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Several weeks ago an audit was made of the county ferry and bridge fund by an expert accountant, and we understand that the report has been completed and turned over to the county commissioners. It has been made more than a month and as yet no statements of its contents has been made to the public. Whether the report was favorable or unfavorable, the public has a right to know and we believe the county board or the grand jury owe it to the taxpayers that they should know the findings in this matter.

At the convention at Chattanooga last Wednesday General Julian S. Carr, of Durham, N. C. was elected commander-in-chief of the United Confederate veterans to succeed K. M. Van Zandt, of Texas. Richmond, Va. was chosen as the next reunion city, at the closing session. The annual parade, the big event of the reunion was held yesterday. Commander Van Zandt, delivered a brief valedictory to the veterans. Richmond won the next reunion city over Savannah, Nashville and Sulphur, Okla. The reunion went on record with a declaration that "these reunions would be continued from year to year so long as there are as many as four veterans left alive and able to travel to the reunion city and so long as the people of southern cities see fit to invite them to come." The convention voted to accept an invitation to send representatives to the memorial exercises next year at Point Pleasant, Ohio, in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the birth of General Grant. Resolutions adopted included one requesting national publishers of school books to use more articles written by southern authors and another calling on the state of Tennessee to observe the day of Sam Davis' execution or Sam Davis Memorial day.

Protect Your Credit.

The following article from the Jackson Ga. Progress, is sensible, honorable and to the point during these more or less lean times:

Business is largely a matter of credit, and credit is largely a matter of character. If you prize your character you will protect your credit. The business structure needs to revise its sense of honor. For a long time contracts have been abruptly broken, when it was the advantage of some party. Debts have been allowed to accumulate and obligations have gone unpaid. The country as a whole has lacked confidence, every man being afraid to trust the other fellow. Without confidence, credit and character we cannot have good business.

Protect your good name by meeting your obligations. Don't fail the man who trusted you. You may need another favor some day.

Notice To Subscribers.

Statements have been mailed to all subscribers to the Camden Chronicle. We know without being told that times are hard and money scarce, no one knows it better than we do, and for this reason we urge those who are indebted to us to make prompt payment of the small amounts due. No one owes us a large sum, and no one will miss the amount they owe us. The plan that we have in mind is to give a large bill to the subscribers that we can get paid on, that is, we will give you a bill for \$1.00, \$2.00, \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.00, \$8.00, \$9.00, \$10.00, \$11.00, \$12.00, \$13.00, \$14.00, \$15.00, \$16.00, \$17.00, \$18.00, \$19.00, \$20.00, \$21.00, \$22.00, \$23.00, \$24.00, \$25.00, \$26.00, \$27.00, \$28.00, \$29.00, \$30.00, \$31.00, \$32.00, \$33.00, \$34.00, \$35.00, \$36.00, \$37.00, \$38.00, \$39.00, \$40.00, \$41.00, \$42.00, \$43.00, \$44.00, \$45.00, \$46.00, \$47.00, \$48.00, \$49.00, \$50.00, \$51.00, \$52.00, \$53.00, \$54.00, \$55.00, \$56.00, \$57.00, \$58.00, \$59.00, \$60.00, \$61.00, \$62.00, \$63.00, \$64.00, \$65.00, \$66.00, \$67.00, \$68.00, \$69.00, \$70.00, \$71.00, \$72.00, \$73.00, \$74.00, \$75.00, \$76.00, \$77.00, \$78.00, \$79.00, \$80.00, \$81.00, \$82.00, \$83.00, \$84.00, \$85.00, \$86.00, \$87.00, \$88.00, \$89.00, \$90.00, \$91.00, \$92.00, \$93.00, \$94.00, \$95.00, \$96.00, \$97.00, \$98.00, \$99.00, \$100.00.

The Truth About Husbands, at the Majestic Monday.

Boost your city, boost your friend; Boost the lodge that you attend, Boost the street on which you're dwelling. Boost the goods that you are selling, Boost the people round about you, They can get along without you, But success will quicker find them If they know that you're behind them. Boost for every forward movement, Boost for every new improvement, Boost the man for whom you labor, Boost the stranger and the neighbor, Cease to be a chronic knocker, Cease to be a progress blocker, If you'd make your city better, Boost it to the final letter.

