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The New York Presbyterian synod officially endorses Bishop Potter's stand on the divorce question, refusing to recognize divorce except on the New Testament ground.

## NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS HOLDING claims against the estate of H. Jackson Gregory, deceased, are hereby notified to present the same duly verified and those indebted to said estate must come forward at once and settle with the undersigned.

W. T. Gregory, Admr.,  
Green & Hines Attys for Admr.  
Sept. 30, '99—3 weeks.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE.

I WILL BE IN LANCASTER for a short time to settle up the accounts due T. M. Fitzpatrick & Bro., all parties owing the above firm must settle up at once. When I leave all accounts unpaid, will be placed in an officers hand for collection. Don't fail to heed this notice as it will be positively the last time I will be here.

J. H. FITZPATRICK  
Oct. 9, '99

## SPECIAL NOTICE!

ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO us, either by note or account, must come forward and settle promptly. We have sold out our mercantile business to the Lancaster Mercantile Co., and it will be impossible for us to carry our customers any longer. As you well know, we have always tried to be very indulgent and accommodating to our customers and have never pressed them unnecessarily, so we hope they will appreciate the fact now that we are going out of business and will come forward promptly and make settlement. All notes and accounts will be due by the first of November and we will expect settlement in full by that time.

Thanking our friends and the public generally for their liberal patronage in the past, we are,

Very respectfully,  
HEATH, SPRINGS & CO.  
Oct. 3, 1899—1m.

## NOTICE TO DEBTORS.

ON ACCOUNT OF WRETCHED health for the past few months I am compelled to be absent from Lancaster for treatment for some weeks. I leave my books and accounts with Mr. John Crawford at Elliott & Crawford's stables. He is duly authorized to collect for me, and I will be glad for all my friends who are indebted to me to call on him and settle at their earliest convenience. I will necessarily need money in undergoing treatment and I will appreciate your prompt settlement.

Very Respectfully,  
W. M. CRAWFORD, M. D.  
Sept. 29, 1899—6w.

Buggies, Buggies; Buggies galore—  
Buggies good, Buggies better, Buggies Best—  
Buggies big, Buggies little, Buggies on every story—  
Buggies for comfort and Buggies to last.

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Of all grades and at prices ranging from \$30 for a good top buggy on up. In fact, just at this season we are making a specialty of BUGGIES. Our large weekly sales is the secret of our being able to sell a good BUGGY for SO LITTLE MONEY.

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LIVERY IN POPULAR FAVOR.  
SERVICE GO (I GENTLE HORSES.  
AND CAREFUL DRIVERS.  
AND CAREFUL DRIVERS.  
Plenty of Wagons and Harness, too.  
Call and see us.  
**ELLIOTT & CRAWFORD.**

## A FIENDISH NEGRO BURNED AT THE STAKE.

### His Crime Unparalleled for Its Merciless Barbarity.

Tied Mrs. Gambrel and Four Children to Floor, Saturated House With Oil, and Applied Fire.

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 20—A special to The Scimitar from Canton, Miss., says:

The little town of Saint Anne, 20 miles east of Canton, in Leake county, was last night the scene of a tragedy—a sequel to the burning of the Gambrel family the night before. Joe Leflore, a negro, who was captured by a posse, confessed that he, in company with other negroes, had tied Mrs. Gambrel and her four children to the floor of the house, saturated the surroundings with kerosene and burned the people alive. The negro, after a confession of the crime, was promptly roped to a stake and burned to a crisp while the citizens looked on in silence.

Another negro, Bob Smith, was saved in the nick of time, as there was doubt as to his guilt.

The Gambrel tragedy occurred Thursday morning, and it was first thought that the fire was the result of an accident. A casual investigation revealed circumstances so suspicious that a more searching investigation was made, and it was soon established beyond doubt that the family had been murdered and the house fired.

Posses were immediately formed to scour the country and followed every possible clue. Before the posses left St. Anne it was discovered that Joe Leflore, a negro who lived in the neighborhood and who had heretofore borne a good reputation, had disappeared. Early last evening Leflore was captured several miles from the scene of murder. At first the murderer denied any knowledge of the crime, but finally broke down and confessed that he and Bob and Andrew Smith, two other negroes, were guilty. He hoped for no mercy and told with a brutal frankness all the details of the crime. In the yard where the Gambrel residence had stood Leflore was tied to a stake and burned alive. No one sent a merciful bullet into his body to kill him. Andrew Smith escaped from the mob while Leflore was being burned and has not been captured. Bob Smith was tied to another stake and a fire started, though he was finally released as there was a possibility of his proving his innocence.

Andrew Smith will be recaptured, and if it is proven that he and his brother Bob are guilty, it is thought no power can save them from a similar fate meted out to Leflore.

