

SHERIFF GOES AFTER FELDER.

Attorney Stevenson Argues Against Right of Dispensary Board to Have Dr. Murray Arrested.

Columbia, May 31.—With Sheriff Buford of Newberry on his way to Atlanta armed with requisition papers from Gov. Blease upon Gov. Brown for the person of Thos. B. Felder...

PRIZES FOR RURAL SCHOOLS.

Ten One Hundred Dollar Prizes and Forty Fifty Dollar Ones.

Owing to the annual meeting of the school improvement association being held in March instead of December...

So far only eight applications for the fifty prizes have been received by the president.

Information concerning these prizes can be had by writing to Miss Lizzie Rogers, president of the School Improvement Association...

The South Carolina School Improvement Association offers fifty prizes to the schools of the State for the most decided material improvement made during a given length of time.

1. Improvements must be made between November 1, 1910, and December 10, 1911.

2. Prizes will be awarded to schools where the most decided material improvements have been made during the time mentioned.

3. Under material improvements are included local taxation, consolidation, new buildings and out buildings, repairing and painting old ones, libraries, reading rooms or tables, interior decorations, beautifying yards, better drinking water, and better general equipment.

4. No school can compete for any of these prizes unless it is a rural school. No town with more than 400 population shall be eligible to the contest.

5. All who wish to enter this contest must send their names and descriptions of schools before improvements are made to the president prior to October 1st, using blank No. 1.

6. All descriptions, photographs and other evidences showing improvements must be sent to the president before December 15, 1911, using blank No. 2. The Chairman of the Board of Trustees of any school that is competing for a prize must approve all descriptions before and after improvements are made, and refer same to County Superintendent of Education for his approval and signature.

7. Blanks will be sent to schools competing for the above prizes with questions to be answered relating to the conditions under which the improvements have been made. The Examination Committee will examine this data, and awards will be made.

8. Prizes will be awarded in checks December 31, 1911. The prizes are to be used for further improvements in the schools receiving them—either for interior or exterior improvement.

9. Other things being equal, those schools using designs for new buildings suggested by the Clemson Extension Bulletin will be given preference.

Address all communications, to Miss Lizzie Rogers, President South Carolina School Improvement Association, Bennettsville, S. C.

A Charming Woman.

is one who is lovely in face, form, mind and temper. But its hard for a woman to be charming without health. A weak, sickly woman will be nervous and irritable. Constipation and kidney poisons show in pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion.

OBEY COURT'S ORDER.

Tobacco Corporation Announces That it Will Undertake Reorganization Demanded in Good Faith.

New York, May 30.—The American Tobacco company will undertake in all good faith, a readjustment of its affairs as directed by the United States supreme court, according to an official statement carefully prepared by officers of the company and given this afternoon by W. W. Fuller, the corporation's chief counsel.

"The supreme court in this case," reads the statement, "has said that Sherman's anti-trust law should be given an application more extensive than has been given in any other case. It has said that the American Tobacco company is embraced within its terms. My clients, of course, will obey the law as now interpreted and will, in good faith, undertake the readjustment of their affairs under the direction of the circuit court of the Southern district of New York, to which court the supreme court has remitted the matter for direction."

Said DeLancey Nicoll, who assisted in presenting the case for the company to the supreme court:

"It is probable that a general plan will be agreed upon for the conducting of the business as directed by the court. We shall prepare a plan which we shall consider agreeable to the court. This will require long planning and attention to detail and it will be long before the full proposition will have been worked out."

STATE INSURANCE MEN MEET.

Largest Attendance on Record in Columbia for Convention—Business Transacted.

Columbia, May 31.—With 40 out of 102 members present, this attendance being the largest on record, the 13th annual meeting of the South Carolina Fire Insurance agents association opened Wednesday morning in the city council chamber.

About fifteen new members were enrolled. President Frank Johnson of Anderson read his annual address which was referred to a committee consisting of E. O. Johnson, George L. Dial, J. H. Fraser, G. E. Haynsworth and J. G. Pridmore.

President Johnson's recommendation that the body affiliate with the national association and send delegate to the convention in Buffalo, July 17-19, was discussed by S. M. Grist, P. T. Hayne, O. E. Johnson, Perry Moses, P. Blackman, H. M. Mixon, A. T. Gaillard and William Goldsmith, Jr.

