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adies and gentlemen are respectfully in-  
vited to call on me when they want a  
cool and refreshing drink. Orders for  
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tains in the up country, everything shall  
be kept tidy. Ladies are invited to  
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shopping, stop in and rest whether you  
wish to buy or not. If you have a head-  
ache try my WINE COCA it will cure  
it every time.

You will also find at my place the lar-  
gest and finest assortment of fancy and  
plain candies, cakes and crackers, fruits  
canned goods and general confections,  
also family groceries.

Thanking my customers for their kind  
and liberal patronage last Summer I  
respectfully solicit a continuance of the  
same this Summer; guaranteeing  
prompt and polite attention to all.

**JOHN. R. MATHIS.**

## Constables Tried at Charle- ton and sentenced to imprisonment.

Charleston, June 21.—Constables  
S. G. Lafar, R. M. Wright and J.  
N. Clanton have been ordered by  
His Honor, Judge Simonton, to go  
to jail and there to spend their sum-  
mer vacation for having wilfully dis-  
regarded and disobeyed the court's  
order enjoining them from seizing  
and confiscating liquor imported in-  
to the State for personal consumption.  
They received their sentence with  
perfect composure. A larger crowd  
was present than on yesterday and  
much interest manifested.

The first case taken up was that  
brought by Messrs. Mordecai and Gad-  
sen against a big batch of constables,  
the following complainants: H.  
K. McIntosh, F. E. Givens, Adair,  
N. P. Hayne, and P. E. Truche.  
The Assistant Attorney General  
contended that it was unreasonable  
to suppose that these five men would  
order out for personal consumption  
over \$300 worth of liquor at one time  
and that the "appearances," which,  
by the way, are the only means the  
constables have of arriving at con-  
clusions whether liquor is for personal  
use or for sale, were such as to  
lead the constables to exercise their  
authority invested by the dispensary  
law.

This view of the case was combat-  
ted by Mr. Gadsen, who held that  
his clients were reputable citizens,  
men whose affidavits should be taken  
without question, and when they had  
sworn that the liquor was for their  
use their oaths should be accepted.

It was more advantageous to these  
gentlemen to buy liquor in large quan-  
tities as it could be purchased much  
cheaper. These lines of argument  
were pursued with slight modifications  
in all the cases.

Mr. Benj. A. Hagood presented  
to the court the case of Julius H.  
Walker and most forcibly argued that  
Constable S. G. Lafar be punished  
for seizing the six gallons of whis-  
key, "when all appearances," he said,  
"showed that it was not for sale."

After various cases had been heard  
Judge Simonton said: "I wish to  
state emphatically in the presence of  
all in this room that I do not intend  
the orders of this court to be used as  
a cloak for any violations of the dis-  
pensary law. The constables must  
act within their prescribed limits and  
not transgress them. If they have  
sufficient evidence that certain liquors  
are being imported for sale they should  
immediately seize them, and I have  
promised them that this court will  
not intervene, but where they have  
not that proof they must keep their  
hands off the goods, for by seizing  
such liquors they are acting in dis-  
obedience and defiance of the court's  
orders. I now dismiss the case against  
Constable Addison for seizing the  
liquor consigned to George Smyrl of  
Canaden, as there were some evidences  
that he was engaged in the barroom  
business.

"I sentence Constable Clanton to  
one month in the Charleston county  
jail, and Constable Lafar and Wright  
to two months in the Richland and  
Anderson county jails respectively,  
there to remain until the liquor shall  
have been returned. The evidence  
in these cases certainly showed that  
the constables have acted without  
justification. The other cases heard  
I shall take under consideration."

In the course of his remarks the  
judge spoke very favorably of the  
manner in which Chief Holley is dis-  
charging his duties.

