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Happenings in the State.

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(Specials to The State)

Petition Circulating in Spartanburg to Vote on Dispensary.

Spartanburg, March 14.—A petition with the following wording is being circulated here: "We, the undersigned qualified voters of Spartanburg county, respectfully petition the county supervisor to order an election in said county on the question of dispensary or no dispensary."

An effort will be made to vote the dispensary out, and the plan of campaign will be to secure some reliable man at each of the county precincts to circulate the above petition. The law requires one-fourth of the qualified voters to sign before an election can be ordered. The temperance people and friends of prohibition are rather confident that the number of signatures will appear on the petition.

Most Daring Robbery in Spartanburg History.

Spartanburg, March 15.—The most daring robbery recorded in the city's history was the sand-bagging of Mr W L Gowan and the rifling of his pockets of \$15 by an unknown thief last night about 8.30 o'clock on north Liberty street, about a block from Main. Mr. Gowan had started home from his green grocery, 61 east Main street, for the night, carrying in his large leather purse three five dollar bills, along with some express receipts and other papers. He passed a pedestrian, a tall man enveloped in a long black overcoat, who appeared in the act of tying his shoestring. Just as he walked by Mr Gowan received a blow in the back of the head, which felled him and rendered him unconscious, during which time the highwayman "went through" his pockets. A little negro reported to the police that a man was lying dead on north Liberty street, and when the officers arrived Mr Gowan had regained consciousness, and was lying on the sidewalk, with his head resting against a telephone post. There was a large knot raised on his head, about the base of the brain, but he was not seriously injured. Further down the street the purse, papers and receipts were found, scattered about. The police have been working on the case; but so far, there have been no further developments.

ARE YOU ENGAGED

Engaged people should remember that, after marriage, many quarrels can be avoided, by keeping their digestions in condition with Electric Bitters. S. A. Brown, of Bennettsville, S. C., says: "For years, my wife suffered intensely from dyspepsia, complicated with a torpid liver, until she lost her strength and vigor, and became a mere wreck of her former self. Then she tried Electric Bitters, which helped her at once, and finally made her entirely well. She is now strong and healthy." Crawford Bros., J. F. Mackey & Co., and Funderburk Pharmacy druggist, sells and guarantees them, at 50c a bottle.

Foley's Honey and Tar for children, safe, sure. No opiates.

Cotton Mill Man Killed.

Charlotte, N. C., March 15.—As the result of a quarrel Earl Carpenter shot and killed A M Kale at Hardin, N. C., this afternoon. Before the fatal bullet was fired, Kale shot Carpenter, who is in an unconscious condition and is expected to die.

Falo was the superintendent of the Nims Manufacturing company at Mount Holly and was about 35 years old. Carpenter is a son of O D Carpenter, the owner of the Hardin cotton mill, and is about 21 years of age. The two men quarreled over the employment of mill help, and when they met in the public road near Hardin a fight ensued. Both men were well known citizens of Gaston county. After Kale fired his revolver he was shot several times by Carpenter, the bullets taking effect in the head and other places. Death resulted immediately.

Two Lives Lost in Texas By Terrible Waterspout.

Austin, Texas, March 15.—A telephone message received here says that at 8 o'clock tonight there was a terrific waterspout at Lufkin, Borett county, 40 miles above this city, causing the water to rise in the river and surrounding creeks 14 feet in five minutes, catching half a dozen campers in the bottoms and drowning two of them, four barely escaping with their lives. Considerable stock was swept away. For 30 minutes hail is reported to have fallen to the depth of 1 1/2 inches, with such force as to wreck many farm houses.

ATTACKED BY A MOB

and beaten, in a labor riot, until covered with scars, a Chicago street car conductor applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and was soon sound and well. "I use it in my family," writes G. J. Welch of Tekonsha, Mich., "and find it perfect." Simply great for cuts and burns. Only 25c at Crawford Bros., J. F. Mackey & Co's and Funderburk Pharmacy.

Two Thousand Armenians Killed in the Caucasus.

St Petersburg, March 16, 2 a. m.—Private mail advices from the Caucasus indicate that the situation there has not been exaggerated in earlier reports. According to one letter the Armenians estimate the number of their dead at 2,000.

Hope For South Carolina.

Charlotte News.
A South Carolina jury rendered a verdict of murder in the first degree against a white man who killed a negro and recommended life imprisonment for another white man who was an accomplice. On the same day and in the same State another jury convicted a negro of murder, his victim having been a white man. There is yet hope for South Carolina.

The Ledger, The Atlanta Journal, Sem' weekly, and The Southern Cultivator, 21 three one year for \$2., but must be paid for in advance.

Many a man would starve if his wife didn't keep a few boarders.

