

James H. Aycock, Dead.

A telegram was received Monday from Asheville, N. C., conveying the sad intelligence of the death of Mr. James H. Aycock, who passed away in that city last night. He had been in bad health for several months, and spent the summer in the mountains of North Carolina in hope that he would regain his health. Several days ago he became critically ill at Asheville, and his family were summoned to his bedside, it being apparent that his end was near at hand. The funeral services were held at Wedgefield yesterday morning at 11 o'clock.

Mr. Aycock was a native of North Carolina, but had been a resident of Sumter county almost continuously since 1853. He was the pioneer in the turpentine business in this section of the State, and in this business he accumulated considerable property. In late years he has been engaged in farming and mercantile business on a large scale at Wedgefield, where he owned one of the finest farms in the State. He was a business man of unusual ability and foresight, and succeeded in all of his business ventures. His farm at Wedgefield was a model of its kind and was known all over the State by farmers who kept up with the progress of scientific agriculture.

Mr. Aycock was twice married. He first married Miss Elizabeth Fullwood, a sister to James A. Fullwood, formerly of this county, but now of Texas, with whom Mr. Aycock was in business. By this marriage three children were born. His second wife, who survives him, was Miss Brogdon, a daughter of the late Dr. W. T. Brogdon, of Concord Township, who bore him four children, three sons and a daughter.

Murder Near Bishopville.

John Arrants, a well-known white man of Carters' Crossing Township was brought to town Sunday and committed to jail for the killing of Dick Wilson, colored, on Saturday night. The accounts of the circumstances leading to the homicide are conflicting, and it is impossible to ascertain which is the true story of the unfortunate occurrence that cost the life of one man and caused another to occupy a cell in the county jail.

Arrants was acting as a constable for the collection of poll tax, and went to Wilson's house for the purpose of collecting the tax he owed the county. Wilson refused to pay the tax to Arrants, but, it is said told him to get Mr. Frank McCutchen to come with him and sign the receipt and he would pay the tax. Arrants went to Mr. McCutchen's house and asked him to go to Wilson's house. Mr. McCutchen consented to do so and they proceeded to Wilson's house. Arrants says that Wilson drew a pistol and snapped it at him; he then drew his pistol and fired at Wilson, killing him.

The other accounts differ from that given by Arrants, in that it is said that Wilson had no pistol and made no attempt to attack Arrants, and that Arrants shot him down as soon as he caught sight of him as he approached the house. The latter account was given by a negro who came down for a coffin for Wilson.

Arrants is reported to have been under the influence of liquor Saturday afternoon a short time prior to the killing and was therefore probably in the same condition when he shot Wilson.

The true account of the homicide will not be obtainable until the preliminary is held.

Coroner Commander on Monday held an inquest over the body of Dick Wilson, who was killed on Saturday night by John Arrants. The verdict of the jury was that Richard Wilson came to his death from a gunshot wound inflicted by a weapon in the hands of John Arrants. All of the witnesses examined were negroes and their testimony was strongly against Arrants. Mr. Frank McCutchen, who was present when the homicide occurred, was not examined, as he was out in the neighborhood, having not returned from this city, where he had come with Arrants on Sunday. There were but few additional facts brought out at the inquest. The most important fact developed was that Dick Wilson had nothing to do with the poll tax matter, but that it was his son-in-law, who had had words with Arrants concerning the tax warrants which Arrants had against him. When Arrants returned to the house with Mr. McCutchen, as previously related, he became involved in a dispute with Wilson as to the whereabouts of his son-in-law. The termination of the dispute was the killing of Wilson.

A Sunday Fire.

The McGuinnis Block, on Main street, was discovered to be on fire Sunday about 12 o'clock and the alarm of fire was immediately given. The reel squads turned out with the usual promptness and commenced the fight with the flames. After an hour's hard work the fire was extinguished and a disastrous fire prevented—all attributable to the efficiency of the fire department and the abundant water supply. The roof and ceiling of three stores in the block were badly damaged, but his was the extent of the fire.

The fire originated from the stove used to heat water for J. T. Edwards' bath room, in the rear of the barber shop. The stove was situated in a small frame shed adjoining the rear of the stores, and had the rear wall of the stores been brick, it is not probable that the stores would have been damaged at all. But the walls being a frame work of boards, covered with corrugated iron, afforded no protection against the flames from the outside. The fire spread rapidly between the roof and ceiling, there being no stop walls anywhere in the block to check them, and at first there seemed but little hope of checking the fire. The firemen, however, promptly cut holes through the roof and poured a flood of water down on the flames, while others broke through the ceiling and turned several streams on the fire from below.

The damage to the building is estimated at \$2,000. The building was insured with the A. C. Phelps Co Agency for \$1,200. The stock of goods of J. A. Forworth, who occupied one of the stores, was damaged by water and removal. J. T. Edwards suffered some loss by the damage to his barber shop, furniture and fixtures. H. Manheim and C. W. Kingman, who occupied stores at the other end of the block, suffered no loss, as it was not necessary to remove their goods. Mr. Forworth had \$400 insurance on his stock. J. T. Edwards had no insurance on his barber shop fixtures.

