

**NEGRO ATTEMPTS CRIME**

**WITH A BABE IN ARMS WOMAN FIGHTS OFF NEGRO BRUTE.**

**Cries of Intended Victim and of Her Small Child Bring Help in Time to Save.**

Spartanburg, Feb. 25.—Gary Gest, a negro driver of a delivery wagon, entered the bed room of a well-known white woman on Union street shortly before 3 o'clock this afternoon as she was nursing her 3-months-old baby. As she arose with a cry of alarm he seized her by the throat, choked her until the blood gushed from her nose and threw her down. Her 3-year-old son was in the room and screamed in terror. The negro grasped the tot by the neck and choked him also. Mrs. Beulah Askew, a neighbor, was in the back yard. She heard the cries and rushed into the house. The negro released his intended victim and fled from the house.

**Posse in Pursuit.**

Within 30 minutes a dozen policemen, the sheriff, W. J. White, and his deputies and a score of citizens were engaged in the man hunt. They caught Gest in Duncan's woods, a mile and a half from the scene of his crime, at 4:15. His captors hustled the negro into a carriage, drove like mad and had the prisoner in a cell of the county jail by 4:30 o'clock. A large crowd gathered around the jail, but there was not even a suggestion of lynching.

**Denied Being Drunk.**

Gest knew the woman whom he attacked. Her husband, who is a clerk in the office of a well-known commission merchant, at one time was employed by W. T. Finch, proprietor of the Finch hotel. Gest was employed in the hotel. He has recently been employed in driving the delivery wagon of Brown Bros., grocers. He started out with his wagon about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. After delivering one package he returned to the store and asked questions regarding something with which he was perfectly familiar. Ozier Brown accused the negro of being drunk. Gest denied it and started out again.

He stopped his wagon in front of the residence on Union street and knocked at the front door. He asked the woman who lived there. She told him he knew very well. He said he wanted to deliver a package to some people named Brown. There is no one of the name in the vicinity. The woman went back into the house and prepared her baby for its afternoon nap.

**Defended Herself.**

She was sitting in a rocking chair, humming a lullaby, when her little boy cried out that the negro had come into the house. She looked up and saw the brute standing in the door of the room.

Holding tight to the baby, she leaped to her feet. Without uttering a cry and holding the baby with her left arm she raised her right hand and tried to push him back. Her hand touched his mouth and he bit a piece out of it.

The negro choked her so hard that her nose began to bleed and her cries became faint. The little boy was also screaming. The negro, without releasing his grasp on the woman, reached out and choked the child. In doing so his finger nails cut a gash two inches long on the boy's neck, bringing blood.

**Clung to Her Child.**

During the entire struggle the woman clung to her baby. The struggle did not last more than a minute. Mrs. Askew rushed into the room and Gest hurried out of the front door.

He abandoned the wagon and ran at top speed out the macadam road extending from Union street. Waiting only a few moments to see to the care of her neighbor, Mrs. Askew ran to the door calling for help.

Not 50 yards from the house a gang of negro laborers were working. There were white men in the vicinity also. Among them was F. M. Logan, a storekeeper. They saw Gest running, but did not pursue.

Mr. Logan, upon learning what had happened, telephoned to the police station. He also telephoned to the woman's husband that a negro had entered his home and scared his wife and she was bleeding at the nose.

**Thrown to Pavement.**

The husband was home within 20 minutes after the crime had been committed. He telephoned to Sheriff White, who, within five minutes, was mounted on his horse, Bucking Dan, and galloping to the scene. The sheriff went by the police station to summon more officers. As he was turning the corner sharply his horse slipped and fell flat, throwing the sheriff violently to the paved street. The whole weight of the fall came upon his left elbow and the arm was numb and practically useless for several hours.

The sheriff at the head of a posse of deputies ran into the wood beyond the Duncan place, while the police in automobiles hurried toward Cedar Springs.

**ANSWER TO GOV. BLEASE.**

**Dispensary Commission Awaits a Statement from Felder.**

Columbia, Feb. 25.—Gov. Blease has not yet been handed the dispensary commission's reply to his demand by letter for information concerning the agreement under which Messrs. Anderson, Felder, Rountree & Wilson, of Atlanta, were engaged to aid in the winding up of the State dispensary, and concerning other matters, but the substance of the letter has been agreed on and the actual drafting of the communication in its final form is held up only in order that a statement hourly expected from Mr. T. B. Felder, of the Atlanta law firm, may be incorporated in it.

The commission takes the position that the governor is entitled to all the information he has requested and it will be furnished him in spite of the fact that the governor now has before him for approval an act to investigate the whole official course of the commission. Necessarily the letter will be one of considerable length, perhaps seven or eight typed pages.

The text of the message will not be furnished to the press, by the commission on the ground that as a matter of propriety this should be done, if done at all, by the addressee. Whether Gov. Blease will see fit to make the letter public remains to be seen.

