R. BRANDT

Will visit Lancaster again on Tuesday March 15th and remain three days only. As before he will bring with him his complete optical outfit for testing all eye troubles and scientifically adjusting glasses. If you realy don't need glasses he will tell you so,

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He will be pleased to meet anyone desiring to confer with him concerning anything in his other lines.

Owning to his education and exceptional experience in the jewelry business, his large stock and many advantages which others seldom possess, he is assuredly in a position to save you money.

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VAN WYCK ITEMS.

Mr. Editor: While Mrs. Doo ittle is training Bill to kill rats, nd Old Hickory is attending the nnual meeting of "The Lazy lan's Club," I will slip in and et as their substitute and give ou a few items from our little

The farmers are busy with the lling of their soil, preparatory planting corn and cotton. very day wagon loads of guano e hauled from our depot.

Rev. Mr. Booth preached an le sermon on education Sabth morning. We also heard a od sermon in the afternoon, by

ev. Mr. Perry. ne day last week, while Misses e Yoder and Fannie Tillman ere taking their usual horseck ride, Miss Yoder's horse beme very much frightened and gan to rear and plunge and fily began running at a break. k speed. The affair was bening very serious and it seemimpossible for Miss Yoder to ape without injury, but just hat critical moment, a handne youth appeared upon the ne and showed himself to be y brave and gallant as he res i the young lady from the rible fate that seemed to it her. This fright did not any ice" with them tho', for aw the same young ladies a days afterwards, mounted on same steeds, flying over the

atry in what seemed to be a

ss Minnie Massey leaves this noon for Waxhaw, N. C., s with her brother, Mr. Chas.

s. Addie Wilson, of Rock is visiting her parents, Mr. Irs. H. N. Clyburn.

Will Hicklin, of Harmony, over to see his old school-Mr. Geo. Griffin last week. s Lessie Spray, of Osceola, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Starnes of this place.

Jas. A. Hyatt spent Mon-Rock Hill.

Blanche Stewart of Lindpent Friday and Saturday er aunt, Mrs. Stewart.

srs. Dick Rives and Frank , of Fort Lawn, spent anday with Miss Tillman.

night with Dr. Nisbet and family.

Misses Edna, Eula and Annie Hyatt returned nome from Har-

mony last Friday after quite an

COMMENTER.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

Court Over.

extended visit.

The jury cleared Bosy McPherson of the charge of arson, but Joe Harper was convicted of man slaughter and sentenced to two years on the chain gang.

The case against Ben Charley Hinson was continued, as was also that against B. F. Blackmon and Sarah Phillips and those against James Barton and W. M., J. A. and H. F. Carnes

A new trial was ordered in the case against Sam Bradley.

The grand jury was discharged

Wednesday, and the petit jury Friday. The Judge, Solicitor and stenographer a'l left Friday after-

The following is the report of of the grand jury :

Report of The Graud Jury.

To the Honorable J. C. Klugh, Presid-

The grand jury beg leave to submit the following as their report at this term of the court.

We have acted upon all bills of indictment intrusted to us by the acting

Solicitor and have made a report in each case to the court.

We feel satisfied after listening to the very clear and able charge of your Honor as to our duties that it would be unjust to ourselves and the affairs of the county to undertake to make at this time a report upon the several matters demanding our attention.

During our three days of service

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r. Ashley and family have ed into their new home on sey street.

In most of the time has been taken up with our duties in Court.

All of the Magistrate books of the county have appeared before us with their criminal dockets and we find them very neatly and properly kept. We have by a committee visited the poor house and find it neatly and well in the inmarks are appearently. kept. The inmates are apparently well cared for.

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blankets for the use of poor house.

We have by a committee visited the jail and find it very neatly kept and the prisoners proceedly cared for. The grand jury noticed the stairway of the jail has not been repaired as recommended by grand jury at last

We commend the county board of commissioners for the attention they are giving the public roads of the county. We find that where the chain gang has been the public roads are much improved. We hope the convicts will be sent to every portion of the county as soon as practicable. We find the convicts are well as the convicts of the county as soon as practicable. find the convicts are well and humanely treated.

We have examined the County Supervisors books and find them neatly kept. We commend the County Board of

Commissioners for their economical management of county affairs.

We find that our county is out of debt and have a small balance in Coun-

ty Treasury. We haven't had time to examine the county officials books at this term of

We present the Ohio River&Charleston R. R. fcr running freight trains on Sunday March 6, 1298. Witnesses: Rev. C. W. Humphreys, Z. F. Mackey, S. P. Bennet, James Barr.
We would acknowledge our indebtedness to your Honor for your courtesy and kindness to us during the prosecution of our duties as grand jury.

Respectfully submitted, H. J. GARDNER, Foreman.

News Items From Chester.

From The Chester Lantern, March 8

Mr. J. F. Chambers, of Edgemoor is seriously ill. His friends wish for him a speedy recovery.

Mr. W. F. Collins has moved from Richburg to the neighbor hood of Rodman. Mr. Collins is a successful farmer and a good

Mr. J. H. W. Stevens, of Lancaster, was in the city yester

A difficulty occured last Saturday afternoon betewen Mr. Robt. McNinch and Reuben Smith, col. The former was cut with a knife. The latter is in jail. Mr. Mc-Ninch's wound was dressed by Dr. McConnell.

