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G. M. HARMAN, Editor and Publisher.

Wednesday, July 1, 1903.

The unpleasant duty of "trying" James H. Tillman for the killing of N. G. Gonzalez, has been laid upon Lexington by the lawful authority of the State. This duty was neither sought or desired, but having devolved upon Lexington, by the decree of Judge Townsend, whose authority to do as he has is undisputed and fully recognized, the duty, unpleasant as it may be, will not be shirked. We might consistently and without the least appearance of egotism, on our part, and without casting any reflection upon the people of the other counties composing the circuit, say, that every thing considered, the Judge acted wisely in naming Lexington as the trial county, because the conditions are such that our people can hold the scales of justice with an even hand and arrive at a verdict fully warranted by the law and the evidence.

The position of the Dispatch is strictly neutral. The matter has passed beyond the sphere of legitimate newspaper criticism and consequently any comment we might make either way would be an injustice to one side or the other and as the whole matter is in the courts the Dispatch shall maintain a strict neutrality.

We are sorry to see a disposition on the part of many newspapers of the State to mould public sentiment for or against Col. Tillman by publishing biased criticisms and comments of his case. The State of South Carolina obligates to give every person charged with crime a fair and impartial trial by a jury of his peers, but some of the brethren of the press are discussing the case and if they continue to do so the case will have been discussed, the arguments all made and the verdict formed before the case reaches the people of Lexington county through the channels of the court. We advise our readers to withhold their judgment until the case comes before them in a lawful manner. They should not be influenced by any opinion that they might see in the newspapers. "Let justice be done, though the heavens fall."

Neither Uncle Sam, England nor Holland are in haste to recognize the Sarvian dynasty which has been created by assassination. Mr. Jackson, besides being United Minister to Greece, is also minister to Servia, will not, acting under instructions of the State Department, for the present, present his credentials to the Government of King Peter. England has recalled her minister to Servia, thus practically breaking off diplomatic relations with that government and Holland has adopted the same course.

A movement is on foot by designing politicians to unite the reform (?) or disgruntled elements of the two great political parties under populist leadership. To accomplish this purpose a meeting of an incipient "People's Party" has been called to assemble at Dever on July 27th, at which time and place it is hoped to complete the arrangements for the unholy alliance.

It is estimated that over a million dollars will be spent for fireworks for use on the 4th of July.

We publish elsewhere in this issue a call for a meeting of the citizens of the county to consider the proposition to improve the public roads of the county to be held in the court house, on the 1st day of August. This call is signed by representative citizens of some sections and who are public-spirited and progressive in their views, and are sound in judgment and successful in their business affairs and these facts are good arguery that the meeting will not be void of good results and that plans will be considered and adopted that will eventually give this county as good public roads as those of any county in the State.

It is hoped that the meeting will be largely attended by our best and most practical men, and that our very efficient County Supervisor and his able assistants will be present on that occasion and take a lively and active interest in the proceedings. This subject of good roads is one that should engage the most serious and careful thought of every citizen who has the welfare of his county at heart, and we believe that the whole county is thoroughly aroused to the importance of improving the public roads. We hope that the results of the meeting will end in something more than useless talk. The time for much talk has passed and the time for practical and effective action has arrived.

Among the things necessary for working the roads properly is a complete outfit of first class, high grade, road working machinery and a skilled and practical expert to work them. The county now has some very good machinery, thanks to the progressiveness of our present board of County Commissioners, and no doubt that when public sentiment shall warrant the purchase of more it will be done. This sentiment we take it will speak in no uncertain and unmistakable terms at the meeting to be held on the 1st and so strongly that it cannot be disregarded. We also have a very practical man in charge of the chain gang and we can safely predict that he will perform his whole duty in a workmanlike manner when given the authority to act.

Dr. R. A. Law has been appointed assistant principal of the Summer School for teachers, which will commence in the Institute building at this place, on July 21st. Mr. John S. Derriek, the County Superintendent of Education will shortly publish a letter giving full information to all who desire to attend the Summer School.

