

The Watchman and Southern.

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PERSONAL.

Mr. W. J. Elliott, the veteran traveling man out of Columbia, spent Wednesday in the city.

Mr. W. D. Lindsay, of Florence, was in the city Thursday.

Mr. J. R. Nelson, of Florence, was in the city Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Millard, of Richmond, Va., are visiting the Misses Pate.

Mr. J. Frank Pate, of Fletcher, N. C., is visiting his sister on East Liberty street.

Judge John S. Wilson and Miss Wilson, of Manning, spent Thursday night in the city.

Mr. J. E. Stuckey and wife, of Bishopville, were in the city Thursday night to see the play at the Academy of Music.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Scarborough, of Bishopville, were in the city to see De Wolf Hopper at the Academy of Music Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Carnes, of Bishopville, were in the city Thursday night to see the play.

Dr. L. H. Jennings, of Bishopville, was in the city Thursday night.

Miss Marion Satterwhite went to Columbia Thursday afternoon to hear Madam Bernharte in the Columbia theatre.

Mr. L. C. Moise went to Columbia Thursday afternoon to hear the "Divine Sarah" at the Columbia theatre.

Mr. Edwin Wilson, of St. Charles, spent Saturday in the city.

Mrs. George S. Morrison, of Columbia, is visiting relatives in the city.

Mr. W. C. Bates, Miss Bates, Mr. J. W. Mitchell and Mr. L. E. Bradham, who attended the Purdy-Strother wedding have returned to their homes in Batesburg.

Mr. J. H. Winburn has returned from Atlanta.

Mrs. M. J. Michaux has returned from a pleasant visit to her son in Jacksonville, Fla., and Barnwell county and has joined Mr. Michaux in Mayesville.

Misses Ada Spain, of Darlington, and Elizabeth James, of Atlanta, are the guests of Mrs. C. W. Stansill on W. Liberty street.

Mr. J. M. Woodley, who removed to Dawson, Ga., January 1st and purchased large farming interests in Terrell county, is in the city on business.

Mr. R. M. Cooper, of Wisacky, spent Monday in the city.

Mr. Jules Deas, of Summerton, spent Monday in the city.

Mrs. J. David, of Columbia, and Messrs. Morris H. Mannheim of Atlanta and Mike Mannheim of Marion, who were here to attend the funeral services of their father, Mr. H. Mannheim, have returned home.

Miss Agnes Haynsworth, of Columbia College for Women, spent Saturday and Sunday at home with her parents.

Mr. F. C. Manning has secured a six months leave of absence from the telephone manufacturing company on account of ill health and has moved to Wisacky to recuperate.

Mr. Vivian M. Manning, of Greenville, spent Sunday in the city with his father, Mr. R. L. Manning.

Mr. David Loring, of Wilmington, spent Sunday in the city on a visit to his father.

Miss Ruff of Ridgeway is visiting Miss Hallie Jones.

Judge DeVore is stopping at the Rose House while in the city.

Miss Helen Bates who has been visiting the family of Mr. Charles T. Mason has returned to her home in Baltimore.

Messrs. D. C. Shaw and H. V. Reid have returned to the city after a trip to Atlanta to attend a meeting of the E. M. F. automobile dealers.

Purdy-Strother.

On Thursday afternoon at the residence of the bride's parents, Judge and Mrs. R. O. Purdy, Miss Jane Purdy and Mr. Edward F. Strother, of Batesburg, were united in matrimony by the Rev. Watson B. Duncan of Charleston, the former pastor of the bride. The ceremony was performed in the presence of the immediate family of the bride and with a few intimate friends of the bride and groom present.

Immediately after the ceremony the newly married couple left on their bridal trip, upon their return from which they will be at home to their many friends in Batesburg.

The county treasurer has closed his office until the fifteenth of next October when he will again open up its doors for the receipt of taxes. At present he is preparing his books for the business which is to come in next fall.

A RUNOVER FOR SUMTER.

Sumter High School Beats General Sumter Memorial Academy 20 to 0.

The baseball game played Saturday afternoon at the General Sumter Memorial Academy grounds between the High School boys and the team from that school resulted in a walk-over for Sumter, the score at the end of the ninth inning being 20 to 0 in favor of the high school boys.

Brown, who pitched for Sumter, did fine work in the box and the whole team showed up well in making the score as high as it was. There were only a few errors on either side, both playing exceptionally good ball throughout, the Academy boys showing up fine in the face of defeat and fighting hard to keep the score of their opponents down even when it was seen that they were hopelessly defeated. At the end of the fifth inning an effort was made by the Sumter team to stop the game as it was getting late and they were anxious to get home, but their opponents refused to stop the game and wanted it to continue, protesting that they still had a chance to win even though the score stood 8 to 0 against them.

