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These days in June are much more rare than those of which the poet sang.

There was this consolation in the recent cold spell, it made the flies scarce for awhile.

Better keep that alpaca coat you pulled off convenient for you will need it again soon.

If ex-President Taft is enjoying the happiest period of his life, how may Wilson Democrats describe their blessed state of existence?

If we are to believe the reports of the illiteracy of New York teachers, what of their poor victims, the school children?

If you men, the natural protectors of your families, consider their health and comfort, you will not fail to vote for sewerage.

At the rate of a teaspoonful of sand a day, how long will it take that doorkeeper of the national house of representatives to eat his peck?

It may be a consolation to defeated candidates for the senate to know that one senator has had to receive 15,000 constituents who called to discuss the tariff bill.

If a few individuals can have private sewerage, why not a general system for the benefit of all of our citizens who wish to avail themselves of it?

The teachers' scholarship in the University of South Carolina, worth \$100 in money and exemption from fees, offers a fine chance for the young men of this county. See advertisement on another page of this paper.

One would think from the unsanitary condition of some of the public drains and back lots of the town that some folks seem to forget the microbe is no respecter of persons, and that the fly is a disseminator of disease germs.

With Governor Blease, Mayor Grace and both the Charleston dailies, all working to reduce the amount of illicit liquor sales in Charleston, The Greenville Piedmont should take a more hopeful view of the situation in the City by the Sea.

While not an advocate of woman suffrage, we believe that in the coming election, if women could vote the vast majority of them would unhesitatingly cast their ballots in favor of sewerage. Will not their fathers, husbands, brothers and sons, then, vote as these good women would have them?

There are various new remedies constantly being prescribed and taken but for our part give us bread pills instead of sand. The days of the mud pies are not so long past that we can contemplate with any degree of relish a similar diet of sand.

Viewed from a mere dollar and cents standpoint, which is a very low plane upon which to put a matter of so great importance as sewerage for our town, we don't believe the taxes of our property owners will be very greatly increased. But even if they are, think what a saving in dollars and cents there will be in doctor's bills, nurses' charges and other expenses, to say nothing of the lives of those who are near and dear to us.

Says The Greenville Piedmont: "Speaking of summer resorts, etc., we know a Greenville man who slept under a sheet, two blankets, a counterpane and an overcoat last night—June 9." We can beat it in Lancaster. We know of one person here who slept under all that and a comfort besides and yet slept cold. This is a summer resort all right, but who's looking for summer resorts, anyway?

VIEW OF AN OUTSIDER.

A gentleman who visited Lancaster during the past year, upon observing the open drains and stagnant water which may be seen on many of our streets, remarked to a citizen, "You should get down on your knees and thank the good Lord that he has spared your life thus far, for it is only by His providence you have escaped fever." The visitor added that unless the town provided better sanitary arrangements, the health of our people would be in constant peril.

Another visitor made comments which were equally true but hit our town even harder. They were, indeed, such a reflection upon us that civic pride compels us to withhold them.

If outsiders, then, who have no personal interest in us, know and realize with apprehension the grave danger which confronts us without sewerage, will not our people, to whom many lives are dear, vote for sewerage as their greatest protection against disease?

THE SOUTHERN WOMAN VS. THE SUFFRAGETTE.

We of the South are happily as yet disturbed little by the doings of the publicity-loving suffragette, yet Southern womanhood has nevertheless an instinctive abhorrence of the type and finds nothing to commend in her militant tactics or her occasional foolish "hikes." Mrs. Townsend of North Carolina, who recently won a prize of \$100 offered by the National Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage for the best essay on why women should not be given the right to vote. Mrs. Townsend summed up her reasons very clearly and concisely when she said:

"I believe that the best element of our home keepers and mothers would be slower to use the ballot than would the riff-raff of society. I fear especially the vote of the 'red-light district.'

"The greatest problems of state are not so important as the rearing of children to form a right citizenship. In view of the fact that America's birth rate is falling steadily and rapidly, we older women will fall in patriotism if we throw in our daughters' way the temptation that must come with political life.

"It is next to impossible to retrace steps of such importance and we ought to watch keenly this tendency to extend the suffrage.

"There is no indication that woman suffrage is successful. New Zealand where the women vote, has defeated prohibition by 50,000. Norway's divorce rate has quintupled in a few years. Colorado with her years of woman suffrage defeats prohibition, while West Virginia without it carries it by an enormous majority.

"I oppose a movement which weakens the modesty of women. I protest against the spectacular methods by which the suffragette calls attention to herself and I assert that she fails lamentably in patriotism when she arrays sex against sex."

