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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

President Hayes has sent in a long message to Congress the burden of which is, the elections in the South. Mr. Hayes thinks that these elections have been unfair, and need investigation, and doubtless wishes that the Democratic members of Congress from this section should not receive or retain their seats.

We all want fair elections and we will have them too if left alone and given time to work out our political problem. The subject is now engaging the minds of all our leading men.

There are other parts of the message which are worthy and we hope will receive attention. The recommendation for national aid in education in the states is very proper.

TAXING DEBITS AS PROPERTY.

A correspondent of the "News and Courier" brings to the attention of that paper that, under the existing laws, taxes are paid twice on the same piece of property by the system of taxing the property and then the bond and mortgage given for the same property, if it is sold.

For instance, if Mr. A. has \$1000 surplus money he pays a tax upon it, and if that money is safely invested, he also pays a tax upon it. If Mr. B. borrows that \$1000 and pays for a tract of land, he pays taxes on the land, while a tax is also paid on the mortgage, so that the same piece of property is paying the State twice.

This is a difficult question of taxation which affects other States besides South Carolina; but it certainly ought not to be as it is, and we call the attention of our Legislators to the matter.

The "News and Courier" suggests the following remedy:

"Now it is plainly wrong to tax a man twice on the same property, and we must either exempt the South Carolina Legislature from this matter into consideration. There are two ways of meeting the difficulty. One is, to exempt from the taxable value of property the whole amount of encumbrances upon it, so that the person who holds and lends, not the person who receives and owes, shall alone pay the tax. The other old better plan is, to exempt from taxation every mortgage deed. In this way the person who lends a thousand dollars knows that he will get the rate of interest that was agreed upon, without any rebate or reduction. The mortgage is an evidence of debt and it is utterly absurd to make what one owes pay as if it were something that one had."

The Fair! The Fair!! The Fair!!! One but the brave deserve the Fair!

In some circles a question has arisen as to the practical workings and benefits of the Dower law as it now stands in our State, and the attention of the Legislature is invited to the matter. As the law now stands the widow is entitled to dower in all lands alienated by her husband during the coverture in which she has not formerly relinquished her right. As a consequence of this in the sale of all lands by a married man his wife's relinquishment of dower must be taken before a magistrate at great inconvenience and the additional expense of two dollars.

The arguments urged against the present law are, that it increases the cost of examining titles; that it causes great inconvenience in all transfers of property, that it works injuriously and unjustly to all purchasers who lose by it one-third or one-sixth of what they pay for; and that as married women, under the new constitution, are allowed to hold property in their own right and to avail themselves of the homestead exemption, this law provides for them better than the law of dower.

In Georgia and other States of the Union, the dower right is limited to the lands owned by the husband at the time of his death.

LAWYER'S FEES.

A lively discussion sprung up in the Legislature on a bill introduced to limit the fees of lawyers. The legal members of the House rushed to the rescue with considerable alacrity.

It was urged by the projectors and supporters of the bill that lawyers fees were often ruinous, and in many cases consumed the whole of the estates to be settled. Mr. Ward, the father of the bill, cited cases in Edgefield in which estates were almost entirely consumed by the cost of settling them. Mr. Barber said that costs were now so high that, although he was a guardian for three estates, he would not settle them, because he knows they would be absorbed by the costs.

Major McCrady, Col. Simonton and others opposed the bill. The former said that the cheaper litigation was made the more there would be of it, and therefore he favored the fee bill as it was. Col. Simonton took the same ground. He thought the passage of the bill would open the door to useless litigation.

After a hot fight the bill was killed by a vote of 72 to 43, and the lawyers fee bill stands as it is, unscathed by the assault.

The blind partisanship of the colored people is, perhaps, exhibited in nothing more forcibly than their refusal to vote for the proposed Amendment to the Homestead law appended to the Democratic ticket in the recent election. The object was to extend the law so that those who owned no land could get \$500 exemption of personal property. It was therefore intended for the benefit of the poor man.

Executor's Sale.

