THE ORANGEBURG NEWS.

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While we reserve to ourselves the right of defi ing our own political position by means of our hitorial columns, we will be pleased to publish contributions from our fellow-citizens upon the grave questions which now agitate the public mind, whether their opinions coincide with ours or not. A district newspaper, we consider, should be an index of the various shades of pop-ular sentiment in the section of country in which it circulates. Our columns are open, therefore, for any communications properly written, accom-panied by a responsible name, not personal in their character, nor absolutely injurious in their tendency.

The Presidential Question.

We are not prepared to say much about the nomination to be made in New York, on the 4th of July next. Four persons are in view. as nominees of the Democratic Party,-Uhase, of Ohio; Pendleton, from the same State; Hendricks, of Indiana; and Hancock, of Pennsylvania. Of these, Chase and Pendle ton seemed to be the most prominent some time ago, the former representing universal amnes ty, and subordination of the military to the civil authority, coupled with the objectionable features of universal suffrage, and the maintenance of the Reconstruction Acts; and the other being on the platform of exclusive suffrage, and payment of the U. S. Bonds in greenbacks.

Lately, the Chase movement seems to be playing out ; as the Chief Justice is too Radical in his views to suit the Democratic party ; and if he were elected, he would be a Republican President, despite his Democratic nomination. As for Pendleton, he has been a consistent Democrat throughout all the emergeneies of the past seven years, and as such deserves the highest gift which the party can bestow ; but we fear his noble stand against the oppression of the South will be against him in the Northern States. We think Hancock or Hendricks will be more available than either Chase or Pendleton ; and no ticket would combine more completely the advantages of adaptability and popularity than the two together. Hancock, for President, and Hendricks, for Vice-President.

But we await with interest the action of the National Convention at New York ; and of course, expect to support its nomination. Let us keep up our local organizations, and increase the esprit in every precinct. Sixteen Districts in the State went Democratic at the late elections ; and only fifteen went Radical ; so that we have only to work hopefully and, cheerfully, and success will crown our endeav-

Gen. O. H. Hart.

Recent Excitement.

In our last issue, we gave a Summary of the

difficulty of the 11th inst., and at present we propose to continue the history of the affair. On the 12th inst., Lieut. O'Connor arrived. with a detachment of 30 men, of Company K, 8th U. S. Infantry, and made several arrests. Warrants were sought and obtained against Messys. Sydnor, Edwards, Haro, and Islar. and they were bailed in sums of \$2000 and \$3000, respectively. Afterwards, on Monday, at 5 o'clock, A. M. Adam Bookhart, one of the rescuers, died. A Coroner's Jury of In-

quest was held over his body, and sat two days. We give the verdict and evidence below.

As regards the wounded rescuors, we would state, that, for the sake of affording the ncgroes a better chance of giving them attention. and at the request of prominent negroes, and the instance of Lieut. O'Connor, Jake Hanton, Earle McCord, and Adam Bookhart were removed on Friday, 12th inst., to a room at the Freedmen's Bureau So little attention, howover, did the negroes bestow on these men that Adam Bookhart, during the night of the 14th, while in a dying condition, had no one at all to minister to his wants, save the soldiers of the guard : nor did the others have any more assistance. So flagrant a course of carcless inhumanity, we cannot pass over without due censure ; and we consider that these negroes of prominence who volunteered to care for the wounded and then neglected to do it, are responsible for the whole of it.

The verdict of the Coroner's Jury is as follows :

That Adam Bookhart came to his death on the morning of the 15th of June at 5 o'clock in consequence of a wound received June 11th 1868, by a pistol ball fired from a pistol held in the hand of some person unknown to the Jury, in a melce which occurred between S. H. Sydnor, Deputy Sheriff, in the discharge of his official duty, with C. S. Edwards and T. Hare as assistants on the one part and Joe Brown, Earl McCord, Adam Bookhart, Jake Hanton and one other colored person unknown of the other part.