"Be Sure Your Sins—"

Albany (Ga.) Herald. An Augusta banker, vice president of the institution with which he had been connected for many years, shot and killed himself after a run on the bank had started. Directors of the institutions had believed that inability to survive the run was solely due to the impossibility of quickly realizing on the bank's assets, but after the vice-president had ended his life it was discovered that he was short \$107,000 in his accounts. It is alleged that on one of the notes he left he admitted that speculations had been going on for thirty years.

What a familiar story it is. We do not know, of course, and may never know just what the first temptation was to which the man yielded, and which proved to be the beginning of his downfall. For thirty years he was able to hide his speculations. For thirty years he was continually "hoping to be able to pay it back." For thirty years he was carrying the dark secret of his double life in his heart. For thirty years he faced the prospect of that dreaded day when "truth would out" and the accounting would have to come. He engaged in many business enterprises not connected with the bank which employed him, no doubt hoping that success in some of them would enable him to make good his shortage and sleep once more with a conscience freed of its burden.

Bank examiners came and went. Auditors checked through the books without finding the discrepancies, and other officers of the bank suspected nothing of the truth. But in the end the inevitable happened, and a bullet put "finis" to a sad story, the like of which has been written in human experience times without number.

Nothing truer was ever written than this ancient declaration: "Be sure your sins will find you out." It may come soon or late, but it will come. A man may deceive his family, his neighbors, his friends, even himself, but he cannot escape the inexorable law that is as old as the very conception of law—"Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

To say such a thing is to repeat phrases that are hoary with age—platitudes which men have heard so often that they make no impression as they are repeated again and again. Yet, old as they are, they are not as old as the laws of God which none of us can escape. A man may deny God or defy God, but he can never put himself where the law of God will not reach him.

The feeling for this man who has gone the way of so many others is one of deepest sympathy, for it is easy to understand what he suffered. He endured in the thirty years of his double living more than we perhaps can understand, but of which his tragic end gives some intimation. It is a tragic reflection that the fate of others failed to warn him, but let us hope that his experience will not be lost on those to whom temptations yet will surely come.

Woman Killed in Auto Wreck.

Chester, Nov. 5.—The Carolina & Northwestern railway, with head quarters in Chester, had an unfortunate experience on a train north of Chester, today when a 30-ton motor car, en route, attempted to beat the train across the track with the result that Miss Maggie Walker, 75, of Chester, was killed instantly and her daughter, Miss Lillian, of Chester, was badly hurt. Others in the train were slightly injured. The train was stopped at Chester, Pa. and the bodies of the victims were taken to the hospital.

"Judge Memminger Right."

This is the headline over a vigorous editorial in the Greenville Piedmont, praising the course of Judge Memminger in the Tom Harrison case. There is a great deal of feeling in Greenville according to The Piedmont, over the release of Harrison by the Supreme Court on bail. Of Judge Memminger's conduct of this case, which the Greenville County grand jury warmly commended, The Piedmont says:

"The Piedmont believes that Judge Memminger's decision to commit Harrison to the State Penitentiary was eminently just and proper and that the Supreme Court of South Carolina acted unwisely in nullifying that action. This newspaper also takes occasion to say that the extraordinary tribute paid Judge Memminger by the grand jury of Greenville county is altogether deserved. If all our Judges were of his mold lawlessness would be reduced to a minimum in South Carolina and the law would be restored to its ancient majesty. If R. Withers Memminger should be elevated to the Supreme Court of South Carolina—and the Piedmont hopes that he will be—not only would his force of character, ripe experience and fine ability measurably strengthen that body, but the respect of the people for that tribunal would be considerably increased.

The presentation of the grand jury of Greenville county made yesterday, is one of the boldest and best ever made in this county and is entitled to the warmest commendation from the law-loving and law-abiding people of this county. When all petit juries and grand juries do their duty, as our grand jury did yesterday, then and not until then will the law be paramount in the Palmetto State.