By permission of the Probate Judge of Orangeburg County, I will sell on the 29th December 1880, at the Residence of D. W. Such deceased, the personal property of the said deceased, consisting of 1 Mile, Cattle, Hogs, Farming utensils, Black Smiths Tools, 500 bushels Cotton Seed, Provisions, &c. Terms Cash.

Dr. A. C. DUKES, Executor.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.

By permission of the Hon. Charles B. Glover, Judge of Probate for Orangeburg County, I will sell at the plantation of Irvin Dukes, late deceased, in said County for cash, on the 27th inst., the following property, to wit:

One cream Mare, one bay Mare, one bay Mule, seven head Cattle, one lot Hogs, one Wagon, household and Kitchen Furniture, 1 Hogs, Hoes and Plow Stocks, one lot Plunder, one pair Steelyards, one lot Farming Tools, one Oats Cradle, one lot Gears, Saddle and Bridle, one old Pump, one lot Carpenter and Shoe Tools, 200 bushels Corn, more or less, 500 pounds Fowling, more or less, 300 bushels Cotton Seed more or less, 1 Bale Cotton more or less.

CHRISTIAN CALDWELL, Administrator Irvin Dukes.

The State of South Carolina, ORANGEBURG COUNTY.

Whereas, John L. Rush hath made suit to me, to grant him Letters of Administration of the Estate and effects of Amos Bair, deceased. These are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and Creditors of the said Amos Bair, late of Orangeburg County, deceased, that they be and appear, before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Orangeburg, C. H., on 22d December next, after publication hereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted. Given under my Hand, this 6th day of December, Anno Domini 1880.

C. B. GLOVER, Judge of Probate, Orangeburg County.

Master's Sales.

In compliance with the orders of the Court of Common Pleas, I will sell the several tracts of land mentioned in the following cases, to wit: On the 1st day of January next, viz: Charles C. Lumber, Plaintiff of Florence (Glover, Defendant) Plaintiff of Florence and others.

All the right and interest of the late Eliza D. Dyer, in and to the following two tracts of land, to wit: 1. One tract containing 202 acres, more or less, in the County of Orangeburg and State of South Carolina, bounded on the South by tract No. 3, on the East by a lot made by L. G. Dyer, marked No. 4 in a plat made by L. G. Dyer, a Surveyor, March 30th, 1874, situated in Amelia Township on High Hill, and on the West and branches of Beekhead, waters of Congaree river.

Terms cash, purchase money to be paid in papers and recording. John C. Pike, Plaintiff against Josiah D. Shoak and others. All that certain parcel of land containing 220 acres, more or less, situate in the County of Edisto and County of Orangeburg, bounded on the North by lands now or formerly of Paul A. McDaniel, East and South by lands now or formerly of the Estate of Sylvester Beach, and West by lands now or formerly of Josiah Baltzger.

Terms: One-third cash and the balance payable in twelve months secured by a bond bearing interest from the day of sale payable annually, with a mortgage of the premises. In case the purchaser shall fail to comply, the premises will be resold at his risk on the next succeeding day after and purchasers to pay for papers and recording. J. E. Steadman, Plaintiff against John S. Tyler and others.

A tract of land situate in the County of Orangeburg and in the Fork of Edisto, containing 400 acres, more or less, and bounded on the North by lands now or formerly of G. T. Dowling, on the East by lands of A. P. Gue, on the South by lands of Rafeife Walker, and on the West by lands of A. D. Dowling.

Terms: One-third cash and the balance payable in twelve months secured by a bond bearing interest from the day of sale payable annually, with a mortgage of the premises. In case the purchaser shall fail to comply, the premises will be resold at his risk on the next succeeding day after and purchasers to pay for papers and recording. John C. Pike against Janey A. Stephens and Richard Bartwell.

That certain plantation or tract of land situate in the County of Orangeburg, in the Fork of Edisto, containing 47 acres, more or less, and bounded now or formerly on the North by lands of Dr. B. H. Knotts, South by the South Edisto river, East by lands of the Estate of John S. Jennings, and of Sarah and Mary Graves, and the West by lands of Dr. B. H. Knotts and John F. Ficke.

