splash. He then got on his mule and

made a statement to Mr. Dimaio.

night at the river. Nobody had a lan-

tern that he saw. He got on his mule

ment to the solicitor was that he

denied having any conversation with

Lewis Martin between Sunday and

the night of the lynching when Lewis

THE DEFENSE BEGINS.

He declared to be "utterly false"

The defence then introduced their

Martin came to his window.

wanted to clear his conscience.

A Confederate Soldier's Escape sion). Another night the guard on from Prison and Death,

Was Gning On, as Told by His Daughter in the Confederate Veteran Magazine. He Was Under Sentence of Death, but Gave

Sherman the Slip.

from the diary of the late Capt. M. phis is furnished by his daughter, Mrs. Wm. R. Vawter of Richmond, of death for smuggling arms across next morning I sent the message. the lines, and I hope Mr Lincoln wili a sketch of how that "one man," his escape from prison. Capt. Miller, phis at the commencement of the war:

chitects formed a company of sappers and miners of which we were the offi cers and some of our best mechanic; the privates. This company threw we wanted for gold or cotton.

of Memphis he issued an order de A carriage was in waiting for me in claring gold, medicine and salt, con front of my house, but in such a positraband, and as such prohibited their tion as to be in plain view of the were practically reversed, and we got we dealt were mostly camp followers the high fence he was there waiting and merchants. Finding that arms for me. I shall always think that could be easily procured in this way, jump over the fence saved my life. and knowing our people needed them the cavalry would get them.

For a month I was steadily supplycarrying over two boxes of officers' swords, and was in the middle of the of my boat, I cried to sink it; but it for me."
was too heavy and would not "dip."
Redmo of the city.

did not learn, as it was not pronounc- he saw him return with me. dict into execution without the ap- Memphis. proval of the president, pending which I was kept in ignorance.

He was very polite, but still his man- wait for them. ner was positive. In the first part of his conversation he said that I was probably aware that the sentence of court martial was death. I told him says Edward Calhoun was shot and I had no way of knowing, as that was killed on board an incoming San An-ness then got up at 12 o'clock at Charleston to see his son Andrew on in a space no larger than a man's the first official notification of it that tonia and Afansas Pass train at Wallis night and rode his mule to Estaw-private business, although Andrew hand into his lungs, at the same time sack of which contained two tags. G. I had received. As we talked on Gen. Sherman told me that in the discharge of his official duty it would be necessary for him to have the sentence of the court executed, which he proposed to do on the Friday following.

he had to do with it. Soon after the prominent. officers left I put my wits to work to arrange for an escape. I had any

This was Monday.

brought me a strong rope with which to "scale" the walls, but I was too closely guarded to use it (several of the other "boys" did get away on it, Jury Sets the Men Free Who Were and I still have the rope in my possesduty was drugged, but that plan failed, too.

After considerable work, I finally succeeded in bitting on a successful scheme. In the prison there were, besides the regular guards, what were WHEN THE CIVIL WAR known as "supernumeraries," whose business it was to accompany prisoners to various places in the city. I regiment. He did not know of my The following interesting sketch tainly would like to see them, so Grady, George R. binson, C. M. Dick-A. Miller of how he made his escape and they must make arrangements H. Gaskins was drawn on the jury, from "Irving Block" prison at Mem- for me to get away. It was quite easy but was taken sick and was excused.

When I had been home a few minapprove it." The above is a quotation utes, Mrs. Miller asked me if I would from a letter of Gen. W. T. Sherman my linen. She had prepared a bath in to his brother John after the centure to his brother John after the capture the adjoining room. The guard took into which I went, after taking off my door, which Redmond could not see A number of the engineers and ar nursing my child attracted the guard's attention by showing him some handsome pictures in a book. I was not suit of clothes which my wife had proup the first works of fortifications on vided in the room in which I was baththe Mississippi river, beginning four ing, or supposed to be bathing, for in miles from Memphis, then at Fort reality my wife was splashing the waman in June, 1862. At that time I middle of a company of federal cavalwas home on sick leave, having just ry that was camped in a lot near my passed through a serious spell of ty- house. Luckily, they took no notice phoid fever. It was true, as stated of me, and a vicious bulldeg, which in Gen. Sherman's letter to his broth- came up about that time gave me a er John, that the mercenary spirit of good excuse for breaking into a run. his people enabled us to buy anything I crossed the street in a burry, and Kitt Bookhard. at a bound cleared a six-foot fence, When Sherman first took possession which effectually hid me from view.

Once in the carriage, I was rapidly badly, I determined to get a quantity driven a short distance outside of the of them. I represented no one but city, where I stopped at the house of myself, and all that I purchas d were Judge Woodruff. I wanted to keep paid for by me out of my own funds on that night. There were three lines I was the means of equipping the best of pickets to be passed and the judge part of two companies of cavalry be advised me to wait until morning. fore my operations were discovered by which I did. The next morning my the enemy. It was rather difficult to host put a pair of navy sixes in my get the arms to the southern soldiers hands, with these I made my way after I bought them, for in addition safely south. It was a case of life to the gunboats, the river was closely and death, and I would have fought a patrolled by picket boats. My plan regiment. I rejoined the Confederates er's jury called for a private confer- made the witness report the vile lan-

until the close of the war. Mr. Redmond was still interested ing our soldiers with arms and met in the pictures, but finally said to with no serious difficulty. But one Mrs. Miller who had just returned to afternoon, in the latter part of July. the room, "Mrs. Miller you had betmy good luck deserted me. I was ter call your husband" She replied. "He is not there." Mr. Redmond said, "I did not think that of you." river, when a picket boat, that I did My wife said, "He is my husband." not see when I started out, ran upon Mr. Redmond thought a moment, then me. I at once knew that danger was looking up, said, "I don't blame you. ahead, and, jumping on the gunwales My wife would have done the same

