

**The Watchman and Southron**

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1907.

The *Junior Watchman* was founded in 1880 and the *True Southron* in 1866. The *Watchman and Southron* now has the combined circulation and influence of both of the old papers, and is manifestly the best advertising medium in Sumter.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE.**

Subscribers are requested to examine the label on their papers, which show the date to which the subscription has been paid. Those who find that they are in arrears are requested to call and settle or remit at the earliest convenient date. The amount that each subscriber owes is small, but in the aggregate the amount due us for subscription is quite large—and we need the money.

Col. John J. Dargan, of Stateburg, on Monday announced his candidacy for the United States Senate to succeed Hon. A. J. Latimer. We had his card of announcement in which he outlined his platform, in type for publication today, but one of the forms which contained his card and considerable other interesting matter was accidentally pied and it was impossible to reset it in time for this issue.

Now is the time for the Cotton Growers' Association, the Farmers' Union, the cotton warehouses, the banks and all other business organizations interested in maintaining a staple price for cotton to stand together. Cotton is worth fully two cents more than the present market price and the mills can afford to pay thirteen cents or more for cotton, as they have their output sold ahead on that basis. They are compelled to have the cotton if that price is demanded, and if the farmers are aided to hold their cotton for a few weeks the price will advance, and the difference in price will mean fifty to seventy-five million dollars to the South. This is the crisis, and the officers of the cotton association and others who have been talking so glibly about financing the cotton crop and holding for fifteen cents should come to the front and show the farmers how to hold for thirteen cents.

The only negro member of the Georgia legislature has resigned. It is not a matter of record that he suffered any bodily harm during the knock down and drag out debate on the prohibition law, but he probably saw enough to convince him that Atlanta is not a health resort for a negro law-maker.

If the investigation of the immigration question by Senator Latimer and other members of congress results in the enactment of a law that will shut out the criminals that are coming to this country in increasing numbers each year the excursion to Europe will not have been in vain. Better no immigrants at all than a flood of criminals.

The way cotton has declined in price since the government crop report was issued Monday indicates that the Southern Cotton Ginners' Association and the Farmers' Union will have an opportunity to show what they can do toward regulating the price of this year's crop. This year's crop is certainly smaller by several hundred thousand bales, at least, than last year's, while the requirements of the world's cotton mills are greater, assuring a demand for all the cotton that has been produced. All the conditions favor higher prices than prevailed last season, and the only thing that can have a material effect in depressing the price will be the glutting of the market with cotton during the next sixty days. If the farmers undertake to market all, or the larger part of the crop between this time and December 1st the inevitable result will be low prices. As long as the mills need cotton for immediate use they will pay what the cotton is worth, but they will not buy a full year's supply within a few weeks at top prices. It is up to the farmers and their organization to dictate the price by regulating the marketing of the crop.

George Spivens, white, and Jack McCoomer, colored, the men who were convicted of killing J. E. Galliard and sentenced to life imprisonment in the penitentiary, are still in jail pending an appeal for a new trial. So far as can be learned the appeal has never been perfected, and the case is no nearer a settlement than it was six months ago. These men should either be granted a new trial, sent to the penitentiary or pardoned—preferably pardoned, for few of those who attended the trial believe that a case was made out against the men. One of them may possibly be guilty, but both of them cannot be, according to the unsatisfactory and inconclusive evidence, largely circumstantial, adduced at the trial. The prevailing opinion is that the guilty man was never captured, and that Spivens and McCoomer are victims of circumstances. But be that as it may,

some disposition should be made of the case—they have been in jail long enough for the case to have been heard months ago.

**Weekly Weather Bulletin.**

For the week ending 8 a. m. Sept. 16, 1907:

The daily minimum temperatures ranged from 80 to 95 degrees, and the daily minimum temperatures from 53 to 74 degrees. The mean temperature was much above the normal in the eastern division and was about normal, or slightly above, in the western division, where the nights were cooler than usual during the latter part of the week.

Showers occurred frequently, and in places the rainfall was heavy. Nearly the whole State received ample moisture, though in a few localities, mostly in the central and Savannah valley counties, the rainfall was insufficient to relieve the drought.

Severe thunderstorms accompanied by high winds, occurred on the 16th, the winds doing considerable damage in places.

The percentage of cloudiness was greatest during the latter part of the week when the sky was generally overcast. The average sunshine was much below the normal.

**THE COTTON MARKET.**

**New Low Level for Movement—Trading Was Quite Active.**

New York, Sept. 17.—The cotton market was very nervous and irregular during today's trading. Prices made a new low level for the movement during the middle of the day, but rallied later and closed steady at a net advance of 8 to 9 points. Sales for the day were estimated at 500,000 bales.

