Mr. S. Thaxton, of Durham, N. C., says that the tobacco business in North Carolina is now in a fair condition. The people dwell in peace and a commendable degree of industry prevails. Mr. Thaxton says that the tobacco seed, which is the smallest of all seeds, is sown in December. By mid-April plants are produced, and these are transplanted to hills. The crop matures and is gathered from the latter part of August until the middle of October. A bed ten feet square will produce plants enough to fill hills of from six to ten acres. After the crop is gathered the ground is fertilized, tobacco being very destructive to natural fertility. The fertilizer allows the same ground to be planted with tobacco year after year. The crop gathered is stowed at first, as the manufacturers, as a rule, deal with tobaceo that has been in store two years. The leaves are first sorted, and the best qualities kept for the general market. The inferior quality is kept for dispatches say : those who want to smoke cheaply.flat surface. While in this condition ground and flavored has work houses for life." where the freight boxes and the bags are made, and the tobacco firmly packthemselves outside, but at work all stillness. are treated and paid alike. There is would be better than the contrary natural life. course now prevailing.

Old Maidsand Old Bachelers.

Old maids are useful. They can cook, sew and take care of children, days, nurse sick people and generally play the piano, Old bachelors are useless. pails or split wood.

snub children, despise babies and hate young mothers, and are always so busily employed in seeing that other people take good care of them that they have not a moment to give any

Old maids are nice-looking, and "young for their years." Old bachelors generally have red noses, rheumatism in their knees, and mouths that turn down at the corners.

Old maids oan make a home of one little room, and cook delicious meals for one over the gas-jet in cunning little tin kettles, besides making all their wardrobes, Old bachelors need an army of tailors, waiters, cooks, distant relatives and hotel landlords to keep them comfortable. When old maids are ill they tie up their heads in pocket-handkerchiefs, take homoepathic pellets out of two bottles, alternately, and get well again. When bachelors are ill they go to bed and send for four doctors; have a consultation; a mantle-piece full of black bottles; all the amiable married men who belong to the club to sit up with them at night besides, a hired nurse; they telegraph to their relations, and do their best to impress the world with the idea that they are dying.

When an old maid travels she takes a sandwich, piece of pound-cake, a bottle of lemonade in a hand-basket, and lunches comfortably in the carriage. When an old bachelor travels he orders a dinner in course at the \$400 Pianos for station, and raves because he has not \$500 time to eat it before the "fifteen min700 \$800

Old maids drink weak tea and it cures their headaches.

Old bachelors drink strong liquor,

which gives them headaches.

Old maids are modest; they think their youth is over and their beauty gone. If, after a while, some autumnal love them, they take it as a sort of miracle, and hope people will not laugh at them for "marrying so late

Old bachelors believe that all women are in love with them, and that they must carefully guard themselves from traps laid to inveigle them into matrimony. They also fondly cherish the belief that, should they eventually become married men, the world expects them to exhibit great taste in women by their choice, and that the "other fellows" will laugh if their portion be not tender youth and beauty; also, that when they marry many women will expire of jealousy .- Rural New Yorker.

Trial and Conviction of Cox at Atlanta.

The trial of Col. Cox at Atlanta, Ga., for shooting Col, R. A. Alston was concluded on Wednesday last by the conviction of Cox. Telegraphic

"The Jury in the Cox case were The leaf is ground by machinery and out all Tuesday night and came in at is then scattered on a large enclosed a quarter to 4 on Wednesday afternoon and announced that they had it is flavored. No poisons or unheal- agreed upon a verdict, which was thy drugs are used in this process, but read as follows: "We, the Jury, find the flavoring is kept a trade secret .- the prisoner guilty, and recommend The factory where the tobacco is that he be punished by imprisonment

Cox received the verdict with calmness and stoicism, having evidently ed in the bags by machinery. Then nerved himself for the worst. His needle-women run a double thread wife, on hearing the words so fatal to through the tops of the bags and tie her hopes, sat for a moment trembling the ends with great rapidity, boys and and then rushed for the open window girls afterwards pasting on the trade near by for the purpose of throwing marks and revenue stamps in such a herself to the ground below. She was way as to make the opening of the bag wild with grief. As she reached result in tearing them, thereby show- the window she was caught by Cox, ing that the stamps have been used. who held her fast. She threw her Mr. Thaxton said threading of the arms around his neck and clung to string through the bags is a delicate him wildly, exclaiming: "Oh, my and difficult work, and it seems im- God! Oh, my poor darling! Her possible to invent a machine by which shricks were heart-rending, and the it can be done. The members of the occupants of the crowded room could white and black races work side by not restrain their tears of pity. Cox side, under the same rules and for the used all his power to calm her and fisame pay, and are subject to the same naly soothed her grief until only her overseers. Social distinctions assert deep moans broke upon the solemn

Judge Hillyer sentenced Cox to be a fair profit in the tobacco business .- confined in the Penitentiary or such No tax would be better than any, but other place as the Govornor may dia policy that will not change the tax rect, at hard labor for and during his

Gen. Gartrell gave notice that the defence would make a motion for a new trial and praying a writ of supersedes. The execution of the sentence, therefore, was stayed twenty

This sentence is virtuality the extreme of the law in Georgia, as the They do not even know how to drive law passed with Alston's aid at the last session of the Legislature, giving Ju-Old maids are amiable. If one pors the right to recommend the life wants anything done that requires imprisonment in all cases of murder patience and kindness of heart, a sin- as they see fit, in effect abolishes the gle lady is sure to be the one to do death penalty. Cox is the first man ESTABLISHED IN 1842. convicted of murder who received the Old bachelors are ill-natured. They benefit of that law. The verdict is received with general approval."

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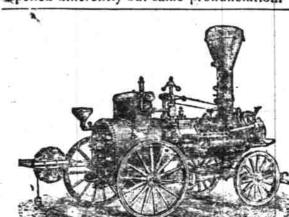
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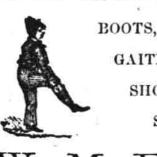
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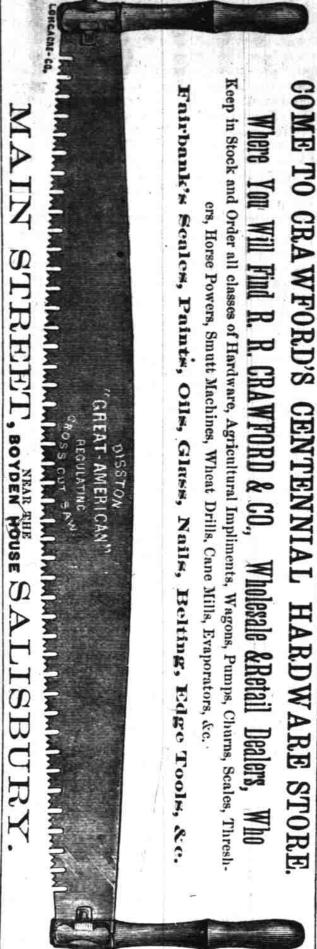
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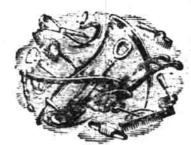
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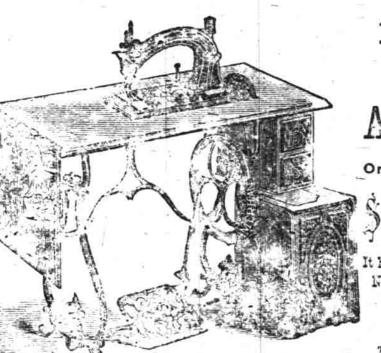
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