

The Watchman and Southron.

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The *Sumter Watchman* was founded in 1850 and the *True Southron* in 1866. The *Watchman and Southron* now has the combined circulation and influence of both of the old papers, and is manifestly the best advertising medium in Sumter.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

It is not necessary for us to send a statement to each individual subscriber who is indebted to us for subscription, as the label shows the time to which each one has paid. Examine the label on your paper and if you are in arrears please call and settle at your earliest convenience. If it is not convenient to call in person send the money by bank draft, registered letter or post office or express money order.

The amount due by each one is small, but the aggregate amount due us is large, and this is the reason that we expect our subscribers to make settlements. We have carried some of these subscription accounts over from year to year as an accommodation to our subscribers, but we cannot do so longer as there is now no excuse for non payment with cotton selling for ten cents and over.

Next Tuesday will be the last Christmas of the nineteenth century, but in all respects it will differ from other Christmas days in no way. A great deal has been said and written about the closing days of the century, much that is beautiful and true and helpful, much that is forgetful and of no profit to anyone. This Christmas will be as others a period of good cheer and rest and recreation, and for the children a time of happiness and delight, unalloyed by care or worry over the mistakes of the past and the responsibilities of the future. To the pessimist of today, as of a hundred years ago, the cares and responsibilities of life appear to grow greater year by year and they look forward to the New Year and the dawning Twentieth Century with dark forebodings, but the children and optimists believe that the future is golden and the New Year holds in its closed hands greater happiness and more of the things that they desire. Would that we could all be optimists, for the world would be a better and a brighter place, and every day of the year would be as we wish Christmas to be. To our readers we extend the compliments of the season.

May their Christmas be bright and happy and may peace and contentment dwell within their hearts and homes. May they look always for the bright side of the picture and may the New Year and the new century give to them more and more of happiness and prosperity.

If the business men of Sumter will use stamped envelopes exclusively during the coming year and will use Post Office money orders instead of express orders and bank drafts the income of the office will be increased to a sufficient extent to bring about the establishment of free mail delivery within the city limits. For several years past the increase has been almost sufficient and if the suggestion here made is acted upon we can obtain free delivery in 1902.

Sumter holds the fifth place in the State in point of population, but it is an admitted fact that unless the people of Sumter get to work with might and main to develop the resources that we possess and thereby promote the growth of the city the next census will tell another story.

A coal mine has been discovered in Fairfield county, and a large deposit of a fine quality of brown iron ore has been discovered within three miles of this city. The extent of the deposit has not been thoroughly determined, but it has been found already in great quantity. The deposit has been examined by an old and experienced iron miner who says that the ore is of the very best quality, and that cheap fuel and limestone is all that is needed to make the deposit a source of wealth. Perhaps Fairfield's coal mine and Sumter's iron deposit may yet be of great value to these counties.

Help is needed at once when a person's life is in danger. A neglected cough or cold may soon become serious and should be stopped at once. One Minute Cough Cure quickly cures coughs and colds and the worst cases of croup, bronchitis, grippe and other throat and lung troubles. J. S. Hagston & Co.

Go to H. G. Osteen & Co., for books of all kinds.

WASHINGTON NEWS AND GOSSIP.

Hay-Pauncefote Treaty--Ship Subsidy Bill.

Washington, Dec 17.—No administration has ever received a more humiliating defeat at the hands of a senate controlled by a majority of its own party than has been administered to the present one by the amendments added to the Hay Pauncefote treaty within the last few days. Instead of cringing to England, as the treaty, as originally drawn by Lord Pauncefote, and accepted by Secretary Hay and Mr McKinley, did, and begging the consent of England and all the other European powers to our constructing the Nicaragua canal with our own money and then giving to all other countries equal rights therein with us, the amended treaty serves notice on England that the Clayton-Bulwer treaty is thereby abrogated; that we are going to dig the canal and control and protect it in our own way and without asking the consent of any other power in the world. In short, when the senate ratifies that treaty it will be a thoroughly American document, as the public sentiment of the country has from the first demanded that it should be. When these amendments were first talked about the administration toothers indulged in considerable bluffing concerning the fight the administration would make to have the treaty ratified without amendment. When the time came for a show down did the administration fight? Not even the tiniest little bit. On the contrary, Mr McKinley even gave his consent to the amendment and promised to forward the treaty to England after its ratification, but he told the senators who went to inform him that the amendments would be added whether he liked them or not that he was afraid that England would never accept the amended treaty—that Hay was positively certain it would not. But that doesn't seem to be worrying the senators. They say that if England rejects the treaty as amended, congress will adopt a joint resolution declaring the Clayton-Bulwer treaty abrogated, and that the construction of the canal will go right along just the same as though England had accepted the treaty.

