

A CLASH OF AUTHORITY.

There is a conflict between the state and federal laws with reference to the closing of the season for shooting wild ducks. Under the Federal law, the open season closed on Wednesday, January 31st. Under the state law, amended by the last Legislature, the shooting season will extend to February 15th.

Commissioner Alexander admits that there is a conflict in dates, which does not display much in the way of brain-exercise on the part of the members of the last general assembly, because they could have acquainted themselves concerning the provisions of the Federal statutes by examination, but it appears that they failed to do that. Since the Federal law is much the oldest, and the state law is proportionately younger, and the legislature fixed the dates in the face of the stipulations provided ahead by the general government.

Mr. Alexander has petitioned the authorities at Washington to extend the date to conform to the local law. This effort is somewhat silly, and does not display any more judgment than that supplied by the Legislature in the bungling of our game law. We did not know that any high-collared genius, sitting at a desk, could change or modify any law to fit the demands of somebody else. Mr. Luzenberg, district attorney of New Orleans, tried that in applying his opinions to the race track gamble, you see what he got.

The Federal district attorney of the western district has supplied the statement that he would vigorously prosecute any one found hunting ducks after the 31st, and he demands that the state conservation department use the same vigilance in detecting offenders that they exercise with reference to their own districts. Violators are subject to a fine of not more than \$100, or imprisonment for not more than 90 days.

When it comes to applying the law against offenders, everyone looks alike to Uncle Sam, and they all look bad.—Weekly Watchman.

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SOME ODD DISCOVERIES OF SCIENCE.

A paste made of kerosene and wood ashes will hurry a slow fire with little danger to its user.

The so-called Chinese rice paper is made from the pitch of a tree growing in Formosa.

French textile experts have developed a method of printing silks by color photography.

Shoes have been invented from which the uppers and heels can be removed to enable them to be worn as slippers.

An English scientist has discovered that Eskimos have two more ribs than any other of the human race.

Tongs that grip a door frame have been invented for hanging babies' chairs or swings in doorways.

An extremely hard artificial wood of German invention is made of saw dust and chloride of magnesium.

Fuel oil obtained from Scotch shale have been found highly suitable for the British navy, and it is estimated that from 100,000 to 500,000 tons will be available annually for 150 years.

If milk be used to soften shoe polish it will improve the gloss.

Cuba is expected to produce three 3,000,000 tons of sugar this year, exceeding its previous best crop by 600,000 tons.

The normal population of Paris is about 115 to the acre to fifty in London.

To prevent eggs bursting while boiling, prick one end with a needle before placing in the water. This makes an outlet for the air, and keeps the shell from cracking.

A GOOD SPIRIT ON BOTH SIDES.

If Germany and the United States drift into war, it will be in a different spirit from that which marked the beginning of the European struggle. Germany, Austria, England, France and Russia entered hostilities in a whirlwind of excitement and breathing the utmost hatred against their opponents.

But President Wilson severs diplomatic relations with Germany in an address of calm dignity, expressing the hope that she will not make us fight her by carrying out her threat, and Germany answers in kind, through her Foreign Secretary, thanking the President and the nation for their consideration and likewise expressing the wish that the two peoples will not come to blows.

The war that follows, if it cannot be avoided, will not therefore, be one conceived in hatred. It will be a war for him principle on one side and what the other side must consider only as a stern necessity. The good spirit the two governments have shown will, we hope, be reflected in the attitude of the American people toward the Germans in this country. Millions of so-called German-Americans have taken sides with Germany in the war abroad and many of them have, by intemperate speech, put themselves in a position where they came to be suspected of being more German than American. But all over the country there has been a remarkable change since the delivery of the President's speech of Saturday and, indeed, since Germany startled the world with her amazing threat against American lives and property. As long as the belligerence was entirely abroad, German sympathy was strongly with the Fatherland. But from the moment the breach between Germany and America came, German-Americans all over the country have been hastening to take their stand behind the government under whose flag they live; and if war does come the vast majority of them will be loyal to its supporters.

That is not to say that there will not be traitors here, nor that there will not be thousands of unnaturalized Germans, temporarily residing here, who will not hesitate to enter into plots and conspiracies against the American government, as happened in England after the war broke there. These can be dealt with as they deserve. But there ought to be no violence against subjects of the German government who conduct themselves properly, and we should strive to treat them with the courtesy and forbearance which marked our attitude towards Spanish citizens during the war of 1898.

There is no hatred here against the masses of the German people; and if we go to war with the German government it will only be

because it has trampled on American rights and outraged civilization.—The States.

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SENTIMENT.

Sentiment is good and proper in the right place and under reasonable circumstances. It is well all mankind should possess it to a major degree. There are times, however, when it is a detriment for it beclouds reason and prejudices better judgment. Sentiment as a resource in this materialistic age and world man's little, and is not an asset. Therefore sentiment should be curbed, kept within proper bounds, and not permitted to de-throne reason or work hardship or injury. It may be well and good to desire for sentimental reasons the holding of a property, always one's home, but if conditions present themselves making its abandonment profitable and advantageous it is better to put aside the sentiment, yield to common sense and have nothing to replace it. It is unfortunately the way of the world, sentiment is too often permitted to prevail, and those placing their hopes in it are eventually duped, while some take advantage of the situation to the loss and irreparable damage of those practicing it the most.—Thibodaux Journal.



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Do it now, don't wait until you are forced to do so in self defense.—Exchange.

GETTING MARRIED.

Matrimony is always a subject of great interest and importance for the single. Several young men of our town seem to be worked up on this matter. They are making goo goo eyes at girls even in church and the pomade they use on their hair would be enough to grease our band wagon. They are extremely anxious, so we are told, to get married for better or for worse. That's one point; it will be the one or the other and all the silly goo gooing and the brainless plastering on the hair cannot change it.

We do not advocate a continuous honey moon. That is all tom foolery; and the sooner our young folks see that either before or after the wedding, the better it will be for their future domestic welfare. The wedded union should be among other advantages for the providing of a pleasant home, where the husband loves to spend his leisure hours and the wife finds pleasure to work. In order to provide such a haven of contentment more is needed than sentimental cares and a rich father-in-law. What is needed is common sense in both parties, and a lot of that.

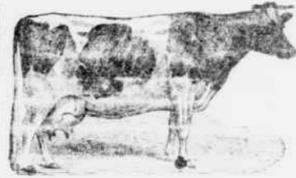
But some young men are fools and imagine that the foolishness of calf love makes a paradise within any four walls. They become bewitched with some giddy butterfly society girl and marry her. Then expect her to go home wash the powder and rouge from her face, and fry a beefsteak, mend his socks, sew on his buttons. Mostly living representations of fashion plates don't like household duties and they prefer reading a love story.—Knox Hall.

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A sad faced editor, with fringes on the bottom of his trousers, and the wind sighing mournfully through his whiskers, sat in his sanctum thinking, and thinking. Presently a shadow fell across the room and a shrill voice demanded to know if he was the editor. "Yes sir," said he with a look of alarm. The owner of the voice mopped the floor with the editor and went his way. Thank heaven! exclaimed the editor, after he had gathered the wreck of his former self and had straightened up the furniture, life is still worth living. I expected he would tell me to stop his paper.—St. Helena Echo.

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