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THE CLEMSON TRUSTEESHIP.

Here is the view of THE MANNING TIMES regarding Senator Tillman's Clemson college record.

The King's tree record is after Senator Tillman for violating the State constitution by holding more than one office, but notwithstanding the argument of the Columbia State makes on the question in its issue Monday, we do not believe...

Congress may violate the law, rob the government, or be parties to deals in which the government is interested, but according to their recent action, any intimation of misconduct will be resented, and tabled as disrespectful.

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It is preposterous to conceive of such impunity upon the part of the State. It is not assumed that the commonwealth can enact a law compelling any citizen to abandon an office of trust bestowed by some power other than the commonwealth, but to such an officeholder the State can and does say, "You hold an office not given you by the State; you are forbidden by the constitution to hold but one office at a time. So choose between them; if you accept this one, the other is, by that act, vacated."

The State's logic and illustrations are no doubt well put, and of course nothing but a decree of the Supreme Court will settle the issue, nevertheless from a layman's view as we see it, the naming of Tillman as a life trustee in Clemson's will, was not an appointment to an office, nor is Tillman as life trustee an officer of Clemson college, and hence he is not violating that portion, so far as Clemson and the Senate concerned, of the constitution which forbids holding more than one office.

Mr. Clemson in his life time had no power to create a public office and no power to commission a man to hold a public office. He was the owner of property which he bequeathed to South Carolina under certain conditions, Captain Tillman was named in this will to see that the conditions contained in the will were carried out, this did not make him an officer of the State, nor does he hold a commission from the State as such trustee. The will alone is his authority for acting. It surely will not be contested by the State, that the bequest made by Mr. Clemson before the constitution of 1895 can be upset without decreasing the will invalid. Then if the will is good, the bequests made therein must stand, and if Mr. Tillman is not holding a commission from the State he is not an office holder, and his authority under the will comes in the nature of a private confidence that the State has no right to question, either by its subsequently adopted constitution or by any statute it might make.

The bank illustration is not altogether analogous. It would indeed be preposterous if the laws of South Carolina prevented a president or a director if a state bank from holding a public office. There is no power to make a man decide between a bank-presidency and a senatorship. Why? Because banks and other corporations, while they are limited by statute, they are not public officers, if they are, why is it that the Governor is not required to issue a commission to every corporation official, whether it be a bank, railroad, newspaper or other chartered institution? In our opinion the question to be answered, is, does Tillman as a life trustee of Clemson college hold a public office?

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that the members of the House have not elevated themselves in the estimation of the people by tabling that portion of the President's message which deals with the present law relating to the secret service.

The President is an impulsive man, but at the same time he keeps thoroughly posted on what is going on in this government; when he finds a wrong he exposes it, regardless of what party it might affect. There is no doubt that the secret service has rendered valuable aid to the government in ferreting out frauds, the court records show a number of convictions of men in high places—United States senators, congressmen and men in the departments, and when congress attempts to cripple this service by withholding the funds necessary to maintain it, or limit its operations, in our judgment the President will have the people at his back in the present controversy.

Congress regards the President's intimation that the members of Congress feared investigation by the secret service, disrespectful, but when that body asked for an explanation, and received from him a reply which quoted largely from the records, they continue to regard his attitude disrespectful, and table both messages.

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NOT CONSCIOUS OF UNFAIRNESS.

We overheard a gentleman remark to another that THE TIMES editor was "unfair," referring to his attitude on the prohibition question. We disclaim an intentional unfairness, but on the other hand publish any and everything emanating from the prohibition side when furnished us. No, the majority of the Prohibitionists do not give others credit for honesty of purpose they alone monopolize that virtue.

The more we think of this pesky liquor question, the more are we convinced of its lack of wisdom in forcing prohibition into communities which have no prohibition sentiment to sustain it, and one of the very reasons why little attention is given to the enforcement of a prohibition law, is that the people realize the hypocrisy of many of its active supporters.

Yet, with this condition apparent to those not blinded with prejudice, they are regarded as "bad men" who will not accept the ideas promulgated by fanatical theorists. There are some men not hundred miles from Manning, who have more regard for a liquor lusher that will say they agree with the prohibition propaganda, than for those whose whole life has been a living example for temperance who see the impracticability of forcing by statute, morals into the people.

We say without fear of successful contradiction that the consumption of liquor in "dry counties" has been decreased very little, if any, and that more murders have been committed in "dry counties" within the past twelve months than in the counties where liquor is lawfully sold. Yet, Prohibitionists insist the law is successfully operated. Pshaw! We may be a "bad man" in the estimation of one ideated man, but like themselves we have a conscience and a little brain. Our conscience makes us responsible for our acts not to self-appointed moral monitors, but to God, and our brain gives us the intelligence to understand things from a practical standpoint. Having our own conscience satisfied the self-esteem good men are welcome to their opinion of the "bad man," who not seeing as they do is "unfair," notwithstanding they never have been refused admission to these columns, without money and without price.

