

**LOCAL DOTS**

—Cotton brought 11½ cent on this market yesterday; cotton seed, 21 cents.

—Spartanburg voted out the dispensary last Tuesday by a vote of 6 to 1.

—Lancaster's election for mayor and aldermen comes off Dec. 12th.

—The Sims school, which is to be taught by Mrs. Della Flynn, will open next Monday.

—The Gills Creek school will open next Monday, 13th. It will be taught by Miss Eunice Long.

The Greenville News has been bought by Caldwell and Tompkins, publishers of the Charlotte Observer.

—Miss Irene Swearingen has been elected librarian of the Library Association. She will no doubt make a most excellent one.

—The town authorities shipped a lot of seized liquor—some 10 or 15 gallons—to Columbia Thursday.

—Clerk of the Court Gregory and Sheriff Hunter will both sell some valuable lands at public auction next sales day, as will be seen by their advertisement elsewhere in today's paper.

—The valuable plantation on Cane Creek that belonged to the estate of the late Maj. Miller, valued at ten thousand dollars, was sold this week. Our esteemed fellow townsman Mr. H. N. Sowell is the purchaser.

—Dr. J. E. Ratledge spent a few days this week at Mullins, hunting. He accidentally shot a man, whom he did not see, while shooting at a bird. The party was only slightly hurt, a shot or two striking him on the hand.

**A Diminutive Fire.**

A lot of cotton samples in the Lancaster Mercantile company's grocery store caught fire yesterday morning and caused considerable scurrying around of clerks and others for a little while, until the flames were extinguished. The fire was due to the accidental dropping of a lighted match on the cotton.

**Mass Meeting at Heath Springs.**

A mass meeting will be held at Heath Springs, in the Baptist church, next Monday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, to discuss the liquor question. Citizens of both the town and surrounding country are invited to attend.

**Special Rate Offered Ministers.**

The management of The News has decided to make a special subscription rate of one dollar a year to ministers of the gospel. This offer is open to ministers regardless of their place of residence, whether in Lancaster, the county or elsewhere.

—The Government's estimate of the condition of the cotton crop up to Nov. 1st was made public yesterday. The figures are 68.8. The market went off some 20 or more points on the strength of the report, but later on advanced again. Spot cotton brought 11½ on this market yesterday. The receipts continue light here.

**PERSONAL**

Dr. R. O. Brown paid a visit to Camden this week.

Capt. J. H. Fitzpatrick, of Washington, Ga., is in town.

Mr. J. M. Cauthen, of the Kershaw section, was in town yesterday.

Mrs. J. H. McManus, of Van Wyck, visited Mrs. John Clyburn this week.

Mr. W. H. Greer, of the Columbia State, was in town this week.

Mr. T. M. Hughes returned last night from a visit to Fort Mill, his old home.

Mr. T. R. Langley, now of Anniston, Ala., is on a visit to Lancaster, his old home.

Mr. Whisonant, of the Poag Real Estate agency of Rock Hill, was in town yesterday.

Miss Emma Lee Nisbit of the graded school spent Saturday and Sunday at her home in Van Wyck.—Monroe Journal.

Mrs. Amzi McNinch, of Lancaster, passed through Saturday afternoon on her return from a two weeks' visit to her daughter in Columbia.—Chester Lantern.

Miss Ella Belk, daughter of Mr. Crawford Belk, of Fort Mill, is visiting the family of Chief of Police I. T. Hunter. Her brothers, Willie and James Belk, are also visiting in the county.

**Tuesday's Homicide.**

**Further Particulars of the Killing of Alec McGriff by his Stepfather, Andrew Anderson—The Latter now in Jail.**

Andrew Anderson, the old negro who killed his stepson, Alexander McGriff, last Tuesday afternoon, on Col. Springs's Wade place, as published in Wednesday's issue of The News, was arrested and lodged in jail Tuesday night by Sheriff Hunter. He made no effort to escape. Coroner Caskey held an inquest over the dead negro the same night.

