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NEWS FROM WESTMINSTER.

G. W. Dean Dies Suddenly—Other Local Matters About Town.

Westminster, Nov. 19.—Special: The dead body of George W. Dean, master mechanic of the Cheswell Cotton Mill, was found in bed at his room in the mill village Saturday morning, 16th instant. It is not known at what hour he died. He was at his post of duty on Friday, and had retired some time about midnight. Between 8 and 9 o'clock Saturday morning an entrance was made in his room and his lifeless body was found. Mr. Dean had been complaining of feeling unwell for a few days, and had not been eating breakfast at the usual time. The family with whom he boarded did not think anything strange when he failed to put in his appearance at meal time on Saturday. A physician was called, who pronounced his death due to heart failure. Mr. Dean was brought up in Greenville County, in the section known as the Dark Corner. He was an expert in his line of work, having served an apprenticeship with R. M. McDonald, a well known founder and machinist of Greenville. He first worked in Oconee for the Courtenay Manufacturing Company, at Newry, and was later employed by the Cheswell Cotton Mill at Westminster. He had a number of friends, who deplore his untimely death. The body was shipped to Shelby, N. C., on Sunday for interment. G. C. Dean, of Shelby, a brother of the deceased, came down Saturday night and took charge of the remains. Mr. Dean was 47 years old. His mother is living at Shelby.

Mrs. W. J. Stribling is in Columbia attending the meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Baptist church.

Several hundred bales of cotton were sold here Wednesday and Thursday.

The burial of the body of little Harold Wilson, who died last Tuesday morning, took place at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Funeral services were conducted at the cemetery by Revs. J. S. Beasley, G. T. Harmon, Jr., and J. R. Moore, in the presence of a number of sympathizing relatives and friends.

What about the track meet for Thanksgiving afternoon? Westminster wants a game with one of the schools in the county.

In their introductory remarks, the management of the Radcliffe Bureau has the following to say of Luther Manship: "In presenting Mr. Manship, let us say that his is not a lecture, but rather an evening of entertainment, blending humor and pathos in a most charming and original way. He takes a sunny view of life, brightening and bringing human hearts closer together. There is a thread of conversation and oratory running through his 'evenings' and from this angle stories which never fail to please. Prominent and possibly his best efforts refer to the Old Time Southern Negro—the Lights and Shadows of the Olden Days. Of the children of slavery it has been said, 'He knows them accurately and presents them truthfully, as only one can do whose life has been spent with them in the South.' Governor Bob Taylor says: 'Luther Manship is the rising star of Mississippi.'"

W. N. Cox, of Greenville, is here for a few days.

Mrs. J. J. Harrell spent last Wednesday afternoon in Seneca.

The fourth quarterly conference of the Westminster charge was held at this place on last Thursday.

Mrs. Anna Parker has been sick the past week. Her daughter, Mrs. Albert Campbell, of Shreveport, La., arrived last Sunday. Mrs. Parker is reported to be better this morning.

"Lights and Shadows of Slavery Days" will be the subject Luther Manship will lecture on next Monday night. Mr. Manship is ex-Governor of Mississippi. With the exception of pupils of the graded school, those not holding season tickets will be charged 25 cents admission.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Gilbreath visited in Greenville last week.

Mrs. J. S. Carter is visiting at Gainsville.

Mrs. C. B. Vaughn returned Saturday from a week's visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Miller, at Lavonia, Ga.

Mrs. A. P. Marett and J. B. Vandiver went to Greenville Friday to spend a couple of days with Miss Ada Marett, of the Greenville Female College.

John L. Cox, of Pelzer, was here this week.

R. F. White, of Greenville, is here to-day.

We are not authorized to announce positively that all the stores of Westminster will be closed on Thanksgiving Day. We have heard several of the merchants express themselves as being willing to close, and it is pretty certain some will close. It might be best for everybody to look to making their purchases on Wednesday. The bank will be closed and the post office will observe Sunday hours.

A. L. Gossett.

Blown to Bits by Explosion.

Freedom, Pa., Nov. 18.—A tuft of red hair clinging to a piece of skull, two vertebrae and a foot were all the evidence of a human being found last night after a terrible explosion near here. It is supposed the man fell into a magazine containing nitroglycerine and was blown to pieces.

THE NEWS FROM SENECA.

