

The Watchman and Southron.

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PERSONAL.

Mr. P. O. Leak, a former resident of Sumter, is in the city for a few days.

Miss Ethel Green, who has been visiting Miss Beatrice Cohen, in Florence, returned home Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Strauss have returned to the city after a stay at Asheville and a trip west.

Miss Annie Strohecker left Tuesday morning for her home in Charleston after spending Monday in the city and attending the dance Monday night.

Miss Vivian McCullough, of Darlington, spent Monday night in the city with relatives and attended the dance that night. She left for her home in Darlington Tuesday morning.

Miss Virginia Taylor, of Camden, was one of the visitors at the dance Monday night.

Miss Marie Ligon has returned to Anderson, where she is attending school, after spending the holidays in the city with her parents.

Messrs Alfred DeLorme and Edward Wright returned to Georgia School of Technology Wednesday after spending the holidays in the city.

Miss Lucile Phelps of Spray, N. C., left Thursday morning for Converse College after spending the Christmas holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Moses.

Messrs Graham Moses and Perry Moses, Jr., returned to the city Wednesday after a month's trip to Panama. They report having a very pleasant time on their trip and found Panama to be a very interesting place.

Mrs. Paul Garber, of Batesburg, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Strauss, on Sumter Street.

Mr. Isaac Strauss has returned to the city after a business trip to Batesburg.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. McKagen have returned to Greenville, after spending several days in the city with relatives. Mr. McKagen is manager of the Postal Telegraph office at that place.

Mrs. L. D. Jennings has gone to Charleston to spend a week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. McKagen, of Camden, are visiting in the city.

CITY SCHOOLS RESUME WORK.

Children Return to Books and Studies After Holidays of Two Weeks.

The city schools resumed their work Thursday morning, when the seven hundred or more pupils who have been enjoying their holiday for the past twelve days returned to school, carrying with them books and prepared to do more and better work during the rest of the scholastic year. Many of them had decided upon this course in New Year resolutions and the end of the session will find out how well they carried out their resolutions.

Death.

Mr. W. C. King, a merchant of this city, died at his home, No. 214 West Liberty Street, Wednesday afternoon after an illness of about one week, aged 52 years. Mr. King was born and raised near Summerton, but came to this city six or seven years ago and has been living here since that time.

The funeral services were held from the residence at 4:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

Mr. King leaves a widow, seven children and three brothers and two sisters.

SUMTER COTTON MARKET.

Corrected Daily by Ernest Field, Cotton Buyer.

Sumter, Jan. 2.
Good middling 12 3-8.
Strict middling 12 1-4.
Middling 12 1-8.
St. Low middling 11 7-8.
Low middling 11 3-8.
Staple cotton 13 to 16.

New York Cotton Market.

New York, Jan. 2.
Open. Close.
January... 12.74 13.10
March... 12.64 12.84
May... 12.65 12.84
July... 12.69 12.80

Taxes Behind Last Year.

County Treasurer B. C. Wallace reported Thursday morning that the collection of taxes this year was much behind what it was the first of last year. He has not yet had time to post up and find just what per cent the taxes are behind, but will do so in the next few days. During Monday and Tuesday the belated tax payers made a rush on the office and the county treasurer and his assistant were rushed to receive the money and issue the receipts. More than \$20,000 were taken in during the two days.

FIRE LADDIES' NEW UNIFORMS.

Boys of the Fire Department Purchase New Helmets and Suits.

The fire fighting lads of Sumter will make a very fiery appearance when they put on the new helmets, suits and respirators which a number of the boys ordered for themselves and which were received sometime Tuesday.

The new suits of the firemen are known as "quick hitch" suits, being very easily donned, and the helmets are of bright red, containing the letter "S" in white on the front of each. The respirators are something like football nose guards, and enable the firemen to enter into a smoke-filled building without experiencing serious difficulty in getting their breath.

HAD CLOSE CALL.

Negro Driver Narrowly Escapes Serious Injury in Runaway.

From The Daily Item, Jan. 1.
Wash Smith, colored, a driver for W. B. Burns & Son had a close brush with a serious accident this morning when the horse which he was driving became frightened and made a sudden bolt throwing the man out of the wagon and almost under the wheels.

The horse hitched to the wagon, was standing nearly in front of W. B. Burns & Son's place of business, when something slipped on one of the shafts and frightened the animal. It started running, and threw Smith to the ground, where luckily he escaped with only minor injuries in the way of a badly bruised arm. The harness worn by the horse was torn in pieces; not much injury was done to the wagon.

HIGH SCHOOL CONFERENCE.

Teachers Will Meet in Columbia January 17th.

A conference of the high school teachers of the State is to be held in Columbia on the 17th and 18th of January. Not only are the public and private high school teachers invited, but every college in the State has been invited to send at least one representative. The object of the meeting is to discuss in a purely informal way some of the vital questions of high school organization, administration, and teaching. Every teacher doing high school work and every college professor ought to be interested in these questions. Those attending the conference will carry back directly to their work whatever inspiration and suggestion they may get.