A paragraph referring to the multiplying of agencies was discussed by P. T. Hayne of Greenville. The association meets again tomorrow.

S. M. Grist of Yorkville is secretary and C. L. Schofield of Marion is vice president.

Why Girls Excel in Study.

American Medicine.

The superiority of female students, both children and adults, has been mentioned and explained hundreds of times, and yet the full pedagogic significance of the fact still seems to be ignored. The girls in many an educational college furnish an overwhelming percentage of the best students, and yet in later years the men take the lead in every one of the lines which as boys they were so backward. It is all due to the well known fact that in her weak physical state self-protection has demanded an early development of the perceptive faculties. Age for age, girls perceive understandingly what boys scarcely notice. The differences between the two sexes are so great that it is unscientific to class them together; and there is a growing suspicion that each is injured by current educational methods, the boys unduly stimulated and the girls retarded. In spite of this self-evident conclusion pedagogues seem bent upon the impossible task of making the boys keep up with the girls—a plan sure to be followed by far-reaching bad results. The boys are liable to become discouraged, while the girls are led to embark upon careers as wage earners in professions in which failure is inevitable.

The Lumber Trust may howl as loud as it wishes, but it cannot keep the people from believing that it was the force behind the "put-over" for Lorimer.—Raleigh News and Observer.

Your Neighbor's Experience.

How you may profit by it. Take Foley Kidney Pills. Mrs. E. G. Whiting, 309 Willow St., Akron, O., says: "For some time I had a very serious case of kidney trouble and I suffered with backaches and dizzy headaches. I had specks floating before my eyes and I felt all tired out and miserable. I saw Foley Kidney Pills advertised and got a bottle and took them according to directions and results showed almost at once. The pain and dizzy headaches left my eyesight became clear and today I can say I am a well woman, thanks to Foley Kidney Pills." W. W. Sibert.

SOUTHERN ROAD FACES CRISIS.

Engineers Add Their Complaint About Pay to That of Firemen, Now in Dispute.

Washington, May 30.—A new wage demand is to be made upon the Southern railway. With that of the 2,000 or more firemen yet before the system's officials and their action in doubt, a committee of 20 representing the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers arrived here tonight to push a claim of the engine drivers on the Southern for an increase of approximately 25 per cent over their present pay.

Some time ago a slight increase was allowed the engineers. They now believe that was inadequate.

Strike talk is heard from the engineers as well as from the firemen. The committee expects to discuss the wage question with W. W. Finley, president of the Southern, tomorrow. A member of the committee tonight asserted that on the failure of the Southern to grant their demand that the 1,400 engineers on the road would quit their jobs.

SOUTH CAROLINA WINS HONORS.

H. H. Mouzon, One of Seven Star Members of Graduating Class at Naval Academy.

Annapolis, Md., May 30.—The final standing of the seven star members of the graduating class of the naval academy with their four years' ratings in all studies was announced today as follows:

F. S. Hatch, New Hampshire, 705.16; H. H. Mouzon, South Carolina, 697.81; W. W. Webster, North Dakota, 691.98; B. S. Bullard, Wisconsin, 691.05; O. O. Hagen, Minnesota, 684.63; R. M. Griffin, Virginia, 683.29; R. H. Skelton, Wisconsin, 681.96.

OTTS ON GEORGE HASTY CASE.

Won't Prosecute While Blease in Office, Solicitor States.

Spartanburg, June 1.—Solicitor J. C. Otts, of this circuit, stated today that George Hasty would not be tried for killing the actor, Bennett, who was shot at the same time Hasty shot Davidson, in a quarrel over Miss Sheridan, an actress, until at least Gov. Blease was out of office. The solicitor stated that if he secured a conviction that it was possible that the Governor would pardon Hasty again, and that while the case could not be prosecuted, it would not be tried at any early date.

Solicitor Ott's Letter.

Columbia, June 1.—Anent the reported statement of Solicitor J. C. Otts that he will prosecute George Hasty on another indictment for the killing of the actor, Davidson, the following letter, which appeared in connection with the pardon of Hasty, will be read with more than passing interest.

"Otts & Dobson, Attorneys and Counsellors, Gaffney, S. C., March 21, 1911.—Dear McGraw: In re pardon for Geo. Hasty, I never interfere in sentences or paroles and commutations unless the Governor refers such matters to me.