Disorder Reproved—No Clues to Robbers—General Local News.

Seneca, Nov. 19.—Special: The carnival is here, and notwithstanding the mud and slush, Seneca is happy! The friends of Rev. C. S. Blackburn are pleased to know that he is able to resume work, after a slight operation, which was performed in Anderson last week. Mr. Blackburn filled his usual appointment in Anderson county last Sabbath.

In a recent editorial of the Seneca Journal the editor of that paper some very opportune statements relative to some ill behavior in the opera house. We deplore the fact that the opera house is not the only place in which disreputable conduct has been noted, and particularly the fact that it was in one of our churches. There is no use to dwell upon the why and wherefore of this kind of thing; it is enough to say in this instance that it is not a case of "showing their raising," as we are accustomed to say, but rather a disregard for the house of God, a worshipping congregation, and an entire loss of self-respect. We know for a certainty that the home-training in these cases is beyond reproach.

The following pleasing news has been received in Seneca by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Cary: In a recent baby show in Paris, Texas, the baby boy of Mr. and Mrs. Loy Cary took the first prize, the fact being particularly gratifying inasmuch as the "class" entered was open to all children, boy or girl, under three years, and the competition was consequently very strong. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Cary have not seen their young grandson, but are immensely happy over this piece of news.

Lester Dalton, a former Oconee boy, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Dalton, of the return section, arrived in Seneca last Saturday from Greensboro, Penn., and is visiting his parents and other relatives in the county. While in Seneca he visited his aunt, Mrs. John Harper. Mr. Dalton holds a responsible position in State affairs in Pennsylvania, being State Policeman. He has, however, stood successful examination and is waiting his appointment to go as United States Police Inspector to the Panama Canal. He is a grandson of the late W. W. Hamilton, and possesses some of the sterling traits of character which were marked in his grandfather. He received his schooling at the Return school, and with indomitable courage and push has reached the prominent position which he now occupies.

Witzel Brothers are opening their large stock of merchandise in the handsome new store room just completed by Harper and Clinck.

The readers of The Courier are already informed through the daily papers about the post office robbery here last Thursday night. No clues have as yet been found, there being no evidence against the suspects who were arrested the morning following the robbery. The job was done by skilled hands, nitroglycerine being used. The report was heard by numbers of citizens.

Mrs. Hal Poe, of Greenville, visited Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Sloan last week.

The oyster supper given by the ladies, society of the Presbyterian church last Tuesday night was a pronounced success.

The Seneca Lodge, Knights of Pythias are planning a banquet supper, to which a large number of guests will be invited.

Mrs. T. E. Dickson has moved into the house recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Isbell.

Mrs. W. F. Strickland will move this week into the house vacated by Mrs. Dickson.

Seneca is going to have a new school building, realizing a long-felt want and canceling a debt of long standing. We say this confidently, having the word of the committee, which is equal to having the school house.

And we are reminded of the fact that the chairman of the Water and Lights Commission, promised us lights by Xmas! We wonder if the commission remembers what became of the little boy who was always "going to?" (History says the bears eat him up!)

Mrs. Spearman is visiting her friends in Seneca, who are always pleased to see her.

Mrs. North and Miss Turner, of North Carolina, have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brock.

W. J. Lunney has returned from an extended visit North, leaving Mrs. Lunney with her relatives at Charlotte.

The Once-a-Week Club was entertained by Mrs. W. A. Lowery last week. The meeting was a full one, a delightful feature of the afternoon's entertainment being the singing of Miss Annie Verner. The hostess served an elaborate salad course with coffee, followed by fruits. The club is enjoying the banner year of its existence.

A telegram was received here this morning by H. P. Boggs announcing the death of his brother, William R. Boggs, in Mexico. Mr. Boggs was a mineral engineer, and a man of considerable means. The funeral will take place in Winston, N. C., the former home of the deceased. Mr. Boggs and his son William will attend the funeral.

M. V. S.

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Cures Colds, Croup and Whooping Cough.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

G. E. Sampson Fires His Gun Accidentally and Load Takes Effect.

(Anderson Mall, 19th.)