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We believe if a prohibition law is submitted, it will be carried by a large majority, as the sentiment for prohibition has been worked up by the ministry of all denominations, and this influence is a power when exercised with energy.

There are many of the opinion that even if a state wide prohibition law is enacted, it should contain a provision allowing counties that wish to do so, to vote in the sale of intoxicants and thereby secure relief from a condition of lawlessness which they think must follow if the sentiment is against prohibition.

The news of Senator Tillman's alleged connection with questionable methods out in the country made famous for "big land swindles" came as a shock to an admiring constituency. The senator vigorously denies that he is guilty as the government's secret service agents make it appear. It is to be hoped the senator will come out of this embarrassing condition with flying colors for the sake of himself, as well as the honor of South Carolina. His refusing to pay the postage on a type writer which he had shipped from his home in Trenton, is a small matter, at least, but if he had no legal right to frank the typewriter he should pay the postage. However there is nothing in that incident reflecting upon his honor. The "land grab" accusation is what is causing much anxiety. If it should turn out that Tillman has been grafting after his professions of honesty the blow will end his career as a public man, and destroy confidence to an unlimited extent, for there are many in South Carolina who believe in Tillman religiously.

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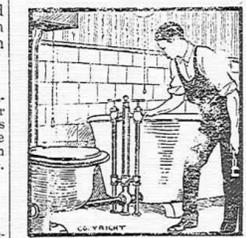
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Notice of Discharge. I will apply to the Judge of Probate for Clarendon county on the 22nd day of January, 1909, for letters of discharge as administratrix of the estate of H. J. McLeod, deceased.

MARY A. McLEOD, Administratrix. Paxville, S. C., December 21, 1908.

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, County of Clarendon.

WHEREAS, David E. Geddings made suit to me, to grant him Letters of Administration of the Estate and Effects of Norman L. Carroway.

These are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said Norman L. Carroway, deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Manning on the 21st day of January next, after publication thereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand, this 2nd day of January, A. D. 1909. JAMES M. WINDHAM, Judge of Probate.

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South Carolina. BERKELEY COUNTY. CLARENDON COUNTY.

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the requirements of law, and especially of Section 34 Volume 1 of the Civil Code of South Carolina, that the undersigned intends to make an application to the Honorable the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, at its coming session, for permission and authority to erect and maintain a proper bridge across the Santee River, from some point on its property on the North or East side as may be of said river in Clarendon County, to some point on its property on the South or West side as may be, of said river in Berkeley County; in the locality of its Mill Plant; and connecting the said Mill Plant with its property on the other side.

SANTÉE RIVER CYPRESS LUMBER COMPANY. December 5, 1908.

Tax Notice. The books for the collection of taxes will open on October 15, 1908, and close on March 15, 1909. The levies are as follows:

State, 25 mills; ordinary county, 25 mills; special road, 1 mill; constitutional school tax, 3 mills. Interest on court house bonds, 1 mill; interest on county bonds, 1 mill; special tax for School District No. 1, 3 mills; special tax for School District No. 2, 3 mills; special tax for School District No. 3, 3 mills; special tax for School District No. 4, 3 mills; special tax for School District No. 5, 3 mills; special tax for School District No. 6, 3 mills; special tax for School District No. 7, 3 mills; special tax for School District No. 8, 3 mills; special tax for School District No. 9, 3 mills; special tax for School District No. 10, 3 mills; special tax for School District No. 11, 2 mills; special tax for School District No. 12, 2 mills; special tax for School District No. 13, 2 mills; special tax for School District No. 14, 2 mills; special tax for School District No. 15, 2 mills; special tax for School District No. 16, 2 mills; special tax for School District No. 17, 2 mills; special tax for School District No. 18, 2 mills; special tax for School District No. 19, 4 mills; special tax for School District No. 20, 4 mills; special tax for School District No. 21, 3 mills; special tax for School District No. 22, 9 mills; special tax for School District No. 23, 4 mills; special tax for School District No. 24, 1 mill; special tax for School District No. 25, 3 mills; special tax for School District No. 26, 4 mills; special tax for School District No. 27, 3 mills; special tax for School District No. 28, 3 mills.

L. L. WELLS, County Treasurer.

Notice of Discharge. I will apply to the Judge of Probate for Clarendon County on the 5th day of January 1909 for letters of discharge as administrator of the estate of J. W. Watson deceased.

DAYTON LEVY, Administrator. St. Paul, S. C., December 4th, 1908.

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