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Farmer TILLMAN has undertaken a great work. He proposes to be the leader of the farmers—the Moses to bring them out of the Wilderness. If Mr. TILLMAN can succeed in making the farmers of our country see their mistakes, and if he will point out the right course and induce them to adopt it, he will have accomplished a great work—a work that will be of lasting benefit to the whole country. But we are afraid Mr. TILLMAN's work will soon turn into more of a political than an agricultural campaign. There are men who are ever ready to attribute all failures to a defect in the law of the land. If farmers are not making money, they say they the tendency of Legislation is against the farmer. If there is a statute in South Carolina that works an injury to this class, it is very strange that it should be allowed to stand, for unquestionably, whatever is for the good of the farmers, is for the good of the State at large. The trouble is not so much in the laws of the land, as in the laws that regulate the farm.

We heartily favor any measure that promotes the agricultural interest, but it is a great mistake to suppose that a legislature composed entirely of farmers, could dispel the depression that seems to have settled over the country. We believe the chief cause of the great scarcity of money in the South, more than the North, is because our fine water-powers are not utilized in manufacturing. And the reason why capital does not seek an investment here, is because of the instability of our laws. Every year we see men sent to the legislature who are incompetent; they not only do not see the real needs of the people, but are totally unfamiliar with the laws already in force. Yet each supposes that his caliber will be measured by the number of bills he submits to the assembly, and here we go from year to year, legislating and un-legislating, until it is impossible to imagine what this august body will attempt next. We have entirely too much legislation, and it is all caused by the erroneous idea, that agriculture will not receive proper attention unless every farmer who has a smattering of education runs for the legislature.

Whether the Columbia, Newberry and Laurens Railroad, for which the legislature at its last session granted a charter, will like the late lamented Midland, die a natural death, now remains to be seen. The people of Columbia and those along the line to Newberry, seem in earnest in this matter, and we think Laurens may be depended upon when she sees the necessity of action. Whether the present scheme will be successful or not, it is absolutely certain that the section through which the proposed road will run, will at no distant day, be connected with the West by way of Tennessee. At this stage, however, we have some misgivings as the success of the G. N. & L.

—There is pool in Utah only a foot deep, and situated at a high altitude that refuses to freeze even in the severest winters. There is another that mysteriously replenishes itself with half-grown trout. One stream, though clear as crystal to the eye and tasteless, stains all the vegetation that it flows over a deep brown. A warm spring near Salt Lake City is the strongest sulphur water in the world. A hot spring a few miles off, with waters so hot that you can hardly put your hand into them, and as bright as diamond! is one of the most remarkable combination of chemicals ever analyzed.

The murderous Apaches are at the work of rapine and plunder in New Mexico and Arizona, and the citizens there have taken the matter in hand and are raising money to buy blood hounds to track the red demons to their hiding places among the rocks. There is but one way to stop an Apache from murdering the pale faces, and that is to put him under the ground. Uncle Sam had better put them all there or else send them to Sitka.

—An unpealed law of New Jersey passed while the State was a British colony, reads as follows: "That all women, whatever age, rank, profession or degree, whether virgins, maidens or widows, who shall after this act impose upon, seduce and betray into matrimony any of his Majesty's subjects by virtue of scents, cosmetics, washes, paints, artificial teeth, false hair or high-heeled shoes, shall incur the penalty of the law now in force against witchcraft and like misdemeanors."

ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

County

COMMISSIONERS

—OF—

LAURENS COUNTY.

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING NOVEMBER 1st 1885, AND ENDING OCTOBER 31st 1886.

To His Honor the Presiding Judge of the Court of General Sessions for Laurens County, February Term 1886.

The board of County Commissioners for said County respectfully submit the following report of Claims filed, audited and allowed, and ordered paid by them during the fiscal year 1884-85, to wit:

Auditor's Salary, \$400.00

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

J. W. Little, Chairman, services 70 days, and 1,392 miles traveled, \$208.83

J. L. Crawford, 70 days, and 1,384 miles traveled, 214.20

A. S. Owings, 70 days, and 1,382 miles traveled, 214.10

C. M. Miller Clerk Board, 200.00

James Bell, due for Nov., 1884, to 15th Dec. 1884, 214.80

J. C. Raso, from 1st Nov., to 15th Dec., 1884, 45.75

G. W. Shell, Clerk of Court Account, 317.20

Sheriff's costs, 1,304.96

TRIAL JUSTICES.

