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Court Convened Monday.

The regular fall term of the court of general sessions for Lexington county convened on Monday morning at 10 o'clock with the Hon. John S. Wilson, of Manning, Judge Presiding. Frank W. Shealy, Lexington's popular and very efficient clerk of court, had everything in readiness, as his custom; the other officials of the court were at their respective posts and the court got down to business without a hitch.

When the clerk of court polled the grand jury every member was present but on account of the serious illness of the child of Grand Juror Ed W. Weaver, he was excused from a further attendance upon the court. Judge Wilson charged the grand jury very briefly, stating at the outset that he took it for granted that his predecessor at the beginning of the year had thoroughly charged the body as to their general duties. Judge Wilson called the jury's attention, however, to the importance of making a careful examination of all of the county officials' affairs and urged them if they had not already done so, to do so before adjourning at this term. As each bill was handed out the court explained in a clear and concise manner the law governing the case, leaving but little for the jury to do save considering the evidence as it was presented by the various witnesses.

The first case called for trial was that of the State against "Dick" Keisler, a negro charged with violating the dispensary law. A number of witnesses were sworn for the prosecution and the defense, and it was late in the afternoon before the case was given to the jury. A verdict of guilty was rendered as to five counts in the indictment, but Judge Wilson deferred passing sentence until later in the week. Solicitor Timmerman appeared for the State, while A. D. Martin, Esq., represented Keisler.

The next case called was that of Will Suber, a negro from Peak, charged with selling liquor. The case was concluded Tuesday morning when the jury, of which L. H. Shealy, of Leesville, was foreman, returned a verdict of "not guilty." E. U. Shealy, Esq., of Ballentine, represented Suber, Solicitor Timmerman for the prosecution.

At the conclusion of the Suber case Solicitor Timmerman announced that the State was ready in the case of the State against Elliott Pound, charged with obtaining goods under false pretense. Attorney Asbill stated that the defendant was ready and a jury was quickly empaneled. Young Pound, it was alleged, schemed and devised with intent to defraud Mrs. Minnie Saunders, his first cousin and a widow lady, into trading to him a good mule for a mare which turned out to be worthless; Pound guaranteeing the animal to be "as sound as a dollar." After a trial lasting all day the case was given to the jury at 6 o'clock yesterday evening. After remaining in their room all night, a verdict of guilty was rendered.

The court today is engaged in the trial of the case of the State against Levi Gunter, of Steedman, upon the charge of murder. It is alleged that the defendant killed Lester Gunter, his first cousin, during the month of October, last year. There are many witnesses on both sides and the trial will consume all of today and possibly run into, if not through, tomorrow. The State is represented by Solicitor George Bell Timmerman and E. L. Asbill, Esq., while Messrs. Efrid & Dreher and Senator W. H. Sharpe appeared for the defense. Every inch of ground is being hotly contested by the opposing counsel.

CASES DISPOSED OF.

Troy Phillips, a white man entered a plea of guilty upon arraignment on Monday to the charge of housebreaking and larceny, and was sentenced by Judge Wilson to serve 12 months at hard labor upon the public works of Lexington county or a like period in the State penitentiary. Phillips, in answer to a query by the court, stated that his home was in Houston, Texas; that he had been traveling for the past four years "making it easy;" that his parents were dead, and that he had but few, if any, relatives living. Judge Wilson took occasion to give the young man a severe lecture, saying that he hoped that this would be the turning point in his life. "It is

a sad spectacle," said he, "when an able-bodied white man resorts to the thievery in this great country of ours, in preference to working for his livelihood. There is not a man living in Lexington county, sir, that would not have granted your request for something to eat, if you would have made your circumstances known in a manly way, and therefore, there is absolutely no excuse for you to have committed the crime to which you have just pleaded guilty." Phillips, according to his own story, entered the home of Frank Surginer, a negro, near Dixiana, and took therefrom a pair of shoes, a plug of tobacco and something to eat.

Dr. J. F. Gregg, the North Carolinian, pleaded guilty to the charge of practicing medicine without a license, and sentenced to serve 12 months upon the public works of Lexington county or a like period in the penitentiary or pay a fine of \$100. Gregg is the man who skipped his bond for appearance at the June term of court and was captured only a few weeks ago in Marshall county, North Carolina, to which state he had fled, carrying a mule with him, the property of one of his bondsmen. The mule was recovered by Sheriff Miller at the same time Gregg was captured and the animal has been returned to its rightful owner. Gregg has not paid his fine yet, although it is expected that he will do so.

J. B. Hiller, a well-known white man, of Peak, entered a plea of guilty to the charge of storing whiskey yesterday and received a sentence of three months at hard labor or pay a fine of \$100. The fine was paid. Judge Wilson gave the aged Dutch Forker a severe lecture before passing sentence. Judge Wilson characterized every blind tiger as a willful law-breaker, "because," said he, "every man who sells whiskey knows that he is violating the law, and but little mercy should be shown." In conclusion Judge Wilson said: "I am going to take into consideration your white hairs and give you a light sentence—the minimum—in the hope that you will live out the remaining portion of your life an upright and honest, law-abiding citizen, setting an example before your fellow-citizens, and to your county and to your state."

The grand jury will complete its work for the year sometime during today, when it will present to the court the final report of that body for the year. The presentment will include, it is thought, the report of the auditing company who, a few weeks ago, made a thorough examination of the affairs of the county and will doubtless be a lengthy and interesting document.

The court will run far into next week, it is thought, as there are four murder cases to be disposed of besides the Gunter case now in progress.

Board Organized.

Governor Blease appointed to compose the board of dispensers for Lexington county Messrs. G. A. Goodwin, Geo. H. Koon and Walter F. Hook. These gentlemen met in the court house Monday and organized, electing G. A. Goodwin chairman, Geo. H. Koon secretary. The board appointed N. P. Shipp clerk and Senator W. H. Sharpe attorney.

We suppose they will open dispensaries at the several different places in the county after the necessary arrangements have been made.

Unclaimed Letters.

List of letters remaining unclaimed for in this office for week ending Sept. 15, 1913:

Gentlemen—Mr. J. M. Reilly.
Ladies—Mrs. Lillie Mack, Miss E. C. Rawl.

These letters will be sent to the Dead Letter office Sept. 29, 1913, if not called for before. In calling for the above, please say "advertised," giving date of list.

S. J. Leapheart, P. M.

Cook-Smith.

On Sunday evening at 7 o'clock Mr. Robbie Smith and Miss Mary Cook were happily married by the Rev. B. C. Herlong at the home of Mr. D. H. Lawson's in the presence of a large crowd. We wish them a prosperous and happy life.

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