The meeting promises to be well attended. A number of high schools have already given notice that they intend to close on the 17th, in order to give the teachers the opportunity to attend.

MORE EVIDENCE AGAINST NEGRO.

Son of Dead Man Gives Further Information of Shooting.

More evidence has been secured by the police and coroner against Charley Mack and Susie Brown, the negroes held for the murder of Robert Brown in Grier town several days ago.

Brown's ten-year-old son, who was alleged to have been asleep the night of the shooting took place, was taken in charge by the police the day after the shooting and took them to the house where Brown was killed. Here he gave the officers the information that his mother changed clothes after the shooting and showed them a hole between the ceiling and the weatherboarding where she had hidden an apron and skirt, both of which were discolored with blood stains. The police held these as further proof that the statements made by Mack and the Brown woman were not true. The boy, upon examination by the coroner, testified to the fact that he was in the room at the time the shooting took place and that Mack was playing and his father dancing. Later Mack told Brown he was going to shoot him, raising the gun at the same time and firing without getting up from his chair. Brown then started toward his wife, who was near him, but she moved out the way, the blood gushing out of his wound all over her clothing as he stepped toward her. The wounded man then staggered two or three steps and fell in front of the doorway. It was here that the police found the body about an hour later in a pool of blood. The negro woman and her children had stepped in the blood and tracked it about the floor, the scene being a ghastly one even to the officers.

Do You Need Shoes?

Better go to McCollum Bros, where the clearance sale is.—Adv't.

The Sumter Gas and Power Co., have one of the prettiest stores in the city. Almost every appliance accommodating gas is on display in their attractive show rooms.

Coats and Coat Suits.

You should see the coats and coat suits at McCollum Bros clearance sale.—Adv't.

The college contingent at home for the holiday's are enjoying life apparently, despite the continued grouchingness of the weather man. Supposedly they refuse to allow business to interfere with pleasure.

What it Takes to Dress You

McCollum Bros have it at clearance sale prices.—Adv't.

BLEASE BENEFICIARY IN TOILS.

Adulterer, Paroled by Governor, Ordered Back to Penitentiary.

Columbia, Dec. 30.—Jack Parish, a white man of Marion County, who was convicted of adultery and was paroled by Governor Blease on December 9, has been rearrested by the sheriff of Florence County and will be sent up to serve his term, as he has violated the condition of the parole. Telegraphic instructions to recommit Parish to the Penitentiary were sent to the Florence sheriff by the Governor tonight.

The knowledge that Parish had violated his parole came to the Governor today in the shape of a telegram from Sheriff Thos. L. Burch, of Florence, reading as follows: 'Have you paroled one Jack Parish, a white man, convicted Marion County? Has been convicted in this county for being drunk and disorderly. Sentenced on December 28 to county gang or fine of \$20. Also threatened to kill Rural Police Cole and Deputy Sheriff Cain. When he is released must I return him to Penitentiary? Please advise at once.'

The Governor wired Sheriff Burch as follows: "Your wire. Recommit Jack Parish to Penitentiary at once."

The following statement was given out by the Governor as his reasons for paroling Parish: "Parish, Jack, 'white.' Convicted at the October, 1912, term of court for Marion county of adultery and sentenced to eight months in the State Penitentiary."

"Petition was presented by the petitioner's mother, who is 72 years of age and who seems to be in very bad health. The petition states that the defendant is the sole support of an infirm mother, who is 72 years old and who is suffering from the necessities of life owing to her inability to earn a living by her daily toil. Her friends furnished the money to pay her way to Columbia and back to Marion. I presume this was done to touch the heart of the Governor in person, and I am glad it can be so touched.

"The petition is signed, asking for the parole during good behavior, by W. E. Blue, sheriff Marion County; D. F. Miles, Clerk of Court; James Norton, James Stackhouse, G. B. Stackhouse, county treasurer; J. D. Montgomery, L. T. Stackhouse, Wm. T. Eans and many other prominent citizens of Marion.

"Upon this showing I paroled the young man during good behavior, and on the further condition that he support his old mother. Parole dated December 9, 1912."

The Holiday Eve Club dance was, as usual, a largely attended and enjoyable social event.

GARLINGTON GOES HOME.

Special Order Issued by Governor for Laurens Man to Visit His Father.

Columbia, Jan. 1.—John Y. Garlington, serving a three-year sentence in the State penitentiary left yesterday for Laurens to visit his father, Col. S. D. Garlington, who is said to be seriously ill. He was accompanied by one of the guards at the penitentiary and will remain at home for several days. The governor did not grant Garlington a parole but issued a special order for him to visit his father. The action by the governor, it is said, was taken as a result of a statement by Dr. R. E. Hughes, the physician of Col. Garlington.

John Y. Garlington was convicted on the charge of breach of trust in connection with the Seminole Securities company of which he was president.

Mr. Robert L. McLeod has taken his place in the county supervisor's office as clerk to the county board, relieving Mr. John R. Sumter, who has accepted the position of Chief of Police.

The Parrott Milling Company will be opened for business sometime about the middle of this month, or as soon as the machinery can be installed.

