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Arbuckle's coffee, 8 lbs. \$1. Best green coffee, 8 lbs. \$1. Fancy cream cheese, 15 cts. lb. Pilete and boneless hams, 10 cts. lb. Best Oolong tea, 40 cts. lb. Full line of tobacco, cigars and cigarettes. Try Lucke's Ham, 5 lbs. \$1.00, 6 for 10 cts. Fresh mackerel, large size, 3 for 10 cts. Good salmon, 10 cts. a can. A good broom, 9 cts. A full line of everything good to eat. Get my prices on Flour before buying. Yours to please, J. S. Bowie.

TROUP'S INTERESTING TALK

Important Meeting Woman's Foreign Missionary Society—Visitors—Good Rain. Lowndesville, S. C. Sept. 27, 97. Monday. Mr. J. C. Thomas was called to Abbeville.

Mr. G. W. Spear went to Anderson Monday. Mr. and Mrs. F. W. R. Nance, of Abbeville came up Sunday. Mr. Enoch Nance, of Monterey, was in town Tuesday. A very welcome day's rain came Wednesday. It was badly needed and will do a great deal of good.

Miss Bertha Sharp, of Anderson, spent several days with friends here in the early part of the week. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Barnes and their pretty little babe, of Prattville, Ala., reached here Friday and will remain for some time. Rev. G. T. Harmon, Jr., came in Friday evening, and held the 4th and last quarterly meeting, for this charge, this year. Saturday morning he delivered an interesting sermon at 11 a. m., another at 11 a. m. Sunday, and still another at 8 p. m. the same day.

Mr. Will Moore, of Greenwood, came in Friday and will enter our High School Monday. Our school is on a boom. The outlook is brighter, no scholars, enrolled, than for over forty years, in fact the school is larger than ever before known. About forty years ago Mr. James Lind, sheriff Nance, the best educators the state ever produced, had charge of the school in this place, and he had 30 scholars. The school now is considerably larger with a number yet to come.

Frank Debose, colored, who is employed at the depot, in his spare time, has been called up a five dollar note. He at once delivered it to Mr. J. W. Jones, the depot agent, who upon inquiry, discovered that it was a counterfeit. Frank deserves much praise for his honesty.

Our good friends at the Ridge church are due an apology from somebody. In the report sent to the Press and Banner for publication the week before last, in regard to the meeting held at that place, the name of some one else, or a copy through the carelessness of this writer, the word "revised" was used instead of "revised" when it was not so intended. While if it could well be done, some of our churches would be benefited if their members were made to regret that the word was used in connection with the Ridge people.

Misses J. J. Johnson and R. E. Mosley, of Abbeville, came up yesterday for a short stay and worshipped with the Methodists. Messrs Henry and Earl Allen went to Anderson yesterday, the former to go on to Wolford for another term. According to appointment, the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Colkeburg District, of the South Carolina Conference, held its annual meeting, at this place in Sunday church, beginning last Friday, and ending at 5 p. m. After beautiful and well rendered music by the choir, Miss Zula Brock, organist, devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. E. W. Mason, pastor of the church. After which Mrs. M. C. Owen, the district secretary, in the chair, called the meeting to order. The first business before the meeting was the election of a Secretary. Miss Maggie Rodgers, of Honesdale, was honored with the position. Rev. E. W. Mason then rose and in a short but very appropriate address, reviewed the work of the year, and welcomed the conference to our town and community. Mrs. Chipley, the adult delegate from Greenwood, made an appropriate response. To Miss Lila Bell, was given the task of welcoming the juvenile delegates, which she did in a happy and graceful style. Miss Lou Yess, the case officer for the response being absent, this duty was assigned to Mrs. E. A. Herbert. This closed the night session. Sunday morning, the conference again assembled at 8:30, and an hour and a half was consumed in the reading of a report from the adult society rendered. At 11 a. m. Mrs. Herbert was given the floor, who gave quite an interesting and comprehensive talk on the Missionary work of the church, and to this class of the missionary workers and especially to the children of the town and community. Mrs. Herbert gave a good motherly talk. The conference then adjourned with a benediction from Rev. E. W. Mason.

