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Proprietor.

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The Governor's Message.

The message is full, written with clearness, and puts the people's representatives and the people in intelligent understanding of the condition of the State's affairs. All the departments are healthy and honestly conducted. Treasurer, Secretary of State, Comptroller, Attorney General, and Assistant General, all doing their duty. His Excellency has little to do but to commend and congratulate the people. The same may be said of the charitable, penal and educational institutions—as the Colleges, the Insane Hospital, the Penitentiary, the deaf and the blind institution. The State as a whole must be congratulated. There are features that may be criticised: too many candidates are scrambling to get into our great two million dollar grog enterprise and it leads to the suspicion that there is something rotten in the State of Denmark—ordinarily the good people would not hanker after handling whiskey for the pitiful salaries attached, and hence the suspicion.

The Governor appreciates the necessity of doing a good part by the old soldiers and it is probable that a home will be built for the homeless.

The Governor congratulates the State upon the increase of taxable property by some ten millions. This he may well do, but not inausuriously taxes are increased from year to year. It was ever thus, States are not unlike men. As we climb the mountain side the view expands and wants expand. All the departments want more money—especially the Insane asylum and the schools. We all know the case of the old gentleman whose gale being grown up wanted a new house; then when the house was up a piano—then the carpets and the curtains and the pictures.

Governor McSweeney however, has given the State a first-class public document showing the State in good condition and his administration of the State's affairs eminently creditable. He is to be congratulated.

Child Labor—The Governor urges legislation on the subject and favors it. We advise to go slow as yet. This is a yankee proposition, in apprehension of our cotton manufacturing competition. Go slow for the present. This is not a manufacturing State as yet, but an agricultural State. Cotton, rice and tobacco are our moneyed crops, with sugar and tea it may be, yet to add. Let our illipitican manufacturing interest get into the saddle.

The Governor favors compulsory education and argues that ignorance is dangerous to society. This may be or may not be true. Circumstances make it an involved question with us. There should be no hurry and the question be conservatively considered. It will be a question on the stump this Summer. It may be all right for Germany or Massachusetts and yet a bad fit for South Carolina.

J. H. Hoyt, Jr., the intelligent Columbia correspondent of his father's paper, the Greenville Mountaineer, writes as follows:

"With the opening of the Legislature comes a flood of political talk and gossip to the capital. Candidates for State offices are already in the field. It is understood that Gov. McSweeney will stand for re-election, and the other candidates so far announced are ex-Solicitor M. F. Ansel, of Greenville; Mr. D. C. Heyward, of Colleton; Congressman W. J. Talbert, of Edgefield, and Lieutenant Governor Jas. H. Tillman, of Edgefield. There will be others, including perhaps, Secretary of State M. R. Cooper.

Attorney General Bellinger will stand for Congress in his district to succeed Mr. Talbert. The assistant Attorney General, Mr. U. X. Guntor, Jr., will be a candidate for Attorney General, and it is understood Speaker Stevenson will oppose him. For Secretary of State, the present assistant, Jesse T. Gantt; the Governor's private Secretary, E. H. Aull; Col. J. Harvey Wilson, a representative from Sumter; Hon. J. Thomas Austin, of Greenville, and doubtless one or two more will be candidates.

Washington, D.C., Jan. 14.—Wu Ting Fang is openly credited with being the author of a mysterious anonymous book attacking the proposed re-enactment of the Chinese exclusion law, which caused a sensation in official circles. If it is developed that he is responsible for the printing and distribution, it is expected that he will be called to strict account by Secretary Hay owing to a similar incident two years ago.

These would appear very ridiculous. These Yankees, the brightest people on earth, with Secretary Hay at the head of the class, ought to be able to answer the Chinaman. Besides, the grunt is in the teeth of the Text—"Oh that Mine enemy would write a book!" Again, only the Congress has to do with the Exclusion Question, and the presumption is not violent that Congressmen should be equal to meeting Wu or any other of the Celestials in argument.

Chips of News.

Prince Henry, brother of Emperor of Germany, William, and Admiral of the Imperial Navy, will reach this country about the 22d of February next to be present and represent the Emperor's Yacht in New York. New York and Washington are all agog in arranging the ceremonies for the momentous occasion. It is fortunate for us. The occasion will prove a sort of nursery training for the imperial ways we are to indulge in the fast impending future.

Charleston gets ninety thousand to help take care of the Government exhibit. Moody, of Mass., helped Elliott, (There are more ways of killing a cat than hanging.) The last house refused a penny.

A petition has been filed to remove the case recently brought by Attorney General Bellinger against the Virginia Carolina Chemical Co. from the State to the Federal Courts.

The News and Courier, nor the State, gave the vote on the Governor's veto of the Free Pass matter.

Schley was handsomely treated in Savannah during his visit last week.

