

**The Watchman and Southern.**  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1908.

The Sumter Watchman was founded in 1850 and the True Southern in 1866. The Watchman and Southern now has the combined circulation and influence of both of the old papers, and is manifestly the best advertising medium in Sumter.

It was confidently expected that the sewerage system would be completed and turned over to the city last week, but unforeseen accidents have supervened and at the present time no date can be fixed for the acceptance by the city of the completed job. The actual construction work was completed two weeks ago and since that time a force of hands has been engaged in cleaning out the accumulation of sand, and getting the pipe lines in shape for the final inspection by City Engineer Lee. Mr. Lee has been engaged in making a careful inspection for the past few days and as a result of this inspection several hitherto undetected breaks in the pipe lines have been discovered. It was stated several days ago in this paper that a break had been found in the Oakland avenue 22-inch main and that a force of hands had been detailed to repair the broken section of pipe. This broken section was replaced with a new section after considerable difficulty and it was thought that the trouble was all over. Later developments, as Maj. Lee's inspection progressed, proved that the break that had been repaired was but one of many. So far as can now be ascertained there are a score or more of the 3 foot sections of the Oakland avenue line of 22-inch pipe that have been crushed since the pipe was laid and the deep excavation filled in. As the excavation was more than twenty feet in depth it is a tedious and expensive proposition that has to be faced, for it will be necessary to re-open the excavation and replace each section of pipe that has been crushed with a new section. The breaking of the big pipe is due, it is thought, to imperfect tamping of the earth around the pipe when they were laid, but this is a question about which the authorities differ. By some it is predicted that it will be necessary to relay the Oakland avenue line with heavier weight pipe before it will be secure against breaks. It is contended that the pressure on the pipe in the deep cuts, such as in Oakland avenue, is too great for the terra cotta of standard weight to withstand, and it will be necessary to substitute double strength terra cotta or iron pipe if breaks are to be obviated in future. It is to be hoped, however, that this gloomy view is unfounded, for the relaying of the Oakland avenue line with new pipes would be an expensive undertaking and would delay the completion of the system several months. The repairs that are now in sight are serious enough to give those in authority considerable worry.

**THANKS TO EVERYBODY.**

**A Poverty of Words Prevents the D. A. R. From Saying More in Appreciation of the Occasion of Their Recent Meeting in Sumter.**

The following expression was presented by the committee and unanimously adopted before the adjournment of the D. A. R. conference on Friday afternoon:

This is an occasion upon which we feel a poverty of words to commensurately express our appreciation of the great kindness and courtesy extended the Daughters of the American Revolution by Sumter's home chapter, and their friends.

We entered the wide open gate of the city with delight; we pass out with regret, carrying with us the hope that some day we be permitted to re-enter.

Through this committee the Twelfth Annual Conference desires to express their heart-felt thanks to the following contributors to such lavish hospitality so graciously extended: To Mrs. S. C. Baker, Regent of Sumter's home chapter, whose beautiful address voiced the sentiment, not only of her chapter, but of the City of Sumter; to Hon. Richard I. Manning for his graceful introduction of the gifted orator, Mr. H. C. Haynsworth; whose instructive address furnished valuable information to our society; to the cultured musicians who added so much to the pleasure of this conference; to the fair young pages, who so charmingly filled their positions; for the brilliant reception at the Eagles Club, given by Mrs. Baker, the afternoon tea at the handsome home of Mrs. Marion Moise, the bountiful luncheon served by the local chapter, and the elaborate reception tendered us by Dick Anderson Chapter, U. D. C., at the spacious residence of Mrs. Perry Moses, Jr., and all others who have assisted in our entertainment, especially our charming hostesses who opened their delightful homes to the delegates; to our Regent, Vice Regent and other State officers, we offer our grateful appreciation of their services.

SARA ALDRICH RICHARDSON,  
MARY ANCRUM SHANNON,  
ALEXINA EVANS,  
Committee.

**AN ACCIDENTAL KILLING.**

**Moses Dinkins Shot His Eight Year Old Brother.**

Dave Dinkins, a negro boy about eight years old, was accidentally shot to death by his brother, Moses Dinkins, last Friday night at 8 o'clock on Mr. P. M. Pitts' farm in the Jordan neighborhood. The shooting occurred while Moses Dinkins and George Gadsden were playing with the pistol which was the property of Gadsden. According to the testimony taken at the inquest held by Coroner Flowers, Gadsden took the pistol out of his pocket to get it out of his way while he and Dinkins were unloading a wagon of cotton seed at the seed house, and Dinkins took it from him. Dinkins pulled the trigger and the pistol was discharged, the bullet lodging in the chest of Dave Dinkins who happened to be in range. All the testimony was confirmatory of Moses Dinkins' statement that the shooting was accidental and the jury so found in their verdict.