Whiskey Seizures

Since Constable Brown has returned to Sumter he has made several seizures of liquor, some of which have been previously mentioned. A few days ago he seized two kegs in the express office—one consigned to Mr. Geo. F. Epperson, the other to Mr. Robt. Wingate.

Wednesday he seized at the A. C. L. depot two jugs consigned to Charles DuRant.

A five gallon keg consigned to Mr. C. A. Broughton was also seized at the A. C. L. depot Wednesday.

All of the above have been forwarded to Columbia under orders from the State Dispensary.

Dizziness and Liver Trouble

"My sister and myself have been cured of dizziness and liver trouble by the use of Hood's Pills." Mrs. Marie L. Hutchinson, Georgetown, S. C.

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Rev. John Kershaw Accepts the Call to St. Michaels.

Rev. John Kershaw has notified the vestry of St. Michaels of his acceptance of the call to that church.—*Charleston Post*. Charleston's gain is Sumter's loss. The host of friends of Rev. Kershaw will read the above paragraph with feelings of sorrow and regret, but will join with us in wishing our friend God speed in his new field of labor.

Resolutions by the Vestry.

At a meeting of the Vestry of the Holy Comforter, at the office of the Secretary, on November 4, 1895, the following preamble and resolution were unanimously adopted and forwarded to Mr. Kershaw in the form of a letter:

"WHEREAS, our esteemed Rector, Rev. John Kershaw, has received a call to the field of usefulness in the Vineyard of the Master, and has recognized it as his duty not to refuse the summons to a higher responsibility in the service of the church; and,

"WHEREAS, in consequence of his acceptance of such call, he has sent in his resignation as Rector of the Church of the Holy Comforter at Sumter, therefore,

"Resolved, That the Vestry of the Holy Comforter hereby accept the resignation of Rev. John Kershaw, who has so long and faithfully served this church, with profound regret at parting with one who has so endeared himself to his congregation as gentleman, friend and pastor, and who is so eminently qualified to instruct them in the ways of righteousness and truth, but with a cheerful resignation in the fact that his learning, eloquence and piety will find a wider scope and more extensive field for their earnest and devoted employment."

Wedgefield Letter.

WEDGEFIELD, Nov. 5, 1895.

Mr. James H. Aycock was buried to-day in the Presbyterian Churchyard before a very large concourse of friends. A very large crowd of negroes were at the grave. Services were conducted in the church by Rev. James McDowell, assisted by Rev. John Kershaw.

In the death of Mr. Aycock this community has sustained a great loss. His conspicuous figure and influence will be greatly missed by persons of all classes and conditions. The community has the deepest sympathy for his bereaved family.

Rev. John Kershaw having sent in his resignation, the vestry of the Holy Cross, Stateburg, accepted the same with much regret on last Sunday. Mr. Kershaw has labored earnestly in this parish for nearly eleven years, and his labors have borne much fruit. Mr. Kershaw is liked by all who know him, irrespective of creed or church affiliations. Charleston's gain is truly Sumter's great loss. Mr. Kershaw has our best wishes, and we feel sure that the bright light of his eloquence and Christian spirit and influence will be better seen in the city by the sea.

News From Ionia.

IONIA, S. S., November 4, 1895.

On last Saturday night about 10 o'clock, John Arrants, white, shot and killed Dick Wilson, colored. At the inquest held next day it was testified that Arrants went to Wilson's house about 8 o'clock the night of the killing with a tax execution against Wesley Young, son-in-law of Wilson, and who lived in the house with Dick Wilson. Young told Arrants that he would pay him if he would give him a tax receipt. Arrants replied: "I will go for Ed Stuckey and Frank McCutchen with my gun, and I will carry you or the money, one." He then left and returned with McCutchen about 10 o'clock.

They called Dick Wilson out and asked for Young, to which Wilson replied that he was not in. Arrants said he believed Wilson had slipped Young off. After some other words Arrants snapped his pistol at Wilson and then pulled a second time and fired, the ball entering the left side and passed through the heart, as was shown by the post mortem performed by Dr. E. S. Booth.

The verdict of the jury, of which Mr. Levander Elmore was the foreman, was in accordance with the foregoing facts. Arrants was committed to jail.

The farmers are about through gathering crops, and although the cotton yield is short, all are delighted at the price. Corn and peas are good and hogs ditto.

We are glad to welcome Miss Agnes Richardson, of Sumter, in the community again as a teacher.

The marriage bells are ringing. Besides the two marriages at Smithville, cards are out for the marriage of Mr. Johnnie Murchison, of Gum Spring and Miss Dora Smith, of Ionia, on the 7th. **LITTLE FARMER.**

The Salem County people are not permitting the grass to grow under their feet, but are up and doing. Mr. J. L. Parrott, of Bishopville, who has been and is one of the most active workers in the interest of Salem County, was in town Friday, and told the writer that they propose to proceed at once to get up the necessary petition, and will hold the election for the new county before the General Assembly convenes, if it is possible to complete the arrangements for doing so. He is confident that the vote will be strongly in favor of the new county, and as there is no question about the territory having more than the required two million dollars worth of taxable property, he is well pleased with the outlook. Bishopville is for the new county to a man, and that town proposes, we believe, to erect all necessary public buildings without expense to the remainder of the territory. Salem County will include the following territory now in Sumter County: Bishopville township, Mt. Clio township, Carters Crossing township, one-half of Lynchburg township, one-third of Swimming Pens township, and two-thirds of Spring Hill township. The remainder of the territory will be cut off from Darlington and Kershaw Counties.

