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In Order To Reduce Stock By JANUARY FIRST

WE ARE OFFERING SOME
GREAT BARGAINS IN ALL
DEPARTMENTS OF OUR
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Men's \$5.00 Suits \$3.00

" 7.00 " 4.00

" 10.00 " 7.50

Boy's Suits for 50 cents.

Men's 6.00 Overcoats 4.00.

We can certainly save you
money on anything you want to
buy.

Be sure and come to see us.

RESPECTFULLY.

Lancaster Mercantile Co

Happenings in the State.

Chronicles by the Alert Correspondents of The Columbia State.

SHOOTING AT NEGRO FROLIC.

Laurens, Jan 21.—Last night near Gray Court Fletch Spurgeon and Charley Williams got into a row at a negro frolic. The handy and inevitable pistol was brought into play with the result that Williams was shot perhaps fatally.

SERIOUS FIRE AT BELTON.

Belton, Jan 18.—Shortly after 5 o'clock this morning the warehouse of the cotton mill was discovered to be on fire. Three hundred and one bales of cotton and 70 bales of cloth were partially destroyed, besides a large quantity of mill supplies and the third section of the warehouse.

The loss is estimated at \$8,000 or \$10,000 covered by insurance.

TWO WHITE MEN ARRESTED.

Greenville, Jan 21.—Ernest Benson and Kay Robinson, sons of prosperous farmers of this county, were arrested today by Sheriff F Gilreath charged with the murder of Waverly Burns, a young farmer at a dance given at the house of John Hawkins Friday night.

A MYSTERIOUS DEATH.

Summerton, Jan 16.—Melton M Wells was found unconscious about two miles above this place this morning and died about four hours later at the home of his brother, Mr Jack Wells. He was a brother of the late Dr Newton Wells of the Methodist conference. The cause of his death is not known.

SENATOR TILLMAN ILL.

Washington, Jan 20.—Senator Tillman has left Washington for the south in the effort to recover his health. He has been suffering with a severe cold for some time and the unusually severe winter at the national capital has augmented his sickness. He goes first to Trenton, but unless he gets better he may go further south. He will return to Washington as soon as he can shake off his cold.

A WAREHOUSE BURNED.

Anderson, Jan 18.—The warehouse of Mr S J Wakefield, who lives at Antreville in Abbeville county, was burned Monday morning, the loss being about \$1,000. There was no insurance on the building. Several fires of an incendiary origin have recently occurred in the community, and the citizens will offer a reward for the apprehension of the parties who burned the warehouse, as it is supposed to have been set on fire. The governor will also be asked to offer a reward.

MURRAY GETS TWO YEARS.

Durham, N. C., Jan 21.—The trial of W R Murray, for the murder of his uncle, J S Murray, last November, came to a close Tuesday morning. The jury was out 74 hours returning a verdict of guilty of manslaughter. The sentence was two years at hard labor on the public roads. Notice of appeal was made. Bond was fixed at \$2,500, which was given.

MET PECULIAR DEATH.

Newberry, Jan 20.—Last night

about 9 o'clock Joe Hargrove, a young man about 23 years old of this county, was killed by the accidental discharge of a pistol. He and his friend, Percy Ferguson, had gone into Henderson's bowling alley and had started a game of ten pins. They both took off their coats and Hargrove hung his on a nail. His friend, Ferguson, placing a pistol in his coat pocket attempted to hang his own coat over that of Hargrove's. In a moment Ferguson's coat fell and it is supposed, struck a bench, causing the discharge of the pistol, the ball striking young Hargrove in the left side about the tenth rib. Dr Houseal was immediately summoned, but the young man died in a few minutes and before medical aid could reach him.

MR J A WATSON KILLS HIMSELF AT YORKVILLE.

Yorkville, Jan 20.—Mr James A Watson, one of the most highly esteemed citizens of Yorkville committed suicide at 9 o'clock this morning by shooting himself in the head with a muzzle-loading shotgun.

After breakfast he walked out into the yard and a shot was heard but nothing was thought of it. An hour later he was found dead in the rear of his garden with the gun between his legs and a stick lying near with which he pulled the trigger.

