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### - The Message.

The ponderous paper of the day is the Message of the President delivered to Congress on Tuesday last. The speeches of Governor Tillman and Governor Evans and other like light literature of the period, are evanescent, feathery and gossamer in comparison. These pass, as of the day, as the idle wind, and are regarded not. But the

message deals with weighty matters. The foreign relations of the government are complex and mixed, but are satisfactory. The President exhausts his powers of statement and argument in discussing the financial condition of the country. As a statement, it is probably the clearest that has been given, or can be, of the financial condition of the country; as an argument sustaining the policy of his administration under monstrous legislation and failure to legislate, it is unansw able. He recognizes, and presents with power, our indisputable financial plight, but blazes a way out if the country should be wise enough to take his suggestion. This will not be done. The Republicans being in power, will never adopt the views of a Democrat; the Democrats, if they were in power, would divide, because they prefer riot, confusion and disorder. Southern democratic leaders want a sound currency probably, but they want office worse, and they will continue to befuddle deceive and hold out false hopes to the people. Abuse of Cleveland they think cheaper and more promising ering his argull be a continued he democrats do nority of the

Senator Tillman objects that greenbacks should be issued by the Government instead of bonds. This is equivalent to putting the country on a silver basis. It is true the greenbacks would not bear interest. But the Government issues the greenbacks, the holder presents them for payment, and there is nothing to pay with. If silver is handy and is tendered in redemption, it is equivalent to saying-I pay you in coin of a dollar denomination worth in the world's market only fifty cents. Six millions of our nine millions bales of cotton are sold to England and our farmers now get gold or its equivalent. They will not accept money worth fifty per cent. of its face value. Every cotton producer will insist onsound money.

The latest news from Washington peared in his seat and was in the care of a physician. Ben Tillman had at tended a silver caucus, where the com-Benjamin of ours gets around lively worth as much as any other dollar. and don't you forget it. So does Samps Pope. For four years clerk of Tillman's State Senate at \$1200 a year, then independent candidate for Governor, and now trimming his sails to lead the Re-- publicans in this State. Benjamin nodoubt regrets the training he gave to the wily Sampson. Believe in every man's honesty, but keep your hand on your pocket book.

A negro man and an old colored woman, his mother, were murdered by four white men in Colleton county during last week. The man was charged with a petty theft and the woman with concealing it. If the details of the butchery are as reported the butchers will soon swing according to law, if there be decency, christianity or civilization in that region. We trust that the good name of the State will be vindicated-Colleton being a part of South Carolina.

We are refreshed and rejoiced to see at the Abbeville Press and Banner st consented to annouce itself d out, thick and thin Tillman ut-mediuming the Abbeville The only objection we have the Press and Banner was nt claim to be conservative. vatives had a good deal to , and the pretended alle-Press and Banner was a dition to their weight of ville Daily News. nis supper.

The conservative press in the State approve the work of the convention .-All agree that there is too much work of legislation. As a rule the delegates were guided by patriotic impulses .-Partisan zeal and partisan passion here and there cropt out. But this was exceptional, and the broad spirit governing the great majority of the body prevented much hurtful legislation.

The convention closed its deliberations in a love-feast and all parties and shades of opinion and all colors were in good humor. All united in a testimonial of good will to President Evans. A handsome gold watch was given him-this was in good taste-it should not have been of any baser metal. It is ear that there is no longer any factional issues to divide the white people. Factional lines are

In 1896 we shall have election year .-The issues will be purely financial .-There should be no quarreling in this State. However the State goes-as goes the national Democracy in Na-tional convention—when the party has spoken-she and all her people owing deglance to the Democracy should

Gov Evans has respited Wash Owens, (who was to have been hanged last Friday,) until the 2d Friday in Febuary next. He was convicted of murder nearly twelve months ago.—Some centuries back by the mouth of the Lord Hamlet, something was said of the ills that flesh is heir to and among them pr minently catalogued—"the "law's delay."

The convention adjourned SINE DIE at 22 & 1 minutes past 4 o'clock P. M. on Wednesday last having adopted the instrument as a whole by a vote of 116 to 7. Originally the body consisted of 160; three had died since its organization and so there were thirty-four not

As will be seen elsewhere the Clinton Cotton Mill enterprise is a fixture. The project is taking shape and there's nothing to do now but move forward and build the factory. Take care, Laurens, Clinton is coming.—Clinton Garatte.

Precisely as we expected and as the ADVERTISER prophesied. And the AD-VERTISER rejoices with great joy. And in a little while Cross Hill, Mountville, Gray Court, Waterloo, High Point, Lanfords, Ora, Thomas and Madden will follow on the heels of Clinton.

A. J. McElrath, killed a wild goose in the river near town yesterday It weighed 18 pounds and measured seven feet from tip to tip,—Piedmont correspondence State.