Senator Allen, of Nebraska, has proposed an amendment to the ship subsidy bill, authorizing payment of bounties on agricultural products exported, amounts named being, 10 cents a bushel on wheat, 50 cents a barrel on wheat flour, 10 cents a bushel on rye 50 cents a barrel on rye flour, 5 cents a bushel on corn, 7 cents per cental on ground corn, 1 cent a pound on cotton, 2 cents a pound on hops, and 2 cents a pound on tobacco. There is, of course, no probability that Senator Allen's amendment will be adopted, but he, and many others, regard the proposition as on the same footing with the object aimed at by the ship subsidy bill, so far as principle is concerned, and being a much better way to give away public money, because it would be more widely distributed.

The republicans of the ways and means committee received two defeats while the house was sitting as a committee of the whole to consider amendments to the revenue reduction bill. The house by a vote of 94 to 95 defeated the committee amendment, abolishing one sixth and one eighth beer barrels, on the ground that it was a discrimination against the small brewers of the country, and by a vote of 106 to 82, adopted an amendment, proposed by representative H. C. Smith, of Mich. requiring all railroad and express companies to make sworn statements monthly of their business and to pay one cent tax for each bill of lading and receipt issued. Later the committee assisted by senator Platt, of N. Y., who is president of one of the big express companies, rallied its forces and got the latter amendment struck out just before the final vote was taken passing bill.

From being the Czar of the house to being unknown to a member of the house is quite a plunge for a man to take inside of two years, but the drop has been made by Hon Thomas Brackett Reed, whose law practice now includes a little congressional lobbying. Mr Reed was just coming out of the house when representative Cromer, of Indiana, asked one of the door keepers, who that fat man was. Such is fame.

Secretary Root wants to do all the lobbying himself that is done by the War Department; consequently he has sent a circular letter to the army officers who are at the head of bureaus in that department, calling their attention to an army regulation. "Efforts to influence legislation affecting the army should never be made except through regular military channels," and directing that all communications that army officers desire sent to Congress shall be forwarded through him.

Although the Army Reorganization bill has not yet been reported from the senate Committee on Military Affairs, and is not likely to be until after the Christmas recess, which will be from Dec 21, until January 3, the republicans are already sweeping down on Mr McKinley with demands of promises of appointments that will be made when that

bill becomes a law, and it is said that some republican senators have intimated to him that they will not allow the bill to go through unless their demands for pay are met.

Senator Hanna is getting alarmed about the ship subsidy bill, which he said at the beginning of the session he would get through the Senate before the holiday recess. He has changed his mind.

How to Cure Croup.

Mr R Gray who lives near Amenia, Dutchess county, N. Y., says: Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best medicine I have ever used. It is a fine children's remedy for croup and never fails to cure. When given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough has developed, it will prevent the attack. This should be borne in mind and a bottle of the Cough Remedy kept at hand ready for instant use as soon as these symptoms appear. For sale by Dr A J China.

Another Negro Lynched in Indiana.

Booneville, Ind, Dec 17.—John Rolla, the third of the colored men implicated in the murder of Hollis Simons, was hanged to a tree in the court house by a mob of about 100 men from Rockport this evening. Two of his companions were lynched at Rockport last night for the same crime. Not a shot was fired and everything was conducted as quietly as if the execution had been one under the sanction of the law.

BATTERED IN THE WALLS.