"As to the other indictment against Hasty, I will never try the case, as my witnesses cannot be found. I shall not interfere in the matter.

Very truly,  
J. C. Otts, Sol."

This is in Mr. Otts' own handwriting.

The following was sent Solicitor Otts by Governor Blease:

"June 1, 1911.  
"J. C. Otts, Esq., Spartanburg, S. C.—Dear Sir: The enclosed is a copy of a letter handed to me in the George Hasty matter.

"Please advise me if same is a forgery—in view of your statement in this morning's newspaper. Very respectfully, "Cole L. Blease, Governor."

ARMORY HALL RENOVATED.

New Coat of Paint and Plastering Make Hall Look Much Improved.

The improvements on the Armory hall which have been going on for the past month are about completed and resplendent in its new coat of blue paint, with red borders, and a fresh coat of plastering the hall is ready for any or all of the receptions and dances that the young men of the city can arrange.

The work has been going on very slowly owing to the small force of workmen, and the fact that it has been completed will be hailed with gladness by the boys of the city. The hall now needs a scouring when it will be in good condition for dancing. The plastering is already dried and hardened and it will take only about two or three days for the paint to dry.

F. S. Bedford, 615 New York Life Bldg., Kansas City, Mo., says: "I had a severe attack of a cold which settled in my back and kidneys and I was in great pain from my trouble. A friend recommended Foley Kidney Pills and I used two bottles of them and they have done me a world of good." W. W. Sibert.

FELDER SHOWS FIGHT.

Atlanta Attorney Interviewed On Issuance of Warrant at Newberry Against Him.

Atlanta, May 31.—The Atlanta Journal publishes the following:

"According to a dispatch from Newberry, S. C., a member of the new commission appointed to wind up the dispensary system in South Carolina, Monday swore out a warrant in Newberry for the arrest of Thomas B. Felder, of Atlanta, member of the law firm of Felder, Roundtree and Wilson, on the charge that Mr. Felder tried to bribe H. H. Evans, a member of the board of directors of the State dispensary of South Carolina, and that he conspired to cheat and defraud the State.

"Mr. Felder said Tuesday morning that this action was political bluff and that it was prompted by Governor C. L. Blease of South Carolina.

"He made the statement that he has in his possession evidence that Governor Blease, while State senator, received \$4,000 from one liquor house for using his influence in its behalf, and that he received many other thousands from other liquor dealers.

"As soon as Blease's term of office as governor expires," he declared, "I expect to place this evidence before a grand jury in South Carolina and have him indicted."

"Mr. Felder said:

"Governor Ansel, who was succeeded as governor of South Carolina by Blease appointed a commission of five to wind up the dispensary commission. I was attorney for this commission. When Blease came into office he charged that this commission was corrupt, so he discharged it and appointed a new one that consisted of his former law partner and his personal friends. He also had a bill introduced in the legislature authorizing an investigation of the old commission. The bill passed, but he vetoed it—vetoed his own bill. Why? Because he had found out that an investigation of the old commission would result in an investigation of himself. He says he is quite willing for the new commission he appointed to investigate his record, but this commission, as he himself admits, is composed of his personal friends.

"This commission met yesterday at Columbia, S. C., for the ostensible reason of beginning an investigation but for the real reason of whitewashing Blease. I was notified to appear before it. I didn't go, of course. One reason was that the threat was made that if I ever came back to South Carolina I would be put out of the way.

"The truth of the matter is that Blease ought to be under indictment right now. He is nothing less than a crook. This man Evans whom they say I tried to bribe is himself under indictment for cheating and defrauding the State, and he is under indictment on evidence that I produced. He is Blease's close friend and is an enemy of mine. There you see why he wishes to injure me.

"The charges against me are based on forgery and perjury and they are participated in if not actually prompted by Blease. I have written and verbal evidence that will establish his connection with gigantic frauds during the old dispensary system."

DISPENSARY BOARD OVERRULE LYON.

Rule to Require Old Board to Furnish Records and Vouchers Met With Refusal.

