

THREATENED LIFE

OF J. FRAZER LYON.

Major John Black, Member of State Board of Control, Creates a Big Sensation in Columbia.

Columbia, May 25.—There was a sensation here today when it was announced that Maj. John Black, dispensary director, had cursed out Mr. J. Frazer Lyon on the street before breakfast. Maj. Black is a very excitable man and dangerous when in a passion. Nothing but Mr. Lyon's coolness prevented bloodshed. Maj. Black accused the investigating committee of going too deep into his private affairs. He applied vile epithets to Mr. Lyon's associate, Senator Christensen, and said he felt like blowing up Mr. Lyon on the spot. He told Mr. Lyon to arm himself. Mr. Lyon was on his way from his flats to the hotel for breakfast at Wright's. The meeting occurred in front of the Columbia Hotel. Mr. Lyon walked back to his room a moment and when he returned Major Black was not around.

REMOVE BLACK FROM OFFICE.

Before the investigating committee, Mr. Lyon calmly placed the information and Senator Christensen added that last winter Mr. Hub Evans threatened to shoot Mr. T. W. Klingenberg, special attorney, if the witness should go on the stand to testify against Mr. Evans. The committee after taking the matter under advisement, decided to refer the matter to the governor with the suggestion that Maj. Black should be removed from office. Gov. Heyward is out of the city today.

Have you pains in the back, inflammation of any kind, rheumatism, fainting spells, indigestion or constipation, Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea makes you well, keeps you well. 35 cents. Ask your druggist.

Hobson's Election Expenses.

It comes high to run for Congress in Alabama. In his certified statement of election expenses, it appears that it cost Capt. Hobson just \$5,945 to beat Congress Bankhead. We hope it will never come to pass in this State that it is necessary to spend so much on a campaign. If so, our best citizens will remain in private life. — Greenville Mountaineer.

DOUBLE HANGING AT KINGSTREE.

Two negroes Pay Death Penalty for Committing Murder.

Kingstree, May 25.—Promptly at 1 o'clock today Epps Snowden was hanged within the jail for the murder of Bob Brown, some time in the fall of 1905. The condemned man showed no signs of nervousness as the grim tragedy of the law fell upon him from the principal actor. He walked firmly from his cell without assistance and took his place beneath the fatal noose without a quiver. Just before the drop, he made a statement, saying that he had no intention of killing Bob Brown, the night he went to the store and that it was all the result of a drunken frolic. The neck was not broken and he died of strangulation.

Arthur McFadden was hanged as soon as the body of Epps Snowden was taken away from the death chamber. He shot George Burgess at Cade's some time last winter and was convicted of murder at the last term of court.

Petitions for the pardon or commutation of sentence were presented for both Epps Snowden and Arthur McFadden, but in both cases the Governor declined to interfere. McFadden, as in the case of Snowden, was game to the end and showed no nervousness while the preparations were being made. He protested his innocence to the last and said he was being hanged for some other man's crime. He admitted that he had had a row with Burgess a week before and had cut him, but claimed that he was not in Cade's at all the night of the killing. McFadden died of strangulation.

These two executions took place in private within the jail and in the presence of only the officers and a few witnesses. This makes five hangings in Williamsburg since January 1st.

Fire at Hickory Tavern.

Last Thursday afternoon the cottage of Mr. Lawrence Bolt, of the Hickory Tavern section, in Sullivan township, was totally destroyed by fire, together with all his household goods. The fire occurred about 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and is supposed to have started from a defective stove flue.

An Edgefield Drop-Stitch Skirt.

