

FATAL ACCIDENT ON LUMBER ROAD

Mr. James Carmichael and David Lewis Killed Near Mullins.

TRAIN RUNS INTO HAND CAR

Crash in Darkness Ends Two Lives and Causes Injury to Three Other Persons.

Mullins, April 23.—A pall of gloom rests over Mullins today and the activities of the business life are practically at a standstill. At least five homes, though two of them are those of negroes and humble ones, are saddened and a young bride of only two weeks is a widow. Last night about 10 o'clock news reached the city of the awful wreck of the logging crew employed by the Mullins Lumber Company, Messrs. H. O. and S. H. Schoolfield, proprietors. The physicians of the town were hastily summoned and telegrams were sent to Marion for others. The news soon spread and many citizens hastened to the scene to render such aid as they could. The accident happened about two miles northeast of Mullins and was caused by a misunderstanding of orders. The mill keeps a crew of about six men in the woods and these usually are the last of the working force to leave for the night, when they return on the hand car. The engine usually makes three loads of logs from the woods each day, but, owing to an unavoidable delay, the third trip was after dark. The woods crew under Foreman A. C. Smith waited for the engine and finally decided that it was so late the engineer had abandoned his last trip and set out for town. On the hand car were six men, Mr. James Carmichael and Mr. A. C. Smith and David Lewis, Walter James, Delaware Murry and Jim Spain, colored. Mr. Carmichael was sitting on the front of the car. The road being very bad at that section and the hour late the hands who were at the crank were working hard and the car rapidly moving along. The engine, in charge of Engineer Rhodes, was backing down for the woods with 18 empty flats when it likewise was endeavoring to make up lost time. There was no light on the hand car, neither was there one on the cars as the engine was backing. It was dark and the noise of the hand car made it impossible for the men to notice the danger until it was upon them. Of the six men only one, Jim Spain, escaped unhurt, and his escape was nothing short of a miracle. Spain said that he jumped just as the cars came together, the flat car striking his foot. As quickly as possible he ran over to where his comrades lay buried under the wreckage. The first one he reached was James Carmichael. He picked him up in his arms and saw that he was dead. He was crushed and mangled fearfully. Mr. Carmichael's neck, arms and legs were broken and he was otherwise disfigured. He then went to Mr. Smith, who had a broken leg and was internally injured. Dave Lewis, colored, was crushed internally and had an arm broken. Lewis died soon after the accident. Walter James, colored, had a broken leg and other injuries. Delaware Murry, also colored, received some painful, if not fatal, injuries in the side and arm. Everything possible was done for the survivors. The Messrs Schoolfield personally attended to their needs. Much sympathy is expressed for these gentlemen as they seem to regret the accident so much. Their wives have also ministered to the wants of the sufferers all

day and are much affected. To just what extent Mr. Smith is injured is not known. Physicians have been with him constantly since the accident and have done all in their power to relieve his suffering.

Mr. Carmichael was buried this afternoon at 3 o'clock at Miller's cemetery.

Just two weeks ago yesterday Mr. Carmichael was married to Miss Sadie Oliver of Marion, and to the young bride the tenderest sympathies of the community go out. She has not lacked for attention and condolence, for hundreds of friends have mingled their tears with hers over the sad fate which befell the noble young man to whom she had plighted her faith and love just two weeks ago to the day. She returned to her former home in Marion this afternoon, accompanied by her father, sister and brother. Mr. Carmichael was a very popular young man, which was manifested by the large concourse of friends who attended the funeral, which was perhaps the largest assemblage ever gathered for a like occasion in this section.

Rev. J. B. Carpenter will lecture on Sunday School work in the Latta Presbyterian church on next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

How it Works.

When politicians look their horns
The tug of war is on for sure,
No device that's known to man,
Whether or not tis false or true.

But is lugged into the fight for place,
The whippersnappers with eagerness,
Leave no tuft or stone unturned
Solely to feather their own nest.

Little the champions ever care
For him, the man they advocate,
The goal is only a place for self.
They feel themselves his running mate.