**The Daily Life of a King.**

"King Alfonso is one of the hardest working men in all Spain," says Kellogg Durland in Woman's Home Companion for March. "Ordinarily he rises at 7 to 7:30 and after breakfast in the queen's boudoir he is steadily occupied until 2 or 2:30 o'clock. Mornings when he reviews troops he leaves the palace at 6. After lunch he attends to affairs about town—opens exhibitions and bazaars and performs such other social duties as devolve upon a sovereign. At 5 o'clock he plays polo or goes shooting until about 7:30, when he returns to the palace and looks over the news of the day gleaned from 46 leading newspapers of the world. At 8:30 he dines, and in late evening goes to other social functions, the theatre or the circus. The circus he is particularly fond of, and during the several months of the circus season in Madrid he attends regularly every Thursday night. He is as delighted with the performing horses, the trained monkeys and the tumbling clowns as any small boy in his kingdom. Anyone who knows how strenuous is the life of King Alfonso from early morning until 5 o'clock in the afternoon marvels at his strength and energy, yet constantly one hears and sees in the newspapers that he devotes all of his time to polo-playing and shooting! Without this hour or two of daily exercise he could never maintain the energetic routine of his life."

**Zach McGhee Dead.**

Washington, Feb. 23.—Zach McGhee, for the last six years Washington correspondent of the Columbia State, died at his home to-night after an illness of about six weeks. His disease was diagnosed as an affection of the spleen as a result of which the spleen failed to accomplish its function of forming blood from food. As a consequence food failed to nourish the patient and he grew gradually weaker till death came.

With him at the time of his death were his sisters, Misses Mary and Helen McGhee, and his brother, Rutledge McGhee. Congressman Wyatt Aiken, a close friend, was also at his bedside and is assisting with the funeral arrangements. The body of Mr. McGhee will be taken to his old home at Greenwood, S. C., for interment. The funeral party leaving here Friday night. The funeral services will be held at Greenwood Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

Mr. McGhee is survived by two sisters, Misses Mary and Helen McGhee, and three brothers, Samuel, Frank and Rutledge McGhee.

The family has been sorely stricken in the past few years. Just a little over a year ago Mrs. McGhee, formerly Miss Helen Irwin, of Spartanburg, died and a few weeks ago Mrs. B. F. Townsend, a sister, passed away.

**A King who Left Home**

set the world to talking, but Paul Matbulka, of Buffalo N. Y., says he always keeps at home the king of all laxatives—Dr. King's New Life Pills—and that they are a blessing to all his family. Cure constipation, headache, indigestion, dyspepsia. Only 25c. at Peoples Drug Co., Bamberg.

**Rode Negro Down.**

The party in two came upon the fleeing negro and forcing him into the open Sheriff White rode him down. His injured arm was paining him so greatly the sheriff was disposed to avoid an encounter with the negro and as there were none of his deputies in hailing distance he put his horse at the negro. The horse tramped the negro down before officers came to the sheriff's aid.

**DR. DAVID M. RAMSAY ACCEPTS.**

**Becomes President of Greenville Female College in June.**

Greenville, Feb. 26.—In a telegram received this morning by the secretary of the board of trustees of Greenville Female College the Rev. David M. Ramsay, D. D., pastor of Grace Street Baptist church, Richmond, Va., stated that he had decided to accept the offer of the presidency of Greenville Female College, which position was tendered him several weeks ago by the executive committee of the institution, representing the board of trustees. It is understood that Dr. Ramsay announced his decision to his congregation in Richmond at this morning's service.

The newly elected head of the Greenville Female College will enter upon his duties soon after the commencement exercises of the college, in the first week of June, and will spend the summer working in the interests of the institution.

David M. Ramsay was born in Greenville county. He is a graduate of Richmond College and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. His first pastorate was in Tuscaloosa, Ala., from which place he went to the Citadel Square Baptist church, of Charleston, where he remained for 15 years. Three years ago he accepted a call to Grace Street Baptist church.

**Negroes Strike for Higher Wages.**

Charleston, Feb. 22.—Several hundred negro laborers went on a strike to-day at several of the phosphate works in the suburbs. The negroes wanted an increase from \$1.50 to \$2.10, which was refused and then the negroes quit work. Some of them paraded around with red banners, instigating other negroes to stop work, and several arrests followed. The negroes have been making these demands generally every year and the works have been allowing them increases. Now it is said that the increases are to stop. Sheriff Martin has put a special force of deputies about the mills for better protection of life and property.

**Has Voted It Out.**

The Circus Owners' Association has voted that billboard advertising is no good and that its members will use the newspapers exclusively hereafter. If the bill board does not give the circus satisfaction, what value can it have for any one at all? It emphatically is an eyesore and a public nuisance in various other ways. When the average person became able to read its end was near at hand.

**Dispenses With Pardon Board.**

Gov. Blease has decided to dispense with the State board of pardons. He, as the governor of South Carolina, will act independently on all petitions for pardon, commutation or parole presented to him.

Gov. Blease said yesterday that he would refuse to refer any case to the board for review. There were rumors to the effect that Gov. Blease would dismiss several of the members of the board. When asked as to the status of the case, he replied: "Well, I have recalled the papers in their hands, and I will not refer any more cases to them."