Thus ended one of the most important gatherings ever held in this place. Its importance is to be measured more by the interest involved than by its size. Quite a number of auxiliaries were not represented, but a sufficient number of delegates were present to show that the good ladies of this part of our own dear south land, show a zeal and determination in the great work that no opposition can overcome. The officers of the conference showed a fitness for their respective positions rarely equaled and never exceeded. Our people, as usual, with one accord opened their doors to all delegates and visitors, doing their best to make their stay among us pleasant. On Sunday at ten a. m. a love feast was held in the Methodist church, presided over by Mrs. Herbert. Which was somewhat of the love feasts of the days gone by. They, perhaps, as every one knows, were secular and not spiritual. A branch of the Christian church. At 11 a. m. Dr. J. A. Clifton, of Abbeville, occupied the pulpit, and after the preliminary exercises were over gave as his text the 14th verse of the 24th chapter of St. Matthew. "And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world, for a witness to all nations." The readers will readily see that it was a subject well suited to the occasion, and the preacher handled it in his usual masterly manner, enchainning the attention of the audience from start to finish. At 5 p. m. the same popular divine, in the same place in his fine style, gave a talk especially to the boys and girls, young men and maidens. The sermon and talk were both very good. A late Press and Banner a writer was taken to task, for using the expression, "We were all carried away with the speaker," to this writer will not use the same words, but will say we were wonderfully pleased, and would be glad to have any one who has heard Dr. Clifton have a magnetism about him, which attracts all who see, or hear him. Every one is glad to see and shake hands with him.

OPENING OF COURT.

Judge Buchanan on the Bench—The Hunters on Their Second Trial—Some Old Cases Go to Greenwood—Hold-Over in the Grand Jury—The Turnages Go Free.

The Court of General Sessions for Abbeville County convened at 10 o'clock Monday morning in the time honored way. Judge Osmond W. Buchanan, Judge of the Fifth Circuit, presides, Solicitor Ansel with his formidable indictments, Stenographer Aigen with his fascinating art, Sheriff Nance, Clerk Bullock and the other functionaries appeared in due and ancient form.

The attendance upon the opening of court was far below what fall court formerly was lost. Much of the old-time dignity was lost. No cases of general interest being decided only those who have business come to court. Judge Buchanan's charge to the grand jury had considerable ginger in it. He made a lucid, unmistakable statement of the duties and prerogatives of the grand inquest. It was a very lucid charge.

The first case was that against Wm. Scott for assault and battery with intent to kill. He was found guilty and sentenced to six months in the chain-gang. Graydon & Graydon defended him. J. B. Holloway was foreman of the jury.

Joe Presley and George Thomas were tried for gambling at McCormick. Graydon & Graydon for defense. W. O. Cromer foreman jury. Not guilty.

INSUBSTANTIAL CHARGES.

The grand jury returned no bill in the case of Henry E. Turnage, charged with rape. Turnage is the thirteen-year-old white boy accused of assaulting a Negro girl at McCormick in July.

No bill was found in the case of James W. Turnage, assisting prisoner to escape. He made a plea of helping the boy get away from Conable Sharpton on July 19.

No bill against John Burns, assault and battery with intent to kill.

THE LATIMER KILLING.

Ed. and Asbury Hunter were arraigned late Monday afternoon for murder. They were implicated in the killing of Bob Glover at Latimer last April. The jury met a trial in their case at the summer term of court. There are about 15 witnesses—nearly all colored. W. C. McQuinn and W. N. Graydon appeared for the defense. The following jury was empaneled after nineteen objections—mainly by the defense: H. L. Ray, Foreman, David Gilliam, R. H. Tazart, C. A. Smith, J. L. Burnett, John N. McMill, L. D. Caldwell, J. H. Glen, J. C. Martin, J. W. Rykard, Jas. A. Black, J. N. Denny, 5

This case was given to the jury about 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. The jury was out a short while. The verdict was "not guilty." Jim Hubbard, murderer, J. F. Chinklesse foreman jury. D. H. Magill for defense. Not guilty.