"God grant that the Juries of this county shall ever have the conscience and the courage boldly to attack wrong and error wherever they shall find them!"

Starting tomorrow at the Majestic, "Hurricane Hutch" Pathe's new serial with Charles Hutchison and Warner Oland.

Union Prayer Service.

There will be a Union Prayer Service at the Methodist Church on Armistice Day, Friday, November 11th at 8 o'clock in the evening. Disarmament will be the theme and the following program will be rendered:

- Hymn 702. Prayer. Bible Reading.—Isaiah 2:1-4. Hymn 705. Prayer.—Rev. M. M. Benson. Remarks.—Mr. Harding. Special Music. Speaker of the evening.—Mr. L. T. Mills. Short talks by pastors of churches. Prayer.—Mr. Hodges. Song. Benediction.

Charlie Chaplin in "The Idle Class" and "The Timber Wolves" at the Majestic today.

Cotton on Local Market.

From September 1st to November 7, 1921, 4,957 bales of cotton had been weighed and sold to local buyers according to figures furnished us by Mr. S. W. Hogue, the public cotton weigher.

Willie Knew.

The superintendent of the Sunday school was also the village doctor. One Sunday he was questioning the school on various important points. "Willie," he asked one small boy, "will you tell me what we must do in order to get to heaven?"

"We must die," replied Willie. "Very true," assented the doctor. "But tell me what we must do before we die."

"We must get sick," was Willie's un-expected answer, "and send for you."

You'll never regret having seen Charlie Chaplin in "The Idle Class" at the Majestic today.

M. M. Platt, general agent of the Life Policy Life Insurance Co. was found dead in bed at Sunday, Saturday morning.

The serial has been a popular success, offers pay-off of January 1, 1922.

Edwin Baskin, Catholic priest at Camden, South Carolina, was found from his room Wednesday and died of death.

City School Notes.

Miss Marian Harvey of Greenwood came in on last Thursday to join the faculty of the graded school taking up the work of Miss Lois Burley whose resignation took effect the last day of the second month. Miss Harvey is a college graduate with teaching experience in one of the large schools of this state. She takes charge of the evening section of the third grade.

We wish it to be known to the school teachers and patrons of Kershaw county that the Camden Graded and High Schools will not be represented in the contests which are to be held under the head of the Rural Community Fair on November 18th. We are heartily in sympathy with and will do everything that we can to encourage this fair which we believe to be eminently worth while, but owing to the fact that we enjoy certain advantages over the other schools of the county, and believing that were we to enter the contests some of our good many rural schools would not enter, we will not take part. We do this in order that every rural school in the county will be encouraged to enter, feeling that each will have an equal chance.

On the day of the fair there will be a football game on the fair grounds at the ball park at four o'clock. This game will be between the Camden High School and the Kershaw High School. This will be the last game of the season on the home grounds.

J. G. Richards, Jr.

A daring exposure takes place Monday at the Majestic in "The Truth About Husbands" a First National Special Feature.

Child Burned to Death.

Spartanburg, Nov. 5.—Christal Lipe, the four old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Lipe, died yesterday morning at the home of her parents, 504 North Fairview avenue. The little girl was standing before an open grate Tuesday morning putting some paper on the fire when her clothing became ignited. The screams of the child attracted attention of her mother, who was in another room, who rushed to her aid, but before the flames were extinguished the child was so badly burned that she died yesterday morning. The funeral was held this afternoon.

See Charlie Chaplin in "The Idle Class" at the Majestic today, matinee and night.

Daughter Dead; Father Injured.

Spartanburg, Nov. 4.—Miss Marie Poole, aged 19, was instantly killed and her father, Melvin Poole, of Woodruff was badly injured when the automobile in which they were coming to the county fair turned over down an embankment about a mile below Roebuck this morning. Mr. Poole was driving. In some way the steering gear became disarranged and the car got from under his control and turned over down the embankment, pinning Miss Poole under the car, breaking her neck and crushing her face. Mr. Poole had his collar bone and shoulder broken.

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