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They are not all dead. In fact, they seem to multiply as the years roll on— my contemporaries. I mesh, I receive more letters from old men than I ever more letters from old men than I ever did, and they write well and give long epistles. When a man gets along in the seventies he feels lonesome, notwithstanding the near presence of children and grandchildren. The companions of his youth are gime, and so some of these old men unbosom themselves to me for sympathy. I like such letters and try to answer them all, but rheumatism in my arms and hands cramps my replies. One old gentlemen from Alahama asset he feels bester after he my replies. One old gentlemen from Alabama says he feels better after he has written, for he is a native Georgian and loves her people and her old red hills and the sweet memories of Emory college and his visits to Athens, where his uncle Elizar Newton lived, and he met me there in the forties, and John Grant and Ban Hughes and John Brown and Billy Williams, who married my friend's cousin and took charge of the blind saylum—and how he beard Dr. Church preach and was charmed with the music of the choir where Miss Ann Waddell and Boss Pringle with the music of the choir where Miss Ann Waddell and Bosa Pringle and other pretty girls sang, and how a tall, long, high man, with a big hucked nose and a huge "ponum Adamus" on his throat, sang base, and how he was a roommate of Tota Norwood at Emory and a classanate of Hishop Key and Judge A. B. Longstreet, the author of "Georgia Scenes," was the president; and how he removed to Alabama in 1849 and married and has seven daughters and no sone and has seven daughters and no sone and has tee orphas grandchildren, and has to work early and late to support and educate them, but never sees and rarrily bears from any friend of his youth and is at times sad and depressed and longs for sympathy. Poor old man, I wish that he lived near me, for I would visit him and cheer him up, and tell him aneedotes and antidotes, and we would talk over the times and swap college stories and brag about the good old days when there were no telegraphs or telephones or bloyoles, and we did not want any; no sewing machines or store clothes, and we didn't need any; no football or baseball or having or suicides or appendicitis. And in those days came Toombs and Stepheus and Judge Doughtery and Howell Cobb and Walter Colquitt and spake to the people face to face, and such elequent men as George Pearces and Jesse Mer-

candide to give th light, and Lo Prome-theus to steal dre from heaven to light them with. Shakespeare knew how it "How far that little candis throws it, beams so shines a good deed in a naughty world?" If Shakaspears wrote by candle light, why shouldn't we? And he, too, used the flint and steel to make a spark to light them. "Pick your flint and keep your powder dry" was General Jackson's order to New Orleans. When I son's order to New Orleans. When I was a young merchant gun-flints were as common as marbles, and I sold them at the same price—10 cents a dozen. Wonderful, wonderful are the changes, and we old people fail in with them and sdapt them to our use and our comfort. I wouldn't be set back to the good old times, if I could, but I would enjoy seeing this generation all set back about seventy years, just for set buck about seventy years, just for about a week. My Alabama friend and other veterans would be tickled to death to see the universel dismay—no railreads or telegraph, no mail but one railreads of telegraph, no mail but once a week—and 25 cents for a single letter. No daily newspapers in the state and only four weeklies, with no sensations, no suicides or lynchings. There would be no cooking stoves, no cook, no steal pens or envelopes, no cigarettes. No millionaires or free niggers. I remem-ber when cotton was packed in round ber when cotten was packed in round bales with a crowbar. The long bag was made first and was suspended from a hole in the gip bease floor and Uncle Jack got down in it and packed the cotten hard as it was thrown to him. He packed two bales a day and they weighed 400 pounds each. Two of them filled the bed of the hig wagon and flye more crossed on top and fastened down with a long pole. All the little spaces were filled with corn and fodder, the big cover put on and with a four or six horse team we were off for Augusta. It was a ten day's and fodder, the big cover put on and with a four or six borns to we were off for Augusta. It was a ten day's trip and we boys were happy to go along and samp out all night and listed to the nigger drivers tell about ghosts and Jack-o'-Lanterns and witches and raw beed and bloody bones. It was great fan. We brought back sogar and molesses in great hogsheads. It was brown sugar, for white sugar wasn't invented, except a kind called loaf jugar which was put up in five-peand dakes and covered with blue paper. That kind was for rich folks and was very precious. It was crystallized like these little square lumps that are sommon now. When our mother would unwrap the loaf she would let us children lick the sweet white tissues paper that was next to the seater. It was good. Most snything was good these. A stick of striped candy was a rare treat. So was half an orange, or a bunch of "received," as the niggers called them. Most anything was good these. A stick of striped candy was a rare treat. So was half an orange, or a bunch of "received," as the niggers called them. Most anything was good these. A stick of striped candy was a rare treat. So was half an orange, or a bunch of "received is and the niggers and locutes, and wild observing and the lumide bark of chist-nut trees and slippery elm. We were always hungry and bunting for something. My Alabams friend is ead, not cally because he has lost his youthful companions, but his youthful arpetite. Even ginger onbes heve lost their reliah and a game of sweepstakes and town ball and bull-pen their fascing-

