

**LITTLE GIRL LOST AND FOUND.**

**Marjorie Nield's Disappearance Causes Great Uneasiness.**

People in Walhalla were greatly disturbed last Saturday when they learned of the disappearance and supposed kidnaping of Marjorie Nield, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Nield, former residents of Walhalla. The following dispatch from Vicksburg, Miss., to the Atlanta Journal was the first information received here of the unhappy occurrence:

"Vicksburg, Miss., Jan. 15.—Vicksburg is greatly excited over the disappearance of Miss Madge Nield, daughter of a prominent traveling man, who has not been seen since attending a music lesson Thursday afternoon. Kidnaping is suspected, as every other theory has been explained. Mayor Hayes to-day called a mass meeting of the citizens for this afternoon to institute a search of the city and surrounding territory. Miss Nield is a brunette, fourteen years old and pretty."

Saturday's and Sunday's papers were eagerly scanned by many for information concerning the little girl, but not a word was found since the announcement of her disappearance last Thursday. Late Saturday night, however, Mrs. G. K. Maxwell, Mrs. C. M. Nield's mother, received a telegram announcing the finding of Marjorie, with the statement that particulars would follow by mail.

The story as told by the Vicksburg Evening Post of last Friday is too long for us to reproduce in full, but we take from it the following **Facts of the Discovery.**

"Little Madge Nield, the fourteen-year-old girl whose disappearance aroused the whole city, was found this morning by Louis Swett. She was in the Vicksburg National Military Park, on Confederate avenue, trying to find her way back home."

"Mr. Swett at once brought the child back to the city and carried her to the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Betts, where she was placed. The distracted parents and friends were at once apprised of the finding of the missing child."

"C. M. Nield, the father of the girl, together with Rev. J. S. Hillhouse, Alex. Fitzhugh and others who had searched the greater part of the night, went to the Betts home, and in a hack conveyed Little Madge to her own home, 211 Drummond street, where she was restored to the arms of mother and sisters and friends who had been nearly distracted, and who had spent a sleepless, anxious night."

"All of last night the father of the missing girl, the whole of the police force and scores of friends searched for the child. The whole city was aroused, and during the morning the search was continued with zeal."

**Madge Not Harmed.**

"Madge went through a trying experience, but besides the nervousness resulting from her night of terror, blistered feet from her long tramp and the shock of the affair, she is none the worse. It was not deemed necessary to call in a physician when Madge reached the Nield home, but a number of the kindly neighbors gathered and volunteered to do anything in their power."

"It was believed that all the child needed was rest and quiet, and that in a few days she will be all right again."

"Yesterday Madge went to her music lesson at the home of Mrs. A. M. Ganier, Crawford and Monroe streets. She left Mrs. Ganier's at 3 o'clock with the intention of going home on a street car."

**Little Madge's Story.**

"The child, though still a little upset by her trying experience, told a connected story about her wanderings when she reached the Betts home. She said she had boarded a street car at some switch (she did not remember just where this was) believing it to be a Speeds car. There have been some schedule changes recently which made such a mistake easily possible. However, Madge had boarded a cemetery car and she was taken to the end of the line. She had given her last nickel to the conductor, and she was so timid that she was afraid to ask the conductor to carry her back to the city. So she alighted near the cemetery, believing that she could walk back to town. The neighborhood was entirely new to the girl, and she had to inquire her way to the city. She met several negroes and white persons, and while all of them volunteered the information, none attempted to accompany her."

"Nightfall came on, and as different information was given the child she became confused and lost her way. The roads were muddy and the weather threatening, and after wandering about a while, failing to find her way to the city, the child became frightened at the idea of being abroad in the dark, and when she stumbled across a school house she entered it. Just what school house this was and whether or not it is being used at present the child could not say."

"There all alone in the darkness—cold, wet, hungry and terrified, the child spent a lonely vigil. She could not sleep and waited for the dawn and when the sun broke through the lowering mists this morning the brave-hearted maiden plodded forth again on the sodden roads and was pluckily making her way toward the city when found by Mr. Swett."

