### The Press and Banner. ABBEVILLE, S. C.

# Wednesday, April 20, 1887.

The School Term, Again.

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The Newberry Observer gravely charges that the State Superintendent of Education, "as his predecessor did, deliberately disregards one of the duties required of him in the State Constitution, viz.: There shall be kept open at lest six months in each year one or more schools in each school district." The Observer further says:

"The Superintendent probably thinks, as each of his predecessors evidently thought, that he knows better how the schools should be run than the framers of the Constitution; and perhaps he does know better. But that is not the question. The Constitution is mandatory on this point, and leaves no room for discretion. This requirement may be an unwise one—we do not say it is. If so, it should be repealed; but until repealed, it should be obeyed. A public officer should obey all law, more especially the organic law."

Leaving out the question whether the abovequoted paragraph of the State Constitution is mandatory or merely directory, it is plain that it connot operate upon any executive officer. It is in the nature of legislation, lugged into the Constitution to show the zeal of its framers in the cause of its popular education. But, as a legislative enactment, it cannot have force unless it is recognized by the General Assembly.

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No duty is enjoined upon any State or county officar—the provision thus differing essentially from the regular two-mill tax, the levy of which is, by the terms, of the Constitution, made one of the duties of the County Commissioners. The levy made, the statutes provides the machinery to enforce collection. If the levy be withheld, the Courts can compel it. Now, if the Superintendent is required, by a mandate of the Constitution, to run the schools six months in each year, and if he is neglecting that duty, the may compel performance. We should like to see some enthusiastic advocate of long school-terms, stretched by means of starvation salaries to teachers, test the question whether, indeed, Superintendent Rice "deliberatel's disregards one of the duties required of him in the State Constitution." Columbia Record.

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The Record's position or statements may b good law, or it may be merely "chimney corner" law. But plain common sense people will find it hard to see why one part of the Constitution is not binding while another is of full force. The framers of the Constitution clearly laid down the law. The question is will the State officers-under the influence of the State and county organizations whose main object seems to be to get the public money for the least labor-set aside the law. The mandate which requires one or more schools to be kept open in each school district may furnish a pretext to those officers who may be under the influence of, and working for the benefit of the iteachers and the town schools to shut up all country schools. Of one thing the Record and the teachers may rest assured, that the people intend to elect school officers who have at heart the interests of the children, and who are not the willing tools of the teachers and town schools. The school fund is for the benefit of the children. and is not intended as a bounty to any man or woman who may be able to stand an examination before the School Board. We think it about time that the teachers were working to earn their living. They have no right to be pensioners from the public treasury. If the people will not pay them their fancy price. then let them go at any work which is mor profitable. The people of Abbeville county at least, can excuse all such as not satisfied with the money which they and the public are willing and able to pay.

The people as a rule, want to cut down official salaries, but the organization, or teachers unions,-misnamed teachers institutes-would raise the salary of the great army of teachers. At present we believe the teachers unions constitute the only organized raiders on the

that the prisoner may give his would-be mur derers a warm welcome. If the Sheriff of York had been really in carnest about protecting his prisoners, he could have done so pretty effectually by putting in each of their hands a good Winchester rifle. A Sheriff in Mississippi a few years ago adopted this plan of taking care of his prisoner, and after the prisoner had shot a few of his assailants the mob run as became men who were getting the worst ot a badjob. Arm prisoners with good Winchester rifles, with instructions to shoot the first man who approaches their cell, and we venture to suggest that the cowardly practice of lynching unarmed men who are in the custody of the law will cease. We hope to see every Sheriff, who is not in conspiracy with the lynchers, act upon this suggestion, and arm such prisoners as he may have reason to believe will be attacked. This will Mississippi a few years ago adopted this plan stop lynching.

## To Be in Charleston.

All the Calhouns, lineal and collatteral, are expected to be in Charleston next week, to do honor to their distinguished arcestor John C. Calhoun, in the unveiling ceremonies of the "Calhoun Monument." We pre sume the gathering, in point of numbers will surpass any assemblage of a single family that ever met at one time in this State. If all the distinguished statesman's distant relatives should come together, the grand old City by the Sea, will be full of visitors. We presume, too, besides the military companies, there will be many persons present who are not at all related to Mr. Calhoun. It is emi nently right that the relatives of Mr. Calhoun should pay him this tribute of respect and af-

fection.

