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ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

WILLIAM DAVID SHAW TRIES TO END HIS EXISTENCE.

First Took Laudanum and Then Shot Himself—He Will Recover, However.

News reached here yesterday of the attempted suicide of Mr. Wm. David Shaw, late editor of the Lake City Times. Only meagre details are obtainable, and no full account of the desperate deed can be given at this time. Mr. J. P. Nelson was in Lake City yesterday, but left early, and knew very little about the affair. From what we could find out yesterday, it seems that Mr. Shaw became despondent upon meeting with reverses in his business life, and sought to put an end to his earthly existence, and thus bring to a close all his trouble. He at first took laudanum and afterwards shot himself. He evidently took poor aim when he fired his pistol, as the bullet took effect in or near the right shoulder. Mr. Shaw had written a statement before he tried to kill himself.

Here is the letter: Must I do the deed? Oh, God send Thine angel of mercy to bear troubled soul away. Can it be? O, spare me, forgive me, give me, Father! To do away with that is filled with pain and sorrow. Is there anything for me to live? All is dark and dismal. I have no hope. Is there rest and peace in the grave? In a world so large, beautiful and wealthy, and yet I must starve. No money, no work. Cheerless and cold seems every heart to me. I cannot stand this strain. I have strained every brain nerve, muscle and vein in thinking of what to do, and all that I can see before me is dismal distress. Death does away with all of this. I have some friends here, I believe. I have endeavored to do my duty towards them. I hope that they will dispose of my body. Place it in any old place, I care not where. My trunk and clothes will go to my two brothers and sister. My watch will go to Mrs. M. A. Emlyn, 1,107 Pendleton street, Columbia, S. C., in consideration of kindness extended to me by herself and family. William David Shaw, "O tempora, O mores."

Mr. Shaw has been editing the Lake City Times for several months and was well thought of by the people of this county. Before going to Lake City he was connected with the Register. He is a son of the late J. Duncan Shaw, of Bishopville, who met such a horrible death at the hands of the famous Kellys, of Darlington. He is about 26 years old, and unmarried. His wound, while very painful, will not prove fatal.

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LAKE CITY NEWS.

MATTERS OF INTEREST OCCURRING THERE

From Day to Day, Gathered and Put into Readable Shape by a Record Reporter.

Miss Ervin Severance, day operator at Lanes, spent a day at home last week.

Mr. W. T. Askins has just returned from a from a trip to Charleston.

Lawyer J. T. Dudley, of Bennettsville, spent last Friday and Saturday in our town. He was heard to say that he often took a case for half what he could get out of it. The particular case here, I think, from all appearances, is one the titles to the property of which he wants made out in his own name. Of course, it is useless to say that the "property" in this "case" is a girl.

The farmers are rejoicing over the late rains. Crops are now looking fine.

Mr. J. J. Morris has moved into his new house, but it is not yet completed. When finished it will add much to the looks of that part of the town. We wish that several others of our citizens who are able to do so, would erect nice residences. It would add much to the appearance of the town, and increase the value of the property near the buildings.

Business is quite dull now, but we hope for better times. Your correspondent went several miles into the country last Sunday and found that the farmers are well up with their work, in spite of the late start they got. Of course, if the farmers have good luck and make good crops, business will be brisk in the fall.

Strawberries are fine this year. Mr. H. H. Singletary has shipped two hundred and sixty-six crates; Dr. Hinnant has shipped seventy-five crates; B. L. Singletary fifteen; J. D. Singletary thirty-two; J. A. Green eighteen, making a total of four hundred and six crates, prices ranging from 15 to 40 cents.

Quinine and other fever medicines take from 5 to 10 days to cure fever. Johnson's Chill and Fever Tonic cures in ONE DAY.

Clarendon county comes to the front with chickens. The following from the Manning Times, speaks for itself:

Mr. B. R. Gibson, one of Clarendon's best farmers, tells us that he set a hen on fifteen eggs and she came off with twenty seven chickens, and left eight eggs in the nest. He says that he is sure no other hens laid in the same nest, but that the eggs under the hen were of a superior quality.