McGriff, it seems, who lived on Mr. Jack Williams's place, had been to the river bottoms after a load of hay and stopped at his stepfather's home. The two men, it is said, began quarreling, Anderson accusing McGriff of causing trouble between himself and his wife, who is the mother of McGriff. The old man, we are told, claims that McGriff threatened to "brain" him with an ear of corn, whereupon he discharged his gun, which he had in his hand, not for the purpose of killing McGriff but in order to scare him. The load, however, struck McGriff in the head, killing him almost instantly.

McGriff, though a young man, was in very good circumstances, having accumulated some property.

—Midshipman Branch was killed in a fist fight at the Annapolis Naval Academy this week.

**A. R. P. Synod.**

**The 102nd Annual Session of the General Synod of the South being Held in Due West.**

Special to The Observer.

Due West, S. C., Nov. 9.—The 102nd General Synod of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church of the South met here this morning in annual session with more than 100 of the ministers and elders present at the first roll call. The morning session bids fair to be the most largely attended in the history of the church. Delegates are present from every state in the South in which the Associate Reformed church has established missions.

The meeting today was presided over by the retiring moderator, Rev. S. W. Reid, of the Louisville, Ky., church, who preached a strong sermon from First Corinthians 15:27, "Ye are the body of Christ." It was a plain yet striking dissertation in which the church, as subordinate to the head which is Christ, was compared with the members of the physical body which are subordinate to the head.

After the sermon the retiring moderator declared the Synod in session and called to the chair the new moderator, Rev. H. B. Blakely, of Troy, S. C., who made a happy speech, thanking the body for the honor conferred upon him. Rev. D. H. Bonner, pastor of the Due West church, introduced Rev. Dr. J. A. Brown, of the Due West Baptist church; Dr. J. Lowrie Wilson, of the Abbeville Presbyterian church, and Rev. Dr. T. H. Law, field secretary of the American Bible Society, all of whom were invited to sit as consultative members.

It being the noon day hour, the motion for adjournment until tonight at 7.15 o'clock was made and passed. A conference on education will be held at this hour when the routine business of the Synod will again be resumed. Rev. J. A. Smith, of the Monticello, Ark., church, preached last night to a large audience.

**Letters Uncalled For.**

The following is a list of the letters remaining in the post office uncalled for, for the week ending Nov. 11th 1905:

Messrs. John Thompson, Jeddson Thompson, Stewarce Thompson, D. E. Thompson, Tom String, Jacob McKenney, W. M. Massey.

Mesdames Jane Funderburk, F. V. Gettis.

J. F. HUNTER, P. M.

**The Rawlingses Must Hang.**

Valdosta, Ga., Nov. 8.—The Supreme Court of Georgia today affirmed the decisions of the lower court in the case of the Rawlings men convicted of the murder of the two Carter children near here. R. G. Rawlings, the father, and two of his sons, Milton and Jesse, must go to the gallows, while another son, Leonard, must serve a life sentence in the penitentiary.



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**Town Talk**

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**NOTICE.**

NOTICE is hereby given that the books for the registration of the qualified electors of the Town of Lancaster will be open for the registration of qualified electors at the office of the Treasurer of the County of Lancaster in the Court House every Monday in each week commencing Monday Nov. 6th 1905, and continuing until Monday Dec. 4th 1905 inclusive.

A. McManus, Supervisor Registration. Oct. 31st 1905.

**MULES AND HORSES**

**The Best Ever!**

A car load of the finest Mules and Horses ever seen in Lancaster was received by us today. Every animal was carefully selected in person by our Mr. Elliott, on the Western markets this week. Call and see the beauties.

**HEATH-ELLIOTT MULE CO.**

Nov. 3, 1905.

**SHERIFF'S SALE.**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, County of Lancaster, IN THE COMMON PLEAS.

J. G. Baird, Plaintiff,

vs.

Walter S. Taylor, Defendant.

