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THINGS SEEN & HEARD AROUND SCRANTON.

MR. HENRY LANGSTON KILLED BY LIGHTNING--PLEASANT SOCIAL AFFAIR--A FAMILY REUNION.

Scranton, August 7:—Mrs Nettie Lee entertained the "Chicken and Rice" club most delightfully at her home last Friday evening. The affair took place in the adjoining grove, illuminated by many Japanese lanterns, making a picturesque and enchanting scene. Several visitors were present, including Miss Mae Bass of Manning, and the visitors, as well as the members of the club, feel under many obligations to Mrs Lee for her liberal hospitality. They all look forward with much pleasure to meeting with her again in the Piney Grove.

Mr Henry Langston, a well-known young farmer of the Bethel section, was struck and instantly killed by lightning last Thursday. He leaves a wife and two small children.

Hon R B Cannon spent Friday in Dillon on business.

Quite a number of our merchants are at the North, making extensive preparations for the fall trade.

Cashier John Myers, of the People's Bank, says that already he notices that deposits are growing much larger, as the fall approaches. Cashier Myers adds that the People's Bank is straining every nerve to double its large volume of business by January, 1912. The bank officials are delighted at the bright prospects and they are men who do things.

Dr W S Lynch attended the monthly meeting of the directors of First National Bank at Florence last Tuesday.

Mrs R E McKnight and family attended their family re-union in the pleasant home of Mrs McKnight's father, Mr David Lee, last Sunday. The gathering was in honor of the eighty-sixth birth-day anniversary of Mr Lee. This old gentleman is apparently yet young and is a most highly esteemed Confederate veteran. At the gathering Sunday were present his seven children, ninety grandchildren and seventeen great-grandchildren. After a feast of good things to eat and drink, thoroughly refreshing the "inner man," the day was spent in social chats, and it was the unanimous wish that this most excellent old gentleman should live to see many similar occasions.

It is conceded that if a new county should ever be formed in this section and left to the unbiased citizens to decide as to where the court house and jail would be located from a geographical standpoint, it would beyond a question of doubt come to Scranton. Our town is an ideal location for such buildings.

Mrs T S Burch of Florence was in town this morning, returning home from Hannah. B L

We have printed up a lot of note books and receipt forms, which we will sell at ten cents the book of fifty.

WATER WORKS & SEWERAGE.

Bond Issue of \$40,000 to Erect Plant Contemplated.

About two dozen representative business men were in the court house last Friday night to hear Mr J Newton Johnson, the Marion civil engineer, who came here in response to an invitation from Mayor Gilland to discuss the project of installing a water-works and sewerage plant. Mr Johnson set forth his views clearly and intelligently and those who heard him were impressed with the feasibility of installing the plant and operating it without materially increasing the tax levy that at present obtains.

At the close of the discussion a committee composed of Messrs. W T Wilkins and P H Arrowsmith was appointed to prepare and circulate a petition among the free-holders of the town looking to the ordering of an election by the town council. We understand that quite a number have already signed the petition and there is little doubt that the election will be ordered.

The idea is to issue bonds for \$40,000 to run forty years, we understand, with the privilege of retiring them at the end of twenty years.

The plans and specifications for the water-works and sewerage plant may be seen at the Kingstree Drug Co's store.

Suttons Sittings.

Suttons, August 8:—Crops are fine in this section, for in the past few days we have had several good rains.

Mrs Florence Wallace of Garfield, Ga., and Mrs John Thames and children of Manning are visiting at the home of Mr and Mrs A J Parsons.

Miss Marion Porter of Sampit is visiting relatives here.

Mr and Mrs W D Byrdie and children spent a few days in Georgetown last week.

Miss Beulah Altman of Manning is visiting at the home of Mr S J Altman.

Miss Annie Ogburn is visiting friends in Sumter.

Mr R P Hinnant, Jr, spent a few days at the Isle of Palms last week.

Mr F L Richardson, the popular manager of the Blakeley-McCullough corporation at Taft, visited his mother, Mrs M S Ogburn, last week.

Mrs S L Parsons returned home last week from a visit to relatives at Statesboro, Ga.

Mr G C Parsons of Gourdin's spent Sunday with his parents here.

POONY BOY.

Help Yourself by Helping Us.

We hope the friends of The Record, when they come to town to do their trading, will patronize the business houses that advertise in this paper. Remember that without these liberal merchants, bankers and other enterprising business men, the price of subscription would be at least \$3 a year for such a paper as The Record. You'll find, as a rule, that the men who advertise are wide-awake and on the alert and can give you better bargains than those who do not advertise. This applies not only to Kingstree, but many live and up-to-date business men of Lake City, Scranton and Greelyville recognize the pulling power of an ad in The Record.

BLIND TIGERS ON THE RUN.

Several Convicted but Escape Punishment on Technicality.

Lake City, August 9:—This town is going after the blind tigers with gloves off. They have been a source of aggravation to the good people for some time, and many efforts were made to round them up, but they were too sly for the ordinary means and escaped the legal nets.

However, everybody knows Mayor Blackwell, of the town, and they all know that when he makes up his mind to do a thing those of the contrary opinion must stand from under, for something is going to fall.