FLAG DAY.

Tomorrow, June 14, 1913, will be the 136th anniversary of the adoption of the stars and stripes as the flag of our country. For the past sixteen years the public recognition of the day has become more and more general, through the efforts of the American Flag Association. This patriotic society has reminded the people annually and urged them to observe each recurring anniversary of June 14, 1777, when Congress enacted: "That the flag of the thirteen United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the Union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation." Later on it was provided that the stripes were to remain the same, as the nation grew, while another white star should be added for each state admitted. The governors of many states have made proclamations and ordered the flag to be placed upon all state buildings and many mayors of cities have caused the flags to be displayed upon their municipal buildings. Teachers, editors and school officers have joined in a popular appeal to the American people to celebrate the day by dinging to the breeze the stars and stripes of our united nation, while the school children are urged to salute the colors while they promise their loyalty to it thus, "I pledge allegiance to my flag and the republic for which it stands:

"One nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

The custom adds stimulus to the patriotism of the child, giving real meaning to citizenship and inspiring him anew to deeds of love and service for his country.

The schools here have closed and we may not have formal exercises tomorrow, but let each one of us display the national emblem, floating them from our homes and places of business, that our patriotism may be shown by this simple act of allegiance on the birthday of the flag.

CONFERENCE FOR THE COMMON GOOD.

A "forward looking" assembly was that which was held in Columbia Tuesday. It was a representative gathering, made up of men and women who hold the welfare of South Carolina as a matter of paramount importance. There were those of various callings at the conference, doctors, lawyers, educators, ministers, farmers, editors, business men and women who have signified their intention of devoting time and energy to the upbuilding of the state they love. It is said that Dr. Bourland of Washington, the secretary of the Conference for Education in the South, who was present at the meeting in Columbia, told that no conference with the same purpose had ever been held in any state. It should encourage us all to feel that South Carolina has been the first to conceive the plan of a campaign fraught with such possibilities of good to the people. The spirit of willing service was perhaps the most striking characteristic manifested throughout the discussions. No one phase of betterment is to crowd out another, but everything touching the needs and opportunities of the people may be brought up for discussion at the gatherings in each county and at the general convention to be held in Columbia early in August. Helpfulness is the keynote of this great plan "for the common good." The movement has been launched under circumstances the most favorable. Just how much we are to profit from it depends largely on our own attitude. We in each county must gather together in the same spirit as those leaders of thought have met, discuss our needs and decide upon plans for meeting those needs, if we are to get the greatest good from the annual state conference.

THE MESSENGER AGIN' IT.

We are glad to know that our contemporary, The Watree Messenger, is enlisted with the anti-dispensaries in Kershaw, judging from the fact that its eagle eye has discovered a Lancaster county signature or so on the petition." The Messenger expresses the wish that "The News can help us by keeping such petitioners in Lancaster county at least on the day of election." We will help you all we can, contemporary, but those Lancaster county fellows you speak of doubtless live in that strip of territory between the two counties your Kershaw folks fished from us a few years ago. If so, we, like you, think their names should come off of the petition as they morally, if not legally, live in Lancaster county. Yes, we are with you against the establishment of dispensaries in Kershaw county. So here's our heart and here's our hand, to keep the dispensary out of the land.

By the way, have you joined the Anti-Dispensary League, recently organized in your county? If not, get in and "make the fur fly."

The weather this week has been most appropriate for debate on the wool schedule.

It is not a question of whether we can afford to have sewerage but whether we can afford NOT to have it.

Our best wishes attend Dr. S. C. Mitchell, late president of the South Carolina University, in his new field of labor at Richmond, Va. His unselfish service to South Carolina will never be forgotten by her people.

With a number of our neighboring towns intending to celebrate the Fourth of July, we could not observe the day better than by all of us getting together, say at 12 o'clock, and organizing a board of trade. Won't some one take the lead?

Congratulations to the Kershaw Era for the late very creditable extra edition. Such enterprise will not only draw large crowds to Kershaw for the Fourth of July celebration, but will contribute in many ways to the upbuilding of the place.

We are proud of the fact that Rev. H. R. Murchison was chosen to serve on the executive committee of the Conference for the Common Good. His interest in the welfare of the state is well known and this honor shows how his services is recognized by others who love their state.

Mr. Giles J. Patterson, one of Chester's able young lawyers, at the instance of the Commercial Club, is giving the people of his county many facts and figures as to how to get better roads in that county. He favors a bond issue and supports the proposition with a very good argument. Like his lamented father, whose name he bears, he has the interest of Chester county at heart.

PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SPIRIT.