Columbia, May 31.—The action of the new dispensary commission in employing Holman and Holman of Charleston as special counsel, over the protest of Attorney General Lyon, may lead to further complications. The act under which the commission is working authorizes the board to "employ such assistant counsel as may be approved by the attorney general," the latter himself being the leading counsel; and the act of 1909 says: "All boards of departments are forbidden to employ any counsel for any purpose except through the attorney general and upon his advice." Attorney General Lyon told the commission he himself stood ready to advise them and he could not sanction the employment of other counsel. Nevertheless Holman and Holman were retained and W. A. Holman of that firm is here in consultation with the board. Messrs. Murray, McSwain, Patton and Wood today made a return to the commission's rule requiring the production of vouchers and records. The old commissioners deny the authority of their successors to demand these papers and say further that the old board is under heavy bond and cannot give up to let go the only copies they have of their books. Dr. Murray appeared with counsel in response to the rule and filed this return instead of producing the original vouchers demanded. Whether he will now be ruled for contempt is a matter not yet decided.



HEZEKIAH'S GREAT REFORM

II Chronicles 30—June 11

"Man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart."—I Samuel 16:7.

KING HEZEKIAH of Judah has a wonderful record as a man of God, a reformer, a patriot, yet he was the son of a bad father, who in turn was the son of a good father, who in turn was the son of a bad father. The alternation between good and bad for four generations illustrates the fact that, although heredity has much to do with every member of our race, nevertheless, there are counter-balances in nature.

We are all members of Adam's family, and as such we are all sharers in the general weakness, mental, moral and physical, which for six thousand years has descended upon us. St. Paul refers to this, saying, "By one man's disobedience sin entered into the world, and death as the result of sin; and thus death passed upon all men, because all are sinners."—Romans 5:12.

The downward or sinful tendency inbred in our very constitution is so strong that none is able fully to overcome it. The best that any of us can do is to set our wills in opposition to our inherited weaknesses and to fight courageously against them. The Apostle assures us that if it were possible for humanity to fully gain such a victory over its fallen self as to bring itself back to perfection, then doubtless God would have provided that way of salvation.

Hezekiah the Reformer

The King's father had introduced idolatrous worship—erecting altars and groves to the worship of Baal. God's temple was strewn with rubbish. Under the direction of the King, the Levites began a cleansing work. It required eight days to carry out the rubbish from the court, etc. Then the priests, who alone were authorized to enter into the Holy, or temple proper, were directed to cleanse the temple itself.

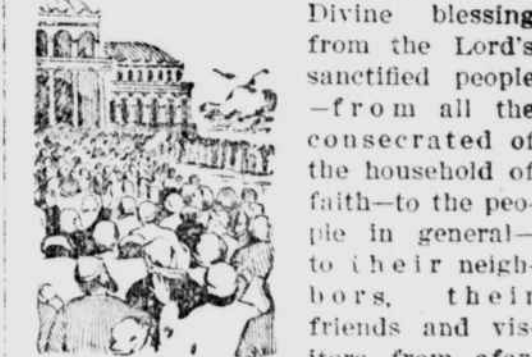
But as a preliminary work, before the cleansing of the court or the temple began, the King directed that the priests and the Levites sanctify themselves afresh to the Lord and His service. How appropriate! How in harmony with the words of the Prophet Isaiah, who lived at that time and who was the King's counselor—"Be ye clean, that bear the vessels of the Lord's house!"—Isa. 52:11.

But let us not forget the instruction of St. Peter upon this subject. Comparing the priesthood of Israel with the institutions of the Christian church, St. Peter gives us the thought that the priests of olden times do not find their antitypes in the clergy of today, but in God's saintly or sanctified people, whether in or out of the public ministry.

Thus St. Peter says to all of the consecrated Church of Christ, "Ye are a Royal Priesthood, a Holy Nation, a peculiar people, that ye should show forth the praises of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light."

The Divine Blessing

The conclusion of the feast was a Divine blessing upon all the people, through the Priests and Levites. So there goes out a Divine blessing from the Lord's sanctified people—from all the consecrated of the household of faith—to the people in general—to their neighbors, their friends and visitors from afar. Let such be our influence amongst men. In this connection let us remember the power of the tongue, of which the Apostle said, "Therewith praise we God, and therewith curse (or injure) we men." Let our tongues and all our powers be used in blessing the people as well as in praising our God.



Hezekiah's great Passover.

The King wisely began his reformation at the temple and gave the priests and Levites the first share therein. It was later that the idols of the city of Jerusalem were gathered and hurled into the valley of Kedron, and it was after the fervor of the Passover occasion that the zeal of the people in general rose high, and they went forth all over the land, destroying the idols, the groves of Baal, and every symbol of disloyalty to God.

