

Shooting last Saturday Morning.

What might have been a tragedy but what really resulted in nothing more serious than a flesh wound was enacted in West End on last Saturday morning in the shooting of Mr. O'Brien by Mr. Mays. Mr. O'Brien was up very early on Saturday morning to meet a train on the Seaboard on which he expected his wife from Atlanta. Returning to his home he set his alarm clock at half-past five in order that he might be at his stables to start his wagon to hauling granite early in the morning. He did not go to sleep again and when his alarm clock struck he arose and dressed himself preparatory to going to his stables. On leaving his house and approaching the house of Mr. Mays he heard Mr. and Mrs. Mays talking excitedly to one another. As he rounded the corner he heard a noise at a window and the next thing he knew he was shot. He was on the sidewalk, walking rather fast and swinging his arm and as his arm swung in front of him, it caught the lead. Not understanding what to make of it he called to Mr. Mays and asked him what he meant by thus shooting him but received no answer. He even took a few steps back toward the gate to inquire what Mr. Mays meant but receiving no answer and noticing that he was losing blood proceeded to consult a doctor. While standing in the street he heard Mrs. Mays exclaiming, "don't kill my child, please don't kill my child. O, what will I do." Mr. O'Brien says that he proceeded to the doctors and when he arrived on the square told the police of the occurrence. Mr. Johnson who was on the square at the time started to go up to the scene of the shooting alone when he, Mr. O'Brien, told him that it would be safer to take some one with him for the man was evidently crazy. Mr. O'Brien in narrating the affair to the police said that he had never spoken to Mrs. Mays but once in his life and that was when she asked him to examine a cow which he did in the presence of Mr. Wright. Mrs. Mays told the same story to police, verifying Mr. O'Brien's statement. She said that she had never spoken to Mr. O'Brien but once in her life and that was when she had asked him to examine a cow for her. All of Mrs. Mays' neighbors speak in the very highest terms of her. Those who know her intimately say that she is above reproach, and they can only explain the conduct of Mr. Mays on the grounds that it was due to mental aberration. Mr. Mays has disappeared. He left directly after the shooting and has not been heard from up to the present time. Mr. O'Brien's wound is not at all serious and he has not lost any time from his business on account of it.

The Judge Judged.

It not infrequently happens that mayors get into personal, difficulties and encounters, try themselves in their own court and fine themselves according to law, but it is a little unusual for a Judge to fall into the furor of a fight and be tried and fined in his own court. Such a case happened last week when Judge Nash Broyles of the Atlanta Police Court had an encounter with Chief Jentzen of the Sanitary Board. Judge Broyles dismissed certain cases of drivers spilling dirt on the streets, cases preferred by chief Jentzen, and the chief was mad because he dismissed them so. The chief said things to the Judge that made the Judge mad and the episode ended in a lovely fight, a regular ten-dollar-and-cent fight. Mayor Maddox tried the case and fined each of the belligerents the conventional \$10.75. Darky town turned out en-masse to see the Judge judged. From time immemorial the Judge had fined, admonished, lectured them on the evils of losing temper and fighting and here the Judge takes his own medicine. It was too good to miss and they were there.

Governor Patterson of Tennessee, last week pardoned Duncan B. Cooper for the killing of Senator Carmack. The Supreme court had just affirmed the verdict of the lower court placing Cooper in the penitentiary for 20 years. The governor may know something about the case that the public does not know. If he does he is duty bound to let the public know. Unless he does know something that we do not know he has erred egregiously in thus pardoning a convict before he has even served a day.

Governor Patterson comes from an Abbeville family. The family moved to Tennessee many years ago from the lower part of the county. There is a bridge named after the family, which spans Long Cane creek on the road from Abbeville to Troy. Governor Patterson must be a pretty good man, for such were his progenitors. We dislike to think any evil of a grandson of Abbeville county but the pardoning of the convict in this manner even before a petition was presented looks queer. The Governor might have waited until Coopers friends got up a petition, which they would have been sure to have done. All big convicts now-a-days resort to the petition as a last resort, and had the governor waited only a very short while he would have had some show of reason on his side.

Housekeepers and Clerks.

Notice of closing of stores at 6 o'clock will be found elsewhere in this issue. The housekeepers will recognize what a boon this will be to the clerks of the city, and we know we voice the sentiments of every clerk in town when we say that the clerks will count it a great favor if the housekeepers will do their shopping in the early afternoon rather than after six o'clock. So we entreat the housekeepers, on the part of the clerks, to do them this great favor.

