yield rapidly to One Minute Cough Cure. Liquefies the mucus, allays inflammation, removes danger. Absolutely safe. Acts immediately. Cures coughs, colds, grip, bronchitis, all throat and lung trouble. F. S. McMahon, Hampton, Ga. "A bad cold rendered me voiceless just before an oratorical contest. I intended to withdraw, but took One Minute Cough Cure. It restored my voice in time to win the medal." The R. B. Loryea Drug Store.

Elsewhere in this issue are letters to and from Dr. P. M. Salley of Pinewood and Col. D. W. Brailsford of Panola. Dr. Salley has also written to us on this subject for an expression of opinion. We cannot see why the proposed trolley system should be a failure. The section through which it is to traverse cannot be excelled anywhere in the State for fertility; it is populous and healthy, there-by holding out inducements for an increase of population, with its accompaniment of new ideas, thrift and wealth. This project of interior transportation is no chimerical dream of these gentlemen, but the scheme is as practical as is the steam rail road system. In Europe much of the interior or rural transportation, both for freight and passengers is done by electricity, so also is it at the North, in the States of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and other States, but, says the pessimist, those sections are more thickly settled than ours: why is it so? Because every convenience that

modern civilization devises is taken advantage of by the enterprising people, and the result is, all sorts of labor giving enterprizes with a constant stream of laborers seek these places. Just so would it be with us, were we to come together and build up our waste places. The scheme proposed by Dr. Salley and so well endorsed by Col. Brailsford meets with our hearty approval, and we hope these gentlemen will create such an interest in their respective sections that the business element of Manning will come to it, if from no other motive than that of self-defense. People are going to trade where they can reach the easiest, cheapest, and quickest market, and if we at the county seat go to sleep and permit the Salley's and the Brailsford's to build a trolley up and down the back-bone of the county, without touching the county seat, it will result in trade-sapping towns going up all through the country and the gradual drying up of the county seat town.

Yes, we endorse the scheme and volunteer to give these gentlemen any aid we may possess. The scheme is practicable, all that it needs to demonstrate it, is for a general taking hold by the people, and at least one half of the capital stock ought to be raised in Manning.

The Worst Form.

Multitudes are singing the praises of Kodol, the new discovery which is making so many sick people well and weak people strong by digesting what they eat, by cleansing and sweetening the stomach and by transforming their food into the kind of pure, rich, red blood that makes you feel good all over. Mrs. Cranfill of Troy, I. T., writes: For a number of years I was troubled with indigestion and dyspepsia which grew into the worst form. Finally I was induced to use Kodol and after using four bottles I am entirely cured. I heartily recommend Kodol to all sufferers from indigestion and dyspepsia. Take a dose after meals. It digests what you eat. The R. B. Loryea Drug Store.

A Tribute.

More or less grief is allotted to us all, and clouds of misfortune will often darken life's path. The home of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Aycock, of Davis Station, has recently been saddened by the hands of sorrow, and from their lips we have taken their little twin girls, aged about three months, the deaths occurring only two days apart. The following poem is offered for what it may be worth:

Gone? yes, they've gone ne'er to return: Oh! how the heart must bow in pain To know that their dear mortal forms Will nevermore be seen again.

Those smiling faces, once so bright And bringing to a mother cheer, Which filled an aged father's life With hopes so fond and joys most dear.

While starting on life's rugged sea, To pass the perilous rocks before, A sudden storm is on, A sunken ship—the voyage o'er.

O, cruel Death, why didst thou thus Upon the victims lay thy hands And hurl them out to yonder shore, Rendering affection's fondest bands?

Why didst thou, at this early hour, Before life's race had well begun, And when the morn had been blessed With but a few rays from thy sun.

Intrude thyself and take away The ornaments, so pure, so true, That filled a home with rays of joy, Which nothing evermore can do?

Peace! peace! we shall not murmur so: 'Tis but the workings of the hand Of Him whose deeds are ever right, And whose justice we all must stand.

Those loving ones, too pure to live Upon this world of sin so great, Heeded the angels beckonings And entered through the Pearly Gate.

A ransomed throng they now have joined, And free from cares and toils and fears, Celestial bliss they will enjoy, And ecstasies unknown to tears.

While from that calm serene No voice to earth can ever come, We know that they will greet us there When we, in turn, are gathered home.

—R. L. JONES.

Stricken With Paralysis.

Henderson Grimet of this place was stricken with partial paralysis and completely lost the use of one arm and side. After being treated by an eminent physician for quite a while without relief, my wife recommended Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and after using two bottles of it he is almost entirely cured.—Geo. R. McDonald, Man, Dogan county, W. Va. Several other very remarkable cures of paralysis have been effected by the use of this liniment. It is most widely known, however, as a cure for rheumatism, sprains and bruises. Sold by The R. B. Loryea Drug Store, Isaac M. Loryea, Prop.



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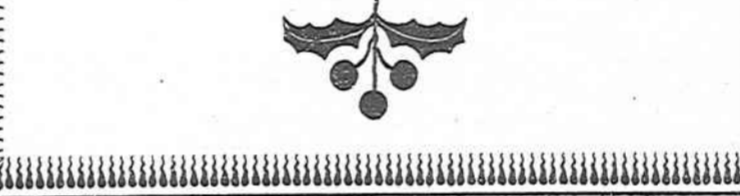
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The Sumter Dry Goods Co., Sumter, S. C.

FARMERS, ORGANIZE.

Concentrate Your Means, Resist Combinations Against You....

There is no use closing our eyes to the tendency of the age, capital is organized to concentrate its forces, and unless the farmers organize to resist, the hope of the country is shaken. In this agricultural country of ours the merchant must be blind indeed who does not see that if the farmer goes down the merchant, as a natural consequence, must go with him, therefore as business men, we the

LEVI BROTHERS

want it distinctly understood that we propose to sink or swim with the farmers, and in the purchase of our winter stock we have bought so that competition is a secondary consideration. We have contracts with mills so that we are enabled to pay more for cotton than any house in Sumter, and when the farmers of Clarendon come to Sumter it will be only necessary for them to leave their samples with us. We are next to the Court House in the old "Jake Solomons" building and it is

Headquarters for Farmers.

We carry everything and every department in our store is in charge of the very best salesmen, whose business it is to sell goods with an eye to induce customers to return. We are headquarters for

- Dry Goods, Dress Goods, Notions, Trimmings, Fancy Goods, Novelties, Shoes, Hats, Crockery, Glassware, Groceries,

and everything for the plantation or household. We are making big drives in the several branches of our store and all that we ask is for the people to come and see for themselves. We are in position to pay more for cotton than anybody on the market and we propose to give the farmers the benefit. Bring your cotton to us, and we will sell you the goods.

Levi Bros., SUMTER, S. C.

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