

CAROLINA & TENNESSEE.
 The Southern Railway's New Line Now Being Constructed.
 Information relayed by the Manufacturers Record from an official of the Southern Railway Co., confirms previous reports about the work being done on the line from Bushnell, N. C., westward into Tennessee along the North bank of the Tennessee river. This construction is being done by W. J. Oliver of Knoxville, Tenn. The line starts at Bushnell and for twenty-five miles west to the Tennessee boundary is called the Carolina & Tennessee Southern Railroad, and west of the boundary it runs for twenty miles to Crittens creek as the Tennessee & Carolina Southern Railway. All the way from Bushnell the railroad follows the Tennessee river.
 According to reports from Tennessee, it is the purpose of the Southern Railway to connect this new road with its present line at or near Maryville, Tenn., and this would make a direct connection between its line in the southwestern part of North Carolina and that portion of the system lying in Eastern Tennessee. Furthermore, it is to be noted that the rumored plan of the Southern is to build a further extension from its line in North Carolina, branching off a few miles south of Bushnell and following the valley of the Little Tennessee river southeast about twenty miles to Franklin, N. C., the county-seat of Macon county, towards which point the Tallulah Falls Railway is working northward from its present terminus through Rabun county, Georgia, and via Rabun Gap. The thinking up of these lines would place the Southern in a position to establish a through route from the coal regions of Eastern Tennessee to Tidewater. Although the building of these links would give an immediate connection through to Charleston, S. C., and Savannah, Ga., it would be possible to make almost an air-line route by constructing two short pieces of road, one about thirty miles long between Edgefield and Greenwood, S. C., and another between Walhalla, S. C., and Clayton, Ga., about twenty-five miles, the latter point being on the extension of the Tallulah Falls Railway, while Walhalla is the western terminus of the Blue Ridge Railway, a feeder of the Southern.—The Manufacturers' Record.

Editorial.
 'Tis now the honest farmer brings
 His 'laters into town,
 This is the top row in
 in the sacks,
 O O O O O O O O
 And this is the lower
 down,
 O O O O O O O O O O O O O O
 —JOAN.

The Executive Committee of the United Confederate Veterans in session last week at Louisville, decided upon Nashville, Tenn., as the place for holding the next reunion. The date will be decided later.
 High Point is a dry town. During our stay of a week in the place we did not see the least indication of drinking, did not smell the ardent on any man's breath, saw no whiskey shops, and heard only two little, white oaths sworn.

Recognizing Secession.
 News and Observer.
 An excellent gentleman in North Carolina, now independent in politics, says he is standing by Mr. Roosevelt in the Panama policy because it commits the President to the recognition of Secession as a right. "I believed in Secession in 1861 and I believe in it now," he writes, "and I am so glad to see a Republican President virtually admit forty years after that my position in 1861 was right that I will forgive him any irregularities in the Panama matter."
 This paper has not criticized any recognition of the right of Secession to secede and set up a government of its own. Secession has been honorable in the past and it will be honorable in the future if actuated by right principles. The colonies had a right to secede from Great Britain. The world applauded because it was successful. The South had a right to secede in 1860, though the wisdom of secession was even then disputed. The world does not applaud because it failed. The fact that Mr. Roosevelt recognizes Secession in Panama does not affect the dead question of the right of secession at all, except to show that the Republican party is guided by present advantages and not by principles.

The Western North Carolina Conference.
 It was the privilege of the editor of the PRESS to attend the session of the Western North Carolina Conference at High Point last week. The reports on all lines of the conference show great advancement over previous years.
 When all the reports were tabulated it was found that there was a membership within the bounds of the conference aggregating 78,299. This is an increase of 3500 during the year; 1646 infants have been baptized and 2971 adults. There are 108 Epworth leagues, with a total membership of 3378. There are 737 Sunday schools in operation with 4931 teachers and 56,000 Sunday school scholars. The collection for missions was larger than it has ever been; the amount actually collected amounting to \$22,932.53. The amount raised for the support of the ministry aggregated \$113,559.44. There are 780 churches in this conference, the total value of which \$1,028,644.94; the total indebtedness on this property being only about \$48,000. There are 161 parsonages, valued at \$211,100. There is an indebtedness of \$18,000. The value of the schools owned by the Western North Carolina conference aggregates \$1,085,500. This of course includes the half interest of the conference in Trinity college, located at Durham.

A Runaway Bicycle.
 Terminated with an ugly cut on the leg of J. B. Owen, Franklin, Ill. It developed a stubbornness for four years. Then Dunham's Anker Balm cured it. It's just as good for Burns, Scalds, Erysipelas and Piles. Sold at Frank T. Curtis' Drug Store.

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NEWS BRIEFS.

It is reported that the county poor house of Polk county, N. C., was burned one night last week, and that four or five of the inmates are known to have perished.

