

The Watchman and Southron.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 2, 1901.

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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.

When there is a conflict of evidence it is always best to give both sides of the case and in the matter of the transfer of the office of county Supervisor from the hands of Mr. Marion Dorn to those of Mr. W. H. Seals we today give the other side of the case as prepared by Mr. Dorn. As to the merits of the case it is not our duty or wish to pass judgement, except to remark, that there is a decided conflict of evidence when the statements of Messrs. Seals and Dorn are compared; for Mr. Seals made in his statements that were incorporated in the article referred to by Mr. Dorn and by him pronounced untrue.

Those who advocate the retention of the State farms will find that there is a stronger sentiment this year than ever before in favor of selling the farms, as soon as a fair price can be obtained for them, and there promises to be a fight in the Legislature when the question is brought up. The good roads people are almost a unit in favor of the sale of the farms and the improvement of the roads by the use of the convicts now employed on the farms.

The Legislature will be asked to make an appropriation of \$50,000 in aid of the Charleston Exposition and no long discussion should be necessary in either the House or the Senate. The object is a worthy one and the investment will be a paying one to the entire state. As we have had occasion to say heretofore, the Exposition will benefit the state outside of Charleston much more than it will that city, and the failure of the Legislature to appropriate the sum asked would be a mistake.

The Boers have the British in South Africa in a most enviable situation. Instead of the Boers being crushed into abject and helpless submission by the overwhelming power of the British army they have succeeded in throwing that great army, and in fact, the entire British Empire into a state not far removed from panic. If the Dutch of all South Africa should rise against the British and make common cause with the Boers of the Transvaal and the Orange Free State they would succeed eventually in driving the English army out of Africa or bankrupting the British government. The Boers are not subjugated yet, nor is the end of the war in sight.

A Queer Place.

Kingsree is certainly a queer sort of locality and some queer people dwell there. The sheriff, it will be remembered, suffered a negro brute to escape while carrying him to Columbia, by order of the governor, to save his being lynched, and then made no report of the matter until the governor demanded it of him days afterwards. Now the dispenser claims that he was held up Wednesday night and robbed of \$1,600 belonging to the State. There is a very fishy flavor about the dispensary steal. The money is gone; but who got it?—Greenville News.

New York, Dec 28.—The Holland cablegram of New York received a cablegram from The Hague today saying that Queen Wilhelmina's marriage has been set for February 7.

Republican Jobbery.

SOME OF THE WASHINGTON SCHEMES

Washington, Dec. 31.—Indications of another somersault on the part of the administration are in sight. This time it is on the question of an extra session of Congress up to the adjournment for the holiday recess, "avoid an extra session, if possible," was the watchword of the administration, and Senator Hanna used the danger of an extra session as a threat to score republicans into line, who were talking opposition to the Ship Subsidy bill. Now, it is being whispered in administration circles that the republicans would welcome an extra session and be very glad if the opposition would make it appear to be forced on them against their will. Some say that this is being done to prevent Senators Pettigrew, Allen and Butler carrying out their threat to oppose every bill taken up in the Senate as long as the Ship Subsidy bill retains the right of way. There may, of course, be something in that; but there are several other reasons why the administration would welcome an extra session, especially if it can escape the responsibility for seeming to have had any hand in bringing it about. First, there is the ship subsidy bill. It may be possible to force it through at this session, but it looks very doubtful now. In the next congress, the republican majority will be increased in both house and senate, not to mention the retirement of several of this bill's most vigorous opponents from the senate, and most of the new members will be ready to do the bidding of the administration, which will make its passage much easier. Next, there is the reduction bill. The outside limit named by Mr McKinley was \$30,000,000. It carries a reduction of more than \$40,000,000, and it is no secret that the administration would rather see the bill hung up in some way than passed in its present shape, although Mr McKinley will sign it, of course, if it passes. Nobody need be surprised to see some parliamentary skill displayed by administration senators when the bill gets before the senate, to bamboozle the public. Perhaps the republicans will add amendments solely to provoke a fight on the bill by democratic senators. Lastly, then is the decision of the supreme court in those colonial cases. If it be an adverse one, Mr McKinley will be glad to have some other excuse for calling congress together to remedy his blunders.

Senator Hawley has given advance notice of his intention to antagonize the ship subsidy bill with the substitute for the house army reorganization bill, if there is any delay on the part of the senate in disposing of the latter. That is another turn of the legislative vise that is squeezing Hanna, and in this case Mr McKinley will not be on his side, as he is even more anxious for the army bill to get through than he is for the ship subsidy bill. One is to pay campaign debts; the other to keep him and his administration out of a deep and dangerous hole. He would like to have both, but if he can only get one, he will take the army bill without a moment's hesitation.

