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FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 1901.

The Question.

The only question for our people to consider is whether a dispensary in Rock Hill, operated under the laws of the state, with the safeguards thrown around it, is preferable or not to the blind tigers, which so many of our good people say abound here in great numbers.

Oh, no, brother, that is not the only question; that should not be a question at all. "Is it right?" is the question for your people to consider. "Of two evils choose the less," is a very pernicious falacy abroad in the land. As frequently applied, it is about equivalent, in logic and ethics, to saying, "If you are tempted to commit both murder and theft, steal."

But in the Rock Hill dispensary case, the application of the principle would be a great deal worse. It would be saying, "We have one evil, let us embrace the other also."

The man who believes that the establishment of a dispensary is a solution of the blind tiger problem knows very little about the workings of the system. Ordinary reason ought to teach any sane man, what facts demonstrate, that no one will drink less because an additional and easier way is provided for him to get his liquor.

We suppose that no one will deny that establishing a dispensary where none existed before will diminish the sales of blind tigers. It will capture a certain portion of their patronage, and it will do much more; it will secure a vast patronage that the tigers could never have reached—a patronage that will constantly increase. Every man that gets liquor from a dispensary who would not have gotten it from a blind tiger—and their name is legion—is just so much clear gain for the drink demon. Every one who patronizes the tigers will still patronize them unless they get their supplies from the dispensary. The tigers will continue to supply their old customers during the hours that the dispensary is closed, and—on the violent supposition that "moral institutions" are run according to law—they will supply drunkards and minors at all hours.

The liquor system is not complete with the tigers alone. The dispensary furnishes their complement. The two together reach every possible customer.

With the tremendous political influence of the State bearing down upon the people of Rock Hill and a tempting revenue held out to them, they must now determine whether they will maintain their long record in this matter, or bow to the liquor demon for the filthy lucre he offers. Let them know, however, that if they worship at this altar, they will be called upon to sacrifice upon it an additional number of their youth.

Dispensing Millions.
"Happy Jack" says he agrees with his brother Scotchman, Andrew Carnegie; that it is a sin to die rich and in that respect he is nearer ready to die than Mr. Carnegie. Perhaps he does not realize what risk he runs of spoiling his perfect financial preparation for the final event. He is working in the iron foundry, as a side line to his regular business of mending umbrellas, and that is where Mr. Carnegie became encumbered with his millions. Mr. Happy Jack thinks if he had the millionaire's fortune he could walk down the street any evening and dispose of it in a few minutes to persons who want to buy all kinds of drinks. No doubt he could find friends to take the earnings of a poor man off his hands very readily in this way, but perhaps he has not figured closely on such a contract as disposing of millions.

were kept piled in the most convenient place for him, he could not hand out more than half of it, working the same rate, even if he could hold out more work all the time as rapidly as he could for a short time. If he had the money in five-dollar pieces and he were required to hand it out as fast as it accumulates he would not have time to be happy.

Seven students of the South Carolina College have been sent home for hazing. Of course the usual inebriated sentiment, always ready to defeat "the ends of discipline," is at work, suggesting that under the circumstances, the punishment was too severe. The faculty could not have done otherwise; they merely carried out a rule. The boys deliberately violated the rule, knowing its consequences. The rule is a good one and it should be distinctly understood that it will be respected.

Minford Letter.
Ass, April 1.—Winter has passed and the farmers are rejoicing that they have a good stand of oats. With favorable season the crop promises to be good. Wheat is at a good looking well. Notwithstanding the ten cent cotton fall last, there is a good acreage of oats and wheat sown. I notice too that there is being as much land prepared for corn as usual, if not more, and it strikes me that the preparation is unusually good. So, judging from the above, the cotton acreage in this neighborhood will not be any larger than last year.

I have observed that there is a good deal of sameness among farmers, in different neighborhoods or sections, without any concert of action. If this be true the cotton acreage will not be any larger than last year. You know if we plant several acres each of wheat, sorghum, peas and oats and ten or twelve acres of corn to the plow, it will be impossible to make an excessive crop of cotton.