Yes, Maud dear, we cannot imagine how or where you heard it, but Dr. James S. Byrd did actually tug at our arm at Red Hill last Sunday to go with him and look at what he called "a sweet drop-stitch skirt." We said to him: "Little boys oughtn't to be so knowing, but still we will go with you." The skirt was one of fine white lawn, worn by a tall and beautiful young girl with blonde hair and a matchless complexion. It consisted entirely of finely-tucked panels six inches wide, the tucks and panels running up and down; and between each panel there ran, up and down, a row of wide and extremely thin inserting. It had no flounce or frill, and flared out at the bottom. It was the most beautiful skirt we saw that day, and we said to young Dr. Byrd: "That is a perfectly lovely skirt, and you are very impudent to be calling it drop-stitch." But the young doctor insisted that it was drop-stitch. He said: "I think it is lovely too, but it is sure drop-stitch." Alas, Maud dear, boys of the present day are so knowing!—Col. Jas. T. Bacon, in the Edgefield Chronicle.

What Gen. M. C. Butler is Doing.

Gen. M. C. Butler for fifty years has been fighting in the courts on the Cherokee Indian claim, and the Supreme Court has just rendered a verdict in favor of the Indians. As one of the counsel in the case Gen. Butler is very much interested in the collection of the money, out of which he is to receive a handsome fee—over \$75,000.—Edgefield Chronicle.

We have just received a shipment of Moccato Neta for either wood or iron beds, and we will be glad to show you our line at any time. S. M. & E. H. Wilkes & Co.

DECIDED IN DR. CALDWELL'S FAVOR.

Result of the Trial of Texas Divine by General Assembly. Greenville, May 24.—Victory by one vote was recorded for Dr. W. E. Caldwell, of Fort Worth, Texas, today in the case involving charges against him. The General Assembly of Southern Presbyterian Church heard many arguments in the Caldwell case before a vote was ordered. This resulted as follows: Seventy-nine votes to sustain the complaint of Dr. Caldwell against the action of the Synod of Texas in ordering the presbytery to dissolve the relations between him and the First Presbyterian Church, of Fort Worth, Texas; eleven votes to sustain the complaint in part, and eighty-nine votes against Dr. Caldwell, making a majority of one vote for the complainant. The Moderator named a special committee to investigate and report on the eleven votes, which were cast for partial ratification of Dr. Caldwell's course.

Only the question of the legality of the Synod of Texas was considered. The merits of its action were not touched upon. The complaint charged the Synod with acting illegally, and in the second count with being unjust and unfair to Dr. Caldwell. Since the first charge is virtually sustained the second count was withdrawn by consent when the vote was announced.

THE VOTE.

The vote on the complaint was taken by Synods, the South Carolina Commissioners voting as follows: In favor of sustaining the complaint: F. D. Jones, Bunyan McLeod, B. Duzenberry.

To sustain the complaint of Fort Worth Session against the Synod of Texas: W. M. McPeeters, R. A. Thompson, J. W. Bankhead, T. J. Robins, P. A. Emanuel, A. A. James, J. O. Templeton, F. E. Thomas.

To sustain the complaint against the Synod in Dr. Caldwell's views in part: Robert Adams, W. J. McKay, J. G. Henderson, A. W. White, M. S. Stripling.

Dr. William Caldwell, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Fort Worth, Texas, entertains some views which are regarded as heretical by most Presbyterians. Briefly, he was charged with being out of harmony with the Presbyterians Standard with regard to the Mosaic authorship of the Pentateuch to the historic accuracy of the earlier chapters of Genesis, the miraculous element in the Old Testament, and lastly, Caldwell holds that Christ died not as a penal substitute instead of man, but simply for man.

But these questions were not properly before the Assembly. The Fort Worth Presbytery accepted Dr. Caldwell, and he is pastor of the First Church. Some members of the Presbytery made complaint to the Synod, which referred the matter back to the Presbytery, which again sustained Caldwell. Then the Synod reversed the action of the Presbytery. The questions before the Assembly were whether the Synod acted legally and within the constitution, and whether its action was unjust and mistaken.

Some of the speakers, who have been on the floor, confined themselves to the matters at issue, but most of them made some references to the answers of Dr. Caldwell with regard to the historical accuracy of certain sections of the Bible.

The general public will not trouble to go into the technical details of the case, and only the verdict will be considered.

UNION COTTON MILLS SOLD.

Bid in by the Re-organized Company for \$1,238,400.00.