TRANSFERRED TROUBLES.

The following cases were ordered transferred to Greenwood County: Wade Adkins, murder. Mary Donnan, maintaining a nuisance—keeping place where liquors are sold. Andrew Jackson, selling liquor. James Davis, assault on a woman.

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AUG. W. SMITH

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James Byers, assault and battery with intent to kill and carrying concealed weapons. Graydon & Graydon, attorneys for John Mitchell, were ready for the trial of their client, but Judge Buchanan ruled that Mitchell was chargeable to Greenwood County. He is alleged to have committed murder three years ago and ground now in Greenwood. Some of the above named cases are of long standing.

AN INNOVATION. In accordance with a recent enactment by the General Assembly, requiring six out of the annual grand jury venire to be drawn at the fall term to serve for the ensuing year, the following members of the current grand jury were drawn—in the same manner petit panels are to serve next year. T. J. Robinson, B. W. Cowan, W. C. Agnew, W. F. Ferguson, M. A. Simpson, T. J. Mann.

James Williams, housebreaking and grand larceny. The grand jury returned a true bill in this case. Williams entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to two years at hard labor on the public works of the county. He stole a few weeks ago two pistols from the residence of Mr. J. W. Norwood. In sentencing Williams Judge Buchanan made some severe observations on the idleness and depraved habits of the clan the prisoner represented—those who will not work, but prefer to loaf about with pistols in their pockets. This case was given to the jury about 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. The jury was out a short while. The verdict was "not guilty." W. B. Groves entered a plea of guilty to the charge of selling liquor. He formerly kept a store near the railroad shops, this city.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION. For Special Election to be Held November 2nd, 1897, to fill the Unexpired Term in the House of Representatives Made Vacant by the Resignation of T. A. Graham, Esq. AN ELECTION WILL BE HELD AT THE Abbeville County, Tuesday, November 2nd, 1897, for the following office, to wit: One Member of the House of Representatives. The polls will open at 7 o'clock, a. m., and close at 4 o'clock, p. m. At the close of the election the managers shall immediately proceed to publicly count the ballots. Within three days thereafter the Chairman of the Board of Managers, or one of them, to be designated in writing by the Board, shall deliver to the Commissioners of Election the poll list, the boxes containing the ballots, and a written statement of the result of the election at his precinct. The Managers of Election shall require of every elector offering to vote at such election, before allowing him to vote, in addition to the production of his registration certificate, proof of the payment of poll tax six months before said election of any poll tax then due and payable. The Managers shall administer to the person offering to vote an oath that he is qualified to vote at said election, according to the constitution of the State, and that he has not already voted in said election. The following named persons have been appointed Managers of Election to conduct this election to wit: Abbeville—Henry Moore, H. T. Wardlaw, Benton Jones. H. Carmel—John Tarrant, W. L. Miller, B. A. Boyd. Willington—J. H. Hemminger, S. S. McBeth, J. Link. Donalds—John McMill, Will Donald, C. V. Martin. DuRoi—M. E. Hollingsworth, G. N. Nickles, Bruce Ellis. Antreville—Sam Knox, S. J. Wakenfield, Pink McCarter. Lowndesville—S. S. Boles, B. A. Bell, J. C. Thomas. Magnolia—A. A. Edwards, R. O. Bell, T. A. Coker. Long Cane—J. F. Calvert, H. W. Bowie, Barlow Crawford. Clatsworthy—Cross Roads—Alf Lyon, A. T. Brown, James Crawford. McCormick—T. A. Box, Walter Harmon, S. L. Edmond. W. Lyon, J. C. Kennedy, J. W. Franklin. Jones—Willie Algay, W. H. Hughes, C. T. Breesey. One of the above named Managers at each box will call upon the Board of Commissioners at Abbeville Saturday, October 30th, to receive ballot boxes, poll list, and instructions, and to be qualified. F. A. COOK, W. A. LANIER, R. H. HUGHES, Commissioners of Election for Abbeville County, Sept. 29, 1897.