A few minutes after 6 o'clock a body of 100 men marched through the principal street and demanded the prisoner, Raymond Cherry, deputy sheriff, was in charge of the jail. He declined to give up the keys, and the mob at once began to batter in the wall of the jail with a telegraph pole. Six members of the mob crawled through the hole and with sledge hammers broke down the door of Rolla's cell, and soon the thoroughly terrified negro was in the hands of the mob, who placed a rope around his neck. All left, crawling, again through the hole by which they had entered, dragging the negro after them.

A few minutes was consumed in the march to the court house yard, the rope was thrown over the limb of a tree and a hundred hands sent his body flying into the air. The loose end of the rope was tied to a tree, and as soon as the mob was sure that its work had been completed it left in as orderly a manner as it had entered the town.

None of the mob wore masks, and men apparently from every station in life took part in the lynching. Except for the excited groups of men standing on the street corners, a stranger would have known nothing of the tragedy that had just been enacted.

The bill introduced recently in the Georgia Legislature restricting ages of children in cotton or other factories was killed. This bill has made appearance quite a number of years in succession, only to meet the same fate. The New York Commercial says: The opponents of the measure are largely the operatives themselves. They argue that they are poor and that their children must of necessity work. The mill owners, too, have, as a rule, opposed the measure. They say, aside from the poverty of the cotton mill operatives' families, the South has no compulsory educational law; that these parents would not send their children to school if they were debarred from the mills; that to turn these children out into idleness would be to make lifetime loafers out of them; and that, bad as is the position of a young working child, the position of an idle, loafing child is to be more deplored.

Commissioner Crum states that the shipments of the dispensary aggregate \$14,500 a day, and the dispensers throughout the State are clamoring for more liquor and insisting that they ought to have more stock. It is to be remembered that the State now has on hand in the various dispensaries three or four hundred thousand dollars worth of stock. Commissioner Crum says that the heaviest demands are for the cheaper grades of liquor. The demand for "white" corn is particularly heavy. Mr. Crum says that it is somewhat peculiar that the upper counties insist upon having "white" corn and the lower counties of the State want "yellow" corn.

Greenville, Dec 15.—There is a bright prospect for a new and convenient Court House for Greenville County. The present building is not suitable, lacking every convenience, and has been condemned by nearly every grand jury for several years. A number of citizens of the county and city have been figuring on a new building and today Frank P. Milburn, architect of Columbia, met a number of citizens, showing plans for a fifty thousand dollar Court House, exciting great enthusiasm. The Legislature will be asked to authorize the county to issue bonds for the building, in order that the third city of the State may have a Court House convenient for the business of the county.

To those living in malarial districts Tutt's Pills are indispensable, they keep the system in perfect order and are an absolute cure for sick headache, indigestion, malaria, torpid liver, constipation and all bilious diseases.

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Standard Warehouse Co., Columbia, S. C. Cotton Capacity, 20,000 bales.

Storage and insurance 15 cts. per bale per month, or fraction thereof. Special rates on large lots.

Liberal advances at low rate of interest on cotton stored with us. Write to EDWIN W. ROBERTSON, Sec. or H. L. ELLIOTT, Mgr. Sept 19-3m

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W. F. B. HAYNSWORTH, President. MARIOZ MOISE, Vice-President. W. F. BEAMS, Cashier. Jan 31.

Opening of Books of Subscription

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF SUMTER.

PURSUANT to a commission issued to the undersigned as corporators by M R Cooper, Secretary of State, on the 12th day of December, 1900,

Notice is hereby given that books of subscription to the capital stock of the W. D. Frierson Company, will be opened at store of W. D. Frierson, 8 miles from Sumter on the road from Sumter to Stateburg, State and County aforesaid, on the 22d day of December, at 9 a. m.

The said proposed corporation will have a capital stock of \$5,000, divided into 50 shares of the par value of \$100 each, with its principal place of business 8 miles from Sumter on the road from Sumter to Stateburg, and will be empowered to engage in the business of a general country store and merchandise and cotton ginning and mill business.

W. D. FRIERSON, RICHARD M. CANTRY, Corporators.

Dec 19-1t

MONEY TO LEND.

