

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 1906.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Mrs. H. R. Thomas—Notice. Sparks Mfg. Co.—Distributor. O'Donnell & Co.—Easter Has Passed. The D. J. Chandler Clothing Co.—Clothes of the Hour.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. J. C. Spann is visiting relatives in Charleston. Dr. A. C. Dick, of Heriots, spent Saturday in town. Mr. R. Sumter Williams has returned from Charleston. Mr. J. B. Ryan, of Wedgefield, spent yesterday in town. Dr. N. Y. Alford, of Wisacky, was in the city yesterday. Mr. R. M. Jenkins, of St. Charles, came to the city Monday. Dr. L. G. Corbett, of Greenville, is visiting friends in the city. Mr. W. J. Seale returned home from Richmond on Saturday. Miss Lydia Lee has returned to the city from a trip to Columbia. Mr. Geo. M. Stuckey, of Bishopville, spent Sunday in the city. Mr. LeRoy Wallace, of Atlanta, has been in the city for several days. Mr. Henry Muller, of Georgetown, is spending a few days in the city. Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Brown left Monday afternoon for Philadelphia. Mr. H. W. Abbott, of Columbia, spent Friday in the city on business. Capt. R. J. Brownfield, of Oatchall, was in the city Saturday on business. Mr. E. E. Aycock, of Wedgefield, was in the city for awhile Monday morning. Miss Florence Keels, of Rocky Mount, N. C., is visiting Mrs. H. R. Hammond. Mr. Carl B. Epps, of Cokesbury, is in the city with his brother, R. D. Epps, Esq. Messrs. W. T. McLeod and T. N. Griffin, of Lynchburg, spent Friday in the city. Mrs. H. J. Bennies and daughter, Miss Alma, of Columbia, are visiting Mrs. A. A. Bradham. Mr. E. D. Smith, of Chattanooga, who has been visiting relatives in the city, has returned home. Miss Sallie Glass, of Columbia, is visiting her sister, Mrs. C. W. Stausill, Jr., on Liberty street. Miss Mittie Dotson, who accompanied Miss Lee to Columbia, has returned to her home in Virginia. Miss Pauline Woodley, a student at the Columbia Female College, came home for the Easter holidays. Misses Marie and Euilly Alphonse, of Georgetown, are in the city as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Reardon. Mr. John Moran, of Greenville, is in the city assisting in installing the new machinery at the electric light station. Mr. W. C. A. DeLorme, of Dovesville, a brother of Mrs. C. S. Kingsmore, of this city, was valedictorian of his class at the Charleston College of Pharmacy. Senator and Mrs. R. I. Manning and Mrs. Elizabeth Manning went to Spartanburg on Monday, where they were suddenly called by the illness of R. I. Manning, Jr., Esq.

DEATHS.