After press cablegrams from Copenhagen made it useless to further deny, officials acknowledge that the United States is negotiating for the purchase of the Danish West India islands, and that our minister to Denmark had made a final offer of something like \$3,500,000 for the islands. This offer is, of course, subject to the ratification of the treaty providing for the purchase by the senate, as well as the acceptance of Denmark. Why there has been so much official lying about this negotiation, which has been going on more or less actively for two years, is one of those things which it would be difficult to find a sensible answer for.

Although there isn't the slightest probability of any formal inquiry or court martial being ordered by the war department—too much explosive matter lying around loose—the charges made against Col H. O. S. Heistand, adjutant general on the staff of Gen Chaffee, by Maj E. L. Hawkes, have been forwarded to China, where the accused is, for an answer. The charges are that Col Heistand was guilty of conduct unbecoming as officer and as gentleman when he represented to Maj Hawkes, thereby inducing him to invest money which was subsequently lost, that a combination had been formed by U. S. officials who were in positions to fix the tariff, to control the hemp output of the Philippines. The officials named as having entered this combination were

Adj Gen Corbin, Asst Secy Meiklejohn, Gov Allen, of Porto Rico, and U. S. District Judge Boyd. The charge recites that after Hawkes had invested his money, he was told by Heistand that the officials named had withdrawn from the combination to control the hemp output.

A club with the imposing name of the National Republican League has been organized in Washington, of which about two thirds are office-holders and the of the other third would like to be. The written objects of the league are about the same as those of other political clubs, but one of the speeches made at the organization meeting, gave another object league to have influence in determining what persons shall hold office under the republican administration, and to get rid of those democrats who are now holding office in order that republicans may get the places. All the members of this office trust, which is the name the League should be known by, are shining lights in the party which pretends to favor civil service reform. What hypocrites these republicans be.

Persons who suffer from indigestion cannot expect to live long, because they cannot eat the food required to nourish the body and the products of the undigested food they do eat poison the blood. It is important to cure indigestion as soon as possible, and the best method of doing this is to use a preparation known as Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. It digests what you eat and restores all the digestive organs to perfect health. J. S. Higbison & Co.

Australasia's Birthday.

Adelphi, New South Wales, January 1.—The new century and with it the new era of federation were ushered in for Australia with every sign of public rejoicing. This city is overflowing with visitors to such an extent that many have to be accommodated on the passenger steamers in the harbor.

The streets were alive with people last evening and when midnight struck bells pealed and cannon boomed a welcome to the birthday of United Australasia. Today was a public holiday and business has been practically suspended for a week to come. The city is decorated with unprecedented lavishness, a striking feature being a scheme of triumphal arches along the route of today's procession from Government House to Centennial Park, for the inauguration, which it is estimated will be witnessed by 500,000 people.

The American arch, which is a distinct feature, is of imposing design. It is surmounted by a colossal eagle and bears the mottoes: "The United States Greets Australia," and "Hail to the New Born Commonwealth."

A portion of Pitt street is devoted to the American section, which is very picturesque, red and white being the prevailing combinations.

This season there is a large death rate among children from croup and lung troubles. Prompt action will save the little ones from these terrible diseases. We know of nothing so certain to give instant relief as One Minute Cough Cure. It can also be relied upon in grippe and all throat and lung troubles of adults. Pleasant to take. J. S. Higbison & Co.

London, Dec 31.—The fears of further failures in connection with the collapse of the London and Globe Finance Corporation, limited, were not realized up to 1 o'clock this afternoon, and the whole tone of the Stock Exchange steadied in consequence, and Americans were marked up one half.

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Dec 12—3m.

Gov McDweeney was yesterday notified that there was a case of small pox at St Paul. The report was transmitted at once to Dr. James Evans as usual.—The State, Dec 29th

A Georgia man prayed God to kill his wife the other night, not because he wanted her to enter eternal bliss, but because he wanted to sleep and she had asked him to open the door. As he rose to open it he was struck with paralysis and died.

Des Moines, Dec 28.—It develops that the news associations, were imposed upon by the story of the drowning of 49 children by a collapse of ice in the town of West Choir.

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JOSEPH MULDROW, Exor. Dec. 12, 1900—4t

NOTICE.

THERE WILL be an election by the County Board of Control for the office of Dispenser at a meeting of the Board to be held Jan 25. Applications must be in form prescribed in section 6 of Dispensary Law.

GEO D SHORE, Clerk Board of Control Dec 22, 1900.

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Capital stock paid in,	\$75,000 00
Undivided surplus,	16,000 00
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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 E. Burket 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, Jane 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. McNair and Philiander Pearroll, copartners trading as McNair & Pearroll, against Benjamin M. Carpenter, Robinson W. Pator, William J. H. Watters, William H. Pagon, J. B. 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. McCall'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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