

PROHIBITION IN KANSAS.

Editor The Advertiser: In the course of my reading I ran across a very fine article, a copy of which I herewith reproduce and hope you will find place in the Advertiser for it.

It is the answer of a banker to Assistant Attorney General Trickett of Kansas as to the effects of prohibition in Kansas City.

Dear Mr. Trickett: Answering your inquiry with reference to any opinion about the conditions of Kansas City, Kan., before and since the closing of the "joints" twenty-one months ago, I am glad to state that it has been the best twenty-one months in the history of the city during the seventeen years that I have lived and been engaged in the banking business here.

It has been a twenty-one months during which bank deposits have about doubled, twenty-one months of the largest activity in building houses in the history of the city, twenty-one months in which it has been impossible to find a vacant storefront on the business streets, a whole row of a business storefronts, one of the largest in the country, that the city has had in a single record for the same length of time, twenty-one months of the least crime, twenty-one months of the largest progress made in the building of school buildings and in increase of school facilities; twenty-one months of the largest additions to our milling and factory facilities; twenty-one months of the greatest satisfaction among our retail business men; twenty-one months of the purest city government we have ever had, and twenty-one months of the best moral atmosphere this city ever enjoyed, a twenty-one months during which hundreds of men who even formerly committed to intemperance and who were almost wholly converted to the strict enforcement of the law and who will never again indulge in a reasonable amount of their former habits to have the very clean and free from the influence of the brewers and distillers as it is free now.

It is worth a million dollars to the people to judge that the enforcement of the law, as it has been enforced here for the last twenty-one months is a not saving of one million dollars a year to the citizens of this city.

Very respectfully yours,  
C. L. Brokaw, Cashier,  
Com. Nat. Bank.

This is what they think of prohibition out in Kansas.  
O. G. Thompson,  
Laurens, S. C.

Washington's Plague Spots  
In the low, marshy bottoms of the Potomac, the breeding ground of malaria germs. These germs cause chills, fever and sweats, biliousness, jaundice, lassitude, weakness and general debility and bring suffering or death to thousands yearly. But Electric Bitters never fail to destroy them and cure malaria troubles. "They are the best all-around tonic and cure for malaria I ever used," writes R. M. James, of Louellen, S. C. They cure Stomach, Liver, Kidney and Blood Troubles and will prevent Typhoid. Try them, see. Guaranteed by Laurens Drug Co. and Palmetto Drug Company.

We have received a large shipment of Chamberlains' Cough Remedy, the best thing needed in a kitchen. Don't before you get our line.  
S. M. & F. H. Wilkes & Co.

MR. WHARTON'S BILL.

A Bill to Specify Punishment of Attempted Rape Cases—Will Likely Become a Law.

A bill that likely cause much discussion was introduced in the senate by Senator J. H. Wharton of Laurens. This is a bill "to prescribe the punishment for assault with intent to ravish."

The report of Senator Wharton's bill is to make this offence a capital crime. As the law now stands, the limit of the sentence is 30 years imprisonment. It is believed that the passing of such a measure as this will to a large extent deter persons from attempting to commit assault.

The two recent notable cases have caused many to consider this problem and the introduction of the bill will doubtless cause some interesting discussion among the members of the legislature.

The opinion is quite generally expressed that if attempt to ravish were put upon the same plane as the accomplishment there would be fewer instances.

Senator Wharton recommended in his bill an increase in this connection as follows:

"Where a person attempts to commit a rape, which I consider of great importance, which I think should be considered by your honorable body."

"I further wish to call your attention to another matter which I consider of great importance at this particular time in our history, and that is the enactment of a law providing the death penalty to any male person making an assault upon a female with intent to ravish, granting the right to the jury trying the case to fix the punishment in the State penitentiary. If in their judgment the facts warrant a less punishment than death."

"In this day, when we read of so many assaults of this character being made, it behooves us to wake up to the situation and make the penalty so severe that the women of this State may be protected from this heinous crime and the perpetrators punished so severely that all will be deterred from committing the same."