Mrs. Alma Fort, wife of Mr. B. M. Fort, of the Concord neighborhood, died Sunday after a long illness. She was a daughter of Mr. John Terry and was about 33 years old. The funeral was held at Lewis' chapel Monday afternoon. Spartanburg, April 16.—Richard I. Manning, aged 24 years son of W. S. Manning, died at his home on East Main street this afternoon after an illness of less than a week. The deceased was a graduate of Wofford College and the law department of the University of Virginia. He had just commenced the practice of law, and his prospects for a good and useful life were bright. His mother, whose death occurred several years ago, was Miss Margaret Adger of Charleston. Death of Dr. A. J. Stokes. From the Daily Item April 13. Rev. H. B. Browne received a telegram today announcing that the Rev. A. J. Stokes, D. D., died in Greenwood this morning and that he would be buried in Camden tomorrow at 12 o'clock. Dr. Stokes was stricken down with paralysis Wednesday, from which he did not recover. He was in feeble health the latter part of last year, and at the annual conference in December he asked for a superannuated relation which was granted. Since that time he has been living with his son-in-law, Rev. W. C. Kirkland, at Allendale. Dr. Stokes was nearly 70 years of age and had been an eminent minister of the gospel and a prominent and useful member of the South Carolina Methodist Conference for 47 years. He served the church as pastor and presiding elder, and did splendid work in the several appointments to which he was assigned. Dr. Stokes was a resident of Sumter for about 11 years, serving the First Church as pastor parts of two different terms, and serving the Sumter District as presiding elder for one term of four years. His many friends in this section will grieve to know of the death of this good man and high toned gentleman.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Nelson Clarkson and Joe Williams, both plead guilty to the charge of the larceny of a bicycle, and were sentenced each to service on the public works of the county for a period of one year. Warren Evans was given a like sentence for house breaking and larceny. He was duly tried and convicted. Charlie Williamson and Munroe Harris, two negro boys about 10 years of age, plead guilty to house breaking and larceny. They stole an overcoat from the house of Mr. T. A. Scarborough on Main street. They were sent to the reformatory for two years. Mr. J. Strother was convicted by a jury of malicious mischief, having shot and killed three hogs because of their having strayed upon his field. The defendant was represented by Mark Reynolds, Esq. Mary Nero, represented by L. D. Jennings, Esq., was acquitted of the charge of having committed an assault and battery of a high and aggravated nature. Wednesday afternoon John Rollinson was arraigned on and plead not guilty to the charge of murder. He was represented by L. D. Jennings, Esq. The State failed to make out a case, and on request of the solicitor, Judge Gary directed a verdict for the defendant. The case against Albert Everett Danvey, the pickpocket that gave a cash bond in the sum of \$1,000 for his appearance at this term of court, was called to trial Thursday. He failed to answer when his name was called. Solicitor Wilson gave notice that he would take the proper steps to estreat the bond. Richard Reid plead guilty to the charge of larceny of a bicycle from Mr. H. Claremont Moses. The court imposed the usual sentence of one year at hard labor on the public works of the county. The case of the State vs. Hubert Vaughan, charged with murder, was next taken up. Davis D. Moise, Esq., was present for the defendant. The trial was concluded before the court took recess; the jury found the defendant guilty of manslaughter and recommended him to the mercy of the court. The case of the State vs. Ophelia Johnson, indicted for murder, was concluded late Thursday afternoon, when the jury returned a verdict of guilty of manslaughter. The case of the State vs. Eugene Hogan, Jr., was taken up upon the convening of the court Friday. As soon as it became noised about that the case was in process of trial, the court house was uncomfortably crowded. The defendant was arraigned and plead not guilty to the charge of assault and battery with intent to kill. The solicitor was assisted in the prosecution by L. D. Jennings, Esq. H. D. Moise, Esq., and Maj. Marion Moise are counsel for the defense. During the morning hour the State made out its case with the exception of the examination of one witness. The State's witnesses bore themselves well upon the stand, and their testimony was not broken down by the cross-examination.

CASE OF EUGENE HOGAN, JR.

Found Guilty on Both Charges, But He Escaped From Custody and His Sentence is Left Sealed.

The morning hour Saturday was consumed in the trial of Mr. Eugene Hogan, Jr., for an assault and battery with intent to kill and for carrying a concealed weapon. Mr. Jennings, for the State, made his argument in the case Friday afternoon. H. D. Moise, Esq., for the defense, opened the argument next morning and was followed by Major Marion Moise, also counsel for the defense. The defendant was most ably represented. The addresses of his attorneys were masterpieces of eloquence and oratory, but, alas, they were badly hampered by their client's lack of legal defense. Solicitor Wilson's clear and forcible argument drove to the minds of the jurors conviction with every word. Nothing escaped them, they lent forward in their chairs, and were held in rapt attention as if by a mystic spell. Their faces reflected the verdict before they retired from the court room. Judge Earnest Gary charged the jury in his characteristic clear and forcible manner, and turned over to them the record on which to write their verdict. In less than ten minutes an agreement had been reached, and the jurors filed back into the court room and took their places in the jury box. The defendant had left the court house. The verdict was read by Clerk Parrott: "Guilty on both counts." "W. C. Broughton, Foreman." Hogan's attorneys gave notice of appeal. The defendant was called for to be sentenced, but Major Marion Moise, counsel for the defendant, stated to Judge Gary that his client had gone to dinner and would return immediately upon the convening of the court in the afternoon. The Judge refrained from issuing a bench warrant on this assurance of counsel. When the defendant was called at