Terms: One-third cash and the balance payable in twelve months secured by a bond bearing interest from the day of sale payable annually, with a mortgage of the premises. In case the purchaser shall fail to comply, the premises will be resold at his risk on the next succeeding day after and purchasers to pay for papers and recording. Master's Office THOS. W. GLOVER, Dec. 8, 1880.

GRAND FAIR

AT WAY'S OPERA HOUSE. COMMENCING DEC. 20TH 1880. ORANGEBURG, S. C. BENEFIT OF THE YOUNG AMERICAS Steam Fire Engine Company To Aid Them in Paying for their Steamer PROGRAMME

Monday and Tuesday Evenings - Balling and Electioneering. Wednesday Evening - Universal Suffrage and Woman's Rights. Thursday Evening - Polls close precisely 9 P. M. Election Declared 10 P. M. Presentation of Articles voted for. Friday Evening - The arrival of Santa Claus 8 P. M. Delivery of Express Packages 9 P. M.

The Redemption and Retribution of the Domestic Venture 10 P. M. After which comes the Auction, at which all are invited to buy themselves rich! Dinner every day. Admission 10 cts. Season Tickets 40 cts. To be had at the Drug Store and Mr. Eddie Scoville.

P. A. LEFVENDAHLL

BOOT & SHOEMAKER, AT HAREEY'S CORNER. Has just received a full line of Shoemaker's material, consisting of Leather, Tools and other articles in my line of business, all of which I am offering low down. GAITER TOPS Of all grades and the best material. Also dress for boots or shoes will receive prompt attention, and warranted to give entire satisfaction. Prices reasonable. Repairing done in the neatest manner and on the shortest notice.

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To arrive to lay at my STABLES on Market Street

23 HEAD Fine Horses suited to any taste. Those needing a Horse will do well to call at once. B. Frank Sater.

NOTICE

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NOTICE

OFFICE OF COUNTY TREASURER, Orangeburg County, S. C., December 1st 1880. In accordance with Section 3 of the act of Assembly No. 219, page 256-17th Statutes entitled "an act to provide for the payment of the Indebtedness of the School Districts of the County of Orangeburg."

I hereby certify that I have collected for School District No. 1 - Vases, \$13 40 " " " 2 - Poplar, \$76 27 " " " 3 - Pine Grove, \$75 99 " " " 4 - Amelia, \$204 15 " " " 5 - Providence, \$51 77 " " " 6 - Gradyes, \$84 59 " " " 7 - Lyons, \$143 01 " " " 8 - Cow Castle, \$63 89 " " " 9 - Middle, \$169 81 " " " 10 - Orange, \$606 90 " " " 11 - Craw Gw, \$141 46 " " " 12 - Branchville, \$162 51 " " " 13 - New Hope, 72 86 " " " 14 - Elizabeth, 115 19 " " " 15 - Edisto, 55 52 " " " 16 - Union 68 48 " " " 17 - Zion, 76 12 " " " 18 - Willow, 88 91 " " " 19 - Liberty, nothing " " " 20 - Goodland, 129 95 " " " 21 - Hebron, 53 75 " " " 22 - Rocky Grove, 29 41 Total amount collected, 2,134 77. ROBERT COPEL, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONER, Orangeburg County, S. C., December 1st. 1880

All persons having claims past due are hereby called upon to sealed bids for payment from the said fund at a discount to be specified in such bids. The said bids to be filed with the School Commissioner of the said County within thirty days from the first advertisement.

All persons are also notified that all bids made in compliance with the above act will be opened at the office of the School Commissioner in public on Saturday January 8th 1881.

All persons interested must take notice that this advertisement is dated December 1st. 1880. D. L. CONNOR, School Com. DONALD R. BARTON, Co. Auditor. ROBERT COPEL, Co. Treasurer. Consisting School Claim Board of Orangeburg County.

