

LEE AND SUMTER INVOLVED.

Supreme Court Will Pass on Case Heard Before Magistrate in Railroad Suit.

The Supreme Court yesterday issued a per curiam order, providing for an en banc meeting on November 27 of five cases against the Atlantic Coast Line road from Sumter county involving the question of whether two stations, St. Charles and Wisacky are in Lee or Sumter county. R. M. Jenkins is the plaintiff in four of the cases and W. W. DesChamps is the plaintiff in the other.

The per curiam order is as follows: "These five cases involved the question whether a magistrate in Sumter county has jurisdiction in so far as the actions involved recovery of a penalty, whether the question of jurisdiction related to the subject matter or to the person, and so whether contest upon the merits before the magistrate was a waiver of objection to jurisdiction, and incidentally whether in considering such question raised here for the first time, this court could take judicial notice that St. Charles and Wisacky, where the cases of action are alleged to have arisen, are in Lee county and not in Sumter county.—The State.

THE DISPENSARY CLOSED.

Everything Sold Out Except a Few Bottles of Wine.

From The Daily Item, Nov. 16. The county dispensary was closed last night and Sumter county is now prohibition territory. Whether or not it is to be dry remains to be seen. The enforcement of the law against the sale of intoxicating beverages depends more upon public sentiment than upon the county and city officials, and if there is not a strong sentiment in favor of the rigid enforcement of the law, the law will be a dead letter, irrespective of the efforts the officials may make to suppress the illicit sale of liquor. They may be able to apprehend many of the blind tigers, but if any considerable number of people conspire with the blind tigers to violate the law by patronizing the tigers the police of this city and the county officials will not be able to cope with the evil.

Dispenser Windham acting under the orders of the County Board of Control closed the dispensary promptly at the usual closing hour last night and the dispensary became a thing of the past so far as Sumter is concerned. The stock of liquors was closed out several days ago and only a small remnant of wines was left on hand at closing time last night. There remained unsold only two cases of champagne and three or four cases of other wines, the total value of which was less than \$200. The Sumter county dispensary will pay all outstanding accounts and have remaining about \$30,000 in cash to be divided between the school fund, Sumter county, the city of Sumter and the town of Mayesville. The final settlement and distribution of funds will be made as soon as possible under the provisions of the law.

*Lame back comes on suddenly and is extremely painful. It is caused by rheumatism of the muscles. Quick relief is afforded by applying Chamberlain's Liniment. Sold by W. W. Sibert.

The schedule of the new Coast Line flyer is no improvement on the old except that one does not have to rise so early to get to Augusta, but that is offset by the lateness in getting there. If the schedule were to be advanced a little so that the new train would connect at Sumter with the train going to Greenville, and return a few hours ahead of train 32 going north there would be a material gain in schedules for all this section. That train would get to Charleston earlier in the day and leave earlier in the afternoon, giving just about the same time in Charleston and getting our friends in Dillon, Fayetteville and other points home before night, it would be an advantage to us all, to say nothing of the earlier train to Columbia and the connection for the up-country. We sincerely urge these modifications to our friends who run the railroad. It seems like too much of a good thing to have two fast trains leaving here for the north so close together as 32 and the new train do. The Coast Line runs plenty of trains, but it keeps them so close together that there is little or nothing gained to the traveling public.—Florence Times.

EMBEZZLER INDICTED.

Grand Jury Accuses Warriner of Grand Larceny and Misapplication of Funds.

Cincinnati, Nov. 15.—Charles L. Warriner, formerly local treasurer of the Big Four railroad, was indicted today on charges of grand larceny and embezzlement in the amount of \$5,000 on each count.

While \$643,000 is known to have been stolen from the railroad, it developed today that the company's cash books prior to 1905 have disappeared and that it will never be possible to tell the full amount of the defalcations.

The comparatively small amount on which Warriner was indicted represented the latest known theft.

Amazing figures were presented today, showing the progress of the thefts for the last five years. The shortage thus estimated amounts to something more than \$58,000 for 1905, 1906 and 1907 to \$62,000 in 1908, and \$83,000 in 1909. The total for five years reaches \$322,000.

