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He who knows and knows that he knows and avows that he knows, is wise. Follow him.

He who thinks he knows and knows not, is a fool. Shun him.

He who knows and would deceive, is a thief. Catch him.

—Solomon.

Coffins and Caskets.

## What did you say was the Best Distributor? SPARKER OR GEM?

SUPERIOR TO ALL OTHER MAKES AND ENDORSED by the Best Farmers.

What did you say was the best Stalk Cutter? The GLADIATOR, used and endorsed by many.

What did you say was the best one and two horse Plows? WM. J. OLIVER, used by many of the best farmers.

And we all say AMERICAN FENCE is the best for ALL! We have this in many heights and styles with prices right.

Who did you say sold these goods? Why the people with the goods are KINGSTREE HARDWARE COMPANY  
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS

First, money, then ceremony, matrimony, testimony and alimony.

Eternity will last a good while, but we shall need it all to forget some of the things we did in a few moments.

From the mistakes of others, a wise man corrects his own.

To find fault is easy, but to do better is sometimes difficult.

We Lead--Others Follow.

## SHORT SESSION ASSIZES COURT.

### JUDGE'S CHARGE TO GRAND JURY--ONLY A FEW CASES TRIED.

The court of general sessions convened Monday morning at 10:30 o'clock, Judge Hayne F Rice, of the Second Judicial circuit, presiding. Solicitor Stoll and Stenographer Wood were on hand at the opening hour and His Honor proceeded to deliver his charge to the grand jury, which had organized with Mr Jno M Brown as foreman.

The Judge's charge was along the usual stereotyped lines, touching a number and variety of subjects, upon which, in each instance, he gave the grand jury excellent and timely counsel.

First he emphasized the oath taken by each grand juror, the solemnity of which some may fail to realize or appreciate. His observation was that the average member of the grand jury takes too lightly his position and the many responsible matters he should feel obligated to look after. The people of Williamsburg county look to you to see to their interests in the matter of observance of law. He then enumerated the duties of the grand juror, whose duties, he reminded them, do not cease with the adjournment of the court. The grand jury, as a body, is the inquisition for the county and it is the duty of the court to aid it in every way possible.

Next he called attention to the county government—the court house, jail and chaingang, emphasizing the importance of their proper sanitation. The court house is often a source of infection on account of bacilli disseminated by expectoration. The jail should be kept clean and the prisoners, whether in jail or chaingang, properly nourished with bodily comforts.

Education he particularly stressed. Judge Rice was until recently a member of the State Board of education and is earnestly desirous of aiding the cause of education, especially in rural communities.

Concluding his charge Judge Rice referred to the importance of enforcing the concealed weapon law and the illicit traffic in whiskey, pointing out in each case the evils attendant upon the lax enforcement of these two laws. He then took up the several bills of indictment and explained the law bearing upon each case before the grand jury.

The following cases were disposed of. The Court of Assizes adjourned, *sine die*, at 6 p. m., Tuesday.

The State vs Sam Scott, violation of prohibition law. Plead guilty. Sentence \$100 or six months. No attorney.

The State vs Elihu Johnson, violation of prohibition law. Plead guilty. Sentence \$100 or six months. Hirsch & Hirsch, attorneys.

The State vs Willie Read, violation of prohibition law. Plead guilty. Sentence \$100 or six months. Hirsch & Hirsch, attorneys.

The State vs Sam Spates, alias Bob Lee, burglary and larceny. Tried

and convicted with recommendation to mercy of court. Sentence seven years on chaingang or penitentiary. No attorney.

The State vs Mose Salters, disposing of property under lien. Plead guilty. Sentence six months or pay a fine of \$60. No attorney.

The State vs William Coe, disposing of property under lien. Plead guilty. Sentence four months or \$50 fine. No attorney.

The State vs Isaiah Dennis, house breaking and larceny. Tried and found guilty. Sentence eighteen months. No attorney.

