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LIEN LAW SITUATION.

Mr. J. J. Cantev of Sumterton has discovered himself not alone in his position he took before the supreme court in the case of Cantev vs. McClary-Broadway Co. Hon. John L. McLaurin has written him endorsing his contention, and favoring the necessary legislation which will give the relief the court declined to give.

Should this be the case it may bring about a condition that the landlords do not desire, it may force them to release their rights to the merchant in order for their tenants to get supplies, it may also have the effect of forcing many a mortgage on the land itself. Lands untenanted become a burden to the owner, and unless the tenants can be supplied with the necessities of life and the fertilizers for the soil they are likely to become untenanted; true, the large land owner may be in a position to supply his tenants, but the small land owner will either have to make arrangements for his tenants or let his lands become idle.

MR. MCLAURIN'S VIEWS. Mr. J. J. Cantev, Sumterton, S. C. Dear Sir:—I have watched with much interest the course of the case of Cantev vs. McClary-Broadway company. The issue involved in this decision of the supreme court really affects the farming interests of the State, and as a member of that class I thank you for the ability and clearness with which you presented it.

Kidney Trouble Begun With a Lame Back. J. L. Hackl, 915 Eighth St., Lincoln, Ill., was recently cured of a bad case of kidney trouble that started with a lame back, and says: "I am certainly thankful in getting a cure of my kidney trouble by using Foster's Kidney Pills."

WILD TALK OBJECTIONABLE.

It is quite evident that in our neighboring counties, Williamsburg and Sumter, is soon to have the ballot on whether or not the dispensary shall be re-established, considerable activity is going on, and much feeling is being engendered by statements that are being made. Those who are opposed to the institution of the legal sale, are making a tremendous effort to prevent it, they are making the fight on moral grounds, which of course, brings into the contest organizations that usually refrain from taking part in elections.

In reply to a question, a gentleman residing in Williamsburg county was in Manning a few days ago on business, as to his opinion of the outcome of the election in his county, he said: "I had given the matter very little consideration until a few weeks ago, my interest was aroused by the statements made by a man who claimed to be an official in the prohibition league. He said the whiskey trust had men employed to go over Williamsburg county to bribe and debauch the electorate, it had a lawyer employed to carry the election in its interest, and intimated that men of prominence in the county are the bought tools of the liquor trust. I am so satisfied that there is no truth in such declarations, I can vouch for there being untrue, why a man should go about making such wild utterances and slandering men because they happen to view this question differently from him, I cannot understand. Personally, it matters not to me how the election goes, I am not a user of alcoholic beverages in any way, shape, or form unless the same is prescribed by a physician, but I have my views as to the policy between the legal sale, or the present system of liquor dens all over the country, and the pouring in of liquor from outside States. Perhaps the consumption of liquor, since the dispensary was voted out may have been decreased to some extent, which is questionable, but grant it has been reduced some, in my opinion, the reduction has not been sufficient to justify the loss of revenue, no, we have the liquor with us, and Florence and the outside States get the money.

SMITH AND THE BOLL WEEVIL. The press dispatches relating to Senator Smith's cottonless zone proposition do not seem to agree. Monday afternoon newspapers carried a story that at a conference called by Senator Smith, at which was present experts from the agricultural department, after a two hours session they decided the Senator's plan was too costly and altogether impractical, but in yesterday morning's newspapers the reverse is reported, and instead of the experts falling down on the junior senator's views they agree with him that if the proposed zone is established, it would drive out the boll weevil. The more the matter is being looked into the more does it become interesting, the main objection so far raised is the cost it would entail. It is thought if the government undertakes to carry out the idea of Senator Smith it will cut down over a quarter of a million acres of cotton, unless the making of this cottonless zone emboldens the other sections to increase their acreage.

THE SOUTH'S OPPORTUNITY.

One of the best suggestions we have seen from any of our public men, is the one to urge the farmers of the South to go into stock raising. The West is fast being cut up into small farms, what was once cattle ranches, has given way to towns and cities, made necessary by the tremendous immigrant population that has settled there, and what has not yet been made into towns and cities, has been converted into small farms where there are no more ranges upon which cattle can subsist, therefore, there is a demand for ranges; nowhere in the world can better ranges for cattle and hogs be found than the swamps and flat lands of the South. In our swamps cattle can feed the year round, and upon our flat lands they can graze the greater part of the year, there is no better producing forage lands anywhere than can be found in the South, in fact, everything is here to encourage cattle raising which created much of the wealth of the West: what was done for that section can be done here as well, and better with less expense.

