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#### The Lonely Grave in the Statehouse Grounds.

Within the state house "grounds, beneath the shadow of an ancient there stands a crumbling, moss-grown stone, marking the lonely grave of one whose name and memory have long since been forgotten. It is the last resting place of a vallant soldier, and far back, in days agone, reverent hands erected an iron fence around the sacred spot, that no sacreligious foot might tread the soil above his tomb. The time-worn lock upon the gate bears on its rusting face an eagle, the symbol of the nation for whose independence this soldier fought.

its limbs are bare and dead, its trunk of the laborers in the mills, and but a hollow shell, there grows from their argument as to the hardships out this withered giant a young of the Northern mill owners is only out this withered giant a journe of the vorthern him owned a light branch, drooping just over the scar-red and blackened stone festioning So far as the daily hours are concernit with fresh green leaves, as though led, it is only a question of time un-the old tree would give its last (ii there will be legislation in the strength in reverence to the dead South reducing the mill working

grave has been a source or impacts rily cannot static terrer transmission in Columbia, and many legends clime. Not more than three gener-have been told regarding it. No ations could stand it before the fibre one, however, was able to decipher of life in the human frame would be the almost illegible inscription borne worn to a frazzle. Such long con-by the crumbling, weather-beaten tinued toil produces mental inertia, by the crumbling, weather-beaten stone. After an hours' laborious study, I completed the task, and wrested from oblivion the name of one who deserves a better fate than the casual mystery which sur-rounds his tomb, Thus runs the legend on the monument:

Capt. Swinson Lunsford, A native of Va., And for many years, A resident of Columbia, A resident of Columna, Died August 7, 1799. Aged four and forty years. He was a member of Lee's Legion in the eventful periodof '76. This humble tribute to his memory has been erected

by his only child, Mrs. M. L. & her husband, Dr. John Douglass, of Chester, S. C.

"Erected by his only child," runs the inscription, and with her died the name and memory of this brave man, a captain in the famous Lee's Legion of Virginia!

Enlisting as a youth to fight for freedom against the tyrannical opthe mother country, pression of rising by his valor and courage to a Captain's commisson while yet a beardless boy, leading the gay roystering life of a Virginia officer in the tering life of a Virginia officer in the continental army, he found his last home in the lonely grave beneath the gnarled old tree almost in the shadow of Columbia's state house. I. W. CHURCH.

## A Story With a Moral.

Gen. M. C. Butler has written a letter approving the cotton-pea plan of W. T. Bradley, Esq. As Abraham Lincoln would say, "this re-minds us of an incident." Wnen went to Columbia during the Darlington War to back Governer Tillman, one day in company with J.H. Morrah we stepped into the Carolina National Bank where we met Gen. Butler. He asked Mr. Morrah how he got so fat and Mor-rah answered that he had "plenty and a clear conscience" which would make anybody fat. Gen. Butler turning to us said: "Well you will not get fat in a thousand year He evide ntly had in his mind some r Reform editorials.

The moral of this story is that the man who follows the Bradley-Butler style of farming will keep lean as long as the editor of the

There will be no use for a pre-scription to reduce flesh, - Abbeville De REMARK

## CHESTER, S. C., FRIDAY

THE LANTERN

## Next Year's Tax Levy.

The following excellent article, taken from the York, ille Yeoman, explains the situation in regard to Northern Cotton Mills:

The Northern Cotton Mills.