The man at home, who looks after  
the welfare of his, and who runs not  
wild after some *jam*, but makes his  
meat and bread, buys just as much  
with silver or paper as with gold,  
presents a solution of the matter that  
would give wisdom to many of the  
crank agitators who are running over  
the country making speeches while  
the toilers' contributions pay his ex-  
penses and robs his family. *Et.*

## GOOD ROADS.

**Richland's Prisoners Will Have to Work  
for the County.**

Wouldn't it be well for us to put our con-  
victs to work and improve our roads,  
or shall we continue to maintain and  
support the gentlemen in idleness?  
**WHAT THINK YOU?**

Richland is to have a county  
chain gang and better roads. Yes-  
terday Judge Townsend gave several  
negroes who evidently expected to  
spend a lazy summer in the peniten-  
tiary getting free board, sentences  
which will make them spend their  
vacation shoveling dirt, and it is  
said that the trial justices will in-  
crease the size of the gang by senten-  
cing poll tax delinquents thereto.  
The county board of commissioners  
at a special meeting yesterday  
decided to make use of the county  
chain gang for work on the public  
roads, confining such work for the  
present to five miles from the city,  
but if the experiment of working  
convict labor proves successful, it  
will probably be extended.

The details of the matter will be  
fully arranged at the quarterly meet-  
ing of the board next Monday. It is  
thought that at least twenty hands  
can be kept permanently at work at  
a moderate expense to the county,  
and the difference between steady  
and intelligently directed labor and  
the occasional, go-as-you-please, labor  
of the old system, will be so mani-  
festly advantageous that no taxpayer  
will grumble at the expense of guard-  
ing and keeping the prisoners be-  
longing to the chain gang.

The people all want good roads,  
and as the county through good fi-  
nancial management has a sufficiency  
of funds for all purposes, and a sur-  
plus on hand, the present action of  
the board will, no doubt, be greatly  
commended.

The first work done by the chain  
gang will be on the Winnsboro road  
from the city line to the five mile  
post, and they will be kept there  
until that section of the road is in  
first-class condition; then the labor  
will be transferred to the roads south  
of the city, then to those on the east,  
and it is hoped that ere long there  
will be a driveway for five miles in  
any direction from the city that none  
need be ashamed of.—*The State.*

Aiken, June 19.—The grand jury  
sprung a sensation yesterday by  
their report of the condition of the  
county offices. For several weeks a  
committee of the jury have been at  
work in an examination of the books  
of the county. Yesterday they re-  
ported that the county commissioners  
are guilty of carelessness, extrava-  
gance and fraud. To substantiate  
this accusation they cite the follow-  
ing instances of the improper expen-  
ditures of public money:

First. Bills have been paid which  
have not been sworn to, as the law  
requires. Second. A number of  
bridges have been built on private  
roads, and they were not advertised  
and let to the lowest bidder, as re-  
quired by the law. Third. Two  
trial justices have been overpaid.  
Fourth. The clerk of the board has  
been paid for thirteen months' service  
during the last year instead of twelve.  
Fifth. The county court house has  
been painted and stables built at a  
very extravagant price.

Under the new administration,  
with Mr. J. W. Sawyer as supervisor,  
the jury reports the same reckless  
extravagance and fraudulent appropria-  
tion of money has gone on un-  
checked. In fact Mr. Sawyer has  
gone so far beyond bound of right  
and justice as to pay a private bill for  
hardware out of the money of the  
county.

Judge Richard Watts aptly sum-  
med up the situation by saying that  
the affairs of Aiken county are in a  
most deplorable condition. The  
judge stated further, to the jury that  
proper steps would be taken in the  
matter immediately. The commis-  
sioners may be indicted.

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## THE CONSERVATIVES'

Committee Meets and Issues  
an Address.

A meeting of the Executive Com-  
mittee of the Conservative Democ-  
racy was held in Columbia last Fri-  
day night, at which was adopted and  
issued the following address:

To the people of South Carolina:  
On the third Tuesday in August a  
convention will be elected which will  
meet at Columbia in September to  
make a new constitution for the  
State. This election will be as im-  
portant to you as that of 1876. The  
men who will represent you in the  
convention will have more power than  
any officials provided for by the law.  
They will create law. By their ac-  
tion all the Legislature, the State and  
county officers and judges will be  
governed hereafter. All your per-  
sonal and property rights, and those  
of your children, your liberty and  
your children's liberty, the honor and  
prosperity and peace of the State for  
the future, will be in the keeping of  
that convention.