EGGS.
Barred and White Plymouth Rocks, Brown Leghorns, and Minor's. The very best strains. \$1.00 per 15.
A few choice Essex pigs—blue ribbon stock—as good as can be found anywhere.
Agent C. H. Reid, Dairy supplies J. T. McDILL, Manager Delta Stock Farm, Weiridge, S. C.

Hats Hats
The Railroad Commission.
So far as our State railroad Commission is concerned, it is a fraud of the first water. Unless a change is made in its membership, the commission had better be abolished. When I ran my saw mill near Inman, I was made by the commission to pay more than one-third the money I received for a carload of lumber for simply hauling it 11 miles. I furnished the lumber and cut and hauled the logs from the woods to my mill. I then carried the lumber two miles and half to the railroad on wagons and had to both load and unload it on and from the cars. All the railroad did was to couple up that car and drag it 11 miles, and as I have already stated, the road took more than one-third of the gross proceeds of my lumber for this slight service. I complained more than once to our board of commissioners about this outrage; but nothing was done, and I finally had to sell my saw mill. The railroads not only pay the salaries of our board of railroad commissioners, but they are furnished free transportation; and I am told that the members are often given Palace cars loaded with liquor, and other refreshments with trained servants to wait on them to cavort over the state.—T. Larry Gantt, in the Spartanburg Herald.

Special Rates, Special Occasions.
On account of the International Christian Endeavor Convention, Cincinnati, O., July 6 to 10, 1901, the Seaboard Air Line will sell round trip tickets at one first class limited fare for round trip. Dates of sale July 4, 5 and 6, 1901.

On account of meeting South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, Greenville, S. C., April 23 to 27, 1901, S. A. L. Railway will sell round trip tickets at a very low rate. Rate from Chester and return \$4.75.

On account of meeting Baptist Young People's Union, of South Carolina, Charleston, S. C., Oct. 10, A. L. will sell round trip tickets at a very low rate.

Account of annual meeting of the Grand Lodge Knights of Honor of South Carolina, Columbia, April 17 to 20, 1901. S. A. L. will sell round trip tickets at special rate.

On account of Southern Baptist Association Meeting, New Orleans, La., May 9 to 16, 1901, S. A. L. Ry., will sell round trip tickets for one first class fare, dates of sale May 7-9, 1901.

On account of the unveiling of South Carolina Monument, Chickamauga Park, May 25-29, 1901. Rates, for individuals a rate of one first class limited fare, for military companies in Uniforms, 25 cent more on one ticket, a rate of 10 per mile in each direction. Rates for individuals from Chester, \$10.00. Military companies \$7.50 per capita. Dates of sale May 24, 25, 26.

Don't miss the Confederate Veterans reunion, Memphis, Tenn., May 26 to 30, 1901, the S. A. L. Ry., will sell round trip tickets at exceedingly low rates. Rate from Chester \$12.00.

You cannot enjoy perfect health, rosy cheeks and sparkling eyes if your liver is sluggish and your bowels clogged. DeWitt's Little Early Risers cleanse the whole system. They never grip. Pryor & McKee

Announcements
Alderman Ward 2.
Thanking the voters of Ward 2 for the compliment paid me two years ago, I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election as alderman, and will appreciate another expression of their confidence.
J. M. COLEMAN.

Alderman Ward 3.
Appreciating the diligent and effective work of MR. HENRY S. MILES as one of the present Aldermen from Ward 3, which has resulted in good not only for one Ward, but also to the city at large, we present his name for re-election to the office which he now occupies.
VOTERS OF WARD 3.

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T. J. MARTIN.

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Special Bargains in
Silk Shirt-Waist Patterns
\$1.50, \$2.10, \$2.35.
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Most of the first wheels made with the great Rambler features, convenient front high wheel fitted by boys whose whole families to-day ride

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You will find our line of Canned Goods, Pickles, Crackers, Coffees, Cheese, Plain and Fancy Candies, Fruits, Etc., Etc., up to the best and at moderate prices. We have the genuine, before-the-war

New Orleans Flousses, call for sample.