Redmond was suspected of having The officer in charge of the picket been instrumental in aiding me to boat arrested me, and the skiffman escape: but it was never proved against also, and took us with the two boxes him, for no one noticed when we went to a gunboat nearby. - Here the boxes out or paid any attention to Redmond were opened, and as soon as the nature when he returned. The exact hour 22, small and pale in appearance, of their contents was disclosed I was of my escape was not known, and the with sharp features but a not unatat once carried to the military prison guards were charged so often that it tractive eye. He gave his evidence in the "Irving Block," in the centre could not be found out who was on in a labored manner as if he feared duty at the time. When my escape that he is despised and was cautious Lewis Martin. He is a very large man, In two or three days there was a was discovered, I had been gone sev- against being trapped.

ed: and it was not until some five At the time of my escape the newsof it. I was first made aware of the to the city engineer's office which Gen. seriousness of my position in a sensa- Sherman was using, I had carried off Bookard. Coming back in the wagon working for L. Andrew Martin, who tional way. Late one afternoon in plans of all the works around the city. July 1862, a friend, a Miss Gibson, On the strength of this, a reward of pute. The negro cursed him, he Young's island and was at home then who had been calling on me, after \$2,000 was offered for my capture. whispered to me: "Captain, you are true; for although I was at liberty to and the other white men were not Edwards' statement to being called in glancing around cautiously turned and This statement was not, however, under sentence of death, and are to be go in and out of the engineer's office disposed to help him. That night the night. He stated that Edwards shot at an early day. Take my ad- at will, I did not carry off any plans sitting on the piazza Andrew Martin came to him during the day Monday vice; get away from here before they with me. I was able, through mem- started the talk about having a war and asked about the wording of the put shackles on your ankles and ory, to give Gen. Forrest some inforwrists, for then you can do nothing." mation as to the location of the ene-My idea is that the officer in charge my's works, which proved of great had no authority to carry such a ver- service to him in making his raid into

I learned after the war was over that by the intercession of Mr. Mc-Later, the same day on which I was Pherson (who had been a college mate told I was to die (I think it must have of mine) and some of my relatives and been about August 13) Gen. Sherman prominent friends in the north, Frest came into my cell, accompanied by dent Lincoln was prevailed upon to son's store. The men there comcame into my cen, accompanied by dent Lincoln was prevaled upon to sold short time accompanied by dent Lincoln was prevaled upon to sold short time suctive members of his staff, whose name pardon me. The papers, though, were menced to talk about 'putting the throat and went around nearly to the what the bear crowd say, and there is cident was in but a short time suctwo members of his staff, whose name pardon me. The papers, though, were mended to tak about putting the world is the ordinance survey map right do something to Benny. So he light do something to Benny. So he light do something to Benny. So he right do something to Benny. as soon as I saw him. He sat there which I was to have been executed, some 10 or 15 minutes talking to me. so it was lucky for me that I did not

A Fatal Fight.

Wednesday by W. T. Eldridge of San ville. There he met in front of Cau-Antonio, Texas formerly vice presi- sey's store Benny and Penny Martin, dent and general, manager of the Cane about 100 feet from the public well Belt railroad. Calhoun is a brother-in- They said they were going for buggy. law of Capt. Wm. Donovant, who was He moved on over to the well and killed by Eldridge about three years there was j ined by Eadons and Pal- of the defendants and aunt of two gan. ago on a passenger train on the same mer, who were talking about putting others, was next sworn. She remem-Although I knew the sentence had road, Eldridge was recently acquitted the negro out of the way. In a few bared the 11th of last July because of

Gen. Sherman straight in the face I made upon the life of Edridge. Eld- out and picked up a piece of iron like supper with Eadons. The latter carried kept house and cooked for Capt. general. Last in Marca the Virgin laughed, not boisterously, but in a ridge was shot through the lungs by the grate bar placed in evidence, and supper to the prisoner. Eadons went Wells. manner that suggested incredulity. an unknown party but recovered. Dis- put it in the buggy and Eidons and to bed in the room in which she was The general did not resent my beha. sension over the control of the Can Palmer went to the guard house. sleeping. Her daughter, Mrs. Coleman, mestic trouble and, it is said, Capt. chased 150,000 tags for Alabama. Last home in Medford with a fortune estivior, remaining perfectly silent and Belt railroad in which Eldridge and Benny and Penny went toward the was in the same room with a sick baby. Wells threatened to withdraw his bond year they could not get their stuff mated at over \$500,000. She havior, remaining perfectly silent and Belt railroad in which Eldridge and Benny and Penny went toward the courteous. One of his staff officers, a Ponovant were jointly interested reroad and told him to follow, which he Endons was suffering with a carbuncle and turn the negro over to the county. major, spoke up curtly; saying, "Sir, sulted in the killing of Donovant, since did. When they passed Eadons house and while giving medicine to the baby Then the fight began. do you know whom you are address. which time a feud is said to have ex- they were joined by Andrew Martin, she poulticed Eidon's neck several ing?" I replied in language quite isted between relatives of the deceas- who came out of the house and got in times. At 3 o'clock she woke him so Tindal by Magistrate Ingram and a the farmers? forcible, with the inquiry as to what ed and E dridge. All of the parties are the buggy with Benny and Penny. that he could go to Moncks Corner posse. He claimed that he was on his

