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MAHONE'S SPEECH.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

January 29th, on the Resolution of Senator Sherman Asking for an Investigation of the Danville Massacre, &c.

Mr. President.—It behooves me in the name of Virginia, to express regret that there should be found in the conduct of any portion of her constituency, occasion for such inquiry as that on which the resolution before the Senate is in part predicated.

That it has come and is known of all men, I do not hesitate to confess, but neither for the conception nor for the incendiary proceedings which inspired and led up to the violent overthrow of the civil law and the unprovoked brutal murder of unarmed citizens, painfully conspicuous at Danville, I protest, are the real majority of her people in any wise responsible.

It is due to her fair name, and to the love of that people for liberty and their respect for law—their devotion to the free and unhindered exercise of the rights and privileges of citizenship—that such contrary and vicious methods—such lawless proceedings, as characterized the conduct of the Bourbon party, now and here at Danville culminating in high crime against the laws of man and Creator, should be exposed; it is but just to the unstained character of her people that both the actors and the conspirators in these foul deeds, done within her borders, in contempt of the civilization of the age and Constitution and laws of both the State and National Governments, should be brought to the bar of public opinion, if they cannot be under the hand of a righteous administration of justice.

At no time in the glorious history of Virginia, until the late canvass and election for the Legislature, has the sentiment found root with any party that political ends may be achieved by such festering methods and means as gave rise to the Danville massacre—and the kindred proceedings, abuses and disorders which marked the conduct of that political faction. Its leaders and organs, weary of ambition for place, and of desire to dominate over a people who had repeatedly repudiated them and their shifting principles, openly advised any resort which might perchance give them the power.

That a reign of terror and lawlessness, suppressed and superseded the functions of the civil law—restraining the liberties of the citizen and exposing human life to the disordered will and frenzied passions of a political mob, licensed by the teachings of its own political faction to enact such outrages as transpired at Danville, the Chief Magistrate of the Commonwealth, in his general message to the Legislature, sufficiently bears witness.

He says: "The condition of the State as to health and prosperity is such that congratulations may be exchanged. Providence has extended to our fields genial suns and refreshing rains. We have had bountiful harvests, increased industry, and a growing population."

"It is sad to mar this pleasant picture by alluding to an unhappy circumstance which all good people should pray God shall never be repeated in the State of Virginia. Far be it from the Governor of this Commonwealth, whose duties are purely executive, to characterize or criticize, in any partizan sense, the trouble by which death and blood came on the 3d of November to many citizens in one of the cities of our State. There is no purpose here to ask your honorable body to investigate the matter. There is no right vested in the Governor to do so. But the charge made against the State and that community—it cannot be denied—is this; that men were killed, men were wounded, of no matter what party, of no matter what color; and that contrary to all the law-serving habits of this people no man has been accused, arrested, or tried

for his part in the killing or wounding. This is the view of the affair in which all good people should join. Judicial investigation should be had, witnesses should be allowed to testify, should be made to testify; and the truth should be made apparent so that the Commonwealth of Virginia should be placed before the world as one of the States which tries crime, no matter who may be the criminal."

The report of the grand jury following the calamity to which he refers but completes the damnable picture. That the law there in Danville and in that region fails of rightful supremacy and the power of maintaining order, peace, and the safety of organized society is paralyzed, let the murders and unprovoked attempts to take life, since the speaking picture at Danville, argue the force of this assertion.

The time has come, it occurs to me, when this Government should consider its duty, where the local authority fails to protect the citizen in the enjoyment of the immunities guaranteed by the Supreme Law.

I hope, Mr. President, the proposed investigation will proceed, and that this whole matter may be probed to the bottom, and somewhere in the power of the Nation the cure may be found for a political disease fraught, as I conceive, with grave concern to the safety of human life, the liberties of the citizen, the peace, welfare and happiness of the Nation, if not for the integrity of our own Republican form of government.

