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LAURENS, S. C., Feb. 19, 1902.

Our Sotens.

The fight was hard during last week to make up for lost time.

The appropriations were up on Wednesday and went through without much scotching.

Higher education gave some trouble, citizen Ashley leading the obstructionists, with his motions, but he rarely gave a reason "for the faith that was in him."

At Winthrop (the Woman's College) from \$80,000 to \$50,000, and this seems to have met the good sense of the House.

All parties were generous in praise of the conduct of the old South Carolina College, the officials of which accounted in detail for every penny that the State gives.

There are (3) big items—\$200,000 for State Pensions; Interest on Public Debt \$285,000; Insane Hospital \$150,000.

It would be useless to add the many other smaller items, which make an aggregate close to a million.

In many places there could be a saving—that is to say \$500, in probably fifty places. To instance, there is a phosphate Inspector at \$1,200.

At Winthrop they have a little vegetable farm to raise peas and berries for the girls (the sweet darlings), a Super-intendant at a good big salary and an Assistant. Now this Assistant is clearly a Super and he should go quicker.

We fear there are too many soap-ers in every department—with too many type-writers and stenographers.

The militia are growing luxurious and the health department is getting its hand deep into the grab bag.

Local communities should learn to combat diseases as they come.

We have not space to particularise, but thirft is a good word for Legislators to smoke with their Spanish tobacco.

The Bill as it swung through the House will likely without material alteration go through the Senate.

Many Legislators have wheels in their noggin and feel that the State is all right if the State levy is not increased and this it seems will be the case with the present levy.

But it should be less. We have all just been flinging up our caps and hurraing ourselves hoarse at the statement that the State assessment has gained about eleven millions.

But to what good end, to be sure? We are not criticising the action generally of the assembly—generally they have done well—especially in killing a ream of fool bills.

Some of the work was admirably done and promptly—notably the Jury and the county salary laws, which were in confusion run mad.

The Senate killed the bi-ennial sessions bill—all wrong—the assembly should only meet once in two years, as is the case with five sixths of the States.

A session costs \$50,000 and \$25,000 should be annually saved and we would have better Legislation. Never mind! A new set will "git thar" (thanks to Citizen Ashley) after awhile, who will not be so considerate of Columbia—boarding house keepers and laundry mamas.

Representative Theus, of Hampton, died last week of pneumonia.

The "chicken" bill got it in the neck in the Senate. A'so the Bill to put the State into manufacturing fertilizers.

Pelham, the manufacturing village just North of the Enoore starts with Greenville and is lost to Spartanburg (Spartanburg is a whole all the same).

The McGowan redistricting bill is law, and our District is Laurens, Spartanburg, Greenville and Union. It is the great District of the State.

We have the men, we have the money, we have the machinery, we have the (beautiful) mads, we have the matrons, we have the morality.

The House shied for ten days Mr. Johnson's (alias Bellinger's) anti-trust bill. We bought a black pony fifteen years ago from the tail end of a Buncombe wagon and named him Souter Johnnie, after Burn's blacksmith in Tam O'Shanter.

Laurens lies in a valley like the vale of Tempe and as we rode this pony home to our soup, he could spy a Buncombe bow-covered wagon a mile on Todd's Hill and would budge no further.

When the wagon came near and he got a whiff of the apples, chestnuts, cabbage, and cabbage seed he was satisfied, bowed his head and meekly bore his master homeward.

We always suspected this pony of being moon-eyed. Johnson finally got his anti-trust wagon up in the House on Thursday last, and the statement, smelling no brimstone or dynamite, voted it almost to a man.

A new road law for the whole State will be enacted. It is like one of United States Senator Morgan's speeches and too long to read or quote.

Representative Nichols made a brave fight to help out Sullivan Township against the Railroad Tax—it is yet unsettled.

Laurens is asking for a 4th term of Court to hold in the month of May.

McGowan wants a section of broken Granite column for U. D. C. of Laurens.

Senator Goodwin is pushing his Bill for a slaking fund Commission for Laurens.

Somebody wants \$20,000 to paint the State House, and Representative Bacon wants to know why the New State House is so filthy? (To get an appropriation.) (Shakespeare has something about the maw of the salt-sea-shark. He wants our little State House.)

Cincinnati had a great party of distinguished citizens who had been to Charleston to open their building. They visited our Legislature and when the citizens of rich Porkopolis, that great city in the Ohio, land of hog and hominy, saw the Speaker and the President of the Senate and the Clerks

of the two houses clad in \$1,000 robes of royal crimson and purple, they stood like statues in amazement. They were shown the old silver mace, and two-edged sword of State, about which so much historic research has been made and each man and woman stood like Macbeth at the ghost of the blood-battered Banquo.

