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CAUGHMAN CASE BEGUN.

Many Spectators and Much Interest Being Manifested.

The trial of the case against T. B. Caughman, charged with the murder of A. M. Bateman, a former rural policeman of Sumter county, was commenced in General Sessions court Wednesday morning and will probably take up the rest of today and most of tomorrow. Only two witnesses had been examined up to the time that court adjourned for dinner Wednesday. These were Dr. P. K. Holman, who had examined the wounded man at the hospital and J. F. Bateman, a brother of the deceased.

The drawing of the jury commenced about 11 o'clock and consumed more than an hour, the case finally going to trial with only eleven men sitting in the jury box, both the defendant and the State having agreed to try the case with this number of jurors. The eleven men, who with Judge Sease, will try the case are: D. M. Dick, foreman; W. G. McCoy, H. J. Windham, J. B. Allebrook, Blanding Ardis, C. E. Stubbs, Jr., A. J. Moses, W. G. Moses, H. C. Tucker.

The first witness in the case was Dr. P. K. Holman. He testified that he had been called to the hospital to examine A. M. Bateman and found him dangerously wounded. He described the passage of the bullets, one having struck Bateman in the back to the left of the spinal column and ranged upward, stopping near the skin on the right of the abdomen. The other bullet struck in the abdomen and stopped under the skin near the spinal column. Either wound, he stated, in his opinion would have been mortal, as the intestines were punctured in several places.

J. F. Bateman, a brother of the deceased, who conducts a furniture store at Camden, was the next witness. He told of having seen his brother on Sunday morning, the day following the shooting, on which he died. He stated that his brother told him of the shooting, after the operation when he thought he was dying. His version was that Bateman had stopped Caughman in the road and told him that he would have to take the liquor from him. Caughman told him to go ahead, if he considered that to be his duty. When he was placing the package in his buggy he heard the first shot and felt something like a hot iron in his back. He turned and Caughman had his pistol leveled with both hands. Caughman shot again and then both commenced shooting until Caughman got in his buggy and left.

On cross examination an effort was made by counsel to show by the witness that Bateman was a bully, but the witness stated that he had known little of his brother for the past ten years and could not say.

At one time a tilt occurred between special counsel for the State and for the defendant, when a reference was made by Mr. Jennings to the State's special counsel, M. L. Smith, one of the special attorneys for the State objected to such reference to his being a special attorney in the case and stated that he would not put up with any aspersions from counsel on the other side. The State is represented by the Solicitor, Harmon D. Moise and Mendel L. Smith, of Camden. The attorneys for the defendant are L. D. Jennings, J. H. Clifton, B. Frank Kelly and R. D. Epps.—Wednesday's Sumter Item.

Officers Elected.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Loan and Savings Bank of Camden held Wednesday night, a successful year's business was reported for this new bank and the following directors and officers were elected:

Directors: T. J. Kirkland, M. Baruch, J. H. Burns, W. R. Zemp, H. L. Watkins, L. I. Guion, W. R. E. Jr., H. L. Schlosburg, F. M. Wooten, John S. Schlosburg.
Officers: T. J. Kirkland, president; W. R. E. Jr., vice president; John S. Lindsay, cashier; J. B. Wallace, assistant cashier.

BONDS TO BE SOLD.

Negotiations are now under way for the sale of \$125,000 worth of municipal bonds for the City of Camden. A representative of a Toledo, Ohio, firm was in Camden the latter part of the week and as soon as the attorneys for his company can look into the issue the first payment will be made in about ten days.

As soon as the money is received by the Commissioners work will begin in a short while on the construction of a modern water works and light plant which this city has needed for many years. Already a watershed has been purchased a few miles northeast of Camden which has a supply of two million gallons per day which is ample to supply a city much larger than Camden.

The power station will most likely be built near Spalding junction, but this site has not yet been definitely settled upon.

Ninety thousand dollars of the amount will be used for the water works plant and thirty-five thousand for the light plant. It is not known yet whether any of the material of the present light and power company will be used.

Penalty Added.

City council is now collecting two percent penalty on all delinquent tax payers and in a few days seven percent penalty will be added.

CELEBRATE KING'S MOUNTAIN

Three States Join in Ceremonies With Bryan a Speaker.