The members of the State board of pardons are: R. Mays Cleveland, chairman, Greenville; W. A. Clarke, Columbia, secretary; and C. A. Savage, Walterboro.

The law requires that the board of pardons meet four times each year for the purpose of reviewing cases that might be desired by the governor of the State. It is not required that the governor of the State send cases to the board for review. The matter is left by the law in his discretion.

As provided by law, the members of the pardon board receive \$4 per day while actually at work and mileage.

Under the law the board will be required to meet and can only report to the governor that they have met and adjourned. Just whether this will be enough work to insure the drawing one day's pay is a question that will have to be decided.

Several weeks ago Gov. Blease addressed a letter to Secretary W. A. Clark asking that he return all petitions for pardons. The papers were returned.

**A Chicago Weapon.**

Against Frank Smith, cook at the La Salle street railway station, his assistant, Anna Hysick, makes the following complaint:

"Frank Smith, late of the city of Chicago, did on Jan. 24, 1911, at the city of Chicago, county of Cook, State of Illinois, aforesaid, then and there being, did and there with a certain instrument commonly called hot baked potato, said hot baked potato being a dangerous and deadly weapon without any considerable provocation whatever, and under circumstances showing an abandoned and malignant heart, did assault Anna Hysick with intent to do bodily injury."—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

**BLEASE RECONSIDERS.**

**Will Use Whiskey Constables to Enforce the Labor Law.**

Although Gov. Blease has previously announced on several occasions his disapproval of the factory inspection law and although he vetoed the appropriation for the two factory inspectors he has now changed his position and says that the factory inspection law will be enforced out of the fund of \$5,000 at his disposal for the enforcement of the law. He takes this action following the denunciation of his veto of the factory inspection appropriation by the City Federation of Trades. He said that his whiskey constables would enforce the factory inspection law.

"It doesn't follow because I have vetoed any appropriation for the salaries of Watson's factory inspectors, that I intend the factory inspection law to go unenforced," said Gov. Blease. "I have a fund of \$5,000 for law enforcement, and I mean to work for the enforcement of all the laws, including those relating to labor."

**Hours of Labor.**

"Out of my \$5,000 appropriation I propose to see that the work heretofore done by Col. Watson's factory inspectors is done by men commissioned by myself. I shall look after the enforcement of the regulation relative to hours of labor in stores."

He declared that he had no idea of replying to the resolution adopted by the City Federation of Trades.

"Nothing that a walking delegate may say," said Gov. Blease "can convince the factory people that I am not their friend. They know that I am their friend. I have always been their friend."

The factory inspection law says the commissioner of agriculture may employ two factory inspectors.

**A Race with a Tiger.**

M. Rosny, a French writer, traveler and sportsman, once enjoyed a race with a tiger. It was in the Malay Peninsula that M. Rosny had this adventure. When, one morning, he caught sight of a bicycle standing in a plantation shed he could not resist the temptation of taking a ride, in view of the fact that he had not had a spin on a wheel since leaving France. He rode for about six miles through the rice and coffee fields, and then found himself in the heart of a forest. As he was enjoying the beauty of the place there came to his ears the sound of crunching branches, and he very soon realized that something massive but light footed was approaching. Thirty yards from where he was a tiger had emerged from the jungle. At the time of the beast's appearance Rosny was dismounted and seated on the ground.

He dared not move a finger. To reach his wheel he must get to the road. This was impossible without attracting the attention of the beast, and in two leaps the tiger would be upon the Frenchman.

With great nonchalance the tiger at length turned toward the depths of the forest. Then, unable to endure this situation longer, Rosny clambered to his feet, scampered over the intervening obstacles, caught the bicycle, and ran alongside, his hands on the handle-bars.

In a flash, as he was mounting, he caught sight of the big tiger crouching for a spring. He heard the beast at the first bound land not far behind him. In the brief space between the first and second bounds the Frenchman got himself well started and balanced for the struggle.

His fourth bound brought the tiger very near. The next time the Frenchman felt the wind of his fall. A second later his shoulder or paw touched the tire and made the rider swerve. Then Rosny lost one pedal, then both. He regained them both, but on account of the delay a claw once more grazed the rear tire.

At this instant the participants in this terrible race came to a very narrow bridge—two boards side by side over an irrigation canal. The bicycle went over it as true as an arrow. The passage must have slightly retarded the tiger, for, although the Frenchman dared not look round, he felt the beast to be further off.

They were now between two fields of bananas. A small tree had been cut and thrown into the road, so that it completely barred the way. There was nothing to do but to try to take it at top speed. The Frenchman pedaled, and, although nearly thrown over by the shock of crossing the obstacle, he succeeded in recovering his balance, and going on, on, until he reached a smart decline, down which he rolled like a cannon ball. At a turning of the road the plantation buildings came into view.

The Frenchman could not say when the tiger abandoned the race. When the rider shot into the group of his friends his first instinct was to look around in the expectation of finding the beast at his heels, ready to slay all.—Harper's Weekly.

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