The Fall River cotton factories are grumbling. They claim that the cotton mills of the South are getting ahead of them, and they will have to reduce the price of labor in order to keep running. Also that the hours of labor in the South are twelve a day against ten at Fall River and intimate that the Fall River will have to come up to the twelve hour limit, if the Massachusetts legislature can be induced to change the law relating to it. It is more likely that the Northern mills The once stately oak, grim warder faithful to its trust, and now, though their watered stock at the expense o'er whom it has so long kept watch and ward. For time out of mind this solitary grave has been a source of mystery or columbia and means the method. breeds animality that soon finds an open road to the grave through consumption. We hear much of "Chi-nas' tolling millions," of paganism, the heathen and idolatry in general, the reference without exception beto peoples beyond the sear, ing while they are all around us, in this land of boasted culture, pagans with souls so small that they "cannot comprehend the meaning of so simple a thing as humanity, who knows no God but greed, kind and just only where the basest self-interest plays a part, but who withal manage to hold on to many of the highest places in the State and in our churches and help send the misonaries into exile-far, far away. The hand of corruption and imposition has left its gangrenous touch not less upon the altars than upon the legislative bodies and business customs of the country.

May Defy the World.

San Francisco, Dec. 27.-Eli T. Sheppard, who has recently returned fre m China, where he held an flow into the gulf.

China. churia, and is of pre-eminent im-portance as a stragetic point. "The do much to obliterate sectional lines, of Korea, Menchuria and the gulf of

The Comptroller general's department has been at work making estimates for the tax levy of next estimates for the tax levy vear in order to lay before the legislature when it meets a concise statement of the exact conditions of affairs. The levy for the fiscal year, which closes on Jan. 1, is 5 mills and from the present outlook the assessment will not be less than that for the next year, and may perhaps be slightly more. Of the fact that it will be no less. Comptroller General Epton seems as-

sured. The increase in the taxable property of the State of nearly \$3,000,ooo will materially aid in keeping the assessment down. But while keeping the State gains from this source, it loses the \$95,000 which the dispensary for the past two years paid annually into the treasury. The withdrawal of this source of revenue, supposing of course that the, dispensary the able to make that much in the tree of the compe-petition of the P's., it will be seen much more than balance the increase in taxes.

The State treasurer managed to avoid having to borrow any funds during the summer, and in this particular the tax department is in bet-ter shape than for the past three or four years.

In the school fund of this year. For years the government has there was a oeficit of \$oo,000, been publishing the official records which the comptroller general by of the late war in which appears relaw was required to raise by making a supplementary constitutional Mr. Norton avoided this by waiting for the State dispensary to the other day we came across the re-work of the state dispensary to the other day we came across the re-come to his aid. The dispensary port of Gaines's Mill by Col. J. Fos-did so to the extent of several ter Marsham. He commanded Orr's theorem of Miller the commanded orr's levy. come to his aid. The dispensity port of claims small by Col. J. For-idd so to the extent of several ter Marsham. He commanded Ort's thousand dollars, but it is practice. Rifles in that battle and gives a good ally certain that the remainder of account of the regiment's action on the \$70,000 still due the school the field. The regiment carried in-Ind will not be paid this year from to action 337 men. Of these 81 profits on whiskey. Should it not were killed, 234 wounded and 4 be, the legislature will have to say missing, making a total loss of 310. whether this deficit in the school men. Col. Marshall reports that fund shall be raised by an increase after the battle there were found in in the levy or not.

#### Blue and Gray.

The following is taken from the Worcester (Mass.) Gazette: H. A. Johnson received today by

express a box of delicious persim- there were no bullet marks on the C. B. Smith, of Columbia, S. C., than six feet from the ground. formerly of the Twelfth South Carolina Infantry. Accompanying this Capt. J. T. Parks of this city fruit was a collection of Southern at that time was his special aide holly, which the giver says, is the brought in seven prisoners. official position, commenting upon the reported occupation of Kin Chau by Russia, said today: "Kin Chau Christmas holidays. This is the is an important walled city (not an second act of kindness Mr. Johnson open port), at the head of the gulf has received from this ex-Confed of the Union Times to the public the of Lau Tung, and it commands the lerate, by whose command he was editor says: "Since the day that mouth of the river Yallo, where the unfortunate enough to be captured Grant refused to receive the sword great naval battle between the lat the battle of the Wilderness of Lee at Appomattox, and white Japanese and Chinese was fought, Twelve years later, in 1876, this winged Peace has rested o'er the and the other important rivers which southern soldier and gentleman, Southland, no Southern State has learning Mr. Johnson's northern ad-dress, voluntarily returned his It is about equi-distant between dress, voluntarily returned his the mouth of the Yaloo river and sword, taken in battle, at the same the terminus of the great wall of time expressing regret that he had It commands the railway been unable to return it earlier. system recently constructed from Such courtesies as these and the Tien Tsin to the capital of Man<sup>+</sup> loyal sentiments uttered by such

seizure of the port shows that Rus-and are particularly appropriate on sia has practically taken possession the approach of the Christmas holidays.