It may be the foresightedness of the syndicates which bought largely of the swamps of this country to convert the lands, after the timber is removed, into stock ranges, and finally canal them for planting purposes, if such was their purpose, we believe they will reap a rich reward, but aside from them, every land owner who conducts a farm can raise some stock for market, if this is done it will take long before the cost of living will be lessened, and if stock is extensively raised in the South, the meat packing concerns will eventually look this way for plants to manufacture the food into marketable shape as they are now doing in the big cities of the West.

A SAD CASE. It was a great misfortune that Governor Blease was out of Columbia when Judge Ernest Gary assumed jurisdiction in the case involving the custody of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Zachry of Augusta, had he been in the city, we doubt exceedingly the success of Zachry's escape into Georgia with the child Judge Gary awarded him, because the Governor would have had him arrested and detained. We cannot see how a South Carolina circuit Judge can assume jurisdiction in a case like this. The courts of Georgia granted the custody of the Zachry children to the father, who is a member of the bar of that State, but the mother, instead of yielding to the judgment of that court, appealed her case, then left the jurisdiction of the court with her two children, and escaped into South Carolina; as soon as she struck the soil of this State it appears to us she was beyond the reach of the Georgia court, but if she committed an offense the only way she could be returned, would be upon a warrant issued for her arrest and a requisition honored by the Governor of this State. This however, was not the course pursued. The husband and father went before Judge Gary, who assumed jurisdiction and issued an order giving the custody of one of the children to the father, who had an automobile waiting on the outside, after a struggle with the mother, the officers forced the child from her arms and gave it to the father, immediately he jumped in the machine and pulled out for Georgia.

Good Reason For His Enthusiasm. When a man has suffered for several days with colic, diarrhoea or other form of bowel complaint and is then cured and well by one or two doses of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, as is often the case, it is but natural that he should be enthusiastic in his praise of the remedy, and especially in this case of a severe attack when his life is threatened. Try it when in need of such a remedy. It never fails. Sold by all dealers.

UNCLE SAM AS LAND BUYER.

United States is World's Largest Dealer and Has Made Some Good Bargains.

Since the American colonies threw off the galling yoke of English rule and became an independent nation "Uncle Sam" has been the largest real estate dealer the world has ever produced. Instead of trading in a few town lots or an occasional one-thousand acre farm, the government has transacted a whole sale business, dealing in thousands of square miles, and on three separate occasions the transfers have involved more than 500,000 square miles each.

Commenting with the purchase from Napoleon in 1803 of what is known as the "Louisiana Purchase," a tract of 875,825 square miles, extending from the Gulf of Mexico to the Canadian border and from the Mississippi river to the Pacific ocean, for which \$15,000,000 was paid, the United States has bought land whenever opportunity presented itself, until no European power owns a square foot of territory on this continent with the single exception of England, which still retains her Canadian possessions.

Our next royal customer was Ferdinand VII, of Spain. Having squandered his ready cash in vain attempts to regain his South American possessions, he was sadly in need of money to keep up his dissipated court and licentious indulgences which had cost his country so dearly in men, morals and money. Ferdinand's minister of finance having exhausted every source from which funds could be procured, suggested the sale of the "Land of Flowers," Florida, as a last resort. Negotiations were immediately entered into with the United States, which resulted in the transfer of this jewel from the Spanish crown to the stars of the Union flag. Thus, for \$5,500,000, sufficient to enable Ferdinand to continue his extravagant pleasures for a brief period, Uncle Sam became the possessor of 70,107 square miles of territory, and one more European thorn was withdrawn from North America.

While the cost, 12 1/2 cents an acre, was considerably higher than the Louisiana purchase, it must be remembered that in those days Florida was much more accessible than the territory west of the Mississippi. In 1848, after the close of the war with Mexico, that country ceded to the United States 523,602 square miles of land for the sum of \$13,250,000, \$3,250,000 of which was to be paid to the citizens of the United States, who held war claims against Mexico. This magnificent property included the present states of California, Arizona and New Mexico, containing some of the richest mineral and agricultural land in the world. The cost was a little less than 4 cents an acre. These purchases from France, Spain and Mexico, for which Uncle Sam paid \$98,749,769 represents an area of 1,463,954 square miles. A little more than two fifths of the area of the United States in North America was acquired for the cost of the Manhattan and Queensboro Bridges across the East River. In 1853 Uncle Sam became liberal and made his second deal with Mexico, the Gladsden purchase, buying a narrow strip along the southern boundary of Arizona and New Mexico, 36,211 square miles, for \$10,000,000 or 43.15 cents per acre, the top price paid for an addition to our territory. For 14 years after the Gadsden purchase Uncle Sam retired from the real estate market. Then another royal customer presented himself. In 1867 the czar of all the Russians, in consideration of \$7,200,000 in good and lawful coin of the

