

The pension fund is to be \$150,000.

The legislature adjourned Saturday.

The most aggressive nation of the world is Mrs. Nation of Kansas.

The appropriation of \$100,000 to the public schools was snowed under in the Senate.

The members of the General Assembly have voted themselves the privilege of free passes.

Mrs. Nation in her work of destroying the saloons has overlooked the fourth commandment.

A good argument for the removal of the jail is the fact that in cases of change of venue more than one prisoner has expressed a desire to be removed to the Fairfield jail where the people could be seen.

Even the most earnest advocates of prison reform would never advocate such leniency as horseback riding towards the ones held for even the slightest offence.

When it comes to prison reform Fairfield's sheriff is away in the lead.

Hon. Jno. G. Wolling requests us to state that he has been present at the time the child labor bill was voted on, he would have voted against it.

He barely missed the vote on the same, and this was due to the vote being called sooner than expected.

For the next two weeks at least the town council might have the sidewalks kept free from dry goods boxes and other obstructions.

It is felt that the town council should not be tempted to bring the city fathers up for contempt of court.

A Mr. Dunning brings heavy charges against South Carolina's junior senator. He not only claims to have written some of Mr. McLaurin's greatest speeches, but he brings a claim against him for not having paid for the same.

McLaurin will not deliver the speeches of anybody in the United States Senate after March the 4th, 1903.

For fifty cents a day—or perhaps a dollar—a peddler of cheap shoddy wares (that is the usual kind) can get the privilege from the town council of selling his wares on the streets.

The town can easily afford to do without the small pittance raised in this way. If street vendors are to be licensed, let the license be heavy enough for them to feel it and to protect the merchants of the town. Make it prohibitory.

As already suggested the meeting called for March the 4th should be well attended. In addition to the discussion as to a county exhibit, the question of good roads might come in for considerable discussion.

Certain it is that the solution of all rural problems is going to be in the matter of roads. With good roads the leaving of the county will cease; with the roads as at present and getting worse all the while from neglect the rural districts are bound to show a decrease in population.

The next two weeks the attention of the citizens of Winnsboro is likely to be much occupied with court, and before the court is well adjourned our municipal election will be upon us.

Yet the people have not decided whether the election shall be by a primary or club. There is no mistake about the fact that the club peculiarly belongs to the past.

The sentiment of the town is in favor of discontinuing it. But if nobody acts things will move on in the same old way and the election will be held contrary to the wishes of the majority.

Several counties in the State have set Fairfield a fine example in having acts passed providing for the sale of their old jails so that new ones might be built in

more suitable quarters and in a more suitable way. Fairfield certainly needs to take this step. A quarter of a century ago an act was passed providing for the sale of the jail. The same act would not be of any service to-day as the minimum amount specified is greater than the real value of the property. Another act therefore will have to be passed looking to this desired end. The grand jury should take the initiatory step by condemning the present property and recommending the purchase of a suitable site for the erection of a new jail.

The meeting of the farmers called for the first Monday in March should be well attended. The object of the meeting is such a one that every citizen of the county should feel a deep interest. County pride should prompt every one to come out and contribute what he can towards making the exhibit of the county at the State fair and the Charleston exhibition a most creditable one. Chester has challenged the State as to a county exhibit, and as we are the nearest to her, it is our duty to accept her dare. It is no boast at all to say that when it comes to natural resources we can easily outstrip her. Certainly with united action Fairfield can easily outdistance the county of Chester.

That is a terrible condition of things that has been unearthed in Anderson county where a system of slavery practically exists, and it is to the credit of the Hon. Jno. G. Wolling of Fairfield that the matter has been brought to public notice. Upon the floor of the house in discussing the present contract system he declared that such a condition of things did exist in some counties, citing Anderson as an illustration. The county papers took it up and the exposure has been made so complete that Judge Benet has ordered a special term of court for March 7th to make a full investigation as to the same. The system alluded to is well illustrated in the case of the State vs. Newell charged with murder, in which it was developed that Hull had been killed while in Newell's stockade, that he was not there as a convict, but

of he case before the grand jury, the presiding judge remarked:

