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## METHODIST CONFERENCE

### ANNUAL MEETING IN LAURENS ON NOVEMBER 25.

#### Bishop Wilson Presides—About 450 Preachers and Lay Delegates Will Attend.

The 123d session of the South Carolina annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, will be held in Laurens, November 25, Bishop Alpheus W. Wilson of Baltimore presiding. This is the third official visit of Bishop Wilson to the South Carolina conference within the last five years. Bishop Wilson is the senior bishop of Southern Methodism; strong and forcible as a preacher, positive and conservative as a presiding officer. He is thoroughly familiar with the usages and labor of the church.

An annual conference occupies a very prominent place in Methodism. The whole year's work focuses on this annual meeting. Here the preachers render their reports; here the characters of the preachers are examined and passed upon in open conference; here the preachers receive their appointments for the coming year. There are at present 235 pastoral charges in South Carolina with a membership of 85,161. Entertainment will be provided for about 450 preachers and delegates. The work of the conference is accomplished largely through committees and but for this it would be impossible to accomplish the work in three or four days.

There are eight new presiding elders, who enter the bishop's cabinet for the first time. A great responsibility rests upon the presiding elder, his position is a critical and trying one, he is really an assistant bishop.

There is nothing except the usual routine to come before the conference at this season. The election of delegates to the general conference will take place at the next session. Last year the conference met its assessment for missions in full for the first time in its history. It is expected that a similar report will be made this year.

#### Case of Robbery and Arson.

Greenville, November 9.—About 11:30 o'clock to-night fire was discovered in the office of William Goldsmith, Jr., real estate agent, in the Palmetto building on Main street. As the firemen entered the room a man was found on the floor with his head wrapped. He was hastily removed and it was found that he was Mr. T. E. McCullough, Mr. Goldsmith's bookkeeper. He says that he entered the office from a closet about 11 o'clock; some one threw a rag over his head and that was the last he knew until he came to in the police station. The rag was chloroformed and it is very plain that the work was that of robbers. The flames were extinguished with little damage. Mr. McCullough was down posting his books and they were all out on the shelves and the safe was open. Mr. McCullough's keys were taken from his pocket and thus far the police have not been able to find them. The whole case is shrouded in mystery but the general opinion is that robbers had chloroformed Mr. McCullough. How the fire originated is a mystery.

#### Higher Cotton Prices Predicted.

Atlanta, Ga., November 8.—Harvie Jordan, president of the Southern Cotton Growers' association, speaking to-night of the outlook for marketing the present cotton crop, said:

"The national election is past and millions of dollars of orders for manufactured goods have been placed in the past few weeks. Raw cotton will feel the impetus given to other lines of industry. While the ginners' reports indicate a larger amount of cotton ginned to date than at any previous period in the history of the census bureau, the ginnings for November and the succeeding months of the year will indicate a heavy and continuous falling off. The total yield of this year will, in my opinion, fall far short of the two big crop years of 1904 and 1906."

Mr. Jordan emphasized his belief that the price of cotton will rise

#### Church Rally.

Following is the program for the second and last big rally of 1908 on the new church building of Mt. Carmel M. E. church, colored, at Bamberg:

Thursday evening, November 19th, preaching by Rev. J. H. Danner, pastor of the mill chapel.

Friday evening, preaching by Rev. A. R. Howard, pastor of the Bamberg circuit.

Sunday at 11:30 a. m., a short address by the pastor on the subject of infant baptism.

Sweet music will be rendered on all occasions by Mt. Carmel choir.

Collections—Cradle roll rally, a dime rally by the Sunday-school, etc.

We prayerfully and sincerely solicit the aid of our friends, both white and colored. "He that buildeth a house unto the Lord buildeth well, and lengtheneth unto him."

D. J. Sanders, Pastor; J. A. Nimmmons, J. S. Grant, and W. C. Caleb, Trustees and Stewards.

#### The Cotton Market.

The cotton market has weakened in the last few days, and to-day (Wednesday) the price here was 8 1/2 to 8.85. The receipts for the past week were only about five hundred bales, making a total of 8,500 for the season. This number is at least one thousand bales more than was received here for all of last season, and it is thought the total receipts at this market this season will be 11,000 or 12,000 bales.