The verdict is under the hands and seals of of C. B. Glover, Magistrate and Acting. Coronor, Thompson II. Cooke Esq., Foreman and B. F. Randolph (col'd), T. C. Albergotti, John Williamson, J. W. Keitt, A. R. Champy, Henry Dickson (col'd), James Stocker, J. W. Mosely. Jas. Cannon, George Bolivar, W. T. Muller, W. R. Bull, Fred. S. Dibble, Jurors.

THE TESTIMONY.

Jake Hanton being sworn, was asked if he could recognize any one of the party present as the party who shot Adam Bookhart? He replied that he recognized Mr. S. H. Sydnor as the only one who looked like the person. He was further asked if the party who shot the deceased was walking or riding ? He replied he was riding. Also as to the color of the horse? He first said the horse was a pided horse, and upon being asked to explain what he meant by the word pided, he said it was a red and white spetted horse. He also said he was shot in the very beginning of the

for so doing. This was on last Thursday ; aleven or twelve o'clock.

X. Heard the reports of about seven X. Heard the reports of about seven guns he thinks. He recognized the deceased as the wounded men who came up to his fence. Im-mediately after Mr. Sydnor passed down saw two men going in the same direction, one on a grey horse and the other on a bay horse, I think. Saw Mr. Sydnor on a spotted horse. Am not positive it was a bay horse but was a very dark horse. Did not hear of any other person being wounded at that time. Just after the Deputy Sheriff's pose passed my house the wounded man was brought up to my fence, and I am satisfied the man was wounded during the first affray.