Although there is no reason to doubt that the death of the boy was the result of an accident, it was unquestionably an accident that grew out of the careless and reckless handling of a loaded pistol.

**LYNCHING IN HAMPTON.**

**Negro Brute Pays Penalty for Attempted Assault.**

Luray, Hampton County, Nov. 23.—About 1 o'clock this morning Ham Gilmore, colored, about 25 years old, charged with attempted criminal assault, was taken from the town jail and lynched by an angry mob, 300 strong.

The negro was hanged from an oak tree directly in front of a negro church in one of the most prominent streets in town.

The negro is alleged to have attempted criminal assault upon two daughters of Mr. A. C. Pitts, a prominent farmer residing near this town.

About 3 o'clock Sunday morning Mr. Pitts was awakened by the screams of his two daughters, aged 10 and 19 respectively, who occupied a room adjoining his. He rushed to the scene and as he entered the room some one leaped out of the window and made off.

The girls informed their father that the man had attempted to assault them. The alarm was at once given and a number of citizens assembled. Tracks led from the house to where Gilmore was found and he was at once arrested.

In the meantime the magistrate arrived on the scene, took charge of Gilmore, and prevailed upon the citizens to let the law take its course. The prisoner was then brought here and placed in jail for safe keeping. This was about 6 p. m., Sunday.

Up to this time the negro had stoutly denied the charge, but men kept arriving on the scene, and it could be noticed that they were not satisfied.

At 1 o'clock this morning the jail door was broken down and the prisoner taken out. After a rope was placed around his neck he confessed that he intended to commit criminal assault. He was then swung up in front of the church and died from strangulation.

The magistrate held an inquest this morning and the jury found that the negro came to his death from strangulation at the hands of parties unknown.

Gilmore implicated another negro and if the latter is captured he will probably be lynched.

About 1,000 persons viewed the negro's body this morning.—The State.

Sheriff Muldrow of Lee county came down Monday afternoon to Essex Smith and Davis the two negroes who were arrested that day while trying to sell a mule and buggy to Mr. C. W. Stansill for \$60. The mule and buggy were mortgaged to parties in Bishopville and the negroes will be sent up to the higher court for disposing of property under mortgage.

**MASTER'S SALE.**

By virtue of a Decree of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, in the State of South Carolina, in the case of The Enterprise Building and Loan Association of Sumter, S. C., against Mt. Harmon Union Reformed Methodist church, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the Court House in the City of Sumter, in the County and State aforesaid, on Sale Day in December, 1908, being the 7th day of said month, during the usual hours of sale, the following described real estate, to wit:

All that lot of land located at the Southeast corner of Block "A," being lot No. 4 on a plat made by H. D. Moise, surveyor, said plat recorded in the office of the C. C. C. P., for Sumter County, in Book "O. O. O." at page 696. The said lot of land is situated in Sumter County, in said State, and is bounded on the North by lot No. 6 on said plat, East by —; South by Calhoun street and West by lot No. 3; being the lot of land conveyed by W. M. Graham to the Defendant by Deed recorded in said office, in Book "W. W. W.," page 379.

Terms of sale: Cash, purchaser to pay for papers.  
H. FRANK WILSON, Master.

**NEGRO WOMAN SHOT.**

**Tom Levine Makes Deliberate But Unsuccessful Attempt to Kill Mary Brunson.**

At a negro quilting frolic Friday night on Mr. H. C. Jones' place, near Brogdons, a row occurred and Tom Levine shot Mary Brunson through the neck, inflicting a serious but not fatal wound. Levine made a deliberate attempt to kill the woman, and the bullet passed through the back of her neck from side to side but struck none of the large blood vessels. Levine fled immediately and has not been captured.

Kindness and courtesy need elbow room and are smothered to death in a crowd.

