

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE.

NEWSY LETTERS FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENTS.

Items of Interest From all Parts of Sumter and Adjoining Counties.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.
Mail your letters so that they will reach this office not later than Monday when intended for Wednesday's paper and not later than Thursday for Saturday's issue. This, of course, applies only to regular correspondence. In case of items of unusual news value, send in immediately by mail, telephone or telegraph. Such news stories are acceptable up to the hour of going to press. Wednesday's paper is printed Tuesday afternoon and Saturday's paper Friday afternoon.

WISACKY.

Wisacky, June 10.—The long drought has at last been broken, for we have had heavy rains the past week with high winds and sand storms.

The drought was very serious in some sections on many farms, but a portion of the cotton crop was up to a stand.

The oat crop has been harvested, and the yield was better than expected. The gardens have improved wonderfully, and we are hopeful of having some early fruit.

The health of the community is much better at present than in months past.

The girls and boys have returned home from the different colleges for the summer.

Miss Maud Williams left last week to attend the commencement at Winthrop college and to visit friends and relatives at Chester and Columbia. Her sisters Misses Eunice and Annie Williams, who graduated at Orangeburg College are at home for the summer.

Mrs. K. J. Williams has returned from a very pleasant visit to her son, W. C. Williams at Summerton.

Miss Margurite Scott is visiting relatives at Elloree.

MAYESVILLE.

Mayesville, June 12.—N. D. Womble, agent of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad here for the past six years, and Mayor of the town for over two years, has been offered the agency at one of the most important points on the Coast Line system in South Carolina. This is a well deserved recognition of the efficient services of Mr. Womble at this point and the promotion is good news for the large number of friends he has made here by his uniform courtesy and attention to business, but it is the earnest wish of them all that Mr. Womble will remain here. He has not as yet made any decision in the matter, but for several reasons, he may not leave his post here. He has become identified with the town's interest in many ways and is one of the most progressive citizens here. In nearly every instance, the men who have served here as agents for the above named railway company have been continuously promoted and have landed high in the system, several now holding official positions with the road.

It is learned on good authority that the railroad officials will give Mayesville a modern frame station in place of the brick one asked for by the citizens sometime ago. It is not known yet as to how the matter will finally be settled but the need of a station is very evident and, no doubt, some move will be made in the near future.

The remainder of the "blind tiger" cases, fourteen in all, will be called for trial in Mayor Wamble's court on next Monday. This postponement was made necessary on account of the town's material witnesses being wanted in Bishopville this week to testify in several cases there.

The condition of all crops in this section is greatly improved and the farmers are feeling much better than they were several weeks ago. The condition of the cotton crop is very noticeable in its improvement since the rains of the past week.

Rev. Arnold Hall, the pastor of Sardinia and Midway churches, who has recently gone to those fields, will fill the pulpit of the Presbyterian church here on next Friday at 4:30 and 8:30 p. m. these services being held preparatory to the communion services on Sunday.

Mrs. R. A. Chandler, Jr., Miss Nettie Mayes and Miss Fannie Chandler have gone to Summerton to attend the Nelson-Plowden wedding on Wednesday.

Miss Minnie Chandler is visiting Miss Emma Walker in Sumter. Miss Walker recently moved to Sumter from Mayesville.

Mr. A. A. Strauss of Sumter, for many years a resident of this town, was in town this morning on business. Mr. E. G. Spencer visited friends in Sumter on Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. S. D. Pierson, of Tindal, visited her mother, Mrs. Mary Cooper, on Saturday and Sunday. "G."

PARDONED BY GOVERNOR.

J. B. Jeter of Lexington Confesses to Robbing Mother and Sister, But is Released.

Lexington, June 11.—J. B. Jeter, who is said to have been the first man to have received executive clemency from Gov. Blease, was yesterday placed behind the bars of the Lexington jail by Sheriff P. H. Corley, with the charge of larceny resting against him, it being alleged that he stole a lot of jewelry from his sister, Mrs.

Eva Hodge, and some articles from his aged mother, both of whom are resident of Swansea, this county. He was later released, his sister and mother agreeing not to push the case, provided Jeter would sign an agreement never to appear again at his mother's home. The agreement was drawn up by the clerk of court, Frank W. Shealy. In the paper Jeter admits his guilt and agreed that he shall keep his pledge, and should he fail so to do, that he will be tried for larceny.

Soon after Jeter's release from the

penitentiary, where he was serving a life sentence for having killed a man on the streets of Union several years ago, having served eight years of the sentence at the time of his pardon, he went to Swansea and remained there for some time, living with his mother and sister, both of whom are widows. The dates upon which the several articles were stolen is not known, but at various intervals, it is said, valuables would disappear. His relatives became suspicious of Jeter and the matter was placed in the hands of Sheriff Corley. The sheriff

traced Jeter from Swansea to Columbia, and after a tedious search many of the missing treasures were found. Jeter's confession was made to the officials.

Jeter appears to be about 30 or 35 years of age, and is a man of fine physique, his confinement of eight years in the penitentiary evidently having agreed with him.

Purpose directs energy and purpose makes energy.—Parkhurst.

Tar Dye in Sponge Cake.

Harrisburg (Pa.) Dispatch.
Dairy and Food Commissioner Foust has issued instructions to Special Agent H. P. Cassidy, at Philadelphia to institute proceedings against six dealers in that city for selling sponge cakes colored with coal tar dye to imitate eggs, and against three other dealers for selling mixed cakes colored with a coal tar dye.

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