The merchant does not like to close his store if there are customers to be served. The wish to accommodate their clerks and at the same time they are eager to serve the shoppers. Do you see the situation? If the housekeepers do their shopping before six o'clock there will be no need of clerks after 6 o'clock. The clerks are your friends for life if you will give them this consideration.

Ninety-three to Fourteen.

Ninety three divorces against fourteen weddings on last Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday was Atlanta's record. This was not in Omaha or Chicago or New York, it was in Atlanta, Georgia. Where lies the trouble? What is the matter with us? Whose fault is it that the sanctity of the home has become a play thing, a shuttle cock, to be batted about the courts at the will of any one? A fault it is and no one will deny it, but whose fault is it. Is it because our ministers do not preach to us on the sanctity of the home, taking it for granted that we are alright in that respect? Is it because we are beginning to feel that the old Southern home life was too narrow and hide bound for the twentieth century? Is it because we are emulating our neighbors over Mason's "Line," thinking that we can excuse ourselves by saying that they set us the example? Is it because the people of the South are steeped in human depravity to a degree never reached before? Ninety three to fourteen! It gradually gets worse. We see it, we deplore it, we shake our heads and grunt disapprobation but the evil grows steadily. The principle reason, we believe for the growing evil is the sanction that the law of the land places on it. The law in so many words says, "yes it is good to get a divorce, it gives you a certain immunity that you wish, it frees you from disagreeable entanglements." The law says, "I will make your separation respectable. I am great and respected and what I say or do is respected, I will render your divorces respectable in the eyes of the world." The law has nothing to do with a man's marrying, what right has it to intermeddle with his unmarried? They tell us that all law is based on biblical law. How does the divorce law square with Biblical law think you? We are begged, implored, beseeched to reverse, uphold, stand by, and die by the law. The law would be much more respected if certain sections cut out, certain limbs lopped off, and the divorce court is one in question. Ninety three to fourteen! The basic principle of our government is its home. Just what the homes of our land are just that our government will be. Let the spirit of reverence and sanctity, permeate the homes of this land and the government will be impregnable. Let irreverence and perversion and profanation and reprobation characterize our homes, and the government will disintegrate quickly. A man's home is his castle, his strong fort. With his castle safe from the hands of the enemy he feels self respecting, self reliant, strong. He feels his sovereignty. Break into his castle and despoil his house hold gods and you make of him a drifting derelict, a dipping needle. Ninety three to fourteen!

Trolley Line for Abbeville.

We publish elsewhere in this issue a clipping from the Greenville News in which the statement is made that the Anderson Belton Trolley line, will certainly be extended to either Abbeville or Greenwood. There is no doubt that this is a fact, and though the road may go to both Abbeville and Greenwood, if the people of Abbeville sit quietly down and depend on getting the road, it may go to Greenwood and to Greenwood alone.

There is no better town in the world than Abbeville, as far as it goes, but it does not go far enough. If we are content to be a finished town we have but to surrender all of the external developing influences to our neighboring towns. If we have no way for rail roads trolley lines, cotton mills, etc let us dismiss the thought of these things and begin the sleep that knows no awakening. Our people have bought and sold real-estate at high prices about as long as it is possible to do so. We are like a lot of fish shut up in a pond who if they grow fat must do so by eating their fellows.

Abbeville has about as much money as any of the towns about Columbia. It has better farm lands than almost any county in the up country. It is nearer the water-power on Savannah River than any large town. It has both the Southern and Seaboard roads. It has fewer commercial failures than any city in the state. There is no reason why this may not be one of the largest, as it is one of the best towns in the state, except that we do not so will it.

We will begin to build another cotton mill in a few months. This will be a new start. Now Abbeville simply must have the trolley, whether by way of Due West or Antreville makes no difference. No better country can be found than this along either route. It is the trolley we want, and our people through representatives should assure the promoters of the trolley extension that will do all that can be asked of us, to secure it.

The City Council should take up this matter and open communications with the promoters of the trolley extension at once.

New set of Questions for Teachers.

In addition to the long list of questions usually asked the teachers a new set will be added on the next examination on agriculture. This is a wise step on the part of the State Board of Education. We are an agricultural people. While our manufacturing are growing fast, still agriculture is the source of most of our wealth. It is therefore important that we know something of it. The teachers will take notice and prepare themselves accordingly.

Deep ploughing has come to stay. It is recognized now as essential to good yields. In the west the steam plow has been used for several years. With one of these plows a man can break up about ten times as much land as with a single plow and at the same time do it better.

Who will be the first to introduce this novelty into Abbeville County? Such a machine could find all the work it could do in the fall of the year. The steam plow is coming we might just as well prepare for it.