Foraker is re-elected Senator from Ohio.

HEADS SHOULD NEVER ACHE.

Never endure this trouble. Use at once the remedy that stopped it for Mrs. N. A. Webster, of Winnie, Va., who writes "Dr. King's New Life Pills wholly cured me of sick headaches that had suffered from for two years." Cure Headache, Constipation, Biliousness. 25c at Laurens Drug Co.'s drug store.

Our Solons.

The two bodies got promptly to work. Many bills coming over from last session were promptly killed.

A cigar bill excited debate but the Eastern Tobacco nabobs slaughtered it. Citizen Ashley thought a shingle the remedy for boys addicted to the cigar.

The Governor vetoed the Free Pass amendment.

In the redistricting Bills Laurens, in one, is grouped with Spartanburg, Greenville and Union—in others with Greenwood, Edgefield, Aiken and Saluda.

Georgetown wants all the fish—the brain food.

McGowan has an anti-trust bill—and other bills. Cooper a Code Bill and an amendment to his pistol Act.

A stout debate occurred to give counties local option on Dispensary or no Dispensary. It panted the House, as a blue-tailed hawk in a covey of Spring chickens. It was lynched—McGowan and Nichols opposed, Cooper for.

Lien Law, Agricultural contracts, Compulsory Education—Confederate Home (it will pass), biennial sessions, The Jury Laws, pay of public officers, redistricting, and child factory labor, are the leading questions.

Senator Goodwin has a bill to provide for an oil inspector.

Dantzer, of Orangeburg, is Judge of the First Circuit in place of Judge Benet. McGowan's bill for the relief of P. H. Martin, whose horse and buggy were confiscated, was killed.

We regret want of space for fuller details.

Delegation to the Coronation.

The President has appointed the following citizens and soldiers to represent this Government at the crowning of Edward, in June:

Special ambassador, Whitelaw Reid, of New York.

Representative of the United States army, Gen. James H. Wilson, Delaware.

Representative of the United States navy, Capt. Charles E. Clark, commander of the battle ship Oregon, during the Spanish-American war, and now governor of the Naval Home, at Philadelphia.

There are to be three secretaries, as follows: J. P. Morgan, Jr. son of J. Pierpont Morgan, of New York; E. L. Bayles, a barrister, of New York; William Wetmore, son of Senator Wetmore, of Rhode Island.

Reid is editor of the New York Tribune and has been a Foreign Minister, has kissed the fingers of royalty and will be up to snuff in all ceremonial matters.

A darkey with a pair of mules hitched to a wagon rigged to carry lint cotton was hauling some household furniture from Alkon to a place in the country on Saturday. On his way he stopped at the dispensary and when he reached the outskirts of Alken he was somewhat loaded. In attempting to light his pipe he managed to set fire to the cotton baling frame of the wagon, and the flames spread so rapidly he had to leap to save himself. The bedstead and other things in the wagon were consumed and the mules ran away, spreading the fire along the roadside. This set fire to the underbrush and dry grass and farmers along the line have been fighting fire ever since, only stopping long enough to cut out the darkey who caused the trouble.—Aiken Journal and Review.

Apologies to this string of casualties—"How to tell bad news." The housemaid met the son of the house summoned home; What's the matter, Maggie? The Magpie is dead. How? Grief for the dog. The dog dead? Yes it was too much for him, the loss of the Ostler. The Ostler gone? Yes, he could not stand it, the poor cook. The cook dead? Yes the loss of your poor mother. What mother gone? Yes, loss of your dear father, etc. There was nothing left but for the boy to marry the maid and take charge of the household.

If local option had only passed, Alken would be a dry county, but she clearly needs "damperture" or fire escapes.

Anent the proposition to raise the pay of Congressmen from \$5,000.00 to \$10,000.00. A Western Congressman declares that not a man is worth it. This Congressman wears a conkin cap and leather breeches. He has worked for twelve hours at 50 cents and "de ratations." The same depends largely upon a man's "raisin'."

CARD OF THANKS.

Although seemingly a long time, but "better late than never, I desire to thank the good people of your city for their kind contribution to the inmates of the County Home on Thanksgiving Day. On that day we received a visit from Mrs. L. G. Balle, Mrs. J. F. Bolt and H. Terry, who came in a carriage loaded down with good things, such as pork, beef, rice, butter, candy fruits pickles, etc., as well as smoking and chewing tobacco. These good things, with numerous other bundles, were given by the kind-hearted people of Laurens, for which they have the heartfelt thanks of all concerned. Mrs. Bolt kindly remembered the old vets with comfortable garments, sent by the Daughters of the Confederacy, of which she is a worthy representative.

Miss JANE STARNES,
Matron County Home.

Mr. J. W. Copeland has purchased All-Healing Springs, N. C. and will probably put that place to the front as a summer resort.—Clinton Chronicle.