He was on the streets yesterday talking pleasantly with friends.

The coroner's verdict was that he caused his own death.

Mr Watson was a gallant Confederate soldier, a lieutenant in Company A Twelfth South Carolina regiment. His death leaves only one survivor of that company here, Mr A Cody.

Mr Watson was an elder and superintendent of the Presbyterian church; devoted most of his time since the war to teaching in the higher schools and colleges. His death has created a great gloom and sadness over the community.

STRAIGHT FACTS.

A whole lot of fancy phrases can be written about remedies, but it takes facts to prove anything—good straight facts. And the strongest fact you ever heard is that Tannopiline is the best cure for piles on the market. It cures absolutely. Has a healing, soothing effect from the start.

Aldrugists have it for \$1.00 a jar. Ask for Tannopiline and don't dare take a substitute.

Under very peculiar circumstances one of the boilers at the state house burst Friday morning at 9 o'clock. The life of James Fudge, the fireman, was endangered, but he was not seriously hurt. The financial damage will be about \$1,000, all of which falls upon the contracting company as the plant had not been accepted by the commission and was being put through a test for 30 days.—The State.

DOMESTIC TROUBLES

It is exceptional to find a family where there are no domestic raptures occasionally, but these can be lessened by having Dr. King's New Life Pills around. Much trouble they save by their great work in stomach and liver troubles. They not only relieve you, but cure. 25c, at Crawford Bros., J. F. Mackey & Co., and Funderburk Phar. Drug Stores.

More bishops for the Methodist Episcopal church have been furnished by Cincinnati than any other city in the United States.

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Sudden Death in Edgefield.

Edgefield, January 21.—Mr. Jacob L. Caughman, cashier of the Farmers' Bank, died very suddenly last night. He had been suffering for a day or so with a vaccinated arm, but to all appearance was in every other respect entirely well. A short time before he died he complained of feeling unwell and lay across the bed and in a few moments breathed his last. Heart failure was the immediate cause of his death. He was a splendid man and useful as a citizen, and his untimely end has cast a gloom over his community. He had reached his 36th year. S. M. S.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the health of the people of this county is in imminent danger and must be taken care of. It has been decided that every precaution be taken to prevent prolonged cases of pneumonia, grippe, etc. The best thing to do is to give a good cough mixture as soon as the cough starts. Get MURRAY'S HORE HOUND, MULLEIN and TAR. Only 25c a bottle. At all druggists.

The Reason for Cutting His Throat.

Charlotte, N. C., Jan 21.—Max Mowry, a well-to-do farmer of Cedde Creek, Cabarrns county, cut his throat with a pocket knife near his home this afternoon and died a few hours later. He had on hand two crops of cotton, and the decline in price is said to have caused the act. When found, Mowry was conscious and in reply to a question as to the cause, said: "Oh, just for fun."

Stop It.

A neglected cough or cold may lead to serious bronchial or lung troubles. Don't take chances when Foley's Honey and Tar affords perfect security from serious effects of a cold. Sold by Funderburk Pharmacy.

Hester's Weekly Statement.

A Decrease of 178,000 Bales is Shown Thus far for January

New Orleans, Jan. 20.—Secretary Hester's weekly cotton statement issued today shows for the 20 days of January a decrease under last year of 178,000 and a decrease under the same period year before last of 218,000 bales.

For the 142 days of the season that have elapsed the aggregate is ahead of the same days of last year 904,000 and ahead of the same days year before last 1,065,000.

The amount brought in sight during the past week has been 151,862 bales against 249,313 for the same seven days last year and 218,948 year before last.

Including stocks left over at ports and interior towns from the last crop and the number of bales brought into sight thus from the new crop, the supply to date is 8,770,379 against 7,872,304 for the same period last year.

A Life at Stake

If you but knew the splendid merit of Foley's Honey and Tar you would never be without it. A dose or two will prevent an attack of pneumonia or la grippe. It may save your life. Sold by Funderburk Pharmacy.

Cotton is so cheap that it is her own fault if even the poorest girl has not a good figure.

When it comes to quick parting the fool and his money are a close second to a woman and her secrets.