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50 lbs. FLOUR of the best brands. TABLE BUTTER 30 and 35 cts pr lb. CHOICE HAMS 10 cts pr lb. PURE LEAF LARD 10 cts pr lb. And the best RIO COFFEE 5 lbs for \$1.

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OPPOSITE C. D. HORTJOHN sept 17 1880

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Purchased at the very LOWEST Point of the Market, and will be Sold at corresponding Rates.

Come one and all and see for yourselves, the BARGAINS to be obtained.

CARPETING, OIL CLOTHS and FURNITURE of the Latest Patterns. D. LOUIS, sept 3 1880 3m

SHAVING AND HAIR DRESSING

Done in the most approved style by J. H. MATTHEWS, an Experienced Barber, on Market Street, in rear of the Postoffice. jan 9

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From 15th of December until 1st of January 1881, at JOS EROS' CONFECTIONERY.

Anybody buying \$1 worth or more will receive a HANDSOME PRESENT, according to the amount bought. Don't forget to call and get your CHRISTMAS PRESENT.

Everything on hand to make you happy, fresh Raisins, Currents Citron, Dates, Figs, Nuts, West Meats and Fruits of all kinds.

The Fin Assortment of Candies at Reduced Rates, Cake Ornaments, Cake Supplies and lots of other articles just arrived.

SMOKER'S ARTICLES, Merchaum Goods, Fine Cigars, &c. Call and look for yourself at

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CHRISTMAS, CHRISTMAS, CHRISTMAS!

Fancy COeds, French Confectionery, Prize Boxes, Fire Works, CHINA TOILET GOODS, MANTEL PIECE ORNAEMTS,

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Could any one stay away In County, State or Town, I don't think they would. So, call around, yes call around. Suppose you should stay away, The truth is simply this, The bargains that others get, You'd be sure to miss.

A B WALKER Champion Grocer, Orangeburg, S. C.

IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE IT Come and See for Yourself. JUST RECEIVED

A fine assortment of ELEGANT CHROMOS, All beautifully Framed and at very Low Prices. Also a new supply of

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In time for the Holiday Trade, Books, Stationery and Toys, suitable for Presents. Always on hand BOOKS and STATIONERY. Give me a call.

KIRK ROBINSON, For Sale or Rent - 2 Story Dwelling with 5 Rooms, on Russell street. For Sale - 2 Desirable Building Lots on Russell street. Building Lot on Amelia street, House and lot on Amelia street. Apply to KIRK ROBINSON.

GRAND TRIUMPH!

HENRY KOHN'S BAZAAR

OF Fashions

ACKNOWLEDGED that every article that goes to complete a first class costume or Ladies, Gentlemen or Children's wear can be obtained Our efforts for the past two years have met with the MOST LIBERAL ENCOURAGEMENT, and this season we again place before our Patrons and the Public of this section

An Immense Stock of Goods

That stands without a RIVAL. Our Silks and Dress Goods are simply MAGNIFICENT. Our Dress Trimming Department is filled with the Rarest Novelties. Our Hosiery, Ribbon, Corsets, Glove, Lace, Linen and Woolen Departments are filled with the choicest Goods.

THE SECRET DISCOVERED

The place to save money in buying your Winter Suits of clothing and Overcoats—beg Stock—all Sizes, Styles and Prices are the Lowest at

HENRY KOHN'S

Coats, Suits and Hats for everybody. Pay particular attention to buying and selling durable Boots and Shoes. Always at Lowest prices for cash.

THE PLACE TO SAVE MONEY

We have added to the Holiday Trade an elegant assortment of Fancy Goods, consisting of Cellulose and Rubber Dressing Cases, Dolls, Wax, Rubber and China, all sizes. Fancy Paper in Satin Boxes, and 1000 other articles suitable for Sweetheart, Wife Mother, Cousin, Sister, etc.

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Is our handsome WHITE SEWING MACHINE. It gives every purchaser entire satisfaction and is guaranteed by the Company for 5 years

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Polite and courteous attention given to every visitor,