What consideration follows paramount allegiance if the right to live and to exercise the privileges common to citizenship, and to enjoy the immunities of Government, do not inure and obligate the power of that Government, to secure them unto every citizen? Whatever may have been the wisdom of the qualifications on which our citizenship is based, the Constitution is and should be the governing law, and its honest and cheerful observance the duty of all.

Virginia's unfortunate connection with the slavery institutions of a sectional lay at the bottom of the consideration which induced her to make as reluctantly she did, common cause with the South in the sectional war, which for a time separated her from the Union she had contributed so largely to found, and following the spirit of her Washington, Jefferson, and Madison, so earnestly endeavored to promote and preserve. But in resuming, Mr. President, her place here—and believing that the fratricidal contest had ended and should be forever closed by the event, which transpired at Appomattox, Virginia came in good faith, declaring for the first time in her great history, that this was a Nation—she a part of it—the Union indissoluble and that its Constitution and laws were paramount and superior in every State.

Her people have faithfully endeavored to observe these solemn declarations and have honestly labored to establish, as they have done, equal citizenship, and never until now have any portion of her constituency sought to evade and destroy that duty by resort to violence.

Such methods are in conflict with the temper, habits, traditions, and convictions of her people, and are shocking to the moral sense of the State.

The sentiment which instigated them, and of which was born the foulest crime that has ever been committed upon the soil of Virginia, within the memory of living men, the massacre at Danville of unarmed, unresisting, fleeing colored people—must not, I protest, be left, for the lack of full and authoritative investigation, to cloud her noble escutcheon.

Let it be fastened upon the political leadership of the faction to which it singularly belongs and which now condones and seeks to screen from exposure and punishment the lawless proceedings and bloody deeds committed in that behalf.

In the name of her civilization and her high esteem for the respect and good will of the Christian family, this investigation is invoked.

It is of no measurable consequence what the fate of political parties, where questions of human right and the character of a great Commonwealth are imperilled.

No State of those engaged on the Southern side, in the unhappy sectional war, had more thoroughly, cordially, and sincerely acquiesced in the result and turned her face to the morning of an indissoluble Union, one and inseparable—a Nation forever.

Dismembered as she had been as a consequence of her loyalty to the right as she believed, and lacerated as she was by the ravages of contending armies, embarrassed by the loss of millions of values, a disorganized labor system, and by an unjustly accumulated public debt; yet her manhood with surprising individuality and energy addressed all its power to the prodigious work of regeneration.

The rapid and substantial strides she has made in every phase of human progress answers for the grade of prosperity she had reached.

Liberty of thought and freedom of political action had been set at will and the qualifications of the elector disencumbered of any other condition than prescribed by the letter and spirit of the supreme law.

The sources of free education had been advanced over a hundred fold, and the spirit for learning had been incited to the full measure of the opportunity.

Ample provision had been added for the proper care and treatment of afflicted members of every community; the barbarous feature of a de-generated Code—the whipping post—had been abolished, and every discrimination incompatible with the rights of citizenship, as ordained by the Constitution and laws of both the State and National Governments, had been removed.

A carefully formulated settlement of the greatly misunderstood and long embarrassing question of the public debt had been reached, which both as to item and method remains unimpeached and unimpeachable, finally receiving the highest sanction known to any code, the sanction of the self-styled "honor and honesty" faction of the State.

The credit of the State had been restored to its aforesaid integrity, her indebtedness to asylums, schools, colleges, etc., amounting to quite \$2,000,000 (besides arrearages of interest aggregating 5 1/2 millions), had been reduced to less than \$725,000, with a million and a-half cash in her Treasury.

The expenses of Government had been reduced full twenty-five per cent, and the rate of taxation twenty.

Enterprise, thrift, and well-doing, marked the labors of the people in all the employment of life. Peace, prosperity, and the sunshine of a larger future beamed in all her borders; and inspired all ranks and conditions of her people.