A spinster says that dying an old maid is easier than living one.

19 Die in a Fire

More Than 40 Others Were Injured.—Disaster Worst in the History of the East Side.

New York, March 14.—Nineteen persons were burned to death in a fire which destroyed the 5-story house, 1,005 Allen street, early today. More than 40 were injured and only a few of the sleeping inmates escaped unhurt. Several of those who perished were roasted to death in plain view of thousands in the streets.

The scenes were heartrending. The fire started in the basement, occupied by Isaac Davit, his wife and three children. When Davit reached his home early this morning and went into his store on the same floor he saw a kerosene lamp in the rear explode. He awoke his wife and both tried to put out the flaming lamp without success. A policeman who heard the cry of alarm rushed to the scene and every effort was made to rouse the sleeping people. Meantime the flames had spread with startling rapidity and the occupants of the upper floors awoke to find themselves confronted by a wall of flames on nearly every side. Panic-stricken people rushed to the fire escapes only to find them littered with rubbish. On some of the escapes the rubbish was so closely packed that it became impossible to pass certain points and men, women and children stood literally roasting to death as the flames roared through windows around them. One of the escapes was manned by Policeman John J Dawn, who had run a plank across to the window of an adjoining building. He rescued nearly a dozen persons but finally fell 20 feet to the paved yard and shattered his shoulder. Dozens of people were taken from the crowded fire escapes and upper windows. By this time the building was a furnace and the rescues were effected in many cases only through heroic efforts of the firemen. Lieutenant Bonner, son of the former chief, descended the now red hot fire escapes five times. Four times he brought down a woman or a child in his arms. The fifth time he was descending with an unconscious woman but staggered and was barely saved from death. Once Bonner rescued a little girl from a window where she stood surrounded by flames. She pleaded with him to leave her on the escape and go in after her little brother whom she said had fallen unconscious. Bonner jumped in, to what looked like a furnace, found the boy and saved him.

Notice to the Public.

I will hold all inquests in the county. Phone to my residence at Pleasant Hill for me when needed.

J. Montgomery Caskey, apt. 20—1st Coroner L. O.

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Murray's Buchu, Gin and Juniper is prescribed and endorsed by eminent physicians. It cures when all else fails. Prevents Kidney diseases, Dropsy, Bright's disease, etc. At all druggists.

\$1.00 A BOTTLE

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Thraikill up for Life.

Supreme Court Rejects Appeal of Men Who Killed Ben Burton.

Morgan W. Thraikill will go to the penitentiary for life. On the 27th of last April he and his son Clarence Thraikill shot and killed Ben Burton on the street of Monetta, and Lecky Burtons was shot down in the Burtons' store. The elder Thraikill was convicted and the case was appealed to the supreme court.

The decision which was filed yesterday overruled all of the 11 objections raised by the attorneys for the defendant, and the latter is ordered to the penitentiary for life. The younger Thraikill's case has not been disposed of.

It is still fresh in the memory of the readers of The State that Morgan and Clarence Thraikill rode up to the Burtons' store and tried to get a pistol which had been pawned by a negro. A dispute arose, and Lecky Burton was shot down without warning. Ben Burton was shot and killed without knowing who killed him, while he was on his way to the place where his brother lay desperately wounded.—The State.

New Russian Loan.

St. Petersburg, March 15.—At the ministry of finance it was said today that the negotiations for a new Russian loan of \$125,000,000 in France are expected to be concluded and signed in Paris in ten days. Nevertheless the Associated Press is in a position to assert that the Paris financiers have been pressing for peace, justifying their attitude on the ground of the enormous French commitments in Russian funds.

Linkous Will be Hanged.

Roanoke, Va., March 15.—The State supreme court today refused to grant a writ of error in the case of James Linkous, the Radford wife be hanged at Radford on next Friday.

On last Christmas day Linkous killed his wife and adopted son in their home and set the home on fire.

Mothers can safely give Foley's Honey and Tar to their children for coughs and colds, for it contains no opiates or other poisons. Sold by Funderburk Pharmacy.

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Many a man lives in the married state who isn't permitted to think in it.

Lots of men who claim to be looking for justice will find themselves behind the bars if they ever get it.

For letterheads, noteheads, billheads, circulars and all kinds of printing neatly and quickly printed, send your work to this office.
Roy S Strat.

World's Bloodiest Battle.

Losses at Mukden Nearly Twice as Great as at Leipzig.

(From the Philadelphia Record)

The estimate by a correspondent who is with Gen Kuropatkin that the losses on both sides at the battle of Mukden were not less than 200,000 men makes it appear that this combat was by far the bloodiest ever known.