Murder and Snicide. At Richmond, Va., mentally un-

eral plans were suggested; one was Hill machinist, killed his wife early that I should get on the roof of the Wednesday morning and then com- stopped and Eldons and Palmer and times and always left at 3 a. m., for prison, then go down through an ad- mitted suicide, making orphans of joining building. It was arranged the eight children of the couple. Hill the buggy in which the negro was. but the scheme failed. My wife year-old son. The boy was uninjured. river Jordan your time has come." The and then went to bed and slept in the cies.

"NOT GUILTY."

Held for Murder of Bookhard. The Famous Eutawville Case Which Has Attracted Much Atten-

charged with the murder of Keitt had gotten on quite friendly terms Bookard at Eutawville was commencwith one of them, a Canadian named ed in the court of general sessions at went back to Lewis Martin's. Redmond, who belonged to an Ohio Orangeburg on last Wednesday and ended Friday afternoon in an acquit sentence. I told him that my child tal. The men accused of the crime was sick, and I wanted him to go to were J. H. Palmer, S. A. Eadons, Anmy house with me so I could see the drew Martin, Benny Martin and Penlittle one, as it was not expected to ny Martin. The following gentlemen live. This was true. The man re- composed the jury: D. N. Smith, fore plied that he, too had a wife and man; W. C. Brickle, G. B. Holman. children, and if they were sick he cer- R. P. Baldwin, R. S. Willingham, E. granted my request. I had sent word son. Henry Sandel, G. T. Ayers, W. for me to get a message home. As The State and the defence exercised Augusta. Pink Martin's son got work the prison fare was unfit to eat, some great care in the selection of the jury. for Elwards at Bugg's sawmill at Duna friend had expressed the wish that talking about putting Keitt away,

defense objected. exhausted there were 10 jurors; the o'clock Piney Martin and Adger But. having berated Mr. Palmer in Weath- my section around Troup factory has When the regular panel had been ville to go home between 7 and 8 idle, and quickly stepped into a second State had offered three objections and ler were with him. He and Benny the defense six. When the extra Martin occupied the same room. Benny panel of 12 jurors was called and as | Martin did not come home until after the negro was put in the water. sembled after about an hour, no juror was obtained, the State had used one Pillow Island No. 10, New Madrid ter while I was getting away. I left of its two remaining challenges and and Columbus. At the latter place the house at once. To do this I had the defense four. Another extra panel we had our first infantry fight. to jump out of a window, and to of 12 jurors was summoned, and from course taken as described by the wit. Memphis was captured by Gen. Sher- my consternation landed right in the this panel the jury was completed as ness was the same as that described above named.

After the jury was drawn the taking of testimony was commenced. The State put up Magistrate Wiggins then and rode home. Lewis Martin and others to identify the body found gave him the money to go to Charles with the weight tied to it as that of | ton. and put him on the train. He met

conducts a store at Eutawville stated, to come to Ridgeville. Lewis Martin that among others in his store the also came to Charleston. Mackey Marafternoon of July 11th were: H. C. tin is the name of the brother in Ausale to our people. But his orders guard. While I was crossing the Martin, Adger Butler, John Palmer, and until noon Saturday. He paid his upon her father for support. street I signaled the driver, an inti- S. A. Endons and others. They had railroad fare out of the \$15 Andrew sold us arms. The people with whom reached the alley on the other side of of whiskey. He gave them permis- reason he had come to make a statesion to take a drink in there. T. S. Gelzer, a prominent merchant,

who served on the coroner's jury stated that J. H. Palmer was on the coroner's jury the night they went Wolfe, who was unable to break the down to the river, but did not serve witness down. This cross examination on the jury subsequently. E. P. Winter, another merchant

and member of the jury, declared titude of questions to show that Edthat Palmer had been a member of wards gave himself up through fear of subsequently.

that the jury must excuse him a min- ever be a man. ute as it was more than he could bear. guage is such as to make the jury Peter Gibbes, colored, was working think rather unkindly of a white man

for S. A. Eadons at the time of the to whom it would be applied by a negro Eutawville affair. At 6 o'clock the wi hout resentment.) On another point morning after the disappearance Mr. Mr. Wolfe worked hard to make wit out in front of the buggy house. of force used by Lewis Martin to make have always been friends. He and of guano. The same is reported in There was a lantern, a piece of cotton him get up out of bed to take part rope a foot and a half long, and a in a lynching instead of running away hatchet. He stated on cross examina- to his (Elwards') uncle who lived three tion that Mr. Eadons was always up miles from Lewis Martin. As none except when sick. At that time Ead- of his boys had gone home from Euons had a carbuncle, had had it for tawville, how did Lewis Martin know of the plot, asked Mr. Wolfe. Witness

THE HORRIBLE CRIME DESCRIBED. Henry C. Edwards was then sworn. The principal witness is a youth of

he and Keitt Bookard got into a dis- had a position with Kalinski on and the defendants were discharged. cursed back. He said he was unable on a visit. to defend himself against the negro rant sworn out for Keitt Bookard. warrant. (Elwards had stated that he They kept on after him Sunday to had not talked with Lewis Martin have the negro arrested because he Monday.) should not talk that way. The next He went to Charleston to see his son Andrew Martin and Benny Martin.