**How Mr. Swett Found Girl.**

"Mr. Swett rode to the city this morning and stopped at the Betts home, where he learned of the disappearance. He was cautioned to be on the lookout for the child. He had been absent from the city on his buggy with the lost girl and took her to the home of Mr. Betts, where she was tenderly cared for, and from which point the good news was immediately telephoned to the anguished parents and the searchers."

"Here the child remained about an hour and she was then conveyed in a hack to her own home. She was led to the carriage by her father. Her shoes and skirts were muddied and there were tear-stains on her

**WILL REMODEL HOTEL.**

**Old Landmark to Be Changed to a Modern Building.**

It will be learned with no small degree of pleasure by the people of Walhalla and the traveling public that the Biemann Hotel building will soon be a thing of the past—that is, so far as the general appearance of the place is concerned. Just what the proposed plans are in detail we have been unable to learn. In fact inquiry of the owners brought out the information that the plans had not as yet been completely worked out and no definite statement could be made.

However, we were assured that at an early date radical changes in the old structure will be made. The 100-foot old fronting on Main street, we are told, will be entirely torn down, and brick or concrete store rooms will replace the old wooden structure. That much has been decided upon, but as to size and general character of these stores the details remain to be worked out.

That improvement will leave the main body of the hotel building standing to itself, but we were assured that this also will be greatly changed. It now stands two and one-half stories high, and it may be that it will be torn down at the top, leaving two stories, though it is more probable that the half-story will be added to, making a three-story building. That, however, remains to be determined as the plans progress. It has, however, been definitely settled that the new building is to be fitted up with water-works and in all probability an individual electric lighting plant.

It is understood that this work is to begin at a very early date, and rumor has it that store rooms on the present hotel site have been promised by March 15th. This statement, however, has not the confirmation of Mr. Verner, the owner of the property.

This change in the old hotel building will greatly improve the appearance of Main street, and, coupled with the changes being made by the Kaufmanns on the old down-town opera house property, will constitute quite as radical a transformation in appearance as was made following the fire, which destroyed two blocks below the hotel.

**A Night Rider's Raid.**

The worst night riders are calomel, croton oil or aloes pills. They raid your bed to rob you of rest. Not so with Dr. King's New Life Pills. They never distress or inconvenience, but always clear the system, curing colds, headache, constipation, malaria. 25c at all drug stores.

**Taft to Get \$100,000 and Expenses.**

Washington, Jan. 19.—The Senate to-day adopted the amendment increasing the salary of the President to \$100,000, including all traveling expenses.

The Senate fixed the salary of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court at \$15,000 and associate justices at \$14,500.

The amendment increasing the salary of the President was adopted by a vote of 35 to 30. The Republican Senators who voted against the increase were Beveridge, Borah, Dooliver, Brown, Burkett, Clapp, LaFollette and Phelan. No Democratic Senators voted in favor of the increase.

**Stomach Trouble Cured.**

If you have any trouble with your stomach you should take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. J. P. Klote, of Edina, Mo., says: "I have used a great many different medicines for stomach trouble, but find Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets more beneficial than any other remedy I ever used." For sale by J. W. Bell, Walhalla; W. J. Lunney, Seneca.

**Red Cross Sends \$900,000.**

Washington, Jan. 19.—The Italian relief fund of the American Red Cross Society to-day passed the \$900,000 mark, \$52,000 being the total of yesterday's contributions. Of this amount \$20,000 came from the New York State branch, \$12,000 from the Missouri branch and California's branch sent \$10,000.

**Life 100,000 Years Ago.**

Scientists have found in a cave in Switzerland bones of men who lived 100,000 years ago, when life was in constant danger from wild beasts. To-day the danger, as shown by A. W. Brown, of Alexander, Mo., is largely from deadly disease. "If it had not been for Dr. King's New Discovery, which cured me, I could not have lived," he writes, "suffering as I did from a severe lung trouble and stubborn cough." To cure sore lungs, colds, obstinate coughs and prevent pneumonia, it's the best medicine on earth. 50c. and \$1. Guaranteed by all druggists. Trial bottle free.

face. She appeared nervous and tired. All treated her tenderly.