Sectional asperities had passed away and cordial relations with our brethren of the Nations were honestly cultivated.

Responding to a rancorous sentiment, reinforced by a diseased and uncontrollable ambition for place and power, it was to prevent the continued success of the party which had inaugurated such an era of wholesome reforms, peace, plenty, and good-will toward men, that an insidious leadership of a political faction conceived and contrived by such agencies to defeat the honest will of a majority of the people, at the election on the 6th of November last, and to force a result in its own favor.

The scheme was by the shot-gun practice and other means of compulsion to frighten and restrain the colored voter from exercising his constitutional rights of franchise and by inciting and promoting the prejudices of caste and a conflict of blood—to compel the more irresolute, less informed and more dependent class of white voters to abandon their own political faith and to endorse a leadership and principles which had been repeatedly condemned at the polls.

But, Mr. President, I forbear to enter now upon the facts which are to be the subject of the proposed investigation further than may be incident to a discussion of the powers of Congress over the matter.

Here in connecting with the exercise of a right, guaranteed by the Constitution, on which the very integrity of this Government rests, a number of wanton murders have been committed which have not been prosecuted nor can be made the sub-

ject of judicial investigation, as appears.

The murdered men all belonged to a race, or a class, who are notwithstanding and none the less, citizens of the State and of the United States, entitled as such to the protection of the laws, the privileges of the ballot and enjoyment of liberty.

These murders, which in the dawn of civilization, "when the rough feelings of barbarism had not experienced the softening touches of time, would have needed the gloss of apology," are charged to have been of political design; and the execution of the participants is alleged to be part of the same political object; that object being to deprive by intimidation of their right of suffrage a race of citizens who are guaranteed it by the Constitution of the United States, and who, on the assumption that they are free to enjoy the exercises of that right, are counted to a man, in making up the apportionment of representation allowed to each State, in the popular branch of the National Legislature and in the Electoral College of the Union; while failure to punish such crimes and to protect the citizen in the full and safe pursuit of that right is expected to operate, as reasonably it must, to lower his manhood, circumscribe his energies and his productive capacity, lessen his respect for the Government and his love of country, and finally to subdue his honest convictions or work him out as a political factor.

Where shall the inquiry be instituted if not here in the Congress of the United States, whether representation conforms to the theory of the organic law?

If a State enjoys representation in Congress on the faith that the right of suffrage is free to all its legally qualified voters, it is a breach of faith with the other States of the Union to deprive any class or any part of any class of voters of this right.

The enforcement of any such restriction, no matter the device or the means employed, nor the measure of the result, is a wrong to other States of the Union, and an assault upon the spirit of the Constitution, which, I submit, it is the duty of Congress not only to investigate, but to rebuke and correct.

There is, Mr. President, another even broader ground than this, if broader there can be, on which this power of Congress, to inquire into such matters, rests.

The United States by constitutional obligation guarantees to each State a Republican form of government; that is to say, a form of government in which the unadorned will of the majority of the legally qualified voters controls the administration of its public affairs.

If by murder or any kind of violence, this will of the majority is overthrown, and those who commit the murders go unwhipped of justice, or other acts of violence designed to substitute the will of a minority for that of a majority, are allowed impunity, then we have a Government wherein the minority governs—governors by the practice of fraud and of crime, and therefore a Government that is not a Republic.

The Union was formed on the fundamental condition mutually pledged between the States, that it was to be a Union of Republics, and that each State would preserve a Republican form of government; and it is a high duty that Congress owes to all the States, that such government in fact and in spirit, as well as in form, be maintained.

When, therefore, it appears that in any State the elective franchise is so far overthrown by lawless practices which the local government cannot or will not punish, or by methods and devices calculated to abridge the right, then not only does the power vest in Congress, but that body is under solemn obligation to inquire into the subject and to enforce a remedy.