We deliver all goods promptly

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Stewart Building, next door to W. W. Crawford

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SEE MY WINDOW SCREENS SCREEN DOORS

Adjustable Window Screens... 25c
Stained Screen Doors... 75c

Look at these before You Buy.

McLURE'S HARDWARE STORE,
CHESTER, S. C.

On the Hill

SPRING 1901. SPRING 1901.

Millinery Opening,
Today, Tuesday, April 2.

We have moved our SHOP into the room lately vacated by Mr. W. J. Crawford, adjoining the Pryor & McKee drug store.

REPAIRING
Can be done while you wait, if you want, long enough, or if the job is not too tedious.

WE MAKE
The very best of shoes, in fit the feet, and we don't make them out of paper.

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Original Designs of Hats and Bonnets
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MISS L. A. CHAPMAN, Mgr. MISS MARIE HORNE, 1st Assistant, MISS MABEL WITHERS, 2nd Assistant.

Colvin & Co.

AM RETIRING from business today, having sold my entire stock to Orlando Tyler, Mrs. L. E. Stanback, and others. Owing to pressure of business I am not able to attend to this line of trade. I respectfully ask all who have accounts on my books to call and settle same on or before the 15th inst. I desire to thank you for your liberal trade during my brief period of business in the city, and bespeak for all a happy and prosperous New Year. Respectfully,
J. S. STANBACK.

Friends, One and All,
GREETING: Having purchased the Groceries of J. S. Stanback, we venture upon this enterprise with great hope for the future. We propose to sell out the present stock at a little above cost, and ask our friends to give us their trade. Respectfully,
TYLER & CO.

NOTICE OF FINAL DISCHARGE.
Notice is hereby given that on the 16th day of April, 1901, I will make my first and final return as administrator of the estate of M. E. Key, deceased, and will apply to the Judge of Probate for letters of dismission.
W. C. KEY, Administrator.
By Glenn & McPadden, Attys., Chester, S. C., Feb 16, 1901.

Woods Drug Co.
(Successors to Woods & Brice)

PRYOR & MCKEE, DRUGGISTS.
Prescriptions a Specialty.

Exchange Notice.
We will give 200 lbs. Cotton Seed Meal for 300 lbs. Cotton Seed.

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TO RIDE OR DRIVE FOR SALE OR HIRE

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Never mind about the price. Select what you want. We will agree on the price.

JOHN FRAZER.

