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The Sumter Watchman was founded in 1859 and the True Southeron in 1888. The Watchman and Southeron now has the combined circulation and influence of both of the old papers.

The Louisiana Lottery was a great thing for business in New Orleans and millions of dollars poured into the city to the enrichment of the few who were on the inside and made the wheels go round.

If the officers of the State Fair Association are responsible for the race meet in Columbia and are sharing in the profits derived from the proceeds of the pool room gambling incident thereto, they are doing the association an injury that will be hard to repair.

The police are keeping steadily after the gamblers, vagrants and blintgers and occasionally they have one or more of them up for their offenses. The following cases have been tried during the past two days before Recorder Lee:

Louisa Loney was tried for selling whiskey and convicted on each of three counts which were held against her. She was given \$100 or 30 days on each charge.

up the farmer will share the profits with the syndicate, if it goes down the farmers will suffer all the loss, while the syndicate will have a nice profit on the transaction in the \$1 a bale they collect in advance from the farmers.

The anxiety of Col. Roosevelt to explain away at this juncture his shady deal with Harriman who raised a corruption fund of the Republican candidates in 1904 can have but one interpretation.

The ponies make slow time sloshing through the mud in Columbia this week, and the jockeys and book-makers are about the only ones who see the races, but the pool rooms and race track gambling joints all over the country run full time at high speed every day.

The New Orleans cotton meeting has endorsed the Rock Hill plan and an effort will be made, it is presumed, to prosecute a vigorous campaign for the reduction of the cotton acreage throughout the cotton belt.

The farmers themselves who will be the ones most benefited should do their share of the work and bear a fair share of the expense. If the farmers will lead to the acreage curtailment movement their support, the next cotton crop will be sold at a profit and the returns for all that they may spend in money and labor will be immediate.

IN THE POLICE COURT.

Camblers and Liquor Sellers Before Recorder Lee.

Boozier Dozier, Isaac Jackson, Jas. Wilson, Willie Rossard, Marcus Bossard, James Rose, gambling. These defendants were represented by Mr. J. H. Clifton and the city was represented by Mr. D. D. Moise.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury. Mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces.

COLLEGE STUDENTS COME HOME

Many Boys and Girls From Various Institutions Home for the Christmas Holidays.

The scene at the passenger station on Friday was an unusual one, for it is seen only twice each year, when the boys and girls return home from the various institutions of learning to spend holidays at home with their parents and families.

This morning the crowd on the train from Columbia was larger than usual and the cars seemed so packed that it would have been impossible to have gotten another person on them. There were Clemson boys, Davidson boys, Carolina boys and boys from many other schools and colleges throughout the State.

There were many friends and relatives of the boys and girls at the station to meet them, and the passenger station yard was crowded as it seldom ever gets to be. At ten, when several trains come and go, the yard was still packed and jammed with incoming and outgoing students and their friends and the many other persons coming or going home to spend Christmas.

Among the boys and girls to come home for the holidays were: Winthrop, Misses Adele Pitts, Franke Lesene, Alice Hill, Louise Carson, Susie Dick, Innis Cuttino, Genevieve and Carita Randle, Teresa Chandler, Irene and Agnes Bryan and Margaret Cheyne, Sarah Heriot, Evelyn Fraser, Anna Brown, Mary and Fanny Mellette, and Eleanor Hughson.

Davidson: John Duffie, William Winn, Quay Willford, Alfred Scarborough, Wilfred Shaw, Ervin Shaw, Shepherd Nash, Earle Rowland, Eugene Jones, Pierson Dick.

Furman Fitting School, B. K. DeLorme.

Clemson: Irvine Richardson, Thomas Siddall, Mellette Pitts, Leon LeGrand, John Jones.

College for Women: Moses Martie Boyle, Agnes Haynsworth, Sue Duffie, Pauline Blandin, Elizabeth White, Nancy McKay and Gertrude Knight.

Carolina: Noble Dick, Craig Hurst, Raymond Schwartz, Robert Purdy, Washington and Lee, Julian Schwartz and George Shore.

Real Estate Transfers.

