

**SOUTH CAROLINA  
PRESBYTERY MET IN LAURENS**

**Rev. J. F. Jacobs and Rev. W. F. Strickland Exonerated at Session.**

Laurens, S. C., April 24.—The Spring session of the South Carolina Presbytery, which was held in Laurens, was concluded last night at 11 o'clock, after three meetings during the day and the transaction of much routine by the body.

The fall session will be held with Thornwell Memorial Church, Clinton, whose invitation was extended by the Rev. L. Ross Lynn, superintendent of the orphanage.

Just before adjournment the Presbytery elected the Rev. H. C. Fennel, of Abbeville, and the Rev. J. L. McLin as ministerial commissioners to the general assembly of the church. Dr. F. E. Harrison, of Abbeville, and John B. Clary, of Smyrna church Newberry, as commissioners from the ranks of the ruling elders. The Rev. C. T. Squires, of Laurens, the Rev. L. Ross Lynn, of Clinton, B. R. Fuller, of Louisville, and G. A. Barksdale, of Greenwood, alternates.

The sessions of the Presbytery opened Tuesday evening with a sermon by Dr. F. D. Jones, of Clinton. Wednesday morning the body formally organized by the election of Rev. J. M. Dallas, of Ware Shoals, as moderator, and Dr. F. E. Harrison, of Abbeville, stated clerk. The various reports from the 42 churches represented and the work of the educational and benevolent institutions were encouraging, showing progress and unity of forces. The annual financial report was especially good. On the \$3,500,000 fund for all benevolences fostered by the church, this Presbytery last year gave \$38,000, while its apportionment was only \$32,000. This year is was asked \$38,000 and it has already subscribed \$38,500.

Superintendent Lynn of Thornwell Orphanage stated that the receipts for the year were \$8,000 in advance of those of last year. Dr. S. C. Byrd, president of Chicora College, report-

ed that institution in excellent condition with an enrollment of 319 students, the largest in the history of the college.

The session Wednesday night, which concluded the Laurens meeting, was opened with an address by Dr. James O. Reavis of the Columbia Theological Seminary. Foreign missions was speaker's theme and he described in fascinating and thrilling fashion of his visit with Mrs. Reavis to Japan and Korea last year, and the conditions there as he found them. It was a remarkable address and the church was filled to hear the distinguished visitor.

Two matters touching the conduct of the Rev. J. F. Jacobs of Clinton, and the Rev. W. F. Strickland, now of Savannah, were disposed of by the Presbytery and the two ministers were fully exonerated of the matter in the citations.

In the case of Mr. Jacobs, which was first heard at Hodges a year ago, when he was accused of perverting the truth, came up here Wednesday afternoon in the form of a request of Mr. Jacobs to be permitted to withdraw from the ministry. This was discussed at length, Mr. Jacobs making answer to the main issue and other ministers and laymen participating in the discussion, but the matter was not disposed of until the night session when a motion not to accept the request was adopted, whereupon Mr. Jacobs asked permission to withdraw his request, and this, too, was adopted.

Rev. Mr. Strickland was present and presented his answer to a resolution that had been passed relative to his continued non-participation in the work of the church as a pastor and suggesting dissolution. He is engaged in business in Savannah and has not been actively engaged in pastoral work in several years, though he has been active as a teacher and co-worker in the church in different churches in this state and in his present home city, according to exhibits submitted along with his answer. Poor health was the sole cause of his non-activity as pastor, Mr. Strickland claimed, and this was

supported by statements from physicians. The motion to rescind the action of the body in bringing the resolution was adopted and Mr. Strickland was given a vote of confidence and sympathy.

**FAIRFIELD.**

Fairfield, April 26.—All the farmers in this vicinity are busy planting cotton.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Walker and little children of Puckett Town, were the spend-the-day guests with Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Young and family Sabbath.

Rev. C. B. Betts, also Miss Ruth Robinson called to see Miss Zellie Langley Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. J. M. Adams and little Randolph and Miss Mattie Adams, of Georgia, also Miss Maggie Young, spent Friday at the home of Mr. Joe Young.

Mrs. Mary F. Creswell spent Saturday and Saturday night with her daughter, Mrs. Fannie McCaslan.

Miss Minnie Belle Talbert spent Friday night at the home of her uncle, Mr. Joe Young.

Miss Mary Spence spent Friday night with Miss Zellie Langley.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Young and little children spent Sabbath afternoon at the home of Mr. J. W. Long.

Miss Irene Young spent one night last week with her cousin, Miss Myrtle Young.

Misses Mary and A. Z. Spence and Miss Zellie Langley went to McCor-

mick Saturday shopping and to have some dental work done.

Mrs. W. D. Purdy went to Greenway shopping one day last week.

