The Watchman and Southron.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 1903.

The Sumter Watchman was tounded 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 Samter.

The Germans are clearly averse to a peaceable settlement with Venezuela and are forcing war upon that country just at a time when a settlement was in sight. If Roosevelt was not so busy trying to capture the negro votes in might find time to write a Venezuela year's crop? message along the line of Cleveland's massage that forced England to halt in her aggressions on Venezuela.

their fight against the appointment of orderly trial. Crum as Collector of the Port, and it is to be hoped that the Senate can be brought to see that to confirm this foolish appointment of the President would be unwise and a needless irritation of the people of South Carolina. The gift of public office as a compensation for political support is is immoral and as culpable as the grossest form of downright bribery, and we cannot understand how a man who has made as many professions of personal and and raiment?official purity and honesty as has Theodore Roesevelt can reconcile the policy he is pursiang with his professions. If he and his supporters see fit to buy circumstances. Very frequently enconcern of ours, so long as he confines his operations to the North and uses money as the purchase price; but when he enters the South and buys support | Magnolia today, and our modest corby appointing objectionable men to important offices it is our concern and her atricle does not appear in print. the strongest sort of protest is in order. We fear, however, that it is too much to expect of the Senate that the Republican majority will antagonize the President and turn down an appointment that he has made an issue Local Train Out of New York and that has overshadowed matters of real importance in cabinet meetings and in the public prints.

Gov. Heyward begins his administration with the best wishes and loyal support of a great majortiy of the citizens of South Carolina, and the few who would actively antagonize his policies, to the end that he should fail in his efforts to make good the promises contained in his inaugural address, are so lacking in influence and weight that their endeavors are sure to be

It seemed to us that the depths of infamy had been reached when Jim Tillman assassinated N. G. Gonzales, but we are unwillingly forced to admit, if our information be correct, that there are even worse men in South Carolina than Jim Tillman. And these are the men who sent telegrams to Jim Tillman congratulating him, immediately upon hearing the news of the assassination. They rejoiced in the death a man whom they hated, but feared to meet face to face. Society is in a sad condition when men who make pretensions to respectability congratulate a cowardly assassin.

Nothing shows the change in sentiment in South Carolina since the election of John L. M. Irby to supplant Gen. Hampton in the United States Senate so well as the honors paid Hampton's memory by the General Assembly yesterday. A few years ago the mere suggestion that Wade Hampten was worthy of honor would have raised a storm of protest. We are glad to see the day that the General Assembly of South Carolina is proud to do honor to Wade Hampton's memory with M. C. Butler as the spokes-

Gov. Heyward informed the New too busy attending to his duties to prepare an interview giving his views of wind, S. W. on the Venezuelan situation. It is an unusul type of public man that will ot neglect official duties to obtain yelow journalism advertising that will bring his name prominently before the country.

Colombia made a fine bargain with the United States. Ten million in gold, cash, and a quarter of a million dollars annually in perpetuity is a big price for a six mile strip of fever-infested swamp land. This is probably the biggest deal in real estate ever made temperatures prevail in all other secin America.

Some people may not now fully Bismark, N. D. appreciate the value of Gov. Heywards suggestion that steps be taken to preserve the forests of the South, but all who are living ten years hence will have reason to know and feel the evils that follow the indiscriminate and ruthless destruction of the progress. If the destroying hand of citizens attracted to the scene by the forests of the State that is now in the saw mill man is not stayed at once, and steps taken to repair the ravages Wood will be too scarce and castly to render of Gen. Lee took place.

be used for fuel and the open fire will be a tradition of the good old days.

The earthquake shock last night brought unpleasant recollections to Charleston and vicinity. The great G. A. Woods, of Marion, Leads earthquake of 1886 was preceeded a few days by a shock similar to that o last night.

The introduction of tobacco culture in Richland County, along the Atlantic LATIMER IS ELECTED SENATOR. Coast Line, is another argument for the establishment of a tobacco market in Sumter. A warehouse in this Senate Will Pass The Child some cases, while in others it can, city would be the nearest tobacco market to the tobacco planters of Richalnd County and would naturally, other things being equal, stand the bset chance of securing their patronage. Is it too late to build a warethe next Republican convention, he house and establish a market for this

The great work that N. G. Gonzales did in his life time to render lynch law odious in South Carolina is the The people of Charleston have the guarantee of Jim Tillman safety until moral support of the entire State in he shall come before the courts for an

> The Senate committee has very properly made an unfavorable report on Senator Ragsdale's bill to require the railroads to provide free transportation for State and county officials. It is a good bill to kill out of hand. Why should the railroads be forced to provide transportation for public officials, unless the merchants of the State be required to provide them with food

Anonymous communications will not be printed in this paper under any votes in the Repulbican Convention, tirely unobjectionale articles of more be the votes negre or white, it is no or less news value are thrown into the waste basket for no reason save that the writer neglected to sign his or her name. This fate befell a letter from respondent is hereby informed why

ANOTHER RAILROAD SLAUGHTER

Wrecked by Express.

