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CLOSING OUT AT COST

ENTIRE STOCK TO BE THROWN ON THE MARKET AT ACTUAL COST
EXCEPT HARDWARE

COMMENCING THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, AND CONTINUING FOR 20 DAYS.

H. D. REDDICK,
KINGSTREE, S. C.

NEW GOODS EVERY TRAIN.

PAID PENALTY FOR HEINOUS CRIME.

ON THE GALLOWS JOHNNIE ROSE, CONVICTED OF CRIMINAL ASSAULT, REQUIRES THE LAW.

Pursuant to the law's inexorable decree, Johnnie Rose, the negro would-be rapist, on Friday of last week expiated his crime upon the gallows. Notwithstanding the announcement that the execution would be private, as provided by law, a crowd came to town to witness it, and those who were denied access to the jail got as near as possible outside, hoping to catch a glimpse of the grim tragedy that was being enacted within.

A few minutes after twelve, noon, the condemned prisoner was led forth from his cell and prepared for the terrible ordeal. He was dressed in a new suit of clothes and appeared entirely unmoved by the imminence of death. Asked if he wished to make a statement, he said that he had never denied committing the crime and re-iterated his confession of guilt. He admonished everybody to walk the straight path and warned his color not to do as he had done. Advised boys to profit by his fate and behave themselves. Said he was ready to go, then turned to Sheriff Graham and told him to "go ahead." His voice never faltered and his hearing was cool and indifferent throughout. This is explained by the fact that the negro was of a very low order of intelligence and never did seem

to realize his position. Ever since his trial his ruling passion seemed to satisfy his appetite and he begged everybody who visited him for money to buy food. Even the morn-



Johnnie Rose, as he appeared just before being executed.

ing of the day of his execution he ate a hearty breakfast, and scarce-

ly two hours before his death he asked for more.

At 12:15 the trap was sprung and at 12:34 the struggles ceased and the body was cut down. Death was caused by strangulation, the rope being so long that the condemned man's feet touched the floor.

As none of the negro's relatives claimed his body it was buried on the county farm at public expense.

STORY OF THE CRIME.

The story of the crime for which Johnnie Rose paid the extreme penalty of the law is too recent to be recited here. Fresh in our readers' minds are all the facts attending the case. How on Monday, December 6, a little school girl, living just over the Clarendon line, on her way to school near Bethel church in this county, was assaulted with criminal intent by the negro lying in wait for her, almost in sight of the school house. There were threats of lynching and feeling ran high, but the cooler heads prevailed and the negro was safely delivered to the Sheriff. A special term was asked for and granted, at which the negro was tried and duly adjudged guilty of the crime with which he was charged.

Thus ends a case, deplorable it is true, but one in which the law scored a distinct victory over threatened mob violence and lynching.

Miss Rosa Steele has opened a sewing room at her father's, on Main street, where she will be pleased to receive her patrons.

Greelyville Gleanings.

Greelyville, February 8.—Mr S J Taylor is still critically ill at his home.

Mr and Mrs — Black of Columbia are spending a few days with Mr and Mrs E B Rhodus. Mrs Black will best be remembered as Miss Cecilia Keels.

Dr E O Taylor is still detained from his studies in Baltimore on account of his father's illness.

Mr and Mrs R E McFaddin spent several days with Mr H D Ferrell here recently.

Mr and Mrs C L Montgomery gave a "sociable" at their home Friday night.

There is to be a "box party" at the Presbyterian manse Friday evening, February 18. The ladies are all requested to bring boxes. The proceeds are to be used for the erection of the Presbyterian church.

Mr and Mrs S H Dubose and Mr T C Dubose of Waycross, Ga, spent part of last week here.

A party from here comprising a dozen or more young ladies and gentlemen enjoyed the play "Meadow-Brook Farm" at the Kingstree opera house last evening. RAINBOW.

Horse Colds, Stuffy Colds.

pain in chest and sore lungs, are symptoms that quickly develop into a dangerous illness if the cold is not cured. Foley's Honey and Tar stop the cough, heals and eases the congested parts and brings quick relief. D C Scott.

The Farmer and His Bank Account.

The farmer, more than any other business man, requires the services of a bank, if he manages his farm in a systematic way. While he has no need for a set of books in which to keep a record of each and every transaction made, yet during the course of a year he must pay out large sums of money for various purposes, and a record for future reference is highly important.

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