Fifty dollars has been voted to rub up the venerated Mace. Ashley voted—No.

McLaurin and Lincoln.

McLaurin addressed a Republican club at Chicago on Lincoln's birthday the 12th instant. He went to praise Lincoln and he did it and to that extent, no more, we thought McLaurin.

The argument was that Lincoln had lived it had been better for the South. But Lincoln was at the head of the government which armed the slaves against their masters, their mistresses and daughters.

If he had had the sense of Mr. Johnson he could not have happened. Lincoln had his good traits, but he wanted in courage and manhood, and was dominated by Yachoo like Stanton and Thad Stevens.

This side of Lincoln's character should have been presented, always provided that—the speaker knew it.

The Montagus and the Capules.

On the 6th instant, at Washington, a son of W. C. Whitney, Secretary of State in Cleveland's Cabinet, married Miss Hay, daughter of the present Republican Secretary of State. But, listen:

"Presents almost without number have been pouring into the Hay home for the last fortnight. It is believed their number exceeds 400, including houses and lands, a yacht and jewels of great value."

The bridal tour, it is thought, is to Thomasville, Ga. Thomasville is in the midst of the great pines, and the roses are ready to blow and the mockbird to air his vocabulary—ED. ADVERTISER.

Must the Negro Go?

We clip the following from the News and Courier, a dispatch from Memphis:

"Mr. Kuntz is touring the State of Arkansas in search of a spot where he proposes to launch a scheme which, if successful, will revolutionize the cotton-picking industry of the South."

"Kuntz and his companions are traveling on a special train, composed of three vestibule sleepers. Kuntz proposes to colonize a large number of monkeys from Africa and South America, which, he says, make excellent cotton-pickers. He is looking for a large tract of land, which will be brought in and a stock company formed from the number of capitalists now with him.

He then proposes to embark for Africa and bring back two shiploads of monkeys. He says he has given the subject much study and has spent many days in the African jungles, and understands monkey talk as well as the Ethiopian language."

Then what becomes of the negro cotton picker? What sort of a greeting will he give Jocko? A body of Southern Christians built just after the war when they were very poor a college at Sewanee, Tenn., in the midst of the mountains for the economical education of their children.

About 400 boys attend. Until recently the wives of the mountaineers did their laundering, when for economy a steam laundry was established. And now the free and independent mountaineers threaten to dynamite and blow to atoms the college, destroy the Professors and have driven two of them out of the State. And there could be found claimants against the Bulgarian banditti captors of Miss Stone!

The Bill in the United States Senate, to create a National Park in the mountains of North Carolina, Virginia, Georgia and South Carolina, has the favorable report of the committee. It appropriates five Million Dollars and is thought the lands can be purchased at two and three Dollars per acre.

It is about as good Democratic doctrine (poor indeed) as clearing rivers and harbors and building dikes, and as the measure may conserve the timber, and prevent sudden floods in the great rivers that rush through our State, we hope our Representatives may sustain the measure.

Col. J. R. Easterling returned on Friday to God country, after a business trip through the snowy, sleety, slippery East. He stopped several days in Washington, and gave Senators and Representatives some eye opening information. He expects a prosperous Summer and is preparing to plant a thousand acres in cantaloupes, and three-quarters of that area in watermelons. His praise will be in the mouths of all Yankeeedom next Summer.—Barnwell People.

This at least smells like diversification.

South Carolina at Chickamauga.

This office has received a neat and interesting pamphlet of fifty pages, containing an account of the ceremonies at the unveiling of the South Carolina monument on the Chickamauga battle field, May 27, 1901. Veterans and others can secure copies on application to the E. H. Aull Publishing Co., Newberry, S. C., by enclosing a two cent stamp with the request for the pamphlet.

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Congressman Johnson is hopeful of a \$200,000 public building for Spartanburg. Spartanburg sends two of her prominent citizens to Washington who appeared before the Public Building Committee. The time to strike if you hope to make an impression, is when the iron is hot. There is a brief surplus now on hand and Senator Tillman's idea is to get our share. The money is bound to go.

Charleston has "laid out" a good deal of money and has had a deal of work to do, but she will be repaid in the visit of the Cook County Democracy of Chicago to the "city by the Sea."

Big barrels of Irish potatoes now begin to adorn Green Grocers' fronts, and from now on they may be planted. Plant two varieties—an early and a late. By the way, at the South the potato is our "sweet potato," elsewhere the Irish potato and our "sweet later" is a yam. And when we speak of "possum and tater, a simon pure Southern monopoly, we mean the yam in the combination.