Every teacher in the county should attend this school even though they have to do so at a great inconvenience to themselves. There is a great deal of useful information which will be valuable in the pursuit of their profession, to be learned by a course of study at this school. They fit and prepare the teachers to more intelligently impart knowledge to those who are placed under their instruction and thus give more satisfaction to the patrons and trustees. We anticipate a large attendance of the teachers here when the school opens.

Prof. Major, the Principal, is the accomplished head of the Batesburg Graded School and is a ripe scholar of wide experience. Dr. Law, is well and favorably known to many of our teachers, he having taught the Summer School here on a previous occasion and his work has borne good fruit in the elevation of the standards of the common schools. He is a gentleman of refinement and culture and with this faculty there is no reason why our teachers should not be greatly benefited, assisted and aided in their profession.

The Edgefield cotton mill has been compelled to temporary suspend operations, on account of the high price of cotton and the low price of manufactured goods. It is thought the other mills in the state will do likewise for the same reason.

The Sauda Standard advocates the abolishment of the Grand Jury, the dispensary and the State Senate as an economic measure.

During a bar room row in Savannah Monday, four men were fatally shot and many were wounded.

We have just been shown a letter from Prof. J. S. Newman, Director of the Farmers' Institute, Clemson College, in which he states that the date for the Farmers' Institute to be held at Lexington, has been fixed for July 23rd. The lecturers who will be here on that occasion will be Dr. C. A. Nelson, Manager, who will speak on live stock and animal diseases; Prof. C. Carter Newman, who will lecture on horticulture and fruit growing, and Prof. D. Wistar Daniel, the representative of industrial education. Special subjects for lectures can be arranged when there is a demand for a certain line of information.

These institutes, which are held under the auspices of the Clemson College authorities, are very interesting and instructive, being conducted by distinguished lecturers who are specialists in their line of work. Farmers who desire to be instructed in the science of agriculture and its kindred branches, should attend this institute. Remember the date, July 23rd, and arrange your work so that you can come to town on that day and be instructed in the modes of advanced agriculture.

It is with much regret that we are forced to admit that we see no signs of preparations being made to build a cotton seed oil mill at this place. What is the matter with our people any how?

Within the week the last link of the Commercial-Pacific cable will be laid between San Francisco and Manila and then Uncle Sam will have direct communication with his Philippine possession.

The doctrine of "social equality" as preached by Teddy, the Rough Rider, is beginning to bear fruit. He has sown to the wind, and God alone can tell what the harvest will be.

U. S. Grant is hankering to play second fiddle to Teddy, the Rough Rider. Shades of the Great War General, what is our posterity coming to?

The grand jury of Charleston is at their old tricks again—refusing to return true bills against persons charged with violating the dispensary law.

In North Carolina it is unlawful to run a whiskey distillery outside of an incorporated town. The law went into effect today.

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Madame Isabella Ellen Baveas.

Madame Isabella Ellen Baveas, Life Governor Grand Lodge of Free Masons of England, in a letter from Hotel Saratoga, Chicago, Ill., says:

"This summer while traveling I contracted a most persistent and annoying cold. My head ached, my eyes and nose seemed constantly running, my lungs were sore and I lost my appetite, health and good spirits. Doctors prescribed for me all manner of pills and powders, but all to no purpose.

"I advised with a druggist and he spoke so highly of a medicine called Peruna, that he induced me to try my first bottle of patent medicine. However, it proved such a help to me that I soon purchased another bottle and kept on until I was entirely well."

Madame Isabella Ellen Baveas. Summer colds require prompt treatment. They are always grave, and sometimes dangerous. The promptness and surety with which Peruna acts in these cases has saved many lives. A large dose of Peruna should be taken at the first appearance of a cold in summer, followed by small and oft-repeated doses. There is no other remedy that medical science can furnish, so reliable and quick in its action as Peruna.

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God's greatest gift to man was the laugh. Without it the human race would have wept itself to death or exterminated itself long ago. Pathos is beautiful; tragedy is absorbing. But both pathos and tragedy are instantly routed by the laugh.