Senator Wharton's bill will make the attempt to commit the crime practically the same as the commission of the act itself. It is left to the jury to recommend the prisoner to the mercy of the court should this be deemed wise. In that case the punishment is to be not less than 10 years, or, of course, might be life imprisonment. When the case is absolutely proved, the punishment death.

The line of argument used by supporters of the bill is:

1. There should not be any difference as far as the law is concerned in the actual commission of the crime. Very often the fact that the crime is not committed is not anything to the credit of the defendant. He might be scared off, but he had the original intention of committing the crime.

2. The women of the State must be protected and there is no better protection than deterring. A law to make the crime attempted in the best way. It is argued, to keep persons from attempting to commit the crime and as a natural conclusion, the number of cases where the commission of the crime is accomplished would be lessened considerably.

3. Very often a jury on a case of

the evidence being not so conclusive has to let a man go free, but if the new bill should do just as much with one who attempted the crime as if he had committed the crime.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Featherston entertained a few friends Wednesday evening at a delightful tea, complimentary to Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Boney. An elegant supper, consisting of four courses, was served, after which the evening was very pleasantly spent in conversation.

Those who enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Featherston were Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Boney, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Todd, Mr. J. Adger Smyth and Miss Elise Brock.

Miss Josephine Fuller was the charming hostess to the young ladies of the Mysterious Twenty-two club at her pretty suburban home in East Laurens on Thursday afternoon. This proved one of the most delightful entertainments of the club. Whist was the game played which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. While delicious refreshments were being served in the dining hall, Miss Mary (Miss) Fuller rendered several beautiful songs. The refreshments consisted of a salad course, cream and cake and coffee and bonbons, served by Mrs. Connor Fuller and Mrs. D. A. Davis.

Miss Fuller's guest were, Misses Emma and Elizabeth Kinney, Elizabeth Smith, Julia Kirkerson, Zelene Gray, Josephine Francis, Welch of Abbeville, Lottie Martin, Mary Sutor of Union, Josie Sullivan, Lullia Mae Dial, Mary Todd and Daisy Sullivan.

For Benefit of School.  
Monday, Feb. 2.—The School Improvement Association expects to give a Valentine Supper Feb. 12th, at the home of Mr. W. A. Traynham a delicious supper is being planned, and the ladies hope to realize a nice little amount for the further improvement of the school.

The Crime of Idleness.  
Idleness means trouble for any one. It's the same with a lazy liver. It causes constipation, headache, jaundice, sallow complexion, pimples and blotches, loss of appetite, nausea and Dr. King's New Life Pills soon banish liver troubles and build up your health. 25c at Laurens Drug Co. and Palmetto Drug Co.

New York City's real estate value, according to the assessment, is \$200,000,000 more than the entire assessed real estate values of all the land west of the Mississippi river.

More diamonds are coming to New York City each week now than during any previous week in the last six months. Dealers are looking for a greatly increased trade.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the Most Popular Because it is the Best.  
"I have sold Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for the past eight years and find it to be one of the best selling medicines on the market. For babies and young children there is nothing better in the line of cough syrups," says Paul Allen Plain Dealer, La. This remedy not only cures the coughs, cold and croup so common among young children, but is pleasant and safe for them to take. For sale by Laurens Drug Co.

One of the largest saw mills in the world has been erected on the island of Hawaii by a company which has a contract to furnish a million ties a year to an American railroad.

Scorched With a Hot Iron or scalded by overturned Kettle—cut with a knife—bruised by slammed door—burned by sun or in any other way—the thing needed at once is Dickler's Anker Salve to subdue inflammation and kill the pain. It's earth's supreme healer, infallible for Boils, Piles, Fever Sores, Eczema and Ulcers. 25c at Laurens Drug Co. and Palmetto Drug Co.

L. W. E. Putnam.

On January 20th death came in our midst and took away from among us Bro. L. W. E. Putnam. Bro Putnam was born near Gray Court, this county, on July 3rd, 1830, and was married on January 12th, to Miss Sallie T. Long of Laurens County, to whom were born six children all of whom are living.

Bro. Putnam was a man of great Christian faith; was a member of the Ware Shoals Baptist church, and at one time the esteemed schoolmaster at the old Riddle-field school house, this county; was a man of untiring effort and noble influence and one whom to know was to love.