If the day of election for delegates  
finds you disorganized, undecided, di-  
vided by factional differences, personal  
preferences and local interest, the  
politicians who control the party or-  
ganization and State election machin-  
ery, the patronage and all the official  
influence will easily secure absolute  
control of the convention which will  
have such enormous power over you  
and yours.

We believe you to have too much  
respect for your own liberties and  
rights, to surrender such power to  
men whose only interest and appar-  
ent purpose is to secure for them-  
selves permanent place and rule regard-  
less of the results to the people and  
of the will of the people.

The Conservative Democracy is  
the only political organization in  
South Carolina not controlled by the  
politicians who are now in office.  
For that reason it will offer its active  
aid and co-operation to all citizens  
who sincerely desire that the new  
constitution be made by free men  
who will represent, respect and guard  
the interest and feelings of the peo-  
ple, regardless of the ambitions and  
needs of the politicians, such men to  
be chosen by amicable agreement and  
common consent, if possible, by a  
straight anti-Ring fight if necessary.

The executive committee of the  
Conservative party therefore, in ac-  
cordance with the resolutions unan-  
imously adopted, respectfully urges  
all members of that party to proceed  
immediately to organize clubs in each  
township of the State, and on or before  
July 6th, to meet in county conven-  
tions and elect county executive com-  
mittees, and a member for each  
county of the State executive commit-  
tee. The present county chairman,  
or persons to be appointed for that  
purpose by the present chairman of  
this committee, are requested to be-  
gin the work of organization without  
delay.

The chairman of this committee is  
instructed to call a meeting of the new  
executive committee to be held at Col-  
umbia not later than July 16th.

J. L. Carson,  
Chairman.

A. B. Williams,  
Acting Secretary.  
Members of the State executive  
committee elected under the above are  
requested to communicate to me im-  
mediately their names and postoffice  
address and nearest telegraph stations.  
J. L. Carson,  
Chairman

## THE "FORTY"

Still Hopeful of Harmony.  
Secretary Weston Discusses the Situation.

Mr. F. H. Weston, secretary of  
the state working Committee of the  
"Forty," in an interview with a *State*  
reporter has given out the following:

Since 1892 I have been constantly  
thrown into contact with most of the  
leaders of the Forty movement, and I  
know them to be men who possess  
the courage to act on their convictions  
regardless of whom they may oppose  
them. These men by their conduct  
and utterances are truly desirous of  
restoring good feeling among the  
white people and reuniting the Dem-  
ocracy. In some instances I recall  
the sacrifice of their personal ambi-  
tion rather than compromise the high  
principles which they championed. The  
spoils of office could not allure them  
into becoming blind followers of  
those who denounce good Democrats,  
and persistently sowed seeds of dis-  
cord. In the unflinching loyalty of  
these men to the positions heretofore  
occupied by them there is no distrust or  
misgiving. The organization is far  
more compact than most people sup-  
pose. There are only two or three  
counties where we are not thorough-  
ly organized.

"Well, what about the present situ-  
ation?"

"It seems to me that the issue has  
been narrowed down to a plain, sim-  
ple question whether the people or  
the politicians are to rule. I feel  
satisfied that the great majority of the  
people earnestly desire an end of  
strife and contention. Nobody, save  
a few politicians, have profited by the  
unnatural feeling which has existed  
between the common sons of a com-  
mon mother. I think I can say,  
without fear of contradiction, that  
the industrial development of this  
State has been materially interfered  
with by these unnatural conditions,  
and certainly more of us are interest-  
ed in the prosperity of our State than  
in the advancement of the politics  
of any set of men. All this talk  
about the people not trusting the Con-  
servatives is simply an attempt to a-  
rouse prejudice against good men,  
who in war and in peace have stood  
nobly and loyally by the best and high-  
est interests of the State of South  
Carolina. I challenge any man to  
show where these men have betrayed  
confidence, or have been derelict to  
the service of the people. It is an  
unworthy attempt to bring into dis-  
repute and to impair the influence of  
those who have never for a moment  
hesitated to give the best days of  
their lives to promoting the happiness  
and prosperity of the people who  
trusted them."

"Will the Forty continue to advo-  
cate a division of delegates?"

"Most assuredly we will continue  
to advocate the adoption of such a  
policy as will result in the restoration  
of good feeling among our people."

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