

**WILL GO TO CONFERENCE.**

**PROBERS FIND NO TRIAL IS NECESSARY.**

Rev. A. J. Cauthen was not Given Right to Associate Others With Him as Prosecutors.

Greenville, Sept. 17.—Presiding Elder P. F. Kilgo tonight gave out the following statement bearing on the investigation into charges against the Rev. S. A. Nettles, editor of the Southern Christian Advocate:

"Rev. S. A. Nettles, having requested an investigation of rumors detrimental to him, the committee of investigation, composed of Rev. L. P. McGee, Rev. W. E. Wiggins, and Rev. W. M. Owings, met at St. Paul's Methodist church, Greenville, S. C., Wednesday, September 17, at 3 o'clock p. m., Rev. P. F. Kilgo, presiding elder, in the chair. Rev. O. M. Abney was appointed secretary and Miss Beam stenographer.

"Rev. E. S. Jones appeared as counsel for the accused and requested that each witness be examined without the presence of other witnesses. Rev. A. J. Cauthen appeared as a prosecuting witness and claimed the right to associate with him, as co-prosecuting witnesses, about one-fourth of the witnesses summoned. The chair ruled they would have to appoint one of their number, as the accuser or prosecuting witness.

**Will Appeal to Conference.**

"After a brief consultation with one another, Mr. Cauthen said, 'We died. We are ruling and have it was an accident, you, and will carry the coroner came annual conference, this morning.

"quest over Mr. Jones, some of his Rain help with him. Where cooler chair addressed the remaining witnesses, asking them if they had any accusations to bring against Rev. S. A. Nettles. There being no response, the chair instructed the committee to prepare their decision and they rendered the following: 'No accusation and no evidence having been brought before the committee, we find no trial necessary.'

P. F. KILGO, President,  
O. M. ABNEY, Secretary,  
L. P. MCGEE,  
W. E. WIGGINS,  
W. M. OWINGS,  
Committee."

The Rev. E. S. Jones, who represented Rev. S. A. Nettles in the investigation held this afternoon, made the following statement last night:

**Mr. Jones' Statement.**

"This investigation was called at the request of Mr. Nettles. For some time untrue rumors of an irritating and reflecting character had been coming to Mr. Nettles' ears, and he decided that the best course to be pursued was to ask for an investigation. In the letter he addressed to Rev. B. F. Kilgo, presiding elder of this district, Mr. Nettles stated that Rev. A. J. Cauthen, of Spartanburg, claimed to know of these derogatory matters.

"When Mr. Cauthen was requested to appear before the investigating committee, he wrote that he would be on hand, but that he would not appear as Mr. Nettles' accuser, for he knew nothing against him, but would simply furnish accusations that have logically been given me.' The presiding elder then requested Mr. Cauthen to furnish him the names of these accusers in order that they might be notified to appear before the committee of investigation. Mr. Cauthen replied with a list of 55 names. Each of these was informed by letter of the date, place and purpose of the investigation and was asked to be present. Many of them did not appear. As a matter of fact, many of the persons whose names appeared on the list furnished by Mr. Cauthen expressed surprise at being summoned, stating that they knew nothing whatever against Mr. Nettles, and one of them goes so far as to say that, prior to the receipt of the summons, he had never heard of either Mr. Nettles or Mr. Cauthen. In view of these facts, it is difficult to understand by what 'logical' channel accusations by these parties reached Mr. Cauthen's hands.

**Appeared as Accuser.**

"Mr. Cauthen appeared before the investigating committee this afternoon in the character of the accuser or prosecuting witness. When the time came to begin the taking of testimony, Mr. Jones, as Mr. Nettles' counsel, requested that each witness give his testimony without other witnesses being present. Mr. Cauthen made strenuous objection to this, stating that there would be quite a number of others associated with him as prosecuting witnesses. The chair said that, in his opinion, this joining of others as prosecuting witnesses in order to have them present throughout the proceedings, would amount to a dodging of the church law on the point, and, therefore, ruled that only one person could remain present throughout the proceedings as prosecuting witness.

**Reason Obvious.**

"The reason why Mr. Nettles desired the exclusion of all witnesses except the one testifying is obvious. It is not positively known why Mr. Cauthen was so strongly opposed to this usual manner of procedure, but from what was said on the floor by one of Mr. Cauthen's associates who desired to be present during all the examination of witnesses, apparently the reason was not because they had any testimony to offer against Mr. Nettles, but merely because they wanted to see that it was not made to appear that Mr. Cauthen was prosecuting Mr. Nettles.