Sordid grows the human heart
When steeped in modern politics,
Selfish, deceptive, unfeeling thing,
Who cleverly truth and falsehood mix.

Don't forget that Salmon Novelties Works is prepared to do all kinds of gin work.

Unclaimed Letters.

List of letters remaining in the Post-Office at Dillon, S. C. un-called for to be sent to the Dead Letter office, Wash. D. C., May, 3rd-1909.

1. Mr. Lessie. Bakr,
2. Miss. Fannie. Bakor,
3. Mr. J. W. Baker,
4. Mr. J. P. Bethea,
5. Mrs. M. J. Breedem,
6. Miss. M. D. Breeden,
7. Mr. Evander. Briman,
8. J. P. Bowen,
9. Mrs. Belle. Campbell,
10. Mr. B. J. Campbell,
11. J. A. Cousar,
12. Mr. Ned. Dunmore,
13. Miss. Lane. Graham,
14. P. H. Hudson,
15. Rancy. McLeod,
16. Miss. Famiey. Meduel,
17. Mrs. E. McCraney,
18. Mrs. L. J. McEachern,
19. Mr. M. J. Miller,
20. Mr. John. Miles,
21. Mr. John. Miles,
22. Mr. Eddie. Stackhouse,
23. Mr. J. L. Stackhouse,
24. Mr. B. Stackhouse,
25. Square Deal Mere Co,
26. Mr. Jerry. Townsend,

Letters returned to writers from Dead Letter Office.

27. Willie. Blithe,
28. Lizzie. McAllum,
29. Ward. Lane.

When calling for these letters persons must say they are advertised, giving date of list and number of letter.

Dillon, S. C. T. E. Husbands, Postmaster.

THE RAILROAD IS COMING.

Mr. Bonsal was in Dillon last Thursday and He Assured the Committee on Right-of-Way that He would Bring the New Railroad to Dillon. Work Commenced Monday. Can Finish in 90 Days.

Mr. W. R. Bonsal, promoter of the North & South Carolina Railroad, while in conference with the committee on right-of-way at Dillon last Thursday, stated that he had decided to bring his road on to Dillon. Mr. Bonsal has the choice of three routes, but he has not as yet given out which one he will take. One route comes by way of Gallavon, another route comes by way of Judson and the third route runs between the two first named. The committee on right-of-way have turned the options they secured from property holders over to Mr. Bonsal and the selection of the route he will take is left entirely with him.

The location of the depot at Dillon is as yet undetermined. Messrs. J. W. Dillon & Son have offered a site free of charge below the Methodist church. The site offered by the Messrs. Dillon is 150 feet wide and 900 feet long. Council has also granted a right-of-way down Seventh avenue, giving the railroad the exclusive use of the avenue for tracks and operating purposes. Another street right-of-way has also been granted down Second avenue from a point near the Dillon Cotton Mills to Main street. The object of the railroad for wanting this second named right-of-way is to establish a siding and warehouse on the block opposite E. T. Elliott's stables for the handling of freight in car load lots.

Mr. Bonsal said that work would be started on the extension from Clio to Dillon Monday morning. The road should be completed within 90 days.

Since the above was written it is learned on good authority that Mr. Bonsal has selected the route by way of Gallavon and Little Rock. A force of hands was put to work at Clio Monday and another force numbering 125 men was brought in Tuesday.

Maple Dots.

- Supt. of Education Joe P. Lane was in this section one day last week.
- Mrs. Clarence Fore of Latta visited her father, J. H. Berry last week.
- Max Fass of Dillon was in this section last Friday.
- "Simon" attended the dedication of the new Baptist church at Latta Sunday.
- W. C. Wallace will represent the Pleasant Grove church at the Southern Baptist Convention which convenes at Louisville Ky., in May.
- Mrs. S. J. Bailey visited her sister, Mrs. Harvey Jackson, Sunday.
- Mrs. H. J. Jackson and son, H. G., visited relatives in Latta Sunday.
- W. H. Breeden of Dillon was in this section one day last week.
- Mr. Charlie Norton is confined to his bed with paralysis.
- J. B. Berry visited in Latta Sunday.