tion. I envy the happy children as they play around me, but I am happy, too, in trying to make them happy, for I know that there is treuble enough ahead of them, for man that is born of a woman is of few days and full of trouble. The best we can do is to do the best we can to fortify against it and take the last with the good. Try to be calm and secene, for life is full of blessings and we should achool ourselves to magnify them and be thankful. I have not forgotien the poor little boy who slept under the straw, and one cold windy night his mother laid an old door on the straw to hold it down, and he said. 'Mother, I reason there are some little boys who havent got any door to put over them." It is a good way for us to think about those who are worse off than we are, and my Alabama friend knows there are thousands of them.

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But I must stop, for it is hard to write a cheerful letter these gloomy days. The weather is depressing and that helps my Alabama friend to feel and. Cobe eays that a long wet rain is worse on a may than a long dry drought. We have not seen the blessed numbrine for four long days and the wind has blown down my pretty butter bean barbor flat to the ground.

Drowned White Scining.

Klog's Mountain Democrat.

On Monday afternoon a party from Patterson Springs went to Baffalo and went in soluting just below Graham's bridge. The water was deep and there was a such hole, but it was not con aldered dangerous. They made ready with the soin and when they started out it was with difficulty that some of them manuscript to come up and account them managed to come up and soon it was noticed that Mr. Shuford Ellis, one of the seizers, was unable to get out. Mr. Edgar McSwain, one of the young men immediately ewam to him and tried to get him to the abore, but Mr. Kilis then almost unconscious, elimented him and both of them went under. Mr. McSwain then got 1-1000 and was so exhausted he could scarcely and was so exhausted he could searcely get to the shore. In the meantime Mr. Leister Hardin, mother member of the party, came to the rescue and attempted to assist in getting Mr. Ellis out, but got so exhausted that it was with difficulty that he was rescued by the others. All present did everything they could, Mr. Ellis neemed to have lost the use of his limbs and their efforts to rescue him were in vain.

The body was recovered just before dark. Mr. Shuford Ells was over 40 years old, but was a single man, living with his aged father, Mr. Alonzo Ellis, on the plantation near Patterson Springs, Deceased was a member of Pleasant Hill Beptiet church and a and Walter Colquitt and space to me people face to face, and such elequent men as George Pearcee and Jesse Mer-cer and Dr. Hoyt and Goulding and Ingles preached to them. Yes, we would talk about the days of our boy-hood, when there was no gas or kero-tens or friction matches—nothing but riessant Hill Bepliet church and a good, quiet, peaceable and law abiding citizen, who was highly esteemed by his neighbors and acquaintances. The body was buried in the graveyard at Patterson Springs Thesday afternion at 3 o'clock, Rev. D. G. Washburn conducting the funeral services.

News and Observer.

There is a singular colocidence in the death of Mr. John Resemond, the enin the wreck on the S. A. L near

Cheraw.

Mrs. Rosemond, bis wife, is a native of Danville, her maiden name baving been Miss Abbott. She was a widow when she married Mr. Bosemond, her first husband, Mr. Briggs, baing an engineer who was killed seven years ago. He stapped from his engine and was struck by a passing train. Mrs. Briggs was left a widow with a two-year-old child. This time her second husband was killed in a railber second husband was killed in a reil-road wreek, leaving her again with a two-year-old child.

Yesterday morning Mrs. Resemond

left for Danville, accompanied by the remains of her husband, which reached here Sunday night. She has just arrived in Raisigh to make this her home when the wreck occurred and was boarding at Mrs. John Beckham's. The body of Mr. Rossmood was so mangled that the casket was not open.

The North's Greatest Love (7) for the

When Governor Beckham of Ken-tucky objected to the erection of a Frankfort the northern press con-demned the young official with all severity. 'The South has waited one month and been given an opportunity to retailate. In Breoklyn, N. Y., a colored minister recently moved into month and been given an opportunity to retaliste. In Brecklyn, N. Y., a colored minister recently moved into a white neighborhood to be close to church, and has not had a peaceful moment since. Night and day his white neighbors, who denounced the objection of Beckham, gather in front of the preacher's home and sing:

Coon, coon, coon, I wish my color would fade;
Coon, coon, coon, I wish 1 was a different shade.