Mr. Madison treating of this question (in number XLIII of the Federalist) when the reach, powers and duties of the National Government were not so large as now, and its relations with the citizen were less direct, seemed to have contemplated a case precisely like the one under consideration. He says: "Is it true that force and right are necessarily on the same side in a Republican Government? May not the minor party possess such a superiority of pecuniary resources or of the military talents and experience

as will render it superior also in an appeal to the sword? ... Nothing can be more chimerical than to imagine that in a trial of actual force, victory may be calculated by the rules which prevail in a census of the inhabitants, or which determine the report of an election. ... In cases where it may be doubted on which side justice lies, what better umpire could be desired by two violent factions, flying to arms and tearing a State to pieces, than the representatives of confederate States, not heated by the local flame.

"To the impartiality of judges they would unite the affection of friends. Happy would it be if such a remedy for its infirmities could be enjoyed by all free governments; if a project equally effectual could be established for the universal peace of mankind."

These passages show that the power in question was given to Congress in an enlarged and patriotic view, and that the framers of the Constitution contemplated its exercise in a case like that to which the resolution is directed.

Mr. President, in the year 1869 Virginia resumed her place in the Union with a State Constitution adopted almost unanimously—but 9,000 votes against it—which embodied the following declarations:

"That this State shall ever remain a member of the United States of America, and that the people thereof are part of the American Nation, and that all attempts, from whatever source or upon whatever pretext, to dissolve said Union or to sever said nation, are unauthorized and ought to be resisted with the whole power of the State.

"That the Constitution of the United States and the laws of Congress passed in pursuance thereof constitute the supreme law of the land, to which paramount allegiance and obedience are due from every citizen, anything in the Constitution, ordinances or laws of any State to the contrary notwithstanding."

Thus she took her place in the Union without as in 1789 any express reservation of power, or mental reservation of doctrines such as were known in the political controversies of a past era. She came with heart in hand, surrendered her all and pledging her all for the national peace and prosperity. She gave up powers which had brought ruin and desolation to her people, and came to share the fate of the Union as a Nation, regarding no special destiny as worth preserving out of the Union or in antagonism with it.

It is to vindicate her good faith in these declarations, and in this act, that I desire this investigation. It is to remove by such formal instrumentality any doubt which may linger in a respected public judgment, that the uncondoned practices and crimes which a political leadership has inaugurated upon her soil are not of the sentiment of a majority of her people, who protest against any desire to nullify any law of the Union.

It is in the hope that such consideration may be brought to the subject as will lead to the arrest of such practices, which militate against the peace and welfare of the people, and in their tendency and direction conspire to a war upon the very integrity of the Constitution.

Virginia, Mr. President, has one cause of hostility against the colored people who in large part compose her population. They are no more responsible for their freedom than for their presence there. They were invested with the rights of citizenship by the grace of the Nation, and have worn the immunities with remarkable propriety of conduct. They are as essential to her fields of industry as the machinery of New England is to her manufacturing. They are a factor in her life, for which no other can be substituted, and between the races as between classes there is a community of interests on which is dependent the happiness and welfare of all—the march of intellectual and material progress—that wisdom and humanity ought to conserve.

"This liberty alone which gives the flower Of fleeting life its lustre and perfume, And we are weeds without it."

It conspires to enlighten human action. Bondage, personal or political, is the natural implement of usurpation, a serious and fearful evil in every free community. Nothing more degrades the man than living among freemen, himself a slave. "Even the

very earth, which teems profusion under the cultivating hand of free labor, shrinks into barrenness from the contaminating sweat of the slave, and who is not a slave, measurably, whose liberty by any means is restrained in contravention of the rights guaranteed to all!

I rejoice that personal slavery is no longer legalized in our own fair Eden of Liberty, and that all men are liberated to an even chance in the race of life to which God and nature have given them the title. In Virginia the colored people ask no more, and the white man there who envies him this privilege and apprehends his supremacy, reproaches the intelligence and manhood of his own race.