The Cotton Plant. Every farmer in Abbeville County should subscribe for the Cotton Plant, a monthly paper issued from Greenville by Williams & McKerall, at sixty cents a year. It is an eight-page paper, five columns to the page, compactly printed in clear type, and every number contains an excellent variety of valuable articles in reference to every depart ment of the farm, including all the grasse and the cultivated crops, horses, cattle, hogs poultry, bees, etc. Send for sample copy We think if Messrs. Williams & McKerall would print a patent inside for other newspapers that they might do well for themselves and others.

We don't understand it. We see that Judge

# ROBBING THE RAILROAD.

Organized Band of Thieves at Work.

COMMERCIAL EARTHQUAKE WHICH SHAKES GREEVILLE FROM CEN-TRE TO CIRCUMFERENCE.

The Most Lucrative Enterprise in the City Completely Broken Up-The Chief Stockholders Handcuffed, and Taken to Jail.

Stolen Goods, Like the Measles, to be Found in Many Parts of the City---Sensational Stories Based on Facts, with Superstructure Consisting Largely of Detective's Imaginings.

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During the past five months the Richmond & Danville railroad company has suffered much annoyance and loss from robberies of its freight cars occurring at regular and frequent intervals. The perfect machinery of the system for tracing freight was put into operation and it was gradually discovered that the robberies were committed in or near this city and from the cars of through trains and were the work of a well organized gang proceeding systematically.

Depot Agent Watson and Mr. Wall, the fracer of the company, proceeded to investigate and communicated with the police of this city. Police Officer Schlapbach, who had previously shown very decided detective ability, was put to work on the case and he has been given much time and attention to it and gradually unreveiling it.

About three months ago he struck a ciuh and has been following it up gradually until within the last few weeks when the case was used to condition that Railroad Detective Fellars was sent here to take charge. Mr. Fellars has been very quiet and very few people knew of his presence here, most of his work having been done at night.

The officer found that the gang of thieves was located here and that either by the convivance of some railroad man or by the operations of a particularly sharp and alert out sider, the through cars of the night freight were broken into before their arrival here. These cars are not locked, the doors being se cured with pleces of wire run through small lead seals which are closed and stamped at the shipping point and properly opened only at the receiving place. It is almost certain that the work was done at Greens, fourteen miles north of here, that being the only station at which freights coming south regularly stop after dark. Wherever the doors were opened, a man got into the broken car and selected such goods as he wanted. These were piled near the door and as the train soud of milescovered.

The plan is not so difficult or so danger of miles of road, with scores of trains and tons of freight moving each way every day there was not one chance in a thousand that the stending of a few packages bound from New York to the far south or west from a moving train would ever be detected.

It was very easy for the officers to find out how the robbery was done and Officer Schlapbach had the evidence to show who had been collering the stolen goods for sale and selling Lynching may be Prevented.

Since the disgraceful lynching at Yorkville of five negroes the newspapers have sald much about the evil of lynching. The Sheriff told the usual tale of how he was overpowered and the prisoners taken from the jail. In our own humble opinion, there are instances where Sheriff in custody of a prisoner really means to protect him, why not aim him so make a case which would insure the conviction and punishment of the thieves. Detection and punishment of the thieves, Detection and punishment of the thieves, and officer, Officer Schlapbach, Mr. Watson and mightly exchanging the results of their observations. The houses of suspected men have been watched all night; the incoming night was dropped and who got it. Friday night Detective Fellars and Mr. Hillness were going cautiously along the

Friday night Detective Fellars and Mr. Hillhouse were going cautionsly along the rairroad track after the night freight had come in, when they ran upon a large number of boxes of plug tobacco at the side of the track where the track runs through Johnson's brick yard. A wagon was also there; likewise a figure which suddenly emerged from the darkness, proceeded by a cautiomary hist!" and an enquiry: "Who is that?" "Who are you?" was the reply of the detective.

from a lot and would sell them very cheap. They are 64 cents goods and were offered at 4 cents at which price Mr. Foster took them. A quantity of stolen tobacco was found in Lipscomb & Russell's store. They also bought from Caldwell on much the same representations, he claiming to be the agent of the man-ufacturer, with special facilities for getting low rates. All these goods were handed over to the railroad authorities and stored in a

warehouse.