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Leaving all politics out of the question, easily the most striking development at Filbert last Friday, was in that portion of Senator McLaurin's address which undertook to explain the significance of Progressivism in politics. The speech was remarkable in that it was different from anything of a political nature that has been previously heard from a South Carolina rostrum. Here is what the speaker had to say on the subject: Fellow Citizens: I am not here to talk politics further than what is in accord with the relation which every good citizen bears to his fellow man. Nor am I here, as (often heralded,) as the evangel of a new dispensation, either religious or political.

It has become a common thing to sneer at men who feel called upon to follow a public career as "politicians." The word has come to mean to thousands, a low, dirty intriguer with no ambition save the promotion of his personal interests. The only statesmen are dead politicians. As long as one is alive he is surrounded by the fires of hate and suspicion—a center for the attack of harpies, who care nothing for the welfare of the people they pretend to serve. So many men have small ability coupled with vaulting ambition; these can protect nothing, and only rise by pulling others down, and pointing out the defects of any plan that does not include the promotion of their ambition.

A gang of wolves, when one of their number is wounded, always stops long enough to devour their brother, then give tongue in pursuit of fresh prey. These men are not politicians they are human wolves, ever crouching in terror at the feet of power, but ready at any moment to turn and drink the heart blood, while licking the hand of the master. The true politician is called of God, as much as he who expounds His holy word, he battles for his fellow man through good and evil report; he suffers the slings and arrows of vituperation; if in human weakness he falters and mistakes the road he hears through the dark hours the voice calling and rises, girds up his loins and presses on; he bears with patience and forgiveness the doubt and suspicion of those for whom he would gladly give his life, and like the Man of God, he has no reward except in the next world. "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." You older men, know the conditions that existed twenty years ago, and all of you know them as they exist today. There have been tremendous changes for the better. How have they been brought about? By men who fought error in spite of popular clamor, who pointed out the way of progress, with no thought of its effect on personal or political fortunes.

You remember that greatest of all popular movements, the Farmers Alliance, with its hated and despised sub treasury plank. Today a president and congress is trying to devise a currency reform based upon this very principle. A government commission is traveling Europe, studying the system of agricultural credits abroad, and that all the sub-treasury meant with a view of making the products of the farm a basis of credit. Every one of the great leaders of the Alliance went down under the load of abuse, many of them broken hearted. Yet today the speeches of Peffer, Polk, Tom Watson and "Socksless" Jerry Simpson, read like prophecies. Their work was not in vain, even though others reap where they sowed. We older men, remember how sweet that ballot box to be decided then if the ballot discloses fraud the courts may be resorted to for relief. In the Florence case the Prohibitionists are seeking to have the dispensary removed, and the Dispensaryites are resisting; in Sumter the reverse is the case, the Dispensaryites are seeking to establish the institution and the Prohibitionists are resisting, and in both cases technicalities are being resorted to.

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Let me ask you older men, who remember the beginning of this fight, to note the prosperous, contented and well to do appearance of the people who make up this great audience, then look back and contrast this crowd, with the anxious faces, and the generally poverty stricken appearance in the campaigns about 1890. They told you then that the practical realization of that revolution meant ruin to all. I ask you today, who has been hurt? Such prosperity, as has come to the farmers of the west and south, has been shared by all other classes of people. And I want to tell you, that this is only the beginning, for if we continue steadfast and faithful the rewards for productive labor are greater than any yet received. Those who clothe and feed this world are entitled to the greater share of its comforts and luxuries, and they receive less.

It is a common thing to hear this man or that lay claim to being the discoverer of progressive principles, but I want to say to you my friends, that progressive principles are as old as the history of man. You will find the fundamentals laid down in the book of Genesis. If you will read your Bible and then profane history, you will see that the question through all the ages has been the vain and ruinous struggle of man made government to supersede and overthrow the government framed and perfected by Almighty God.

The difference between these contending ideas has overthrown empires and built civilization. Man made government has ever been arrogant, selfish and cruel, while the theocracy which God established for Israel is the perfection of charity and justice, contributing to the peace, comfort and happiness of each individual in exact proportion to his or her capacity for enjoyment. The only perfect government that the world has ever seen was established by God four thousand years ago, its force and power is evidenced by the fact, that the Hebrews, though scattered for 2,000 years over all the world, are as distinctly a nation today as they were then. On the other hand every strictly man made government that has ever existed has been based upon the idea of the domination of the few over the many. They have either fallen into decay and perished, or saved themselves as we are doing, by the gradual adoption of the cardinal principles of the old Israelitic theocracy. And I am here to tell you that what we call "Progressivism" in American politics, elected Woodrow Wilson president, and is nothing more or less than a revolt against selfish man made government, back to original principles as comprehended in our Declaration of Independence.