And so today: Everywhere the light of our day is showing more and more of the meanness, selfishness, corruption—some of it centuries old, and some of it bred of special privilege and opportunity. The call for reform is heard on every hand, although sometimes but feeble. The proper place for reform is, as in Hezekiah's day, with the sanctification of the priests and the Levites themselves.

We cannot control the evil tongues of others, but a good life enables us to despise them.—Cato.

John S. Wilson was in the city Thursday afternoon.

IN THE MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

Case of Tenenstein and Company vs. Mitchell Paturos Results in Finding for Defendant.

The case of Tenenstein and Company of Norfolk, Va., vs. Mitchell Paturos, a Greek restaurant keeper of this city, for a debt of \$81.25 made by Nick Steggers, the predecessor of Paturos, was heard before Judge Wells Monday, Messrs. Geo. D. Levy and R. Dozier Lee representing the plaintiff, and C. Capers Smith the defendant, and resulted in a verdict for the defendant.

The case resulted from a bill for oysters being left unpaid by Steggers when he sold the restaurant and all of its fixtures to Paturos. Paturos claimed that he did not assume the debts of the place when he purchased it, while the plaintiff tried to show that he took over the merchandise belonging to Paturos when he made the trade, thus making himself liable for Steggar's debts.

The attorneys for the plaintiff gave notice of appeal.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETS.

The executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce met Wednesday evening in the Council Chamber and discussed various matters of importance connected with the Chamber of Commerce.

The principal matter brought up was the selection of a secretary for the organization and while the contract has not been signed it is thought that a secretary will be secured in a few days when all necessary details are completed.

A large number of the committees reported that they had organized and outlined a plan of work for the coming year, and that any ideas that would be of assistance to them in their course of work which members of the Chamber of Commerce or other citizens should give them would be thankfully received as they needed assistance and wanted to do as much good for the town as they possibly could.

A few committees have not yet organized or mapped out a course of work and it was urged that they do this at once or as soon as possible.

All of the members of the executive committee seemed to think that now that the secretary was almost secured it was up to the members to get ready to work as he would, no doubt, push them on to greater efforts.

Things seemed to look very bright for the Chamber of Commerce and it is probable that with the coming of a secretary new life will be put into the work that is now being done and Sumter will grow and prosper as never before.

Middle Aged and Elderly People.

Use Foley Kidney Pills for quick permanent results in all cases of kidney and bladder troubles, and for painful and annoying irregularities. W. W. Sibert.

Shriners and Elks Folders.

The Atlantic Coast Line has issued beautifully illustrated folders of standard form in two colors, advertising the low round-trip rates to Rochester on account of the Imperial Council of the Mystic Shrine, July 12, 12 and 13 and if the Grand Lodge of Elks at Atlantic City, N. J., July 10 and 15th.

These folders are replete with information to those contemplating the trip, as they contain the rates, stop-over privileges, many pretty half-tones and brief writ-ups of the many attractions of those two beautiful cities. The round-trip rates, which are open to the public, from Sumter is \$29.50 to Rochester and \$23.45 to Atlantic City and the tickets are on sale for each point on July 7, 8 and 9. While the return limit is comparatively short an extension of about a month can be obtained by depositing ticket with agents and upon the payment of \$1.00.

Every Shriner and Elk should write Mr. White, the General Passenger Agent at Wilmington for copies of the folders and they will find much to interest them.

It is worse than useless to take any medicines internally for muscular or chronic rheumatism. All that is needed is a free application of Chamberlain's Liniment. For sale by all dealers.

Detroit is named as one of the homes of the furnace merger. The preponderance of evidence these days is all in support of the allegation.—Detroit News.

A Leading California Druggist.

President, Cal., March 9, 1911. Foley and Co., Gentlemen:—We have sold and recommended Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for years. We believe it to be one of the most efficient expectorants on the market, containing no opiates or narcotics. It can be given freely to children. Enough of the remedy can be taken to relieve a cold, as it has no nauseating results, and does not interfere with digestion. Yours very truly, C. H. Ward Drug Co., C. L. Parsons, Suggs and Treas. Get the original Foley's Honey and Tar Compound in the yellow package. W. W. Sibert.