Tax Collector's Notice. HIS OFFICE WILL BE OPEN FROM FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15th UNTIL FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31st.

The Rate of State, County, School and Special Tax, Including One Dollar Poll Tax, One Dollar Commutation Road Tax.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN ACT TO raise supplies for the fiscal year commencing January 1, 1897, notice is hereby given that the office of County Treasurer of Abbeville County will be open for the collection of taxes for said fiscal year from Friday, October 15th until Friday, December 31st, without penalty. Rates per cent. of taxation are as follows: State Tax . . . 5 mills Ordinary County Tax . . . 2 1/2 " School . . . 3 " Special Road and Bridge . . . 3/4 "

In addition to the above a special tax will be collected for school purposes as follows: Town of Mt. Carmel . . . 3 mills McCormick . . . 2 " Lebanon . . . 2 " Town of Abbeville: Retiring Railroad Bonds and paying interest on same . . . 2 mills Special School, retiring bonds and paying interest on same 2 1/2 "

A poll tax of One Dollar per capita on all male citizens between the age of 21 and 60 years, except such as are exempt by law, will be collected. A commutation road tax of One Dollar will be collected the same time as other taxes, from all male citizens between the age of 18 and 50 years, except such as are exempt by law. Unless said tax is paid by first of January, 1898, four days work upon the public highways will be required under a contractor. Taxes are payable only in gold and silver coin. Parties desiring information by mail in regard to their taxes will please write before December 15th and will please state the location of their property, and include postage for reply, and those paying taxes by check must include the charge for collection.

J. R. BLAKE, JR., Treasurer. Sept. 25, 1897, 1f

"Were there cats in the ark?" is a question that is troubling the religious editor of an exchange. Certainly there were; and the first thing they said after leaving the ancient craft was: "If there's an Ararat round here, we want to gopher it."

Few men get their life's labor accomplished without some heart-aches. No fewer than 21 persons a century old and upwards are reported by the registrar-general for Scotland to have died last year in that country. Five were men and 16 were women. Do not mend a kid glove with sewing silk for the silk cuts the kid and shows the mend more plainly, while fine cotton thread gives a much more satisfactory result. If a glove is torn put a piece of silk of corresponding shade under the torn part, baste carefully, so as not to reveal the stitches on the right side, and then draw up the rent with cotton thread.

A women of 97, now living in the south, recently had a proposal of marriage. She is western by birth, is said to be wonderfully attractive, and looks 30 years younger than she is.

The city of Chicago, so far as its superficial area is concerned, covers more ground than any other city in this country, having by the addition of numerous suburbs raised its area to 89 square miles. Philadelphia comes next, with 129, while St. Louis and New York, or rather, that portion of New York situated on Manhattan island, have the same area, 61 and a fraction.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO B. HILLMAN. LOOK OUT FOR HIS ADVERTISEMENT NEXT WEEK.

LONG HORN TOBACCO, 35c POUND. ARBUCLLES COFFEE, 8 lbs. \$1.00. J. S. BOWIE, Staple, Green AND Fancy Groceries. Potatoes, Cabbage, Apples, Onions and Lemons always on hand. Fresh Lot of Fancy Candies Just Received. 16 1-2 lbs. Granulated Sugar, \$1. BUTTER and EGGS, A SPECIALTY. 8 POUNDS GOOD COFFEE, (Best) \$1.00. MAGNOLIA HAMS, 12c POUND. 6 BARS OCTAGON SOAP, 25cts.