REPAIRS
We will half-sold your horse's feet to make them last. We will mend your vehicles, and trim and paint them to make them look new.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Miss Mary Lykes is visiting friends in Guilford.
Mr. Boyd Carroll has secured a position with Wylie & Co.
Mr. T. W. Patrick has taken a position in the New York Racket.
The Methodist ladies cleared about \$127 on their restaurant this week.
Mrs. M. V. Patterson returned Tuesday evening from a short stay at Glenn's Springs.
Mr. James F. Shagle, who has been visiting friends here has returned to his home in Philadelphia.
The Eureka Mills, which have been shut down a few days due to put in machinery, will start up again Monday.
Misses Lucy Pegues and Ada Heath have returned to their respective homes, after a visit to Miss Berta Heath.
Mr. F. W. McQuilkin, of St. Louis, who is related to the Whites here, paid a short visit to Chester a few days ago.
There will be a meeting of the Daughters of the Revolution tomorrow at 11 o'clock at the home of Mrs. J. J. Stringfellow.
Misses Belle Sippill, Edna Hardin and Blanche Morris came up from Columbia last night to spend a few days with home folks.
Miss Florence White, of Clinton, Ohio, who made many friends in Chester several years ago, is visiting in Dr. G. B. White's.
Mr. H. E. League, an expert watch repairer, of Martinsburg, W. Va., has taken charge of the repair department of The Theiling Company.
Mr. Sam Leard went to Baltimore to meet his parents and sister, on their return from Germany. They landed yesterday morning and arrived today in Chester.
Gen. Moise was here Wednesday night, according to appointment, but too few were out to justify a formal speech. He gave interesting information about the Charleston Exposition to those who met him.
The displays in the millinery stores at their "openings" have been exceedingly beautiful. The stores are very beautiful yet. It would pay those who have not visited all of them to do so.
Judge G. Williams has received a letter from Mr. Joseph O. Carter, who moved to Mississippi away back about 1857. He said he didn't know which side of the river Mr. Williams was on, but judging from his early habits he thought he stood a chance of living as long as most men.
Miss Edna Hardin, and Messrs. J. B. Stevens, J. C. Robinson, and R. H. Woods went to Cheraw to attend the marriage of Mr. Paul Hardin and Miss Wammaker Wednesday evening. The party returned yesterday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Hardin are boarding at Mr. W. H. Rosborough's.
Monday, while putting up shafting in the Eureka Mills, Messrs. Geo. Ferrell, Will Roddey, Frank Cookson and Robt. Cloud got a dangerous fall, and all were more or less injured. Mr. Ferrell had a shoulder dislocated, two teeth knocked out and face bruised. He has insurance that will pay him \$10 a week while he is disabled.
What Mean such vast throngs of people gathering in front of the Big Store with such bewilderment expression. Come and you will understand. If you persist in scattering crowds we shall appeal to council because we consider it an injustice. They should remember that there is a vast difference between loafers and genuine bargain seekers. We sincerely hope this will not occur again.
S. M. JONES & Co.

Married.
By the Rev. J. S. Moffatt, at the Eureka Mills, Tuesday evening, April 2, 1901, Mr. W. A. Clontz and Miss S. E. Wilson.

Long Distance Phone Moved.
The long distance telephone has been moved from Mr. Jos. A. Walker's store to the store of the Woods Drug Company. Heretofore the company paid \$10 a month for attention of the phone, but now offers only \$5 per cent of the receipts, which would be only about half as much. The receipts for the last year have averaged about \$35 a month, being greatest in November and December, when they reached \$50. The business has been increasing and doubtless will continue to increase, but this means increased service as well as increased compensation.

Little Hettie Childs Free Library.
The above library has been established and, as the name implies, is a free library. It is desired that the books shall be kept constantly circulating. One book can be gotten at a time upon depositing five cents. When the book is returned another can be gotten without further deposit and so on until the library is read, or when no other book is desired the deposit will be refunded. The following are a few of the books:
Titus, The Wrestler of Philippi—Beside the Bonnie Briar Bush; Out of the Triangle, The Days of the Hummel; The Lamp Lighter, The Star in a Prison; Intra Mura, Prince of the House of David; Chonita, and others. The books are at the office of Childs & Edwards and can be gotten any time during the day.

For Rent—Five-room house on Pinckney street, recently renovated and freshly painted throughout. Apply at this office.

Court Proceedings.
The last case we reported was that of Sam Leach. The next case was Lizzie Nelson and Martha Carter, represented by S. E. McFadden and A. L. Gaston. Assault and battery with intent to kill. Continued.
Gabe McCullough, charged with violation of dispensary law, was sentenced to 6 months and \$100. Sentence suspended until fall term, on motion of J. H. Marion.
Alice Cureton pleaded guilty of grand larceny. Sentenced to penitentiary six months.
Will Borders, represented by Glenn & McFadden, pleaded guilty of gambling, \$20 and one day.
Lewis Johnson, house breaking and larceny. Pleading guilty, 9 months. J. C. McLure, attorney.
Chas. Jagers, assault and battery with intent to kill. Four years or \$400. Caldwell & Gaston.
Thos. Rosborough, Brown Colvin, Jas. Abel and Will Douglas; Chas. Stratford, pleaded guilty. Jas. Abel \$35 and one day, Chas. Stratford \$35 and 30 days, the others \$20 and one day. Different lawyers spoke a word in behalf of these prisoners.
Robt. Harris and John Chisholm. Gambling. \$50 and fifty days. Paul Hemphill and W. H. Newbold.
Wm. Chalk and Robt. Carter. Grand larceny. Pleading guilty. One year. Mr. Marion spoke in behalf of Chalk.
John Jenkins. Murder. 10 years. Caldwell & Gaston.
James Wright. Violating dispensary law. 9 months. W. H. Newbold.
Augusta Blackwell. Violating dispensary law. Not guilty. W. H. Newbold.
Mary Archie. Murder. Not guilty. Glenn & McFadden.
John Jenkins. Murder. Found guilty of manslaughter. 10 years. Caldwell & Gaston.
Amos Hooper. Larceny from the person. Not guilty. Caldwell & Gaston.
Friday evening court adjourned till Monday.
Mr. S. A. Murphy went to Leeds Wednesday to see his patients. Mr. W. A. Jordan and Mrs. Stone. He found them getting along well. They were walking about and intended to return to their homes the first pleasant day. Mr. Murphy, by the way, has a record as a nurse. He tells us that he has never lost a case of typhoid fever or pneumonia.