The only permanent cure for chronic catarrh is to thoroughly expel the poison from the system by the faithful and persistent use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. This wonderful remedy proves successful when all other treatment has failed to relieve the sufferer.

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Nov. 6.—o

Nervous Prostration

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Prolonged derangement of the nervous system not only affects the brain and mental powers, but develops disease in some of the vital organs. The most dangerous of these indirect results is when the heart is affected. This was the case of the Rev. N. F. Surface, Fawn River, Mich., who writes under date of Feb. 14, 1895:



"Fourteen years ago I had a slight stroke of paralysis. Overwork brought on nervous prostration. I was exceedingly nervous and the exertion of public speaking caused heart palpitation that threatened my life. I used two bottles of Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure for my heart trouble, and two of Dr. Miles' Restorative Nerve for my nervousness and feel better than I ever expected to feel again. I can speak for hours without tiring or having my heart flutter as it formerly did, and I have you to thank that I am alive today."

On sale by all druggists. Dr. Miles' Book on Heart and Nervous Disorders FREE by mail. Dr. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind. Dr. Miles' Remedies Restore Health.

Master's Sale.

By J. E. Jervey, Auctioneer.

State of South Carolina, COUNTY OF SUMTER.

PURSUANT to the judgments and orders of the Court aforesaid, severally made in the following entitled cases I will offer for sale at Public Auction, before the Court House in the City of Sumter, County and State aforesaid, on the first Monday in December, next 1895, (being the 24 day of said month,) between the hours of eleven o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in afternoon of said day, the real estate in each case described, on the terms in each case specified: In the case of Pauline S. Heyward, Plaintiff, against Calvin W. Chandler, A. S. Brown, Marion Moise, Richard D. Lee and Morion Moise, co-partners, as Lee & Moise; William B. Whaley and John A. Rivers, co-partners, as Whaley & Rivers; Caroline E. Winn, as Executrix of the last will and testament of D. J. Winn, deceased; R. F. Jackson, Moultrie R. Wilson, as assignee of Albertus S. Brown and W. Alton Brown, late co-partners as A. S. & W. A. Brown; and Walter E. Lea, Defendants.

1. All of that parcel conveyed by Calvin W. Chandler to Albertus S. Brown, containing five hundred and seventy-eight and one-fourth (578 1/4) acres, bounded on the north by lands now, or formerly, of L. L. Jennings and N. Bradford; east, by lands of N. Bradford and Gen. E. W. Moise; south, by lands of H. A. Raffield; and west, by lands of Gen. E. W. Moise and by the Sumter and Providence road.

2. The remainder of the mortgaged premises, containing ninety-four and three-fourths (94 3/4) acres, more or less, claimed by Calvin W. Chandler, bounded by the public road leading from Sumter to Providence and adjoining lands of A. White, occupied by Andrew Adams, lands formerly of Ardis, lately of Pate, and lands of others.

Terms of Sale—One-half cash; the balance on a credit of one year from December 1, 1895, the deferred portion to be evidenced by the bond or bonds of the purchaser or purchasers, and a mortgage or mortgages of the premises sold, the same to bear interest from the day of sale, and the papers taken to provide for the payment of attorneys' fees in case of default of payment, with the option to the purchaser or purchasers to pay all cash. Purchaser to pay for papers.

In the case of Charles B. Smith, Plaintiff, vs. D. J. McLeod, John A. McLeod and W. J. McLeod, Defendants.

All that tract of land situated, lying and being in Shiloh Township, County and State aforesaid (Sumter County, South Carolina), containing two hundred and eleven acres, more or less, bounded as follows: North, by W. J. McLeod and Ben Cooper's land; south, by Jacob Keels' land; west, by T. L. Kilpatrick's land and Pudding Swamp road; and east, by D. W. Gibb's land.

Terms of Sale—Cash. Purchaser to pay for papers. W. H. INGRAM, Master for Sumter County.

Nov 6.

State of South Carolina, COUNTY OF SUMTER.

By T. V. Walsh, Esq., Probate Judge.

WHEREAS, ISAIHAH WATSON made suit to me to grant him Letters of Administration of the Estate of and effects of FRIDAY WATSON, deceased.

These are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said FRIDAY WATSON, late of said County and State, deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Sumter Court House on November 13th, 1895, next after publication thereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they have, why the said Administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand, this thirtieth day of October, A. D., 1895.

THOS. V. WALSH, Judge of Probate.

Oct 30—21.

Estate of Mrs. Mary M. E. Pitts, DECEASED.

ALL PERSONS having demands against the said estate, will present same duly attested, and all persons in any way indebted to said estate, will make payment to

MRS. MARY A. C. HENRY, Qualified Executrix.

Oct. 23, 1895.—31.

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