## ACCIDENTALLY KILLS FRIEND.

### Wade Cothran Pinson Shoots and Kills Thornwell Boyce.

Laurens, November 7.—A most unfortunate and deplorable tragedy occurred last night in the Cross Hill neighborhood when young Thornwell Boyce was accidentally shot and killed by his friend, Wade Cothran Pinson, both of the town of Cross Hill. The facts of the killing as related by Mr. Enoch B. Pinson, father of the slayer, are as follows:

Pinson, Boyce and Miss Mary Brown, a young lady of that section, were in a buggy en route home after attending a party at Mrs. Eugene Leavell's, in the upper part of Newberry county. Boyce, who was seated on Pinson's lap, whispered to Pinson to shoot his pistol once or twice to scare Miss Brown. Acting upon this suggestion the young man took out his pistol, a .41 Colts. It was loaded with No. 38 cartridges and snapped twice. Then Pinson, while examining the weapon and trying to adjust it, accidentally discharged one shot, which entered the head of young Boyce a little back of the centre on the right side, and coming out about two inches above. Boyce was rendered unconscious, and never recovered, dying to-day at 12 o'clock.

The young men, aged about twenty-two, were the best of friends, says the father of young Pinson. Boyce was a clerk in Rayser & Co.'s store, and Pinson in Miller & Co.'s. Both are of prominent families. Young Boyce was the son of the late Capt. Martin Boyce, a man of more than usual prominence in the county, while the Pinsons are a large and influential family.

The inquest was held this afternoon at 5 o'clock. Solicitor Cooper attended, and upon his arrival here to-night bail will be applied for before Judge Memminger and the amount of the bond fixed, should the motion not be resisted by the solicitor.

## A NEW DEVELOPMENT.

### Startling Testimony Given by Miss Mary Brown.

Laurens, November 8.—The testimony of Miss Mary Brown, the companion of Thornwell Boyce and Wade Cothran Pinson on the ride during which young Boyce was fatally shot by Pinson near Cross Hill, seems to reveal another side of the affair, her evidence going to show that the shooting was at least due to criminal carelessness on the part of Pinson. Miss Brown was the only eye-witness of the affair. The following was the import of Miss Brown's statement:

The young people had been to a party and young Boyce asked Miss Brown to allow him to accompany her home, going in the buggy in which Pinson and Boyce had gone to the party. When about to leave for home Pinson came up to the buggy and declared his intention of going along in the same buggy; Miss Brown objected then, because it appeared that Pinson was under the influence of whiskey. However, the arrangement was satisfactorily made and all three left together. All along the road Pinson, Miss Brown declares in her testimony, behaved in a very unseemly manner and was extremely rough, against which she and Boyce continually remonstrated. Finally Pinson pulled out his pistol and said: "I am going to shoot like hell."

Both Miss Brown and Boyce tried to deter him, even after he had shot twice. Then, after shooting twice into the woods, Pinson held the pistol up against his breast, pointed toward the head of young Boyce, who was sitting on his lap, and fired. The shot blinded Miss Brown, she declares, and for a time she did not know what had happened, but in a moment she saw Boyce drop the lines, fall forward and out of the buggy. Immediately she jumped out of the buggy and ran to some others who were a little ahead, and later went on to the residence of Mrs. Denney, where Boyce was later carried and where he died yesterday at noon.

Further in the testimony Miss Brown declares that Pinson came on to Mrs. Denney's and called for her; she went out to speak to him. He addressed her thus: "Miss Mary, you know I did not shoot Boyce. He shot himself." To which she replied that such was not the case, that Pinson had shot Boyce.

Miss Brown stated that young Boyce was not under the influence of whiskey; if so, she could not detect it, but that Pinson was drunk. Her testimony was taken yesterday by Dr. Peake, she being in bed, almost prostrated. Yesterday, the 7th, was young Thornwell Boyce's birthday, he being 23 years of age.

Young Pinson, with his father, came to Laurens yesterday afternoon to arrange for bail, which was granted last night in the sum of \$2,000 by Judge Memminger, who is here holding civil court.

## New Superintendent.

The board of public works has employed Mr. J. W. Lovejoy, of Marion, Ala., as superintendent of the Bamberg electric light plant, to succeed Mr. Jas. E. Salley, who resigned to return to Orangeburg. Mr. Lovejoy was in the city last Thursday and after a conference with the board, he was employed for the coming year. He has had considerable experience in the operation of electric light and water plants, being now superintendent of the water and light plant at Marion, Ala., and we feel sure that he will give general satisfaction to the patrons here. Mr. Lovejoy is a young man, twenty-eight years old, and is married. He will come to Bamberg and take charge of the plant December 1st.