Not long ago the worthy mayor of this beautiful and growing town said that he was going to get those tigers and that they should no longer be a reproach to the people.

As a result of this fixed determination of the mayor, thirteen cases were put on the official docket for trial. J P McNeill, Esq, of Florence was appointed to assist the town and Messrs Lee & Fishburne of Kingstree were employed by the defense. Four cases were tried by the jury and three convicted, one being released.

The cases were appealed on the ground that the ordinance under which they were indicted lacked the official seal. That will be an escape on a technicality, which can be remedied, but it is dollars to doughnuts that the blind tigers in this town will take to the bushes in the future and that the good people of this part of the great and good county of Florence will not be bothered with the illicit sale of liquor to boys and to people who will abuse it.

The other nine cases were postponed until the supreme court could pass on the point raised by the defense.

The trials were long drawn out, it was three days for the four cases tried.

Generous Tramp.

"Please gimme a quarter," begged a panhandler on Washington street. "I won't hand yer no tale about bein' hungry, pard--honest, I wauter git a drink."

"But," we objected (for it was indeed us, "you don't need a quarter to buy a drink.")

"Sir," answered the panhandler, "do youse tink I'm fallen so low as ter take a gent's money an' den not invite him ter drink wid me?"—Boston Traveller.

Salt Eaters.

Idiosyncrasy often takes the form of a special craving for instead of an objection to certain foods. Many people possess an extraordinary relish for common salt and will eat it by the teaspoonful when opportunity admits. This sometimes leads to obesity and dropsy, but it has also the peculiar effect of increasing the weight.

Highly Improper.

"What is the proper thing for a man to do when his wife asks him for money and he hasn't any?" queried young Newed.

"Oh, there isn't any proper thing to do under those circumstances," replied Oldwed. "Anything he does will be wrong."—Chicago News.

When a Man Makes His Will.

It is a morbid superstition that a man dies when he makes his will. More often he lives happily and long after he has done so. It relieves his anxieties.—London Saturday Review.

Past That Now.

Bystander—My boy, some day you'll bring sorrow to your father's gray hairs. The Bad Boy—No danger, sir. Worrying about me has made him bald.—Philadelphia Times

Mortuary.

GEORGE H. BROCKINTON.

Olanta, August 7:—George H Brockinton, former intendant and one of the most prominent citizens of Olanta, died at an early hour this morning. Mr Brockinton had been in failing health for some time and his death was not a surprise to his family and friends. He leaves a wife and one child. The burial will be at Bethel Baptist church, of which he was a faithful member.

MRS HANNAH JANE AVANT.

DIED—On Saturday morning, August 5, at her home in West Kingstree, Mrs Hannah Jane Avant, after an illness of four weeks. The deceased was the wife of Mr S J Avant and the family had been residents of Kingstree since last March, having removed here from Georgetown county.

The remains were taken to Oak Ridge cemetery, near Andrews, and laid to rest Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the presence of a number of relatives and friends, the services being conducted by Rev W N Williams.

Mrs Avant was 56 years old and leaves besides her husband nine children bereaved by her death.

Hiring a Mother-in-law.

In Marseilles the salary of a mother-in-law hired to fill the position for a few hours is quoted at 1s. 6d. It was a case of separation of the girl's parents. Custom decreed that the mother-in-law must be present at the marriage ceremony, so the obliging matron agreed to go to give her consent on condition that a carriage be sent for her, and if not, said she, she would stay at home. The hour for the wedding came, but the carriage did not, so the mamma stayed at home. The bridegroom in desperation when she did not appear ran out into the street and hunted up a promising looking woman, who agreed to come and act mother for the sum named. So she gave consent and blessing to the daughter whom she had never seen in her life before.—Buffalo Express.

The Nile or the Sky?

The barge sped like an arrow over the water, leaving behind it a silver wake that soon was effaced. A few frothy bubbles breaking on the surface alone testified to the passage of the craft, already out of sight. The river banks, yellow and salmon colored, unrolled rapidly like papyrus bands between the double azure of the heavens and the water, these so alike in tone that the thin tongue of earth which separated them seemed a causeway built across an immense lake and made it difficult to decide whether the Nile reflected the sky or the sky reflected the Nile.—"One of Cleopatra's Nights," by Theophile Gautier.

Confirmed His Suspicion.

Ben Nathan, the English humorist, on returning home from a visit to this country was expatiating to a friend upon the glories of California. After listening patiently the friend said: "But there must be some disadvantages in living there?" "No," said Mr. Nathan, "it is a perfectly ideal place. For any man who will work"— "Ah," broke in the friend, "I knew there were some disadvantages!"

Eyes of the Giraffe.

The giraffe, which is a very timid animal, is approached with the utmost difficulty on account of its eyes being so placed that it can see as well behind as in front. When approached this same faculty enables it to direct with great precision the rapid storm of kicks with which it defends itself.

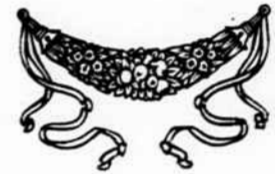
A Few Words.

"Did you have many words with your wife last night?" "No; only a few words, but they were repeated—very often."

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