

AIKEN DISPENSARIES CLOSED.

Mayor Issues Order when Old Dispensary Board Refuses to Give up Books.

Alken, April 24.—By order of Mayor Moseley, the dispensaries of the city of Aiken were closed today. Early morning visitors to the dispensaries were disappointed. Saturday is the day when liquor is sold in large quantities and the thirsty knocked in vain at the doors on which a notice had been placed, signed and sealed and countersigned, by the mayor and the city clerk, J. L. McCarter, to the effect that for the public good the dispensaries of the city would be closed until further orders and calling on the chief of police and the sheriff of the county to see that the official proclamation of the mayor was strictly adhered to.

At a meeting of the board of control last Tuesday, two new members recently commissioned by Governor Manning and a hold-over, a complete change of dispensary employees was made, only two of the old clerks being retained. This action on the part of the new board is resented by men who have lost their positions and the closing of Aiken dispensaries resulted from the refusal of a clerk to name a day when he would check up.

There is a doubt in the minds of the employees as to whether the action of the new board is legal, although the Governor has issued commissions to the new employees.

The Aiken county delegation named two members of the board of control but one of them resigned—Mr. Rawls—and the delegation had not up to the time of the meeting of the new board named a successor to Mr. Rawls. P. K. Livingston, of the Kitchings Mill section, has been named by the majority of the Aiken county members in the General Assembly and the governor asked to commission him.

The action of the mayor in closing the dispensaries is strictly within his legal rights, and as to how long a time the order will remain in force depends upon the action of the governor and the head of the city. The following is the text of the proclamation:

"By virtue of the power and authority vested in me by Section 856, Volume 11, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1912, it appearing to my satisfaction that the public good demands the same,

"I, W. J. Moseley, mayor of the city of Aiken, S. C., do hereby order: "That all dispensaries in the city of Aiken, S. C., be temporarily closed until further order.

"The chief of police and his associates, including the sheriff of Aiken county, who is ex officio a policeman of the city of Aiken, are commanded to enforce this order.

"Given under my hand and the official seal of the city of Aiken this 23d day of April, 1915.

"W. J. Moseley, Mayor of the City of Aiken. "J. L. McCarter, City Clerk."

OLD SOLDIERS RETURN HOME.

Enjoyable Reunion of Confederate Veterans in Columbia Last Week.

Columbia, April 24.—The reunion of the South Carolina division of the United Confederate Veterans came to an impressive end yesterday afternoon with a parade on Main street between lines of spectators. The parade, one of the most successful ever attempted in Columbia, was brought to a halt at the State house, where 1,000 boys and girls, dressed in red, white and blue, formed a living Confederate flag on the steps of the north portico. The children cheered the veterans shrilly and sang "Dixie" and "Tipperary" until the echoes of the Confederates' song in the War Between the Sections and the allies' song in the War of the Nations seemed to mingle.

After Former Gov. Duncan Clinch Heyward had delivered a brief address to the veterans grouped on the lower steps of the State house and in the plaza, the "rebels" received their first "pay" in Confederate currency since Appomattox and Greensboro. N. O. Pyles dressed in a worn gray uniform and W. A. Clark, commander of Camp Hampton, acted as paymasters. The equipage from which they paid off was a nondescript wagon drawn by a drab mule, both vehicle and animal having the appearance of having been through the war. The paymaster's chest was an iron safe used during the war to hold Confederate currency printed at the branch treasury in Columbia. The veterans received their "pay" gleefully, examining the worn notes with trembling fingers which had been steady enough on musket triggers in the days when the worthless stamped paper was backed by the Confederate States of America.

At the business meeting of the South Carolina division of the United Confederate Veterans yesterday morning, it developed that the soldiers were not unanimous in regard to the advisability of passing a law which would eliminate the provision that veterans owning a stated income should not receive pensions from the State.

However, the veterans adopted a resolution to appoint a new committee to ask the next general assembly for "appropriate pension legislation." It appeared too that a majority of those present at the meeting were in favor of eliminating the property qualification for pensions.

The time and place of the next State reunion will be decided by Gen. B. H. Teague, of Aiken, reelected commander of the South Carolina division yesterday.

The annual reunion ball was danced last night at the Jefferson hotel, the veterans, sponsors, maids of honor and visitors mingling in the measures.

As tokens of appreciation of their services during the reunion, the executive committee of Columbians in charge of the affair presented gold crosses to Gen. B. H. Teague and W. A. Clark yesterday, through Former Gov. Heyward.

The reunion of the South Carolina Confederate veterans in Columbia was a pronounced success. The attendance of veterans was fully up to the expectations of the committees. The arrangements were perfect in every detail and well executed. It is estimated that besides the veterans there were 3,000 visitors in Columbia yesterday. Main street was crowded during the parade yesterday afternoon and the State house plaza and the adjoining grounds were packed with people. Few veterans remained in Columbia last night, but those who stayed were comfortably quartered.

LIBRARY NOTES.

Does Your Top Spin?

It is easy enough to admire the works of others, to relax into a passive mental state of acceptance without realizing that our brains also should be busy workshops.

Emerson was filled with delight when he met an argument that, as he says, "Set my own particular top to spinning". Today our difficulty is to find that incentive. In the golden days of the past, men spoke, as Hiawatha, with "naked hearts together", but in the clamorous days of the present when we wish people to heed our remarks we entrust them to the printed page, knowing full well that should Socrates discourse, along our pavements and street corners, in his immutable dialogues he would be regarded as a fanatic by those who know or, at least, think they know.

This being true, we do not look for great thoughts, from our acquaintances in the course of an ordinary conversation. To catch them in their great moments, we must go to the Laurens Public Library and take them away to some secluded corner where without fear of the brainless critic, their treasures may be revealed to us.

Let your own particular top spin. You will feel better for it and Laurens will be a better town for having you in it. The librarian will be glad to assist you from three until five on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Publicity Committee.

COL. ESTES DEAD.

Prominent Spartanburg Business Man Died After Several Months' Illness.

Spartanburg, April 23.—Col. Elliott Estes, organizer of the Southeastern Life Insurance company and well known throughout this state, died at his home, 730 North Church street, yesterday at 1:30 o'clock after an illness of several months. Colonel Estes was in his 62nd year.

The funeral will be conducted from the residence Saturday morning at 11 o'clock, interment following at Oakwood.

Since his retirement from active business some time ago, Colonel Estes has not been in good health and his death was not unexpected although it came as a great shock to his friends and business acquaintances throughout this city and section. His brother, A. B. Estes, of Waycross, Ga., arrived here yesterday morning and was with him at the time of his death. Other members of the family will arrive today.

Elliott Estes was born August 28, 1853, at Lawtonville, S. C. On November 16, 1875, he married Miss Julia Helena Ross, of Macon, Ga., where he lived for a number of years. He moved to Spartanburg in 1896, and was for about ten years general agent for the Union Central Life Insurance company. It was principally through his activities that the Southeastern Life Insurance company, now of Greenville, was organized, and for some time he was president of this company. Colonel Estes was regarded as a business man of unusual ability, and he was looked upon as a citizen whose life and work were of unusual benefit to this city. Colonel Estes was a member of the Baptist church. He also stood high among the Masons, being a Knight Templar and also past eminent commander.

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TABLE NO. 4.	
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