A Bunch Chickens stolen, among them three brown Leghorns, hens, stolen the 3rd of April. Reward for them. JOHN STEWART, colored.

Married Under Difficulties.
Miss Mary Moore attended the marriage of her brother, Mr. Jesse Miller Moore to Miss Mattie Bell, at Hickory Grove, March 28th. The party's trip to Hickory Grove was beset with difficulties and anxieties that were anything but agreeable at the time, and on their homeward journey they had to travel many miles in the opposite direction from home, in order to head swollen streams. Since it is all over, they can laugh heartily enough about their experiences.
Mr. Moore's troubles the evening before his marriage would make choice material to go in a novel. His cousin, Mr. Theodore A. Moore, who was his best man—and he proved a most faithful one—came from Rock Hill with the groom's suit and his own, but when within calling distance of the house, far the progress was cut off by a storm like the river Jordan in the time of wheat harvest. The two young men communicated by wireless telephony, but a quarter of a mile of turbid water surged between them. The groom could reach the home of the bride by way of Chester, but his best man and his suit were completely cut off. In this predicament, all hope was given up that the wedding could come off at the appointed time.
Mr. T. A. Moore, rising to the urgent demands of the occasion, had braved the high waters, coming down from Rock Hill, in daylight, but it was now night, and retracing his steps over the still rising streams in the dark was not to be thought of, if he waited till the next morning it would be too late. The sequel proves, however, that his resources were still not exhausted. He thought of one way out, which would not have appeared practicable to a man of less determination. That was to walk a railroad trestle and foot it to Yorkville, seven miles, through mud and water, lugging the two dressing cases. To think of a solution of the difficulty was to resolve upon it, without regard to personal comfort, and Mr. Moore took up his march. Some friendly traveler may have given him a lift by the way, but if such was the case, it did not in the least effect the execution of his purpose. The nuptials were celebrated at the appointed time.
We do not enjoy the honor of Mr. Moore's acquaintance, but when he takes it into his head to marry a girl who is willing, her parents will save trouble by giving their prompt consent, rather than locking her up in a castle.