## IRBY AND AGNEW ON TRIAL

### NEGROES TAKEN TO SPARTANBURG UNDER MILITARY GUARD.

#### One Charged with Attempted Criminal Assault, the Other With Train Wrecking.

Spartanburg, November 10.—Deputy Sheriff Becknell arrived in the city this afternoon over the Charleston & Western Carolina railroad from Columbia, bringing with him the negroes, John Irby and Clarence Agnew, both of whom are to be tried in the special term of court which convenes to-morrow morning. Special Judge Schumpert of Newberry presiding.

They were guarded by the Traynham Guards of Laurens. The negroes were taken from the train at Palmetto Roller mills just before it reached the union station and were escorted by the Traynham Guards to the county jail, where they were locked safely in.

To-night the town is quiet. The Laurens company and the Hampton Guards are under arms at the armory. The train was flagged at the roller mills by Capt. S. J. Nicholls and Lieut. John T. Rhett of the Hampton Guards, who with Sheriff John M. Nicholls, had gone down to meet the prisoners and pilot them safely to the jail.

The news of the coming of the negroes was kept very quiet, but nevertheless a good sized crowd gathered about a rear entrance of the jail when they were brought in. There was practically no demonstration of mob violence. A few in the crowd threw taunting remarks at the prisoners as they marched along between the ranks of the soldiery, such as "Oh, you train wrecker," and "you rapist; if they don't break your necks in the court, we'll break them out here."

Court will be called to-morrow morning at 9:30 o'clock, and Irby's case will be tried first. Irby is charged with having attempted a criminal assault upon the person of Miss Lella Dempsey, a well known and very popular young lady residing on Farley avenue. Miss Dempsey was returning home from Saxon Mills, where she was timekeeper, on the morning of Saturday, the 10th of October. As she passed through a strip of wooded land, a negro sprang from the bushes and clutching her throat, choked her into insensibility and then dragged her from the path and treated her in a most brutal manner. The negro, John Irby, was caught near the scene a few minutes after Miss Dempsey herself gave the alarm. He was taken to the home of Miss Dempsey on Farley avenue, and there, in the presence of 50 or more, she identified him as the man who assaulted her in the wood.

## Big Crowd at Laurens.

Laurens, Nov. 10.—Upon orders from headquarters the Traynham Guards, the local military company, left Laurens to-day at 2 o'clock, escorting John Irby and Clarence Agnew to Spartanburg, where they are to be tried to-morrow, one for attempted criminal assault and the other for wrecking a passenger train. Agnew and Irby were brought through this city from Columbia. At the station was gathered a vast crowd of people but curiosity was the only spirit in evidence. Capt. O. W. Babb took 48 men of his company fully equipped for duty.

## Death of Mr. C. F. Rentz.

Mr. C. F. Rentz, a highly respected citizen of this county, died at his home in the Ehrhardt section last Friday night. His death was a great shock to his family and friends, as it was very sudden. Mr. Rentz had been sitting around the fire playing with his little grand child just before retiring, but he complained of not feeling well and retired ahead of the rest of the family. Soon after he had gone to bed he coughed several times and on going to his bed he was found to be in a dying condition and soon expired. It is supposed his death was caused from apoplexy, as he was of stout build and had recently been suffering a great deal with indigestion.

The burial took place Saturday morning at Pleasant Hill Methodist church, near Ehrhardt, Mr. Rentz having long been a member and steward of this church. The services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. T. L. Belvin, after which the body was buried with Masonic honors, Mr. Rentz having for years been a loyal and faithful member of the order.

Mr. Rentz was about fifty-six years old, and leaves a large family of children and grand children as well as other relatives. He was a good man and citizen, and will be greatly missed, not only in his immediate community, but all over the county.

## Examination for Stenographer.

An examination is to be held in Aiken on Wednesday, December 16th, to select a court stenographer for the second circuit. Mr. Jas. F. Byrnes, who has held the position for a number of years, has been elected solicitor, and this causes the vacancy. Judge Robert Aldrich has the appointment, and the examination is held to determine the competency of applicants. Mr. H. N. Bellingier, of this city, is an applicant for the position, and we trust he will be the successful one. He is a fine young man, a most capable and careful stenographer, and has had considerable experience in court reporting. His work has the strong endorsement of lawyers and judges who are familiar with his services, and we feel sure Judge Aldrich could make no appointment which will give greater satisfaction.