4:30 o'clock in the afternoon he failed to appear. Major Moise stated that his client's father was in court and desired time to find his son; he therefore moved that sentence be suspended until later in the criminal session. Judge Gary stated that had it not been for his great deference and respect for counsel that he would have issued the bench warrant before recess was taken. He refused the motion, saying that he would leave a sealed sentence with the clerk and immediately instructed the solicitor to prepare a bench warrant. This will be heard with Hogan. Ophelia Johnson, convicted Friday of manslaughter, having killed her husband with a shot gun, was placed in the dock to be sentenced. The judge stated that she had had a very narrow escape, and as the jury had recommended her to mercy, he would impose a sentence on her of only three years in the State penitentiary. Sentence upon Herbert Vaughn, for manslaughter, was postponed pending a motion of Davis D. Moise, Esq., his attorney, which will be made this afternoon.

STUKES RE-SENTENCED—TO BE HANGED THE THIRD FRIDAY IN MAY.

The Prisoner's Statement—Deserted By Counsel—What the Court and Solicitor Said. Colclough Stukes, bleached by reason of his long confinement in jail, nervous and trembling from great excitement, was placed in the dock at 1:30 o'clock last Saturday, and was resented by Judge Gary to hang by the neck until his body be dead. It is a horrible sight to witness such an awful ceremony, the stillness of death pervaded the entire court room, and everyone seemed to realize that a gruesome task was to be performed. After the indictment and sentence had been read by Clerk L. I. Parrott, the usual questions were propounded to the prisoner, and were answered as below indicated. The Court: "Have you anything to say why the sentence of court should not be passed upon you?" The Prisoner: "I would like to explain a few things." The Court: "All right, sir." The Prisoner: "In making my appeal to the Supreme Court, as Mr. Canteay deserted the case, I would like to state to the solicitor that I would like to have an investigation of certain evidence that was brought up in court when I was tried, and the sheriff was notified and he says that he notified them, but failed by some means to get them, and I would like to have an investigation of those witnesses if it is proper. And would thank you very much to let the sentence be as far off as possible, so that that investigation can be made. If you desire to explain any of those witnesses, I can explain some portion of the testimony." The Court: "That would avail you nothing. I am ordered by the Supreme Court to fix another day for the execution. My duties are simply ministerial, and I have nothing to do but pronounce the sentence and I could not give you an investigation." The Prisoner: "I would like you to look at this before you pass sentence, if you don't object." The Court: "Certainly, hand it up." The prisoner produced a letter, which was read by His Honor, and is signed by J. J. Canteay, attorney for the prisoner. The Prisoner: "That amount was paid, and he hasn't did anything, sir." The Court: It seems that the amount of money was not forthcoming. Solicitor: "Your Honor, I would like to make a statement. There have been so many letters written that I don't know how matters stand. When the case came up in the Supreme Court, I don't know when I have been in such an embarrassing position. I was there and Mr. Canteay didn't appear, and there a party had been convicted of murder and his counsel didn't appear. Well, I didn't know what to do—didn't know what the excuse was, and I got up in the Supreme Court and made a statement and we telegraphed to Mr. Canteay and received a reply that he couldn't come—that the case had been continued, and I got up and stated to the Supreme Court that there I was, had been solicitor for so many years, and I didn't know when I had been in so embarrassing a position, and Col. Lee made an argument, and the Supreme Court passed an order allowing so many days—I forget the number—for Mr. Canteay to file his brief or whatever he was going to do. The Court: "There is nothing I could do. I am simply commanded by the Supreme Court to fix another date for the execution. And let me admonish you before that time is fixed, I see no hope for you on the question of appealing to the Supreme Court. Don't indulge too much from the fact that there is anything in the law that is going to avail you. I am candid in saying to you that there is no hope I can extend you, and let me admonish you to ready to meet that awful day, because as I saw the charge of an eminent Federal Judge he said the most unpleasant duty of a judicial officer to perform was to pass