Yesterday morning early the news spread through the city that J. Duffie Estes had been shot by Henry H. Marcus. Both men lived well out on Columbia street, on adjoining lots. Estes started toward town in a buggy, and at the old nursery, near Tanyard branch, overtook Marcus, who was walking. According to Estes, Marcus turned and began firing without a word being spoken. According to Marcus, Estes stopped and started toward him with his whip, with a motion as if to draw a pistol, when he (Marcus) shot in self-defense. Estes was shot in the stomach, throat and hip. He said that he received the wound in his stomach while in his buggy, and that three shots were fired after he jumped out, two taking effect. They clinched and both fell over the fence together. He was punishing Marcus severely when others arrived and interfered. Estes was taken back to his house and was attended by Drs. McConnell and Pryor, but died about 5 p. m. Marcus was taken to jail. We wish to give no coloring to either side of the case. It is sufficient to say that bad feeling had existed for some time and they had had a difficulty on Saturday evening. made threats upon his life. Estes was not armed.

Both were regarded as peaceable men. Estes has been conducting a meat market with decided success. Marcus is a blacksmith and has been employed in Stricker's shop.

The remains will be buried at Uriel to-day, leaving the residence at 11 o'clock.

Coroner Shannon impaneled a jury of inquest yesterday evening, who viewed the body and adjourned till this morning. It is now in session.

We are anxious to do a little good in this world and can think of no pleasante, or better way to do it than by recommending One Minute Cough court. But the Foreman and other by recommending One Minute Cough Cure as a preventive of pneumonia, amine the books of the court and will be ready to report to the court.

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IT WAS A MINE.

The Washington Officials Have Known For More Than a Week How the Maine Was Destroyed.

The following from the Army and Navy Journal offers an explanation of the war preparations that have been in progress for the past week or ten days:

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"The fig. "Jer is in possession of information, the enterthan evidence gathered by the coart of inquiry at Habana has come in a semi-official form to the President from two prominent members of the board. The information has been in the hands of the President since Sunday and has served the occasion of unusual activity during the present week.

"The information is that the Maine was destroyed by a government submarine mine, planted in Habana harbor and deliberately exploded. More than this, it appears the Maine was pursosely mooted in the vicinity of the mine and that the explosion occurred at the moment when the ship had been opportunely carried by wind and the directly over the mine. These facts have been finted at and written mout in despaticles from Habana, Madrid and Washington, and among the varied statements made the actual conditions have seen touched upon, but nothing autholitative has been permitted to escape from the court. That body is understood to mare completed its work but nothing is likely to be officially promulgated in regard to its findings for a week or more. There is obvious reason for such an action, the objects of which cannot be defeated by independent newspaper statements.

"There can be but one or tome of such a report and preparations for the inevitable results are being industriously and indefatigably in this issue, shows that the government at Washington appreciates the situation and will be ready to meet what has now ceased to be a mere emergency."

To Be Married.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss May Louise Stevens, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. W. Stevens, to Mr. Benjamin Townsend, son of Judge Townsend of Union. The interest ing ceremony will take place at the home of the bride elect's parents, six miles east of town at 9 o'clock p. m. of March 23rd, and will be performed by Rev. J. L. McLauchlin of Chester, The happy couple will leave next day for Union the home of the groom where they will reside.

After five years of untold suffering from piles, B. W. Pursell of Knitnersville, Pa., was cured by using a single box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Skin diseases such as eczema, rash, pimples and obstinate sores are readily cured by this famous remedy. Craw-

-Married, Sunday, March 13th, 1898, at the Kershaw Baptist parsonage by Rev. J. B. Bozeman, Mr. Aaron F. Gainer, one of St. Luke's most successful farmers. and Miss Minnie, the beautiful and accomplished daughter of the late Andrew Neal, near Kershaw. witnessed the ceremony. The following day they returned to the home of the groom, near Elgin, where they will make their future home. We wish for them a long and prosperous journey through ATTENDANT.

Mules! Mules and Horses in Ker-

young Kentucky Mules and Horses all of which are new. All parties Each claimed that the other had in both counties wanting mules or horses, either for cash or for good paper, would do well to see us before buying. They must be sold. Come and see us if you wish to

> THE KERSHAW BANKING AND MER-CANTILE CO.

> A thrill of terror is experienced when a brassy cough of croup sounds through the house at night. But the terror soon changes to reliet after One Min-tue Cough Cure has been administered. Safe and harmiess for children, Crawford Bros.

> -Miss Belle Stover of Heath Spring is visiting Mrs. W. B. Cauthen, of this place.

-Mr. W. T. Gregory and J. W. Conder have been in Charleston several days on business.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C, fall, druggists refund money.



Northern vs. Southern Operatives.

We have been told over and again of the superior condition of the New England mill operative and the great advantage he has over the Southern operative. But the truth is coming out now in the crucial test of adversity and the Southern mill operative may congratulate himself that he lives in the sunny South. A loomfixer in the Wamsutta mills tells the correspondent of the Atlanta Constitution something about the wages. He says that notwithstanding the dividends annually declared, which in the worst years have not fallen below 5 per cent. the weavers get only \$6.50 per week. He says rent is from \$4 to \$6 a month for the merest shell which the tenant has to fix up out of his own wages, that there is only three months in the year when they do not have fires and then they must have them in the evenings, and that the coal costs them \$6.50 a ton and it takes seven tons a year to do a family, and the climatic conditions call for a great deal of meat, and that the system of finding cuts down these wages to something like \$3.25 a week and he says this Only a few friends and relatives system is common in all the other departments. These Northern manufacturers often speak of the "starvation wages" paid in the South, but in view of these scenes which are now being daily witnessed in these great manufacturing centres of the East and the attendant natural conditions which surround them in that Just received two car loads fine rigorous climate, that is the place where "starvation wages" are paid.-R. in The Cotton Plant.

> - - Another lot of New Ideal sewing machines just received at this office.

> Children and adults tortured by burns, scalds, injuries, eczema or skin diseases may secure instant relief by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It s the great Pile remedy. Crawford



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