BY virtue of an order of Court made in the above stated cause, dated Oct. 24, 1905, and also by virtue of an execution to me directed in said case, I will sell at public auction at Lancaster court house on the first Monday in December next, within the legal hours of sale, the following described real estate, which has been levied upon under said execution as the property of the defendant, to-wit: All that piece, parcel or tract of land in the town of Lancaster, said county and state, containing one and one-half acres, more or less, running along Market street from Chesterfield Avenue to Southern Railway Company's track and fronting on said Chesterfield Avenue,—being a portion of the estate lands of Julia A. Taylor, dec'd.

Also, all that lot of land, with the buildings thereon, situate in the said town, county and state, on the West side of Main street, extended, containing one and one-half acres, more or less, tenanted by H. G. McIlwain and being a portion of the estate lands of Julia A. Taylor, dec'd.

Terms of sale, cash; purchaser to pay for papers.

JNO. P. HUNTER, Sheriff Lan. Co. Lancaster, S. C., Nov. 10, 1905. Williams & Williams, Pltfs Att'ys.

**CLERK'S SALE.**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, County of Lancaster, IN THE COMMON PLEAS.

N. W. A. Evans, et. al.—Plaintiffs,

vs.

S. A. Steele.—Defendant.

BY virtue of a decree made in the above stated cause, by Judge O. W. Buchanan, dated Oct. 28, 1905, I will sell at public auction at Lancaster courthouse on the 4th day of December next, to the highest bidder, within the legal hours of sale, the following described real estate, to-wit: All that piece, parcel or tract of land lying, being and situate in the county of Lancaster, in the State of South Carolina, containing Twenty Acres, more or less, bounded north by lands of William Vick; east by lands of William McCorkie and Ernest Moore; south by lands of Benjamin Cook and Palmer Steele, and west by lands of Alexander Steele.

Terms of sales CASH; purchaser to pay for papers.

J. F. GREGORY, Ernest Moore, C. C. C. P. L. C. Plaintiffs' Attorney. Lancaster, Nov. 10, 1905.

**CLERK'S SALE**

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, County of Lancaster, IN THE COMMON PLEAS.

W. B. Cauthen, as Administrator,

vs.

Alexander Cauthen, et. al.—Defendants.

PURSUANT to an order of court made in the above stated cause, by Judge O. W. Buchanan, dated Oct. 28, 1905, I will sell at public auction at Lancaster court house, on the first Monday in December next, within the legal hours of sale, the following described real estate, to-wit: All that piece, parcel or tract of land situate in Cedar Creek township, in Lancaster county, in the State of South Carolina, containing 470 acres, more or less, and bounded north by the estate lands of Irvin Clinton and Mary Massey; east by lands of Heath, Springs & Co., formerly the Baker lands; south and west by the estate lands of Lewis Patterson.

Also, all that piece, parcel or tract of land, situate in Pleasant Hill township, in said county and state, containing three hundred and eighty-four acres, more or less, and bounded north by lands formerly known as the Stewman lands; east by lands of John Harper; south and southeast by the estate lands of John Bailey; west by the estate lands of Reuben Bailey, this tract being known as the Duncan tract.

Terms of sales Cash; purchaser or purchasers to pay for all necessary papers. In the event purchaser or purchaser fail to comply with their bids within 24 hours, said real estate will be resold on the following Monday upon same terms.

J. F. GREGORY, Green & Hines, C. C. C. P. L. C. Plaintiffs' Attorneys. Ernest Moore, Defendants' Attorney.

**Notice to All Persons Indebted Heath Banking & Mercantile Company and Clyburn-Heath Mule Company**

All persons indebted to the undersigned by notes or accounts are respectfully and earnestly requested to come forward and settle same at once. These firms are now in liquidation, and it is absolutely necessary that all parties indebted to them should settle before November 15th otherwise we will be compelled to place the accounts in the hands of our A for collection.

Heath Banking & Clyburn-Heath M

**Notice of**

For the information of every I hereby give notice that I have received a communication from the Governor of the State that under the Dispensary Act, whiskey shipped into the name of a firm or in person other than the person it is liable to be seized, is liable to be seized, and the person who can order same shipped, in his own name, provided it is for personal use. R. E. Nov. 7th 1905.