Union, May, 23.—The plant and accounts of the Union Cotton Mills of which T. C. Duncanson was formerly president, were sold at auction today by Christie Bennett, who was appointed by the federal court to conduct the sale. The property was bid in by Wm. Elliott of Columbia, attorney for the Union and Buffalo Mills, the purchase price being \$1,238,400, being just \$32.74 more than the upset price fixed by the Federal court. The bid by Mr. Elliott was the only one made. Mr. Robertson required the deposit of a certified check for \$50,000.

The plant was purchased by Mr. Elliott for the re-organized committee, and the company will continue the operation of plant. Since the reorganization committee has had charge of the affairs of the mill it is understood that it has been making money.

The goods in the mill were appraised by A. W. Smith of Spartanburg, H. L. Moody of Victor Mills, and T. J. Britton of Spartan Mills.

DEATH OF MISS MONTGOMERY.

Due to an Over-dose of Laudanum Taken Wednesday Morning.

Spartanburg, May 23.—Miss Marie Montgomery, the eldest daughter of Mr. Victor Montgomery of this city, died this morning at 11 o'clock. Death was from the result of an overdose of laudanum, which drug the young lady had been taking under prescription.

Miss Montgomery retired last night at her usual hour, and this morning at 7 o'clock she was found in an unconscious condition. Dr. L. J. Blake, the family physician, was hastily summoned but the young lady was beyond the reach of human aid. Up to the end she was unconscious.

Miss Montgomery was a graduate of Limestone Female College, and was quite popular both at that institution and in this city. She had a bright personality and was liked by all who knew her.

This is the third death which has occurred in the family of Mr. Montgomery within the last year. About a year ago Mrs. Horace Bomar, one of his daughters died and only a few months ago Mrs. Montgomery passed away. The death of Miss Marie Montgomery at this time will be a great blow to her family and to her many friends over the State.

Miss Montgomery was a niece of Mr. W. S. Montgomery, treasurer of the Laurens Cotton Mills. Mr. Lamar Smith, head book-keeper at the Laurens Cotton Mills office, was one of the pallbearers at Miss Montgomery's funeral which took place Thursday.

STATE CAMPAIGN ITINERARY.

Opens at St. George's June 19th and Closes at Laurens August 15th.

Columbia, May 23.—The sub-committee of the State Executive Committee to-night adopted and promulgated the following campaign itinerary for the approaching State campaign: St. George's, Tuesday, June 19th. Charleston, Wednesday, June 20th. Walterboro, Thursday, June 21st. Bamflet, Friday, June 22nd. Hampton, Saturday, June 23rd. Bamberg, Monday, June 25th. Aiken, Wednesday, June 27th. Edgefield, Thursday, June 28th. Saluda, Friday, June 29th. Lexington, Saturday, June 30th. Columbia, Monday, July 9th. Orangeburg, Tuesday, July 10th. Sumter, Wednesday, July 11th. Manning, Thursday, July 12th. Monks Corner, Friday, July 13th. Georgetown, Saturday, July 14th. Kingstree, Monday, July 16th. Florence, Tuesday, July 17th. Marion, Wednesday, July 18th. Conway, Friday, July 20th. Darlington, Saturday, July 21st. Bishopville, Tuesday, July 24th. Bennettsville, Wednesday, July 25th. Chesterfield, Thursday, July 26th. Camden, Friday, July 27th. Lancaster, Saturday, July 28th. Chester, Monday, July 30th. Winnsboro, Tuesday, July 31st. Yorkville, Wednesday, August 1st. Gaffney, Thursday, August 2d. Spartanburg, Friday, August 3d. Union, Saturday, August 4th. Newberry, Tuesday, August 7th. Greenwood, Wednesday, August 8th. Abbeville, Thursday, August 9th. Anderson, Friday, August 10th. Walhalla, Saturday, August 11th. Pickens, Monday, August 13th. Greenville, Tuesday, August 14th. Laurens, Wednesday, August 15th.

CLAIMS ABOUT SETTLED.

Congressman Johnson's Efforts to Secure \$147,000 for Pettit Heirs.