Rear of Local Train.

The Wreck Took Fire and Many of the Wounded Were Roasted to Death.

New York, Jan. 27 .- One of the most appalling railroad wrecks that has occurred in the vicinity of New York for many years, the estimated loss of life ranging as bigh as thirty persons, took place tonight at Graceland on the Central railway of New Jersey near Westfield, N. J., when the Royal Blue Line Express ploughed at top speed into the rear end of a local

At 1.40 o'clock this morning it was known that there are twenty-four dead. Sixteen charred bodies have now been taken out. Eight dead were either recovered before the fire or died after being taken out of the wreck.

Immediately after the crash three of the shattered cars of the local train took fire, rendering impossible the rescue of many of the wounded, who were pinned fast in the wreck. Many bodies are believed to have been con-

On board the Flyer all the passengers, although badly shaken up, escaped uninjured except for trifling bruises.

Local Weather Report.

For 24 hours ending 9 a. m., January

Temperature: Maximum, 55; Minimum, 44; Mean, 49.1. Precipitation; York American Friday that he was 0.22 inches. Character of day, Cloudy, with light rains. Direction

> Forecast issued from Washington, D. C., for South Carolina:

Rain Wednesday. Warmer in the

Weather conditions: General and in places heavy rains prevail over the Cotton Belt, with thunderstorms in the lower Mississippi Valley, eastern Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas. In the Missouri Valley it is snowing. It is warmer in the lake regions and New England and colder in the upper Missouri Valley while nearly stationary tions. The highest temperature was

80 at Key West, the lowest 2 at

F. Prescott-Bullock. Local Observer, U. S. Weather Bureau.

Waterloo, Neb., Jan. 27.-Four men robbed the Citizens' Bank of Waterloo mas, but where the oats have good roots early today and escaped with \$3,500 they are safe. in cash, after exchanging shots with explosion.

Washington, Jan. 27.—Senator Penof the past few years, there will not be rose today introduced a bill in the dom of it all. left in the State sufficient timber to senate authorizing the purchase of the supply the home demand for lumber. farm at Appomattox on which the sur- forests will soon exhaust the supply,

for Associate Justice.

Labor Bill.

LONG DEBATE ON SEED COTTON TRAFFIC ... THE HOUSE KILLS THE TEACHERS' CERTIFICATE BILL.

Columbia, Jan. 27.—The General Assembly is in a deadlock over the election of an associate justice to succeed Y. J. Pope, recently made chief justice.

Three ballots have been taken; Mr. C. A. Woods of Marion is leading with 72 votes, just six short of election. While this is very close, his gains on the three ballots have been but very slight.

On the first ballot the result was: C. A. Woods of Marion, 63; W. B. Gruerb of Colleton, 19; Robert Aldrich of Barnwell, 30; J. L. Tribble of Anderson, 20; J. F. J. Caldwell of Greenwood, 12; J. F. Izlar of Orangeburg, 7.

The Charleston delegation voted as Aldrich; Baker, for Izlar; Herbert, for Gruber, and Messrs. Whaley Sink-

On the first ballot there were 154 votes; necessary to a choice, 78. Mr. Woods needed 14 votes to have a majority of the whole.

gained 5 votes and Senator Aldrich 10.

The same total was recorded at 2.25,

business at 3 o'clock, no election resulting. It will meet again tomorrow at noon and resume balloting for associate justice.

The Senate and the House today separately balloted for United States Senator. A. C. Latimer of Anderson was a mere formal balloting.

The House killed Mr. Wade's bill "Royal Blue Flyer" Crashed Into providing for office of commissioner of

Mr. Kibler's bill to have all public school teachers examined periodically irrespective of college diplomas was also killed.

WORK OF THE SENATE. Columbia, Jan. 27.—The Senate held its first session last night and

transacted only routine business. The Marshall's [child labor and the compulsory education bills are made special orders for Wednesday. Those who have carefully polled the vote of

the Senate assert that the child labor bill will pass with about six majority. Its opponents have about decided to make no special fight in the upper house The compulsory education bill will also probably pass.

Nearly the entire time of the Senate was taken today in debating the bill to regulate the traffic in seed cotton and unpacked lint cotton. The bill is intended to apply to the whole State and places the license at \$300. No unpacked lint cotton can be bought between the 15th of August and the 20th of December without a license. An effort was made to exempt Hampton and Florence counties, but both were voted down. The matter was finally submitted to the judiciary committee to report whteher or not amendment to exempt certain counties from the operations of the bill can be classed as special legislation. The bill had formerly been referred the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Lofton's bill granting to the national government the titles of the State to certain lands in Charleston County for improving the inland waterways between Charleston harbor and a point opposite McClellanville passed its third reading.

Hon. Asbury Coward Latimer of Anderson received the unanimous vote of the Senate for United States

A few minor bills were introduced, including one to provide for a State bacteroriologist.

Mr. Moses: To change and designate | that the above advice is given. certain townships in Sumter County and to provide for changing the registration certificates.

Mr. Clifton: To amend the Code in reference to demurrers.