He went home early in the night lum, the old man declared naively. He A dispatch from Houston, Texas, Lewis Martin came to his window. (Conversation not admitted) Wit-They were joined down the road by with the prisoner.

Penny took a drink. Benny stood by it is a 60 mile drive.

be broken.

negro began to beg and said he would front room adjoining her room. Anwork all his life for Eadons for noth- drew was to go to Monck's Corner ing if he would let him off this time. with Eadons and she rapped on his Keitt was made to get out of the door to wake him up. When Eadons Many of Them Bought and Scatter buggy, and Benny and Penny tied came back from the guard house he him to the grate bar. Palmer had took off his shoes and coat and laid gone up the bank a little ways and down across the bed. Andrew Marsoon came back with a boat. Benny tin went back to her house in comgot into the boat. Eadons threw pany with Mr. Jeff D. Wiggins and Keitt across the bow, face downward, Mr. Coleman to get her statement as and Palmer made a firt with the to Eadons' whereabouts the night of boat when he had got out in the the 11th. She had not seen any writ-The trial of the five white men stream about 25 yards. The second ten statement, Mrs. Eadons has a time that Palmer flirted the boat wit- good face and her evidence made a

> He stayed at Lewis Martin's until mony of her mother as to the time her Monday following when he went to father was called and his return to Charleston, having been sent at Lewis | the house. No other buggles passed Martin's suggestion. Lewis Martin there that night. If there had been country by putting them in cars in age." gave him money to go and took him any passing she would have heard it. which fertilizers are shipped and by

to Pregnalls in a wagon. Lewis Martin gave him \$15 in part payment of at Mr. Eadons' the night of July 11th. On each sack of fertilizer. These letters are from people who are accotton crop. Stayed in Charleston She also corroborated the testimony from Monday to Thursday, came up to of Mrs. Eadons. She is a neice of Mr. have seen these things with their Ridgeville and stayed with his aunt Eadons. Between 2 and 3 o'clock until the next day when Mr. Pink she went out to get peach leaves with own eyes. This wholesale distributo my family that I would be home J. Whetsell and R. H. Riley. Mr. J. Martin came and took him to Augusta which Mrs. Endons was to make a tion of tags is not corfined to any one at Mr. Lewis Martin's suggestion. Pink poultice. Mr. Endons was in the bed section or State, but extends throughout the whole cotton growing belt. Martin carried him to his son's in then. Mrs. J. H. Palmer, wife of one of The following are some of the letters:

of my friends always brought me my There were many challenges on both barton, Barnwell county. There he husband, who was town marshal came notice that much has been said re Va. "I have one man under sentence meals; so when I got my breakfast sides. The prosecution offered three stayed until the 14th of October. He meals; so when I got my breakfast sides. The prosecution offered three stayed until the 14th of October. He meals; so when I got my breakfast sides. The prosecution offered three stayed until the 14th of October. He meals; so when I got my breakfast sides. The prosecution offered three stayed until the 14th of October. He meals; so when I got my breakfast sides. The prosecution offered three stayed until the 14th of October. He meals; so when I got my breakfast sides. The prosecution offered three stayed until the 14th of October. He meals; so when I got my breakfast sides. The prosecution offered three stayed until the 14th of October. He meals; so when I got my breakfast sides. went out again on duty. He came in sold. Did you ever stop to think that charged with conspiracy. The three six of the regular panel. When the barton, at the suggestion of Lewis and between 9 and 10 oclock and did not the tags may have been sold, but not first named defendants are white men name of A. S. Salley was called and Pink Martin. In October he came to leave the house until Eadons came the guano? I have been investigated and the other two are negroes. This for him about 3 o'clock, for she heard ting Troup county and find more case has excited considerable interest, Cants. After seeing his relatives he the clock strike. She testified that guano on hand than last year by sev- and the verdict of guilty, which was he was gone not half an hour. She eral thousand tons. LaGrange is reached late Monday afternoon, will of Memphis, Tenn. And herewith is his position at the door. The room with the cate, Mr. Sailey stated that here who know say Chipley has not been that from many and head norther whom they were said that after Palmer's arrest Dima- heavily overstocked as I heard several be generally approved by all who are with the cate, Mr. Sailey stated that io had come to her house and had parties who know say Chipley has not at all familiar with the circumstances Capt. Matthews Ames Miller. made hat coat, vest and boots, had a second Mr. Salley would be drawn on the some wanted to hang him; Palmer was in her bushend's behalf, but she descent of last year. West Point and jury so that he could vote to acquit one who wanted to put him in the in her husband's behalf, but she decent. of last year. West Point and was assistant city engineer of Memfrom where he was standing. In the
the defendants. Solicitor Hildebrand river. Endons and the others wanted
the defendants. Solicitor Hildebrand river. meantime the young woman who was smilingly accepted the juror, but the to hang him to a limb. They talked had been married just one year to the constitution of the Saturday before Easter Sunday needs a neighborhood picnic land been married just one year to the land been married just one yea about half an hour. He left Eutaw- day that her husband was arrested.