Mr. Wall thinks the goods stolen amount to about \$5,000 in value and the thieves were get-ting rich very fast. The robberies have been going on since November. It is believed most of the stolen goods were sold outside the city.

Greenville News, April 19th. Probably nothing that has happened in the history of Greenville has stirred the city so completely and interested it so thoroughly as the discoveries and arrests in connection with the robberies of the Richmond & Danville freight trains. All day yesterday little else was talked about when men met.

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When the Greenville News men began to pick up the case again yesterday morning they ran into a perfect whirlwind of rumor and gossip. Everybody knew more about it than anybody else and was ready to volunteer or yield to gentle pumping a remarkable fund of information involving mysterious arrests, the implication of scores of people and general upheaval and sensation. Later in the day the thing had become a Joke and by night most of the Jokes were chestnuts. They consisted generally of walking into a friend's establishment and asking him what the detectives had got from him; or where his Caidwell goods were hid; or how much bail he had given; or enquiring if the warrant against him had been served yet, etc. About the guard house there was a shifting crowd nearly all day and idle men stood there hours at a time, swapping gossip with all convers and staring at the building and

ing crowd nearly and any ampling gossip with there hours at a time, swapping gossip with all comers and staring at the building and the police, one yielding about as much to cratify curiosity as the other.

As will be remembered, John Caldwell, white, and Joe Harris and William Fronewhite, and Joe Harris and William Froncherger, colored, were arrested on Saturday while Porter Wimby, colored for whom a warrant was issued, escaped. Yesterday morning Detective Feilers, his assistant John Hillhouse, Chief of Police Kennedy and Offi-

About twenty bolts of plaids were found in the store of B. M. McGee, West Greenville. There is no possible doubt that these goods were bought "straight," and in open market, Mr. McGee having purchased them of Lipscomb & Russell who bought them of Caidwell. Not even the charge of carelessness can be made against Mr. McGee.

Detective Fellers says his case is now fully worked and complete. There are more developments to come, he says, but they will come gradually as there is now no occasion for hurry. He said, when asked if any confessions had been made, that he talked very little with the prisoners and made no effort to induce them to confess as he had his case in good shape without having to go to the jail

good shape without having to go to the jail all-for evidence. He added that he had been materially helped by the boldness of some of the prisoners—probably referring to Caldwell—who had approached honest and acute men in such an unguarded way as to cause suspicion and furnish evidence which is now being reconstitute of the State.

# EASTER SERMON

CHRIST'S RESURRECTION AND THE MIRA CLES WHICH HE PERFORMED.

The Supernatural Law Sets in Where our Ignorance Begins -- Miracles are Only the Re-establishment of Natural Laws.

In the morning Mr. Jackson delivered the following sermon in the Metodist Church at Abbeville on Easter evening: Why should it be thought a thing incredible wit ou that Go.! should raise the dead?—Acts xxvi: S.

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The Christian religion affirms a resurrection from the dead. Against this affirmation materialistic science, nature interpreted without God as a factor, interposes a strong negation. Christianity affirms, materialistic science denies. If you will admit the premise of this materialistic theology—if you will consent to interpret nature without God as a factor—then as I see it, the conclusion is inevitable—there materialistic theology—if you will consent to interpret nature without God as a factor—then as I see it, the conclusion is inevitable—there will be no resurrection. If Paul had left the idea of God out of his question to Agrippa then he would have given up the Christian doctrine of a resurrection, and made its defence impossible. But when he introduces God into the problem, he changes the whole aspect of the question and gives the adherents of the doctrine a vantage ground from which it seems to me it is impossible to drive them. Let us make a short statement. The resurrection is taught in connection with the existence and active energy of God—never apart from him. It is not taught as a simple result of nature, as for instance the germination and growth of a plant, but as a result which is wrought out of nature by the will and energy of God—a miracle. Upon this ground it is defended and is defensible. The text points to a result and the question is asked, why the possibility of that result is doubted. This enables us to discuss the resufrection as a result, and to make an argument for its possibility along the line of cause and effect.