Of this sum Warriner says he paid \$400 a month to each of two persons in the form of blackmail. The rest, he alleges, he lost in speculation, trying to replace his thefts.

The most interesting person to appear before the grand jury today was Mrs. Jeanette Stuart Ford, whose connection with the case is still shrouded in mystery. Mrs. Ford declared that she had said nothing to the grand jurors beyond the indefinite statement which she has already made public.

After the grand jury had adjourned for the day, Prosecutor Hunt announced that Warriner would be summoned as a witness to give evidence against the persons whom he accuses of blackmail.

SUPREME COURT DIVIDED.

A Petition of C., C. & O. For a Mandamus to Compel Granting of Its Charter.

Columbia, Nov. 15.—The Supreme Court today issued an order calling a meeting of the whole circuit and Supreme bench on Nov. 27 to pass upon the C., C. and O's. petition to mandamus the Secretary of State to issue the road a charter.

PIEDMONT ELECTRIC RAILWAY.

Anderson Car Company Sells Out to Greenville Syndicate.

Greenville, Nov. 15.—The Anderson Traction Company was today purchased in Greenville by a Greenville syndicate, composed of L. W. Parker, W. J. Thackston, H. J. Haynsworth, J. B. Duke and E. N. Duke, the last named being associated with the American Tobacco Company. The purchase was made from E. W. Robertson, who has recently bought in this company's holdings.

The Messrs. Duke came to Greenville today to meet the other parties in the transaction, and returned to Charlotte tonight. The amount of the purchasing price has not been stated. This is one of the most important business transactions that has taken place in this section for some time. The Dukes in the syndicate have taken over the property with the purpose of extending the inter-urban line of the Anderson Traction Company from Belton to Greenville and from Greenville to Spartanburg. Papers of incorporation will at once be applied for and the name of the new corporation will be the Greenville, Anderson and Spartanburg Traction Company. Subscriptions will be opened within a short time and the people of this section will be given an opportunity to subscribe to the stock on the basis of the purchase. Within a reasonable time a survey will be made for extension of the line to Greenville and Spartanburg.

*Croup is most prevalent during the dry cold weather of the early winter months. Parents of young children should be prepared for it. All that is needed is a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Many mothers are never without it in their homes and it has never disappointed them. Sold by W. W. Sibert.

Order No. 74, to be effective December 1, has been adopted by the railroad commission, requiring the Atlantic Coast Line Road to operate the Conway, Coast and Western Road as one and the same system as the Atlantic Coast Line, and thereby to use continuous mileage and assess one straight local rate. This will mean a great saving to the people along the line of the Conway, Coast and Western Road in the matter of freight rates. Formerly in making rates from one station on one line to a station on the other the local rates of each line would be added and 20 per cent. deducted.

*The old, old story, told times without number, and repeated over and over again for the last 36 years, but it is always a welcome story to those in search of health—There is nothing in the world that cures coughs and colds as quickly as Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Sold by W. W. Sibert.

VACCINATION ORDERED.

Health Officer Reardon Will Begin Vaccination of School Children Nov. 24th.

Owing to the prevalence of smallpox in other portions of this State, and desiring to take no chances whatever, Superintendent of City Schools S. H. Edmunds and Health Officer Reardon decided today to order a general vaccination, and re-vaccination of all scholars and teachers in the city schools.

The city health department and the State board of health rules and regulations require that every scholar shall be successfully vaccinated as a pre-requisite to attending school, and that at least once every six years all scholars shall be re-vaccinated. The laws place the responsibility for compliance with these regulations upon the teachers, parents and guardians of the scholars and impose heavy penalties for neglect or refusal to comply with the regulations.

The teachers in the different grades and divisions today notified every scholar that on next Wednesday, November 24th, the work of vaccination will begin in accordance with the prescribed rules and regulations.

Smallpox, in the last two or three years has become much more virulent and fatal. Seven out of every ten persons afflicted with this disease, in a recent severe outbreak in this State died, and every case was of a malignant and serious nature.