night and that he had replied that he am loath to believe that every section her mother was at her home on that likewise, day and she did not leave the house. The solicitor then led the witness She said it was customary for Palmer acreage here (Chambers county) unwithout any conflict of evidence. The to go with Eldons to the guard house doubtedly reduced about 20 per cent. when the latter had a prisoner in and fertilizers under cotton reduced there to be taken to the county jail. 30 per cent. More corn planted and by Isaiah Ellis. It was a rather dark

Mrs. Luella Martin, wife of Penny more fertilizer used under it than Martin, was next sworn. She swore heretofore. It is also a notorious fact that she was living at Eutawyllle and that Thousands of unused tags are in her husband was at home all night fertilizer cars in bundles, this in ad after having come in at 8 o'clock dition to those on the sacks. One for his supper. She went to bed small dealer says he has half a bushel. about 12 o'clock. Her mother slept Two other dealers whom I have heard W. E. Jackson, a white man, who told him that Lewis Martin told him in the adjoining room. Her husband upon this matter make the same recould not have gone out that night, ports. There is fraud or collusion somewhere for she was awake nearly all night. Her husband has been away five Elwards, Andrew Martin, Benny gusta. He stayed there Friday night months and she has had to depend please find enclosed fertilizer tags that

Mrs. Katherine Martin, mother of anything we wanted. So greedy were mate friend of mine, who was acting some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for his work on the farm and they actually some packages which were left in the lowed him for him they actually some packages ar they for money that they actually in that capacity, and by the time I store, among other things two bottles had not paid him. He stated that the many martings wheres houts. She is a ny Martin's whereabouts. She is a properly tagged. Other people are sister of Lewis Martin.

> miles from Eurawville. She is the being used besides those that are rewife of Piney Martin, who was at quired.

> C. H. McCants of Charleston, a ner of Line and King streets. He What is more shameful than that contradiction. L. A. Rock was call- is far greater in the country than the did not answer.

> After the testimony was concluded cial manure: In this section there speeches were made for the defence has been less bought and less used in by Messrs. Baysor, Dennis, Wolfe and the cotton crop of 1905. Lots of guano Haynes and by Solicitor Hildebrand has been and will be used until corn for the State.

witnesses. Among the number was The charge to the jury was then white haired, 61 years of age. He has delibered by Judge Dantzler. He ap-Mr. Jordan, ab ut the tags: Mr. Is a native of Orangeburg, 22 years two sons under indictment, L. Andrew pealed for the jurors to rise above any Horsford said there were 390 or 400 to course, conclusive, and I could make affair was that when Redmond was of age and an orphan. Worked near Martin and Ben F. Martin. Penny P. prejudice and to arrive at a verdict come to Empire loose in a car and had no defence. What the verdict was I tried one of the witnesses swore that Eutawville last year for Andrew Mar. Martin is a nephew and S. A. Eadons upon the evidence. His charge was never been on a sack; and it was said tin, a defendant, for six months. The is a relative by marriage. Witness has that of a high-minded man and conthat one half peck of them came to Dubois in a car and some came to week before July 11th he went fish- lived near Eutawville all of his life. scientious jurist and made a marked weeks afterward that I became aware papers stated that, having had access ing with the defendants, Lewis Mar- H. C. Eiwards has been living around impression. A little after five o'clock tin, Eugene Washington and Keitt there for about four years. He was the jury, after being out sixteen min- Empire. utes, returned a verdict of not guilty very large number of tags can be accounted for on account of unsold

Yonker, four and one half miles from

F. B. Doyle, Bowersville, Ga.: A

guano now in hands of dealers, and

most of it will remain unsold for this

will be lighter than any year which I

have been in the business. It is no

exaggeration to say that there are not

less than 7000 tons of guano between

Toccoa and Elberta now stored in

H. Y. Brooke, Luverne, Ala.: T. W.

tained a number of loose tags in ad-

dition to those on the sacks. L. C.

Williams, Sr., of Luverne. Ala.,

bought a carload of fertilizer, every

aided that he had a bushel baket of

ia-Carolina Chemical company pur

S. H. Christopher, Buena Vista,

STABBED TO DEATH.

Killed by His Tenant.

A dispatch from Sumter to The State says Colclough Stokes, negro, cut and stabbed Capt. David D. Wells day Andrew Martin went with him to Andrew and saw Edwards but did not of Tindall more than 20 times Friday

sworn out for the arrest of Keitt. Af- change his name. He explained his his wounds. The negro used a dull, ter the trial they sent him to get interest in getting. Edwards to leave hawk bill, one-bladed barlow knife. some whiskey, a quart and a pint, Estawville because Edwards lived in The first cut began at the right temple were: Palmer, Ealons, Piney Mar- moved Benny up to his own house and and jugular vein: then down the scalp ever before. tin, Adger Butler, Penny Martin, sent Edwards away, as the latter was of the head from the back. Two bad an orphan and his mother in the asy-slashes were made on the left hand. The victim fell on his face and the

tion. He was under indictment for them in his office which came in the been passed, it did not impress itself of murdering Capt Donovant. The minutes Benny and Penny Martin the disappearance of Keitt Bookhard, disposing of property under lien, and same manner. These cases come from on my mind as something that was tragedy grew out of the murder of came with the buggy. Eadons said whom Mr. Eadons had arrested that Capt Wells went on his bond and took different portions of the State and actually going to happen. Looking Donovant and subsequent attempts lets get away from here. Benny got afternoon. Andrew Martin came to him into his employ. The negroe's wife lead me to believe that the practice is

in the Cars.

