

A LIVE DEBATE.

Senator Tillman and Col. Towill Have a Hot Time.

CHARGES ARE FALSE

Says Towill, and He Demands a Full Investigation of His Acts by the Legislative Committee. Senator

Tillman Says the Brice Bill is Unfair.

According to the reports in the daily papers the most exciting political meeting held in South Carolina for the past twelve or fourteen years was held at Batesburg on last Saturday.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. W. H. Timmerman, who introduced as the first speaker, Hon. C. H. Efrid, of Lexington.

Mr. Efrid made a good speech in favor of the dispensary. Dr. Timmerman then presented Senator Tillman, who was received with applause.

"I made up my mind before speaking at Marion that these speeches are useless," said the senator, "but I will not regret my remarks."

He said he was not here today on the invitation of the mayor and for other citizens to discuss the liquor question.

The invitation also stated that Mr. Efrid had been invited. He stated that the invitation contained some name which was understood; it was that of John Bell Towill, whom all present knew.

"I never saw any man named Towill, whom all present knew. I seemed to him then, so I said that this was a challenge to come to his home and say what he had said elsewhere."

"It appeared also that the invitation addressed to a man whose name I had not in my address book."

He then made a jocular reference as to what Mr. Efrid had said about being a straddler, declaring that he had never been on the fence in politics.

The only fence he had ever been on were those in crossing fluids when he was a boy. He said he would rather fall off and break his neck than to straddle any proposition.

"Well, close it up," said a voice in the audience. "I don't know what part you had to do with it, but I was down yonder in charge."

He said he was charged with making the dispensary a political machine during his second term as governor but he needed no political machine, as he was the governing force of the State.

pled the law under foot and ignored many points in the law. They don't buy under the competitive system any longer. It was not his business but the governor's.

The board says in its advertisements that no bid for X liquor for less than \$1.50 will be received.

Towill—"Senator Tillman, that is false; you know that is not so."

Tillman—"You get the advertisement then and read it."

Towill—"God knows what you did when you went to Cincinnati."

Tillman—"I didn't go to Cincinnati, besides I had only \$25,000 to buy liquor for the whole State. I had to buy liquor on credit because I didn't have the money to pay for it."

Towill—"What about the request book, Mr. Towill?" the reply was lost in the noise which followed.

Senator Tillman then said he had met Mr. Towill on the train shortly after his election on the board and had congratulated him, telling him that if he would get in the middle of the road he would be all right.

Mr. Towill arose and said something which was not heard by the correspondent, to which Tillman replied: "I haven't charged you with stealing."

"I am not here for any man, but for a great issue which concerns every man in South Carolina. The laws have been laid down by one who the gods have given to and ruined the work-business," said Tillman.

Referring to the famous labels, the Senator said they contained the names of the board and the names of the men who had failed to be re-elected in 1902.

Mr. Towill interrupted the speaker and said: "You recall in that conversation we had on the train, you asked why we didn't put out those cheap case goods, that they were in the hands of the people?"

Towill—"You have made statements about these labels and I want to explain myself. I stated what you said to the board and asked them to take a case of goods and see what was in it."

Mr. Towill said that if all the people who drink wine for him would never wait for coffee.

At this juncture Rev. D. M. Padgett, the aged minister, with long white beard and weak voice, interrupted the speaker, asking him to let up on the preachers, to which Tillman replied, "Then let up on me."

he believed John Bell Towill to be an honorable gentleman, and he did not in his remarks intend to cast any reflection on his character.

THIRTEEN TRAGEDIES Occurs in One Indiana Family in a Few Years.

The death of Samuel Horn, who was accidentally killed last week, was the thirteenth tragedy in the family.

The first of the family were Abraham Cripe and his wife, industrious people, and grandparents of Mrs. Horn, who has just met death.

Mrs. Cripe became ill and died. Her husband refused to let her be buried in the cemetery, but she was buried in the barn and died in the building.

Two weeks after Mrs. Cripe's death Mr. Cripe's sister fell dead while raking leaves in the yard. In an investigation that followed it was shown that Mrs. Cripe the day before her suicide had struck her sister-in-law on the head with a whetstone, and it was from this blow that she died.

In a few months Lucian Cripe showed signs of insanity, and soon afterwards he was found dead in the woods, where he had been struck by a falling limb.

Miss Cripe, a brother of Lucian, was killed by a tree falling on him, and on Saturday Jay and Clark, sons of Elias, were taken to an insane asylum, where both died in a short time.

The series of tragedies culminated in the murder of a triple murderer and a suicide. When Barnes, who had killed a daughter of Abraham Cripe killed his wife with a shotgun and then shot himself.

Mr. Jordan is very confident that the farmers will hold for 11 cents and he thinks that this purchase syndicate would insure an 11-cent minimum price.

The plan, as has been explained before, is an agreement between a syndicate and the Southern Cotton Association and the Farmers' Union, by which the syndicate agrees to buy 1,000,000 bales of cotton at minimum price of 11 cents a pound.