**Carried to Arms of Mother.**

"At once the little party was driven to the home where the lost child was embraced by a mother whose heart had been wracked and wrenched by every fear during a night that seemed ages. No one slept in the Nield home last night. The father, who was summoned here from Rolling Fork, arrived about midnight and joined one of the searching parties. Madge's sisters—there are three, Miss Zaldee, teacher in the fifth grade at the Speed street public school, and Dorothy and Mand, who are younger than Madge—the sisters with their mother and kind-hearted neighbors waited and waited through the long hours of the night for some word from the girl."

Hosts of friends in Walhalla and throughout Oconee join with The Courier in expressions of joy that "Little Madge" has been safely returned to her parents. It has not been a great while since the Nields resided here, and they number as their friends all who knew them.

**REV. AND MRS. GROSSMAN MOVE.**

**Will Take The Courier with Them to Lake City, Fla.**

Franklin, Ky., Jan. 15.—Publishers Keowee Courier.—Dear Friends: I enclose you one dollar in part payment for your kindness and generosity in sending me The Courier. I will send you more after a while. We have enjoyed The Courier, and neither dollars or words can express our gratitude and appreciation. It has been a weekly letter from dear friends, whom we learned to love in blessed Walhalla. There is no better local paper published in this country. It is an ideal paper for the family, giving all the news people like to read, especially the absentees. I hope it will increase in circulation until it is taken in every home in Oconee county, and wherever there is a wanderer who once lived in dear old Oconee.

This climate did not agree with us here, and I have accepted a call to a splendid church near Lake City, Fla. My post office address is Lake City, Fla., R. F. D. No. 3, to which please change my Courier. We will leave here about February 1st. We will be near Jacksonville and St. Augustine. The country is thickly settled, with mild and healthy climate. Just think of the good things to eat, and cheap oysters, clams, fish, game, crabs, vegetables, berries, oranges, lemons, melons, fruit, etc. And just imagine this pastor storing them away! And just think of this man enjoying the ocean and all the good things of life. I expect to renew my youth. I know my dear friends will rejoice with Mrs. G. and myself in all the good that awaits us. Kindest regards from us to everybody.

H. C. Grossman.

Only last week we received a similar and highly appreciated compliment paid us by our friend, Judge J. W. Holleman, who remarked as he paid for his paper for 1909, "I am obliged to say that I believe The Courier is the best weekly paper in the world." These words of appreciation are all helps toward renewed energy in giving The Courier readers the very best that we are capable of.

**Cured of a Severe Attack of Bronchitis by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.**

"On October 18th, last, my little three-year-old daughter contracted a severe cold, which resulted in a bad case of bronchitis," says Mrs. W. G. Gibson, of Lexington, Ky. "She lost the power of speech completely and was a very sick child. Fortunately we had a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house and gave it to her according to printed directions. On the second day she was a great deal better, and on the fifth day, October 23d, she was entirely well of her cold and bronchitis, which I attribute to this splendid medicine. I recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy unreservedly, as I have found it the surest, safest and quickest cure for colds, both for children and adults, of any I have ever used." For sale by J. W. Bell, Walhalla; W. J. Lunney, Seneca.

**Mr. Miller to the People.**

Seneca, R. F. D., Jan. 18.—Editor Keowee Courier: I desire, through your columns, to express to the people of Oconee county my thanks and appreciation for the many acts and deeds of kindness shown me during my service of two years as County Commissioner. I have been royally entertained all over the county, and was always made to feel at home when staying with the people in any section. It was my highest endeavor to make a good county officer, but have probably fallen short in some respects, but they were errors of the head and not of the heart, and I trust they will be overlooked. Respectfully, J. L. Miller.

**JUDGE OF PROBATE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.**

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF OCONEE.**

In Court of Probate. Pursuant to a decree in the aforesaid Court, in the case named below, I will offer for sale, to the highest bidder, in front of the Court House door, at Walhalla, S. C., on MONDAY, the 1st day of FEBRUARY, 1909, between the legal hours of sale, the following lots below described:

Della Pugh and R. T. Skelton, Plaintiffs, against Fannie Pugh, Defendant.

