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If you have not known poverty, heart hunger and misunderstanding, God has overlooked you and you are to be pitied.

Even a man who is good for nothing is apt to look good to some woman.

If a woman has an axe to grind she induces some man to turn the grindstone.

The man who proposes to an heiress on his knees may want her to set him on his feet.

Coffins and Caskets.

Spring Time Is Coming

and you are going to have a garden, aren't you? Then you'll need hoes, trawls, sprinklers, rakes, garden plows and many other implements. It will pay you to buy the best, for good garden tools will last for years and years, while poor ones will soon break or become injured.

That's why you ought to come here. You may be sure that you are getting the best garden tools. We know what they are, and will give you the best or none.

We have everything needed for the farm also. If you want a plow, we have it. If it's a planter, we have it. If it is stalk cutters, we have them. Cultivators, harrows, weeders and anything else needed on the farm. Remember the place.

KINGSTREE HARDWARE COMPANY,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS

A corkscrew does the opening turn.

All things may come to a man who waits provided he doesn't wait in the path of an automobile.

Speaking of real music, how about a woman singing at her work?

"Reggy has a new attachment on his airship." "What for?" "For debt."

We Lead--Others Follow.

NEWS OF BENSON AND VICINITY.

REVIVAL SERVICES--TRIBUTE TO SOLDIER OF THE CROSS--PERSONAL MENTION.

Benson, March 4:--For ten days religious services have been held at Central Presbyterian church, conducted by the Rev James McDowell, who has been preaching twice each day. A goodly number of young men and women united with this church and were solemnly baptized in the presence of a large congregation. Rev James McDowell is a veteran of the War between the States, who served as chaplain, and continuously since then has been preaching to "dying men," as it were. This venerable patriarch, we are told, has passed the age of eighty-two and appears physically strong. Being possessed with a deliberate speech, clear and distinct enunciation, his faithful "old Soldier of the Cross" attracts large and attentive congregations at every service to hear him.

The members of Central church have remodeled the old one and have now a neat country church, nicely painted both inside and outside.

Mr Willie Boykin, a prominent farmer of Dozel, is visiting at Mr J T Phillips'. Misses Mattie and Meta Boykin, both of Dozel, Sumter county are visiting their relatives, Mr and Mrs J T Phillips.

Misses Eleanor Epps and Louise McGill visited friends near Cades Saturday.

Miss Susie Brown of Sumter is visiting at Mr T O Epps'.

Mr Alvin Spann of Timmons ville is visiting the home of Mr S A Tisdale.

The condition of the weather puts the farmers in bad shape. No farm work is being done whatever with the plow.

Several car-loads of fertilizers have been shipped to this place, delivered on the A C L Corp railroad.

Miss Pearl Eaddy, who is teaching the Cantley school, visited her friend, Miss Sadie Snowden, Saturday and Sunday. W E S.

A Fatal Shooting Affair.

Charlotte, N C, March 4:--Mumford Richie, a wealthy and prominent hardware merchant of Concord, was shot and mortally wounded this afternoon by Marion Hamilton, a well-to-do farmer of Marshville, Union county.

Hamilton visited Concord today on a shopping expedition and met Richie. Richie approached the merchant relative to an account due him, and heated words led to a fist fight, Hamilton, who claims that the merchant was getting the better of the encounter, drew his pistol and fired five shots, one taking effect in Richie's left breast. The wounded man was rushed to a hospital at Salisbury, where he was immediately operated upon, but attending surgeons say he cannot recover.

Hamilton was arrested and is held without bail to await the result of the result of his victims injuries.

CIVIC LEAGUE MEETING.

Election of Officers--Much Business Transacted.

The Civic league held its annual meeting in the graded school building yesterday afternoon. This was a most important and profitable meeting, since it was the occasion of the election of officers to serve for the next two years. The league first heard Mr Vansant, who presented the subject of the Cottolene cooking contest, which is elsewhere advertised in The Record. The members very gladly accepted his proposition, and the proceeds from the sale of cakes, etc., will go to the league.

Mrs L W Gilland, the retiring president, whom all regret to lose, for she has used every effort for the upbuilding of the league, made a very interesting report and farewell address, which contained words of inspiration and helpful suggestions.

Miss Erchmann, the treasurer, reported \$133.82 collected and \$72.11 disbursed.

The depot committee reported that the railroad authorities had so far failed to commence the much needed improvement to the plot of ground at the depot.

The park committee made a very favorable report.

It was decided to establish an exchange for the sale of articles of wearing apparel, fancy work, cakes, etc.

An interesting discussion was held as to the advisability of establishing a Junior Civic league. It was finally decided to interest the school children and get them to pledge themselves to keep the school premises clean and attractive. Mrs Louis Gilland was asked to address the children on the subject in the school auditorium at an early date.

The league, desiring to preserve the beautiful trees in the town from being killed by mistletoe, as so many are, devised a plan to destroy the mistletoe.

The following officers were elected:

President, Miss Maude Logan. Vice-President, Mrs LeRoy Lee. Secretary, Miss Marie Thorn. Treasurer, Miss Jimmie Britton. Executive Committee: Mrs W A Fairy, Mrs W N Jacobs and Mrs R J McCabe.

THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

Peking Will Remain the Capital--Officers to be Inaugurated.

Nanking, China, March 5:--In an effort to restore order and inaugurate a stable government as soon as possible, it is understood that Dr Sun Yat Sen and his advisers have decided to go to Peking and make that city--for the present at least--the capital of the republic. This step is regarded as advisable on account of the mutinous spirit evinced by the troops in the vicinity of Peking and the general unrest there.

The plans which are now being prepared provide for the early removal of the entire official machinery of the new republic. Dr Sun Yat Sen, the acting President, and Li Yuang-Heng, the Vice-President, will be accompanied by all the members of the Cabinet and by the assembly.

The officials will be guarded by

When My Dreams Come True

James Whitcomb Riley

WHEN my dreams come true when my dreams come true Shall I lean from out my casement, in the starlight and the dew, To listen-- smile and listen to the tinkle of the strings Of the sweet guitar my lover's fingers fondle, as he sings? And as the nude moon slowly, slowly shoulders into view, Shall I vanish from his vision-- when my dreams come true?

WHEN my dreams come true-- shall the simple gown I wear Be changed to softest satin, and my maiden-braided hair Be raveled into flossy mists of rarest, fairest gold, To be minted into kisses, more than any heart can hold?-- Or "the summer of my tresses" shall my lover liken to "The fervor of his passion"-- when my dreams come true?

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2,000 veteran troops and picked body-guards of ninety men.

It is believed here that the removal of the seat of government to Peking will of itself restore order there. The formal establishment of the new government and the inauguration of Yuan Shi Kai as President will be undertaken immediately.

Dr Sun Yat Sen is confident that affairs in Nanking will remain peaceful in the meantime.

Official announcement of the removal to Peking will probably be withheld until the return here of the four Southern delegates, who have been in consultation with Yuan. It is understood that Yuan is in favor of the move.

An Appreciated "Kick."

Postmaster Prosser of Vox called at The Record office this week, and while the object of his visit was to do some "kicking", we appreciated it, also the interest he takes in rendering the patrons of his office a satisfactory service. We must say, with apologies to our readers at Vox and elsewhere, that the blame should rest upon us. Since the first of the year we have had a rush of business and been necessarily late with our paper. In each instance, however, it has been through a desire to give our patrons the benefit of our columns, and the latest and best service we could command. We hope in the future to be able to mail The Record so that our large circle of readers at and in the vicinity of Vox will receive their paper by Saturday. If we fail, please remember that it is positively not our desire to be late.

DECLARE THEY ARE HONEST.

Steel Officials Answer Government, and Deny All Charges.

New York, March 5:--The United States Steel corporation and other defendants made public today an answer to the Federal Government's petition for a permanent injunction to prevent the destruction of books and papers which might be used as evidence in the investigation of the affairs of the steel corporation. The answer denies the allegation of the Government that papers of the American Steel and Wire company, which were destroyed last fall, would have shown that J A Farrell, now president of the United States Steel corporation, aided or abetted in the operation of the wire pool for which many officers of the "wire trust" were fined, disclaims any attempt to conceal or suppress from the Government any papers or documents bearing upon the conduct of the steel business, and declares absolutely without ground the "imputation" that any of the defendants are about to destroy or likely to destroy pertinent papers, or that an injunction is necessary for their preservation.

Owing to the recent death of Judge Lanning, of the United States court in New Jersey, where the case is in hand, and the refusal of the court to hear argument in the matter without a full bench, the answer was not actually filed, but was placed today in the hands of Jacob M Dickinson, attorney for the Government, in Philadelphia. The answer was made public here later, and will be

filed when the Federal court takes up the pending motion.

The answer explains the destruction of papers relating to the case of the American Steel and Wire company, which occurred, it is alleged, after all the papers had been submitted to the grand jury, and which was due to ignorance of the possibility that they would be wanted further. It was denied at the time that there was any discussion, in the press or otherwise, or any intimation, that the United States would bring proceedings against the United States Steel corporation under the antitrust act.

Capt Robert H Jennings, who has been Treasurer of South Carolina for twelve years, announced recently that he will not be a candidate for re-election this year.

STORMY SCENES MARK SESSION'S END.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY ADJOURNED THURSDAY AFTERNOON, AFTER RECORD-BREAKING MEET.

Columbia, March 1:--The 1912 session of the General Assembly was brought to a close at 3:45 o'clock Thursday afternoon after one of the stormiest days of the session.

The House refused to concur with the Senate to take a recess until March 17. The lower branch of the Legislature adjourned at 3:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon and the Senate was forced to concur.

The members left for their homes Thursday afternoon and night.

Wood! Wood! Wood! See 2-7-tf J C KELLEY.

When you get your money



What will you do with it?

You get ahead on what you save, not on what you earn. When you've worked hard for your money is it not folly to squander it? BANK your money and this will give you more pleasure than fooling it away. Besides, when the "rainy day" comes you'll have shelter.

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