The sheriff of Leake county went to the scene of the tragedy this afternoon and took the negro Robert Smith and three negro women who were implicated by Leflore and started to Carthage, the county seat. It is not thought the sheriff will reach Carthage with his prisoners, as there are about 500 men gathered about the scene of the crime, and they seem determined to let no guilty one escape their vengeance. Telephone communication is very limited, the nearest connection being St. Anne's, about four miles distant from the Gambrel place.

## ONE MORE LYNCHED.

Leake County, Miss., Aroused by Fiendish Murder of Gambrel Family.

Memphis, Oct. 21—A special to The Commercial Appeal from Carthage, Miss., says: For the fiendish murder of the five members of the Gambrel family at St. Anne's, in this (Leake) county, two men have paid the death penalty—one by burning at the stake, the other by hanging. Two negroes are under arrest beyond the confines of this county and a posse is said to be in pursuit of two white men. This last statement, however, is contradicted from another point, and developments must be awaited.

Last night John Oliver Gray, a negro, was captured after being chased for miles in the swamps. He confessed that he was one of the party that did the murderous work, and the posse made short work of him. He was hanged and his swaying body riddled with bullets. Gray in his confession implicated two white men, and these men, according to report, are being pursued, having, it is said, left the neighborhood.

## BLACK ON OUTZTS.

Language Which Seems to Invite an Immediate Fight.

Special to Greenville News.

Columbia, S. C., Oct. 21.—Shipping Clerk John Black today gave out a card replying to Ouzts's charges. In brief, he says that he has been connected with the dispensary since May 1898, and that no one ever found fault with him except Ouzts, who has always disliked him.

When Douthit was elected commissioner, Ouzts, Mr. Black says, was as near heaven as he wanted to be as he then thought that he would have a say. He at once started to run the whole thing.

"I found that he was going through my desk," Mr. Black says, "and told him if I ever caught him stealing from me again that I would blow his head off."

Mr. Black admits that he made mistakes and shows that Ouzts made mistakes also by several affidavits from Webb and others. "There is now locked up in Ouzts's desk at the dispensary," he says, "twenty one bottles of whiskey." He says that Ouzts visited northern whiskey men last winter and insinuates that they paid his expenses.

He says that "Young is an orphan boy working hard to support his mother and aunt" and in conclusion declares that Ouzts was turned out for dishonesty and violating orders "and my opinion of him is that he is a thief, scoundrel and liar." He is severe in his language against Ouzts and says he did not want to let go the job of shipping clerk, insinuating he made money out of it.

## A FRIGHTFUL BLUNDER.

Will often cause a horrible Burn, Scald, Cut or Bruise. Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the world, will kill the pain and promptly heal it. Cures Old Sores, Fever Sores, Ulcers, Boils, Felons, Corns, all Skin Eruptions. Best Pile cure on earth. Only 25 cts a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by Crawford Bros Druggists.

## BOERS BEATEN BY THE BRITISH.

### First Serious Battle of Campaign Fought at Glencoe.

Sight Described as Grand Exhibition of Courage—Boers Fled—British Loss 250; Boers, 800.

Glencoe Camp, Oct. 20, 2:50 p. m.—After eight hours of continuous heavy fighting, Talana hill was carried by the Dublin Fusiliers and the King's Rifles under cover of a well served artillery by the Thirteenth and Sixty-ninth batteries.

The Boers, who threatened the British rear, have retired. The fight was almost an exact counter part of that at Majuba Hill, except that the positions of the Boer and British forces were reversed. Gen Symons was severely but not dangerously wounded.

Afternoon—The battle today has been a brilliant success. The Boers got a reverse which may possibly, for a time at any rate, check all aggressive action.

The British artillery practice in the early part of the day decided the battle. The seizure of Dundee Hill by the Boers was a surprise, for although the pickets had been exchanging shots all night, it was not until a shell boomed over the town into the camp that their presence was discovered. Then the shells came fast. The hill was positively alive with the swarming Boers, until the British artillery got to work with magnificent energy and precision.

The batteries from the camp took up positions to the south of the town and after a quarter of an hour's magnificent firing, silenced the guns on the hills.

The correspondent could see shells dropping among the Boer pieces with remarkable accuracy and doing tremendous execution, for the enemy were present in very large numbers and in places considerably exposed.

By this time the army held the whole of the hill behind Smith's Farms and the Dundee Kopje, right away to the south, in which direction the British infantry and cavalry moved at once.

The fighting raged particularly hot at the valley outside the town. Directly the Boer guns ceased firing Gen Symons ordered the infantry to move on the position. The infantry charge was magnificent.

The storming of the position by the King's Royal Rifles and the Dublin Fusiliers was one of the most magnificent sights ever witnessed. The firing of the Boers was not so deadly as might have been expected from troops occupying such an excellent position; but the infantry lost heavily going up the hill, and only the consummately brilliant way in which Gen Symons had trained them to fighting of this kind saved them being swept away. Indeed the hill was almost inaccessible to the storming party, and any hesitation would have lost the day. The enemy's guns, so far as the correspondent could see, were all abandoned, for the Boers had no time to remove them. A stream of fugitives poured down the hill side into the valley, where the battle went on with no abatement. Gen Symons was wounded

early in the action, and the command then devolved on Gen Yule. It is feared Gen Symons is fatally hurt.