All those certain pieces, parcels, or lots of land, situate, lying and being in the Town of Westminster, County of Oconee, State of South Carolina, the same being town lots Nos. forty-three and fifty-three (43 and 53) of said town, same being the lots conveyed to Ed. Pugh by E. J. King by deed bearing date 16th day of November, 1904.

Terms of Sale: One-half cash, and the balance in two equal annual installments, with interest from day of sale; the credit portion to be secured by bond of the purchaser and mortgage of the premises.

D. A. SMITH, Judge of Probate, Oconee County, South Carolina. January 13, 1909. 2-4

**MASTER'S SALE.**

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF OCONEE.**

In Court of Common Pleas. Pursuant to a decree of the aforesaid Court, in the case named below, I will offer for sale, to the highest bidder, in front of the Court House door, at WALHALLA, S. C., on MONDAY, the 1st day of February, 1909, between the legal hours of sale, the tract of land below described:

Mrs. S. J. Stribling, Plaintiff, against Wade H. Rice, Margie Rice, Blanche Rice, May Rice and Sarah Rice, Defendants.

All that certain tract, parcel or lot of land, lying and being in the State of South Carolina, County of Oconee, containing fifty-three and 55-100 acres, more or less, and bounded by lands of Mark D. Stribling, C. A. Kay, S. J. Stribling and others, and having such form, markings, bearings and measurements as are represented by plat of same made by John V. Stribling, C. E. and Surveyor, Oct. 28, 1905, viz.: Beginning at stone corner on public road leading from Fair Play to Westminster; thence north 80° E. 16.15 to dead P. O., N. 64 1/2° E. 11.50 White C. N. 2 1/2 E. 8.16 to stone pile, S. 75 3/8° E. X. 6.82, S. 56 E. 11.75 to stake S. 50 1/4° W. 24, 25 to alder, S. 80 1/4° W. 20.79 to stake, N. 13 1/2° W. 13.49 to beginning point.

Terms of Sale: One-half cash, and the balance in five equal annual installments; the credit portion to bear interest from the day of sale at 8 per cent per annum, and be secured by bond of the purchaser and mortgage of the premises; that in event of failure of purchaser to comply with the terms of sale at once, the Master do re-sell the same on the same sale day or some convenient sale day thereafter at the same place and on the same terms and after the same advertisement as the risk of the former purchaser, and that he do continue so to do until he shall have found a purchaser who shall comply with the terms of sale.

W. O. WHITE, Master for Oconee County, S. C. January 13, 1909. 2-4

**DESIRABLE RESIDENCE LOT IN WEST UNION FOR SALE.**

Notice is hereby given that on MONDAY, the first day of February, 1909, at 11 a. m., in front of Walhalla Court House door, I will offer for sale, to the highest bidder, at public auction, a desirable lot in West Union, to wit:

All that certain lot on south side Main street, adjoining lots of Dr. J. W. Wickliffe and others, containing two acres, more or less, same known as residence lot of S. L. Richardson. Large and commodious dwelling house, also barn and stables on the premises. Central location in a flourishing town.

Terms: One-third cash, balance one year with interest at eight per cent, secured by mortgage of the premises. Purchaser to pay extra for papers. R. T. JAYNES, Agent. January 13, 1909. 2-4

**RILEY LOT IN WESTMINSTER FOR SALE.**

Notice is hereby given that on MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1st, 1909, at 11 a. m., I will sell, to the highest bidder, at public auction, in front of Walhalla Court House door,

All that certain lot of land situate in Town of Westminster, Oconee county, South Carolina, fronting on the Methodist Church lot 83 feet, and running back 150 feet, adjoining lots now or formerly owned by J. A. Watkins, J. E. Ballenger and J. S. Carter, and being the lot conveyed to F. A. and J. A. Riley by J. E. Ballenger on January 15, 1906.