Apropos of sewerage for our town, we commend to our citizens the following from The Orangeburg Times and Democrat: "In many towns if the public spirit, improvements making for the welfare of those towns would speedily be inaugurated. But while many people spend lavishly for their own individual pleasure and gain there are but few, comparatively, that spend much for the common good."

The State observes that the electoral college is the only one that holds no commencement exercises, yet guarantees a \$75,000 job to its graduates.

Sewerage is far preferable to medicine, doctor's and nurses' bills, funeral expenses, to say nothing of tears and heart aches.

COUNTY NEWS

TIRZAH.

Special to The News. Tirzah, June 12.—Crops are looking fine, but General Green is taking the lead.

Mr. R. L. Montgomery of Greenville is visiting his home in this section this week.

Mrs. R. L. Weir of Waxhaw spent last week at Mr. J. H. Weir's.

Mrs. Caroline Simpson and daughter, Miss Carrie, spent last week in Waxhaw.

Mr. J. M. Montgomery was a visitor in Waxhaw section last Sunday.

Miss Juddle Steele of Red Hill was the guest of Miss Mattie Tarleton last Sunday.

Mr. Crook Steele was a caller in Waxhaw community last Sunday night.

Mr. R. C. Hudson was a pleasant caller in Mount Herman section last Sunday.

Mrs. M. J. Steele spent one night last week in the Unity section.

Mr. C. F. Hudson made a business trip to Lancaster one day last week.

Miss Betty Montgomery visited in the Mount Simeon section Tuesday.

Mr. R. L. Montgomery and Miss Suddie Steele spent one day in Lancaster this week.

UNITY.

Special to The News. Unity, June 12.—The health in this community is all very good, except one case or two of fever. Mr. James Helms' little son, Earl, is very low with fever, but we hope for his recovery soon.

Harvesting will soon be over in this section. Oat crops are fine, other crops are fine considering everything. Cotton chopping is about over and corn worked over is looking fine. Watermelon patches are extra fine. Mr. Editor, you will have to come around after a while. There are fine gardens and plenty of chickens ready for frying. We are glad to note that Rev. C. S. Young is improving very much, was able to get out to church last Sabbath by a little help. We hope he soon will be able to fill his appointments again.

We are having plenty of rain now. I tell you if this continues a little while longer the farmers will have to hustle or General Green will find some of them. Mr. and Mrs. Marion Blackmon visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe A. Robinson Sunday.

Mr. Haskell Steele and Mr. Helms visited Mr. R. M. Steele Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Steele were visitors to Mr. Joe A. Robinson Sunday.

Mr. James Starnes was a visitor at Mr. N. H. Hallman's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Belk were visitors in Dixie section Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Hinson and little sons visited at Mr. Hinson's father's Saturday and Sunday.

There were a good many people from around about Unity attending the meeting at Pleasant Hill Sunday.

Mr. J. F. Nesbit was a visitor at Mr. R. M. Steele's Sunday.

Hurry up, boys, we want to hear from some of the other corners.

FROM OTHER PAPERS

One hundred million bushels of wheat for 1913—pass this cheering news on to the calamity howler.—Salisbury Post.

This weather has our oldest citizens scratching their heads and raking their memories for something to match it.—Anderson Mail.

Whatever may be said of the efficiency of Spaniards, the hardest working attendant upon any court in Christendom is the royal stork of Spain.—The State.

Under the new tariff the importation of feathers for the use of milliners will be entirely prohibited. This is one of the good results of the Audubon activities and will tend to the conservation of bird life. For another reason it should be welcomed. The average milliner with a small supply of ribbons and flowers can "create" a prettier hat than any that is adorned with bird feathers and it means the passing of the day of the atrociously trimmed hat.—Charlotte Observer.

Where is William Foxworth? Are we to see justice set at naught just because a witness cannot be found? We cannot lay the blame at the door of any particular one, it is not our business, but it was certainly some body's business to look after that matter and to see that the meanest

UNITED STATES DEPOSITORY

The First National Bank of Lancaster

has been designated as a depository for funds of the United States Government, with an initial deposit of Ten Thousand Dollars authorized, and we want every man, woman and child in Lancaster County to open a Bank Account with us. It matters not how small, we will appreciate it, and will treat you right. Keep adding to your account and you will be surprised in a few years at the amount of money you will have accumulated. We can't make you rich, but we can put you on the road to wealth. Give us a small deposit; get a bank book and be happy.

It is not what you make that enriches you: It is what you save.

If we are good and strong enough for "Uncle Sam" and hundreds of conservative people, why not for you?

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OF LANCASTER.