Simon.

The Dillon Herald \$1.50 a year

PETITIONS ARE IN GOVERNOR'S HANDS.

Petitions Praying for an Amendment to the New County Lines have been Filed with the Governor. Matter Now Under Consideration and Governor will Appoint a Day for Hearing Arguments for and Against Granting of Amendments.

All the petitions asking for an amendment to the New County lines around Latta have been filed with the governor. There was no trouble in securing more than enough signatures to the petitions and as soon as they were returned to Commissioner Dillon he lost no time in placing them in the hands of the governor. When accepting the petitions Gov. Ansel said he would appoint a day as soon as he could conveniently do so in which those opposed to and those favoring the amendments could appear before him and state their reasons for opposing or favoring the proposed amendments. However, up to this time nothing has been heard from the governor and it is understood that the delay has been caused by the re-checking of the surveyor's field notes which the governor is having done to avoid the possibility of any error that might exist in the surveyor's calculations. This does not mean that Gov. Ansel suspects that any errors exist in the surveyor's work, but the governor is a careful, thorough and painstaking man and one of his principles is to satisfy himself that a thing is right before he takes any action on it.

When Mr. Dillon presented the petitions to Gov. Ansel he was accompanied by Columbia by Mayor Allen, of Latta, who stated to the governor that the Latta people wanted to come into the New County and that they favored the proposed amendment.

The granting of the amendment is not a statutory provision, but is optional with the governor and as there is no opposition to the proposed change in Latta nor in the territory of the proposed New County there is every reason to believe that it will be granted.

Free State News.

- Mr. and Mrs. Z. A. Ellen, of Dillon, spent last Wednesday with their aunt, Mrs. M. A. Ellen.
- Mr. M. J. Fenegan of Clio, was visiting in this section Saturday and Sunday.
- Miss Ada Hays is on an extended visit to her sister, Mrs. D. A. Dunaway, of Augusta, Ga.
- Mr. A. C. Ray is at Jackson Springs on business.
- Mr. D. L. Cottingham of Florence spent Saturday with his sister, Mrs. Oscar Fenegan.
- The second quarterly meeting, on Rev. C. M. Peeler's work, will be held at New Holly next Saturday.
- Mrs. Julia Rowland has gone to Rowland for a few weeks stay.
- Rev. J. R. Carpenter of Richmond, Va., will lecture on Sunday School work in the Dillon Presbyterian church on next Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock and also at 8 o'clock in the evening of the same day. He will also talk to the Sunday Schools of the town, on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. He will also fill the pulpit at the Presbyterian church both morning and night on Sunday.

Forgotten Philosophy.

"There is never mighty monarch,
Clad in raiment rich and fine,
But his life was shaped and molded
By a mother's love divine;
Sure she built his future kingdom,
As his baby locks she curled,
For the hand that rocks the cradle
Is the hand that rules the world."
"There is never ship o' commerce,
Sailing o'er the vasty main,
But its cargo or its ballast,
Is the farmer's golden grain
Should the farmer cease his labors,
Every sail would then be furled,
For the hand that swings the cradle,
Is the hand that feeds the world."
And the man who feeds the furnace,
That make the wheels incessant roll,
While the bosses who control them,
Are the ones who get the gold.

The Last of the Spring Poetry.

(From The Latta News.)
All things are lovely now,
Did you ever expect to see
Dillon and Latta vow,
A friendship "eternalle."
They have done the deed,
And clasped each others hand,
Now they have forever freed,
From the bottling plan.
This is better, to be sure,
Than run a greater risk,
Depending on the Woodbury cure,
Or any other legal twist.
But since the deed is done,
And all things seem so bright,
Old Marion is the one,
Who ask us is it right?
They say we led her on,
To help us make the fight,
And as soon as they began,
Then Latta took a fright.
She began looking at the goard,
And then she began to tremble,
There 's danger upon my word,
We must get out if we "dissemble."
She saw the crooked line there,
And Woodbury the "octopus,"
Her tentacles taking her where
She would not be worth a "cuss."
So' good bye to the ham bone,
The bays, and swamps and all,
For we will be forever gone,
Before the coming fall.