Deeds of the transfer of property have been left at the office of the county clerk of court to be recorded:

J. L. McCallum to The Sumter Hospital Association, lot and buildings on Sumter street, \$2,200.

L. D. Jennings to D. R. McCallum, Jr., and E. W. McCallum, 47 1-2 acres in Providence township, \$1,175.

Mrs. H. L. Aycock, Albert E. Aycock, W. T. Aycock, Eugene E. Aycock, Bettie Aycock, and Nora Aycock, heirs of Mrs. Aycock, and New Covington to C. L. McLeod, their interest in tract of 50 acres, \$175.

An Alarm at Night.

That strikes terror to the entire household is the loud, hoarse and metallic cough of croup. No mistaking it, and fortunate then the lucky parents who keep Foley's Honey and Tar Compound on hand.

Street Car Gallantry.

Cosmopolitan Magazine.

Lafayette Young, for a while Senator from Iowa, is authority for the following account of an incident on a street car in Des Moines.

"No madam, I am a jeweler," he said. "I set jewels."

"Best on Earth." This is the verdict of R. J. Howell, Tracey, O., who bought Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for his wife.

SHOOTS GIANT CRACKER ON STREET.

W. B. Costin had the end of his fore-finger and the hand between the forefinger and thumb split open shortly before five o'clock Friday afternoon when a giant firecracker exploded in his hand at the corner of Main and Liberty streets.

The explosion was terrific and attracted a big crowd in a very short space of time, among which there were many who made some severe criticisms about letting such a man have such a plaything on the streets. Costin was at once taken up to Dr. W. E. Mills' office where his wounds were dressed.

Costin had the cracker—a giant of its kind, about six inches in diameter—on the street some time previous to the explosion. He carried it up to several persons and asked them if they were afraid of it, telling some of them that he believed that he would shoot them.

Costin claimed that he thought that the cracker was a toy cracker and not filled with explosives. He had some hard things to say about the clerk at Pheph's store, who he alleged sold him the cracker.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS DISTRIBUTED.

All of Saturday Mr. L. I. Parrott, chairman of the Christmas distributing committee, and his able corps of assistants were as busy as bees gathering honey, but in their case they were the dispensers, for they were occupied in taking the gifts purchased with the Christmas offering of last Sunday to many of the children and older folks in the city, who without these gifts would have only a poor Christmas.

Friday the committee met in the grand jury room and at once set to work making out packages and filling up the many baskets which had to be sent out. The members of the committee were busy all day long preparing the baskets with the toys for the children and good things to eat for the children and the older folks in the family.

Many hearts were made glad and many homes were made brighter and happier for this beautiful custom which originated many years ago and which has been observed for nineteen Christmases.

Saved His Wife's Life.

"My wife would have been in last year's graveyard," writes O. B. Brown, of Muscogee, Ala. "If it had not been for Dr. King's New Discovery, she was down in her bed, not able to get up without help. She had a severe bronchial trouble and a dreadful cough. I got her a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, and she soon began to mend, and was well in a short time."

If we keep on having automobile accidents, the automobilists may have the legislature pass a law requiring pedestrians to be more careful.

A Des Moines man had an attack of muscular rheumatism in his shoulder.

The best place for a woman to carry her money is her stocking, according to police Commissioner Dougherty of New York.

FARM FOR SALE OR RENT—Not having time to rent after the farm we will sell or rent any part of it to desirable parties. J. J. Harby and E. H. Moses. 12-20-21aw

FOR SALE—Dixie Wilt resistant cotton seed, made this year on land that blighted last year 1,500 pounds of seed cotton to the acre. Address E. B. Colclough, Oswego, S. C. 12-6-11.

MAINE NOT FOR WOULD MAKE "SIDE SHOW" HIP'S WRECK.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Efforts to authorize the sale of the hull of the battleship Maine to private parties, who desire to exhibit it at various ports of the United States and charge admission fee to visitors, were defeated in the House today.

It was admitted in the debate that offers approaching \$100,000 have been received from exhibition interests for the rear portion of the hull, which can be fitted up with a bulkhead and towed from Havana to the United States.

Marriage License Record.

Many of the darkies in the county are giving away themselves as Christmas gifts, probably as the cheapest but most handy thing which they could give. As one of them stated, "He didn't know whether to give his girl a watch or diamond ring, so he just give himself instead of them other things."

County Teachers' Examination.