## THE VOTING CONTEST.

### Number of Votes Polled in Contest for Big Doll.

The voting contest for the big doll is going merrily on at The Herald Book Store, and the popularity of this contest is attested by the number of votes cast already. Ask for your votes, as we forget it very often. You are entitled to one vote with each purchase of five cents, and the little girl receiving the largest number of votes will get the handsome doll displayed in our big show window. The contest closes Christmas Eve night at twelve o'clock, so if you want your favorite to win the doll, now is the time to get busy. The vote to date stands as follows:

Julia Price.....	110
Mary Cleckley.....	67
Matrude Brabham.....	66
Mildred Jones.....	57
Helen Price.....	54
Helen Free.....	22
Mary Williams.....	21
Aegina Knight.....	20
Lizelle Priester.....	15
Vista Brabham.....	10
Corinne Fowler.....	10
Hilda Free.....	9
Natalie Hooton.....	7
Ann May Kearsse.....	6
Margaret Kinard.....	5
Wilhelmina McMillan.....	5
Gussie Hutto.....	5
Edna Spann.....	5
Myrtle Black.....	5
Evelyn Brabham.....	4
Adelle Brabham.....	3
Lillian Hoffman.....	2
Hazel Armstrong.....	2
Elizabeth Inabinet.....	1
Vera McMillan.....	1
Homer Godbee.....	1
Gertrude Smoak.....	1
Gene Price.....	1
Lucile Utsey.....	1
Norma Zeiger.....	1
Margaret Ray.....	1
Louisa Kilgus.....	1
Vivian Free.....	1
May Brabham.....	1
Estelle Creech.....	1

## General Election.

Both the State and Federal Election Commissioners for this county met here Tuesday for the purpose of counting the votes cast in the recent general election. The total vote of this county for congress was 878, of which J. O. Patterson, the Democratic candidate, received 852, and Isaac Myers, negro Republican, 26. We understand that Mr. Patterson will contest the vote cast for Myers, as the ballots were not of legal size. The total vote for Presidential electors was 881, of which the Bryan electors received 848, and the Taft electors 33.

The vote in the State election for this county was only 651, as the Ehrhardt State box had not arrived Tuesday, and of course the vote there could not be counted.

## New Book-keeper.

Mr. W. Max Walker, of Allendale, has been elected secretary and bookkeeper of the Bamberg Cotton Mills Company, and will arrive in the city in a day or two to assume the duties of the position. Mr. Walker is well known and has many friends in Bamberg, he having formerly been bookkeeper for C. R. Brabham's Sons. He married Miss Berta Kearsse, of this county, and he and his wife will be warmly welcomed back to Bamberg by a large number of relatives and friends.

## No Dispensary at Orange.

The town of Cope in Orangeburg county, will not have a dispensary for the present at any rate. The county dispensary board held a meeting last Friday to consider the matter of establishing a dispensary in that town and decided against it. Mr. Jno. H. Cope, of this city, was present at the meeting to oppose the establishment of a dispensary, as he has large property interests in and around the town.

## The Civic League.

This extract taken from the correspondent from Sumter to the State is worthy of note:

"The Sumter Civic League has the endorsement of Sumter people. It is backed up by private and official support. One feature in connection with the Sumter Civic League which arouses the admiration of similar organizations in other places is the manner in which the men of Sumter respond to every call made upon them by the ladies, and the ladies feel proud of the fact that they have the gentlemen at their disposal for financial and moral support and for any assistance they need for the Civic League. And the Sumter men, like true Southern gentlemen, esteem it an honor to be called upon to assist the Sumter ladies."

When the ladies of Bamberg truly endorse this as to the gentlemen of Bamberg, then, and then only, will any material progress be made in the upbuilding of our town.

An old and honored citizen, who has always been connected with the best interests of Bamberg, has given us much encouragement in our work. He said that Bamberg has not kept abreast with other towns its size in civic improvements, and that he was delighted to see that the ladies had at last aroused from their lethargy. But that we must expect some re-buffs and criticisms, but not to grow discouraged; just to work steadily on.