Mr. Cecil S. Edwards being produced and sworn, says : Messrs. Syunor, Morgan T. Shumaker, and myself left Orangeburg on Wednesday, 10th inst., to arrest a lot of burgars. Thursday morning we started from Mr Shumaker's with the Shiriff's posse. First we came to was Rev. Houcks. Mr. Sydnor and myself arrested three of the burglars there after some considerable excitement. We went to another one of the burglars house. When we got there Mr. Sydnor, Mr. Shumaker and Mr. lare went in to arrest Reuben Haigler. They gathered a crowd there and armed them,men and women. We failed to take that burgiar. Jake Hanton was one of the leaders in that crowd that resisted the Sheriff at Reubens house. They followed us across the field then a short distance. Don't know what hecame of the crowd after that. The posse came on in the direction of Orangeburg .--When we got within a mile of Orangeburg, Jake Hanton made his appearance again with four other negroes. There he asked Hilliard Hanton, one of the prisoners, "where in the hell he was a going." Hilliard told him ahe was going to Orangeburg under arrest." Jake Hanton told him "he should go home." Mr. Sydnor then spoke to Jake Hanton and told him that these were prisoners, that he had better go about his business and let them alone. Jake Hanton then said "that he had papers fused, upon my asking for his papers to show them. Mr. Sydnor then told him "he was an officer of the law and if he had papers to come to the village and if the papers were right the prisoners would be released." The parties that Jake Hanton brought up to aid him com menced cursing. Mr. Sydnor told them to hush, advising them to go about their business. Jake Hanton said "he'd be damned if he wouldn't shed the last drop of blood in him before they should go to jail." He (Jake Hanton) was a little in the rear of Mr. Sydnor. He drew a horseman's pistol on Mr. Sydnor I told Mr. Sydnor that he had drawn the pistol. I drew mine on him. Mr. Sydnor turned and saw the pistol that Jake Hanton had and shot him. The fight then began. Jake find ton ran off a piece and then shot at Mr. nor. There was another one of the party whom I did not know at all, he also fin Mr. Sydnor: I shot him after he shot a Mr. Sydnor. They then ran in every di tion. Mr. Sydnor left before I did. Hare and myself came on the village. The Sheriff raised a posse here and sent us out in pursue of the burglars and the rescuing party. found Jake Hauton and Earle (McCa think). They were none the place she the fight. Jake Hanton was wounded Earle was with him in the woods. There were some men left in charge of him. The rest of us went on in search of the burglars, and the rest of the rescuing party The deceased. Adam Bookhart, was found some distance from Jake Hanton and Earle. They were all five were bringing them in. I then reported to affray, and that we also get the names of witthe Deputy and he discharged me. Joe Brown was one of the party who attempted the rescue. X. Recognized Jake Hanton as one of the party who resisted the arrest of Neuben Haiger in the morning. In the morning at the attempt to arrest Reuben Haigler the crowd was armed with knives, pistols and guns, and said Reuben Haigler should not be taken. They all appeared to be very much excited Recognized Joe Brown among the rescuers. Also Jake Hanton, Adam Bookhart, Earle McCord. Did not know the other negro. Adam Bookhart was neither of the men whom I shot at. I shot at Jake Hanton and the negro that I did not know. Adam Bookhart was with the party at the time the fight commenced. Mr. Sydnor and Mr. Hare, both fired at the parties. All the firing was done within three minutes. Don't know who shot Adam Bookhart. Was riding a gray horse. Mr. Hare rode a bay horse. Mr. Sydnor was riding a small white and red spotted horse. Mr. Sydnor shot the first pistol at Jake Hanton. Do not know how many shots Mr. Sydnor fired. When Mr. Sydnor fired Jake Hanton ran off and fired at Mr. Sydnor, when all morning. The five men came up in front of but Joe Brown and two prisoners ran off. Joe Mr. Sydnor and asked the prisoners where Brown had a fence rail, and commenced curs-ing me. When Mr. Sydnor fired at Jake men who met them that they had been doing Hanton, Jake Hanton was in the act of shooting Mr. Sydnor. One of the prisoners ran off doing, and were going to Orangeburg to attend at the beginning of the fight, and the others their trinl. The five men that they stood there with Joe Brown until I was going were not going. Mr. Sydnor told them, "Boys to shoot Joe Brown for raising his fence rail stand out of the road and let them go and at me and cursing me, when they walked off. stand their trial," and Jake Hanton spoke I tried to get the prisoners to come on to jail. then and told them no, that he would shed the I took hold of one of them but he jerked last drop of blood there was in him before they loose. Don't know whether I hit either of the parties shot at. Mr. Sydnor was anxious to get them to come to the village and fix the matter there, but they seemed determined to the state of the seemed determined to the sta have it out there. Got to Houcks between back with him and show his papers, and if six and eight o'clock in the morning. Houck's they were all right those fellows could go back is between twelve and fifteen and fifteen miles home, and he wouldn't say a word against it from Orangeburg. The fight commenced about 114 o'clock. Saw Jake Hanton at Haigler's which was twelve miles from Orangeburg. Adam was not in the party who made was one in front of him (Sydnor) with a stick, the resistance at Haigler's.

Bookhart. Freedman, Black, 30 years of age, died June 15th, at 5 o'clock A. M. Having been shot by Pistol, Cal. about 82.

Upon opening the body of deceased it was and that the ball entered at a place about 4 inches below right nipple and 4 inches from the Lines alba or median line of the belly at the Umbilicum, ball proverating in a direct posterior direction, passing brough the middle of the anterior lobe of the liver throughout, entering about the center or pelvic por-tion of the right kidney, throughout, passing backwards and fracturing the 1st floating rib of the right side, and the ball was found lodged one inch back of the fractured rib beneath the teguments. It is our opinion that the immediate and direct cause of death in said Adam Bookhart's case, was from internal hemorrhage from hepatic and renal arteries or some of their branches.

L. D. RADZINSKY, M. D. A. S. SALLEY, M. D. E. J. OLIVEROS, M. D. Signed.

Personally appeared: Drs. L. D. Radzinsky, A. B. Salley and E. J. Oliveros, who swear that the above report is a true and correct statement of heir post mortem examination of Adam Bookhart. Sworn to before me,] L. D. RADZINSKY, M. D.

this 15th day of June, 1868. A. S. SALLEY, M. D. E. J. OLIVEROS, M. D. . B. GLOVER, Magistrate.