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sentence on a criminal who has been convicted. It is no pleasure to me to carry out the ministerial act. I do not know anything of the facts of your case, but I would like to admonish you to prepare to meet that Judge of judges, and, if your case is an innocent one and just, ask him to consider your case and your situation. There is no miscarriage of justice there, and whatever the event would be there is no hope I can extend you, if you will just prepare yourself as a warning. The sentence of the law is that you be carried to the place from whence you came last, there to be kept in safe and close custody until the third Friday in May and between the hours of 10 in the forenoon and 2 in the afternoon that you be carried to the place of private execution and there be hanged by the neck until your body be dead. And may God have mercy on your soul." The Court of General Sessions adjourned sine die on Saturday afternoon.

Court of Common Pleas. The entire time of the court Monday was consumed in the trial of a case brought by Friendly Montgomery against Sumter county on account of injury sustained by plaintiff's mule on a public highway. John H. Clifton, Esq., for plaintiff and L. D. Jennings, Esq., for defendant. The verdict was in favor of the plaintiff in the sum of \$75.00.

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RETAIL DRUGGISTS. Met in Sumter—Business Discussed. Officers Elected. The Sumter, Clarendon and Lee County Association of Retail Druggist, which is a sub-division of the National association, met in this city and held their annual banquet at the Hotel Sumter. There was a large representation present, the delegates being from Manning, Mayesville, Bishopville, Summerton and this city. After the very enjoyable banquet had been concluded, the association went into executive session and transacted some important business. The following officers were elected to serve one year. President, J. G. DeLorme; vice president, B. D. Lane of Bishopville; secretary and treasurer, C. H. Durant.

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A Coming Marriage. Invitations have been issued by Mr. and Mrs. John F. Lucas to the marriage of their daughter, Maude, to Mr. James C. McLeod, on Thursday afternoon, April 26th, at home Walterboro, S. C. Mr. McLeod is a son of Mr. N. S. McLeod, of Oswego.

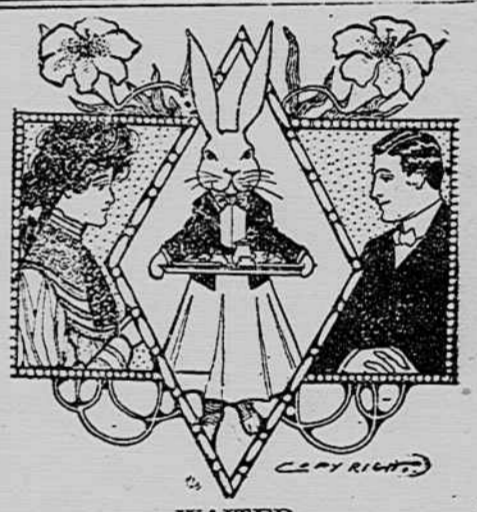
The Mutual Ice Company factory is now practically complete and the machinery is being tested. Manager Scherwin says that the factory will be turning out ice regularly before the end of the week.

Estates of Julia A. Canteay, nee Anderson, and Mary K. Anderson, WARDS. I WILL apply to the Judge of Probate of Sumter County, S. C., on April 28th prox for a Final Discharge as General Guardian the aforesaid Wards. W. W. ANDERS'ON, Ja., General Guardian. 3 28-4t

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