The American revolution was the grandest and most important in the world's history since the birth of Christ, and on yonder little mountain, only ten miles from here, your forefathers fought the battle, which made that revolution an actual reality. That battle was for God and Right; but you and I know that it was won, our leaders could not resist the subtle temptation of ambition, and set up anew, the old principles of privileges for the destruction of which our fathers have poured out their blood. But the eternal principle which God had laid down at the beginning, was definitely and finally unshackled, and today we can see that the world is coming more and more under its demonstration.

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Every intelligent man has noted within the past few years the mighty crystallization of this sentiment. What a similarity there is between the Roosevelt-Taft split in the Republican party, with the split of the gold wing of the Democracy under Palmer and Buckner, against the Progressives of years ago. This means that the Progressives in both old parties are in a majority and control the destiny of this country, no matter which party is in power. I have often asked myself the question, "Why this change of sentiment?" I have heard it explained in many ways, but none of them are satisfactory to me. I tell you what I think about it. After the revolution the people were ignorant, education was to the few. The leaders would shout, "Equal rights to all and special privileges to none," and then go in for gathering for themselves all the special privileges to be had. But about seventy years ago the common school idea began to find its birth in a modest way.

Then out of the travail and sorrow of the civil war, the slave owning caste was destroyed, and a new era dawned. Privilege and wealth began to be taxed, and servitude and poverty taught

in the schools. That all men are born free, entitled to the same opportunities and that privilege is a matter of worth, not birth. A great and eternal truth is about to become in this nation a grand and glorious fact. But, my friends, I have not come here to talk about the past, it is of the future and the opportunity now open to the South of utilizing her cotton crop to become the dominant factor in the financial world. I would not have you think that I regard the question as one of mere money, but I recognize the fact that with wealth goes intelligence, culture and an ever advancing civilization.

Here the senator gave a full exposition of his well known views of State owned and operated warehouses for agricultural products. In the course of his remarks, he referred with approval to an editorial in the News and Courier on the subject of the proposed \$50 tax on contracts for future delivery, saying if it was paid, it would come out of the cotton grower, as every expense from the gin-house to the factory was deducted from the price paid to the planter. The way to do was to give cotton a stable price like the coffee growers of Brazil did, then there would be no Bulls and Bears, and the exchanges would serve their legitimate purpose as the coffee exchanges are now doing all over the world. If you get a doctor who can't diagnose the case he is apt to give you the wrong medicine and kill you.

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Defenses 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 the use of the Deafness Cure. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. It is not a permanent condition, and it is entirely cured by the use of the Deafness Cure. It is not a new discovery, but it is a new application. It is not a cure, but it is a relief. It is not a cure, but it is a relief. It is not a cure, but it is a relief. It is not a cure, but it is a relief.

Dear Editor:—Several of our country folks asked that I write them while on my trip to the States. You will be so kind many of our friends can learn of my trip through THE TIMES. My brother, A. G. White, and I started on our trip Tuesday, July 29th, with the expectation of spending one day in Cheraw, S. C., one in Norfolk, Va., four or five at Washington, D. C., and a short while at New York City. We unintentionally spent the greater part of Tuesday in Darlington, S. C., not being able to make connection with the morning train for Ocean View. We secured a check book and during the day played check with about one dozen of Darlington's citizens.

Kidney Diseases Are Too Dangerous For Mankind People to Neglect. The great danger of kidney troubles is that they so often get a firm hold before the sufferer recognizes them. Health will be gradually undermined. Backache, headache, nervousness, lameness, soreness, lumbago, urinary troubles, dropsy, gravel and Bright's disease may follow as the kidneys get worse. Don't neglect your kidneys. Help the kidneys with Doan's Kidney Pills, which are so strongly recommended right here in Manning.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, County of Clarendon. By James M. Windham, Esq., Probate Judge. Whereas, Josephine Clark made suit to me, to grant her Letters of Administration of the Estate and effects of Robert Lee Clark. And these are therefore, to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said Robert Lee Clark, deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Manning on the 14th day of August next, at the publication hereof, at or about the hour of ten 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 26th day of July, A. D. 1913. JAMES M. WINDHAM, Judge of Probate.