A most distressing accidental killing occurred on Allen Martin's plantation, near this city, on Saturday morning. Ernest Snipes, a colored man of 30 years, was killed by Geo. E. Sampson, a gentleman of Hinton, West Virginia, who with bride of several days, is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Wm. Shelor, on East Orr street. Mr. Sampson arrived in the city several days ago to spend part of his honeymoon here. He is quite fond of hunting, and while out walking on Mr. Martin's place Friday afternoon, he came across the house where the Snipes family live. He got into a conversation with Snipes, the father of Ernest Snipes, about partridge shooting and Snipes invited him to return Saturday morning, and told him that he would not only allow Mr. Sampson to hunt on his premises, but that his son, Ernest Snipes, would accompany him in order to locate the birds.

Early Saturday morning Mr. Sampson and Master William Shelor left for the Snipes house. They found Ernest Snipes and started out hunting.

Soon after going a short distance, the dogs found a covey of birds. Messrs. Sampson and Shelor got in position to shoot as the birds were flushed. The negro happened to walk in front of Mr. Sampson, and Mr. Sampson's gun fired. The trigger had caught on his leg.

The negro was only about two or three feet in front of the muzzle of the gun and the entire load took effect in his left leg, a little above his knee. The bone was shattered and the arteries were cut and blood flowed profusely.

Mr. Sampson immediately saw that the accident was a fatal one and he tried to stop the blood by putting some clamps, which he had, around the negro's leg. This had no effect in stopping the blood, so the negro was picked up in Mr. Sampson's overcoat and carried to Snipes's home. Mr. Sampson then telephoned to the city for a doctor. The darkey died about two and a half hours after the shooting.

Coroner Pruitt empanelled a jury and this jury rendered a verdict in effect that Ernest Snipes came to his death from the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of George E. Sampson.

Mr. Sampson deploras the accident more than words can tell. He left considerable money with the wife of the dead negro and told her that he would pay all the expenses of the burial, etc. He is terribly distressed and the pleasure of his bridal trip has been greatly marred by the accident.

He Fought at Gettysburg.

David Parker, of Fayetteville, N. Y., who lost a foot at Gettysburg, writes: "Electric Bitters have done me more good than any medicine I ever took. For several years I had stomach trouble, and paid out much money for medicine to little purpose, until I began taking Electric Bitters. I would not take \$500 for what they have done for me." Grand tonic for the aged and for female weaknesses. Great alterative and body builder; sure cure for lame back and weak kidneys. Guaranteed by all druggists. 50c.

Death of F. A. Cox.

Seneca, Nov. 19.—Special: F. Asbury Cox died at his home, near Return, November 14, 1907, in the 78th year of his age.

In the death of Mr. Cox the community and county at large have lost one of their most substantial citizens. He was a man noted for his many commendable traits of character. His integrity and honor were without question; his heart and hand were ever open to the neighbor who might be in trouble or want. For many years a staunch member of Return church, he stood ever ready to aid his church in all her work. His pastor found in him a loving, sympathetic and faithful fellow-servant. Yea, verily, a good man has gone to his reward.

Mr. Cox was born September 12, 1829, and was married to Miss Mary D. Brooks on January 12, 1860. He served in the Confederate army during the years of civil strife that followed the bombardment of Fort Sumter. To Mr. and Mrs. Cox was born six children, two of whom survive. Mrs. Cox, it will be remembered, died about fourteen years ago. In addition to other relatives, Mr. Cox leaves a sister 82 years of age. To her, and to the son, Norton, the sympathy of their many friends and neighbors is extended.

Funeral services were conducted at Return church on Friday by the pastor, Rev. S. A. McDaniel.

Woman Dived to Her Death.

New York, Nov. 18.—Mary Mitchell, also known as Mary Lyons, made a spectacular dive to death into a crowd of men on the Bowery from the second story fire escape of the Salvation Army Hotel for women. Frequently for two months the woman had obtained a night's lodging at the place, and as it is not the policy of the army to burden guests with troublesome questions, little is known of her life or antecedents. It is believed she was only one of the unfortunates of a great city.

CAUGHT SHORT OF COTTON.

Price and Other Bears Have Sold More than They Can Deliver.

New York, Nov. 18.—Pressure of the most pronounced sort is being brought to bear upon the cotton growers of the South to break up their holding movement and thus bring into the cotton market such a mass of the staple as will enable the enormous speculative short interest in this city to depress prices, so that the bears can close out their market gambles by shifting their losses upon the growers of the south.