Washington, May 23.—Representative Johnson is about to get an old claim settled that will be of interest to several people in Spartanburg county.

At the breaking out of the war B. F. Pettit, of Spartanburg county, had a contract for carrying the mails from Glenn Springs to Laurens. When the war began he had to stop his work, and the government owed him \$147. Nothing could be done toward the collection of this claim as long as the war lasted, and since hostilities ceased nothing has been done with the claim until recently. A short time ago Mr. Johnson took it up, and he said today that he had just succeeded in having the house pass the claim. This means that the heirs of Pettit living in Spartanburg county will shortly receive the money—\$147—that has been due for so long.—Spartanburg Journal.

"A LOCKED POUCH."

What Newberry Gets in the Way of Better Mail Service.

With evident disgust the Newberry Observer last Friday printed on its local page the following item:

"There has been a demand for some time for mail on the C. N. and L. early morning and evening trains—and we have got it with a vengeance. The postoffice here has received the following:

"Atlanta, Ga., May 21, 1906.

"Postmaster,

"Newberry, S. C.

"Commencing May 24th you will be due to receive on train 21, at 7:06 p. m., a locked pouch from Columbia, S. C., and you will forward return pouch for Columbia, S. C., by train 22, at 8:35 a. m., daily except Sunday.

"The only effect of this worth mentioning is that it will compel the post-office employees to be at the postoffice to open that 'locked pouch'—which will have no mail in it any consequence—none whatever from this side of Columbia. And the next morning the empty pouch will be sent back to Columbia.

"This is great. As a matter of accommodation it is literally 'out of sight.'"

HELP HARD TO GET.

Spartanburg Mills Experiencing Trouble in Obtaining Operatives.

Says the Spartanburg Journal:

The cotton mills in this county are having considerable difficulty in securing sufficient help in the mills to operate the mills on full time. The demand for operatives is general throughout the entire county, and the conditions here are said to exist in mills in other sections of the State.

The demand for labor in the mills has been increasing for several months owing to the fact that many of the mill operatives have quit the mills and returned to the country to work on farms.

NOTICE

Of Stockholders' Meeting.

The State of South Carolina, County of Laurens.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a resolution passed by the Board of Directors of the Enterprise Bank, of Laurens, S. C., a meeting of the Stockholders of said Bank is hereby called to meet on Saturday morning, June 30th, 1906, at 11 o'clock, at its place of business at Laurens, S. C., for the purpose of considering increasing its Capital Stock Fifty Thousand Dollars, making its Capital One Hundred instead of Fifty Thousand Dollars.

ENTERPRISE BANK, For N. B. DIAL, President.

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COLLEGE OF CHARLETON, Charleston, S. C.

Entrance examinations will be held in the County Court House on Friday, July 6, at 9 a. m. One Free Tuition Scholarship to each county of South Carolina awarded by the County Superintendent of Education and Judge of Probate. Board of Examiners in Room 2, Dormitory, \$11. A month's furnished room in Dormitory, admission are permitted to compete for vacant Boyer Scholarships which pay \$100. a year. For catalogue and information, address: HARRISON RANDOLPH, President.

VACATION FOR R. F. D. CARRIERS.

Fifteen Days Rest Annually With Full Pay is Assured.

Washington, May 24.—An annual vacation of fifteen days, with full pay, is assured the rural free delivery carriers of the country, by the terms of an amendment which Senator Clay succeeded in having incorporated upon the post-office committee today.

Senator Clay will make every endeavor to secure the retention of this provision when the bill gets before the Senate, and there is good reason to expect he will be successful, as there were but two votes against his amendment in the committee. The hard fight will be to induce the house leaders to agree to the amendment when the bill gets to conference, but with the strong favorable sentiment among the members of the house, it is believed this can be done.

With the vacation provision engrafted upon the laws, it will remain a fixture for this branch of the service, as it is of other branches, and increase of annual pay will come later. Other important amendments affecting the rural delivery were placed upon the bill by Senator Clay and the friends of this branch of the service.

