

Scraps and Facts.

Charlotte, N. C., June 26: After being out exactly four and one-half hours, the jury in the case of Will S. Biggers for the murder of J. G. Hood this afternoon returned a verdict of not guilty. The announcement of the verdict was greeted with cheers, the court room being transformed into a scene of wild confusion.

So far as we know he had no other possible accomplice than Chung Sing. The only possible ship on which he could have been working is the one that was used in the murder of the girl on June 18 in a trunk in the bedroom of Leon Ling, an Americanized Chinaman.

Atlanta, Ga., June 26: Joseph M. Brown, was at noon today inaugurated governor of Georgia to succeed Hoke Smith, whom he defeated for re-election in the primaries in 1908.

London, June 25: The war now raging in England over the proposal to increase the whisky duty is a very mild reproduction of the storm that arose in the country early in the eighteenth century when the government imposed a duty of \$5 a gallon, besides heavily taxing the retail dealers.

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A New York concern is offering to deliver a flying machine within forty days from the date of the order. The probability is that there will soon be a number of flying machines on the market; but it is not likely that they will be within reach of the average citizen for quite a while.

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TO RETURN POSSIBLE FUNDS. Columbia Banks Ready to Surrender Their Share. Columbia, June 28. W. J. Murray, chairman of the state dispensary commission, today stated that the state bank had paid the commission on the part of the Columbia banks in Columbia had tendered the dispensary funds that they had on hand back to the commission.

Columbia banks were called on for all or parts of these deposits. Mr. Avery Patterson, Greenville, who had been in agreement with regard to the matter, but Chairman Murray has declined to give out the reason for the withdrawal of the National Loan and Exchange Bank, which is the state bank of Dr. Murray, has tendered the entire amount that it has on deposit, and will turn in the entire amount of the National Loan and Exchange Bank for only part of this deposit.

The Columbia Savings Bank and Trust company advised the commission that they were ready to comply with its resolution at any time. Mr. Murray will offer a part of the money to the banks of Charleston, but they will have to pay 4 per cent interest and put up abundant collateral.

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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

J. R. Killian—Has a quantity of clay pines, mixed. Greenville, S. C. Announces the annual picnic of Filbert Camp W. O. W. to take place Saturday, July 3, at the Filbert Camp, Greenville, S. C.

W. L. Hogue and Others—Announce production of "Josiah's Courtship" at Clover opera house, July 23. Beneficial baseball team. John R. Hart, Mayor—Publishes two ordinances relating to maintaining, keeping, harboring and licensing dogs, with penalties attaching for violation of same.

D. T. Woods, Clerk—Calls a special meeting of Yorkville Club, No. 38 W. W. Street, Tuesday evening, at 8:30 o'clock. J. Q. Wray—invoites you to make his store your headquarters when in Yorkville.

There is to be only one week of court during the July term, which convenes on the 12th. Next Monday is salesday for July; but there will be nothing doing in Yorkville much, except in the way of pleasure.

The rains of last Saturday were very acceptable in most localities of the county where they fell; but they were not general over the county. There will be no malls over the rural routes next Monday. The carriers will celebrate the Fourth, which is assigned to them as one of their holidays.

Mr. Sam M. Grist, local agent for the National Benefit Life Insurance company, states that he has information that this company has about decided to extend the operations of its loan department into South Carolina and put a lot of 6 per cent money in farm lands, especially in the Pee Dee and Piedmont sections.

Hon. J. S. Brice left for Columbia last night to attend a meeting of the winding-up commission. At his last previous meeting the commission passed a resolution providing for the removal of certain funds deposited in an Aiken bank and in banks of Columbia to other banks, and that resolution seems to have been carried out.

Miss Essie Lindsay of Gastonia, is visiting in Yorkville, the guest of Miss Dot Montgomery. Mrs. W. B. Wylie and daughter, Rachel of Yorkville are spending a few weeks in Asheville, N. C.

Misses Bessie Ingram and Winnie Crawford, Yorkville, are visiting Miss Louise Gray in Lovellville. Capt. James B. Allison, for some time past an instructor in the Army Service schools at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, will sail from San Francisco on July 6 to rejoin his regiment in the Philippine Islands.