With Pelagra in cornbread, Beriberi in rice, Trichinae in hog meat, and cow on her conventional trip over the moon biscuit and sorghum are not to be grinned at any more.

Col. R. P. Jamison, from near Honea Path, was in the city a day and night last week. Col. Jamison is a Nineteen-Ten farmer, a before-the-war host, and an all-around good citizen. We are going to steal him from Honea Path.

The 50c books at Milford's Book Store are worth the money.

WEST END.

Personal Paragraphs and News Items Contributed by Miss Lily Templeton.

Miss Manne Cromer who has charge of the Buffalo School near McCormick was in the city on Saturday. Miss Cromer is one of Abbeville County's most successful teachers. Miss Anna Clark of Monroe N. C. is spending a while here as the guest of Mrs. Harry Cobb. Mrs. Allen M. Schoon returned Monday to her home in Atlanta after spending a week in the city as the guest of Mrs. Lewis Perrin. Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Morse at home again after a pleasant trip to Alabama. Mrs. George White came home Monday from Mt Carmel where she has been the guest of Mrs. Calhoun Harris for the past few days. Mrs. William Durst and children of Greenwood spent a part of last week here with Mrs. W. D. Barksdale. Miss Ione Smith attended the Music Festival at Converse College last week. Mr. S. G. Thomson Jr. came home from Charleston, where he is a student at the Citadel last Monday on account of the extreme illness of his grand-father Mr. L. H. Russell.

COCHRAN-NANCE.

Miss Clyde Cochran and Mr. Eugene Nance were married Sunday afternoon at the home of the bride. Rev. P. B. Stokes officiating.

The marriage was a very quiet affair only the immediate family being present. The best wishes of their friends is extended to the young couple.

Miss Sara Tilton and Mr. O. Tilton of Savannah Ga. are in the city spending a while with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lawton at their pretty home on Magazine Hill.

Miss May Bailey one of Greenwood's most attractive young ladies is the guest of Miss Mamie Morse.

Miss Lillie Clark came home Monday from Hickory N. C. where she has been visiting relatives for some time.

Mr. Roy Cranner left Monday for Monroe N. C. where he will spend a few days before going to his home in Piedmont Va. for a month's visit to his home people.

Mr. W. G. Templeton spent Sunday with his home people here.

Miss Callie Futch of Monroe N. C. is here spending awhile with Mrs. A. L. Garrison.

Mr. T. G. White left Monday for Greenville, where he goes to attend United States Court.

HEMPHILL-ROGERS.

Mrs. Eugenia Hemphill has issued invitations to the marriage of her daughter Miss Grace Rebecca Hemphill to Mr. D. A. Rogers on the evening of Thursday April 28th 1910.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Jones are at home again after a delightful trip to New Orleans where Mr. Jones went to attend the Shrin meeting.

Mrs. T. L. Robertson and her children went to Anderson Thursday and was the guest of her sister Mrs. Will Beazley.

Mrs. Warren Smith is here from South America to spend several months with her home people.

Card of Thanks.

We thank our many friends for the kindness and sympathy shown us during illness and death of Husband and Father. Mrs. George R. Richardson and Children.

A full line of paints at the new hardware company. The Dargan-King Co.

Alexander Cheves Haskell.

Judge Alexander Cheves Haskell passed to the beyond one week ago today. He had been operated on Tuesday night and did not rally from the shock. Mr. Haskell was in his 71st year, a good old age. Mr. Haskell is known in this country as the leader of the Haskell Independent Movement against Ben Tillman in 1890. Judge Haskell held both the offices of District and Supreme Court Judge. At one time he was a railroad president, being at the head of the Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta Railroad. He was also president at one time of the Loan and Exchange Bank.

He had been identified with all Columbia's interests in one way or another, and the city will miss him.

He was a gallant soldier in the Confederate service, and in the stormy days of 1876 there were few men in the State who rendered more valuable service.

Not Lost but Gone Before.

This morning about half past five o'clock death angel visited home of Mr. George R. O. Richardson and bore his spirit to that upper and better world. He was sixty years of age, and had been sick only a week. Congestion of the lungs being his trouble. He leaves an aged wife six children four grandchildren, besides other relatives and a host of friends to mourn his death. He was a consistent member of the Presbyterian Church, and a man of upright, and integrity, and was held in high esteem by his many friends.

Funeral services were held in upper Long Cane Church, conducted by Rev. R. E. Telford. Interment took place immediately afterwards, in Long Cane cemetery, as his body was laid in its last resting place friends sweetly sang asleep in Jesus. May God ever comfort and cherish the sad hearts of the bereaved family, may he also strive with their young hearts and through the instrumentality of his son Jeans, may they be useful in tiny hands.