The superstition is that the groundhog crawls out from his hole on the 2d February, and if he sees his shadow he retires, until April, satisfied that there is to be a cold late Spring. The ground-hog is a common name for the woodchuck, burrows in the ground and is dormant during winter. It is extinct in this State.

It seems that Hobson wants to be "retired" from active Navy service. Schley has been retired, but he don't retire. Coventry is a city in England where the citizens have immemorably refused to associate with Military men and so when one is ostracised socially he is said to be "sent to Coventry." There should be some quiet retreat for these two Southern heroes.

A despatch from Washington reads: "Senator Tillman has gone to Providence, R. I., to speak on the 'Solution of the Negro Problem'."

It depends on how long the Southern cotton, the Kentucky granter, and the possum and tater hold out. But why should these blundering downcasters bother about it?

The Laurens Lyceum Course.

Mr. Editor:—Please allow me space for a few words upon an important matter. The Laurens Lyceum Course for the season closes with the next lecture, which, I understand, is to be given in the near future. The thanks of the entire community are eminently due Dr. Washington, T. C. Lucas, and any others who may have aided them in the prosecution of the plan, for the entertaining and elevating course of attractions. But while we sincerely thank them for the past, we must at the same time look to the future and plan for the coming season.

Let me exhort the entire community to take an active interest in this great educational institution, for such it is. Laurens cannot afford to be behind her neighboring cities in such enterprises. Let me urge the young people, who I am persuaded realize that I am their friend, to take an active interest in the work. If all would support the cause, the cost would be very light.

I would suggest the following plan: Let us, on the evening of the next lecture, meet a half-hour before it is to begin, talk over the subject, and elect a committee to arrange for the next season. Of course I would suggest the election of those who have served us so faithfully in the past as this Committee.

With best wishes for every enterprise that looks to the betterment of the community, I am,

Very sincerely,  
WATSON B. DUNCAN,  
February 18, 1902.

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Speaking of politics, and everybody speaks of politics, isn't this a nice compact, homogeneous congressional district, under the McGowan redistricting bill—Spartanburg, Greenville, Laurens and Union. Joe Johnson can hold the office about as long as he wants it under this arrangement. He has Spartanburg solid and if he gets the public building it will be copper-plated for him. He has Laurens solid and there is not a man in Greenville can beat him in that county. One of my neighbors, in speaking of Johnson, said that it would be foolish for anybody else to run against him, for he has already gotten all of the seed to be had and there is nothing else for a congressman to do. I don't think Joe will have any serious opposition. But if anybody wants to run, may the Lord have mercy on them.—Isom Garner in Spartanburg Herald.

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The Regular Spring Examination of Teachers for the purpose of granting certificates of qualification, will be held by the County Board of Education at Laurens Court House, Friday, February 21st, 1902, beginning at 10 o'clock, a. m.

No claims for pay are allowed to be approved for any teacher not holding a certificate approved by the County Board of Education in the county where school is taught.

CHAS. F. BROOKS, County Supt. of Ed'n.

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The Journal is the authorized medium for the publication of matter relating to the Cotton Growers' Protective Association, and has contributed largely to the increased price paid for cotton this season.

Besides general news the Twice-a-Week Journal has much agricultural matter and other articles of special interest to farmers. It has regular contributions by Sam Jones, Mrs. W. H. Felton, John Temple Graves, Hon. C. H. Jordan and other distinguished writers.

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ASSASSINATOR'S NOTICE.

The Auditor's Office will be open from the 1st day of January to the 20th day of February, 1902, to receive returns of Real Estate and Personal property for taxation in Laurens county.

It will save much time to taxpayers, also greatly facilitate the work of the Assessor, if every person before leaving home will make out a complete list of every item of personal property in the following order: Horses, cattle, mules, sheep and goats, hogs, watches, organs and pianos, buggies, wagons and carriages, dogs, merchandise, machinery and engines, moneys, notes and accounts above indebtedness, and all other property, including household.

It is always required that the Auditor get the first given name of the tax-payer in full.

Under the head of place of residence on tax return, give the township.

All male citizens between the ages of twenty-one and sixty years, on the 1st of January, except those who are incapable of earning a support from being maimed, or from other causes, are deemed taxable polls. Confederate veterans excepted.

All tax-payers are required to give number of their school district. They are also requested to state whether the property is situated in town or in the country.

After the 20th day of February next fifty per cent. penalty will be attached for failures to make returns.

In every community there are persons who cannot read or that do not take a newspaper. Those more fortunate may do such persons a great favor by telling them of the time to make returns or by returning for them.

The assessing and collecting taxes is done in the same year, and we have to aggregate the number and value of all horses, mules, cattle and other pieces of personal property as well as the acres of land, lots and buildings and their value that there are in this county, and