Following were the developments in the cotton market yesterday as summarized by an Associated Press dispatch of last night from New York: The cotton market had another very sharp advance today establishing new high prices for the season. The market opened firm at an advance of 1/4 point on July; generally 1/4 to 3/4 cents. Bullish private reports, and a continuation of the aggressive movement in the market, which was held back by the circulation of rumors, but it soon became evident that there was a demand for all contracts, and that position firm up with the rest of the list.

Realizing was extremely heavy around the initial figures, and in spite of near month firmness the market sagged off 5 to 6 points during the late forenoon with the setback encouraged by the better weather south, an idea that progress had been made toward discounting a bullish July bureau, and a reaction following such a sharp advance as recently experienced. There was little of no fear of a heavy market, and after the market had advanced to an estimated extent of fully 200,000 bales, the upward movement was restored accompanied by even greater activity and excitement than had been noted previously.

Receipts at the ports today 3,622 bales against 3,887 last week and 3,891 the week before. Total receipts for the week 25,900 bales against 25,326 last week. Today's receipts at New Orleans 1,522 bales against 1,246 last year.

—The glorious Fourth! —Who'll catch the greasy pig? —The mosquitoes have come. —There will be a big time in Yorkville next Monday. —There is promise of some good riding at the tournament. —In the baseball field, we are backing "Johnnie's Specials".

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SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Gaffney, June 24: Those who are circulating petitions in this county for the election as to whether or not Gaffney will again have the dispensary claim that they have about \$80 signers. This is more than one-fourth of the qualified voters, and looks as if they will succeed in having the election ordered. Those who are opposed to the institution claim that no election can be held in Cherokee county because it is dry now; but the law provides that the election may be held in counties which are "dry" provided that four years have elapsed since there has been an election upon the question, and as the dispensary was voted out on November 8, 1904, it will be seen that it will be legal to hold another election now, as more than four years have elapsed since the election was held.

—Washington special of June 25, to the News and Courier: Representative Aiken has secured a promise from the navy department to loan the figurehead on the battleship South Carolina to the state of South Carolina for an indefinite number of years. It has heretofore been customary for the state to have some kind of figurehead, but recently it was found that they served no practical purpose, and they were ordered to be removed from any new ships. Assistant Secretary Winthrop, of the navy, has informed Mr. Aiken that the figurehead on the South Carolina cannot be legally transferred, but will be loaned to South Carolina to be placed in the state house or some other suitable place. A better place, however, would be on East Battery, at Charleston, where more people would see it in a day than in a year if placed in the state house. It is estimated that the figurehead will be loaned to the state for a period of ten years.

—Col. John C. Haskell died at his home in Columbia last Saturday morning after a brief illness, following a stroke of the palsy which he had contracted on Wednesday, Oct. 18, 1898. Col. Haskell was a native of Abbeville county and was a grandson of Langdon Cheever. Col. Haskell was a soldier in the Civil War, and was a member of the 1st South Carolina Infantry. He was a member of the South Carolina Historical Society, and was a member of the South Carolina Bar. He was a member of the South Carolina Agricultural Society, and was a member of the South Carolina Medical Society. He was a member of the South Carolina Historical Society, and was a member of the South Carolina Bar. He was a member of the South Carolina Agricultural Society, and was a member of the South Carolina Medical Society.

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BULLOCK'S CREEK NEWS.

Heavy Rain Saturday—Farm Work Well Along—Death of Mrs. W. J. Robinson—Personal Mention. Correspondence of the Yorkville Enquirer.

Sharon June 28.—This section of the county was visited last Saturday evening by one of the heaviest rains that has been known for years. The damage to the crops, land and ditches was heavy. The farmers generally have their crops well worked out now; but they are still in need of heavy rains with the crops. Crops are backward for the time of year.