Paduca Canal Treaty Signed.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 18.—Secretary Hay and M. Philippe Bunau Varilla, the minister from Panama, at 6:40 o'clock this evening, signed the Hay Bunau Varilla treaty, providing for the construction of the Panama canal by the United States. The ceremony occurred in Secretary Hay's study. The Panama minister arrived at Mr. Hay's house promptly at 6 o'clock, having made an appointment with the secretary for a conference at that hour. He was surprised to find that the secretary had before him the treaty engrossed in duplicates. The secretary informed M. Bunau Varilla that he was ready to sign the treaty. The minister read the document carefully and then he and Secretary Hay attached their signatures to it.
 Heartly congratulations were exchanged and it was agreed that the news of the signing of the treaty should be kept from the public for the present. President Roosevelt was immediately advised of the signing of the document and M. Bunau Varilla sent a confidential cablegram to his government, stating that the treaty had been signed. The secretary and the minister refused to comment on the ceremony. The only official admission that can be had is that the terms of the treaty are practically settled.

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Women as Well as Men Are Made Miserable by Kidney Trouble.

Kidney trouble greys upon the mind, discharges and irritations, beauty, vigor and health are lost, when the kidneys become diseased. Kidney trouble becomes so prevalent that it is not uncommon for a child to be born afflicted with weak kidneys. If the child urinates too often, if the urine scalds the flesh or if, when the child reaches an age when it should be able to control the passage, it is yet afflicted with bed-wetting, depends upon it, the cause of the difficulty is kidney trouble, and the first step should be towards the treatment of these important organs. This unpleasant trouble is due to a diseased condition of the kidneys and bladder and not to a habit as most people suppose.
 Women as well as men are made miserable with kidney and bladder trouble, and both need the same great remedy. The mild and safe effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It is sold by druggists, in fifty-cent and one dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail free, also pamphlet telling all about it, including many of the thousands of testimonial letters received from sufferers cured. In writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure and mention this paper.

Judge Purdy Ignores a Masonic Badge.

Benjamin Buford, white, convicted of manslaughter at Aiken, when asked what he had to say why the sentence of the Court should not be passed upon him, said: "Nothing, your honor," and he held up the lapel of his coat, on which was pinned a Masonic badge, and he made a sign, which Judge Purdy, being a Mason, recognized.
 "That badge can do you no good here," said Judge Purdy. "You are not fit to wear it. Throw it away, for you have violated all that is good and noble that the emblem represents. You are no brother of mine. The sentence of the Court is that you shall serve twelve years in the State penitentiary at hard labor. You can thank your counsel for saving your neck."
 Buford killed a negro named Blackmore in Aiken county several months ago.—Keowee Courier.

Special Land Buyers' Exemptions.

Will run to the new lands of Greer County, Oklahoma, and other sections of the great Southwest in November and December, via the Frisco System.
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TAXES, TAXES.
 To the tax payers of Macon Co. Please read the following law carefully and remember that I am compelled to obey the same; and every taxpayer in the county will be compelled to conform to this law. Laws—1901, chapter 7.
 "Sec. 75. All taxes shall be due on the first Monday in September in each year, &c."
 "Sec. 77. The Sheriff or his Deputy, or Tax Collector, shall attend at the Court House or his office in the county town during the month of September and November for the purpose of receiving taxes. He shall also in like manner attend at least one day during the month of October at some one or more places in each township, of which fifteen days notice shall be given by advertisement at three or more public places and in a newspaper, &c."
 CHAPTER 558, Sec. 1. Whenever the taxes shall be due and unpaid, the Sheriff shall immediately proceed to collect them as follows:
 If the party charged have personal property of a value equal to the tax charged against him the Sheriff shall seize and sell the same as he is required to sell other property under execution &c, &c."
 I shall endeavor to follow strictly the above law. Therefore all parties are earnestly requested to come forward and settle their taxes.
 I will visit the places named below for the purpose of receiving the taxes on the days and dates named:
 Millsboro, Saturday October 10
 Elizajay, Monday " 12
 Sugarfork, Tuesday " 13
 Highlands, Wed. & Th. " 14, 15
 Flatts, Friday " 16
 Smith's Br. Saturday " 17
 Cartersgap, Monday " 18
 Nantahala, Tuesday " 19
 Briartown, Wednesday " 21
 Burningtown, Thursday " 22
 Coars, Friday " 23
 Franklin, Saturday " 24
 All tax payers are earnestly requested to meet me at the above places and pay their taxes as this is the last and only round without cost. Respectfully,
 T. B. Hanson,
 Sheriff, Sept. 30, 1903.

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 TIME TABLE NO. 29.
 Effective Monday Sept. 21, 1903, 8 a. m. Eastern Time.

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