"Mr. Nettles regrets exceedingly that, after all preparations had been made to go thoroughly into the matter, Mr. Cauthen refused to produce the accusations which he had promised to produce on this occasion."

**TWO MEN ARE ARRESTED.**

Arthur Ward and Henry Gary Fall Into the Custody of Sheriff.

Laurens, Sept. 18.—Wanted for the alleged murder of Gordon Norris September 7, at Stottsboro, Jackson county, Ala., two young white men, Arthur Ward and Henry Gary, were arrested and lodged in jail here early today by Sheriff John D. Owings. The arrests were made at Clinton, where it is said the men had been under surveillance for several days. Tomorrow Deputy Sheriff Reid will take the fugitives to Chattanooga, Tenn., where he will turn them over to the sheriff of Jackson county. Both men deny their guilt but admit they are from the section where the alleged killing occurred.

David Hamilton, a young man of the upper section of this county, was arrested today by a deputy United States marshal and carried to Edgefield, where he is charged with breaking into the Trenton postoffice early in this month. Hamilton denies that he had any connection with the trouble at Trenton.

**Attempts to Shake Arc-Light, Killed.**

Monroe, N. C., Sept. 17.—Thinking to do what he had often before done himself and seen others do, Mr. Ellison H. Bivens, local manager of the Southern Cotton Oil Company, caught hold of the chain of a sputtering arc-light in front of his home to-night about 9 o'clock, intending to shake the lamp and cause the carbon to burn more freely, and was instantly killed, it being estimated that fully 2,300 volts of electricity passed through his body.

Mr. Bivens, together with his wife and three children, had started to another part of town. Seeing that the light in front of his home was not burning properly, he seized the ring at the end of the chain which lowers a light of this type. The chain, it is supposed, had become heavily charged through a short-circuit probably caused by the recent heavy rains, and the death of Mr. Bivens was instantaneous.

It has been of common occurrence for citizens passing an arc-light burning feebly, to shake the lamp; in which case the carbon usually ignites more fully. Until to-night no harm had ever resulted from such help given the town's lighting system.

Mr. Bivens was the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Bivens of this city, was born in Union county and had lived the 35 years of his life here, gaining the warm regard and high esteem of the citizens by his exemplary character and good business ability. Besides his wife and three children, he is survived by two brothers and several sisters.

**GOTHAMITE ACTS QUEER.**

Asheville Police Take Man who Wants to Run Town.

Asheville, N. C., Sept. 20.—W. V. Lyons, of New York, to-day was taken in charge by the police at the request of relatives, who have asked that inquiry be made as to his sanity. Since coming to Asheville, two weeks ago, Lyons has attracted no little interest. Recently he declared his intention to remove from office the mayor and other city officials, and to stop the publication of the local newspapers. Today he distributed printed cards announcing his determination to dismiss the police force and reorganize the municipal government. Lyons apparently is plentifully supplied with money, and has purchased valuable property here.

prosecuting witnesses, Mr. Cauthen announced that he would proceed no further before the committee, but would appeal from the ruling of the chair, and take the matter before the next annual conference. Having so delivered himself, he and some of the witnesses abruptly withdrew. The witnesses who remained were then asked by the chair if they had anything to say against Mr. Nettles. There was no response, and the chair instructed the committee to prepare their decision. They decided that no trial was necessary.

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**LAWYERS AND THE LAW.**

Woeful Lack of Confidence Continues to Grow Steadily.

One of the most remarkable addresses delivered at the meeting of the American Bar Association, in Montreal, was that of Mr. Moorfield Storey, a leader of the Boston Bar, who declared to his brother lawyers that "our profession is to-day more discredited than ever before," and urged them not to delay the reforms which the people are demanding.

"There is no profession," said Mr. Storey, "which has suffered more from superstition, none in which tradition has exercised and still exercises a more baleful influence than our own. The common law which in theory 'broadens down from precedent to precedent,' has almost invariably been influenced too much by the past, and has been very slow to change its methods with the changing needs of society."

The result has been that instead of protecting the community against crime by making it dangerous and unprofitable to the criminal, the methods of criminal procedure have been allowed to become so cumbersome that society, "though anxious to free itself from a pest," finds itself handicapped at almost every stage of the proceedings and the criminal enjoys an advantage to which he is entitled upon no conceivable grounds. Justice is easy to defeat, and the courts which have been established for its administration are brought into disrepute.