The enemy as they fled were followed by the cavalry, mounted infantry and artillery. The direction taken was to the eastward. At the latest reports the cavalry had not returned.

Some say that four and some say five guns were captured. The Boer artillery firing was weak. A lot of plugged shells were used.

Although the enemy's position was carried soon after 1 o'clock, scattered firing went on almost all the afternoon.

The British losses are very severe, but those of the Boers are much heavier.

The final rush was made with a triumphant yell, and as the British troops charged to close quarters the enemy turned and fled, leaving all their impediments and guns behind them.

While this was going on, one battery of artillery, the Eighteenth Hussars, and the mounted infantry, with a part of the Leicestershire regiment, got on the enemy's flank and as the Boers streamed wildly down the hills, making for the main road, they found their retreat had been cut off, but they rallied for a while and there was severe firing, with considerable loss to each side. Many of the enemy surrendered.

A rough estimate places the British loss at 250 killed or wounded, and that of the Boers at 800.

## The British Casualties.

London, Oct. 21—The war office announces that in the fighting yesterday between Glencoe and Dundee, in Natal, 31 non-commissioned officers and men were killed and 151 wounded.

## FIGHTING CONTINUES NEAR GLENCOE CAMP.

Meagre Dispatches Tell of Engagements Around Dundee.

Glencoe Camp, Natal Oct. 22.—Heavy firing is now in progress to the northwest of this camp.

London, Oct. 22.—According to a special dispatch from Glencoe camp the British cavalry while pursuing the defeated Boers, were engaged by a strong force of the enemy on the north road. Firing is now in progress.

Cape Town, Oct. 21, 10 a. m.—It is reported here from Glencoe that the Boer force under the commandant, Gen Joubert, has attacked, or is about to attack, the British entrenched position at Glencoe.

3 p. m.—It is now definitely known that Glencoe was attacked yesterday by the Boer main northern column. Our forces are entrenched in a good position. The situation there is not yet fully cleared up.

Cape Town, Oct. 22, 2 p. m.—A dispatch has just arrived announcing that the Boers are shelling Dundee, east of Glencoe, at long range, but that their fire is ineffective.

Lourenzo Marques, Oct. 21 (delayed in transmission)—The town is fairly run over with refugees, among whom are a thousand persons released from Transvaal jails. Thousands of natives, men and women, are huddled together, and there is a large representation of Johannesburg

roughs, Malays and Indians, who speaking different languages, create a perfect pandemonium.

A transport has been ordered to take the British destitute away immediately.

## British Arms Win After Fine Fight.

Glencoe Camps, S. A., Oct. 23.—An attack made by the Boers on the British position Saturday enabled the British to secure a signal success. The Boer column was driven pell mell over the plains, losing 300 in killed and wounded. In addition the British captured several hundred horses, and made many prisoners.

## THE BOER CASUALTIES.

London, Oct. 23.—An official dispatch from Ladysmith, gives the list of casualties among the Boers at the battle of Elands Laagte, among whom are, Gen Villjoen, killed; Gen Kock, wounded and captured, since died; Gen Kock's son, killed; Colonel Schiel, a German officer commanding the artillery, wounded and a prisoner. Several Boer standards were captured.

## THE BRITISH LOSSES.

The official list of the British casualties at the same battle shows: Colonel Scott Chisholm, killed, and one colonel, one major, eight captains and eleven lieutenants, wounded; thirty-seven non-commissioned officers and privates killed and 130 wounded.

## BIG TRESTLE BURNED.

Over Broad River on Air Line Road. Take Week to Rebuild.

Special to The State.

Blacksburg, Oct. 31.—The bridge of the Southern railway across Broad river, three miles south of this place, was burned last night. The entire trestle work of the east end and all of the wood work on the bridge was entirely consumed, but the bridge itself, which is of iron, is left intact. The bridge proper, besides the trestles, was four spans, or 592 feet long. The trestle will soon be rebuilt, and it is thought that trains will be running over it in one week. In the meantime Southern trains will pass over the South Carolina and Georgia Extension road from this place to Gaffney.

Dewey Cannot Fill His Engagements.

Washington, Oct. 21—Admiral Dewey, on the advice of his physician, has cancelled the dates for his visits to Philadelphia and Atlanta and will accept no more invitations of this sort before next spring.

Funston Offered Commission as General.

Kansas City, Oct. 24.—A Star special from San Francisco says: Gen Fred Funston today received a telegram from the war department offering him a brigadier's command if he would return to the Philippine islands after his former regiment, the Twentieth Kansas, is mustered out. Gen Funston accepted the offer.

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