The jury took a recess till 4 o'clock P. M. Jury met pursuant to adjournment.

B. F. Randolph being produced and sworn, says : I saw Jacob Hanton between eight and ine o'clock on the morning of the 11th inst. at the residence of James Mays. Hanton spoke of getting corn and bacon from the Government. He also said a store had been broken into in his neighborhood and that they had arrested a couple of men and were bringing hom in. Don't recollect whether he mentioned their names or not. He stated that he thought the men were innocent, because a house was broken open in the neighborhood. search had been made and none of the goods had been found in the house, but some were found in the neighborhood. He then asked my opinion as to what would be done with I told him that they would be tried. and if innocent, discharged, and if guilty, punished He then asked if they would get ustice. I answered as to that he need have no fears, as I thought by the time he would be tried there would be a new court here, meaning that the court would be organize. under he new Constitution. Hanton did not indicate any particular course of action himself. Question by Jury .- Did you furnish him Hanton) with any paper of any description o protect the parties from being arrested ?

Answer .--- I did not, but I think on that occasion I either gave or sent him a Republican pledge. The pledge was in substance, as follows

We, the undersigned, pledge ourselves to support the principles of the National Republican arty, and the principles of the Republican arty of South Carolina; to vote next Novemer for Grant to be President and Colfax to be ice-President of the United States. And we further pledge ourselves to obey all rules and orders issued by this club."

Don't know that he saw any of the others at that time.

The first I knew of the affray was when a boy came to me at Mr. May's house, and stated that Mr. T. K. Sasportas wished me to come indicately to the school house, that some had and that the people were enthering there. I aud that Mr. Mays the same, and suggested to him that we call and see General Hart and get him to go down also. We started. I asked him to call and see General Hart and tell him the facts in the case, that I myself would go immediately to the school house. When I reached there Mr. T. K. Sasportas related the of them within thirty feet of any of us when the fight began. Did not see Adam Bookhart names of all the white men who went out with after the fight until the Doctors came up and guns and pistols, and were concerned in the

and we are going to Orangeburg with us and stand their trial, and try to get back home. They never used any threats at that time. There were some six or seven shots fired during the attack. Don't know who fired the pistols. At Haigler's three men and two women had guns. Went to Haigler's at about seven or eight o'clock in the morning. I knew Jacob Hanton by reputation to be a rude man, and tried to rule the neighborhood. The last time he saw Jake Hanton at Haigler's he was going back in the direction of his house. The crowd at Haigler's were using threats and coniderably excited. The posse at Haigler's was arger than when they met near Orangeburg. Jupiter Mims being produced and sworn, says : I went to dinner at twelve o'clock last. Friday. I live at Mr. Fowles. When I came out of the gate, met Mr. Amaker, and Mr.

Zimmerman, and Mr. Smith and Mr. George Meredith. Then Mr. Dibble came up and asked me to go down and assist Mr. Sellers in attending to the wornded. Saw no colored man with any arms. George Williams being produced and sworn,

says: He does not know how Adam Bookhart name to his death. On Friday morning I asked Adam Bookhart if he know who shot him. He didn't give me much satisfaction. Frank Phœnix being produced and sworn. says : Neither the wounded man nor the man

with him had any arms.