The opening was firm at an advance of 11 to 18 points owing to higher cables than expected and covering by shorts as well as some buying on the reaction theory, but offerings were heavy on the bulge with bears who had taken profits on the drop of yesterday. Prices weakened after the opening and just after mid-day sold off to a net decline of 14 to 16 points, with October reaching 10.88 and January 11.03, or about 2 1/2 to 30 points below the level of the morning. A private condition report showing a deterioration of only 1.8 per cent for the past two weeks encouraged the decline, while private wires reported a small failure in the New Orleans market. This was followed by quite a sharp rally in the late trading on covering of shorts and buying for a turn based on the increasing short interest and the reduction in the long account.

Receipts at the ports today 30,990 bales against 17,683 last week and 16,719 last year. For the week 140,000 bales against 99,150 last week and 185,936 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans 1,051 against 9,565 last year.

Spot cotton closed quiet, 5 points higher; middling uplands 12.25; middling gulf 12.50; sales 100 bales. Futures opened firm, closed steady.

**Local Cotton Market.**

Receipts today estimated at 125 bales. Middling 11 3/8 @ 11.40.

**FIRE AT ALCOLU.**

**Barn and Stables Struck by Lightning and Burned.**

Alcolu, September 12.—During a severe electrical storm that visited this section yesterday the barn and stables on one of the farms of the D. W. Alderman & Sons Co., about eight miles east of here, were struck by lightning, and with an immense crop of oats, hay, fodder and other feed stuff just harvested and a pair of mules were completely destroyed. Fortunately the other teams had been sent out for work and were not in the stables when the bolt came. The loss is estimated at about \$1,200, with no insurance. This farm is known as the "Epps Farm," and is run by Mr. Epton Speigner.

**Lost Finger in Machine.**

Darlington, Sept. 12.—Mr. B. O. Bristow had the misfortune to lose one of his fingers and another badly damaged in a paper cutting machine in his job work office yesterday.

**Letter to S. M. Pierson.**

Sumter, S. C.  
Dear Sir: Ten years ago, there was one pure pint and 200 adulterated; there are now eight pure, 200 adulterated, about half of the latter short-measure besides.

There is still but one best, and the difference is ten gallons Devoe goes for as eleven next best—\$5—in every ten gallons.

A new word has come up in paint: It is strong. Strong paint goes further and wears longer; weak paint takes more gallons and wears out sooner.

The proper cost of a 19-gallon job is \$50. Paint that takes 14 gallons makes it \$55. Paint that takes 12 gallons makes it \$60. Paint that takes 13 gallons makes it \$65. Paint that takes 29 gallons makes it \$109.

The \$50 job wears twice as long as the \$109. These figures are not precise; they are round. The 10-gallon pint is Devoe. Yours truly,

F. W. DEVOE & CO.  
P. S.—The Durant Hardware Co. sells our paint.

**WHY THEY WERE TAXED MORE.**

**Comptroller General Jones Issues a Statement in Regard to Railroads.**

Columbia, Sept. 17.—Comptroller General Jones today gave out for publication a statement in reply to the recent editorial in the News and Courier criticising the State board of railroad assessors for their action in raising the assessments of railroad property and calling on the board for an explanation. As chairman of the board and as head of the fiscal department of the State Mr. Jones at once promised that he would comply with the request of the News and Courier, as he has carefully prepared the statement which gives his view of the matter. He takes the position that the railroads, according to their own statements, are not taxed higher than other property, and that the assessments this year are not over 60 per cent of the real value of the railroad property in this State.

**EAT WHAT YOU WANT.**

**Science Has Now Found the True Way to Cure Indigestion.**

A few years ago when a sufferer from indigestion went to a stomach specialist, the result was a rigid diet list that almost meant starvation.

But the first thing to do in the case of indigestion or stomach weakness is to strengthen the muscular walls of the stomach and intestines, so that they will care for the food that is eaten. In no other way can this be done as well as by taking a Mi-o-na tablet before each meal. This restores strength to the stomach muscles and stimulates the pouring out of gastric juices, so that the food is digested readily and its nourishment retained in the system to build up energy and vitality.

Do not think the sick headache, heartburn, bad taste in the mouth, coated tongue, spots before the eyes, sleeplessness and the many other symptoms that are the direct result of indigestion, will go away of themselves. The stomach must be built up and strengthened by Mi-o-na before you can be well and strong, free from suffering and distress.

The guarantee that J. F. W. DeLorme gives with every 50-cent box of Mi-o-na, to refund the money unless the remedy cures, shows his confidence in the treatment.

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**A RUNAWAY ACCIDENT.**

A horse, owned by Mr. H. J. Harby, frightened by the breaking of the single-tree of the buggy to which it was hitched, ran away on West Liberty street today about 1 o'clock, and the hub of the buggy striking the leg of a horse owned by Dr. C. W. Maxwell, colored, broke it just above the knee. Dr. Maxwell's horse was hitched to a

wagon and was in front of A. K. Harby's stable when the accident occurred. The runaway horse was not injured at all and neither the buggy nor wagon was damaged, as there was no collision, the buggy hub striking the horse's leg in passing. Dr. Maxwell's horse was so seriously injured that it had to be killed.

