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LAURENS, S. C., Feb. 2, 1897.

#### OUR SOLONS.

We neglected to mention in its proper place last week that Col. Neal had been re-elected Superintendent of the Penetentiary. No matter what the vacancy be, there is usually a man for the place. Col. Neal had no opposition. A Mr. Robinson wants to repeal the Act, (and has introduced a Bill to that effect) preventing United States Senators, members of Congress and members of the General Assembly, from using free passes, express and telegraph franks. We are fortunate in never having heard or read of this Mr. Ros-inson before or since, and we do hope that the Legislature will make an exception as to the gentleman, that he may excurt freely as far as he lists. Just the other day we read of a Georgia Judge who refused a free rail road pass. The House of Representatives accepted an invitation to visit on Saturday last Winthrop College-"way" up at Rock Hill. Thus was a cool thousand of the peoples money spent to gratify a crude curiosity to see brick and mortar. No doubt it was pleasant to see a great aggregation of pretty Misses, but these are every where and a staple production in this latitude. A Mr. Robinson led in the idea and a Mr. Kinard opposed it. Here now:

Dr. Prince — To establish a State Board of embalming; to provide for the better protection of life and health; to prevent the spread of contagious disease and to regulate the practice of embalming and the care and disposition of the dead

This gentleman has probably been reading Shakespeare's gruesome grave digging scene in the play of Hamlet, and it is certainly discouraging. As

Alexander died; Alexander was buried; Alexander returned into dust; the dust is earth; of earth we make loam, and why of that loam whereto he was converted might they not stop a beer barrel?

"Imperial Caezar dead, and turned to Might stop a hole to keep the wind

But there are many subjects of importance and vital concern to the State before the body and many men of ability who appreciate that they are chosen for the welfare of the State. -The subject of text books for children in the public schools is one important matter. Let there be generous support of the Colleges and men will be developed to make decent, fair and inspiring books for our children.

Mr. Rainsford's anti-trust bill-a true blue reform bill will likely become a law and it so deserves.

Mr. Simkins' bill providing that quired to serve in such way that the term of service of a certain number should expire at a given time and others hold over, and thus continuously have in that body experienced Jurors is likely to become law.

A Bill to provide a Labor Commissioner, and an eight hour and ten hour bill are under discussion, but these are not needed at the South—the time may come when this sort of legislation may be needed but not yet.

The subject of free tuition in State Colleges continuously rises to plague the country-like Banko's ghost it will not down. The State should be liberal in the support of public schools, and is liberal, and while education comes high, Governor Ellerbe put the matter well in his inaugural address and the ceuntry should have a rest from the everlasting Whitman cry. A resolution was passed to buy a new gown for the Speaker and this we guess was to put this officer upon equality with the President of the Senate. "Equal rights to all and special privileges to none." By the way, be it known to all that the Lieutenant Governor and the President of the Senate, is a country editor, was a poor printer, is self-educated, has made a hard fight, and deserves a mighty deal of credit that he has won honorable place in the public service and esteem. This is more creditable than in times past when College education was the exception, as in the days of Andrew Jackson and Andrew Johnson, whereas this is an age of Colleges and Universities and the world is packed full of what they call learned men. Lieutenant Governor McSweeney's case is in line with the poet's thought:

"Give me one spark of natures fire, It's all the learning I desire."

Judge Earle received every vote for United States Senator with the exception of Anderson, colored republican of Georgetown, who voted for Murray. Representative O P. Goodwin represents Laurens on the special committee of thirty-seven to report on dispensary and pension legislation. The Laurens delegation has submitted the following gentlemen for office and the Governor will so appoint:

Treasurer—Messer Babb.
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John C. Cook, Cross Hill; John M. Hudgens, Laurens; J. M. Gray, Young's; J.
W. Donnon, Scuffletown, G. W. Moore,
Waterloo; Wm.McMillan, Hunter; Geo.
P. Woods, Dials; J. C. McMillan, Jacks
Township.

Ex-Judge Thos. J. Mackey petitions the Legislature and presents a claim against the State for services in securing a claim against the United States government for the occupation

and pay it if it is just. (Every honest

man will pay an honest debt, provided he has the money, but this unfortunately is not always the case). After a hard tussel the House passed a bill au-thorizing counties to borrow money from the sinking fund commission, pledging county taxes as recurity. This commission now has two hundred thousand dollars now lent to banks at a low rate of interest on State bonds as collateral. The measure is sound and the Laurens Honorables voted for it. A committee will probably be appointed to investigate during the recess the question of rebates in the dispensary

properly voted against the measure All junketing committees are bad as a The Hall of the House of Representatives was allowed to a temperance lecturer. (A capital place for

purchases. Senator Wallace very

such a performance.) A Bill is pending requiring all county officers to keep a book showing by items all monies received by them-this book to be open to anybody's inspection. The bill requiring railroads to check bycicles as bag-

gage looks as if it would become law; all wrong; the railroads should have a fair hack; this is going "bike" fashion; presently they will be required to check donkeys, drags, drays and dogs. Mr. Ragdale's bill to elect Judges by the people was postponed to next ses-