Pharaoh Robiuson being produced and sworn, says : I was at Dr. Shuler's store talkng with Dr. Salley and Mr. Sydnor came up with his hat in his hand and a pistol, as if was in a big hurry. Either Dr. Shuler or Mr. Cally Dukes asked him what was the matter. He said he wanted some one to go and help him arrest the prisoners he had coming in with, that there were some of the negroes had met.him and about to take them away from im, and that he had shot off all the ammunition that he had and that he had to leave them, then asked him if he had shot any of them He said he had shot one of them somewhere about his breastor I then started to Mr. Bolivar's store to get some advice as to what he hought about it. Dr. Shuler went into his store and got a pistol and a musket and came out, and some one said, no, give me the pistol, the musket is too heavy. Mr. Ostrander then took out his pistol and said here's my pistol and I will load yours. I then went to Bolivar's store and told Mr. Bolivar of the fuss I heard up the street. Mr. Bolivar then said to me, "Whatever you do Pharoah tell the boys to have no fuss." I then said to him I will go up and see any how, for that the boys might have some fuss and may do a great deal of damage. He then said, go, and lon't let the colored boys have any fuss, this thing will have to go through Court. then started immediately off for the railroad. As I got to the Railroad I met Dr. Shuler coming back from where the fuss was, and he said there was one man in at Jack Daisy's groaning like the devil, but says never mind 1 im going right off and telegraph for soldiers, and they will be here in two hours. I then called Frank Phoenix and two other colored men (whose names I do not know) and I said, to them boys lets go out and see whats the matter and whats a going on. Just as I got on this side of Henry Dickson's house I heard one man hollow in the woods, and as he hol-lowed, I said to Frank, boys go in the woods and see whats the hollowing was and I will stay here. They went in the woods and in the

meantime, Mr. Geo. Merideth passed along onhis horse with a pistol in his right hand. He said nothing to me but went right on to the branch. After he pas-ed I started on up 'o Henry Dickson's gate, and as I got to the there. corner of Henry Dickson's fence I saw three men going up to Henry Dickson's fence right againt his kitchen. One of the men was held bookhart on the morving of the day ac was by the other two and they went up to the shot, he said that Mr. Edwards, the gentleman fence and made a short turn like Henry Dickson had turned them off and they went was present and Bookhart pointed at him. back into the woods. Just about the time Mr. Edwards said I was one of the meu that they turned off into the woods the shooting commenced at the branch and in that time I went up to Henry Dickson where he was standing by his kitchen door, and said to him they seem as if they are playing work in these woods, and Henry Dickson said to me there's one man come to me just now shot and they wanted me to take him in. He said he couldn't take him in as it would get him in trouble and the man too, that he must go on down to the village and report himself to the Hadquarters. I then said I will go on and see Mr. Dibble that was coming out from Jack Daisy's house. I went up the road as far as Mr. Folwes gate aud there I met Mr. Dibble and asked him if there was any one at Jack Daisy's shot. He said, no there was nary one there. I asked him then how many was shot down here were they self. were shooting at the branch. He said there was two of them. I said there was two down there and che on this side, that makes three. He told me then to go with him and show him where they were. I did so. After I got there I found that I knew the man. was Adam Bookhart. Mr. Dibble then went to him and told him to let him see where he was shot. Adam seemed as if he was slow in moving and I went up to him and found the

X When Mr. Sydnor first came up to Dr.

ays: He saw Mr. Edwards near Mr. Tread-

worn, says : He was attending physician of

deceased and was present when the deposition

of Adam Bookhart was taken. He (Adam

them, no, we have been doing something wrong lage, near the railroad. I went to the w Huigler's to arrest Reuben Haigler and naw Earle McCord among the resisting party. Did not see Jacob Hanton there. I know Jacob Hanton was not in the crowd at that time. I know Jacob Hanton well. I went up to the house with the party. Earle McGord and Quash Mahanton (or Hanton) crossed the field. At that place they seemed determineed to re-sist the Deputy Sheriff and Earle said that if sist the Deputy Sherin and Earle and Earle there was anything done, he was ready. Earle was armed, and had his gun in the position of "ready." The whole party were armed, too. Five miles from town I left the Deputy Sheriff and came on ahead, and when L got to the railand came on anend, and when 1.500 to the ar-road saw Earle McCord. Was not in the ar-fray. Met Adam Bookhart, Jake Halton Earle McCord, Joe Brown and Bony (BlaCore I think,) near the railroad. This was between eleven and twelve cclock. I was not in the fight, but went out with the posse. Was about one hundred or one hundred and fifty yards from where the second firing took place. Don't know anything of the circumstances as to how Adam Bookhart came to his death. I had a long rife visith size to his death. I