PISGAH NEWS NOTES.

Pisgah, Jan. 27.—Those farmers market or not. who planted oats early last fall feel that their crops are safe. Of late years winter comes after the Christ-

Hands are in demand here. Wild cat I WILL HOLD in the Court House,

you have no idea how many saw mills

re at work unless you travel about. The object seems to be to cut every tree in the country irrespective of future wants. A long time is ahead of us, and old trees cannot be grown at once. Soon our people will have to buy what they now have in abundance to last for generations if taken care of, for the world is not coming to an end just yet, but destruction seems to be the order of the day.

It is amusing to read some of the decisions of the Supreme Court, when it cannot go behind the legislature in and tears the acts all to pieces. Some of the acts it went behind was the

Marriages still continue, Mr. William Gaylard and Miss Celia Burgess, daughter of Mr. Paul Burgess were married on the 18th inst., by Rev.

Mr. Kenney at his home. Those who read the severe arraignment of Gov. Tillman last year by the State, expected sooner or later, he would call Mr. Gonzales, the editor of the State to an account. At Gaffney he said his hands were tied as a public official and he could not resent an insult as offered him by one Camp. So the months went by and the public looked upon it as a closed political incident, or he would not notice it by a dignified silence; but a few days before his term of office expired, just from presiding over the Senate, heavily armed, in violation of the law he follows: Von Kolnitz and Carey, for swore to uphold, and in the presence to kill his political enemy. Shades ler, Seabrook, Lofton and Logan for of night, whither are we drifting? Surely this man must have some just excuse for his act or else his brain is diseased and he not responsible for what he did. The South has few such cases. Dawson, the able editor On the second ballot Mr. Woods of the News and Courier was murdered by McDow because Dawson told Mr. Tribble and Mr. Gruber each lost him not to interfere with his servant. Tillman's act is first cousin to the political murder in secret of Gov. when the House proceeded to a third Goebel of Kentucky by W. S. Taylor, and his crowd, who is now hiding The joint assembly receded from behind the republican Gov. of Indianna, a fugitive from justice. This was one of the most diabolical murand bloody soil, and the last man connected with it, should be run to his doom. An editor as a sentinel upon the watch tower for the public good, received the entire vote. The election | can best serve his cause by leaving out personalities. There is no doubt but what Gonzales went too far with Tillman, and as a result he is in his grave. He should have left Tillman's private life alone. No man wants his private acts held up to view even if he is guilty, and will resent it. Mr. Gonzales may have thought he was right in his course towards Tillman, others think not, because he should have discussed his public and not his private life. This is a republican form of government. No man is higher.than another, and all are sovereign and independent. An editor that deals in personalities weakens his case. Mr. Gonzales was an able man, and did much for his State. As an editor he was on the extreme in a good many things, and differed widely from some of the best men of the

J. E. DuPre. at his death. Unfavorably Reported.

State, but in the shadow of death, all

these things pass away, and the writer

of this expresses his profound sorrow

Columbia, Jan. 28.-At the meeting of the committee of ways and means of the house last evening both the bills providing for appropiations for the South Carolina exhibit at the St. Louis world's fair were taken up and considered. The committee decided to report both unfavorable.

To Mark Confederate Graves.

Washington, Jan. 27.-The house comittee on military affairs today offered a favorable report upon the Foraker bill to appopriate \$200,000 to mark the graves of Confederate soldiers and sailors who died in northern prisoners.

Word Contest.

Applications are coming in thick and fast for entries in the great word contest being conducted by T. B. Jenkins for a handsome New Home machine, and applicants are requested make their lists neatly and plainly, numbering every word, and avoid mistakes. There will be considerable work in awarding the handsome prize, and it is for the good of all concerned

For the next thirty daysw e will sell our very best brand of New Home oil for five cents per bottle. It will make your machine run smoothly, stop your door from crying, stop your gun from rusting. If you do not feel inclined to make the investment in the oil come to see us anyhow, and we will give you a nice New Home calender free. We want to make your acquaintance, whether you are in the

T. B. JENKINS, JR. Masonic Temple, Sumter.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.

credit has made the negroes feel so Sumter, S. C., on Friday, the 20th rich that they see no necessity to day of February, at 9 a. m., examinawork. Next fall will show the wis- tions for teachers' certificates. All persons wishing to stand the examina-The continued cutting down of the tion will please be on hand.

B. D. WILSON, County Superintendent. Jan. 28-3t.

We have just received "old soldiers" and the jury law last OUP first shipment of the

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GENUINE RED BLISS TRIUMPH SEED POTATOES

You know from previof two milk and water witnesses shoots ous experience what the character of this stock is. them direct the producers in and in getting Maine, your seed from us you are was one of the most diabolical murders, ever done on Kentucky's dark article.

D'DONNELL & CO.

A most desirable early spring Fabric --- most exchildren's cellent ladies' dresses, school suits, waists and shirts, boys' shirt waists.

Very Special Price:

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Examine this lot of merchandise. Undoubtedly the best value ever offered.

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