On Friday last the Solons elected J. C. Klugh, Judge of the 8th Circuit in place of Earle resigned. He is thirtynine years of age. Mr. Magill in nominating him said: "He is a man of preeminent literary and legal ability." 'Preeminent" 18 good, when we remember in youth, how our preceptors cautioned as to the danger of adjectives On the 1st heat it was neck and neck between Ansel, of Greenville, Klugh, of Abbeville and Brazeale of Anderson, on the second, Klugh led away and the count resulted: Klugh 79, Ansel, 59 and Brazeale 7. Nodoubt a good choice has been

made, and it is to be assumed that Mr. Magill in his use of the term 'literary" is entirely innocent, as no great Judge has been guility of decent english. Let there be no encroachment upon professorial precints. Mr. Klugh is of "old Abbeville." In the group of some dozen districts (now counties) called into existence by the same stroke of the pen about 1785 we have two dignified with the endearing quality of age-"o'd Abbeville" and "old Edgefield" - and accordingly should they be tenderly nourished and stroked with the hair.

Mayfield, Senator, wants another Judicial Circuit and Judge. We have eight; it might be well as there is luck in odd numbers. Mr. Childs, of Columbia has introduced a prohibition bill. It is a waste of stationery and

There seems to be nothing pending affecting the fortunes of the State and an carly adjournment is expected.

Our own Representatives are not introducing foolish bills.

We did not comment on the United States Supreme Court opinion confirming Judge Simonton's decision that liquors could be brought to the State for personal use. We think the decision will not materially influence the operations of the Dispensary law. The "people" don't care so much about it, but politicians will continue the experiment. That seems to be settled. The people will take it in hand and

Editor J. C. Garlington, of the Spar tanburg Herald, wins a prize, offered by the Southern Stock Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Greensboro, N. C. for articles on the development of South Carolina. Mr. Garlington writes a capital article which does credit to the author.

Grovenor Ellerbe seems to have brought business habits to his office. His appointments are made with promptness and despatch



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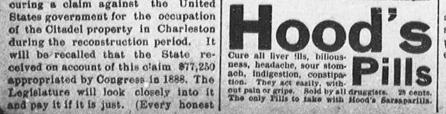
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"Well, after we'd had Nibsy a number of years we lost him. He just disappeared one day and didn't come back, and we didn't know whether he'd been run over by a train of cars or strayed away and got lost, or whether somebody had picked him up and carried him off, or what was the matter, but he didn't come back, and we missed him very much because we all liked Nibsy.

"Now, maybe you can guess what happened. One morning early, about 2 or half past 2, some months after that, as I was moving slowly in the dark across a room on the second floor of a house that I had called at some 50 miles from where I lived, I felt the legs of a small dog thrown against mine. I couldn't see the dog at all, but it was standing on its hind legs and resting its fore legs against me, and I could tell by the movement of them that he was wagging his tail violently. It was Nibsy, of course. He'd known my tread, soft as it was, and woke up to receive me.

'Well, you know, glad as I was to find Nibsy, I'd rather not have found him right there, because he was almost certain to make trouble for me. He began to whine with joy the first thing, and then he gave a little yelp. That was just what I was afraid of. He didn't want to make any trouble for me, but that one yelp was enough. A man in the bed sits up and pulls a string and turns on a light and says:

"'Now, what's the matter?'
"And I puts up a great polar bluff and says, 'You swiped my dog, and I've

come to get him.'
"'Swiped nothing,' he says. 'I'll swipe you in a minute,' and he wasn't slow in getting at it either. He was getting out of bed and coming for me all the time he was talking, and a good healthy, powerful looking man he was too. But Nibsy was bright. Nibsy made just one dive at the man's feet but that was enough to stop him until I'd got turned and started, and a minute later I was going down the road, with Nibsy coming on behind."-New York

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Of Settlement and Application for Final Discharge.

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A. M., and on the same day will
apply for a final discharge from my trust as such Administrator. All persons having demands against said estate will please pre-

sent them on or before that day proven and authenticated, or be forever barred. L. P. ARMSTRONG, Administrator. Jan. 15, 1897-4t

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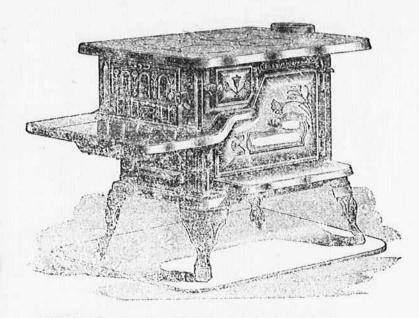
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