of Korea, Menchuria and the guifd days. Lau Tung and possesses a signifi-tion among the diplomats in the old as the failed of a surrendering of Lee's sword and my handling the sags, contact the surface of the source of the

Hung Chang and Christianity. Dr. Coltman, missionary physin at Pekin, is the medical attenand of Li Hung Chang, and not ng ago found his distinguished pa-ent immersed in the perusal of ent immersed in the perusal of in New Testament, a handsome app of which had just been sent to im by Rev. George Owen of the ondon mission. He asked Dr. oltman, whom he addressed in binners whom the addressed in inese as Mau Tai Fu, if he really elieved the book, and if it was not I rumor and report. Assured that was true, he asked what the evi-ences were, an interrogation which he missionary met, eliciting from he great man the remark: "Why, believe that you would like me to in Christian " Dr. Cultman relied that it would be the best thing the ould do, the same condition ap-let ould do, the same condition ap-lying to the young emperor and its people. "We have Continuus," epiled Li Hung, "You have Jesus, They are pretty much one thing." laxing admitted so much and beming really interested in his new oming really interested in his new Bible, the chance of his conversion, n the opinion of Dr. Coltman, ot entirely hopeless, and would be he highest achievement of missionry endeavor since their mong the Chinese began.

DECEMBER 31, 1897.

ports of battle, statistics, correspon-dence and tabulated statements. Glancing over one of the volumes front of where the regiment fought 253 dead, Pennsylvanians, 32 dead Zouaves and 23 wounded men were

the excellent firing done by the regiment. He says that in his front

Col. Marshall also states that who

## Gen. Lee's Sword.

In presenting the souvenir edition eclipsed ours in material improvément, etc."

Our contemporary evidently believes in the ficticious story about Gen. Lee handing his sword to Gen. Grant at the surrender and that Gen. Grant magnanimously refused to receive it. Nothing of the kind occurred as Gen. Grant himself has testified. On page 494 volume 2 of the Personal Memoirs of Gen. U. S. Grant," Gen Grant says:

### HAIL TO THE NEW YEAR.

Bail, hall to thes. O virgin year. Not yet a day's length on thy thr Not yet a day's length on thy inror Thon with the merry eyes and clear And joyous voice of dulest tone! Mail, hail to thee, thou strong of Im Our praise is think of youthful kit For thou art pure of wee and an, "The wome hands you but blessings halt praise i. Sou art pu Sog ha

# narch who is laid away i the catacomb of years sh and ruthless in his d d less to love our joys

our joys Beemed less to tow out We look for blessings manifold, New year, from thy pure, sink We trust thy heart will ne'er gre Toward us-and our native lan

Bring healing to the hearts no From wounds the cruciold y The veil of peacefulness draw o The wors at each heart three We cannot love a tyrant king-Our hearts refuse to loyal he To one who takes delight to th

ind to us-that we may say d to us ... comes the time tur ... cling rear we grieve today due we all have loved you so -tood Houseke

# Little Ragged Doll.

"Happy New Year's marshal" "Happy New Year's marshal" betweets velocities and childhow to the the the flue Imperiale of Loous They were the test in the test of the test of the test rowderd around Marshal Castelling out the ist of January 1863. The bug herried man, who was at the time military governor of the town, finding hamseff surrounded by the young a china concerved a strange idea which who mains"

was both the indication and of his nature "Yoo want New Year's gifts, my boys?" and he indication and the youngsters in the the youngsters in atterward told this little story, he adde-

chorns, "Very well, my little friends, you must win them." must w. them! How? By taking them by storm "