Interstate and West Indian Exposition.

The Charleston and Western Carolina Railway beg to announce that on account of South Carolina Interstate and West Indian Exposition, that reduced rates have been arranged from all their stations. Parties can avail themselves of a season ticket, a ten day ticket, or a seven day ticket at very low rates from any station on this line. Apply to agents for further information in regard to schedules, rates, etc.

W. J. ORANGE,
General Passenger Agent.

Notice to Creditors.

ALL persons having claims against the Estate of the late O. P. Edwards are required to present them to the undersigned by the 22d of February, next, or they will be barred.

W. P. COKER,
Executor.

Jan. 22, 1902.

Tax Time Extended.

BY virtue of authority from the Comptroller-General, approved by the Governor, the time for the payment of State and County Taxes has been extended, without penalty, to March 1, 1902.

JOHN H. COPELAND,
Treasurer L. C.

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All Stuffed Up

That's the condition of many sufferers from catarrh, especially in the morning. Great difficulty is experienced in clearing the head and throat.

No wonder catarrh causes headache, impairs the taste, smell and hearing, pollutes the breath, deranges the stomach and affects the appetite.

To cure catarrh, treatment must be constitutional—alterative and tonic.

"I was afflicted with catarrh. I took medicines of different kinds, giving each a fair trial; but gradually grew worse until I could hardly hear, taste or smell. I then concluded to try Hood's Sarsaparil, and after taking five bottles I was cured and have not had any return of the disease since." EUGENE FORBES, Lebanon, Kan.

Hood's Sarsaparil
Cures catarrh—it soothes and strengthens the mucous membrane and builds up the whole system.

Mr. John B. Humbert, who has been connected with the Citizens Bank for the past year, has accepted a position as book keeper for the Anderson Oil & Fertilizer Company, and left last Monday to enter upon the discharge of his duties. Mr. Humbert is a popular and energetic young man, and made many friends during his stay in Honea Path.—Honea Path Chronicle.

THE SECRET OF LONG LIFE.
Consists in keeping all the main organs of the body in a healthy, regular action, and in quickly destroying deadly disease germs. Electric Bitters regulate Stomach, Liver and Kidneys, purify the blood, and give a splendid appetite. They work wonders in curing Kinney's Troubles, Female Complaints, Nervous Diseases, Constipation, Dyspepsia, and Malaria. Vigorous health and strength always follow their use. Only 50c. guaranteed by Laurens Drug Co., drugist.

A few select Mantels to offer at prices never before heard of.
S. M. & E. H. Wilkes.

FINDS WAY TO LIVE LONG.

The startling announcement of a Discovery that will surely lengthen life is made by Editor O. H. Downey, of Okrubusco, Ind. "I wish to state he writes, 'that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is the most infallible remedy that I have ever known for Coughs, Colds and Grip.' It's invaluable to people with weak lungs. Having this wonderful medicine no one need dread Pneumonia or Consumption. Its relief is instant and cure certain." Laurens Drug Co. guarantee every 50c and \$1.00 bottle, and give trial bottles free.

If you know!
If you know what the miller knows, and what your physician knows about adulterated flour, you, too, would insist on your grocer sending you "Gilted." Try it. It is the best and purest. For sale by M. H. Fowler and T. N. Barksdale.

Notice, Notice.

Executors, Administrators, Guardians and Trustees are reminded that the time for making returns begins with the 1st day of January of each year. Under the amended law, failure to make returns works a forfeiture of commissions.

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AT 9 O'CLOCK.

We will put these goods on the market at and

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This sale will continue for 30 DAYS.

This is the greatest opportunity the people of Laurens have ever had to buy good merchandise at and below New York cost. If you don't need these goods it will pay you to buy and keep them, as they will never be offered at this price again.

We haven't space to mention many prices, but come and see for yourself.

50c Dress Goods, at	33c	Corsets	15c
25c Dress Goods, at	19c	Standard Calico, at	3½c
15c Dress Goods, at	10c	Good Ink, per bottle	1c
3.50 Shoes, at	2.59c	Mucilage, per bottle	1c
3.00 Shoes, at	1.99c	15 balls Thread for	5c
6.00 Suits, at	3.49	Jeans Pants	39c
9.00 Suits, at	5.98	Underwear,	15c
4.00 Suits, at	2.99	25c 10-4 Sheeting	19c

25 unbroken pieces of Red and White Flannel, at New York cost

If you have been waiting for Bargains, here they are, and no mistake! We must turn the stock into money. Everything must go in 30 Days. We invite all country Merchants to come and supply themselves with everything, as we can sell Cheaper than tlnha same Goods could be bought at in New York.

This is no catch advertisement, but the greatest bargain sale in the history of Laurens.

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And join the thousands who are happy over Minter's Great Bargain Sale.

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