The oyster supper and chrysanthemum show at the court house was quite a success financially and otherwise. More than \$30.00 was added to our fast growing bank account thereby.

In next week's issue we hope to give some general idea of the improvements which we hope to make, also to show that we have already accomplished some little good.

## IN THE PALMETTO STATE

### SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

#### State News Boiled Down for Quick Reading—Paragraphs About Men and Happenings.

James H. Tillman is said to be in a dying condition at his farm near Clark's Hill, Edgefield county, of congestion of the lungs.

The contest against the dispensary election in Clarendon county has been withdrawn, and the dispensary in that county will be closed at once.

There are eight cases of typhoid fever in the infirmary at Winthrop College, Rock Hill, and nine suspected cases. There have been no deaths so far.

The Elliott Hook and Ladder Company, of Orangeburg, has purchased a fine pair of horses to draw their hose wagon and other fire apparatus. Our sister city is building up a fine fire department.

Charleston, Augusta, and Aiken are after Mr. Taft to spend the winter with them. The board of trade of Aiken has sent him a formal invitation, and the city council will take similar action.

The colored State Fair is being held in Columbia this week, and we hope it will be a great success. Rev. Richard Carroll is president of the enterprise, and he usually makes a success of whatever he undertakes.

The foundry of the Gibbs Machinery Company, in Columbia, was destroyed by fire last Monday night. The loss is a heavy one, but it is thought to be covered by insurance. It is not known how the fire originated.

Rev. George E. Davis has been called to the pastorate of the Baptist church in Orangeburg and has accepted. He will soon take charge of the church. Mr. Davis succeeds Rev. E. M. Lightfoot, who resigned to take charge of the church at North Augusta.

It appears that the recent dispensary elections in Laurens and Clarendon counties are to be contested. Attorney Sims, of Spartanburg, has been employed to contest the Laurens election. In the Clarendon county contest Judge Woods has enjoined the county board of control from using the dispensary funds to contest the election.

There is an epidemic of hydrophobia among cattle in Kershaw county. A female bull dog belonging to Mr. James Team developed a case of rabies and bit a number of cows in Mr. Team's pasture, all of which have since displayed evidences of the terrible malady. Five of the animals have been killed, and several narrow escapes from injury have been had by negroes who were trying to round up the cattle in order to kill the infected ones.

A white painter named Robt. J. Criggs died last Saturday afternoon from the effects of a fall from the steeple of the colored Presbyterian church in Ridgeway. While working there Saturday morning the ladder on which he was standing broke and he was thrown about 30 feet, receiving severe bruises on the head. He lingered for a few hours and died from concussion of the brain. He is from near Union, and his body was taken there for burial.

## The Bamberg Lyceum.

The second regular attraction on the lyceum course this season will be the Boston Ladies Quartette. This splendid group of artists will be here Saturday, November 14. The management regrets that Saturday night was the only available date for this attraction, but the hour has been placed at nine so as to give all the members an opportunity of attending.

The Quartette comes to us most highly recommended. Here is the announcement of the lyceum system.

"We wish to announce an entirely new program of quartettes, solos and readings, besides several unique novelties. Among the new features of the program are duets in Spanish costume by Miss Sampson and Miss Bradford. Also a number specially arranged from the light opera 'Pocahontas' by the Quartette.

"Miss Gross, the talented young reader, is equally at home in humorous and pathetic numbers, and Miss Langtry, who has recently returned from Germany, will charm everyone with her brilliant and artistic violin solos."

Bob Taylor had this to say: "I have heard many quartettes, but this is the best one I ever heard."

The management is striving to secure the very best attractions possible, and the course booked for the season far exceeds the guarantee sale of season tickets—so let's all patronize the lyceum.

Remember the date and hour—Saturday, November 14, at 9 o'clock p. m., Carlisle Fitting School auditorium.

## Letter to G. A. Jennings, Bamberg, S. C.

Dear Sir: A ten-year-old boy came into a store for a quart of white paint and said, "They are nice letters Devoe writes, a'n't they, Mr. Knight?" In Bridgeton, Maine.

"Are they what brought you here?" asked the merchant. "Yes; ma said get a quart of white; and I've come for the least-gallons paint."

That boy'll be a man before his mother.

Yours truly  
F W DEVOE & CO.