had a long rific pistol, given to me by Cally Dukes, which I sent back by Mr. Cecil Edwards. The pistol was not used in the fight, wards. The pistol was not used in the light, being in my possession the whole time. When I met Adam Bookhart at the railroad, he was going out of the village. They had just about time to get out to the place the affray decurred from the time I saw them until the firing took

place. I know Jacob Hauton. The common report concerning him is that he was one of the leaders in the neighborhood. When firing commenced the second time saw Ha McCord running off. He resisted Mr. Isla We found Jake Hanton wounded and lyin down. Earle was with him. Took them prisoners, and Jake asked pleased to get him some water. Gearge Sellers said "Earle can's you bring him a drink. Anyhow go and bring it." And then said to Mr. Izlar guard this prisoner to the branch and back. When they got to the branch I heard a hollow. That was about a hundred yards. Don't what the calling was for, it sounded like some one in distress calling for help. Don't think it was Earle calling. Thought it was Mr. Izlar, bet don't know positively who it was calling. Three shots were fired at the branch. The posse was scattered through the woods looking for the prisoners. They were not in a body, In the morning at Haigler's Mr. Sydner was riding a spotted horse. When he passed Hau-ton and his party at the railroad, saw no ap-pearance of arms smotg them. Mr. Sydnor was out on that day arresting prisoners who had broken into witness' store. Mr. Sydnor was acting as Deputy for the Sheriff. After my store was broken into, and upon making a search I found goods in the houses of Arnold Dantzler, Reuben Haigler, Sam Haigler, Shephard Shivers. The last three named of pry one house. Allen Shivers, Quesh Gaillard, Question by Jury .-- Could not the men whom you met at the railroad have had fire arms and you not have seen them ?

Answer .- Of course they could. Question by Jury .- Would a poisse exfect by the Sheriff go unarmed or armed Answer .- They would go armed and I wow armed.

Question by Jury .- Could the party at Haigler's have rescued the prisoners as successfully as they did near the villago had they attempt-ed it?

Anver .--- I think they could. Question by Jury .- Did they manifest any lisposition when they crossed the field at

Insuer.-They spoke to them and told them to go back, that they had no business

David Gillancy being produced and sworn,

This distinguished officer has relieved Muj. Holton as Bureau Agent at this place, and has also received the appointment of Military Commissioner for Orangeburg District. A short sketch of his career may not be painteresting to our readers.

Gen. Hart is a native of Hartford, Connecticut, from which place, however, he removed many years ago, having resided in New York City until the beginning of the war. His father was a Representative from that City in Congress for nany years. Gen. Hart entered the Federal service in April, 1861, as Sergeant of Co. A, 7th Regt., National Guard, New York Militia. In May, was appointed and confirmed as Capt. and Asst Adjt. General, and assigned to duty as Asst. Adjt. Gen. of Sickle's Excelsior Brigade. In December, was appointed and confirmed as Major, and assigned to duty as Asst. Adjt. Gen. of Hooker's Division. In February, 1863, was promoted to Lieut. Colonel, and assigned to duty as Asst. Adjt. Gen. of the 3d Army Corps, serving as such up to the surrender of Gen. Lee. He was then appointed Colonel, and assigned to Staff duty in the Department of the Ohio. In July, 1805, was brevetted Brig. General in that Department, until, by request of Gen. Sickles, he was ordered to Charleston, as Asst. Adjt. Gen. of the Department of the South, with the full rank of Brig. General. Was brevetted Major General in Sept. 1867. In October, resigned his commission as General when I heard the gun fired. After the Officer of Vols., was mustered out of service, and immediately appointed and commissioned Captain in 42d U.S. Infantry, in the Regular Army. Since his last commission, he has been on duty as Military Commissioner and Bureau Agent in this State, and has discharged the duties of those difficult positions with such discretion and impartiality, at Abbeville and elsowhere, as to have commanded the estcem and respect of all classes of our people. Gen. Hart served through the entire war.

was in 32 general engagements; was wounded seven times; and was never on leave of absence, except for disability.