King's Mountain, N. C., Oct. 7.—With an address by Secretary of State Bryan as a feature the 133rd anniversary of the battle of King's Mountain was celebrated here today. A parade with more than 20,000 persons in line started the ceremonies. Mr. Bryan rode at its head.

Floata representing the 13 original States, handsomely decorated, were in the long line.

Govs. Locke Craig, North Carolina, and Ben W. Hooper, Tennessee, on the program for addresses, were unable to attend.

Senator Overman, of North Carolina, also was detained.

The battle of King's Mountain followed the defeat of the colonists under Gens. Gates at Camden and Sumter at Fishing Creek. Major Ferguson, commanding the British troops, was proceeding to Charlotte, N. C., to join Cornwallis. In response to calls for aid, citizens of surrounding States rushed to the aid of the broken colonist ranks. Under Col. Campbell the colonists surrounded the Britishers and killed hundreds of them, including their commander.

It has been said that the defeat at King's Mountain paved the way for the final defeat of the British in America.

Monday Was Salesday.

Monday was legal salesday and quite a number of tracts of land throughout the county had been advertised for sale by the sheriff for past due taxes. Most of the taxes were paid and the sales stopped and others were bid in by the parties who let them go to sale. The following went to sale:

One tract in Flat Rock township containing 23 acres, sold as the property of Amelia Mickle, was purchased by K. S. Villepigue for \$105.

Tract in Flat Rock township containing 218 acres, sold as the property of Irene Cureton went to J. B. Cureton for \$50.

One lot in the city of Camden on Mill street, known as the property of Walter Dawes was sold by the Master. The property was bid in by E. C. von Tresckow, attorney.

Checking Tags to Be Used.

The Kershaw County Fair management has adopted the Fair System Checking Tags to be used at the Fair November 12th, 13th, 14th. Each exhibitor in every department will be given a claim check for every article entered, and the original tag the number of which corresponds with that of the claim check attached to the article as entered. This system insures the exhibitor of getting back the exact article entered and in as good condition as it went to the fair in. Visitors at the Fair will be positively forbidden handling any article. A superintendent will be placed in charge of the different departments and they will see that exhibits are not handled by visitors or others. The management guarantees the return of all exhibits, and asks that in bringing the exhibits to the fair buildings that you get a claim check for each and every article left. If you will do this you will have absolutely no trouble in getting your exhibits promptly at the close of the Fair.

For Selling Liquor.

Sheriff W. W. Huckabee was at Lugoff one afternoon last week where he captured Ed. Durham charged with selling whiskey. Durham is now in jail to await trial. Sheriff Huckabee worked up the case against the negro and says the evidence he has against Durham is conclusive and that he intends to break up the bunch of whiskey sellers around Lugoff, where numerous complaints have come from.

Sent to Higher Court.

A preliminary hearing was given Wednesday in Magistrate Fincher's court to the several men charged with selling liquor, the arrests following evidence furnished by Garris and Brown, two men sent here at the request of the city authorities by the Roark detective agency. The magistrate considered the evidence sufficient to hold in all cases and the men were sent up to be tried at the sessions court.

The men charged are K. S. Villepigue, against whom there are six separate cases; Luke Newman, two cases; John Champion, Charlie Green, John Boykin and Wm. Johnson, the latter two being negroes.

Garris and Brown and the local officers who made the arrests were present to testify in the cases. Villepigue was represented by attorney B. B. Clarke, and Newman and Champion by attorney I. C. Hough.

All are under bonds of \$200 each in each case for their appearance at the higher court.

Contract Let for Bridge.

Supervisor M. C. West was in the northern section of the county last Friday where he went to receive bids for the building of a bridge over Lynch river known as Young's Bridge. The contract was awarded to J. B. Munn and W. T. Pitts for the sum of \$870.

Member Board of Health.

Mr. W. G. Wilson has been elected as a member of the City Board of Health to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of Dr. R. T. Goodale, who was secretary of that body.

MEAT PRODUCTION

And Forage Crops by R. L. Shields, of Clemson College.

The cost of all kinds of meat is increasing from year to year. The chief reason for this is that meat production is not keeping pace with the demand—from an increase in population—in fact, the beef supply in this country is less than a year ago.