C. M. Miller, 375.12

W. B. Stoddard, 93.23

W. S. Pitts, 52.26

J. C. Cook, 30.40

Joel Ellison, 26.24

O. G. Thompson, 20.50

J. P. Hunter, 8.50

L. W. Copeland, 7.70

B. L. Henderson, 6.30

W. F. Irby, 9.60

\$629.55

BRIDGES AND ROADS.

C. Puckett, 9.00

J. W. Fowler, 12.82

E. S. Allen, 18.00

Willis Washington, 15.00

G. M. Moore, 65.00

A. C. Owings, 150.60

Bewley & Bro., 12.75

J. C. Clark, 10.00

G. T. Roberts, 6.00

Lowe Moore, 5.00

Marion Moore, 5.00

John M. Clardy, 81.26

R. B. Loven, 55.00

B. L. Henderson, 6.33

John Dagnal, 19.50

G. D. Wilson and J. A. Bolt, 70.00

H. M. Barger, 3.25

J. S. Hix & Co., 26.00

N. D. Franks, 3.20

Gabriel Pinson, 3.60

W. B. Wharton & J. A. Puckett, 13.00

C. L. Fike, 8.00

John Dagnal, 11.00

Phill Harris, 15.00

A. H. McNinch, 9.50

R. B. Loven, 16.25

J. S. Wilbanks, 15.00

J. D. Dagnal, 3.00

James Fowler, 11.00

Alford McNinch, 7.00

H. B. Mathaffy, 5.00

Y. C. Hellams, 17.75

J. W. Dupee, 9.00

John Dagnal & Bolt, 15.00

G. M. Moore, 20.00

J. C. Moore, 12.00

B. W. Davenport, 5.00

W. M. Higgins, 16.50

J. A. Franks, 12.28

William Parks, 15.00

Dagnal & Bolt, 55.00

J. B. Davenport, 3.00

F. C. Wren, 41.00

T. J. Dillard, 20.00

W. W. Green, 2.40

Edmond Parker, 1.40

P. H. Todd, 1.40

Wm. D. Sullivan, 10.55

W. T. Parks, 5.80

John M. Clardy, 12.50

W. P. Turner, 6.17

W. R. Crawford, 5.00

A. B. Barksdale, 3.79

Daglal & Bolt, 8.00

W. J. Miller, 4.00

J. C. McDaniel, 21.00

J. Porter Elledge, 51.00

James McCravy, 5.00

Bob King, 8.00

E. S. McKinley, 9.00

Wham & Loven, 90.00

E. S. McKinley, 775.00

M. B. Crisp, 10.00

\$2,912.70

REPAIRS ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

J. M. Robertson, \$ 5.30

G. W. Parketon, 47.75

Minter & Jamieson, 17.45

G. W. Parketon, 2.50

Leslie & Brother, 3.27

H. N. Anton, 44.50

E. S. McKinley, 1.40

R. L. Bishop, 25.00

W. A. Martin, 10.00

G. W. Parketon, 2.50

T. E. Rawls, 131.10

Samuel F. Garlington, 2.00

J. M. Robertson, 115.33

R. H. Hudgens, 8.55

Minter & Jamieson, 135.50

BOOKS, STATIONERY AND PRINTING.

Walker, Evans & Cogswell, \$ 69.50

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W. J. Duffle, 6.50

T. B. Crews & Co., 5.00

Walker, Evans & Cogswell, 4.50

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T. B. Crews & Co., 4.50

Charles A. Calvo, 115.00

T. B. Crews & Co., 436.50

\$718.00

CONTINGENT EXPENSES ON FILE.

W. A. Law, Stenographer, \$250.00

Cunningham & Harris, Attorneys, 25.00

J. O. Templeton, Jury Commissioner, 9.00

Drs. Simpson and Miller, Examining Lunatics, 10.00

Dr. S. F. Blakeley, 5.00

J. Wash. Watts, for Blanks, 8.32

Dr. B. E. Martin, 20.00

Drs. Wilbar and Miller, 10.00

S. L. Power, for Public Highway, 8.00

B. F. Posey & Bro., 3.95

B. S. Griffin, School Commissioner, 2.81</p