To discover the gross violations of these principles which have been committed in Virginia during the late political campaign, and to find and apply the remedy, I take to be the object of the proposed investigation. I have no fear that the State will suffer by the inquiry. On the contrary, I am confident she will emerge from it free from all stain upon the reputation of the majority of her people, while upon a violent faction will be found the responsibility and the blood of her murdered citizens.

Here, in this Capitol, where the breath of freedom has ever inspired devotion to the God-given rights of men, here in a government which is founded on the ever-moulding basis of equal rights, is the place to set on foot investigation of such flagrant acts of moral turpitude and of crime in contravention of the Constitution and laws of the Union, and to reach out for the remedy.

Mrs. Langtry's first appearance in the public was as a reader, she read "Curing a Cold," by Mark Twain. In a recent interview she said that she does not approve of his way, but for herself uses Dr. Bull's Gough Syrup a sure cure every time.

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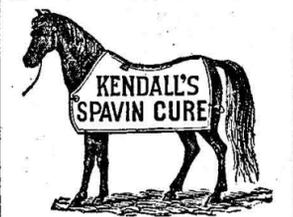
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SENATOR GLASGOW, in the State Senate, a few days ago admitted that his (the Bourbon) party had enacted no practical legislation that made good the pledge of the party on the debt question as laid down in their platform adopted at Lynchburg. We told the people the pledge would not be redeemed; and it will not.

THE Calpeper Exponent objects to the Democratic party splitting up on the tariff question; and says, "the only way to secure harmony is for those who are shouting for protection to cease their efforts to subvert the principles of the party to which they profess to belong."

A clear and true admission that the leading principle of the party is "Free Trade."

WE publish on the first page this week the speech of Gen. Malone on the resolution of Senator Sherman looking to an investigation of the Danville riot. All impartial men must admit that it is calm, dignified, and does not warrant the outrageous abuse that has been hurled by the Bourbon press. If the charges are not sustained, then let Malone be held responsible. If they are not true why should Bourbonism wish to avoid an investigation.

ANOTHER MESSAGE FROM GOVERNOR CAMERON.

Governor Cameron has sent another message to the General Assembly; and it is a paper that even the Bourbons are bound to admit is forcible and just in the recommendations it makes. The Governor advises that the Board of Education be authorized to expend not less than \$10,000 annually for the holding of teachers institutes. He says that "experience in other States has developed the necessity of educating the educators, of bringing the teachers together to consult and determine upon the best methods of teaching. . . . The men and women who are to lead the attack by intelligence upon the army of ignorance should hold councils of war as to the ends to be sought and the paths by which to reach them." He also recommends an additional appropriation or provision for the volunteer soldier service, or the abolition of the organization as a useless adjunct of the government.

Special attention is called to the oyster question, stating that without some more efficient means are employed to protect the oyster beds from unlawful dredging that it will only be a question of time when the oyster beds of Virginia will be destroyed.

He recommends that an appropriation be made for a proper exhibit of the wealth and resources of the Commonwealth at the World's Fair to be held at New Orleans next November.

He urges the necessity of some legislation to restrict the railway corporations of this State to their legitimate functions; and the appointment of a railroad Commissioner or Commission "with some well defined and actual powers, or that the office of Commissioner be abolished."

The Richmond Dispatch is very loud in its praises of the message and says: "We cannot but praise where praise is due; and surely Governor Cameron's message of Saturday merits a good word. We see nothing in it to object to. He writes not as a partisan, but as the Governor of all the people of Virginia." Perhaps the generosity of the Dispatch would be more appreciated and meritorious if it would condemn in all partisanship or praise all for non-partisanship. But strange to say while praising Governor Cameron for his non-partisan message it has no words of condemnation for the partisan Bourbon Legislature that is seeking to strip the Governor of all his Executive powers, conferred by statutory law, investing itself with all such powers for the most violent partisan ends.