WE are prepared to negotiate loans on improved farming lands in Sumter and Clarendon Counties on long time in amounts of \$300 and upwards at seven per cent interest, and with no expense to the borrower except a small brokerage commission. We can also negotiate loans in any amounts at 8 per cent on terms to suit the borrower. Apply to L. E. & M. ISE, Dec 19-2m Sumter, S. C.

Master's Sale.

BY VIRTUE of a decree of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, in the State of South Carolina, in the case of Robert B. Dinkins, in his own right and as administrator of the estates of Williametta Dinkins, deceased, and Frances L. Dinkins, deceased, respectively; Florence V. Jennings, Ida V. Ives and Sarah R. Barkett against Winfield S. Dinkins, Walter J. Dinkins and Mary E. Jennings, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder at the Court House in the city of Sumter, in said county and State, on sale day in January, 1901, being the seventh day of said month, at the usual hours of sale, the following described real estate, to wit:

"A tract of fifty-two and one half acres of land in said county, adjoining land of Mark Reynolds, Florence V. Jennings, Joe Brown, Paul Reese, Porter Chapman and lands said to belong to a church; said tract of land being in Sumter County in said State."

Terms of sale cash. Purchaser to pay for papers and revenue stamps.

H. FRANK WILSON, Master for Sumter County.

December 18, 1900.

Master's Sale.

BY VIRTUE of a Decree of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, in the State of South Carolina, in the case of John F. McNear and Philander Pettis co partners trading as McNair & Parrish, against Benjamin M. Carpenter, Roberson W. Cator, William J. H. Waters, William H. Pagon, J. H. Pagon and Franklin P. Cator, the last five trading as Armstrong, Cator and Company and R. W. Hicks I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the Court House in the city of Sumter, in said County and State, on Sale day in January, 1901, being the seventh day of said month, at the usual hours of sale, the following described real estate, to wit:

"All that lot of land in the town of Mayesville, in the State and County above written, conveyed by William H. Rembert to the said B. M. Carpenter by Deed bearing date the twenty-third day of April, 1897, and described as follows: Situated on West Main street in said town, and fronting on West Main street about twenty-five feet (25), a little more or less, and runs back the same width for sixty feet, a little more or less, and is bounded as follows: On the southeast by West Main street in the aforesaid town of Mayesville; on the southwest by lot of Emma J. Wilson (formerly J. C. McNeil's lot); on the northwest by land of Sue Witherspoon; and on the northeast by lands of Robert Singletary and Sue Witherspoon."

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J. RYTTENBERG & SONS. SUMTER, S. C.

Dolls, Tea Sets, Doll Furniture, Parlor Sets, Dining Room Sets, Bread Sets, Fire Engines, Hooks and Ladders, Magic Lanterns, Cradles, Running Trains, Automobiles, Ten Pin Sets, Wind Mills, and just about 1,000 and 1 other things

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Our line of Dolls and Toys are from 5c up, and all we ask is a call from you.

Come in and look whether you buy or not; they are all displayed where you can see them, and perhaps after taking a look you may find a thing or too you need.

Buying handkerchiefs? If so, we have them, a dandy open work embroidered as cheap as 5c.

See our embroidered and hemstitched handkerchiefs at 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 and 35c. They are the greatest values ever sold for the prices.

Take a look at the umbrellas in our window, every one a new one, the latest and swellest handles in the market, cover as good as the handles, too, prices very low. Come and see them.


Pocketbooks make a very useful present, an article every lady needs. This line is the largest we have ever had, any kind and any price you want here. Look at these, too, when in the store.

Perfumery department crowded to its utmost for the Xmas season. We handle all of Colgate's world famed perfumes, soaps, toilet powders, etc. See our 25c boxes of extracts and soap. This will please the children immensely.

Lots of useful and ornamental articles in our Silverware Stock. Sterling Silver goods as cheap as 10c. Every article marked at the lowest notch.

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The dealer who does not sell them has a reason of his own and perhaps it's because there's no fancy profit to be made. The Herrick shoe is honest—thoroughly made, stylish, easy. It's the only advertised American shoe exhibited at the Paris Exposition.

For walking, house or dress occasions each style is "just right." Three grades at three fair prices:

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