The South consumes a great deal of meat, and this same section produces a mighty small per cent. of the amount it consumes, relying on expensive products shipped in from the North and West.

If all our farmers would raise enough hogs, etc., to supply their own meat, it would insure a more prosperous condition throughout the South, since thousands of dollars leave each county of the South annually for these products that can be produced so readily at home.

The greatest economy in meat production is obtained thru use of suitable grazing crops as a supplement to grain feeding.

No one should attempt to raise live stock without first carefully planning for the necessary forage crops. It is possible to have grazing crops throughout the year.

The following crops are recommended for hog grazing, time for seeding, amount to sow per acre, grazing period, etc., under average conditions, are also given:

Rape—Sow in late Summer or in early Spring. Amount, three pounds drilled, six pounds broadcast per acre; time for crop to develop for grazing, eight to ten weeks; the length of grazing period, 3 months.

Cowpeas—Sow from middle of April to middle of July. One half bushel drilled, one bushel broadcast, time for development for grazing, 2 to 3 months; grazing period six weeks.

Soy beans—Sow from May first to middle of July; amount same as for cowpeas; should be planted with the drill; time for development, two to three months; grazing period, four weeks.

Rye—Sow September first to last of November. One and one-half bushels drilled; time for development, two to four months. Will furnish grazing two to three months. Corn and Peas—Plant May and June. Amount of corn, four quarts, peas one-half bushel drilled; time for development four months; grazing period, all Fall.

Crimson Clover—Sow September to November. Twelve to fifteen lbs broadcast cast; time to develop, three months; grazing period six to eight weeks.

Bur Clover—Practically the same as for crimson clover.

Clovers and vetches should be inoculated. Inoculate vetch with vetch or English pea soil; inoculate bur clover with bur clover soil, if sown in the bur inoculation is not necessary; inoculate Crimson Clover with Crimson Clover soil or Red Clover soil. In each case, use 500 pounds per acre of inoculated soil and harrow in immediately.

Oats—Sow September 1st to middle of December. Two to two and one-half bushels, drill or broadcast; time for development, six to twelve weeks; grazing period, eight to 12 weeks.

Vetch—Sow with oats or rye; 15 to 20 pounds.

Sorghum—Sow middle of April to middle of July. Four to 8 quarts drilled; time for development, six to eight weeks, grazing period, four to six weeks.

Peanuts—Plant May and June. One bushel drilled; time for development, ninety to one hundred and twenty days; grazing period, all the Fall.

Chufas—Plant May and June. Four to eight quarts drilled; time for development, four months; grazing period, all Fall and part of Winter.

THE STATE FAIR.

Indications Point to a Record Crowd At Annual Event.

Columbia, S. C., Oct. 7.—Reflecting the great prosperity which has blessed South Carolina this year, and promising the greatest success of any previous undertaking, preparations have been completed for holding the forty-fifth Annual Fair of the State Agricultural and Mechanical Society in Columbia, October 27, 28, 29, 30, 31. Indications at this writing are that people from every nook and corner of the state will crowd the fair grounds by the thousands and it is expected that attendance records will set a new high water mark at the gathering this year.

The abundant harvests of cotton, corn and tobacco, the gratifying returns for the labor of their hands and the evidence of Nature's favor in the ideal harvest weather have made the farmers of the state wear the happy smile which comes from well filled barns and storehouses, and climbing bank deposits, and they are now looking forward to the annual gathering in Columbia of their kinsmen, neighbors and friends when everybody turns aside from business to renew their youth and to have a regular good old time, this being the week of the annual State Fair in October.

Breeding Place for Beetles. Noticing a great many dead oaks on our streets, and knowing that these dead trees are breeding places for beetles, would it not be a good idea for the city authorities to have all such trees removed before damage is done to other trees. If they are removed in time will prevent the healthy oaks from becoming infested. H. Savage.

NOTES OF D. A. R.'S.

Pleasant Meeting Held and Committees Appointed for Year.

Last Thursday—a radiant Autumn day—was a bright and auspicious commencement of the new year of the Hobkirk Hill Chapter, D. A. R.

This first regular meeting of the chapter year was held at the pleasant home of Mrs. Claude Legge, on LaFayette Avenue, with Mrs. Legge for the entertaining hostess. With the exception of the Registrar, all of the officers were in attendance, and eighteen members answered to roll call. Aside from the choosing of delegates to represent the chapter at the meeting of the State Convention to be held in Columbia in November, the time was entirely devoted to the planning of work, and the appointing of the different committees to serve thruout the year.