General John S. Prezton will deliver the annual address before the students of the Robinson came up to the fence. I stated the Virginia University, on June 30th.

Mr. T. C. Albergotti being produced and sworn, says : On Friday morning went round to the jail to see the prisoners. I asked Adam Bookhart and the balance of them, how they were feeling. Adam Bookhart was the only one who answered me. The others made no answer. I asked him what part of the affray he was shot in, and if he was with the crowd that tried to rescue the prisoners. He said no, that he was this side of Henry Dickson's house. He said that it was after the time that the gentlemen had gone back to call for assistance, and that a man riding a dark bay horse at full speed shot at him as he passed. Mr. Sam Hall was present and asked Bookhart, the deceased, if he was not one of the party there to rescue the prisoners. He said, no, I was not. Mr. Hall said I expect you were. He, Bookhart, said that I say that the man riding the bay horse shot me. If you know more about it than I do, I have nothing more to say.

Mr. S. R. Hall being produced and sworn, says: Went round to the jail on Friday morning to see the three prisoners, and asked them how they were feeling. They all three said they felt much better. Mr. Albergotti then asked Adam Bookhart (I think it was) if he was with the rescuing party. He said he was not. I told him I thought he was or he would not have been shot at. He then told me he was not with the party, but was wounded by a man riding a dark bay horse this side of Henry Dickson's house. Then I asked him if it was before or after the rescuing party attacked Mr. Sydnor, the Deputy Sheriff. He then said it was some time after. I asked the question ti at I thought he was there, and he then said if I knew more about it than he did let it go so, that the man on the dark bay horse shot him. Deceased appeared to be perfectly conscious of what he said. I was one of the posse who went out.

Henry Dickson, being produced and sworn, says. I was setting in my plazza at the time gun fired I saw Mr. Sydnor going towards the village on horseback, without a hat on. After he passed two other gentlemen passed. one a little ahead of the other, going in full haste. I then went back in my house and lay down, and I would judge in about twenty minutes, my children called me to look out at the gate, and there came back some more men on horses going towards where the gun was fired. Directly after they passed there came up three colored men on the west side of my house, one of them being wounded and supported by the other two. They came up to the fence, and called to me,

through the children. I then went to the fence. One of the men who were supporting the wounded man said to me "Take this man in here." I then said to him, "No, I could not." I said to him, "Go to the village, and if you are not guilty you will be cleared." He wheeled right off and went right off and one of the men came back and asked for water. I had it given to him. By that time Pharaoh matter to him as it was He said I was right

Question by Jury .- When you returned with a pistol on him. Mr. Sydnor looked round the posse comitatis did you see Adam Book- and there was a pistol fired off, and then as hart any where in the vicinity of place where many as three or four fired right there togeththe fight occured ?

Answer .- Adam Bookhart was more than Mr. Edwards and myself followed him. Don't two hundred yards from where the fight took know whether it was Hanton's or Sydnor's place.

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Bookhart cursing in the party ? Auswer .--- I believe he was.

one shot was fired.

nesses which we then proceeded to do. Afterwards we told the men to be peaceable, that justice would have its way. We all went out. Mr. Sasportas and I concluded to find General Hart and consult him, which we proceeded to

Hanton did not tell witness how he knew that the parties had been arrested.