Terms: CASH. Purchaser to pay extra for papers. R. T. JAYNES, Agent. January 13, 1909. 2-4

**SAY, OLD HOSS!**

What kind of STOCK FOOD do you eat?

**GET YOUR BOSS**

To buy Stonecypher's; it can't be beat.

**STONECYPHER DRUG COMPANY,**

Westminster, S. C. 11-4-8-4m

**NOTICE TO PHYSICIANS.**

The Board of County Commissioners will let, to the lowest responsible bidder, on FRIDAY, February 5th, 1909, at 1 p. m., the contract for poor house and jail practice for the year 1909. Successful bidder will be required to furnish all necessary medicines and answer all calls made by the Steward or Sheriff or any one of the Board. Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Bids must be sealed and filed before 10 a. m. on day of letting. N. PHILLIPS, Supervisor. January 13, 1909. 2-5

**COUNTY CLAIMS AUDITED.**

At the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, held Friday, January 1, 1909, the following claims were passed upon:

Claim No.	In Whose Favor and Nature of the Claim.	Amount Allowed.
1001	William Pitts, fees as magistrate's constable	\$ 10 85
1005	D E Dills, work on road near Liberty	2 00
1006	Hugh Elkin, work on bridge at Crooked creek	3 00
1008	Hunter & Co, aid to soldiers	26 00
1009	J O Lindsey, fees as constable	2 50
1010	J G Breazeale, road supplies	2 70
1011	L W Spearman, fees as constable	5 60
1012	W B Mongold, bridge work, Dist 54	4 75
1013	R H Land, road work, Center township	2 50
1014	J Y Davis, road work, Center township	1 00
1015	J J Burns, road work, Dist 20	2 25
1016	Newry Store, aid to soldiers	24 00
1017	J S Smith, bridge work, Dist 71	1 00
1018	A M Rohletter, road work, Dist 61	10 00
1019	W F Smith, road work, Dist 13	6 00
1020	E W Moore, road work, Dist 58	3 75
1021	W T Alexander, road work, Dist 22	10 00
1022	J B Burdette, road work, Dist 33	2 00
1023	J P Stribling, road work, Dist 19	7 50
1024	J P Stribling, services on Board Equalization	14 70
1025	William Pitts, fees as Magistrate's constable	6 45
1026	J C Shockey, lumber for bridges	1 60
1027	W M Perry, repairing bridge, Dist 76	2 60
1028	Cannon & Cross, aid to soldier	2 00
1029	J E Gaines, building Horseshoe bridge	365 00
1030	D R Shelor, work on road and bridge, Dist 9	34 55
1031	W N D Rohletter, road and bridge work, Pulaski	7 50
1032	A D McClain, building Morgan bridge, on Little river	2350 00
1033	J L Moser, bridge work, Dist 64	2 60
1034	J E Gaines, bridge lumber	10 10
1035	W F Hancock, road work, Dist 17	4 00
1036	J C Carroll, road work, Center township	3 00
1037	S P Jenkins, road work, Dist 17	2 50
1038	Ira J Butt, road work, Toxaway district	1 00
1039	L H Rimrodt, road work, Dist 72	5 00
1040	B E King, bridge work, Dist 10	2 50
1041	Jeff B Maret, salary as Magistrate	20 80
1042	T M Kelley, road and bridge work, Dist 45	9 25
1043	Dr B F Sloan, lunacy and post mortem examinations	21 80
1044	Dr J W Wickliffe, lunacy examination	5 00
1046	F McAlister, Supervisor, salary December	58 35
1047	J L Miller, County Commissioner, salary December	33 35
1048	J L Talley, County Commissioner, salary December	33 35
1049	F A H Schroder, Clerk, salary for December	16 66
1050	W J Schroder, Treasurer, Court expenses, Nov term	1933 28
1051	D A Smith, Judge of Probate, lunacy proceedings	10 00
1052	T H Davis, road work, Dist 13	2 00