A new project was planned for this year which has for its object the introduction of patriotic education in the schools, and the Regent appointed on this committee, Mrs. George Taylor, Mrs. C. L. Legge and Miss Agnes Corbett.

Other committees were appointed as follows:

Year Book Committee—Miss Kate Lenoir, Miss Agnes Corbett, Miss Mary Whitaker with the Regent.
Chapter House Committee—Mrs. J. L. Guy, Mrs. L. A. Kirkland, Mrs. J. S. Lindsay, Mrs. H. L. Watkins and Mrs. Jas. Wallace.

Notification and Visiting Committee—Mrs. S. R. Adams, Mrs. John Cantey, Misses M. L. Shannon and L. S. Nettles.

Entertainment Committee—Misses Selma Parrish, Lella Shannon, Francis Boykin, Mary Whitaker, Cornelia Nelson and Mrs. S. C. Zemp.

Relief Committee—Mrs. J. H. Burns, Mrs. John Cantey, Mrs. Claude Legge, Mrs. S. A. Wittkowsky, Mrs. L. S. Lang.

Reception Committee—Mrs. M. A. Shannon, Mrs. H. G. Garrison, Mrs. S. R. Adams, Mrs. Henry Savage.

Refreshment Committee—Mrs. W. H. Halle, Mrs. W. S. Burnett, Mrs. W. L. DePass, Mrs. G. H. Lenoir, Mrs. L. S. Porter, Mrs. C. J. Shanon, Mrs. Geo. Taylor, Mrs. P. T. Villepigue, Mrs. James Wallace.

Readers—Mrs. S. R. Adams, Mrs. John Cantey, Miss Selma Parrish.

The delegates and alternates from the Hobkirk Hill Chapter to the D. A. R. state conference which meets in Columbia November 15th are Mrs. E. C. vonTresckow, Miss Lella Shannon, Mrs. Claude Legge, Mrs. John Cantey, Mrs. J. L. Guy, Miss Louise Nettles.

A welcome visitor at the meeting on Thursday was Mrs. Leonidas Cain, a member of the Wm. Thompson Chapter of St. Matthews.

After the various business details were regulated the Hostess served delicious cream and cake, and this very pleasant meeting was adjourned to meet with Mrs. S. A. Wittkowsky on November 6th at 4:30 p. m.

Addie D. Adams, Recording Secretary.

Lugoff News Notes.

Miss Jennie Whitaker entertained a few of her friends at bridge on Friday evening of last week, in honor of Miss Jennie Sanders of Beaufort. After the games a dainty salad course was served. Those present were Misses May, Minnette and Francis Boykin, Mary Whitaker, Jennie Sanders, Clara Wallace, Nolie Ford, Ruth Johnson, Messrs. W. D. Whitaker, Andrew Whitaker and Lawrence Whitaker, B. W. Gettys, Henry Beard, Willie McDowell, W. D. Trantham, Tucker Boykin and W. E. Johnson, Jr.

Miss Ella Workman, of Mayesville, is the guest of Mrs. W. J. Burdell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. McCaa have returned from Atlanta.

Miss Nolie Ford is here on a visit to her sister, Mrs. J. T. McCaa. Misses Mary Boykin and Drucilla Baxley spent last Monday evening with friends here.

Mr. B. W. Gettys was in Camden Thursday.

Miss Margaret Burdell, who is attending school in Columbia, spent the week end here with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Burdell.

Misses Jennie Sanders and Clara Wallace spent last Thursday in Camden.

Mr. W. W. Whitaker was in Camden Saturday.

Miss Pearl Davis, who has been visiting in Camden returned home Sunday.

Box Supper at Stoneboro.

On Friday evening, October 17th, there will be a box supper at the Stoneboro school house for the benefit of the school. The public is cordially invited. Ladies will bring boxes and cakes to be sold at auction. Refreshments of various kinds will be served. Proceeds of the evening will be used in purchasing black boards and maps for the school. Come and bring your friends.

Notice to Teachers.

