

YEGGMAN CONVICTED.

McKINLEY, PAROLED BY BLEASE, FOUND GUILTY OF ROBBERY.

Veteran Safe Robber Can't Break Chain of Circumstantial Evidence at Spartanburg—To Serve Year and Month.

Spartanburg, Jan. 8.—William McKinley, the safe robber, paroled by Gov. Blease Thanksgiving Day, after he had served six years of a ten-year term in the State prison, was convicted in the circuit court here today of robbing the store of Renard Frey, at Fair Forest on December 10, about two weeks after his release. Judge Shipp sentenced him to serve one year and one month.

The evidence against McKinley was circumstantial, but there was not a weak link in the chain which Solicitor Albert E. Hill wound around him. One of the bits of evidence on which the solicitor laid emphasis was a button with a tuft of cloth attached found near the scene of the robbery. The button was of identically the same kind as the buttons of McKinley's suit, and the cloth also corresponded. One of his buttons was missing.

A bottle about half-filled with what the officers alleged to be nitro-glycerine was also introduced in evidence. It was found in the camp, in the woods where McKinley was arrested. Nitro-glycerine was used, it was claimed, in the attempt to rob the safe in Frey's store. Testimony that McKinley traded a shirt stolen from Frey's store to Elmore Wright, a fellow prisoner in the county jail, also influenced the jury. Wright, a paroled murderer, will be tried tomorrow for shooting Ernest Mcabee, his wife's cousin, some time after Wright left the prison.

McKinley acted as his own counsel. He strongly denied his guilt. He made frequent objections to the testimony offered by the State. In addressing the jury McKinley told of the hardships he endured in the brief period between his release from the prison and his arrest here. He said he had only \$1.85 when he left prison, had no friends to whom he could appeal and was forced to live the life of a vagrant. He told of his wanderings in South Carolina and Georgia prior to his arrival at Spartanburg. He said that when he was arrested he was on his way to Virginia. The man made a pitiful plea for mercy, asking the jury to dismiss from their minds his past record and not convict him on circumstantial evidence.

ARTHUR J. KNIGHT.

Has Been Transferred to South Carolina for Special Work in the Post-office Department.

Eastern Carolina News. Mr. A. J. Knight, a former Marlboro boy, and one who is making a success in the postoffice department, is spending a few days in this city.

Mr. Knight has been in the government's service for over ten years and by his efficient work, he now holds a splendid position, as an inspector doing special work in South Carolina. He has numbers of friends here who are always glad to see him and welcome him back home.

A RELIC FROM TEXAS.

Curious Trophy Cup of 1830 Exhibited by Visitor in the City.

Mr. George H. McIntyre, of Sterling City, Texas, who with his wife, is on a visit to relatives in this city is exhibiting a curiosity in the shape of a handsome solid silver trophy cup, which was evidently given as a prize at some race meet of nearly a hundred years ago. The cup was exhumed from an Indian mound, near Sterling City, Texas, by W. F. Kellis, editor of the paper at that place. As stated above, it is hand carved, and bears the inscription "For the Best Carlisle Colts 1830." Diligent search by the Lader has revealed no information as to the nature of the event at which the cup was evidently given as a trophy, but it is supposed that it was at some race meet or horse show that it was presented. Some who have seen the cup, think that the "Carlisle Colts" refers to a certain breed of horses, but investigation by those interested, in Kentucky and elsewhere, in horse raising sections has failed to confirm this supposition. On the other hand some who have seen the cup think that "Carlisle" refers to some man who raised horses, but the real solution of the mystery will probably never be known.

To Study Y. M. C. A. Method's.

Mr. Carl A. Witherspoon left Monday to go to Chicago, where he will enter the Y. M. C. A. training school for preparation as a Y. M. C. A. secretary. Mr. Witherspoon carries with him the best wishes of his many friends here, who hope for him success in his chosen field.

Marriage License Record.

A license to marry was issued on Thursday to Dave Porter and Annie Sumter of Rembert.