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has nature been violated. Utilized, but never violated. The mindof man has taken hold of the laws and forces of nature and utilized, them, but has he violated them? He guides the electric current along a pathway over the earth and under the sea, flashing his message from continent to continent with the rapidity of thought, but has a rent been made in the violated them of the continent in mighty triumphover the laws of gravitation, and yet has any law been violated? Gravitation you say. Is it not that very law that holds his rail-track on the earth, his engine on the track, and himself on his seat! No, not violated but used, utilized by a higher power. Has any law of acoustics been violated by the telephone? How have finen reached these results? In every instance by obeying the laws of nature. When you no obey these laws, you make them subject to your knowledge of them enables you to lay your hand upon them and make them do it your bidding. Thus men having found out the laws of acoustics, of electricity, of dymonics, by obeying them and not violating them, by using them and not crushing them, lance reached wonderful results.

There is another thing to notice in these re-

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be considered in estimating results where they are required; and, second, that there are unknown forces and quantities, and about these we are liable to mistake our ignorance

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We now come to a third class of results which we must notice—Divine miracles. For instance the restoration of sight to the blind, and speech to the dumb. They are not the simple results of nature by Ibelf. They are not the results of the forces of nature, utilized by the will and intellect of man. They are above either. I believe them to be the results of, to us, unknown forces utilized by divine power. For instance take any miracle that Christ performed, say the giving of sight to a blind man. Now whether we have stopped to think of it or not, there is a force somewhere in nature that gives sight to every eye that has sight. To us, it is an unknown force, just as other forces, that we now recognize were at one period of the earth unknown forces. Christ hays his hand on this unknown force and by utilizing it according to his will he produces a result which we call a miracle. And so with any other miracle that he works. Is there anything absurd or irrational in this? Take any of the known forces of to-day, say electricity, and let an operator go far enough back to reach the period in which it was not known, and begin producing results by an application of that force, and what have you? A man working miracles to the men of that day, and yet is there anything absurd or irrational in the result to-day?

Where lay the absurdity to the men a few URAL PRINCIPLES.

anything absurd or irrational in the result today?

Where lay the absurdity to the men a few
centuries past? In their ignorance. To your
supposed operator everything was rational
natural. Only to the men who were ignorant
of the law of electricity was it incomprehensible, and if the world shall ever discover the
force that gives eye sight to the eye, then the
results that were produced by a Savior, by
utilizing that force will appear simple and
natural. And if the world shall ever recognize the force that gives life to these organisms of ours, then the results produced by the
Divine will utilizing this force will be at once
simple and natural. In other words, the absurdity, the irrationality of the resurrection
is in our ignorance of the forces that produce
that result. We call these results supernatural. The word is only a name for our ignorance. We see just 50 far up the chain of nature, and when we can see no farther, we
dray a line and call all heavens supernature. rance. We see just fo far up the chain of nature, and when we can see no farther, we draw a line and call all beyond supernatural. It is an arbitrary division. Nothing of the kind exists in reality. The supernatural is only the other end of the chain of the natural hid in the darkness. The higher we rise the larger becomes the natural and the smaller the supernatural. Continue to rise until you lay your hand upon laws and fofces that et the larger becomes the natural and the smaller the supernatural. Continue to rise until
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are now the outlying, unknown, quantities
by which a miracle is wrought and all this
then becomes natural. Truly as Jean Paul
Richter says, "miracles on earth are nature
in heaven." But this you say is assuming.
The point of elevation only is assumed, the
principle, the upward trend of the human
race, we are compelled to postulate of the future by the lessons of the pust, and that, the
principle is the thing at last.
But while miracles are to us snpernatural,
are they a violation of hature? Hume says
they are, but the Scottish philosopher only
did what so many others have done—mistook
his ignorance for positive knowledge. I have
already answered this question in part, but
there are some other things that will help to
settle the question.
First. From what we know of the violation of laws, what results follow? Are they
endical results, or otherwise? The violation of the laws of nature in your own being
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beneficial results, or otherwise? The violation of the laws of nature in your own being ends in sickness, disease, death. The violation of the law by which sight is given to the eye produces blindness. The results that come from violated laws so far as we know them are marked with ruin. It is only in obedience to these laws that beneficial and desirable results are reached. In the second class of results—human miracles—this was the principle by which men worked. They first found out the law and then utilized it. In all that we are able to know of the Divine miracles this principle is still seen as the rule of action. Take the giving of sight to the sightless eyes. It is unnatural that a man should have eyes and not be able to see—the natural thing is that he should see. Some violation of the law by which sight is given, caused the blindness. When the Savior comes and gives these sightless eyes the power to see, men set up a howl and say nature has been violated, when in fact it has only been re-established—tt is natural to see, uncourse there is a name with In a wheelbarrowto lation of the law by which sight is given, olation of the law by which sight is given, olation of the law by which sight is given, olation of the law by which sight is given, or comes and gives these sightless eyes the powder of the seen in the seen mighty powers and possibilities of the human soul, when you have turned upon human life the highest light of science and the still higher light of Revelation, then death the force that cuts all this short, and drops around the race a veil of leaden darkness, and renders life a fearful enigma, becomes a violation of patters.