The constitutional convention declining to adopt the female suffrage clause did a bit of execution in this line.

The Atlanta Journal hammers Senator Tillman and Gov. Evans for their speeches at Atlanta. All right. Giants can stand battering rams. When you have 15,000 to hurrah for you and 1,500 melish at your back, you will pay small attention to the paper bullets of a newspaper.

If the government stamps a piece of silver as big as a ten cent piece as a dollar and it is redeemable in a gold dollar worth one hundred cents then a dime may be made to pass for a dollar. But do you believe it and are you willing to so accept it?

If the stamp of the government can add fifty cents to the value of a piece of silver, then free coinage is right and the mints should run day and night and their capacity be many times multi-

Factional lines gone as to the white people in this State, surely the people will not fall out on the question of the offices and who shall hold them. Merit alone-fitness-character and ability should decide.

The President does not care particularly about what kinds of money we have as currency but he is concerned that the people handle such money as may be redeemed at sight in coin equal in actual value to the nominal value of the currency.

Congressmen Strait and Latimer are no longer to be black listed by the Postmaster General and will be allowed to control the appointments in their Districts. Tillman ie in Washington. Cleveland had better look out.

Nobody with good horse sense objects to silver as part of the currency pany were eight. He immediately at- of the country. But every man of tended a caucus of Democrats. That horse sense wants a dollar which is

> With the intrinsic value of an Ameriican silver dollar at fifty cents the gold dollar worth intrinsically one hundred cents is the only standard of value.

> The Columbia Register significantly suggests that Senator Tillman will be judicious in the use of his pitchfork at Washington. But what was he sent

Senators Tillman and Irby occupy seats widely separated in the Senate

### That Tired Feeling

So common at this season, is a serious condition, liable to lead to disastrous results. It is a sure sign of declining health tone, and that the blood is impoverished and impure. The best and most successful remedy is found in

# HOOD'S Sarsaparilla

Which makes rich, healthy blood, and thus gives strength to the nerves, elasticity to the muscles, vigor to the brain and health to the whole body. In truth, Hood's Sarsaparilla

### Makes the Weak Strong

Be sure to get Hood's and only Hood's

Heed's Pills are purely vegetable, per-lectly harmless, always reliable and beneficial

H. Heineman, Milwaukee, writes: One box Japanese Pile Cure has cured me of a case of 28 years standing, after being treated by New York's best physicians." Sold by The Laurens Drug Co.

### Notice

Of Settlement and Application

for Final Discharge.

Take notice that on the 9th day of Jan. 1896, I will render a final ty at 11 o'clock A. M., and on the same day will apply for a final discharge from my trust as such Ex-

All persons having demands against said estate will please present them on or before that day proven and authenticated, or be forever barred.

G. W. DUVALL,

Dec. 2d, 1895.-4t

## The Undersigned

Respectfully invite the public to call and examine their Stock of General Merchandise. We do not claim to have better Goods or cheaper Goods than any one; but we do claim that we can sell as LOW as the

## LOWEST

for the same quality of Goods.

Our constant aim will be to supply our customers with good honest Goods at the

## LOWEST CASH PRICES.

Our patrons may rest assured that they will not have to pay any profit for long time or bad debts; as we will buy for spot cash-thereby getting the largest discounts, and sell for

### Spot Cash

giving the purchaser the benefit of our Cash Discounts. MR. LUTHER McCord, the popular and courteous salesman, with us and will be glad to see his many friends.

# J. R. MINTER & SON.

Laurens C. H., S. C., Dec. 10, '5-3m

At the Old Stand.

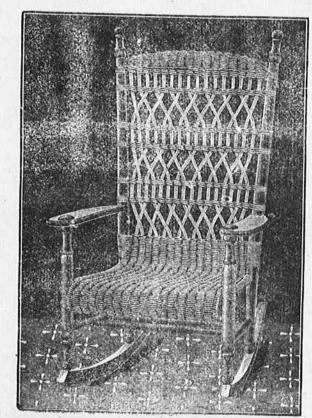


The print is too fine-most of it is nowadays. Don't injure our eyes attempting to read it. We can make it so much easier for you with a pair of spectacles or eye glasses. We have no poor glasses-our cheap ones are good glasses in cheap frames .-There are too many of the other kind on the market-made to look at, not thorough. We test every pair before we let you take them away, and if they don't suit we change them for you without charge. We want every body to see well because we have a com-

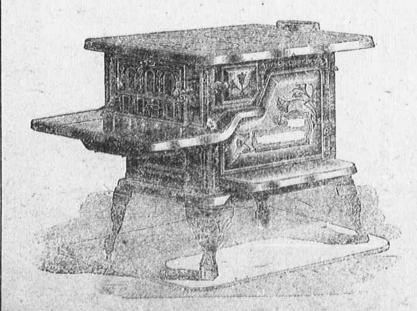
### Drugs, Medicines, Stationery, School Books and Christmas Goods

for you to look at. We sell them as low as we can-you always buy as low as you can when you buy from the Laurens Drug Co. near the Post Office. We have an elegant doll we are going to give away. Each purchaser of one dollar worth of any thing, from now until Christmas Day, gets a chance at it.