Mr. Storey has no patience with the barriers which have been raised against the swift and sure discovery and punishment of crime. He denounces the practice which permits appeals to be taken again and again and upon all sorts of technicalities. He undertakes to expose the folly of the rule which protects a person arrested for crime from being questioned with a view to finding out whether or not he is guilty. He insists that the custom of allowing counsel to spend days in the empaneling of a jury, wasting the time of the court in the effort to gain some unfair advantage for their client, should be stopped.

The views voiced by Mr. Storey are shared by increasing numbers of the people. The enactment by Minnesota of a statute vesting ten members of a jury with the authority to render a verdict is a recognition of the fact that the unanimous verdict rests only upon precedent and unsupported by common sense. There are many other theories of the criminal law which are equally indefensible and which help to defeat the efforts of society to protect itself against those who are not properly mindful of the rights of others, so many, in fact, that even Mr. Taft, one of the most conservative of men, declares that "the administration of criminal law in this country is a disgrace to our civilization."

It is for the lawyers of the country to act if they would save their profession and preserve the courts against the contempt into which they are falling. The people do not know what it is wrong but they lack confidence in the power of the law to protect them against acts of aggression, they are convinced that the law as it is generally administered, discriminates against the man without means in favor of the man who has money, and there is bred in the land a feeling of hostility to law from the vicious consequences of which all of us suffer.

The Mississippi judges who recently met and adopted recommendations for changing the law so as to make it more responsive to justice, had the right idea. They would recognize that if courts would be trusted, they must prove themselves trustworthy.—News and Courier.

J. C. LEE, President

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**CARD OF THANKS.**

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WM. H. PATRICK.

**TAX NOTICE.**

The treasurer's office will be open for the collection of State, county, school and all other taxes from the 15th day of October, 1913 until the 15th day of March, 1914, inclusive.

From the first day of January, 1914, until the 31st day of January, 1914, a penalty of one per cent. will be added to all unpaid taxes. From the 1st day of February, 1914, until the 28th day of February, 1914, a penalty of 2 per cent. will be added to all unpaid taxes. From the 1st day of March, 1914, until the 15th day of March, 1914, a penalty of 7 per cent. will be added to all unpaid taxes.

**THE LEVY.**

For state purposes ..... 5 1/2 mills  
For county purposes ..... 5 1/2 mills  
Constitutional school tax ..... 3 mills  
For public schools ..... 1 mill  
For roads ..... 1/2 mill

Total ..... 15 1/2 mills

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Bamberg, No. 14 ..... 9 mills  
Binnakers, No. 12 ..... 3 mills  
Buford's Bridge, No. 7 ..... 2 mills  
Clear Pond, No. 19 ..... 2 mills  
Colston, No. 18 ..... 2 mills  
Cuffie Creek, No. 17 ..... 2 mills  
Denmark, No. 21 ..... 6 1/2 mills  
Ehrhardt, No. 22 ..... 9 mills  
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Govan, No. 11 ..... 4 mills  
Hutto, No. 6 ..... 2 mills  
Hampton, No. 3 ..... 2 mills  
Heyward, No. 24 ..... 2 mills  
Hopewell, No. 1 ..... 3 mills  
Hunter's Chapel, No. 16 ..... 4 mills  
Lees, No. 23 ..... 4 mills  
Midway, No. 2 ..... 2 mills  
Oak Grove, No. 20 ..... 2 mills  
Olar, No. 8 ..... 4 mills  
St. John's, No. 10 ..... 2 mills  
Salem, No. 9 ..... 3 mills  
Three Mile, No. 4 ..... 2 mills

All persons between the ages of twenty-one and sixty years of age, except Confederate soldiers and sailors, who are exempt at 50 years of age, are liable to a poll tax of one dollar.

Capitation dog tax 50 cents.  
All persons who were 21 years of age on or before the 1st day of January, 1913 are liable to a poll tax of one dollar, and all who have not made returns to the Auditor, are requested to do so on or before the 1st of January, 1914.

I will receive the commutation road tax of two (\$2.00) dollars from the 15th day of October, 1913, until the 1st day of March, 1914.

G. A. JENNINGS,  
Treasurer Bamberg County.

**TEACHER'S EXAMINATION.**

The regular examination for certificates to teach in the public schools of Bamberg county will be held Friday, October 3, beginning at 9 o'clock a. m., at the court house. This will be the last examination held till May, 1914. All teachers who have not certificates will please bear this in mind, as no teacher is allowed to teach who has not a certificate.

R. W. D. ROWELL,  
County Supt. of Education.

F. E. GIBSON, Sect'y & Treas.

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