As December draws near and the members of the big bear pool are confronted with the possibility of paying prices at present ruling in the South, or even higher prices, for cotton with which to cover their short December contracts, they are resorting to desperate means in the hope of extricating themselves from a most uncomfortable position. Stories of the wildest sort have been circulated freely with the idea of convincing the banking interests that the cotton growers, by keeping their crop out of the market until better prices could be obtained, have deranged the entire normal market for foreign exchange and are adding to the money stringency from which the country is suffering. In this their efforts have been entirely unavailing. The banking interests, knowing the facts, have refused to take this view of the situation. They are satisfied that the trouble lies with the exchange market and not with the cotton market; that it is the inability of buyers to finance purchases that is delaying the bringing of fresh gold from abroad.

The real trouble responsible for the threatened squeeze in December options in New York is not due to a speculative long interest because none exists; it is due to the tremendous short interest. The bear pool, headed by Theodore H. Price, is currently reported to be short more than 300,000 bales of the December option. Against this speculative short interest are the hedges held by the spinners and exporters who need the cotton for legitimate manufacturing and exporting. The need of the hedge "longs" has inspired the current premium. This also has given an opportunity to the speculative shorts to circulate a story that some thousands of bales were being shipped back to New York from Liverpool to cover contracts. This report, however, met a speedy death through the action of foreign spinners in taking every available bale of spot cotton in the Liverpool market on the very day after the reshipment story was started.

The latest among Mr. Price's interesting moves in the hope of inducing the Southern growers to aid him to get cotton to New York for the purpose of covering the short contracts of his pool, is a widely advertised offer to deliver currency to the South in exchange for cotton. As his offer is good only up to 90 percent of the selling price of the cotton, and as he announced that the prevailing New York premium on currency now ranging around 4 percent, will have to be paid by the cotton shippers, such a move is by no means benevolent on Mr. Price's part. It also shows how badly Mr. Price wants to get cotton here for December delivery.

The entire situation, as regards December cotton, has resolved itself into a struggle between the Price pool on the one side and the tremendous bona fide demand for the actual cotton on the other. This demand resisted all the ideas of the men in the bear pool and now, satisfied that the cotton on their contracts is required for spinning and exporting, Price and his associates appear to realize that their only chance of averting tremendous losses on their transactions lies in a complete breakdown of the entire holding movement, thus forcing the growers to sell their crop at ridiculously low prices.

It was not long ago that Mr. Price was speaking dispassionately of what he termed the New York "paper contracts." Now that he is heavily short of these "paper contracts" he is surprised to find that the delivery of actual cotton not only is wanted, but is demanded of him.

If the holding movement is maintained at its present strength the Price bear pool may be compelled to pay the growers the price to which they are entitled. It is the chance of the Southern growers to make them pay on the full basis.

Ends Life in Jail.

Donalsonville, Ga., Nov. 18.—A phone message was received here yesterday from Crawfordville, Fla., stating that Samuel Brunson had committed suicide in jail at that place. He was on trial at that place on a charge in connection with a prominent young lady and when the trial went against him he committed suicide. Brunson was one of the most prominent and influential planters in this section of the country.

Hammer Caught; Brother Killed.

Meadville, Pa., Nov. 18.—Thomas, the 13-year-old son of Hiram Stafford, was accidentally shot by his older brother yesterday and instantly killed. The boys were starting hunting and as they passed out the door, Thomas ahead, the hammer of his brother's gun caught the door casing and the gun was discharged.

Costly Station in Washington.

Beginning last Sunday morning, November 17, all Southern Railway trains entering and leaving Washington, D. C., used the new \$20,000,000 passenger station, one of the world's most elaborate and costly passenger terminals. The trains go into the city over the company's new double-track steel bridge across the Potomac river. They enter a double-track twin-tunnel under Capitol Hill, at the northern end of which the trains enter the new terminal station, connections being made with diverging lines for all points east and west.

UNCLE SAM TO RESCUE.

Will Issue \$100,000,000 in Interest-Bearing Treasury Notes.

Washington, Nov. 17.—Secretary Cortelyou, with the approval of the President, has announced an issue of Panama bonds to the extent of fifty million dollars.

The Treasury will also issue interest-bearing certificates of indebtedness to run for one year, to the extent, if necessary, of one hundred million dollars. This action is the result of the series of night conferences at the White House, ending with Saturday night.