IMPROVE FARM DEPARTMENT.

LEVER AND HOUSTON DEVISE BETTER PLAN.

Idea is to Concentrate in Four or Five Large Offices Work of All Bureaus—Fund for Acquiring and Diffusing Information.

Washington, Jan. 10.—Reorganization of the department of agriculture by abolishing all of the present 13 bureaus and substituting four or five large offices is contemplated in provisions carried in the agricultural appropriation bill which the house committee on agriculture almost has completed.

While details are left to Secretary Houston, he and Representative Lever, chairman of the committee, have conferred over the plan for readjusting the work of the department to eliminate all lost energy that possibly can be corrected. The only obstacle to the concentration plan is the possibility of objection on the ground that the provision constitutes new legislation that can not be carried in an appropriation bill.

The readjustment is expected to include the concentration of divisions into four groups, each under a single officer as follows:

Regulatory or quarantine work; dealing with insecticides, meat inspection, etc.

Scientific and research work, to comprehend everything that comes under those general heads.

Demonstration or extension work for farmers which is to be radically expanded.

Administration, to handle the department executive affairs, including the officers of the secretary and assistant secretary, chief clerk and disbursing officer and similar officials.

The agricultural bill also will carry an appropriation that will reach close to the \$194,000 asked by Secretary Houston for acquiring and diffusing information on subjects connected with the marketing and distribution of farm products, a project initiated by Chairman Lever. For farm demonstration work the secretary asked \$278,000 and for farm management \$382,000 for eradication of hog cholera \$58,000.

An Approaching Marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Wactor announce the marriage of their daughter, Eliza Fleetwood, to Mr. Ernest Alpheus Keels at their home, 14 Blanding avenue on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, January 21, 1914.

COUNTY TEACHERS MEET.

Miss Goggins of Newberry Tells of Good Things in School Room.

The county teachers meeting which was held in the Hampton school building Saturday was attended by a fairly large number of teachers, although the meeting was not so well attended as the last one.

Miss Goggins, supervising teacher of Newberry county, was present by invitation and talked to the teachers on the "Good Things I Have Seen in Class Rooms I Have Visited." In making her talk, Miss Goggins spoke from her own experience and from that of Prof. Tate and Miss Gray of Laurens County, whom she had heard make talks on the same subject. Her address was an interesting one and was listened to with attention. Mr. C. A. McBride, chairman of the association, followed her and made a talk along the same line.

Field Day was discussed and plans made for the occasion in order to make it a success.

SUMTER COTTON MARKET.

Corrected Daily By Ernest Field Cotton Buyer.

Sumter, Jan. 12.
Good Middling 12.
Strict Middling 11 7-8.
Middling 11 3-4.
Strict Low Middling 11 3-8.
Low Middling 10 3-4.
Strict Good Ordinary 10 1-4.
Staple cotton nominal.

New York Cotton Market.

New York, Jan. 12.		Open	Close.
Jan.	.....		12.01
Mar.	.....	12.14	12.33
May.	.....	12.28	12.17
July.	.....	12.25	12.12
Aug.	.....	12.05	11.92
Oct.	.....	11.64	11.57

Marriage License Record.

Licenses to marry have been issued the following couples: Mr. J. E. Hodge and Miss Lauretta Baker of Paxville; Mr. C. D. Bradley of Sumter and Miss Della Bradley of Oswego; Mr. Ellie McElveen and Miss Ellen Kirby of South Lynchburg; Mr. W. J. Carr and Miss R. E. Hopkins of Sumter; Mr. Geo. D. Petts of Tindal and Miss Annie Poplin of Sumter.

Licenses were also issued to the following colored couples: Matthew Rivers and Rose Weston, Wedgefield; Jim Rembert and Mattie Allsbrook, Borden; Willie Monroe and Ethel Toney, Mayesville; Louis Watkins and Beatrice Dwyer, Sumter.

SHOULD COMPLY WITH THE LAW.