Farewell loved one we hope to meet you on that beautiful shore, where there will be no more sickness, pain, or death, and God himself shall wipe all tears from our eyes. — One who loved him.

NOTABLE WEDDING TO BE.

The Pretty Editor of the Medium Adds Hymen's Estate to Fourth Estate.

Mrs. Eugenia Hemphill invites you to be present at the marriage of her daughter Grace Rebecca and Mr. Davis Arthur Rogers on Thursday evening the twenty-eighth of April at nine o'clock Avenue Reform Presbyterian Church Abbeville South Carolina.

Captain Rogers is a most fortunate man in thus capturing our young townswoman, the Editor of the Medium. She possesses so many charms, so many good traits of character, such a lovable disposition that were we not married we would be envious.

Captain Rogers is a manly man and has won for himself a place of respect and consideration by his manly bearing.

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We will call on you or you can come and see us. Amos B. Morse Co., The Coal Man.

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Below we offer you desirable homes in different sections of the town. If you are prepared to make a small cash payment we will arrange to sell you the property on easy payments, bringing a home within the reach of any energetic, ambitious man. Make the effort and you will soon own a home of your own, where you are the boss and you will not have to be moving around the town every time a sale of house and lot is made. The prices we offer on each piece of property listed below is attractive and will prove a good investment.

On North Main Street, one two story practically new dwelling, in fine condition, on a lot 65 x 500 feet. Price \$8,000. Also on North Main Street, one new two story dwelling, on lot 65x300 feet. Price \$2,500. On Walnut Street, leading from Main Street, to the Ice Factory, two new two story dwellings, with sewerage just installed, on large lot. Price \$1,500. Also on same street, handsome new cottage, corner lot. Price \$2,000. On Magazine Street, a splendid cottage with all modern improvements, large lot at the very attractive price of \$3,750. On Cherokee Street a pretty cottage, close in to Wardlaw Street for \$1,500. Two new cottages in Fort Pickets, on large lot for the exceedingly low figure of \$750 each.

A nice little tract of land, 500 sq. acres, well improved, 4 room dwelling, pasture, orchard, etc. In fine community, 1 1/2 miles from good school. Close to Presbyterian and Methodist churches, in Diamond Hill township, near Little Mountain church, at a very attractive price.

By the Governor: R. M. McCown, Secretary of State.

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The L. W. White Company

Columbia showed what she could do last week. \$5000 was required to build a model Y. M. C. A. building, and the money was raised in a jiffy. You cannot keep a town like that on the antiquated list. Such a city will be always new, always young, always growing.

Several cars dressed lumber and two cars shingles, just in. Acker Building and Repair Company.

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Goods that uphold this store's reputation for years. This store has been a recognized leader in the selling of Black Dress Goods. Its qualities and values in these fabrics are more than locally famous and frequent orders are filled from many parts of the State.

The present showing is fully equal in point of variety and value to any previous display.

- 44 inch Silkwrap Henrietta \$1. 44 inch all wool, Henrietta \$1. 50 inch Panama \$1.00. 50 inch Panama 50c. 50 inch Mohair in plain and self striped weaves 50c. Cotton Poptins, in any colors, 20c and 25c yd. Gingham, all new and fresh 10c yd. 36 inch Percalles 10c yd. 36 inch Punjab Percalles, best Percalle on the 12 1/2 c yd. Linonette, the goods on the market for Wash Skirts, absolutely fast colors, 12 1/2 c yd.

Household Linens of the Best Makers

- 25 pieces Persian Lawn, 10c yd. 25 pieces Persian Lawn, 12 1/2 c yd. 20 pieces Persian Lawn, 15c yd. 20 pieces Persian Lawn, 20c yd. 20 pieces Persian Lawn, 25c yd. 25 pieces India Linon, 10c yd. 20 pieces India Linon, 12 1/2 c yd. 10 pieces India Linon, 15c yd. 50 pieces 40 inch Lawn, 10c yd. We have white Batiste and Lingerie Lawns soft white Goods that we are offering at reduced prices. We have too many of these goods and we are going to close them out. So come early. Linen Lawns 50c, 75c, \$1.00. Waist Linen, 36 inch, 25c yd. We have sold at least 100 pieces of this number. 90 inch Linen, 75c yd. 90 inch Linen, \$1.00 yd.

Ladies Gloves in Silk and Kids

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27 inch Silks, in all the fashionable colorings, including lovely evening shades, 40c yd. Extra values in yard wide Black Taffeta \$1.00 and \$1.25.

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