The State vs Daniel Wilson, disposing of property under lien. Plead guilty. Sentence eight months or pay a fine of \$100. No attorney.

The State vs Eddy Epperson, larceny of live stock. Convicted. Sentence eighteen months and pay a fine of \$50. W C Davis, Esq. of Manning, attorney.

The State vs Alice Scott, murder. Convicted of manslaughter. Sentence 5 years. Hirsch & Hirsch, attorneys.

### NEGLECTED GRAVES.

#### "Poor Conrad" Makes Plea for Better Care of Soldiers' Cemetery

Editor County Record:—  
Please allow me a little space in The County Record, as I wish to say something about the way the little cemetery where a number of Confederate soldiers are buried is kept. It is sad to see how the graves of those heroic dead men are neglected. I visited the place last Sunday. The fence is broken in many places and seems to have no gate; cattle and other animals roam at will over the graves of those dead soldiers who gave their lives for the Cause that was lost. There are other graves there also that should be made green. I have never given anything to help keep the place in repair, but I am ready to do so. Think for a moment, if the widows or mothers of those brave men could see how little is cared for the last resting place of their fallen comrades, would it not make their care-worn hearts to bleed afresh?

Let us try to do something to beautify this small lot. The neglected look of the place is a poor commentary on the patriotism of our town and its people. P C.

### Grand Jury Presentment.

To His Honor H F Rice, Presiding Judge:

The Grand Jury for this the Spring term of court for Williamsburg county wish to make the following presentment:

We have acted on all bills submitted to us by the Solicitor.

Committees have been appointed to examine the books in the different county offices and they will report to the court at its next session.

Your jury visited the county jail in a body and we find the prisoners therein well cared for and the rooms in proper condition.

We thank your Honor for the courtesy shown us by him in the exercise of our duties as grand jurors.

All of which is respectfully submitted,  
J M BROWN, Foreman.  
February 20, 1912.

## ASSEMBLY ADJOURNED TO RECONVENE.

### MET AGAIN YESTERDAY--NOT MUCH BUSINESS PENDING--SOME LOCAL MATTERS.

Columbia, January 20:—When the General Assembly adjourned last Saturday night to meet again on Wednesday, it had practically completed its Legislative work for this session. Under ordinary conditions it should not take more than a few hours, after reconvening, to dispose of all unfinished work. It is not probable that there will be such a warm fight over the Appropriation bill as was witnessed during the closing hours of the last session, for the reason that under last year's bill provisions were made for the State colleges which allowed them annual appropriations for three consecutive years. This plan and method was vigorously opposed at the last session, but it was carried by one vote, thus fixing a three year policy, which could not now be changed. Winthrop College has asked for some additional improvements and the State University has asked for \$65,000. The latter request was however cut to \$15,000, which amount in all probability will be granted.

The Appropriation bill as it went to the free conference committee provides a levy of 5 3-4 mills, which is exactly the same as last year. The Supply bill fixes the same rate also for Williamsburg county as was paid last year, 3 1-4 mills, therefore, so far as our people are concerned, taxes will remain at the present levy for another year.

Perhaps the most important local legislation which has been enacted is the new road law. Under this law the County Commissioner, his board and the Road Engineer, are provided ways and means by which the roads and bridges of the county can be worked by such methods as conditions warrant, based upon economic principles. Under the present law and with good weather we shall expect our Engineer to demonstrate to the public what he is capable of doing in the way of road and bridge construction.

Next to the road law is the act prohibiting the traffic in seed cotton between the dates of August 1 and December 15. After December 15 licenses may be procured just as is the present custom. This act was amended before it was passed so as to include Georgetown county also. Florence county fixes a license of \$500 annually which is practically prohibitive and now, under these conditions, it is hoped that the labor question will be to some extent bettered.