Miss Irene Young spent Saturday night with Miss Minnie Belle Talbert.

Mr. Joe Young and daughters, Eva and Nora and Miss Zellie Langley, called Sabbath afternoon to see Mrs. R. H. Beauford at Bethia, who has been sick. But we are glad to say she is better at this writing.

Misses Willie and Myrtle Young and brother, Charlie and little Frances Walker dined with Mr. Joe Young and family Sabbath.

Mr. David Young spent one night last week with Mr. Furman McCaslan.

**"HEARTS OF THE WORLD" ANNOUNCED**

D. W. Griffith's great production, "Hearts of the World" proclaimed the masterpiece of this genius of the motion picture, will be the attraction at the Opera House at Abbeville for two days, Friday and Saturday, May 9th and 10th.

From all accounts this latest of the Griffith super pictures far excels in point of drama and spectacle both his "Intolerance" and "The Birth of a Nation," two of the greatest productions in the history of entertainment.

The fact that "Hearts of the World" required more than eighteen months in the making indicates that Mr. Griffith has prepared an unusually interesting and absorbing story. The producer himself is anxious to have it understood that "Hearts of the World" is not a war play, but a simple love story amid the picturesque villages of romantic France, re-

lating the everyday life in the homes along the silver streams, under the blossoming trees, over the roads where the legions of Caesar marched to conquest, and where Henry of Navarre whispered his love tales under casement windows. It is true that the recent world war is shown in all its many phases, but this part of the story is reserved for the last and is made merely a background for the romantic and appealing story of a pure love and a wholesome romance.

Mr. Griffith's production is one of great historic value for not only does he show such world figures as David Lloyd George, former Premier Viviani, Winston Churchill, General Joffre, The British House of Parliament and the French Cabinet in session, but he brings every important event of the war in bold relief and accurate reproduction.

**TWO LITTLE GIRLS BURNED TO DEATH**

**Daughters of J. R. Lust and W. H. Monroe Unable to Escape From Blazing Building.**

Honea Path, April 25.—The homes of J. R. Lust and W. H. Monroe were shocked yesterday in the death of a daughter from each. The little girls four and five years old, were burned to death when the barn in which they were playing caught and burned to the ground. The fathers of the children were in town on business and there was no one near enough to the barn when it caught to render any assistance.

It seems that Mrs. Lust had left some matches in the fork of a tree

near the wash pot where she had had some washing done and the children took them and were playing around the barn. In some way in their play one of the matches struck the tie of a bale of cotton and set the cotton on fire. There were several children present and the two who lost their lives were over behind some of the bales of cotton, which were under a closed shed of the barn.

When the fire started all way of escape for the two little girls was cut off. By the time the children's mothers reached the barn it was in flames and they were unable to render any help. In a few minutes the little ones had burned to death.

Little Jennie Lust was one of seven children of Mr. Lust, while Mr. Monroe only had two children and loses his little daughter, Marie. Mr. Lust, the owner of the barn, lost nine bales of cotton, two or three tons of guano, all of his feed for his stock, a buggy and carriage and some farm implements.

The little remains of both children were buried today in the family burial ground, services being conducted by the Rev. B. F. Allen and the Rev. T. W. Munnerlyn, pastors in Honea Path.

**IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE.**

John Holland, the piano man, whose handsome picture has been appearing in The Press and Banner for some time, sold two fine pianos in Abbeville last week, one to Mr. Alf Lyon, and one to Mrs. R. N. Tiddy. The little daughters of these two households are making things lively on Church street. Mr. Holland also sold nine other instruments last week, four of which were delivered in Abbeville County.

**FARM LANDS FOR SALE.....**

**87 ACRES**—12 miles from Abbeville, in McCormick County, adjoining lands of W. D. Morrah.  
**Price, \$30.00 per acre.**

**40 ACRES**—About six miles from Abbeville, no improvements, all in wood and timber.  
**Price, \$25 per acre.**

**79 3-4 ACRES**—3 miles from Abbeville—one settlement—two horse farm open on place. Plenty wood, and stream running through place.  
**Price, \$2,000.00.**

**227 1-2 ACRES**—11 miles from Abbeville. This is a splendid piece of property. A lot of saw timber on this place.  
**Price, \$17.50 per acre.**

**100 1-2 ACRES**—12 miles from Abbeville. Good residence and out buildings. Well watered and plenty wood and timber. **Price, \$30.00 per acre.**

**139 1-4 ACRES**—10 miles from Abbeville. A splendid farm but no improvements, about 50 or 60 acres bottom lands. **Price, \$18.00 per acre.**

**541 ACRES**—1-2 mile from Hester, one mile from Calhoun Falls. 15 horse farm being operated on the place. Lies well, is well watered and has an abundance of wood and timber.  
**Price, \$40.00 per acre.**

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