Laughter has sunshine in it. It is warm. Learned men have searched for the secret of life. What is it but good humor? That's the secret of life being worth living.

What sunshine is to earth good humor is to man. Take the smile and the laugh away, and it would be the end of man.

Men can't fight while they enjoy a joke. Death himself recoils from the laugh. The man in a good humor has an enormous advantage over the man who is angry. Anger is dark. Bitterness is filled with shadow. Intolerance is grim and black. Prejudice is blind.

Good humor, with the smile and the laugh, is sunshine in which objects are plain and distortion disappears and wherein phantoms become nothing.

One reason for America's greatness is that, above all, it is a nation that laughs. There have been gay peoples and frivolous nations, but gayety and frivolity are strangely akin to melancholy. That gay Germany whose national happiness is expressed in song is clouded by melancholy. Sadness pervades the temperament of Germany.

And frivolous France—how tragic she becomes—how desperately tragic!

The great American laugh is another thing. Investigate the American national laugh, and there's a sound, practical something behind it. It is never a forced laugh. It is healthy, vigorous, spontaneous.

Empires and powers have crumbled and gone to pieces in solemn seriousness and gloomy grandeur, while Uncle Sam, with a joke on his lips, forges ahead.—Denver Post.

A COMMON CUSTOM.

Man's Habit of Running His Fingers Through His Hair.

"Why does a man always run his hand through his hair when he takes his hat off?" asked an observant man. "Did you ever notice that man will invariably do this very thing? Is it just a nervous habit? Is it vanity? It is an old habit. I have never known a man who did not indulge this habit. Even men who have no hair to run their fingers through, men whose heads are as bald as billiard balls, will brush their hands over their heads when they lift their hats. If the man simply wanted to smooth their tousled hair, of course this would afford ample explanation of the habit. But why should a man who has no hair on his head do the same thing? It is not a sufficient answer to say that such a man may have had a full suit of hair at one time and that it is simply a matter of habit contracted under different conditions. As a rule, men are unconscious of the fact. They do not know why, how or when they run their hands over their heads. But they all do it just the same. Go into a court room or at any place where men congregate and where it is necessary for them to remove their hats and watch them. You will observe that every man will go through the same performance. It seems to be a perfectly natural thing for them to do. My own conclusion is that it is an evidence of vanity. A man wants his hair to be just so. Originally probably it was simply a matter of tidiness. But it has grown into an act of vanity. The lawyer, for instance, if he has enough hair for the purpose, will want his head to have a tousled appearance. It gives him a studious appearance and leaves the impression that he has been struggling with the books. Whatever the reason, the habit is a curious one and one which seems to be deep rooted in the masculine nature."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Handel as a Child.

George Frederick Handel, the son of a Saxon barber and vintner, was only five years old when his "fingers wooed divine melodies" from the spinet, which a good natured aunt had smuggled for him into an attic, so that no sound of it might reach the ears of his father. At eight his playing so astonished the elector of Saxony that his father was compelled to withdraw his opposition and allow the genius of the boy to have fair play. And before he had reached his twelfth birthday young Handel was known throughout Germany as a brilliant composer and virtuoso at the court of the emperor.

When Boys Wear Wigs.

A century and a half ago wig wearing was at its height, and little boys four or five years of age submitted to having their heads shaved preparatory to donning their false headresses. A Leyden professor—Rivers by name—shocked all churches by declaring that a Christian must necessarily wear a wig or be eternally lost. On the other hand, Dr. Thiers, a celebrated Catholic, assailed the wig wearing priests in a good sized volume.

Cranks?

Judge—Let us get this thing right. You say this man whom we are examining is not insane and yet he is not in his right mind. How is that? Witness—Lots of people, your honor, who are not insane are wrong minded about everything.—Chicago Tribune.

An Aid to Memory.

Sloppy—And, doctor, if you will, I wish you would give me something to help my memory. I forget so easily. Doctor—Very well. I'll send you a bill every month.—Baltimore American.

The Langley cotton mill has reduced their work hours.