The project, which is a most elaborate one in its details, and which would make the syndicate the biggest and most powerful spot cotton factor in the world, has been submitted to some of the leading financiers and lawyers of New York and approved by them.

John E. Ryan, of Chicago, a Pacific express messenger on passenger train No. 13, and Edward Greene, also of Chicago, a former express messenger, fought with pistols in Ryan's car Tuesday.

Both were seriously wounded and may die. Contending stories are told by the combatants. Greene says that he got on the train first, intending to go to Pittsfield, to visit relatives.

Mr. Condit was away working in the rice fields. A negro boy about 12 years old was plowing in a field near the house at the time of the killing and heard the children screaming; he saw a man running around the house, being afraid to go to the house he ran to a neighbor's and told what he had seen.

The person informed ran to the place where the children were and the family killed. Officers were informed at once and the entire county is out in search of the murderer.

TO PROTECT THE BIRDS.

Superintendent of Education Martin Engaged in a Good Cause.

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It is not in the interest of farmers alone. By the promotion of intelligence and quicker communication between all sections, every class of people is benefited.

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Other leaflets will be prepared and sent to them from time to time. The children interested in the teachers and a small membership fee, which covers the postage on the bulletins, and these bulletins are put in the school library and furnished to the children, and thus the whole school may get information contained in each one.

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KISSING MOTHER.

A Short Lecture to Girls From Ladies Home Journal.

A father, talking to his careless daughter, said: "I want to speak to you about your mother. It may be that you have noticed a care-worn look upon her face lately."

"It has not been brought there by any act of yours, still it is your duty to do it away."

"I want you to get up to-morrow morning and get breakfast, and when your mother comes in and begins to express her surprise, go right up to her and kiss her on the mouth, and you can't imagine how it will brighten her face."

"Besides, you owe her a kiss or two. Away back, when you were a little girl, she kissed you when no one else was tempted by your fever-tainted breath and swollen face."

You were not as attractive then as you are now. And though those years of childish sunshine and shadows she was always ready to cure by the magic touch of a mother's kiss, the little dirty, chubby hands whenever they were injured in those skirmishes with the rough world.

And then the mid-night kisses with which she kissed above your pillow, have all been on interest these long years ago.

"Of course, she is not so pretty and kissable as you are; but if you had done your share of the work during the past ten years, the contrast would not be so marked. Her face has more wrinkles than yours, and yet if you were sick that face would appear more beautiful than an angel's."

It is her duty to minister to your comfort, and every one of those wrinkles would seem to be bright wavelets of sunshine chasing each other over the dear old face.

"She will leave you one of these days. These burdens, if not lifted from her shoulders, will break her down. Those rough, hard hands, that have done so many necessary things for you, will be crossed upon her lifeless breast. These neglected lips, that gave you your first baby kiss, will be forever closed, and those sad, tired eyes will have opened in eternity, and then you will appreciate your mother: but it will be too late!"

London has another murder mystery. In the present case the victim is a young woman, Mary Money, whose body was horribly mutilated.

A long veil was tightly wedged in her mouth and the police are confident the woman was murdered in a compartment of a train on which she was traveling and her body thrown from the car.

The fact that none of the doors of the train on arrival at Red Hill, were open is considered to prove conclusively that it was not a case of suicide.

Miss Money left home Sunday evening saying she would not be gone long. The affair thereafter is a complete mystery.

No ticket was found on the body and no one has been able to explain under what circumstances the young woman entered the train or where she was going. If she was murdered, as is supposed to be the case, the murderer disappeared without leaving any trace.

KILLED WITH CLUSS.

Two Boys Fight for Their Lives With Huge Eagle.

Courageous and ferocious to the last gasp, an American eagle Tuesday fought two boys and a dog, his talons tearing the clothing of the boys and ripping the flesh of the dog.

The scene of the encounter was near Vailsburg, N. J. Felix and Edwin Bitters, aged twelve and thirteen years, were on their way home from a ball game when the huge bird swooped down on them from the sky, his beak open, his talons set and neck feathers ruffled for attack.

So swift was the eagle's descent that the boys did not see until their dog, yelping with fear, scrambled out of the clutches of the cruel claws. The animal's flesh was torn, but he got away.

Angered at his failure, the bird rose a few yards in the air and again swooped—this time at the boys. Time and time again they struck the great bird with their baseball bats, each time knocking it back, but never heavily enough to maim or kill it, and with every repulse the creature returned to the assault with redoubled determination.

For ten minutes the battle raged. Then by a lucky stroke one of the lads fell the eagle to the ground. Even then it still fought, but the dog, seeing his opportunity, leaped forward, giving his courage in several more dashes from the "old" talons. Finally, the eagle being almost exhausted, one of the boys hit it a blow that killed it and they carried it home, where it was measured and shown sixty-six inches from tip to tip of its wings.

The Burlington News says the editor of an inland paper became tired of being called a liar so he announced that he would tell the truth in the future. The first issue thereafter contained the following:

"John Bonin, the little t marchant in town, made a trip to Bellville Tuesday."

