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LYNCHED THEM BOTH

For the Murder of Mr. W. K. Jay Near Troy, S. C.

THEY ACCUSED EACH OTHER

Man and Wife Quarreled and Jay Ordered Peace Then One or the Other Shot His Own Off From Their House.

A special dispatch to The State from Greenwood of Saturday says...

The alarm was at once given and the immediate neighbors rushed in...

The gun with which the murder was committed was carried to old Bill Wideman's house...

It is now a fact. Wireless telegraphy is now an assured fact.

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A Street Duel. At Nichols, Ga., on Wednesday...

Santa Claus Searched. A dispatch from Georgetown to The State says Tuesday night...

Frozen to Death. Joseph Harlow, an old prospector, missing for the past three weeks...

AWFUL RAILROAD ACCIDENT.

Twenty-eight Killed and Many Seriously Wounded.

The most frightful railroad accident in the annals of the past decade happened a short distance from the little station of Wanstead, Can., on the Sarnia branch of the Grand Trunk railway, Saturday night.

There was a dreadful crash the locomotive reared up and fell over in a ditch.

Many of the dead were terribly mutilated. Heads were cut off, legs wrenched from the bodies and the level stretch of snow became crimson with the blood of the victims.

The responsibility for the accident has not been definitely fixed, but it is believed to have been due to a telegraph operator's error.

The following bullet: Jesson, driver of Chesapeake and Potomac, Columbia shows that the severe weather is general.

A Great Sensation. A dispatch from Dresden says all Saxony is agog with dread and speculation resulting from the flight of Crown Princess Louise.

The Railroad Help. The Columbia State says a short time ago the state treasurer wrote a letter to the different railroad companies asking them to consent to pay their annual taxes into the state treasury.

Needed in Hawaii. Thomas Fortune, special labor commissioner appointed by Secretary Shaw to visit the Philippines and Hawaiian islands is at Honolulu.

THIRTY INJURED

By the Explosion of Gas at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

SIXTEEN SERIOUSLY HURT

A Crowd Was Gathered to Hear Returns From New Orleans Races When the Explosion Occurred.

At Hot Springs, Arkansas, Wednesday afternoon in the cellar of the turf exchange, a club house and pool room operated by Chambers & Walker, the building was badly damaged and 30 people were injured.

R. C. Chambers, one of the proprietors of the turf exchange, both legs and both wrists broken.

Wm. Helwig, a blind man, manager of a bath house, both legs broken, will die.

The injured are: J. S. Meeks, Hot Springs, Ark., both legs broken.

Wm. Metzger, a boy, Hot Springs, both legs broken and skull fractured, will die.

James Couglin, plumber, Hot Springs, leg broken.

C. G. Barker, Milwaukee, Wis., both legs broken.

Al. F. Hotchkiss, Hot Springs, knee fractured.

Wm. George, New York, leg broken.

F. Cranford, Cincinnati, both legs broken, ribs crushed.

Walter Powers, St. Louis, arm broken.

Thomas Daly, Hot Springs, both legs broken.

THE MEANEST MAN.

He Has Been Found at Los Angeles, California.

The worst thing about some stories is that they are lies. The worst thing about this story is that it is literally true.

A well known woman went out riding a few days ago. She had her pocketbook with her. The pocketbook contained some money.

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Helped the Robbers. At Chicago on Wednesday...

TO PLANT TOBACCO.

Experts Make Charge of Considerable Acreage Near Columbia.

SOME FACTS FOR PIONEERS.

Mr. Waddell Talks About Soil of the Land and Its Suitability for Culture of Weed.

The Columbia States says Mr. H. S. Waddell, who is in charge of the tobacco culture at Columbia, has arrived in the city.

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POBILY MURDERED.

Mr. W. F. Hudson Found Dead in His Room.

A dispatch to The State from Camden says that the tragedy was enacted at the Wateree River bridge, generally known as the iron bridge.

The body was found in his bed in a pool of blood, in his house by the river bridge on the west bank of the Wateree.

A blood trail leading from the great wooden gates of the bridge, which are about 50 feet from the house, to the bed, indicate that the shooting took place at the gates.

The three gates are closed every night and the person or persons who committed the murder came from the east side of the river as the postern shows marks on it as if some one had tried to prize it open from that side.

The body was found on the desk, but it is not supposed that he had it with him when he went to the gate.

It is believed that the murderer was a man who was in the neighborhood of the bridge at the time.

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THANKSGIVING OFFERING.

Twenty Million Dollars Raised by Methodist Episcopal Church.

Success has crowned the efforts of the Methodist Episcopal Church to raise a \$20,000,000 Thanksgiving fund.

The fund is being raised by a series of offerings throughout the denomination.

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MAIL BOX SCANDAL.

A Rev. Manufacturer Was Selected and Favored by Smith.

Attention was made in the Spartanburg Herald some time ago of the very unusual proceeding on the part of the subcommittee of the committee on appropriations.

The committee on appropriations, in recommending an increase in salary for the superintendent of the rural free delivery service and the chief of the division of salary and allowance, of the post office department, without the recommendation of the postmaster general.

As a sequel to the episode mentioned what promises to be a very interesting matter has come up in regard to the officials of the postoffice department.

It is said that an investigation will be asked to be conducted by congress. The matter is in connection with the box question of the rural free delivery service.

During the administration of Postmaster General Smith a regulation of the department required that boxes purchased for use on rural free delivery routes must be selected from a certain number of boxes, approved by the department, and made by a small number of the manufacturers of such goods.

Disaffection was caused by this regulation, both because the patrons of the service disliked to be forced to buy a certain box, and because certain manufacturers were apparently favored by the regulation.

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