### We Deliver all Goods to Your Depot Free from \$10 and up anywhere in South Carolina.



Extra Large, \$2.25 Medium, \$1.98 1.98 Ladies, \$1.75 Misses, \$1.65 Childs, \$1.50 Don't wait or you will lose this chance.



SUNNY SOUTH STOVE. What Is Our Guarantee? Ask us and you'll be pleased.

S. M. & E. H. Wilkes & CO

Cold Weather is at Our Doors, and the Time has Come WHEN EVERYONE MUST LOOK OUT FOR

CIND TENSINES

and our Low Prices show that we have put forth our best efforts to benefit and please the public. Come an inspect our stock and see for yourself what we have in store or you.

### CLOTHING, CLOTHING!

Suits Men's heviots and Fancy Cassimeres, \$2 to 5.00. In this losee our black and grey Cheviotts.

Men's Suits in colors and black Cheviotats, at \$5 to \$7.50. In this lot see our special \$7.00 black Chevietts.

Men Suits, ues, Blacks—all colors and textures, at \$7.50 to \$22.50. Black Clay Suits \$10. Cheviotts, \$8.50. 346

Youth Saits, all colors and sizes, \$2.00 to \$15.

Overcoats In this line we have all colors, all sizes, all Pants Pants! Youth's Pants! Boys' Knee Pants, at grades, latest patterns! See boys' 20 cents pants.

Regularsi Extra Sizes!

We have got the Shoe at right prices, bought them before the rise in price. See our line of \$1 10, 1 25 AND 1 5() Men's Shoes

See our line of BayState Shes for ladies. The best School Shoe for children-Little Giant Shoe. See our Snoes, get our Prices

Hats, Gents' FURNISHINGS, UNDERWEAR, Trunks, Valise We have not the space to tell yu of our mammoth stock; but we can please you in everything found in a first class Clothing and &

We mean buisness and are going to dispose of his stock at prices to suit everybody.

hanking you for liberal patronage in the past, we are your friends,

# Davis & Roper,

The Tamous CLOTHING, Hat and SHOE Emporium Laurens S. C., Oct. 17, 1895.

Of Settlement and Application for

Final Disharge.

Take notice than the 2d day of Take notice that on the 18th day as such Executor

All persons having demands such Administrator, against said estar will please pre All persons hav forever barred. B. H. TRGUE

Nov. 25, 1895-41

A. A. GRLINGTON,

Executors

# NOTICE

Of Settlement and Application for Final Discharge.

Narcisa M. Garbgton, dec'd, in annexed, of the estate of J. F. the office of Judy of Probate for Workman, deceased, in the office Laurens county aro o'clock, A.M., of Judge of Probate for Lau and on the same by will apply for rens county at II o'clock A. M. a final discharg from our trust and on the same day will apply for a-final discharge from my trust as

All persons having demands sent them on or before that day, against said estate will please pre proven and autenticated, or be sent them on or before that day proven and authenticated, or be for-A. C. WORKMAN,

Nov. 12, 1895-it.

Adm'r with will annex.

### NOTICE Of Bill to form a Now County

from portions of Spartanburg, Union, Laurens and Greenville Counties

We will ask the Legislature at its January, 1896, will render a final account of by acts and doings as Executors the estate of ings as Administrator, with will ing boundaries Begining at or near Pelham Factory and running thence to the Union county line at or near West Springs; thence to Enorce river to a point at or near where the besting line between Jacks and Sci town township of Laurens county strike said river; thence up said river to where Buckhead Creek empities into said river; thence up said creek to Pleasant Mound; thence to a point in the Greenville line one mile cast of Countain Inn; thence a straight line rountain inn; thence a straight it to beginning corner.

J. B. KILGORE,
W. S. GRAY,
S. O. BROCKMAN,
L. F. PEARSON,
L. C. WOFFORD,
S. M. PILGRAM,
Consultan for Politimany

Committee for Petitioners

### Notice

Notice is hereby given that applica-tion will be made at the next sitting of the Legislature for a charter for Rail-road to run from Laurens, S. C., by way of Tumbling Shoals, Princeton, Pelzer, in Anderson County, Piedmont in Greenville County, and elsewhere.

J. M. Traynham,

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Albert Dial,
J. H. Sullivan,
C. C. Featherstone,
Wm. D. Sullivan,
J. B. Humbert,
W. A. McKelvey,
W. P. Nesbitt,
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