Coon, coon, coon—morning, night and noon,
I wish I was a white man instead of

a coom, coom, coom,

Of course there is no comparison between the Kentucky and New York locidents. One is in the North, the other is the South; one is in a republican community, the other amon?

The first bale of new cotten to come to the Charlotte market arrived on the 26th from Monroe, says the Charlotte News.

Tot Causes Might Abox

"One night my brother's beby wan mach easier for them to prosperantly taken with Croup," writes Mrs. J. C. Saider, of Crittenden, Ky., "it seemed it would strangle before we could get a doctor, so we gave it Dr. King's Mew Discovery, which gave quick relief and permanently cured it. We always keep it in the house to protect our children from Group and Whooping Cough. It cured me of a chronic bronchial trouble thus no other remedy would relieve."

M. M. Austia, a civil war veteran, of Wicohester, Ind., writes: "My wite was sick a long time in spite of good doctor's treatment, but was wholly cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills, which worked wooders for her bealth."

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His Chances Before and Since the

In the time before the civil war it was not necessary for parents to worry about what their sons would do when they grew up. Outside the professions the great occupation was raising cotton and the average youth got a most excellent training on the plantation or farm. The training, the lown of Cousord walks proudly off the reatrum wearing the honor of the first trial and conviction under what is known as the 'chicken Law." This law was passed by the last Legislature and is one of the most remarkable in the history of local statements which is the plantation or farm. The training, allow your chickens to treepass on the plantation. was not becomery for parents to worry about what their sons would do when they grow up. Outside the professions the great occupation was raising cotton and the average youth. got a must excellent training on the plantation or farm. The training, together with a common school er college education, turned out a young can at 21 years of age who was capable of going immediately to work planting and producing cotton or tobacco; occupations that were amply respectable, and when attentively followed, reasonably profitable. For those who had no tasts for the profession and taste for the profession of law, medi-cine and the ministry there was always this unlimited opening and in growing up the boys were always sufficiently in contact with it to qualify them to successfully conduct its operat-

In the new conditions that have developed since the war the situation of the youth as to future occupation is very materially changed. It has become important for parents to concern themselves while the son is qu'ts young as to what be is going to prepare himself to do in after life. Education alose does not qualify a young man to make a living. With or without education, experience and practical training are also necessary. Much of this experience and practical training could be acquired at an early age if some care was taken to help a boy decide what he proposed to prepare biosself to do and be was broughted into some sort of contact with his work while he was yet a hoy. work while be was yet a boy.

Even if the boy should afterwards conclude to change his first purpose, the practice and experience had in his first selection would not be lost. The contact of the country boy with farm life and his experience and training out the farm is well known to give him preference in the city over the city preference in the city over the city boy with no training at all in almost any compettion for a job.

It is pitiable the number of well instructed youths the colleges are turning out who have selected no particular occupation and who at 21 years are in many cases more helplese in a matter of setually doing something than farm boys at 12 years old. In saying this there is no purpose to disparage education. On the coato dispurage education. On the con-trary, the room for further development of school for further develop-ment of school is practically un-limited. But the number of college graduates who each year start out bunting "positions," who are willing to modertake "almost anything," but who are actually qualified to get no full or valuable result in any way, would be very materially reduced it the boys could be induced to make some effort to get some idea of the practical side of his future occupation. while yet young. Such apprenticeship or other work of training would put to profitable use much time that the city hop now spends in idleness or puts to worse use. The hops of the or puts to worse use. The moye or Lan-Bouth are usually of the most excellent material and with a little judicial aid in boylond to help them prepare for a life occupation it might be made

The Chicken Law and Same Other Queer Acts.

The town of Concord walks proudly property of others, Under Ibis law Miss Mollie Bracken, of Comours, awore out a warrant against her fellow townsman, Will Paruell, and he was convicted, and the magistrate fried him a penny and costs.
Simultaneously with the news of

this trial and conviction comes senseof a recent invention or the genial and jovial Lawidale deput agent, the breeder of the Rose Comb White Leg horse and a fancier of the Water Wyandotte. His jorention to de-Wyardutte. His invention is de-scriled as consisting of a device which is attached to the leg of a chicker so that when it gets into the garden and begins to scratch it will gradually seratch itself out of the garden. It is postively stated that with this ap-pliance on a chicken it is utterly impossible for it to remain in a garden if it makes any attempt to scratch. Of course such an invention, if suc-

unto the Chicken Law passed by the last Legislature, but not quite equal to it. We might for instance, here, mention the following acts selected from the bucks at random:

Chapter 422, requiring the county physician in Macon to test all liquors drunk in that county, and if the juice "is found not absolutely pure itshull be "is found not absolutely pure itshall be refused, and not paid for." Though no always or fee is presurited for this duty, it is believed that it will, in the near future, make the office of county physician for Macon one of the most desineable in that part of the State.