"John Coyle, our grocerman, is doing a poor business. His store is dirty, dusty and notoriously odoriferous. How can he expect to do much?"

"Rev. Stuyvesant last Saturday night on charity." The sermon was punned.

"Dave Sonkey died at his home in this place. The doctor gave it out as heart failure. The fact is, he was drunk, and whiskey is what killed him."

"Married—Miss Sylvia Rhodes and James Conlan, last Saturday evening at the Baptist parsonage. The bride is a very ordinary town girl who doesn't know any more than a jack-rabbit about cooking, and never helped her mother three days in her life. She is not a beauty by any means, and has a gait like a fat duck. The groom is well known as an up-to-date loafer. He has been living off the old folks all his life and don't amount to much."

They will have a hard time. The public than a committee was sent to him bearing a petition asking him to continue in the good old way, and stated that they believed him to be a truthful and honest man.

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BROKE UP HIS FUNERAL.

At Patterson, N. J., all arrangements had been made for the funeral of Frank Hennessey, of 85 Marshall street.

Insurance papers had been signed, mourners had gathered, and everything was in readiness for the rites, when Hennessey turned up, accompanied by his two brothers, thoroughly alive.

He pleaded ignorance of a telegram which his mother had received from Saratoga last Wednesday and which read: "Your son Frank has died here Wednesday. Send for the body." He said he did not know who sent the telegram.

On receipt of the telegram the two brothers of the supposed dead man went to Saratoga to get the body. They found Hennessey sitting on the veranda of a hotel. He had been there since the racing season.

Under the name of Nicholas had been engaged to receive the body at the railroad station and the house at 85 Marshall street. When the young man appeared in the flesh the trapings of war were removed and the relatives and friends united in celebrating his return.

Dargan Presented. A special from Darlington to the State says: The Darlington grand jury made the following presentment: "We, the grand jury, present Pegram Dargan for abiding and abetting Robert Keith Dargan in taking his own life, by procuring and giving to his brother, Robert Keith Dargan, carbolio acid and other drugs, with which he took his life on the 11th day of July, 1905, in Darlington, S. C. We offer as witnesses, J. N. Clanton, G. B. Edwards, J. S. Floyd and J. K. Doyle."

Blows to Pieces. At Cincinnati, Ohio, William Bell, a guard at city workhouse, was blown to pieces by the explosion of a box of dynamite, which he tried to open with a hatchet.

Bell was in charge of a gang of prisoners in the city quarry. When dynamite for blasting was being blown with a hatchet and struck a blow with it before the prisoners could warn him. When picked up the man's eyes were blown out, his left arm was blown off and the left side of his face was torn away.

Flesh was hanging from the limbs of a tree under which he had been sitting. Still the unfortunate man was alive. A hurry ring of the patrol wagon failed to get him to the city hospital before death came.

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ALLORES, Sept 25.—Speils: We are accustomed to trading in the persons of atrocious crimes committed in different parts of the country. But last night this section of Orangeburg County was the scene of the most horrible outbreaks of crime ever committed here. All the parties are negroes, John Bauldrick, a most desperate character, thought it was butchering time, and went out last night about seven o'clock and before he was stopped, shot and wounded no less than five persons, three women and two children.

He went first to Julia Palmer's house, on Mrs. Hattie Bairs place, and began cursing in a loud tone of voice. She became frightened and went into her house. He followed with his gun, and as she tried to jump out of the window he fired, hitting in the shoulder blade, almost severing it from her body, and shattering the arm of her little child, who was clinging round its mother's neck. They are both wounded seriously, perhaps fatally.

Bauldrick then went to Prince Moore's house, about a half mile away from where he shot the Palmer woman and her child. Here he shot Anna R. Binson and one of Moore's boys, who was looking out the window. He hit the woman in the arm and the boy in the head. The woman was seriously hurt and the boy slightly. Next he desperado went to the house of Ed. Feder, who lives on J. B. Hungerfeller's place. Finding Feder wife on the piazza and she remonstrated with him for cursing. He immediately fired into her, a few shots striking her in the back. She was not seriously hurt.

Not yet satisfied with his bloody work, he went to the house of Mose Adams, and here he met his match. He asked to see Adams' wife, Adams, not knowing what had just happened, invited him in, but he declined to go in. Bauldrick then said that if Adams' wife would not come out to see him he would go in. He burst through the door with his gun, and as he entered Adams grabbed the gun, and reached back, got his axe and struck Bauldrick with it.

Then Adams got his razor out of his pocket and cut Bauldrick's throat on both sides, but neither wound reached the jugular vein. The fust created by the scuffle between Adams and Bauldrick and the accidental discharge of the gun, caused some men to gather, who caught Bauldrick and tied him. He was in bad shape at this time, having been shot in the head when leaving Prince Moore's house. The man who had him took Bauldrick to his mother's house, where he was kept until Monday morning, when he was taken to the guard house at Ellerbe. He was then brought to Orangeburg and lodged in jail. —Times and Democrat.

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