Cotton Association

ness turned his back and heard a marked impression. Mrs. Eadons, corroborated the testi-

Miss Maud Owens of Manning was placing two, three, four and five tags

the defendants, testified that her

Mrs. S. C. Martin lives about five tion. Seems that lots of tags are

The cross examination was conducted in a very skillful manner by Mr. home plowing all day until late in the afternoon, when he went to Eulawville. Came home that night about tags may be accounted for in a very was the feature of the trial up to this 8 o'clock. Bennie Martin and H. C. time. Mr. Wolfe endeavored by a mul-Edwards spent the night at her one, as well as unusual. There have house. They came together at 10 been several cars received here in the jury the first night, but was not the detectives and that ever since he o'clock. The two stayed in bachelor's which there were several hundreds of quarters just across a little branch, tags other than those attached to the Solicitor Hildebrand wanted to Dimalo. This was a strong play, as and stayed at her house almost as sacks—some in bundles of 50s, some bring out a declaration made by Pal there is so much resentment here often as they did at their home. Ben in boxes and many scattered about mer when the foreman of the coron against the Pinkerton man. Mr. Wolfe ny Martin was drinking a little, just loose in the car. This to me is someenough to make him sleep good. El- thing new and startling. There is no the verdict would be. The jury which was to put my goods mostly sabers under Gen. Holmes. Subsequently 1 and pistols, on board a skiff and carry was transferred to Gen. B. Kirbs and pistols, on board a skiff and carry was transferred to Gen. B. Kirbs and pistols, on board a skiff and carry was transferred to Gen. B. Kirbs and pistols, on board a skiff and carry was transferred to Gen. B. Kirbs and pistols, on board a skiff and carry was transferred to Gen. B. Kirbs and pistols and pistols are transferred to Gen. B. Kirbs and pistols are transferre and pistols, on board a skiff and carry them over to the Arkansas side, where Smith's command, where I remained the course of the jury must excuse him a minlittle after sunrise and Edwards could eat nothing, drank a cup of coffee. Mr. Jordan, I think that the guano Piney Martin corroborated the testimony of his wife.

first cousin of Edwards, said that they found 25,000 tags in one of his sacks swore that Edwards had told him every effort is made to keep the poor that he knew nothing about how farmer down? If it can't be done Keitt Bockard came to his death. honestly they will do it anyway. This was a direct contradiction of Edward's testimony, the first and only The reduction in the cotton acreage ed to verify McCant's story but Rock man sitting on a dry goods box in town is aware. Now, as to commer-

planting and working is over. G. C. Williams, Empire, Ga.: Now,

A Prosperous Sumter County Farmer

and was in bed when "Old Man" paid Edwards \$15 on his crop but the negro jumped on the dying man's crop did not bring that much. He told back and plunged the knife more than on cross examination that he went to three times into his back, six times had been at home just the week be- severing three ribs from the back fore. Denied saying to Dr. Gilmore at bone. The negro and his wife occupied me that a carload of fertilizer came to Holly Hill that somebody's neck would one palf of Capt. Wells' dwelling, it his place with six tags to the sack. being a double pen house, divided by At Union Springs, Mr. J. M. Els showed me 150 tags that were picked Mrs. Carrie E. Eadons, wife of one a hallway. This is where the fight beup loose in a car of fertilizers, and he Stokes, it is said, had a bad reputa-

> chased 55,000 tags; this year they pur-The dispute arose about some do-

The negro was captured this side of tags. How is that for trying to rob insane woman, land staker, land

way to Sumter to surrender. He is Ga.: A gentleman told me that some Palmer and Eadons, who had the ne- He was not out of the house all now in jail. Capt. Wells was about where in his travels he had noticed a gro with them in the buggy. Keitt night except to get up at 3 o'clock. 45 years of age and unmarried. He was large number of loose tags scattered were trying to help me escape. Sev- balanced by ill health, Frederick W. proceeded to a point near the river, my and was gone about half an hour. owning a large number of acres of about a quarter of a mile, they He had gone to Moncks Corner lots of land. He was worth about \$25,000.

Andrew Martin slept at her house that one night all the gas was to be used a revolver, and before ending his cut off from that portion of the city, cwn life attempted to shoot his twelve.

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have made a cut both as to cotton TAGS NOT USED. acreage and guano. Hon. O. B. Stevens, in an inter-

view on April 27th, says: 'If we are to judge by the sale of tags, it seems that the farmers have not decreased their purchases of commercial fertilizers. Reports, however, come to this That Is the Charge Made in Many Letters to the Secretary of the

office to the effect that a considerable amount of the fertilizers shipped out follows: have not yet been sold, and may be left on the hands of the agents. We re also informed by letter from many A dispatch from Atlanta says addisources and conversations with per sons representing every section of the rauged generally above 80 degrees tional letters received by the South-Mrs. L. A. Coleman, daughter of ern Cotton association show that the State that a much greater percentage during the last half of the week; the fertilizer tags, the sale of which has of fertilizers than ever before is being been reported in large quantities of applied to crops other than cotton, and that the farmers are standing by late, are being scattered over the their pledge to reduce the cotton acre-

CONVICTED OF CONSPIRACY.