The people would have more confidence in your sincerity Mr. Dispatch if you would cry out against the revolutionary work of a partisan Bourbon Legislature.

THE WEST VIRGINIA DEBT.

We mentioned General Wickham's name in an editorial in Sunday's issue of the Dispatch touching the debt of Virginia and West Virginia. He has sent us an article that fills a column or two of the Dispatch in response to our editorial; but the public will wish to see the bill, and therefore we print it.

light the scheme. Our complaint is that any bill of the sort should have been introduced. It will enable speculators in West Virginia certificates to make money out of such speculations, though we here in Virginia, General Wickham being one, know that Virginia will never pay one dime of the debt assigned to West Virginia in 1871. Nor do we expect West Virginia to do it. We have known for a long time that such a scheme was on foot. The West Virginia papers fully described it some time ago. We were rather jocularly requested not long ago by a friend from a Valley county to allow the scheme to pass unchallenged. We knew that some bill of the kind was to come before the Legislature. We expected that somebody would be here to push the scheme. We repeat, therefore, that it does not in the least degree matter what sort of bill is before the Legislature touching this matter. One bill is almost as good as another so far as are concerned the purposes of the gentlemen who propose to reopen the debt question. We again warn the General Assembly against this scheme. Twelve millions of dollars of certificates are involved.

The bill recites that Virginia promised relative to this matter in the funding acts of 1871 and 1879. But what of that promise? Why go to West Virginia to hunt up obligations? The same acts promised to pay the sum of thirteen millions of dollars of Virginia's debt that has since been "eliminated." Why not keep this pledge? Is our pledge to the holders of West Virginia certificates of superior dignity to and of greater binding force than our pledge to our own creditors of 1871 and 1879?

It is claimed that the bill proposes to release Virginia from all obligation to pay any of the West Virginia certificates. The holders of them can well afford it. But the bill also binds the holders aforesaid to "accept their ratable part of the amount recovered" by Virginia from West Virginia! The idea is held out that Virginia is going to recover something; and thus the certificates are "billed." Again: Virginia is to sue West Virginia! And somebody is to put up ten thousand dollars! All this is wrong; all totally wrong. We haven't the patience to write about it.

General Wickham has as yet done nothing in connection with the bill we are discussing except to report it. So we hear from good authority. We are glad of it. We believe in him. Nobody enjoyed more than we did his declaration of last fall that when Williams C. Wickham made a statement it needed no corroboration.

But all the same we shall oppose this bill to the bitter end. The Senate ought to dismiss it at once.—Richmond Dispatch.

Who says now that the debt question is settled, when the Radical leader of the Bourbon Legislature is trying to so open the question as to make Virginia pay part of the debt apportioned to West Virginia? This is about what we expected.

NEW PUBLICATION.

FRANK LESLIE'S SUNDAY MAGAZINE.—The March number is promptly on our table and is filled as usual, with delightful reading matter edifying and entertaining, and admirable embellishments. The popular editor, T. De Witt Talmage, D. D., contributes a characteristic article, "Alarming Things of To-Day," and the Home Pulpit contains one of his sermons, "Sensitiveness of Christ." "Count Zinzendorf," the founder of the Moravian Town, in North Carolina; "The Boston Institutions at Deer Island"; "Annals of Little Compton"; "Anthony Vandeyck, a Court Painter"; etc., are finely illustrated and exceedingly interesting articles. The serials, "How It All Came Round," and "Wrong From the First," are continued, and the Essays, Sketches, Poems, etc., are by popular writers. Marion Harland has a charming story, "A Practical Woman." The contents are so varied and abundant that no one can fail to be gratified. The price is 25 cents a number; \$2.50 per annum, postpaid. Address, Mrs. Frank Leslie, 53, 55 and 57 Park Place, New York, N. Y.

A Democratic Blunder.