In the seventh inning Brown showed up strong when, with one out and bases full, he struck out two men, preventing the Stateburg boys from tallying. During the game he struck out seventeen men in all.

The batteries for Sumter: Brown and Nash; for the Academy * * and Lenoir.

NEGRO KILLED BY CARS.

Saturday night about 12 o'clock Corrofer Flowers received a telephone message from Mayesville informing him that a negro by the name of Early Mack had been killed at that place by being crushed between two cars and that he was wanted there to hold an inquest over the body. He telephoned back that he would come on the early morning train and to hold the body there until he came.

Mr. Flowers went over Sunday morning on the 7:30 train, arriving at Mayesville about 8 o'clock. He at once got to work and summoned a jury and the two eye witnesses of the accident and proceeded without delay to hold the inquest. The two negro witnesses, who were the only persons who saw the accident, stated that they had been at the station between 9 and 10 o'clock and had seen Mack go between the two box cars in trying to pass to the other side of the track. They had heard his scream as the cars hit together and had at once given the alarm to the engineer who had moved the engine up some distance, when the body, which had been held in an upright position between the two cars, fell to the ground. The engineer and conductor stated that they had been coupling up trains and did not know of the accident until they were told of it after it had happened.

Dr. J. H. Mills testified that he had examined the body, that the man had come to his death by being mashed between two blunt instruments. It seems that the train had been there some time coupling and changing cars and that Mack tried to squeeze between the couplings of two cars and had been caught in that position and crushed to death.

The jury brought in a verdict that Early Mack had come to his death by being crushed between two box cars. As the evidence showed that the negro's death was due entirely to accident no warrants were sworn out and no arrests were made.

AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT SUNDAY.

Sunday afternoon at the corner of Salem avenue and W. Liberty street an automobile accident occurred which would have proved serious had the cars of either party been going at any but a slow rate of speed. The car of Mr. Isaac Schwartz ran into that of Mr. Ferd Levi, inflicting a severe jolting upon the parties in both cars and throwing Miss Schwartz out and cutting a gash on her nose and the side of her face, while at the same time damaging Mr. Levi's car considerably.

It seems from what can be learned of the accident that Mr. Schwartz's car, which was run by his son, coming east on Liberty street ran into Mr. Levi's car which was run by himself and was going south on Salem avenue. Miss Gertrude Schwartz who was riding in the car, was thrown out and her face was cut, though not seriously, on the fender of the car which was broken in her fall. Mrs. Levi fainted and a doctor had to be summoned to revive her, though she fainted once or twice after being revived.

Little damage was done to Mr. Schwartz's car, except the breaking of the wind shield, while Mr. Levi's car had the steering gear badly damaged, the step and guard on one side were smashed and the wind shield was also broken.

CIVIL COURT CONVENES.

Court Convened This Morning With Judge DeVore Presiding—Cases Disposed Of.

From The Daily Item, March 20.

Very little work was done this morning in the Court of Common Pleas which met here this morning at 9 o'clock with Judge J. W. DeVore of Edgefield presiding. When the court was called to order, judge, lawyers and jury were ready, but there were no cases to be tried, as the cases on the roster for the day had already been settled outside of court.

There was one case called, however, in which a verdict was given by the failure of the defendant to answer when it was called. This was the case of Edward J. Gadsden, colored, against the Home Chemical Fertilizer Company. Gadsden sued for damages resulting from the failure of the company to ship certain fertilizers which he had ordered from them and partly paid for. He was given \$318.69, the amount of damages sued for.

The following cases which were to have been heard at this term of court have been disposed of by settlement outside of court or postponed until a later court.

W. L. Saunders vs. the Southern Railway Company.

R. I. Manning, Trustee, vs. Brown and Jones.

Building Supply Company vs. C. E. Jones.

Annie E. Kirby vs. Eli Collins.

G. W. Burkett vs. Sarah F. Jenkins.

J. L. Bragdon vs. H. T. Edens.

The Governor and the Wind-Up Commission.

On January 24 Governor Blease sent to the General Assembly a special message in which he bitterly assailed the record of the winding-up commission of the old State Dispensary, rehearsing various reports to their discredit which he stated had been poured into his ears, and exhorting the legislators that "A thorough investigation of this entire matter, gentlemen, will give a great deal of satisfaction to your constituents." "There are those," he continued, "who believe that the State has lost more through the winding-up commission than it has ever lost through the State dispensary system. Whether this be true or not, it is not for me to say. I hold my belief as to corruption, but the people of South Carolina are entitled to the fullest and freest investigation on your part, before the report of these men is received and they are discharged as public officials."