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KILLED ON THE RAIL.

A White Man Run Over by a Freight Train at Cades.

M. C. Coker, a white man, was run over and killed by a freight train at Cades yesterday evening about 7 o'clock. No authentic details of the killing could be obtained, though we held back our issue in order to secure the facts.

From what could be learned it seems that Mr. Coker was on one side of the track and his team on the other. The train was an extra and was going into the side track to open the main line for a mail train, when Mr. Coker attempted to cross the track just ahead of the engine in order to get to his horses. The train was moving at a rapid speed, and the engine struck the unfortunate man and passed over him horribly mauling him and killing him instantly.

Several gentlemen were right near and were witnesses to the horrible tragedy. The coroner was telegraphed for and will hold an inquest this morning.

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At a meeting of Kingstree Lodge, No. 91, K. of P., Mr. M. F. Heller was elected a delegate to the Grand Lodge, which meets in Anderson on May 17th. There will not be a more devoted Knight in the Grand Lodge than Mr. Heller, and the local Lodge could not have selected a more able representative.

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Picnic season is here.

Smoke "Pride of Darlington" tobacco grown in South Carolina and manufactured in Darlington. For sale by W. G. Elwell, Manager.

Mr. M. F. Heller has a lot of fine horses on hand just now, and his prices are low. See his advertisement elsewhere in this issue.

Miss Bessie Kelley left yesterday afternoon for Darlington, to visit the family of her uncle, Col. R. W. Boyd.

The regular monthly meeting of the Woodmen of the World will be held Monday night. A full attendance is desired.

The Rev. S. P. H. Elwell, Mr. N. D. Lesesne and Mr. E. C. Epps are attending the Methodist district conference, which is now in session at Timmonsville. Owing to the absence of Mr. Lesesne, the office of the superintendent of education will not be open next Saturday.

Mr. J. P. Nelson went up to Lake City Tuesday and purchased a fine horse, which he expects to use on the road pretty soon, as he is going to travel for the Singer Sewing Machine Co.

MOTHER! There is no word so full of meaning and about which such tender and holy recollections cluster as that of "MOTHER"—she who watched over our helpless infancy and guided our first tottering step. Yet the life of every Expectant Mother is beset with danger and all effort should be made to avoid it. so assists nature in the change taking place that the Expectant Mother is enabled to look forward without dread, suffering or gloomy forebodings, to the hour when she experiences the joy of Motherhood. Its use insures safety to the lives of both Mother and Child, and she is found stronger after than before confinement—in short, it "makes Childbirth natural and easy," as so many have said. Don't be persuaded to use anything but

MOTHER'S FRIEND

"My wife suffered more in ten minutes with either of her other two children than she did altogether with her last, having previously used four bottles of 'Mother's Friend.' It is a blessing to any one expecting to become a MOTHER," says a customer. HENDERSON DALL, Carmi, Illinois.

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All who remember Mr. Stephen Bonsal's brilliant services last winter in Cuban war correspondent of the New York Herald will be interested in his statement "The Real Condition of Cuba To-Day," which appears in the May Review of Reviews. This is the latest authentic summing up of the Cuban situation that has been given to the press, and it should be read by all who care to know the facts—horrible as many of them are—connected with the heroic struggle for liberty which Gomez and his brave compatriots are making. Mr. Bonsal's article gives us a startling sense of the truth that we have an Armenia at our very doors.

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John L. McLaurin is the biggest man this state has in Congress, and more than a dress coat and a boutonniere of pink carnations will be required to destroy public confidence in him. —Sturmer Eremann.

HORSES!

Horses! Horses!

Have on hand fifteen head of Horses and two Mules. If you need any call at my stable and

BUY THEM CHEAP.

Also just received a carload of those fine Columbia Carriage Co.'s buggies.

M. F. HELLER.

A young lady desiring some music, wrote to a music dealer of Chicago the following letter: "Dear sir:—Have you the words and music to the following songs?" "Twinkle, twinkle little star," "Up in a balloon," "Mary had a little lamb," "That Sunday afternoon," "Respectfully."

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