Secretary of State Board of Health Calls Attention to Vaccination Law.

The following letter has been received by Superintendent of Education J. Herbert Haynsworth from Dr. J. A. Hayne, secretary of the State Board of Health, and will no doubt be of interest to many persons in the county:

"I am writing this letter to call your attention to the violation of the law by the trustees and principals of some of the schools in your county in allowing children to attend school who cannot produce satisfactory evidence of having been successfully vaccinated within the last five years, as required by Act of the Legislature, No. 434 and approved the 22nd day of February, A. D., 1905. Your attention is called to Sections 4, 5, 6 of this law, also to Rule 1 of the State Board of Health passed under this Act. I am sending you a bulletin containing these laws which, of course, can also be found in the Code for

1912, both Criminal and Civil. I will appreciate it very much if you will call this matter to the attention of the principals of the schools in your county and let them know that this law will be rigidly enforced. Small-pox is prevalent all over the State, and this is the only way the children can be protected.

Yours truly,
"James A. Hayne, M. D.
"Secretary State Board of Health."

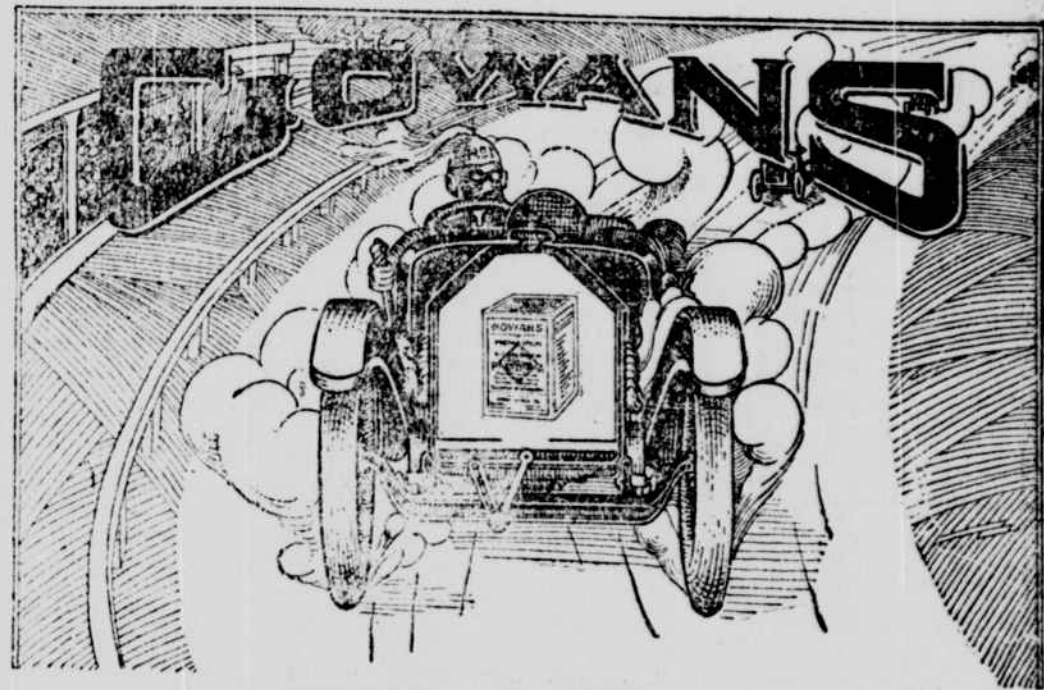
College News Notes.

Miss Annie Strohecker of Charleston, who has visited here frequently and is well known by the younger folks here, has been elected battalion sponsor by the Citadel corps of cadets.

Cadets Mood of Summerton and Spann of this city have been elected on the annual staff at the Citadel.

Among the young ladies taking part in the Wade Hampton literary society play at Winthrop college are the following young ladies from Sumter: Misses Margaret Cheyne, Gordon Field, Mabel Booth and Mary Haynsworth.

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