An important bill providing for rural policeman for Williamsburg county, introduced by Mr Graham, has also become a law. The rural police system seems to be one of great popularity and is working well in some of the counties, while here and there one hears adverse criticism as to the system and results. Mr Graham's bill is not compulsory, but provides that the Sheriff may appoint such policemen upon the

request and recommendation of the county delegation. Mr Graham is enthused over the possibilities of such a system in Williamsburg and believes that it would become self-sustaining, if tried.

Senator Lide's bill providing for an election on the question of re-establishing a dispensary in Orangeburg was amended so as to include all the counties in the State and the time for the election was fixed for the 2nd Tuesday in February, 1913. In this shape the bill was sent to the House, where it was further amended and is now in the hands of a free conference committee. The bone of contention seems to be agreeing on a date upon which to hold the election. This matter will be disposed of when the Assembly reconvenes on Wednesday.

There is a general disposition on the part of the majority of the members to recede from business without adjourning *sine die*, as is the custom. The Code has not yet been adopted and this is used as an argument in favor of the recess idea. There are others who believe that for various reasons the General Assembly should not adjourn. It is probable that a recess will be taken unless the sentiment changes after disposing of the present unfinished work of the Calendar. E C Epps.

### Mrs Elizabeth O Dove Dead.

The news of the death Saturday in Jacksonville, Fla. of Mrs Elizabeth O Dove, the widow of the late J C Dove, of this city, was a great shock to her many friends here, many of whom did not even know that she was sick. Mrs Dove died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs Oscar J Keep, Saturday evening, after only a short illness.

The body arrived in this city from Jacksonville Monday morning and the funeral services were held from the residence, No 325 Hampton avenue, that afternoon at 4 o'clock. Rev J P Marion, of the Presbyterian church, of which the deceased was a member, conducted the funeral services.

Mr and Mrs Dove moved to this city several years ago from Dovesville, Mr Dove dying a few months after the family had settled in Sumter. Mrs Dove was a native of Sumter and was the sister of Mr W M DeLorme, of this city, and of the late J F W DeLorme. She is survived by one son, Mr Leon C Dove of Kingstree, and five daughters: Mrs David J Cunningham of Darlington, Mrs Walter E Renneker of Charleston, Mrs Oscar J Keep of Jacksonville, Mrs Eddie P Pitts and Miss Pauline Dove of Sumter.—Sumter Daily Item, February 19.

Mr Dove is cashier of the Wee Wee Bank, of this town, and is held in the highest esteem by all. The deepest sympathy is felt for him in his bereavement.

### Auction of Horses and Mules.

On Saturday, the 24th inst, 12 m, there will be an Auction Sale of 50 head of Horses and Mules. This is your chance if you want good stock cheap. HELLER'S STABLES.  
2-22-12

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"Oh, yes, there is no doubt but that Farmogerm is a good thing to produce nitrates, but you are just about twenty years ahead of the times."

Now we admit that as long as cotton brought 16c a pound it might pay to make heavy applications of ammoniated fertilizer to grow it. At 50c a pound we might even grow it profitably in flower pots. But low cotton prices and high cost fertilizers make a poor team to pull stumps with.

Instead of figuring how to pay last year's fertilizer bill with next year's loss off cotton, why not grow legume crops that will be of less interest to Wall street and more interest to your mules and hogs, and at the same time grow your own nitrates by inoculating the seeds with Farmogerm (High-Bred Bacteria)?

If half the cotton that is piled up in sheds in the South could be turned into bales of hay, we might be buying automobiles instead of borrowing money to pay interest on debts. Then Wall street would have to "come and see us" on the cotton proposition.

As long as Cotton is King, Wall street will be Minister of Finance. Why not throw off the yoke and establish a republic?—put Corn, Oats and Legume crops in, with Thomas Phosphate and Farmogerm as Secretary of the Treasury and Agriculture, and Cow Pea Hay for the Department of the Interior (of your mules)?

When we have done this we can safely control Old King Cotton and send him to England to buy our luxuries.

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