Dillonites Abroad.

- (Conway Field.)
Mr. R. L. Sherwood of Little Rock is in Conway on a visit to his brother E. J. Sherwood.
- Mr. O. C. Hayes and son Jackson of Little Rock were in Conway the latter part of the week, passing through on a business trip through the country.
- Misses Pearl Norton of Mullins, Pearl Stackhouse of Latta and Ethel Bethea of Dillon who were here last week to attend the Epworth Conference remained over until Saturday the guests of Miss Mabel Norton.
- Mr. J. W. King, president of the Conway Hardware Company, and a prominent traveling salesman of Dillon was in town several days last week on business. Mr. King was accompanied by Mrs. King who visited relatives and friends here.
- The Dillon Baptist Church at the usual Wednesday night service ordained four more deacons. Brothers C. Henslee, S. W. Jackson, W. S. Ivey and M. A. Stubbs. Owing to the late arrival of Revs. R. Ford of Marion and W. C. Allen of Latta the order of exercises was somewhat interrupted. The pastor was assisted by the above named ministers and Rev. J. I. Allen. The Board of Deacons consist of those just ordained and Brothers J. H. David, J. W. King, H. C. Webber, W. A. Blizzard and W. C. Tolar.

SEVERE PUNISHMENT FOR CRIME OF PERJURY.

North Carolina Judge Unearths Old Judgment in Ashe County, Wherein the Defendant was Pilloried and His Ears Entirely Severed from His Head. An Interesting Document.

Few people of this day and time will believe that less than a hundred years ago the savage spirit burned fiercely in the breast of the Anglo-Saxon. However, history hands down to us numerous instances of savage cruelty in which the courts of the land inflicted horrible punishment for what are regarded nowadays as petty crimes. Less than a hundred years ago cultured New England burned witches and heretics at the stake. Cruel as this may seem the Shelby (N. C.) Star tells of a man who was pilloried and had his ears severed from his body in Wake county not more than a hundred years ago.

"While holding court in Ashe county last week, Judge James L. Webb unearthed an old judgment in a criminal case, wherein the defendant was convicted of perjury, the sentence inflicted upon the poor wretch being horrible and barbarous. The date of the judgment is March 13th, 1809, the sitting of the court being one hundred years ago the 13th of last month.

"The punishment, as executed, horrible as it may seem, is set forth in the judgment, a true copy of which follows and is an interesting document.

State of North Carolina,
March, 1809.

"At a Superior Court of Law, begun and held for the county of Ashe, at the court house, in Jefferson, on the second Monday, being the 13th of March.

Present: The Hon. Francis Locke, judge.

State
vs.
Carter Whittington.

Judgment—Perjury. Jury charged.
"Jas. Dixon, Chas. Sherrar, Daniel Moxley, Josiah Connelly, Young Edwards, Alex Latham, Wm. Powers, Andrew Sherrar, Chris Crider, Thos. Tiry, Chas. Francis, Jesse Reeves, jurors.

Jury find the defendant, Carter Whittington, guilty in manner and form as charged in the bill of indictment.

"David Earnest and Elijah Estep deliver up Carter Whittington, he is ordered into custody of the sheriff.

"Reasons in arrest of judgment in the case of Carter Whittington filed by Wm. McGomery, his attorney, after solemn argument, reasons are overruled by the court.

"Judgment—Fined 10 pounds and the said Carter Whittington stand in the pillory for one hour, at the expiration of which time both his ears be cut off and entirely severed from his head and that his ears so cut off be nailed to the pillory and there to remain until the setting of the sun, and that the sheriff of this county carry this judgment immediately into execution and that the said Carter Whittington be confined until the fine and fees are paid.

Daniel Dixon and Morris Baker, Jun., securities.

Solicitor's fees of 1 pound and 8 shillings paid by defendant."

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