Woman's Missionary Union.
Following is the programme of the second annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Union, Bethel Presbyterian, Purity Presbyterian church, Chester, S. C., April 10th and 11, 1901:
APRIL 10th, 10:30 A. M.
Devotional Exercises—Rev. C. G. Brown.
Enrollment of Members.
Address of Welcome—Mrs. D. N. McLauchlin.
Responses—Mrs. W. G. Neville.
Encourage—Mrs. Sam Hope.
AFTERNOON SESSION—3:30 P. M.
Devotional Exercises—Rev. W. G. Neville.
Reports from Societies—Rev. W. G. Neville.
Report of Executive Committee.
New Business.
Address—Mrs. E. A. Mac Rae.
Paper, from "Missionary Review"—"Outlook of 20th Century"—Miss Laura Ruff.
8 P. M.—POPULAR MEETING.
Welcome—Rev. D. N. McLauchlin.
Address—Rev. J. M. W. Davis, D. D., of China.
APRIL 11th, 10:30 A. M.
Devotional Exercises—Rev. H. Max Smith.
Sketch of Miss Mattie Ingold, M. D.—Mrs. Izard.
Free Discussion—"How Best to Encourage Interest in Missions and Local Societies."
Paper on "Our Cuban Mission"—Mrs. Sumter Lewis.
Election of Officers.
Choice Place of Next Meeting.
8 P. M.—POPULAR MEETING.
Addresses by Visiting Pastors.
It will be a meeting of unusual interest on account of the presence with us of Mrs. MacRae, the veteran worker in the cause, and of the returned missionaries, Mrs. Sam Hope and Dr. J. M. W. Davis.
The ladies of Purity Presbyterian church extend a most cordial invitation to the ladies of the community to attend all of the meetings. The gentlemen are invited to the evening services. The lecture on Wednesday evening, by Dr. J. M. W. Davis on China will be of especial interest.

Feasterville Items.
FEASTERVILLE, APRIL 4.—Some of our farmers have been planting corn. Some are about done lapping cotton land. There was a heavy rainfall in this section last Monday evening and Tuesday morning, which washed the land pretty badly in some places. The small grain is growing rapidly since the recent rains. The hard rainfall has packed the land which, will necessitate reworking in many places to put it in a good state of cultivation. It is raining at present, which will retard farm work to some extent.
The Fairfield chaingang has worked some in this community, and is now working near Sheltons and I am told is doing good work.
Not long since the writer traveled over the road recently worked by the Chester chaingang from Mr. T. J. Cunningham's to Mr. Robt. Kennedy's. The work reflects credit on the superintendent and his assistants.
Mr. Colvin C. Weir, after visiting relatives in Chester, returned to this community some time ago.
The members of the Beaver creek Baptist church have elected the Rev. Mr. Wells, whose initials I have not learned. He will preach for us on the second Sunday in April. We will probably have preaching at Beaver creek on the second and fourth Sundays in every month.
Little River church, in Fairfield county, has also called the Rev. Wells. Rev. E. A. McDowell, who has been called by two or three churches in Union county, preached several years at these churches.
Rev. R. W. Barber, of Blackstock, visited some of the members of Antioch church last week. We enjoyed his visit.
Sometime ago, while at Mr. D. Colvin's, I saw a very convenient and neatly made writing desk, of quarter oak, which was made by Mr. Coleman Colvin, who is taking a course in the technological school in Atlanta, Ga. The skill and taste displayed in the workmanship and finish of the desk is equal to that of the most finished workman, and reflects credit on our young friend in efforts to succeed.
The pupils of the Feasterville school, under the efficient management of Prof. Betheny, gave an entertainment last night, the proceeds of which are to be expended in buying books for a library for the school. It is a commendable undertaking and deserves the encouragement of the people of the community.
I think Mr. William Davis, one of our most enterprising young farmers, can beat the record on catching rats. Some time ago, while in Chester, he bought a rat trap. He caught several in it the first night, and eighteen the second night.
R. R. JEFFRIES.

Messrs. S. T. Lipsey & Geo. Woods have gone to Georgetown to accept good jobs in the railroad shops.
Mr. John K. Coleman is cutting off the front of his building, which projected out into the sidewalk on Gladden street. The front will be made more agreeable to the eye, and we understand that Alf Johnson is going to use the building for a hotel. It was formerly a dwelling house, and is said to have been built 60 years ago.
A shortage of \$540 was found in the Adams Run dispensary. The dispenser said his clerk stole the money and had him arrested. The clerk says the dispenser stole it himself.
A few days ago \$5,000 was spirited out of an envelope, in charge of the express company, between Columbia and New York. It was sent by a Columbia bank to a bank in New York, and when the envelope was opened it contained only some slips of brown paper. There was no evidence on the envelope of its having been opened. The loss falls upon the express company. Detectives are working on the case.

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