It is preferred that all scholars be vaccinated at home by their family physicians. But following out a custom in vogue for years the health officer will go to each of the city school buildings for several hours each day, beginning November 24th, to see that all scholars are vaccinated, or to vaccinate, without charge all who may wish to be vaccinated at the schools.

All physicians, and others will be furnished with vaccine virus by the health officer, upon application, without cost as the State health board furnishes the city health departments with purest glycerized virus for free distribution.

The same precautions taken with school children should be adopted by all individuals in a community.

While it is preferred that every citizen desiring to be vaccinated, or re-vaccinated will go to, or have a practicing physician to do this work, nevertheless the city health department requires the city health officer to vaccinate, without charge, any who apply to him.

In the case of ladies the health officer will go to the homes upon receipt of one day's notice in advance by telephone, or mail. Gentlemen will be vaccinated free at the city hall or at their places of business.

NEGRO STATE FAIR.

Will Not Be Held in Sumter Says Richard Carroll.

"The negro State fair," said Richard Carroll, the president of the association, yesterday, "will be held next year in Batesburg, if I have anything to do with it. There is a rumor that it would be carried to Sumter, but I do not think that it will for we are thinking of buying a tract of land at Batesburg for the fair."

Over 20,000 attended the fair during the past week, which was according to reports received very successful and orderly, there being few arrests made.

Richard Carroll, in speaking of the fair yesterday, said: "The negro State fair at Batesburg last week was a success in every way. The white citizens of the community presented me with a nice horse and buggy and paid the expenses of a banquet for me, at which were about 75 of my friends. The fair will be held in Batesburg next year if the members of the association have a chance to vote on it. I do not think of going elsewhere and there is a movement on foot to purchase 50 acres of land at Batesburg. The white merchants will subscribe for more than half of the stock. The white people of Batesburg were pleased with the fair and are willing to aid it. An office for the fair association has already been rented in Batesburg.—The State.

*When a cold becomes settled in the system, it will take several days' treatment to cure it, and the best remedy to use is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It will cure quicker than any other, and also leaves the system in a natural and healthy condition. Sold by W. W. Sibert.

Frederick Ward's lecture will begin at 9 o'clock on the evening of the 24th of November. This is done that those who attend the mid-week prayer service may not be deprived of the pleasure of hearing this distinguished lecturer.

*Many school children suffer from constipation, which is often the cause of seeming stupidity at lessons. Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets are an ideal medicine to give a child for they are mild and gentle in their effect, and will cure even chronic constipation. Sold by W. W. Sibert.

FELL AMONG THIEVES.

E. A. Edwards of Zirconia, N. C., Has John Davidson, Karl Adams and "Daddy" Grant Arrested.

Spartanburg, Nov. 15.—E. A. Edwards, a business man of Zirconia, N. C., claims he was robbed Sunday night of \$108 and a fine gold watch while he was in the room of John Davidson in the Walker building. He claims that he was invited and taken up in the room by one Karl B. Adams to "have a good time," as he understood. While in the room he claims to have been robbed of his purse and his watch. Tonight, in the presence of police officers, Edwards identified Adams, Davidson and "Daddy" Grant as three of the men who helped to rob him. Accordingly warrants were sworn out for their arrest. They were taken to the city jail, but gave bond and were freed.

E. A. Edwards is a business man of Zirconia, N. C. His family recently moved to Greenville, but he still does business in Zirconia. Sunday night he was in the city on his way to Greenville, and having some time between trains he came down in the city to take in the sights. He says he got with a young man who took him in an upstairs room to have a good time. While in the room he claims he was robbed.

IMPRISONED FOR CONTEMPT.

Supreme Court of United States Sentences Chattanooga Lynchers.

Washington, Nov. 15.—For the first time in American history, six men are in prison tonight for contempt of the Supreme Court of the United States. For the first time, too, the Federal government has placed men behind the bars as an outcome of the lynching of a negro.