All the white teachers of Kershaw County are invited to meet at the Grammar School in Camden on October 25th, at 11:30 o'clock. Prof. W. K. Tate, State Supervisor of Elementary Rural School, has requested this meeting, and it is hoped every teacher will attend, as Professor Tate will give us some fine suggestions along all lines of School work.

Supt. Legge, of the Camden Schools, is planning to have lunch served by the lady teachers of the Graded school to all the rural teachers. Kate Simpson, Vice President of Kershaw County Teacher's Association.

CIVIC LEAGUE NOTES.

Rest Room Proving Popular Place For Out of Town Shoppers.

The Civic League is at home again and ready for work. The first meeting of the season will be held Monday, October 15th, at 4:30 p. m. at High School building or park in front of building. All members are urged to come and bring new members, and those who have not done so, try and remember to bring their annual dues of 10c. Members in the city who can not come to meeting please send dues to Mrs. E. C. vonTresckow.

All merchants and others who promised to help support the Rest Room will please send their subscription to Mrs. Leroy Davidson at once as the money is needed to keep Rest Room open. A lady from West Wateree said Saturday that the Rest Room ranked next to the Hospital in Camden's institutions. At least twenty business women visit the Rest Room every day and the register shows that more and more ladies and children from the surrounding country are using it every week.

Another crib for the little ones has been fitted up and the League has offered the Room to the Fair Committee, thru Mr. Lees Little, as a suitable place for the first examination of all babies and children entered for Better Baby Contest. A committee of ladies will welcome the mothers and little ones at the Rest Room on the day appointed and said day will be announced later.

The work and study marked out for the League this year is interesting and important. Come one and all and help this good work along.

We are glad to report that Miss Kate Simpson will probably meet with the ladies and give them a little talk at the meeting on Monday. Mrs. E. C. vonTresckow, President.

LIVESTOCK BULLETINS

To Be Issued by Southern Railway In Interest of Breeders.

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 9.—As a part of its work for the upbuilding of the live stock industry in the Southeast, the Live Stock Department of the Southern Railway periodically issues a bulletin telling of stock for sale or exchange and of stock to be purchased. The bulletin is compiled from information furnished by the stock owners and copies are mailed to over 15,000 farmers and dealers.

Through this bulletin a large number of sales have been made and many farmers have been enabled to get stock of just the type desired. Instead of sending good sires to the slaughter house after serving their allotted time with one herd, many owners have thru this bulletin been enabled to effect an exchange whereby each added years of usefulness to the life of a good animal.

The entire expense of issuing the bulletin is borne by the Southern Railway Co. F. L. Word, Live Stock Agent, Atlanta, Ga., will be glad to send copies to any farmer or to include in the bulletin information in regard to stock for sale or exchange.

Record-Breaking Crowd.

Seven hundred spectators by actual count witnessed the comic opera "Mutt and Jeff" at the opening show of the season at the Camden opera house Tuesday night, it being the largest audience of paid admissions ever gathered at this play house. The show was good and pleased the big crowd with clever songs and dancing and the funny acting of the two fellows made famous in cartoon by Bud Fisher.

PROSPEROUS BEULAH.

Good Schools and Churches and Many New Buildings.

The Cleveland School opened for the fall and winter term on Monday, Sept. 29th, with Misses Setzer and Annie West as teachers. The prospects for a prosperous session are fine. This school is the pride of our community and will compare favorably with any rural school in the state.

There is considerable evidence all around of the prosperity of the community. Mr. D. P. C. Murchison has a handsome residence nearing completion which will be an ornament to the community. Mr. J. F. West has also added improvements to his residence which makes quite an addition to the beauty of the premises. Mr. L. M. West has a beautiful residence nearing completion and expects to move in during the next few weeks. Messrs. Lewis and Christmas have erected several new homes on the old Chestnut property in the last few months. They are transforming the forests into fertile fields and pretty homes. Mr. J. E. Rush has also added improvements to his pretty home.

We take great pride in the churches of our community and doubt if there is a community anywhere that can boast of more zeal and consecration among its church goers. Rev. T. L. Cole is pastor at Mt. Olivet and Rev. E. T. Hudson at Beulah.

Married.