CHAS. D. JONES, President. E. M. CROXTON, Cashier. R. E. WYLIE, Vice President. E. C. MACKAY, Asst. Cashier.

STAR THEATRE

ANNOUNCEMENT.

We want the public to know that we have installed more exhaust fans so the house is perfectly cool, air changed every four (4) minutes in the entire building.

Our idea was to make a comfortable place for the public, now we have succeeded.

TO THE LADIES.

When up town shopping, etc., come by our theatre and spend a pleasant hour. Be our guests. A show worth ten cents, these days, must be a good show. It must be an artistic, refined presentation of the live themes of today. The show house must be a place where one can spend an hour in comfort. Come and be convinced.

Good music is essential to the enjoyment of good pictures, so we have ordered an orchestra, one of the greatest musical instruments of today. Three weeks or later the grand music will be at

THE STAR THEATRE.

Bank No. 222.

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FARMERS BANK & TRUST CO located at Lancaster, S. C., at the close of business June 4th, 1913.

RESOURCES.

Table with 2 columns: Resource Name and Amount. Includes Loans and Discounts (\$140,978.00), Overdrafts (1,981.85), Furniture and Fixtures (2,875.00), Due from Banks and Bankers (16,472.83), Currency (1,449.00), Gold (927.50), Silver and Other Minor Coins (324.36), Checks and Cash Items (166.48). Total: \$165,175.00.

LIABILITIES.

Table with 2 columns: Liability Name and Amount. Includes Capital Stock Paid in (\$50,000.00), Surplus Fund (1,250.00), Undivided Profits, less Current Expenses and Taxes Paid (5,208.87), Dividends Unpaid (12.00), Individual Deposits Subject to Check (18,482.06), Time Certificates of Deposit (9,904.25), Cashier's Checks (317.82), Bills Payable, including Certificates for Money Borrowed (80,000.00). Total: \$165,175.00.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, County of Lancaster—ss.

Before me came W. H. Millen, Cashier of the above named bank, who, being sworn, says that the above and foregoing statement is a true condition of said bank, as shown by the books of said bank. W. H. MILLEN.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of June, 1913. W. P. ROBINSON, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest: E. B. LINGLE, W. T. GREGORY, W. P. BENNETT, Directors.

and most revolting crime that has ever been committed in the annals of the state is punished, as far as we can go each one lays the blame on another, and we do not pretend to say whose it is, but it has been the most shocking miscarriage of justice that we ever recall.—Florence Times.

There is one sentence of Mr. Dabbs' which deserves to be printed in head-letter:

"Have we not the cart before the horse when we try to finance a billion-dollar cotton crop before we learn to market a dozen eggs?"

A pertinent question that, and one demanding an answer of every enthusiastic farmer who is inclined to "despise the day of small things" in co-operative work in his too great eagerness to do something big—to establish a national system of warehouses, for example, or organize a farmers' combine to fix prices on all farm products.—Progressive Farmer.

Eight thousand Michigan men built 250 miles of road in one day, and fifty McClellanville men built 12 miles in one day. That's eight times better for McClellanville.—Charleston Post.

A good deal is being said just at this time about the fly lugging typhoid germs around with him and depositing them wherever it suits his pleasure, which, unfortunately is almost always on some commodity intended for human food. Guess there is a good deal in it, too. At any rate, butchers, grocers and all who handle food commodities would confer a favor by keeping their stock beyond the reach of the pesky fly. A dealer in food supplies, who would make it known that his stock was carefully guarded against contamination would soon find that he would do more business than the man who parades his goods to incidentally serve as fly roosts.—Fort Mill Times.

Boston alone of all the cities on the Atlantic coast has seen in South American trade a prize so desirable that it is really worth going after. Boston alone has sent to South America a large trade expedition of business men.

Boston, therefore, has the start on other cities of the coast. How much this will profit her depends in large part on whether or not the other cities do something similar to that which Boston has done—whether or not they send trade expeditions to South America. Baltimore is now trying to organize such an expedition, but so far has met with scant success, only ten men having expressed their desire to take part in a trip planned by the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association. Other things being equal, Baltimore ought to be able to do more than Boston in building up business with South America for the reason that Baltimore is much nearer to South America. For the same reason Charleston ought to have an advantage over both of them.

Boston, however, has sent her expedition and Baltimore will probably succeed in sending hers. Neither the Bostonians nor the Baltimoreans will have much to say about Charleston while they are in South America. Nor will anybody else unless some Charlestonians go down there and say it themselves.—News and Courier.

Co—He seemed wrapped up in thought after the banquet. Ed—I suppose he was trying to cover up the package he brought away.—California Pelican.