**MASTER'S SALE.**

By virtue of a Decree of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, in the State of South Carolina, in the case of Cecile F. Schwerin against Edward Hilton and W. T. Andrews, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the Court House in the City of Sumter, in the County and State aforesaid, on Sale Day in December, 1908, being the 7th day of said month, during the usual hours of sale, the following described real estate, to wit:

All that tract of land in Sumter County, near the City of Sumter, in said State, bounded North by lot sold to Marion Wilson, and measuring on that line one hundred and fifty feet; on the East by land of Sarah Vaughn, and measuring thereon seventy-five feet; and on the South by land of Mary J. Vaughn; and measuring thereon one hundred and forty feet; and on the West by Public Road leading from Sumter to Mary J. Vaughn, and measuring thereon one hundred feet, be said dimensions a little more or less; said lot of land being the same conveyed to Edward Hilton by Sarah J. Vaughn by Deed dated April 6th, 1905.

Terms of sale: Cash, purchaser to pay for papers.  
H. FRANK WILSON, Master.

**MASTER'S SALE.**

By virtue of a Decree of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, in the State of South Carolina, in the case of Maude C. Solomons against J. Wesley Gamble, Augusta I. Solomons, Selma Pollock and H. D. Barnett, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the Court House in the City of Sumter, in the County and State aforesaid, on Sale Day in December, 1908, being the 7th day of said month, during the usual hours of sale, the following described real estate, to wit:

1. All that lot of land in Providence Township, County of Sumter, State aforesaid, containing thirty-five acres, more or less, being lot No. 9 on a plat made by B. H. Boykin, dated January 8th, 1900, and recorded in Book T. T. T., at page 417, in the office of the Register of Mesne Conveyances for Sumter County; said lot being bounded North by lot No. 7 on said plat, East by land of Seale, formerly of Edwards; South by lot No. 10, and West by lots No. 16 and No. 17 on said plat.

2. All that lot of land lying, situate and being in Providence Township, County of Sumter, State aforesaid, containing forty-six acres, more or less, being lot No. 10 on a plat made by B. H. Boykin, dated January 8th, 1900, and recorded in Book T. T. T., at page 417, in the office of the Register of Mesne Conveyances for Sumter County; said lot being bounded on the North by lot No. 9 on said plat; on the East by lands formerly of Edwards, now of Seale, on the South by lands of Brownfield and Daniel Belk, and on the West by lands of Captain Brownfield, and by lot No. 17 on said plat.

3. All that tract of land situate, lying and being in the County of Sumter, State aforesaid, containing forty acres, more or less, and designated as lot No. 17 on a plat of the Furman Hill Place, which plat is recorded in the office of the C. C. C. P., for said County in Book T. T. T., at page 417, said tract of land being bounded as follows, to wit: on the North by lots numbers 16, 24, and 25 on said plat, on the East by lots numbers 9 and 16 on said plat, on the South by lot No. 10 on said plat, and by land of Brownfield, and on the West by land of —.

Terms of sale: Cash, purchaser to pay for papers.  
H. FRANK WILSON, Master.

**MASTER'S SALE.**

By virtue of a Decree of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, in the State of South Carolina, in the case of Marion Moise against Matthew M. Geddis, Clara Geddis, Edward J. Geddis, as Trustee, and in his own right, Anna Paul, Walter Willie Geddis, Robert Geddis, Arthur Geddis, Jerome H. Geddis, Evola Paul, Edna Paul, Matthew McKenzie Paul, Josiah Paul, Annie Paul, Bertha Paul, Lorenzo Paul, Edward S. Geddis, Clara L. Geddis, Marcus Geddis, David Geddis, Luether Geddis, Henry Geddis, William Walter Geddis, and E. W. A. Bultman, doing business under the name and style of Ducker & Bultman, and Z. E. Walker, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the Court House in the City of Sumter, in the County and State aforesaid, on Sale Day in December, 1908, being the 7th day of said month, during the usual hours of sale, the following described real estate, to wit:

All that tract of land in Sumter County, in said State, containing eighty acres, adjoining lands of Scriven Moore, Herbert Pitts, Edward Anderson, and lands of others. Also that tract of land in said County and State containing sixty acres, adjoining lands of J. Singleton Moore, James Galluchat, lands of Scriven Moore and others.

Terms of sale: Cash, purchaser to pay for papers.  
H. FRANK WILSON, Master.

**MASTER'S SALE.**

By virtue of a Decree of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, in the State of South Carolina, in the case of Marion Moise against Ebenezer Wells, the Equitable Building and Loan Association of Sumter, S. C., Miguel Boffill, Pringle Brothers, M. Hornik, trading as M. Hornick and Company, J. A. Schwerin and Finken-Jordan Company, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the Court House in the City of Sumter, in the County and State aforesaid, on Sale Day in December, 1908, being the 7th day of said month, during the usual hours of sale, the following described real estate, to wit: (Parcel a.) Those two lots of land in the City of Sumter in said County and State, bounded on the North by Haynsworth Street, on the East by lot of Ella Hughson and lot of E. Wells (Lot "E") South by lot of Ella Hughson marked "D" on a plat of lots purchased by E. Wells from Ella Hughson the lots marked being "B" and "C" on said plat; and the said plat is recorded in the office of the C. C. C. P., for Sumter County in Book O. O. O. at page 731.