quainted with the situation and who Tried to Break Up a Picnic at Laurel

Bay Landing. General Sessions was occupied on for transplanting. Many fields have Monday with the trial of A. B. Ama-W. P. Gaffney, LaGrange, Ga.: I ker, J. B. Amaker, Cleveland Hooker, ing especially true of early planted On the Saturday before Easter Sun-

city. Early in the afternoon it is erford's store for being out so late at reduced both acreage and guano and charged that the defendants went to some on account of being too foul to the picnic grounds and intentionally had been fishing. She stated that of the county and State will not do created a disturbance that broke up the picnic party. There was a fight, John G. Key, Welsh, Ala: Cotton a pistol and a knife were drawn, ac cording to the testimony, and one young man was knocked senseless with a boat paddle. It is claimed that the three white men carried the negroes to the picnic for trouble, and when the negroes had gotten in a row one of the white men drew his pistol and demanded that he be not interfered

> W. H. King, Weston, Ga.: You will burg bar, and former State Senator peas and strawberries are heavy. notice that they have not been sepa-W. H Sharpe, of the Lexington bar. In the indictment that was passed upon by the grand jury B Lee J. ficoat was named as one of the defendants, having cars shipped in same condibut, upon a showing made by Hon Abial Lathrop, who represented Jeffcoat, that his client had nothing to do with the row at Laurel Bay, Solicitor G. W. Everette, Lumpkin, Ga .: Hildebrand consented to a nolle prose-The big increase in the sales of guano qui being entered as to Jeffcoat before the trial was entered into.

different manner, and an unexpected The case was ably handled on both sides. Solicitor Hildebrand is said, by those who beard him, to have made one of the best speeches ever heard in the courthouse here in a similar case. The lawyers for the defence also made able speeches, and when the jury retired it was a sheer guess as to what G. H. Laramore, Leesburg, Ga.: fendants. The verdict seemed to be a great surprise to the defendants and of every disadvantage, they have tags that are claimed to have been their lawyers, as they hoped for an sold ought to be looked into. Mr. acquittal or a mistrial. A motion was Tomp McDonald, at Sunter City Ga., made for a new trial, arguments being made by Messrs Wolfe and Sharpe for quarter inches in diameter. The fothe motion. Solicitor Hildebrand did not think a reply necessary and made all times blossoms, green fruit and none. He was right, because Judge ripe fruit can be seen on the vines. Dantzler promptly refused the motion, and ordered Sheriff Dukes to have been picked from these three commit the defendants to jail pending plants. The fruit is of unusual size F. W. Traylore, White Oak, S. C .: sentence.

A. B. Amaker, J. B. Amaker and Cleveland Hooker, the three white men, had never been in jail as they were out on bond, but William Jamison and James McLeod, the negro defendants, have been in jail ever since they were arrested, but as soon as Judge Dantzler refused the new trial they were all locked up in jail. Judge Dantzler was requested to sentence the defendants at once, but he declined to do so, saying he wished to give some thought to the matter of their punishment. He said, however, that the crime for which these men had been convicted was one that deserved severe punishment, and that he was

disposed to make an example of them. On Tuesday afternoon the prisoners were brought into court and sentenced as follows: A. B. Amaker. J. B. Amaker, Cleveland Hooker, white season. The sales for April this year in the penitentiary, William Jamison and James McLeod, colored, 18 months in the penitentiary at hard labor. — Orangeburg Times and Democrat.

Two Killed in Wreck. A dispatch from Union to The

warehouses that will not be sold this season. I know of three loaded cars State says late Wednesday afternoon as right here at Bowersville that dealers the passenger train on the Lockhart Eutawville and had the warrant advise Edwards to leave there and about I o'clock. Capt. Wells died from are trying to get the company to take railroad was rounding a sharp curve back. I have sold 20 per cent. less about one and one-half miles from than last year, and believe that this Lockhart, going at a moderate rate of has not been exceeded by any other speed, the tracks spread and the ensome of which they drank up in Jack- the house with Benny and he was and went down to the throat. The dealer. The sales of guano here are gine and tender were completely overthe desire to rescue and relieve those under the wreck. Shows, Luverne, Ala, informed me Their search soon showed that the that all the cars he has received con-

casualties were: Killed. B. T. Holiaman, fireman, of Geor-

gia, died instantly. Richard H. Wilburn, aged 18, a passenger, caught under the engine and W. Bowen, of Moorefield, Ala., writes an bour.

Injured: Edward McChesney, engineer, hurt internally, may die. Mrs. J. H. Wilburn, the mother of the young man who was killed, is at Union under a physician's care for a

night completely prostrated her. Miss Francis Fitz, who left Boston, party to Alaska sent out by a New York sand:cate, has returned to her hauled by the railroads, this year been United States deputy recorder,

they buy nearly three times as many owner of a newspaper, keeper of an owner, mine owner, and is now at the head of a big mining company

State Equitable Policy.

tion in South Carolina. Section Director Bauer Wednesday issued his weather and crop report as The temperature during the week ending Morday, May 8th, was much

above normal, and the daily maximum night temperatures were also slightly above normal. The precipitation was heavy, in many places excessive, and damaged lands by erosion and flooding. Farm-work was impracticable during the greater part of the week, as the lands were too wet to plow, plant or cultivate. The prevailing high temperature and copious rainfall caused crops of all kinds to grow rapidly, and were particularly favorable The whole time of the Court of on small grain and truck crops, and become foul with grass and weeds and stand in urgent need of work, this be-William Jamison and James McLeod corn and cotton; though much early corn has received its first cultivation. Corn has good stands as a rule, but

WEATHER AND CROPS.