His remains were interred at the Laurens Hill Cemetery by loving hands late Thursday Evening, a host of friends gathered around and as the sun was sinking behind the western Hills we bowed for the Benediction to a noble life.

Besides a host of relatives and friends he leaves a widowed mother and six sons and daughters to mourn their loss.

We extend our sympathy to the bereaved and commend them to the Great God who always sustains.

General News Notes.

The average girl is ambitious to make a name of herself, but she usually ends by accepting some man's name.

British South Africa imports annually over \$2,000,000 worth of lumber mainly from the United States and Sweden.

The Italian government has outlined railroad extensions covering 15 years' work and contemplation a total expenditure of \$107,000,000.

The Chinese government spent \$100,000 last year toward the assistance of Chinese students studying abroad.

A Swiss lake turns red about every ten years owing to the presence of a tiny plant, which is visible only through the microscope.

Two million dollars will be spent in improvements on the great steel plant of the United States steel Corporation at Ensley, Ala.

The City of Niagara Falls is rapidly increasing in population, owing to the rapid industrial of that section of the country.

Canada's purchases from the United States in 1908 amounted to 167,000,000, while this country imported \$15,000,000 worth of Canadian goods.

Diamonds

On Partial Payments.

A small amount down and a little each month will soon

Buy a Diamond

You will have it paid for before you know it, and with the money you would have thrown away.

Besides

You know the quality and the weight of the Diamond you buy from us.

We sell the best and at reasonably low prices.

Fleming Bros. JEWELERS.

Bits of Philosophy.

It sometimes happens that a distant relative is too close.

Men fight with their fists; women fight with their tears.

A man gets back at his best friend when he kicks himself.

There is nothing like a good business plant for raising money.

Some excuses are so thin that a blind man can see through them.

It's easy for a man's wife to dress well if his creditors can afford it.

A man talks about love as though he felt ashamed of the conversation.

A soft answer may not always turn away wrath, but it saves a lot of time.

Don't accuse the old hen of working the shell game because the egg is bad.

Women like to talk of the days when they were single and had a good time.

If money didn't make the mare go doubtless it would make the horse laugh.

Every man likes to hear a wise woman talk—but she always talks to him about himself.

A woman sits down and waits for emputation to come along, but a man usually meets it half way.

It's easy for a sharp man to make a fool of a dull one.

Why will short, stout women insist upon wearing Empire gowns?

It is a long honeymoon that doesn't get eclipsed.

Nature is too busy to turn out handsome men.

A little vanity is a good thing in a man.

Why will long-necked, long-nosed girls wear Dutch collars?

Why don't everyone exercise good sense and discretion in ordering their clothes?

Sometimes a man is so busy getting a judge grip that he loses his grip on his business.

Man is an admirer of the beautiful. He invariably selects the umbrella with the prettiest handle.

Heav'd the patient or. He vaunts of speed records, but he gets the nod to the 1 in all the same.

Every one of the men who works like a bee every where but at home?

Every Month writes Mrs. E. Fournier of Lake Charles, La., "I used to suffer from headache, backache, side ache, pressing-down pains, and could hardly walk. At last I took Cardui, and now I feel good all the time. TAKE CARDUI It Will Help You Cardui is a medicine that has been found to act upon the cause of most women's pains, strengthening the weakened womanly organs, that suffer because their work is too hard for them. It is not a pain "killer," but a true female remedy, composed of purely vegetable ingredients, perfectly harmless and recommended for all sick women, old or young. Try Cardui. Women's Relief. AT ALL DRUG STORES

The Great Red Tag Sale Closes Saturday Night Feb. 6th See us this week for many Great Bargains. J. E. Minter & Bro.

Great Rebuilding Sale Of Red Iron Racket Will Open February, 13th, 9 O'Clock Our entire stock will go on sale regardless of New York and Baltimore cost, as we must dispose of the bulk of our stock in a short time to make room for the contractors to commence work about March 15th. we mean to make a clean sweep of our Immense Stock. Get yourself ready for this sell out sale February 13th. J. C. Burns & Company, RED IRON RACKET STORE LAURENS, S. C.