The concrete bridge at Dingle's Mill is now nearly completed. This is the first concrete bridge to be built in the county. It will probably be opened to the public by the first of next week.

The work on the Claremont Hotel building is now advancing to the final stage. The doors have to be put in, the windows painted and the place will be ready for the installation of the furniture and fixtures. At present workmen are putting down concrete sidewalk's in front and to the side of the building, on Main and Bartlette streets.

County Auditor R. E. Wilder opened his office Wednesday for the taking of tax returns for the year 1913. The office will now be open for this purpose for three months, during which time all tax returns must be made. Miss Reida Brown, who assisted in the office last year, is again in the office to assist the auditor; while the returns are coming in and in making out the list of taxes.

NOTICE.

We beg leave to inform our friends and the public generally, that we have purchased the business of the China Drug Store and will hereafter conduct the business at the same stand under the firm name of Zemp's Pharmacy.

We do not feel that we come to you as strangers, for we are well known to a large number of the people of Sumter and of the surrounding counties, especially Kershaw and Lee, but rather that in the cycle of years we are but returning home, for it was here that our father, Dr. Frances L. Zemp began his career as a druggist and no doubt is still remembered by some of the older inhabitants.

We intend to make this our future home and with that end in view we cordially solicit a full share of your patronage, assuring you that it will be greatly appreciated and we feel that if honest treatment and strict attention to all the details that go to make a perfect drug business count for anything, we will get it.

F. M. Zemp.
M. C. Zemp.

10 DAYS OUR BIG HAPPY NEW YEAR CLEARANCE SALE! 10 DAYS

Our entire stock at Great Reductions. Men's, Boy's and Children's Suits and Overcoats. Equal to any tailor-made at half their price, all pure wool garments. A Big Selection from which to make your choice. Our clothes are of the best makes, Schloss Bros. Co. and Spero Michael & Sons.

Men's Suits and Overcoats.

\$ 7.50 & 8.50 Sale Price	\$ 5.00	\$20.00	Sale Price	\$14.95
\$10.00 & 11.00 Sale Price	\$ 7.45	\$22.50	Sale Price	\$16.50
\$12.50 & 13.50 Sale Price	\$ 8.50	\$25.00	Sale Price	\$18.50
\$15.00 & 16.50 Sale Price	\$10.00	\$27.50	Sale Price	\$21.50
\$18.50 Sale Price	\$13.45			

Boys' and Children's Suits.

\$ 1.50 Suits,	Sale price \$ 1.15	\$ 5.00 & \$5.50	Sale price \$3.85
\$ 2.50 Suits,	Sale price \$ 1.65	\$ 6.50 & \$7.00	Sale price \$4.95
\$ 3.00 & \$3.50	Sale price \$2.25	\$ 8.50	Sale price \$5.75
\$ 4.00 & \$4.50	Sale price \$2.75	\$10.00	Sale price \$7.45

HATS REDUCED.

100 hats at 75c; \$1.50 hats for \$1.10; \$2.50 hats for \$1.75; \$3.00 hats for \$2.25. Stetson hats \$3.50 and \$4.00. Same o'd prices.

SHIRTS REDUCED.

50c Kind now... 40c
\$1.00 Kind now... 75c
\$1.50 and \$1.75 Kind now... \$1.23
We sell the Eclipse shirts—you know they are the best.

BOYS' KNEE PANTS REDUCED.

50c Kind now... 40c
75 and 85c Values... 55c
\$1.00 Kind... 83c
\$1.25 Kind... 95c
\$1.50 and \$1.75 Kind... \$1.25
\$2.50 Kind... \$1.75

MEN'S ODD PANTS.

\$2.50 Kind, Sale Price... \$1.75
\$3.00 & \$3.50 Kind, Sale Price... \$2.25
\$1.50 Kind, Sale Price... \$3.25
\$5.00 & \$5.50 Kind, Sale Price... \$3.85
\$6.00 & \$6.50 Kind, Sale Price... \$4.15
\$7.00 & \$8.00 Kind, Sale Price... \$5.75

MEN'S AND BOYS SWEATERS.

50c Values at... 35c
\$1.00 & \$1.25 Values at... 75c
\$1.50 Kind... \$1.15
\$2.50 Kind... \$1.75
\$3.00 & \$3.50 Kind... \$2.25

MEN'S, LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S SHOES REDUCED.

\$1.00 Children's shoes, sale... 85c
\$1.50 Child's or Ladies', Now... \$1.10
\$2.50 Mens' or Ladies' at... \$1.75
\$3.00 Mens' or Ladies' at... \$2.25
\$3.50 Mens' or Ladies' at... \$2.85
\$4.00 Mens' at... \$3.45
\$5.00 Mens' at... \$3.85
And the Best of Edwin Clapp \$6.00 & \$6.50 Kind, Sale Price... \$4.95

UNDERWEAR.

We have a few odd suits left, \$1.50 and \$1.75 kind, Sale price... 95c

FOR CASH ONLY

16 S. MAIN ST. **Joseph M. Chandler,** SUMTER, S. C.