Complete Review of the Crop Situa-

Cotton planting is not finished in the western parts, though practically finished in the central and eastern counties, except on bottom or low lands that have been too wet recently to plant. Stands vary greatly, being generally good for that planted since the April killing frost, and very poor question—that tags have been sold, at Laurel Bay, a landing on the North for the early plantings, much of which On cross examination she denied but not the actual guano. I know Edisto River, a few miles above this is being replanted. Some being replanted on account of cut worms, and rid of grass and weer's. Some cotton has been chopped. Tobacco transplanting is about fin-

bud and cut werms are thinning

stands on low lands; some corn is trun-

ing yellow from too much rain.

ished, and is doing well generally, though grasshappers and cut worms have damaged stands locally.

There has been a marked improve ment in oats, which is quite promising. Wheat is not doing so well on account of the Hessian fly and some rust. Truck crops and gardens have improved rapidly, though melons are still poor. The weather was favorable The charge upon which the defend- for rice. Peaches are dropping in the ants were tried and convicted was eastern and southern counties, with criminal conspiracy. A large number enough left to make a good crop; in of witnesses were examined on both the western counties the fruit prossides. The defendants were ably de- pects are very poor; apple and pear ended by Gen. Jas. F. Izlar and trees are blighting badly. Pastures Messrs Wolfe & Berry, of the Orange are fine. The shipments of beans,

California Tomato Story. Throughout the winter months,

when easterners were crouching accustheir fires and shivering, and nature growths were either asleep or frozen stiff with the cold, F. J. Bates, of Pasedena, Cal., was in his garden climbing an 18 foot ladder to gather his various crops of tomatoes. He has three plants which have reached a length of 30 feet. The seeds were planted in May, and three months from that time they had climbed to the top of a 20 foot trellis. When they reached this remarkable height they waved their flower tasseled heads wonderingly, then turned around and grew backward until they have attained a length of 30 feet. They have had no especial care or cultivation, and have had no pr tion from the weather, yet, in spite kept on growing and fruiting in the most astonishing fashion. The trunks of these vines are one and a liage is thick and luxuriant, and at Enormous quantities of tomatoes

-Scientific American. A Drunken Engineer.

and has an extraordinary fine flavor-

A dispatch from St. Matthews to The State says on Tuesday night of last week several residents of that town boarded the Southern's train from Charleston to Columbia at O:angeburg and it was not long before it became evident that something was wrong, by the lurching and sudden jarring movements of the train. Oa reaching St. Matthews the engineer was found to be almost helplessly drunk. The conductor, Capt. Murray, who was in charge of the train, had the engineer removed to the baggage car and wired to the authorities for an engineer to carry the train to Columbia. An engineer was sent from Branchville to take the train on and meanwhile the many passengers had a tiresome wait. Among the passengers were several prominent men. This of course, is a very serious master and the penalty under the rules of the railroad is instant dismissal for the offending engineer. A pathetic feature of the case is that the engi-

honorable record. The Largest Book and Map.

neer in question is said to be one of

oldest in the service and has made an

The largest book in the world is in the British museum. It is an atlas measuring 5 feet 10 inches by 3 feet 2 inches and weighing close upon two hundred weight. The largest map in the world is the ordinance survey map 000 sneets. In its preparation it cost £200,000 a year for twenty years. The scale varies from ten feet to one tenth of an inch to the mile. Tue details are so minute that maps having a scale of twenty-five inches 'snow every hedge, fence, wall, building and even every isolated tree in scalded so terribly that he died within the country. The plans indicate not only the exact shape of every building, but every porch, area, doorstep, lamp post, railway and fire plug."

Horde of immigrants.

On twenty-two steamships arriving week and the terrible news Wednesday in New York last week from Great Britain and the continent is the biggest crowd of emigrants ever scheduled to enter during such a period of time. The horde numbers nearly Mass, five years ago and went with a 25 000. Figures for the past week were close to 22,000, showing that the rush has kept up for a longer period than ever before, and it is likely that the total immigration for the spring has far exceeded any previous year.

It Was "Biscuit Morning." The cadet mess hall of the Virginia

Military institute was destroyed by

fire at 4 o'clock Thursday morning. Emil H. Neumer, a clerk employed The building was a large stone struswas handcuffed. When they had He went to the guard house in a bug- a very thrifty and prosperous farmer, promiscuously on the floor of cars. I by the Equitable Life Assurance so- ture, used as a dining hall and for ofwas talking to a representative of the ciety, and Thomas Lobley, Jr., have fice purposes by the authorities of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical company been arrested charged with compli- institute. Nothing was saved from a few days ago, and he says the out- city with Samuel Lobley, who was the building, which was completely THE St. Paul Daily Globe has suspended publication. The Globe was fall far short of last season. My input from that concern in Georgia will taken into custody at Spragueville, gutted by the flames. It is part'y dividual guano bill will be about 1-3 fraudulently obtaining a \$27,000 loan great expressed by the cadets over less than last season, and nine out of on a policy which is alleged to have their loss was that the hall burned ten farmers will tell you that they been stolen from the society's vaults. down on "biscu t morning."