Mr. Jasper Jewitt and Miss Eva Knight, both of Jefferson, in Chesterfield county, were married in Camden Monday morning by Judge of Probate McDowell. The young couple came down on the Seaboard Sunday afternoon and the quiet marriage followed early Monday morning. They left immediately for their home at Jefferson.

SUMTER YOUTH A SUICIDE.

Ratcliffe Morris, Age Twelve, Dies By His Own Hand.

Sumter, Oct. 6.—Ratcliffe Morris, the 12-year-old son of Mrs. Ella T. Morris, shot himself through the heart some time Saturday afternoon, the body being found last night. When discovered the body was sitting up in a chair in his room in front of the mirror, the pistol was lying on the floor by the chair with an empty cartridge in one cylinder. The doors had been locked and the windows closed to the room, showing the evident intent of the small boy to end his own life.

Mrs. Morris, who is the widow of the late Jesse T. Morris, formerly one of the guards at the State farm at Hagood had been out during the afternoon and did not know when the boy came in the house. That night she began to get worried that he did not come in, but supposed that he was still at work uptown. She went to his room and found the door closed, but although she thought this strange she did not investigate further. Shortly before midnight another brother came in and was told that his younger brother had not returned from work. As it was long after his work hours and it was learned that he had left there in the afternoon and had not returned, entrance was made to the room through the window and the body was found.

No reason is known why the boy should have wished to end his life, and the tragedy came as a great shock to the members of his family. An investigation was made by the coroner and doctor, but it was deemed unnecessary to hold any inquest as everything pointed to suicide.

Association to Meet.

We have been requested to announce that the Kershaw Association will meet with the Springvale Baptist Church in West Wateree on Wednesday and Thursday, the 15th and 16th of October. The meeting opens at 10:30 a. m. Wednesday.

The following committees will please report at this meeting: Temperance—E. L. Copeland.

Home Missions—Rev. J. W. Kenney.

Orphanage—L. C. Clyburn. Laymen Movement—M. L. Smith. Aged Ministers—T. L. Cole. B. Y. P. U.—T. J. Cupitt. Foreign Missions—W. B. Kizer. Education—M. L. Lawson. Womens Work—W. M. Rabon. Periodicals—S. B. Hatfield. Obituaries—Newton Kelly. Sunday School—J. F. Hammond. State Missions—L. L. Langston.

Barn Destroyed.

Fire last Friday destroyed the barn and contents belonging to a Mr. Peebles in the Antioch section of the county. We understand that the building contained one bale of cotton, seven hundred bundles of fodder and two bales of seed. It is not thought Mr. Peebles carried any insurance.

Evidently Johnny Was Not.

Port Jervis had a big revival meeting, and among the converted was a barber, who had been a bad actor in his day. Once he put some home made sea foam on a young man's hair which turned the hair red, and the color didn't come out for a year.

The barber confessed to this and other crimes. It was a hard-won conversion, and the evangelist was elated. He saw a chance for passing religion on to a host of Port Jervis citizens, utilizing the barber shop as a gateway.

Over in a corner of the revival hall he talked to the knight of the striped pole.

"Now, Mr. Scissors," said the evangelist, "you have it in your power to do great good in the world. You're a man of impressive personality, and by reason of your position you meet men in all walks of life.

"Instead of discussing baseball or fishing with a patron, why not say a few words calculated to turn him into cleaner paths? Remind each, as you have been reminded, that while he is large in life hemust get ready for the end, which comes to all men."

The barber thought that was a fine idea and pledged himself. Then he went back to his shop.

Little old Johnny Looseleaf came in from his day's work at the perfume factory. Johnny was afraid of ghosts and green horses and his wife. He wanted his whiskers taken off.

The barber got through with the lathering and half of the shave with brief remarks about the fog and the movement to fill up the abandoned canal. He was just posing the razor over the patron's throat when it revealed to him to address a few words of inquiry to Looseleaf concerning the state of his soul.

"Johnny," said the barber slowly, "are you prepared to die?" The man in the chair opened his eyes and saw the razor, then the high light in the eye of the other.

"What's that?" he shouted. With which he did a lightning leap from the chair, wrested the razor from the barber and threw that gentleman through his own plate-glass window.

ELECTION OF POLICEMAN.

City Council will elect one Policeman on first Monday night in November. Send in your application. S. F. Brasington, Mayor. Camden, S. C., Oct. 10-411.