A total appropriation for rural delivery of \$28,700,000 is carried by the bill as it passes from the hands of the Senate committee. This is about a million more than the estimates of the postoffice department.

The object of this increase is made plain by certain provisions adopted. One of these is that there is to be no discontinuance of the rural free mail delivery service where it has once been established. Another is that the work of establishing the service in other directions shall continue with the ultimate aim of carrying the benefits of the service of every farm house in the entire country. This means that in the not far future the rural sections of all States will be covered by rural delivery routes.

It is apparent that Congress does not intend that the service shall be crippled, or that there shall be any discontinuance of the progressive policy of the post.

The Senate committee has retained in the bill the provision for the Southern fast mail train, by which Atlanta and all points beyond are given the same mail facilities as are enjoyed by other sections of the country.

COTTON ACREAGE STATEMENT.

An Increase of 736,228 Acres Over the 1905 Crop.

Atlanta, May 23.—The Southern Cotton Association by President Harvie Jordan and Secretary Richard Cheat-ham, issued the following statement regarding the cotton acreage for the year 1906:

"Replies received from a very large number of our 17,000 correspondents enables us to give out the following report on cotton acreage for 1906 compared with 1905:

State.	1906 acrs.	1905 acrs.	Inc. Dec.
Louisiana	1,836,118	1,610,074	1,560
Arkansas	1,827,427	1,730,336	2,077
Georgia	3,922,767	3,826,717	2,511
Alabama	3,621,978	3,571,718	1,411
Texas	7,727,892	7,811,071	5,071
North Carolina	1,096,523	1,116,829	1,841
South Carolina	2,173,861	2,212,307	1,710
Tennessee	799,396	780,798	1,100
Mississippi	3,106,906	3,145,633	1,633
Indian Territory	944,913	883,404	13,338
Oklahoma	471,823	426,717	8,938
Florida	375,366	383,508	6,055
Missouri			
Total	28,735,870	26,099,642	

The statement shows an increase of 736,228 acres this year over that planted in 1905, a net increase of 2.76 per cent. These figures are to be verified or corrected at a meeting of the State presidents at Jackson, Miss., May 31.

The statement further says that the scarcity of labor, especially in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and Arkansas will cause at least 10 per cent. of the acreage now planted to be abandoned on account of the lack of necessary hands to cultivate the crop. Frosts about May 8-10 caused considerable damage and replanting.

It will be to your interest to see our line of solid oak, beautifully finished, Bed-Room Suits before you buy, as we buy them in car-load lots, and they are going at prices that will be money saved for you.

S. M. & E. H. Wilkes & Co.

Charleston & Western Carolina Railway

(Schedule in effect April 16, 1905.)

No. 2	Daily	No. 42	Daily
Lv Laurens	1:50 pm	Lv Laurens	2:35 pm
Ar Greenwood	2:46 "	Ar Fairfax	4:41 "
Ar Augusta	5:20 "	Ar Charleston	7:40 "
Ar Anderson	7:10 "	Ar Beaufort	6:30 "
		Ar Port Royal	6:40 "
		Ar Savannah	6:45 "
		Ar Waycross	10:00 "

No. 1

No. 52	Daily	No. 87	Ex. Sunday
Lv Laurens	2:07 pm	Lv Laurens	8:00 am
Ar Spartanburg	3:30 "	Ar Greenville	10:20 "

ARRIVALS:—Train No. 1, Daily, from Augusta and intermediate stations 1:45 pm; No. 52, daily, from Greenville and intermediate stations 1:35 pm; No. 87, daily, except Sunday, from Greenville and intermediate stations 8:40 pm; train No. 2, daily, from Spartanburg and intermediate stations 1:30 pm.

C. H. Gasque, Agt., Laurens, S. C.
G. T. Bryan, Gen'l Agt., Greenville, S. C.
Ernest Williams, Gen. Pass. Agt., Laurens, S. C.