of nature's laws. Somewhere up the chain of nature, velled in the mists of the supernatural, lie the forces of life. God's hand is upon ral, lie the forces of life. God's hand is upon them, and when the appointed hour comes, Adam's entombed race shall feel its quickening power and respond to the touch of the Divine hand that sends a thrill of eternal life coursing along the veins of a buried humanity, and bursting the fetters of death it shall rise into the hurmony of the life God. These emblems point us to the hour, when he who spoke Lazarus to life and gained through himself on that first great Easter morn a victory over death, shall lead our race to a glorious conquest, and enter us upon the eternal tory over death, shint lead out race to a gorr-ous conquest, and enter us upon the eternal life of glory and victory. Hall Jesus, King eternal, immortal, invisible, hall, to thee, with the Father and Holy Ghost, be glory now and forever, Amen.

# BRIERWOOD'S BRISTLING BAYONETS.

pring's Beauty and Freshuess ton Seed and Measley Sickness-Brier's Intellectual Stomach ... The Calhoun Monument Oration --- Ante

BEIERWOOD, April 18, 1887. Spring, though long delayed, has at last curst with all its beauty and freshness upon

us.

Everybody busy planting cotton, except the few who have finished. few who have finished.

The delightful shower of rain with which
Greenwood and vicinity was favored last Fri-day evening, missed as. Rain is much need-The measles are on the increase. Several

new cases within the last week.

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Your Due West correspondent ought to be more careful with his compilments. By looking again he will discover that it was the distinguished "J. P. G." of Phoenix, who furnished the readers of the Press and Banner with a list of the many papers read by him. "Brier's" small intellectual stomach would hardly digest the immense amount of matter contained in J. P. G.'s list of papers. At least not in addition to the amount of "book larning" that two of the best teachers in Abbeville county endeavor each day to fill the aforesaid stomach with.

I rather think the committee did right to select an orator not related to the distinguished statesman to deliver the oration at the unveiling of the Calhoan monument. An address of this kind would be a strange one if it did not consist in part of a eulogy of the dead statesman. Such a eulogy will sound better coming from one not a lineal descondant.

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By using one can of prepared carriage paint, sour can paint your buggy for \$1.00 no varnish processary. Sold by. P. B. Speed.

Seeds of evergreen trees may be solved as early in the spring as the ground can be worked. Sow thinly in beds of fine, sandy loam raised about four inches Ice cold sodu water, only 5 cents a glass at sandy loam raised loeed's drug store

# LIFE AT DUE WEST.

WHAT A WIDE-AWAKE CORRESPONDENT HAS SEEN AND HEARD WITHIN A WEEK.

Collards and Preachers---Street Loafera and Beantiful Woman --- New Doctors Grave Yards, and Dead People --- April Fools and Santa Claus Experiments --- Presbyterial Meetings and Hospital People. DUE WEST April 18, 1887.

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Tra la la, Winter.

Rev. D. F. Haddon preach in the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church yesterday.

Mr. J. F. Calhoun has young collards "large enough to break."

Cattle are dying in and around Due West.

Miss Lucretia Drennan is visiting her sister, Mrs. Samuel Agnew. Mrs. Samuel Agnew.
Mr. Louis Drennan of Abbeville spent yes
terday with his daughter, Mrs. A. D. Kenne

A moonlight ride was indulged in last week by some of the ladies.
Our citizens are becoming clamorous for the usual calesthenic exhibition.
Miss Statia Wideman, of Troy, is visiting her relatives in this summer resort.

