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The Sumter Watchman was founded in 1850 and the True Southerner in

1861. The Watchman and Southerner

now has the combined circulation and

influence of both of the old papers,

and is manifestly the best advertising

medium in Sumter.

Gov. Pleasance has failed in his at-

tempt to overawe and bulldoze the

legislature and the lawmakers have

demonstrated that they can and will

enact laws as they see fit without his

aid or consent. The veto power has

been made a dead letter and, reapproach

by Gov. Pleasance's methods, and it is

fortunate that the legislature has the

constitutional right and power to

ignore his partisan efforts to defeat

the will of the representatives of the

people we the dear citizens elect.

Now to the political arena. Woodrow Wilson, rapidly becoming

a man whom the people love on

account of the enemies he has made,

the country and abroad now find

him always ride on the bug-

house wagon of the political party to

which they claim allegiance instead

of leading or pushing at the wheel.

Edgar Heggins, just at present at

attached to the editorial department of

the Charlotte Observer, recently of

Richmond, but formerly of Charles-

ton and Atlanta, typifies this

sort of man. He is unconstitutionally a

conservative Southerner and cannot

help antagonizing progress. His val-

ues, moderate approval of things

and sentiments, adores things that were

whispered things that ought to be

whispered, recites with shuddering

Hence his antagonism toward

Woodrow Wilson and the progressive

spirit, and against the old democra-

or about the spirit of the south. The

old South fought men in the way,

but his way is not the way, and his

progressive democracy, and his con-

servatism should be exposed, for it is

breeding the bones that the blood in

it will probably have

sidered Patrick Henry, Christopher

Gadsden and Samuel Adams as ran-

ning rebels.

Woodrow Wilson, a

bloody-minded man against consti-

tuted authority and the divine right

of kings, Andrew Johnson would

have seemed to him a very devil of

an anarchist when he laid his hands

on the sacred United States

Bank. Even in the late seventies

Scott and Chamberlain were not such

bold fellows, considering that they

might have been worse, and the risk

of a devil-campaign of 1876 to

raise the State was a rather radi-

cal revolutionary and hazardous as-

ault on constituted authority—until

it succeeded. The Major is a natu-

rally born conservative and he can't

help viewing Woodrow Wilson with

alarm and trepidation, so the pro-

gressives should not be too severe on

him. They should study his record

of conservatism from the beginning

in the Abberville Medium of the

eighteen seventies through the News

and Courier, Richmond Times down

to the Charlotte Observer of today.

M. and Mrs. T. M. Bingham have

gone to Columbia on a visit.

Hon. Mendel L. Smith, of Camden,

was in the city for awhile Friday

morning on his way to Columbia.

A Cat-Nip.

Harold had rescued the family cat

from the well. Covered with green

moss and water, he rushed to his

mother with the declaration: "Ma, I

got the cat out by the stem!"—Christian Advocate.

Natural Thing to Do.

Sunday School Teacher—"After he

heard the people shouting 'Saul has

slain his thousands, but David has

slain his tens of thousands,' what did

Saul do then?" Willie (whose father

"also ran")—"I suppose he got right

up and balled for a recount."—Puck.

Bad.

One of the worst things about cold

weather is that it gives every would-

be actor a chance to show himself in

an overcoat with a fur collar.

Looks and Confidence.

We owe it to our friends as well as

ourselves to look our best at all times

and the girl who can improve her ap-

pearance without hurting herself

is a good girl. Nothing looks quite

so well as a clean, well-kept appearance.

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