(Parcel b.) That lot of land in the City of Sumter in said County and State, which is designated as lot "E" on a plat made by W. L. Lee, Surveyor, on December 31st, 1900, recorded in Book O. O. O. at page 731, said lot being bounded on the North by land of Lizzie K. Hall; on the East by Salem Avenue, on the South by a street of said City; and on the West by lot "B" on said plat. Said lot measuring one hundred and thirty-six feet on its Eastern line, and has a depth of two hundred feet, more or less.

(Parcel c.) That lot of land in said City, County and State, bounded on the North by lot of Corine A. Levy, and measuring thereon two hundred and forty feet, more or less, on the East by Church street, South by lots of J. C. Whittaker, and D. W. Cuttino and West by lots of A. D. Harby and D. W. Cuttino.

(Parcel d.) That lot of land in the City and County of Sumter in said State, bounded on the North by land of J. Haynsworth and M. H. Yeadon; on the East by lot of J. T. China, South by Haynsworth Street, and West by lot of Marion Moise, and measuring on its Northern and Southern lines fifty feet, and on its Eastern and Western lines two hundred feet.

(Parcel e.) That lot of land in said City, County and State, located on North Main Street, bounded on the North by lot of Jas. McDowell, East by Main Street, South by lot of Mrs. T. S. Moise and daughters, and West by lot of Marion Moise.

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H. FRANK WILSON, Master.

**MASTER'S SALE.**

By virtue of a Decree of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, in the State of South Carolina, in the case of Enterprise Building and Loan Association of Sumter, S. C., against Elizabeth Robinson and Equitable Building and Loan Association of Sumter, S. C., I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the Court House in the City of Sumter, in the County and State aforesaid, on Sale Day in December, 1908, being the 7th day of said month, during the usual hours of sale, the following described real estate, to wit:

That lot of land in the County of Sumter, in said State, located in Shannontown, and bounded as follows: North by land of LeGrande Thomas; East by land of Phoebe Mack; South by land of Bella Pierson; and West by a Neighborhood Road; being the lot conveyed to Elizabeth Robinson by Mrs. E. L. Nettles, and W. A. McIlwaine.

Terms of sale: Cash, purchaser to pay for papers.  
H. FRANK WILSON, Master.

**MASTER'S SALE.**

By virtue of a Decree of the Court of Common Pleas for Sumter County, in the State of South Carolina, in the case of H. J. Harby, A. D. Harby, J. M. Harby, and Horace Harby, Trustees under the last Will and Testament of Horace Harby, deceased, against William Holland, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the Court House in the City of Sumter, in the County and State aforesaid, on Sale Day in December, 1908, being the 7th day of said month during the usual hours of sale, the following described real estate, to wit:

All that tract of land in the County of Sumter, in said State, containing four acres, bounded by lands said to belong to Warley, Smith and Ruffin, and by the Right of Way of the North Western Railroad Company; and being the land conveyed to Lewis L. James by Marion Moise, and conveyed to William Holland by H. Frank Wilson, Master for Sumter County by his Deed dated December 4th, 1905.

Terms of sale: Cash, purchaser to pay for papers.  
H. FRANK WILSON, Master.

**Sumter's Home Chapter Returns Thanks.**

Feeling highly appreciative of the many courtesies shown them during the past week, Sumter's Home Chapter wishes to thank those who assisted in making the State Conference D. A. R. an unqualified success.

Especially do they extend their thanks:

To the ladies and gentlemen who entertained delegates in their homes.

To those who by their music and oratory added to the pleasure of the meeting.

To those county officials who extended courtesies to the conference.

To Dick Anderson Chapter U. D. C. for the entertainment given the Chapter and visiting delegates.

To Mr. Thomas E. Richardson for his attention in exhibiting rare volumes and Revolutionary papers to all interested.

And to the representatives of the press who gave so generously of time

and space to the proceedings of the Conference.

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**THANKSGIVING**

We return thanks to our many friends who were so generous in their dealings with us during the past year, and we will endeavor to conduct our business in the future in such a manner as to merit a continuance of their confidence and patronage.

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