T. M. Emerson, Traffic Manager.

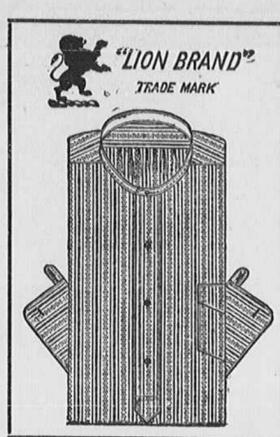
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Best and Quickest Cure for all THROAT and LUNG TROUBLES, or MONEY BACK.

Something for Men!

It's not often we have a "lay out" for men, but when we do it means money in their pockets. We have been fortunate in securing some big bargains.



50 dozen No. 1, 4-ply "Lion Brand" Linen Collars regular 15-cent quality—our price 5c.

One lot White Madras Shirts, all sizes. Compare them with the 75c and \$1.00 Shirts you have been buying. Our price 50c.

One lot of Pepperell Drill Ribbed Seam Drawers; nothing better—our price 39c.

One lot Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers—per garment 25c.

One lot of Silk Trimmed very fine Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers—per garment 50c.

Big line of Black-Cat socks 15c, 25c and 35c.

Our Specials for June.

We found our big line of specials for May such a tremendous drawing card that we shall continue them through June, or until they are sold out.

Special for June Selling

One case Dress Gingham, good quality, 5c.

One case Fancy Dress Chamber, 5c.

2,500 yards, 36-inch Percals in Short Ends, 5c.

1,500 yards, Dress Styles in good Calico Short Ends, 3c.

Big line of Scotch Lawns, 3c.

One lot of New Models in Corsets, 25c.

Big lot of Silk Ribbons, all colors, 10c.

Big lot 50-inch Mohair Dress Goods, 50c.

One lot 36-inch Mohair Dress Goods, 25c.

One lot Melrose Dress Goods, 35c.

One lot Hemmed Stitched Bleached Towels, 10c.

One lot Ladies' Bleached Vests as good as a great many stores sell at 10c—our price 5c.

Good Table Oilcloth, 10c.

Ladies' Hats.

Arriving by almost every express. As new things come out each week, we are "on the spot," so you may always depend on getting the very latest, and then our prices will also please you.

SILKS and DRESS GOODS

in everything that's new and desirable.

See our great 36-inch guaranteed Black Silk 87 1/2c.

Bring samples of all the \$1.25 Silks you can find and compare with our great 36-inch Black Silk at \$1.00.

See our line of 36-inch Jap Silks at 50c.

Ask for our big line of 27-inch colored China Silks at 39c.

See our line of Mesaline Silks 24-inch at 50c.

See our line Shirt-Waist Silks at 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c and \$1.00.

50-inch Blue, Gray and Black Mohair at 50c.

42-inch Black and Blue Batiste at 75c.

36-inch Panama at 50c.

36-inch Silk Warp Eoline, 50c.

Silk Warp Henrietta at \$1.00.

Beautiful double-width, Gray Skirting at 25c.

Fine Mohair in Gray at 50c.

Chiffon Mohair, the newest at 50c.

50-inch Gray Skirting Cheviot at 50c.

Beautiful Checked Mohair at 50c.

Up-to-Date



SHOES!

Our Oxford business has been enormous, and stylish Oxfords are getting very scarce. We have been fortunate in having a second shipment, which will be put on sale the last of this week. A special in Patent Leather for Oxfords of the newest cut and latest last, as stylish as any \$3.00 Shoe—we'll sell them at \$2.25.

Almost a duplicate of this in a fine Kid at \$2.25. If you have any Oxfords to buy it will pay you to see them. Plenty cheaper goods at 50c to \$2.00.

Men's Shoes \$1.00 to \$4.00.

Children's Oxfords 50c to \$1.50.

O. B. SIMMONS CO.

Laurens' Big Dry Goods Store.

"Oh, I AM SO TIRED!"

Is heard daily from old and young, rich and poor. Did you ever stop and consider the cause of this remark? We will venture to say nine cases out of ten are caused by improper digestion. This, or other symptoms of indigestion such as nervousness, nausea, heart-burn, sour stomach, flatulency and drowsiness