The largest number of troops ever engaged in battle was at Arbelia, in 334 B. C., when 35,000 Greeks, under Alexander, put to route a horde of undisciplined Persians believed to have numbered 950,000.

Before the present war the bloodiest battle in modern history was that of Leipzig, in 1813, when 300,000 Germans defeated 171,000 French. The Germans lost 47,000 and the French 60,000.

The greatest ever fought in this country was that of Gettysburg in 1863, when 11,700 Federals defeated 68,000 Confederates. The losses, including prisoners, were 17,000 Federals, and 27,000 Confederates. The Confederates lost 40 per cent of their force, but the largest percentage of loss ever known.

The number of men engaged at Mukden is variously estimated at from 800,000 to 1,000,000. The percentage of loss appears to have been 20 and 25 per cent.

GOT OFF CHEAP

He may well think, he has got off cheap, who, after having contracted constipation or indigestion, is still able to perfectly restore his health. Nothing will do this but Dr. King's New Life Pills. A quick, pleasant, and certain cure for headache, constipation, etc. 25c at Crawford Bros., J. F. Mackey & Co's and Funderburk Pharmacy.

Fatal Fight in Arkansas.

Memphis, Tenn., March 14.—A Commercial-Appeal special from Lake Village, Ark., says a pitched battle was fought between a sheriff's posse of white men and three negroes, suspected of murder on the shore of the lake near that town, this afternoon, two of the blacks being killed outright, and C. D. Owens, manager of the Red Leaf plantation, wounded in the arm.

The third negro escaped to the woods. Bloodhounds were sent for and put upon the fugitive's trail and it is believed that he will be taken before morning.

Recently two brothers named Watson were murdered near Dumas, Ark., and the three negroes were said to have participated in the crime.

LIKE FINDING MONEY

Finding health is like finding money—so think those who are sick. When you have a cough, cold, sore throat, or chest irritation better act promptly like W. C. Barber, of Sandy Level, Va. He says: "I had a terrible chest trouble, caused by smoke and coal dust on my lungs; but, after finding no relief in other remedies, I was cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds." Greatest sale of any cough or lung medicine in the world. At Crawford Bros., J. F. Mackey & Co., and Funderburk's Pharmacy drug stores; 50c and \$1.00; guaranteed. Trial bottle free.

Sully Free From Debt.

EX-Cotton King and Hardley, His Partner Discharged From Bankruptcy.

Daniel J Sully and Edwin Hardley, Jr., two of the partners in the firm of Daniel J Sully & Co., brokers in cotton, stocks and grain, of 43 Exchange place, obtained a discharge from bankruptcy yesterday from Judge Adams in the United States district court. The discharge covers both firm and individual liabilities. The firm liabilities were about \$4,600,000, and its nominal assets, \$4,119,000. Mr Sully's individual debts were \$344,039 and his nominal assets \$2,074,428. Mr Hardley's individual liabilities were \$5,010 and his nominal assets \$15,440. When the case was called in court no one appeared in opposition to the discharge and it was accordingly granted.

After his discharge Mr Sully made it known that he is a decided bull on cotton. Mr Sully also admitted that he is going to do what he can do bull cotton, although he didn't say whether he expected to get on the cotton exchange again as a member.

"America has never had such a chance to sell cotton," said Mr Sully. "England is sold out and a great Eastern demand gives this country her opportunity. The opening of Manchuria is an important factor in creating this demand."—New York Sun.

If the courts and juries hold that it is libelous for a newspaper innocently to describe a person as "colored" when he is white, the papers may be forced to resort to the expedient of eliminating all such designations, leaving their readers to guess the colors, for it would be altogether too perilous to risk \$10,000 on a slip of a correspondent's pen or an absent-minded Mergenthaler machine. If the wrong designation was made with a view of injuring a person affected, the offender should be made to smart, and properly so; but where there is no such purpose and where full and public reparation is extended, no damage has been done and none should be claimed. Under the latter conditions the alleged insult is turned into a means of instituting a "graft."—The State.

CASORIA.
Beware the Signature of *Chat H. Fletcher*
The Kind You Have Always Bought

I have accepted the agency for the V. O. Remedies and will have them on sale at Lancaster during court week. They cure rheumatism, heart trouble, bladder affections, la grippe, liver and kidney ailments, stomach disorders and general debility.

J M Hagins

NOTICE!

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between Heath Banking and Mercantile Company, W T Witherspoon and W B Culp, partners doing business under the firm name of W B Culp & Co., has this day been dissolved by mutual consent, and the said W B Culp having purchased the entire interest of the undersigned and assumed all the liabilities of said partnership, he will conduct such business in his own name.

Heath Banking & Mercantile Co
By S W Heath
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W T Witherspoon.
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