Against this demand for a turning on of the light that the public might be fully advised as to all that the commission had done and its reasons therefor not a dissenting voice was raised. The commission or various members of it insisted that all that they had done should be fully probed. The legislature provided for the investigation sought.

So far as the public is advised, however, Governor Blease has never signed the Act ordering the investigation. Instead, he called upon the commission for certain information, which was promptly furnished, and now he does the very thing which he warned the General Assembly against doing—undertakes himself to pass judgment upon the work of the commission. The Governor in summarily removing the head of the commission is acting within the scope of his authority, but he is utterly violating every suggestion of decency in the circumstances. Having himself preferred charges against the commission, having himself appealed to the Legislature to provide the means for determining whether the commission had discharged its obligations honestly and patriotically, his present procedure must be regarded as being as arrogant as his course in general has been vacillating.

Meantime, it is well to bear in mind the purpose for which the winding-up commission was formed and the circumstances under which the various members of the commission were appointed. The State dispensary had been repudiated by the people of South Carolina as utterly rotten. The task remained of clearing away the fetid remains. It was nasty work and it was only by appealing to their patriotism that Gov. Ansel prevailed upon men like John McSween and Avery Patton and J. Steele Brice to undertake it. We shall not believe, whatever mistakes the commission may or many not have made, that its members have been animated in the discharge of their duties as commissioners by any spirit save that of a lively sense of their obligations to the Commonwealth. For Governor Blease to undertake in this manner to blacken their reputation or that of any one of them is an outrage. Why has he refused to permit the official investigation for which he clamored? Is he afraid of the verdict? Is there anything in the record which he doesn't wish to have come out? News and Courier.

I Cannot Praise Peruna Highly Enough for the Good it Has Done Me.



MRS. JOHN HOPP.

MRS. JOHN HOPP, Webster Ave., Glendale, L. I., N. Y., writes:

"I have been suffering for the past ten years with many symptoms incident to my age, also catarrh and indigestion. I was weak and discouraged, had no ambition, could not sleep at night, and lost greatly in weight."

"I tried other remedies, but with no success, until I commenced to take Peruna. I now feel better in every respect, can sleep well, and have gained in weight. I cannot praise Peruna highly enough for the good it has done me."

"If any women are suffering as I did, I would advise them to try Peruna and convince themselves. Peruna has done me good. I know by my experience that it is worth its weight in gold to any one who needs it."

"I also took Manalin, for constipation, in connection with Peruna, and I found it helped me where other laxatives failed."

Now Well of Catarrh.

Miss Malissa Jolley, Farmele, N. C., writes: "I have been taking your Peruna, and can say that I am well of the catarrh."

"I thank you for your kindness and your advice."

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A \$10 fountain pen for \$1? Incredible? Perhaps—but true. Impossible? Not at all. A good bicycle used to sell for \$150—now you can buy the same thing for \$18. It's a matter of methods—in making and selling. Under the "trust" plan of slow sales and enormous profits one paid from \$3 to \$10 for a decent fountain pen.

At Sibert's Drug Store this week one can buy the highest grade fountain pens at \$1 each—exactly the equal in every way to the \$3 to \$10 kinds.

It is a big special sale of the pens made by J. Harris & Co.—outside the trust—a concern that deals in immense quantities of material, labor and output and reckons margins on thousand gross lots instead of on single pens. Every sale on the basis of money refunded if there is the slightest dissatisfaction. Written guarantee for one year given with every pen. Pens with 14 karat pen points, and full gold, sterling silver and pearl mounts are offered in this sale at \$1 each. There are 72 styles and \$5,000 stock to select from.

These are not \$1 pens, even under the sweeping cost reducing methods of Harris & Co. Regularly they sell for much more. Harris & Co. say this is a big fight against the trust; the public gets the benefit.

Come early and avoid the rush. Be sure to see the big window display.

Sale opens promptly at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning.

A citizen who lives on N. Church street stated the other day that there was only one objection to that street as it now is. He said that it was such a smooth and clear street that automobilists, when they turned into it, could not resist the temptation of pushing up the lever and "just letting her go." As this gentleman is an automobilist he ought to know what he is talking about.

Does Your Baby Suffer From Skin Disease?

He would be a heartless father indeed, who did not allay baby's suffering as did Mr. E. M. Bogan of Enterprise, Miss. He says:

"My baby was troubled with breaking out, something like seven-year itch. We used all ordinary remedies, but nothing seemed to do any good until I tried Hunt's Cure and in a few days all symptoms disappeared and now baby is enjoying the best of health." Price 50c per box.

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Spartanburg, March 17.—Brooks Scruggs, a white man residing near Chesnee, was lodged in jail today on a warrant charging him with attempted criminal assault upon a woman whose home is near Arrowood. It is alleged the assault was attempted on March 4.

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