1053	P A Brown, Magistrate, salary for year	25 00
1054	J N Fitzgerald, fees as constable	61 45
1055	W H Talley, Magistrate, salary for ten months	29 15
1056	A C Smith, road work, Dist 42	1 25
1057	L W Grant, fees as Magistrate's constable	3 80
1058	Keowee Courier, advertising, stationery, gasoline	33 77
1059	R H Powell, bridge work, Dist 62	8 50
1060	W John Schroder, work on public buildings	11 25
1061	Hugh Elkin, fees as Magistrate's constable	1 70
1062	A P Crisp, aid to soldiers, contingent expenses	28 00
1063	A P Crisp, Magistrate, salary 3d and 4th quarters	126 00
1064	C H Whitmire, road work, Dist 69	25 65
1065	J W Holleman, Coroner, salary 4th quarter	25 00
1066	Moss & Ansel, aid to soldiers	3 00
1067	Farm and Factory, advertising	4 50
1068	W R Cobb, Steward, salary 4th quarter, contingent ex.	75 90
1069	H C Harbin, special constable, salary Dec, and expenses	64 25
1070	W M Brown, blacksmith work, poor farm and roads	28 73
1071	W M Kay, Sheriff, dieting prisoners, December	24 60
1072	W M Kay, Sheriff, salary Dec, conveying lunatics, contgt	139 58
1073	A L Ellison, road work, Dist 27	4 00
1074	Clem Wilbanks, road work, Dist 55	71 50
1075	W J Schroder, Treasurer, Court expenses, special term	666 30
1076	C R D Burns, Clerk Court, salary, express, recording	165 70
1077	C W & J E Bauknight, supplies poor farm and road hands	68 68
1078	Jacob Rothell, bridge and road work, Dist 62	1 00
1079	R L Glistrap, road and bridge work and material, Dist 21	17 78
1080	Dr J W Bell, poor house and jail practice, 4th quarter	25 00
1081	C L Craig, Supt of Education, salary December	58 33
1082	J W Reed, road work, Dist 42	1 50
1083	W B Jenkins, road work, Dist 37	2 50
1084	D P Grant, Magistrate, salary 4th quarter	6 25
1085	A Smith, transporting family to poor farm	3 00
1086	J C Freeman, road work, Dist 17	3 00
1087	C W Pitchford, aid to soldiers	2 00
1088	J C Alexander, hauling lumber and repairing bridge	3 00
1089	W L McMahen, building fill at Morgan bridge	20 00
1090	J L McCarty, Magistrate, salary December	2 00
1091	J M Whitmire, Magistrate, salary for 1908	25 00
1092	Seneca Hardware Co, material for bridge, etc	7 43
1093	S H Maret, Magistrate, salary 4th quarter	36 00
1094	H J B Grogan, repairing road at Rankin bridge	2 25
1095	J M Abbott, repairing bridge, Dist 63	1 00
1096	W J Schroder, Treasurer, salary Dec contingent ex.	32 24
1097	R W Grubbs, Auditor, salary December	31 94
1098	Carter & Co, supplies to poor farm	13 10
1099	Edward Ganit, services on Board of Assessors	2 00
1100	J D Sheldon, Magistrate, salary for 1908	50 00
1101	E C Butler, janitor, salary for December	7 00
1102	C L G Elrod, work on road at Ravenel's	19 45
1103	W D Martin, lumber for bridge Dist 5	6 82
1104	D W Jaynes, building bridge, Dist 5	3 50
1105	J A Eubanks, Magistrate, salary 4th quarter	20 00
1106	A Bearden, aid to soldiers and nails	4 10
1107	H J Myers, road and bridge work, Dist 5	6 40
1108	O L Thrasher, building bridge, furnishing lumber	9 54
1110	J M Phillips, aid to soldiers	17 00
1111	S P Sanders, road work, Dist 17	1 00
1112	J O Smith, repairing bridge, Dist 15	6 00
1113	G W Moser, right of way, Dist 27	4 80
1114	G F Watkins, road work, Dist 22	3 00
1115	R J Vinson, Magistrate, salary for year	25 00
1116	Hardy Blackwell, repairing bridge, Dist 16	1 25