A special examination will be held on Friday, January 12, 1912 for those desiring teachers' certificates, and those teaching without valid certificates.

This is a special concession by the State Board of Education, and those who fall to comply need not expect special favors, for the duty of the County Board is to carry out the law.

Lightning Kills Few.

In 1906 lightning killed only 169 people in this whole country. One's chances of death by lightning are less than two in a million. The chance of death from liver, kidney or stomach trouble is vastly greater, but not if Electric Bitters be used, as Robert Madison of West Burlington, Ia., proved.

FOR SALE.

Having decided to discontinue our farming we will sell at private sale until sales day in January. On sales day in January we will sell what is left at present on the farm, including:

Foley Kidney Pills.

Tonic in action, quick in results, will cure any case of kidney or bladder disorder not beyond the reach of medicine. No need to say more. Sibert's Drug Store.

STOLEN OR STRAYED

From my place, on the 24th of December, one Dark Bay Mule. Reward for return or any information, Jim Andrews, Tindall, S. C.

WANTED—A young man with small family to take charge of 4-horse farm near Sumter.

FOR SALE—Dixie Wilt resistant cotton seed.

WANTED—To buy at once several carloads 4-foot pine, oak and slabs.

Cured in His Own Home Town. Greenville, S. C. Dr. J. P. R. Neal, Proprietor of the Riverside Drug Company tells the way for his fellow townsmen to be cured of kidney and bladder ailments as he himself was cured.

DOING THEIR DUTY.

Scores of Sumter Readers are Learning the Duty of the Kidneys.

To alter the blood is the kidney's duty. When they fail to do this the kidneys are sick.

Dean's Kidney Pills build up weak kidneys. Sumter people endorse our claim.

Mrs. J. L. Nunamaker, 161 Wright street, Sumter, S. C., says: "I know Doan's Kidney Pills to be a remedy of merit and I am willing to recommend them. About two years ago I got a supply of this preparation at China's Drug Store, when I was suffering from backache and other symptoms of kidney complaint. I was relieved and benefited and I have no further need of a kidney medicine. It gives me pleasure to tell how beneficial Doan's Kidney Pills have been to me."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

DO YOUR XMAS SHOPPING EARLY AND AVOID THE RUSH OF THE LAST FEW DAYS.

We have the goods at prices that will suit you. New and latest designs in jewelry, rings in all birthstones, bracelets, lockets, LaValera, monogram fobe made while you wait, umbrellas, parasols, toilet sets, instaling, plated and genuine Ebony, manikure and military sets, Hawkes cut glass, sterling silver and plated flatware, from the smallest pieces to the large chest. We engrave any article bought without charge any design, while you wait. Every article guaranteed. We know what we sell is good.

W. A. THOMPSON, Jeweler and Optician. 6 S. Main St. Sumter, S. C.

Tax Returns for 1912.

Sumter, S. C., Dec. 11, 1911.—Notice is hereby given that I will attend in person or by deputy at the following places on the days indicated, respectively, for the purpose of receiving returns of personal property and poll taxes, for the fiscal year commencing January 1st, 1912.

All males between the ages of 18 and 55 years, must make returns as to whether or not they are liable for tax for year 1912. Precinct Station, Wednesday, January 3. Manchester, Lee's Siding, Thursday, January 4. Wedgefield, Thomas' Store, Friday, January 5. Claremont Station, Tuesday, Jan. 9. Hagoood, Wednesday, Jan. 10. Remberts, Thursday, Jan. 11. Dazzell, Friday, Jan. 12. W. T. Brogdon's Store, Monday, Jan. 15. Mayeville, (Barnett's Store), Tuesday, Jan. 16. Pleasant Grove, Wednesday, Jan. 17. Shiloh, Thursday, Jan. 18. Norwood, Cross Roads, Friday, Jan. 19. Oswego, Monday, Jan. 21. All persons, whose duty it is to make returns, should be prompt to meet at those appointments. All returns must be made before Feb. 20, 1912.

Foley Kidney Pills

What They Will Do for You. They will cure your backache, strengthen your kidneys, correct urinary irregularities, build up the worn out tissues, and eliminate the excess uric acid that causes rheumatism. Prevent Bright's Disease and Diabetes, and restore health and strength. Refuse substitutes.