**BEST OF PROOF.**

**That Hyomel Will Cure All Forms of Catarrhal Diseases.**

Testimonials could be printed by thousands, many of them from Sumter and nearby towns, that Hyomel is an absolute cure for all catarrhal troubles, but the best proof of its unusual curative powers is the guarantee that J. F. W. DeLorme gives with every outfit that he sells. "Money back if Hyomel does not do all that is claimed for it."

Hyomel is not a secret remedy. Its formula is given freely to physicians who want to know what they use when they prescribe Hyomel. It is guaranteed under the pure food and drug law by serial No. 1418.

By Breathing Hyomel, the healing medication goes directly to every nook and corner of the air passages where the catarrhal germs may lurk, and disinfects and heals. To be convinced of this you have only to give it a trial, remembering that if it does not cure, J. F. W. DeLorme will refund your money.

The complete Hyomel outfit costs but \$1, and in most cases is sufficient to cure the disease, making it not only a scientific treatment, but one that is highly economical. Get an outfit today from J. F. W. DeLorme if you have any catarrh.

**Stop!**

**DON'T SELL YOUR LONG STAPLE COTTON**

—BEFORE WRITING US—  
We can get you the best prices and full values for all your grades. Give us a trial shipment and see for yourself.

**Whaley & Rivers,**  
Charleston, S. C.

"The first handlers of Long Staple Cotton in the best Southern market."

**LADIES' RAIN COATS.**

A Rain Coat is a garment you do not need when the dust is flyi g, but when the rain is pouring how very necessary it is. Last season we bought a manufacturers' line of samples, and those who were fortunate enough in getting their Coats from us, know what excellent values they were. This year we got the same line, and while the quantity is not so large the values are excellent, probably superior to our last season's offerings

**AT \$4.50 TO \$5.00.**

We have a good serviceable Coat, which meets the requirements of the lady of moderate means

**AT \$6.75.**

We are offering a garment that is **WORTH 50 PER CENT. MORE.**

Our offerings **AT \$8.50 TO \$10.00.**

cannot be duplicated **AT LESS THAN \$12.50.**

The lady who is looking for a real well Coat wants to see our numbers

**AT \$11.50 AND \$12.50.**

They are regular **\$18.00 TO \$20.00 GARMENTS.**

**Misses' Rain Coats.**

There are a few Misses in the lot. Just the thing for School Girls. **Price, \$5.**

**O'DONNELL & COMPANY.**

STORE CLOSES AT 6.00 P. M.	<b>SCHWARTZ BROTHERS</b>	STORE CLOSSES AT 6.00 P. M.
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**THE APPAREL SHOP FOR WOMEN.**

Consciousness of things well done is often the greatest incentive to continue doing things well. Platitude though this may be, we have that consciousness—and that our efforts have won recognition does not lessen our desire to make this "LADIES' STORE"

**A Monument of Usefulness.**

**THE FASCINATING NEWNESS OF THE NEW FALL DRESS GOODS**

courts your admiration. You'll bestow it ungrudgingly. It is a season of contradictions—rough Fabrics and smooth, Plaids and Stripes. There is a wealth of coloring, but it is rich, dark, subdued—not vivid. It promises well for variety of style in dress, for, with these beautiful materials to work with, endless variation is possible.

**Those Who Have Tested Our Values**

need no urging to respond to our announcements. To those who have yet to do so, we say—Try SCHWARTZ'S and learn the

**Art of Profitable Shopping.**

- 3,000 yards 36-in White Cambric will be sold all next week at 10c. yard.
- 50 pcs. 27-in. Diaper Cloth, worth and sold today at \$1.25 a piece in other stores. Here one piece to a customer 89c.
- 25 doz. Ladies' Silk Shield Bows—new "neck fixings"—of Fine Silk. Easily worth 25c. On sale at 10c.
- 50 doz. extra large Linen Napkins, worth \$1.25 to \$1.50. Try to match them anywhere. On sale while they last at \$1.00
- 1,000 yds 36-in- finest quality Percalés and Cambrics. For boys' waists and men's shirts. Don't pay 15c. when we have them here for you at 12c.

The New Tailor Suits, Cloaks, Skirts, are Ready.

**Schwartz Brothers**

There is a new belt—The "Fluffy Ruffles"—we have them.

**To Arrive**

About September 21st, 1907, a choice carload of HORSES and MULES.

This will be my first load for this season, and will be carefully selected for all purposes. Some extra nice DRIVING and SADDLE HORSES will be in this shipment and a call from you will be highly appreciated.

RESPECTFULLY,

**A. D. Harby.**

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**FOR SALE.**

Farms in Fairfield County. A county that has health and where a tract of land can be bought reasonable.

Write for our list.

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McCants Real Estate Company,

WINNSBORO, S. C.

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