It seems that he was charged by Newell with violation of a labor contract; that Newell swore out a warrant for his arrest before Magistrate Jamea J. Gilmer; that the magistrate issued the warrant, placed it in the hands of Newell as a deputy, and that Newell thus deputized and accompanied by a sheriff's constable, Dillingham, went to the home of Will Hull and arrested him. It appears that they did not take him to jail, and so far as the testimony shows that was the end of the process of the law. Instead of being taken to jail, as he ought to have been, under the warrant of arrest, by some strange procedure he was taken to Newell's stockade, where it seems that Newell had some 18 convicts at work on his farm. So, gentlemen, here was a poor negro taken from his wife and children under a pretext of arrest. The machinery of the law was used to seize him, take him from his home and put him in a convict's stockade and work him like a convict without process of law. He was under no sentence of the court, he had not been tried. The testimony showed that he was guarded like a convict, made to labor like a convict and treated in all respects like a convict. And indeed the manner of his death would seem to indicate that it was in an effort to leave this convict camp that he was shot as a felon might be shot in endeavoring to escape the sentence of the law. Gentlemen, this is a serious matter, and I charge you that it is your duty to make a thorough investigation of this case. You will bring before you the magistrate that issued the warrant and the constables that executed it. You have the power to send for persons and papers and you will only be doing your duty in making a thorough investigation and reporting upon this treatment of Will Hull.

A contract practically as binding as slavery was next read. The case will probably bring to light a great sensation, for which Mr. Wolling will deserve the credit of the first public notice of it.

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Small grain is not looking well. More grain was sown here last fall than usual.

It will soon be time to commence gardening.

There was a valentine party at Mr. D. W. Tidwell's on Thursday evening, the 14th inst. Quite a large crowd was present and a very pleasant evening was spent. The valentines were read by Mr. R. B. Lewis. Some of them were very amusing indeed.

Mr. L. R. Boyd, of Ridgeway, visited relatives here during the past week.

Miss Porter, of Greensboro, N. C., visited Miss Nannie Tidwell last week.

Mr. Laban Bush, of Hopkins, is visiting at Mr. D. W. Tidwell's.

Mr. J. W. Seiger, of Winnsboro, is visiting relatives in this section.

Mr. Will Stewart, of Columbia, is spending some time here with relatives.

Mr. J. A. Tidwell and Mr. Gorman, of Hopkins, attended the party at Mr. Tidwell's.

Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Harrison spent Wednesday in Columbia.

Mr. Lewis Dye, of Blackstocks, attended the valentine party Thursday evening.

There was a dining at Dr. Harrison's on Friday. The host and charming hostess, with characteristic hospitality, did everything possible to contribute to the enjoyment of their guests. The following guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Dixon, Mr. Samuel McCormick and Mrs. Anderson.

Quite a crowd attended the valentine party from Ridgeway, among whom were the following: Misses Lula and Effie Cooper and Miss Iola Kennedy and Messrs. Robt. Bolick, Jack Crumpton, Joe Coleman and Brooks Cooper.

February 17, 1901.

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A quiet wedding took place in Union last evening, Thursday, at 5.30.

The contracting parties being Mr. Christopher H. Peake and Miss Agnes B. Rice, both of Union. The ceremony was performed at the residence of Capt. G. C. Perrin, by the Rev. W. A. Massabeau of the First Methodist Church. That the life's journey of this couple will be one of peace, prosperity and happiness, there can be no doubt, as both bride and groom belong to the first families of Union, their family history dating back to the infant's infancy, and have furnished the best and most prominent citizens of the town and county. This connecting of these illustrious families can not fail short of happiness. Mr. Peake, the esteemed Master of Union county, having held this important office for a goodly number of years to the entire satisfaction of all concerned. While the bride is recognized as one of Union's sweetest and most charming young ladies. By her sweet and lovable disposition and her gentle nature she has surrounded herself with a host of admiring friends, who wish her joy and happiness through life. The happy couple boarded the night train for a trip through Florida on their wedding tour. We only voice the sentiment of the entire community in wishing them a long life of happiness.

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HUGH S. WYLIE, Admr. Estate T. W. Rawls, dec'd. 1-22-4

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HUGH S. WYLIE, Admr. Estate Mrs. Eliza Weir, dec'd. 1-22-4

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