At the United States jail in this city, Capt. Joseph F. Shipp, former sheriff of Chattanooga, Tenn., Jeremiah Gibson, his jailer, and Luther Williams, Nick Nolan Henry Padgett and William Mayes of the same city this afternoon began serving terms of imprisonment imposed a few hours before by the Supreme Court of the United States.

Shipp and Gibson had been found guilty of failing to protect from a mob Ed Johnson, whose legal execution for assault had been stayed by the Supreme Court until it could review the case. The others had been found guilty of participation in the lynching of a Federal prisoner, Shipp, Williams and Nolan were given sentences of 90 days imprisonment each, while Gibson, Padgett and Mayes each received 60 days.

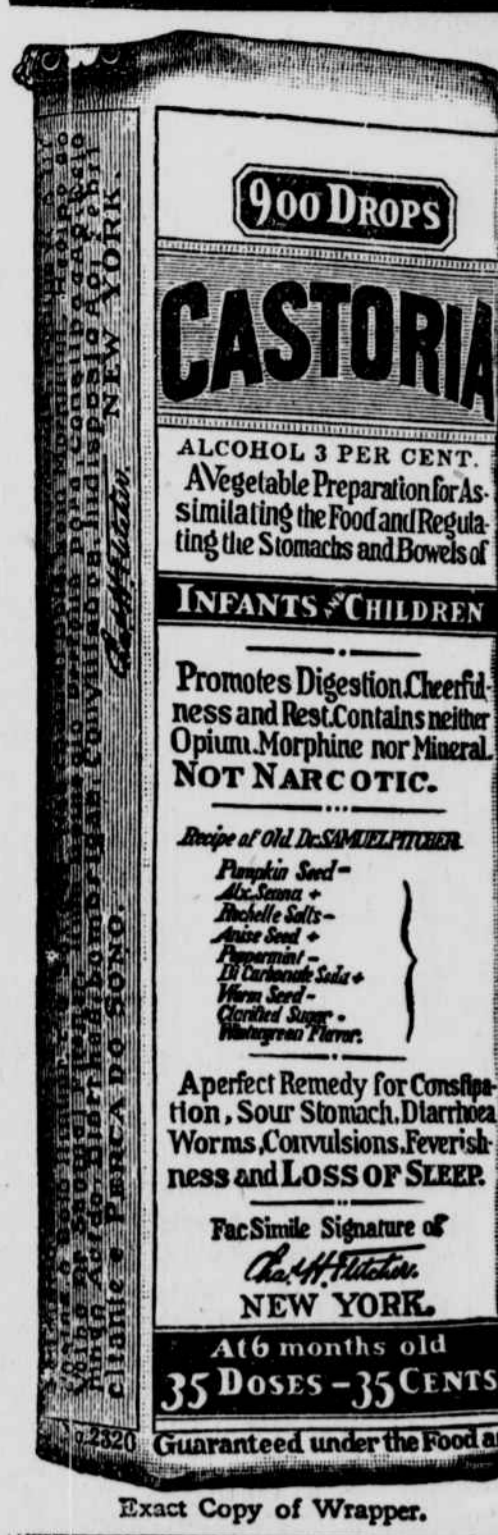
God's Providence.

Charlotte Chronicle. A striking manifestation of the Providence of God was manifested on the Seaboard Air Line road, Tuesday night, at Council's, a station about twelve miles out from Wilmington. A west-bound passenger train packed with people returning from the Taft celebration had stopped at the station, when a freight train following, crashed into the rear coach. The impact was sufficient to mash the people into a mass in the front portion of the car. The seats from the rear were closed up against each other like folding opera chairs. The smashed in and the freight engine lost pilot, head-light, smoke stack and all its upper works, even including the cab, and while twelve or fourteen people in the car were badly hurt, no one was killed. The most seriously hurt was a doctor of Lumberton (Dr. Thompson, we believe) and he escaped with a broken arm and internal injuries from which fatal results are not expected. We are not speaking of the cause of the accident, so much as of miraculous circumstances of the escape from death of those occupying the car and it was crowded to the aisles. Any one viewing the apparently inextricable mixture of wreckage and humanity would have wondered that there was no loss of life.

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