The Democrats in the Senate might have done worse by a hot discussion of the alleged Southern outrages, and they are getting some commendation for self-control; but we believe they would have done better had they welcomed investigation. They simply sat still and voted against the inquiry, in the face of charges that the Democratic party is responsible for the murders at Copiah and Danville. If they do not feel that an investigation will injure the party, why do they remain passive or silent in opposition? We have expressed our views on the policy of the Republican leaders in going into the Southern outrage business for the purpose of making party capital, simply because this is a Presidential year, but they are sagacious and shrewd compared with the Democratic leaders who expect to carry the country by mere negation and opposition. There are offences against the ballot in the South, as there are in the North, and in the South they are violent and conspicuous. The Democrats have profited by them. Their silence and inactivity only show that they are willing to continue to profit by them. They should be the first to demand justice in districts where their party is in power.—Boston Herald.

An indiscreet man is like an unsealed letter, every body can read him, but the wise man searches in time what in time he will surely need—a bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

Brief News Items.

There are fifteen living Freemasons who were initiated more than seventy years ago. The Newfoundland sealing steamer Bear was sold Thursday to the American Government for the coming Greely-relief expedition. She is of the same age and tonnage and similar build to the lost Proteus. She leaves St. John's for New York a week hence.

It is under consideration at Huntington, W. Va., the practicability of piping gas from the new well struck at W. Field a few weeks ago. The flow is said to be unprecedented. The distance from Huntington to the well is forty miles, and the project is believed to be very feasible.

During the annual bowl-breaking at the University of Pennsylvania, in Philadelphia, Thursday, the students got into the street and destroyed considerable property. The police arrested one of them, and the others attacked the police with bricks and stones, and followed them to the station-house. Several pistol-shots were fired and a bystander was shot in the hand.

The Shakers of Union village, Ohio, have been victimized by Lorenzo Dow Dobbins, from Virginia. He joined the community six months ago, and becoming an elder, was given charge of financial affairs. He sold off 2,500 bushels of corn and disappeared with the proceeds last Saturday. He was traced to Middletown, where he took the train.

In the case of a large land suit lately tried in the United States District Court at Charleston, W. Va., it was decided that holding land in peaceable possession for ten years, and paying taxes on it entitled the actual occupant to a good title. The decision has naturally an important bearing upon titles to land held nominally by many non-residents, generally speculators.

Stabbed by a Crazy Doctor.

A Spartanburg (S. C.) telegram says: Captain John Moore, a conductor on the Chester Cheraw railroad, was passing through a car to-day taking up tickets, and was in the act of punching a ticket when he heard some one exclaim, "Don't do that." Turning around, he was stabbed in the left breast above heart by Dr. T. D. Marion, a physician of Richmond. The assault was apparently without motive, and the only way it can be accounted for is on the supposition that the Doctor was crazy. When the Doctor saw he was foiled he went to slashing the seats with his knife. Soon after the Doctor and conductor again met on the platform of the car, when another attack was about to be made, and the conductor was about to pull the trigger of his revolver on the madman when his hand was staid by the Rev. Frank Hallam, an Episcopal clergyman. The conductor's wounds are painful.

FALL RIVER, MASS., February 4.

A strike at ten mills was inaugurated this morning. Two of the Border-City Mills are running as usual with the exception of the spinners. A few spinners are at work at three Union Mills, and all the other departments are running. At Chase Mills one spinner is at work, and all the other departments are in full operation. Wampanoag Mill is running with the exception of the spinners' department. At Slade Mill the weavers joined the spinners, and only the picker and card-rooms are running. Sagamore No. 1 Mill started as usual this morning, and, as no spinners came in, after half an hour they shut down. Tecumseh No. 1 Mill started up as usual, and, as no spinners came in, it shut down at noon.

Mr. Ed. Edmundson, Manchester, Va., says: "Myself and wife used Brown's Iron Bitters for indigestion and have been entirely cured."

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