The Mountaineer wants the Episcopalians to build a college in the city of Greenville.

Cures Blood Poison,

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If you have offensive pimples or eruptions, ulcers on any part of the body, aching bones or joints, falling hair, mucous patches, swollen glands, skin itches and burns, sore lips or gums, aching, festering sores, sharp, gnawing pains, then you suffer from serious blood poison or the beginnings of deadly cancer. You may be permanently cured by taking Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.) made especially to cure the worst blood and skin diseases. It kills the poison in the blood thereby giving a healthy blood supply to the affected parts, heals every sore or ulcer, even deadly cancer, stops all aches and pains and reduces all swellings. Botanic Blood Balm cures all malignant blood troubles, such as eczema, scabs and scales, pimples, running sores, carbuncles, scrofula, etc. Especially advised for all obstinate cases that have reached the second or third stage. Druggists, \$1. To prove it cures, sample of Blood Balm sent free and prepaid by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and free medical advice sent in sealed letter.

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For Piles, Burns, Sores.

Executor's Sale.

I WILL SELL AT PUBLIC OUTCRY, to the highest bidder, at the late residence of Andrew J. Lorick, deceased, all the personal property of which he died, seized and possessed, consisting of Eight Mules, Three Horses, Thirty Head of Cattle, Thirteen Hogs, Household and Kitchen Furniture, Wagons, Carts, Buggies, Gears, Farming implements, machinery, on the 15th day of July next, at 10 o'clock a. m. TERMS OF SALE—Cash. J. K. SWYGERT, Executor. July 1st, 1903. 2w45.

Barbecue.

WE WILL FURNISH A FIRST class barbecue with refreshments, near Midway School House, three miles north of Lexington court house, on the Dreher Ferry road, on August 15. Prices: Ladies, 25 cents; men, 35 cents. Everybody invited and a pleasant day is promised to all. JUSTUS WINGARD, BACHMAN MEITZE. July 1, 1903. 7w40.

Barbecue.

ON SATURDAY, JULY EIGHTEENTH, four miles south of Lewisdale, at my residence, I will furnish a first class barbecue and refreshments. There will be speaking by prominent men and music by a String Band. The public is cordially invited to come out and spend a pleasant day. Charges for dinner reasonable. Come one, come all. J. FRYE. June 22, 1903. 4w35.

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Barbecue.

MESSRS. C. O. CORLEY AND S. A. Carter will give a first class barbecue on July 4th. at the "Nellie Springs." Refreshments will be served and a smooth floor will be erected for those who enjoy the fastidious step. Prices: children, 15c; ladies, 25c; gentlemen, 40c. The public is invited. June 3, 1903. 5w34 pd.

Barbecue.

I WILL SERVE A FIRST CLASS FAMILY Barbecue, to which the public generally is invited, at my mill on July 4th. The meats will be cooked to a turn, and well seasoned. There will be speaking and music as well as other amusements provided for the guests. Charges moderate. H. STEELE. June 3, 1903. 5w34 pd.

Barbecue.

WE WILL GIVE A FIRST CLASS Barbecue with refreshments at Saxe-Gotha Mills, Irene, S. C., on July 4th, 1903. The meats will be prepared by the best cook in the county. Speaking and music by brass band will be the order of the day. The best barbecue of the season is our motto. Everybody invited. GEORGE M. KYZER, JOHN G. BOOZER. June 10, 1903. 4w34 pd.

Barbecue.

ON JULY ELEVENTH, 1903, I WILL furnish a fine barbecue and refreshments about 2 1/2 miles south of Lewisdale, known as the Mims Old Mill Place. Everybody is invited. Meats will be cooked by Lewie Hallman. Music will be furnished by a band. N. S. CROUT. June 9th, 1903. 4w35 pd.

J. H. FRICK,

ATTORNEY AT LAW, Will practice in all the Courts. Office: Hotel Marion, 4th room, second floor. CHAPIN, August 6. S. C. Baker's bread, cakes and crackers all kinds, at the Bazaar.

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