

The Watchman and Southron

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

T. B. Curtis—Look out again. Frank W. White—See. A. S. & W. A. Brown—Fertilizers. Est. of Ellen Ramsey—Citation Notice. Bank of Sumter—Quarterly Statement. A. B. Stucky, Agr.—See. L. W. L. Waite—See. A. P. Levy & Co.—Partnership Notice.

Personal.

Miss Janie Sanders entertained her friends last evening at a visit. Mrs. T. C. Seale has gone to Cartersville to spend awhile. Mr. Sidney Fraser, Georgetown, is in the city. Miss Lucy Barron of Manning is visiting Mr. W. H. Yates. Capt. A. P. Vinson has moved his family to Sumter. Mrs. Shipman, (nee Miss Gene Tenning) is on a visit to her parents in the city. Mr. C. P. Osteen has gone on a visit of a few weeks to Tennessee and Alabama.

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First Sunday—11 A. M., Spring Hill, 3:30 P. M., Rembert's. Second Sunday—11 A. M., Bethel, 3:30 P. M., Moseyville. Third Sunday—11 A. M., Rembert's, 3:30 P. M., Spring Hill. Fourth Sunday—11 A. M., Bethel, 3:30 P. M., Moseyville. Rev. W. L. Waite, Pastor.

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A New Story Will be Commenced in this Paper Next Week

Entitled: THE STRANGE STORY OF ALLAN QUATERMAIN'S WIFE. By H. Rider Haggard. AUTHOR OF ALLAN QUATERMAIN SHE JESSE. FERTILIZERS.

THE STRANGE CASE OF DEISY ROBINSON.

The strange spiritual manifestations so mysteriously connected with the little colored girl Deisy Robinson continue daily with unabated activity. If there be any change at all since we last noticed them, these manifestations are more frequent and pronounced than formerly. Every day, startling occurrences amuse and mystify the persons who visit the room where the little girl stays with her sister. The pictures hanging on the walls leap from their places. Cans, saucers and other fragile articles about the room commit suicide, the old sewing machine standing near the door persists in toppling over on its side, the ornate table in the hall is pulled by strong cords to a restless desire to make its acquaintance and is only restrained by the strength of the cords holding it in its place. The chairs, benches, armchairs, and the tables walk around on their own legs and then another, the mirror on the buston leaves its place and smashes to smithereens on the floor, the picture of a young man, which hangs within the room, the ornate stool creaks about, and many other things are events of daily occurrence in the haunted chamber.

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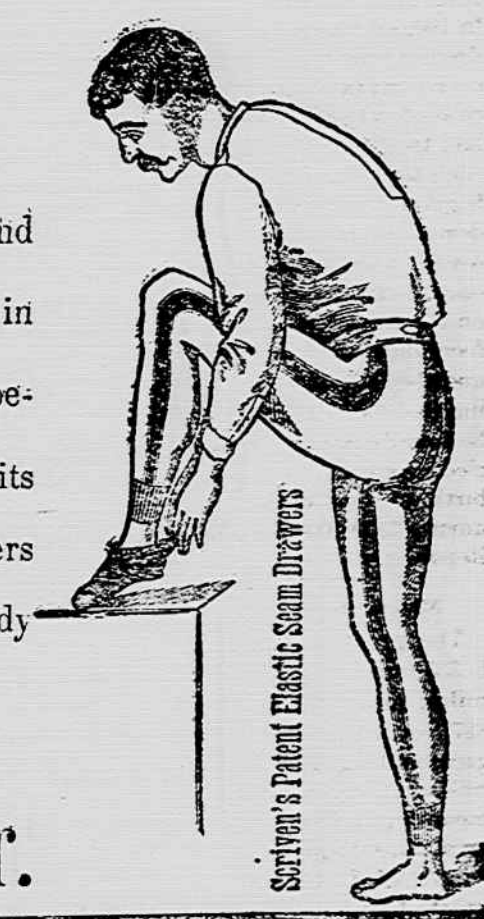
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Our Grocery Department

We still show, as usual, a complete line of Dry Goods, at prices that defy competition. Our Grocery Department Is second to none. As regards variety, quality and price, we will always lead—others must follow. We carry a larger stock and sell Canned Goods lower than any house in the city. Don't forget that our line of Plain and Fancy Crackers is the freshest and choicest stock South of New York. Try them and you will be convinced. Prices will suit you. Before buying Fruit and Nuts for Xmas give us a call. Our stock is fresh and prices on Citrus, Raisins, Currants, Prunes, etc. are the lowest.

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Best make and cheap. Guns from \$2.25 to \$65.00. Pistols from \$1.00 up. SHELLS, CARTRIDGES, WADS, SHOT AND POWDER, Rubber and Leather Belting, best make. Packing in Hemp and Rubber. Gin Bristles and Twine. HOLLOWWARE—POTWARE. We are POWDER AGENTS and can sell dealers cheaper than they can order it. Save freight by buying of us. Respectfully,

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