Mrs. W. A. J. Robinson, died at the residence of her father, Mr. Raleigh Nix yesterday morning of cancer, and was buried at Bullock's Creek today. The funeral was conducted by Rev. J. B. Swain. The deceased leaves an aged father, two sisters and one daughter. Since the marriage of her daughter she has been making her home with her father.

A report is current here today that a little boy, strictly named as being the son of a man named Mr. J. W. Carroll's residence. Mrs. A. J. Berry has been quite ill for several days, and is now able to be up most of the time. Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Sherrer are visiting their daughter in the Hopewell section.

Lancaster special of June 27, to the Yorkville Enquirer: About 4 o'clock this morning a young lady here discovered a negro man in her bedroom and promptly screamed, causing him to hastily make his exit. Neighbors were notified and Sheriff Hunter was at once notified of the occurrence and with others instituted a search for the negro, which soon resulted in the arrest of Tom Murry, who lives in the neighborhood. He denies the charge, but the young lady and his feet fit the tracks made by the intruder.

AT THE CHURCHES. BAPTIST. There will be prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 8:30 o'clock. CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD. Services this evening (Tuesday) at 8:00 o'clock. Special Notices. Congregational meeting. The congregational meeting called to be held in the Associate Reformed church next Sabbath, has been postponed until further notice.

Baseball Meeting. I am requested to call a meeting of all lovers of strictly amateur baseball to be held on Wednesday evening, June 23, 1909, at 8:15 p. m., in the court house, to consider the matter of forming a local league. Jno. R. Hart, Mayor.

Dr. McClellan Coming. Dr. John W. McClellan of Davidson College, N. C., will be in Yorkville from Monday, July 5th to Saturday, July 10th, on his way to the hotel. Hours 9 a. m. to 1 p. m. Afternoons by appointment. Free examination of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat.

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Question Submitted to the Voters of Sharon District No. 20. Yorkville, S. C., June 29, 1909. In compliance with a proper petition duly drawn and signed in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, the County Board of Education of York county hereby calls an election to be held in Sharon School District No. 20 on Wednesday, July 7, 1909, on the question of establishing a high school in said district. The polls will be opened at 7 o'clock a. m. and closed at 7 o'clock p. m. At this election all persons residing in said district, who return their names on the property tax list, will be entitled to vote upon the exhibition of registration certificates and receipts showing the previous payment of all taxes due. Those favoring the High School will vote a ballot "For High School, and those opposing will vote a ballot "Against High School." By order of the Board, J. E. McCLACKIN, Chairman.

THE COTTON MARKET.

Yorkville, June 29.—Cotton 11c. New York, June 29.—Spot cotton July 20 cents; middling July 12.00; middling July 12.25; sales none. Futures opened steady and closed firm as follows: Sept. 11.50; Oct. 11.50; Nov. 11.50; Dec. 11.50.

ESTRAY FIG. RED, black spotted, about eight weeks old. Disappeared Saturday. Will appreciate information and pay for trouble. J. E. SADDLER, at the Hotel Shandon.

WOODMEN, ATTENTION. SPECIAL MEETING. W. O. W. will be held tomorrow evening (Wednesday), 8:30 o'clock. There is some important business gringing on hand. Full attendance is urged. D. T. WOODS, Clerk.

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Statement of the Condition of the BANK OF HICKORY GROVE. Located at Hickory Grove, S. C., at the close of business, June 23rd, 1909.

Table with 2 columns: Resources and Liabilities. Resources include Loans and Discounts, Overdrafts, Furniture and Fixtures, Due from Banks and Trust Companies, Currency, Gold, Silver and other coin, Total. Liabilities include Capital Stock Paid in, Dividends Unpaid, Payable July 1st, Individual Deposits Subject to Order, Savings Deposits, Time Certificates of Deposit, Cashier's Checks, Bills Payable, Including Certificates for Money Borrowed, Reserve for Taxes, Total.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, County of York. Before me came N. M. McDILL, Clerk of the Court, who being duly sworn, says that the above and foregoing statement is a true condition of said bank, as shown by the books of said bank.

N. M. McDILL, Notary Public for South Carolina. Correct Attest: J. N. McGill, Director.