P. S. J. A. Hunter sells our paint.

## JAIL TERM FOR FINANCIER.

### Charles W. Morse Likely to Stay in Federal Prison at Atlanta.

New York, Nov. 6.—Charles W. Morse, one time "ice king," "steamship king" and a controlling force in a long string of banks in this city, whose personal fortune a little more than a year ago was estimated at more than \$22,000,000 and Alfred H. Curtis former president of the National Bank of North America, spent last night in a cell in the Tombs prison.

They were convicted yesterday in the United States court of violations of the national banking laws in connection with their conduct of the National Bank of North America, of which Morse also was an officer.

To-day, when they arose, simultaneously with hundreds of others in the grim city prison they faced the possibility of many years behind the iron grated doors. This morning they arose with the other prisoners and partook of the regulation prison breakfast.

Morse was sentenced to-day to fifteen years' imprisonment by Judge Hough in the Federal court. Sentence on Curtis was suspended.

The sentence of Morse was on the verdict of guilty of the misappropriation of the funds of the National Bank of North America and making false entries in the books of that bank. It is understood that the Atlanta Federal prison will be where Morse will be confined, if he goes to prison.

Curtis was granted the clemency recommended by the jury. In his case sentence was suspended.

A stay of ten days in the execution of Morse's sentence was granted, and it is expected that appeal will be taken immediately.

The scene in the court room when sentence was passed was dramatic. The wives of the two defendants were present early, but it was the husbands and not the wives who proved comforters. Morse sat like a stoic when he heard the words condemning him to prison, but the strain was too great for the women. Mrs. Morse collapsed and still sobbing was taken to an anteroom, where a moment later her husband held her in his arms and sought to console her. Mrs. Curtis fainted.

After granting clemency in the case of Curtis, Judge Hough said: "In the case of Morse there is little to be said. As in all bank fraud cases, criminal legality is only a part of the larger general scheme. In this case it was to use the bank and the depositors' money for speculative purposes. If such schemes were permitted to be carried out the public would be at the mercy of a band of adventurers. Therefore I sentence you to fifteen years in the Federal prison at Atlanta."

Pending action on the appeal Morse was paroled in the custody of the United States marshal.

Morse was taken to the Tombs this afternoon and it was announced that no application for release on bond would be made to-day.

## POSTMASTER SHOT.

### Would-be Murderer Then Committed Suicide.

New York, November 9.—Edward M. Morgan, postmaster of New York city, who was wounded in the abdomen this morning by a bullet fired by E. H. B. Mackay, an eccentric English stenographer, who then committed suicide, was resting well to-night and unless complications develop he will recover.

Mr. Morgan probably owes his life to the quick wit and bravery of his 14-year-old daughter, Dorothy, who saw Mackay draw his revolver and struck it with her hand. This deflected the bullet, otherwise the postmaster would have been fatally wounded, for his assailant was at close range and fired four shots in all. The shooting occurred at One Hundred and Forty-sixth street and only a short distance from Mr. Morgan's home. He was on his way down town at the time.

An investigation of the life and record of Mackay reveals that he was of a morbid nature and a former inmate of an asylum in Worcester, Mass. That his act was premeditated is made certain by a letter he left, but aside from a fancied grievance against Mr. Morgan and the postoffice authorities concerning the handling of his mail, nothing has come to light to indicate why he should have sought to murder the postmaster. His clothing when searched gave up between 30 and 40 smokeless cartridges, a heavy slungshot and a knife with a four-inch blade and a clasp knife.

A quantity of literature on socialism and a slungshot similar to the one on his body were found in the room. That he was rational at the time of the shooting was attested to by the firm of Broadway lawyers by whom he was employed.

## Petition for Pardon.

Ex-Senator S. G. Mayfield, of Bamberg, to-day appeared before the Governor in behalf of the petition for the pardon of Herbert Boyles, a white youth, convicted of housebreaking and larceny. Mr. Mayfield was accompanied by the mother and other relatives of young Boyles, and he made a strong plea for the boy's pardon. The petition is signed by the jurors who tried him and by the solicitor, who states that it was his opinion that Boyles was led into the trouble by his companion, A. W. Nelson, who, to all appearances, was a hardened criminal, and who is also serving a term for this offence. Boyles was sentenced in 1905 to five years in the penitentiary, but did not begin his sentence until 1908.—Columbia correspondence News and Courier, Friday, November 6th.