Or chapter 559 which provides that no liquor shall be shipped into Clay county and if any is bought in any part of the State and so shipped,

part of the State and so shipped to take place within and county of Clay, and said common carrier shall be particups criminis in said misdemeaner." It is worthy of note in this connection that there is not a railroad n Clay county or to forty miles

thereof.

Then there is chapter 484 making it unlawful "to cat oberry timber in Graham county during the season of the year when the leaves are on the timber," and all persons who committed another of the season of the year when the leaves are on the timber," and all persons who committed another of the makes it a misdemensor to leave "Mud Castle" gate open, while chapter 548 gives you free and unlimited persons alon to threw sawdust in any of the streams of Swala sounty. Chapter 573 prohibits fishing is certain streams sion to throw sawdest in any of the streams of Swala county. Chapter 573 prohibits fishing is certain streams of Bladen and Columbus countre, "except with a red and line, such as is usually held with the land nod pot more than six hooks shall be attached to any line." Chapter 696 makes Thomas Woodall, of Johnson county, a chicagan and lay nature of one towns.

pursued at the time by the dogs of another, or the piecest possessor or commission thereof, and thereby breaking off from the said trail the dog or dogs jumping and then pursuing the said fleeing duer." After repeating this prohibition in two sections of the law, but in slightly varying language, the et then goes on to say. "That any person is persons violating this set shall be guilty of a mindemeasor," and flard or imprisoned, etc.: "Provided, if such person or persons so violating this set, with deliver the deer so caught or killed, to the aggiveed person or persons to elect the person or persons so violating this set, with deliver the deer so caught or killed, to the aggiveed person or persons to effect the fact to the guilty of a misdemeanor."

Chapter 619 makes it untawful for any person to jump on a rolf a moving train within a half mile of Haw River. Then a provision is added making exceptions of railroad employees, passengers or those assisting passingers on the train. Cursons or getting drank atthe half a table of Haw Hiver is furnideed by chapter 489. It is made a misdemeanor, Chapter 788 prohibits druckenness at Panharrat, "althin the wire-feace enclosing and estilement." For auch of a deers a

produtts drustentees at Panhipt,
"altin the wire-tence enclosing and
settlement." For such off-idees a
500 fine or a 30 days imprisonment is
provided and William Holms is appointed a J. P. to meet out justice to
such offenders.

Folks in Yancey county who want to get drunk must get out of the public reed and stay away from a public meeting, otherwise they will under chapter 187, be guilty of a mis dementor. In Curritues county the above law upplied only to Puplar Branch township (chapter 447); while in Mitchell county you must be at a bundred yards from a church when either you treat your friends or get drunk yourself—shapter 485.

druik yourself—chapter 485.

The selling of lemonads or the taking of pictures on Sunday within one mile of Bear Grass and Briesy Swamp churches in Martin county is under misdementor under heavy prastiles by chapter 180, while chapter 23 threatens dies punishment against the man who wantonly fires off a gas or pistel within half a mile of this place where Roper costoffice "was located on the first of January, 1801."

True Worth Recognized.

Chester Lanters.

James M. Douglas, Ph. D., of Bisckstock, has been elected to the chair of physics and astronomy is Davidson college, in place of Prof. Henry Louis Smith, who has been elected president. Mr. Douglas's brother. Prof. John L. Douglas, has had a chair in the college for some years. His sister, Miss Margaret has been elected a toucher in Winthrop college. We rejaice at this recognition of eminent worth.

[11rof. Douglas was for a year or two principal of the Academy isses about four years ago, and his Gastonia friends congratulate him and wish him much success in his new field.]

Miss Lenz Keith, the young lady who was assulted and almost murdered by the negro, Luke Hough, near McFarlan, on Wednesday afternoss of last week, is improving for the last two or three days. At first it was thought she would certainly die, but it is now believed that she will get well.—Wadeshero Messunger Intelligencer.

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