The barn of Mrs. H. M. Johnson was set on fire twice last week, but the fire was extinguished before much damage was done.

Rev. H. D. Liudsay, of Delaware, is expected here on a visit to his parents in a week or

A small quantity of hail fell in this vicinity last Friday.

There is a general desire for a good rain.
Only a small shower yesterday and one this morning. Mr. W. J. Bonner, after being confined to

Mr. W. J. Bonner, inter seing contacts
the house a few days last week, is out again.
Mr. and Mrs. Burton of Lowndesville, were
at Mrs. Jas. Magili's last week.
Mr. John II. Wren spent yesterday with his
family. He returned to Anderson this morning. Mr. F. I. Bell will assist Mr. Wren at Ander-

Mr. F. I. Bell will assist Mr. Wren at Anderson for a few weeks.
Mr. J. H. Holcomb of Martin's Mills passed through our town last week.
The furmers this delightful weather are vieing with each other in the enjoyment of their seed-timo labor.
The acreage prepared for cotton planting seems to be as extensive this Spring as ever.
The new town council took charge of the city's affairs last Wednesday night. Everything being in good repair the machinery movel off nicely.
Our grateful acknowledgement to "Dixle" of the Messenger for the kindness of her compliment.

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The silken cords of matrimony were drawn
tightly and appropriately around a pair of
dusky lovers in our town last week.
This Summer-like weather has persuaded
Mr. Samuel Agnew to furl his cold wave flag.
The squirrei hunters are bagging stacks of
game these pretty mornings.
A party of jolly boys took in Martin's Mill
pond seining last Friday night. They returned Saturday with the usual fisherman's luck
The following deaths occurred last week
near Due West, Mrs. Robt. Bracher, Miss
Nancy Mctain and an Infant of Mr. and Mrs.
Samuel Nance.

termeions on Christmas. We thought the comparison seasonable,
Mr. Robt, McKay is probably the most compassionate mouser within a radius of say, well, modestly put it, "twenty thousand leagues" from Due West. He delights to entrap rats just to enjoy the pleasure of seeling how happy the rodents are when liberated.
Dr. Lindsay says "the street loafer is the most contemptible of men." We cheerfully sellers the smark and heartly endorse the remark.

An economical resident of our town has his An economical resident of our town has his children taken to ride these pretty afternoons

n a wheelbarrow-The container that bottled the hot weather

Messrs, D. G. Phillips, J. P. Knox and T. G. Boyce are in attendance upon the Y. M. C. A. State Convention at Newberry, as the representatives of the Y. M. C. A. of Erskine College.

Dr. J. J. Lindsay has entered into partner-person with Dr. Sullie of Augusta, in the grinding and quiverizing. A test made with a half barrel of nails showed the

nership with Dr. Saillie, of Augusta, in the drug store business and also in the practice of This is the Bible view at least. Death comes by sin, sin is a violation of the laws of being, and death is the result of that violation. Then, my brethren, the resurrection is a triumph over death, a re-establishing the laws of Rev. Dr. Lindsay last Thursday.

The sermon of Rev. Dr. Lindsay last Thursday evening was attentively listened to and well received by a full house.

Suturday, the 23d has been fixed as the day for cleaning off the Associate Reformed Presbyterian cemetery and church grounds. Let end only the members of this church, but all who may have relatives or friends interred here, deem it a duty to assist in this important matter. The city of our dead should not be neglected.

The meeting of the Second Associate Reformed Presbytery which met at Generostee church, Anderson county last Friday was well attended by the citizens of this place. Among the number are Revs. Drs. Royce, 'Grier and gressly, Revs. Messrs. Stewart, Blakely and Grier. Prof. W. S. Lowry, and Messrs. T. W. Sloan, J. R. Edwards, W. W. Sadler and J. L. Pressly, Sr.
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One of our young men, who is too feminine to allow us to use his name, certainly received an "April fool," so called about the 10th inst. This white whiskered chestnut consisted of sundry articles, from samples of crochet to some of her papa's bacco, but the intervening items were therejin rich profusion. And while the fair donor is doubtiess growing fat in feelings of having done a good job, the young man lives, a little disfigured but still on the carpet.