William T. Hare being produced and sworn, ays: Was present when Mr. Sydnor went to make the arrest at "Haigler's. Mr. Sydnor, Mr. Shumaker and myself went vp to Mrs. Haigler's to make an arrest. Don't recollect the name of the man they went to arrest. Mr. Sydnor ordered the man to surrender and there were four guns drawn on him. (Hanton being one of the party.) We did not make the arrest, but went out to the road where they had three prisoners arrested. They were followed by Hanton and others some two or three hundred yards, out to the road. We pursued our journey quictly until within about one mile of Orangeburg when we were met by five men who came up the road. He knew Jee Brown and Hanton whom he saw at Haigler's that something that they ought not to have been the shooting had been.

Shuler's he said that one of the men had tried to shoot him. The pistol he, Sydnor, had in his hand was a common five shooter. In my conversation with Mr. Dibble no mention was made by him of any colored men having arms. Saw no colored man with arms. and one was behind him (Sydnor,) had drawn

Jury adjourned to meet at 81 o'clock on the 16th inst. Jury met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Sydnor then rode on to Orangeburg. Lewis Gadsden being produced and sworn,

pistol which was fired first. I did not fire at Question by Jury .- Did you hear Adam all. Do not know Adam Bookhart. Don't

know how many were shot in the fight. Mr. Sydnor used every effort to avoid an attack on Heard firing when he returned. More than them. There were two pistols shown by the one shot was fired. Question by Jury.—Was it possible during the fight for any one to have been struck by a

riding a bay horse, shot him. Mr. Edwards Mr. Edwards said I was one of the meu that shot. Pharoah Robinson replied I think there's been enough shooting done, and it ought to have been stopped. This was out in the woods. Mr. Edwards was on a dark bay horse. I took it for granted that the man pointed at was Mr. Edwards, Don't know Mr. Edwards personally. This was between 12 and 1 o'clock, I think. Pharaoh Robinson was present when the conversation between witness and Adam Bookhart took place as to who shot him, Adam Bookhart. Bookhart w s wounded in the right side. Bookhart said that he was going out from the village and heard the horse coming from behind him and he looked, and the man halted him, and ran past him, and wheeled his horse, and the man fired. I recollect distinctly all the conversation which passed between Bookhart and my-AT ANY AT

The Lecture Last Night of Rev. W. G. Connor at the Mills House, was very well attended ; the audience comprising some of the most cultivated of our citizens. We had been promised a treat, and our expectations were not disappointed. The lecturer used the nathetic and well known poem of Burn's-"John Anderson my Jo John"-as the place where he was shot in his breast. Mr. groundwork, (much in the some manner an Dibble told me then to stay there with him Dr. Irving does in his famous lecture on and I told him I wouldn't do it as some one would come along and shoot me too. I and "Cock Robin") upon which he builds a fabric Mr. Dibble then went on back to the road toof pleasant fancy, and with arrows dipped in gether. When we got there the rest of the the milk of human kindness, he shoots at folly men had come back from the branch where as it flies. His pictures of the scolding wife,

and the fashionable wife were admirable portraits, instantly recognized by every one, and brought down the house. The style of the lecturer is admirably adapted to his subject, the language chaste, and well chosen, illustrations opposite and striking, gestures graceful, and enunciation distinct and pleasing. Every one present felt they had done well to come, as they could not have spent an evening so pleasantly anywhere elso.

There are many who were unable to he Mr. Connor last night, who would be glad if he could at some future time repeat it in this wells office by the railroad give Mr. Sydnor a city .- Charleston Mercury, 13th inst. Dr. L. D. Radzinsky being produced and

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By P. A. McMICHAEL, Esq., Ordinary. Question by Jury.—Was it possible during the fight for any one to have been struck by, stray shot? Answer.—It was possible. The Surgeon's report on their post morten examination was here submitted to the jury, and marked exhibit "B." (Symmit "n.") Report of Post Mortem Examination, held by order of Earonner C. R. Glover, upon the person of Admin the prisoners with as the prisoners replied to the prisoners with as to stop, the the prisoners replied to the prisoners replied to the prisoners with the prisoners replied to the prisoners replied

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