A special friend of ours, a few nights ago, had at real Gordion knot problem to solve. To amuse himself and some friends by sommersaulting on the trapeze he bolted the the front door of his store and made his exit therefrom through a back window closing the

the front door of his store and made his exit therefrom through a back window closing the self-locking shutters behind him. When through with the athletle performance he stood basking in the moon beams till the "wee sma' hours ayout the twal" mopping his sweat producing brow in determining the best mode of entrance to the well-locked store. The Santa Claus method was finally hit upon and althouth he imagined it somewhat sooty and did not fancy the precedent he came to the conclusion that it beat staying out all night.

The citizens and students of the town were

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The clitzens and students of the town were treated to a lecture last Wednesday evening by Prof. J. I. McCain. It would be superfluous to say that the lecture was an excellent one, for the name of the lecturer is in itself sufficient evidence of that. "The Elizabethan Age" was treated in the most interesting and sinstructive style, and the dry facts of history were coupled with logical elegance and occasional flaches of wit, to perfect delight of the large audience, and the only regret was that the speaker concluded to stop.

We find the following in an exchange of reacted date. As Rev. Mr. Dannelly was spreaching in the Methodist church at Pendler on, S. C., on a warm day. The church was crowded. A wealthy lady, sitting near the pracher's annoyance. Finally the old man stopped his discourse suddenly and said: "Gal, you needn't bring that silver cup in any more—everybody has seen it now." The cup vanished from sight at cnce.

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Was difficient evidence of the second Associate Reformed Presbytery last week, is said to have been one of the fullest for several years—nearly alternative to the election or appointment of an evangelist. Rev. Dr. H. T. Sloam was chosen for this new feature of work, provided it was agreeable to his people for him to absent himself in hunting up the "scattered sheep" and organized them. Sermons were delivered by Rev. C. E. Todd, J. S. Mills, Rev. Dr. Grier, Rev. Dr. Phillips, Rev. R. F. Bradley and the theological student, Mr. T. W. Stoan. The hospitality of the people was unbounded. They are ministered to by the Rev. Calvin Pressly, and good reports come from both pastor and people. The Presbytery will hold its rank to a served best

LEXINGTON, April 16 .- A. Marks was shot this morning, at 2 o'clock, in J. W. Earhart's barroom, by Dr. C. E. Leaphart. The ball entered about the right

nipple and was cut out near the backbone Marks is resting well to-night and it is hoped he will not die. Seeds of evergreen trees may be sowed

Death from Criminal Carelessness the Using of Fire Arms.

SAVANNAH, GA., April 1:.-Frank M. Fonda, Superintendent of the main stem of the Georgia Central rail. and, was shot and instantly killed to-day, on board of the tug William C. Turner, by J. J. Abrams, a prominent lawyer of this city. Superintendent Fonda and a party of friends, among whom were Abrams, Police Magistrate M. F. Molina, Andrew Anderson, private secretary to General Alexander, President of the Georgia Central, Col. John T. Gaynor, contractor for the Savannah River and Harbor Imor a trip to Tymbee beach. The party was in high spirits and was laughing and look and look are to the Chicago & Eastern Illinois Railroad, left the city this morning on the tug for a trip to Tymbee beach. The party was in high spirits and was laughing and looking actionally on the trip down the joking continually on the trip down the river. While crossing the sound Fonda left the party in the pilot house and went back to the cabin. Half an hour later he rejoined them. As he started up the lad-der, leading from the deck to the pilot house, he called to Abrams, who was leaning out of the window: "Jack, I'm coming." Abrams laughed and replied: "No you're not." "Yes, I am," Fonda "No you're not." "1es, 1 au, said, and climbed up to the window.
Abrams picked up a Winchester rifle, which lay on the seat in the pilot house, and pointing it at Fonda, not knowing it was loaded, pulled the trigger. The weapon was discharged and Fonda, who was half way up the ladder, let 30 the rail to which he held and fell back dead. The rifle which Abrams thought was not loaded had been loaded by I onda himself soon after the tug left the city. The ball entered just under the eft eye and pierced the brain. Death was instanta-neous. Magistrate Molin was in the pilot house and saw Abrams pick up the rifle, but he did not know that it was loaded. As soon as the C roner arrived, the body was removed to rixon's undertaking rooms, and a jury of inquest was summoned. The examination of witnesses was begun, and a verdict of accidental shooting was ren beed. The dead Superintendent's remains will be removed to the Central railroad depot in the morning, whence they will be taken to Nashville, Tenn., for interment at ten

o'clcck. He was formerly Superintendent of the Henderson Division of the Louisville and Nashville railroad, but was appointed to the Superintendency of the Georgia Central on April the 1st.

### History Repeats Itself. Barnwell People.

Boomlets are about to strike Greenville and Spartanburg. The population of each of those embryo cities is likely to be increased by the immigration of a couple Nancy McCain and an infant of Mr. and Mrs.
Samuel Nance.

We heard a gentleman remark that selling cotton the middle of April is like having watermelons on Christmas. We thought the comparison seasonable.

Mr Robert but from the rejoicing of the Piedmont escarpment it would appear that they were coming with the philanthropic purpose of making everybody there rich and happy and good looking. Many centuries ago the Trojans pulled down the walls of their city that had resisted the valorous attacks and wise strategy of the Greeks for ten years and pulled the fatal wooden horse into the citadel that had so long been impregnable. And we are in-clined to believe that the aforesaid wood-

> tilizers and various other articles of commerce, which, if successful, it is claimed, will revolutionize the present mode of

### ----The Bride of Death.

with nother but air.

iron ground into the finest powder with-

out the aid of tooth, stamp or roller, and

SHELBYVILLE, TENN., April 7.—One of the saddest accidents occurred last night that has ever taken place in town. Mr. Allie H. Ruth and Miss Carrie Sharp were to be married to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock, all the preparations for the happy event having been made. Mr. happy event having been made. Mr. Ruth called last night to spend a few

hours with Miss Sharp.

He was getting ready to leave for home and had put on his overcoat and muffler, and laid a revolver that he had brought with him on a table. She told him put it into his pocket, as she was afraid of it, and handed it to him, when the trigger caught somehow in her wrap and ex-ploded, the bullet entering her heart, kill-ing her almost instantly. She made an effort to call her lover's name, but fell in his arms and expired.

## Open the Dam.

Lexington Disputch. We are reliably informed that numbers of persons have been daily, seen for some time past, catching shad just below Saluda Factory dam with seins and nets, where the fish congregate in large numbers, being unable to ascend the worthless fish-way which was sometimes since put over the dam. As no fish are found in the river above the dam it is the duty of the State Fish Commissioner to investigate the matter and see that the fishway is so fixed that the fish can assend above the dam. This is a matter of much concern to the people living above the dam, and as the law contemplates that they should have the benefit of the migratory fish in the stream, the fishway shoul be in accordance with law; and if it then fai's, a passage-way should be made through the dam. Now is the time for the State Fish Commissioner to investigate the matter, as he can see the fish in quantities in the river below the dam, and that they find it impossible to

assend the fishway. WASHINGTON, April 16.—To-morrow the Sunday closing laws will be enforced. The chief of police to-day issued to his The chief of police to day issued to his subordinates an order instructing them to see that the proprietors of all places of business, such as greeries, butcher shops, confectioners, eight stores, &c., do not keep open their respective places of business for the sale of my article or articles or the sale of my article or articles. ticles of profit during the Sabbath day. News stands for the sale of newspapers nay remain open until 1 o'clock, P. M., and newspapers may be cried upon the streets until that hour. All licensed eating houses, and also restaurants with bars attached—said bars to be kept closed may remain open for the furnishing of meals to customers. When the bar is in the same room as the restaurant it must be separated therefrom ly a securely-fas-tened partition. Apothecary establishments may remain open for the dispensing of medicines only. Barber shops must be kept closed during the entire Sabbath. The delivery of bread, ice and milk, as well as other articles previously purchased, will not be interfered with.

## A Grave Offence.

May a clergyman wheel his own baby in a perambulator? One would suppose that he might, but not so, think the people of Edinburgh. A cleryman there was seen carrying his baby. His horrified congregation presented him with a perambulator, but his last state was worse than his first, for he wheeled this vehicle language that the extract with his beat with the best with the street with his best with the street wi along the streets with his baby in it. This insult to the genteel susceptibilities of his congregation was too much, and he re-ceived a letter politely informing him that whilst his abilities gave satisfaction his pastoral services would no longer be