How so: The thing is very simple You candy store there at the corner a stroot

ine street" "Yes, marshal." "Very well. Take it by storm, and when you capture it you are at liberty to sack it Everything that it contains will be yours."

kind, yest about good enongen tor a youn-abop. How it got there among the objects of the astiquery was the thing that puzzled the unarbail Jost then a little gift came ap in a harry, carrying a loaf of bread under her arm. Shirering in her thin shoulders a little findle shawil, while her dreas, worn and light, clung to her frail limbs at cach atery sho took. The little one opened the door, and, witcost entering, said to the shopkeeper: "Mre entat was all that I was offer dir ti, "quilte a house often often yes dor it, "quilte a house orten.

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How much for this doll?" Anything you wish, sir, " said the

er Well, let us say 100 francs. 

To whom?" To a little girl in the neighborhood, eldest of a numerons family in des-"To a little girl in the neighborhood, the dielst of a unencous family in des-perate strates. The faither is at present in the hospital. The vare unfortunate people, but very honest, I can assure you. The little girl doll not find a purchaser for that dol doll. She fan-cied, por thins, that she working get 10 will nt You say 100 frames." "I said 100 frames, and I have just finished counting out the amount, and bereat is "A not the marked placed 20 & frame pieces on the little counter of the shop. The declar wrapped the doll

5 trans pieces on the ittle conster of the shop. The dealer wrapped the dol in a paper and presented it to him, with many thanks and benedictions in the name of the family. him, with as in the

ame of the family. Without paying much attention to in Castellane left the shop and re-rined to the old house with the inten-ion of leaving the doll at the doar too tion of leaving little Marie - I patience had In the Marine Mart the interest whose unpatiences had been sharps used by wait, had already returned to the dealer what was here joy when the told her that good hack that had come to her? She accomplished the joants with such haste that the controls the markhal at the bornes as fast as she would frum. She accomplished the joants with such haste that the exertors the markhal at the oter of the gority. A second path as the found hum in the sect of placing the such found hum in the sect of placing the left the packages at the obser of the humilio lodging, and in an outward of gratitude the institution for the sector placing the sector of the the sector place at the institution of the sector of the sector hum.

ed: "Never in my life did 1 get a kiss that went to my heart like that."

CHANGING THE CALENDAR.

of With the Clock In the Sky.

With the Clock In the Sky. Jan 1 is not comparable as a public holiday with Christmas as to the uni-versality or a unitopity of its observance. Before 1552 the year began on March 25 The change in the calendar was made in that year for Great Britain by

Were well, Take it by storm, and versality or antignity of its observances. The yonorgenes were delighted. In the ringing clatter of bricks glass. The the observance in the ringing clatter of bricks glass. The the observance in the formal users of a parliment, and we inherited the transmitter of the observance in the formal users of the observance in the

#### Gold and Great

Some years ago the min authorities of a certain city noticed that a small amount of gold was insisting every day after the onioling operations were over. They watched and set traps of every assorption, but no thief was detected, assorption, but not not not not not waste and thrench not not on nurvidable

regularity rot-down to an extra amount of user-wate and thought no more about it. Two or three years afterward two brothers, who were working there, left and set up a public hoase together on money which they said had been left and set up a public hoase together on money which they said had been left will one of will one of the said had been will one of the said had been left money which they said had them by an uncle. As they good characters, it was not un them told a mint foreman, o id been left by had both until one of a, on the un-on should be derstanding that no action taken, this anything was kn following trick: hould be

Both the brothers used to grease their hands before working at the machines, and whenever they noticed some gold dust sticking to the grease it was wiped off in their hair. Care was used that shough was not taken to show, though enough was not taken to show, when they washed their hair a each night the few grains mean extra shillings, which ultima abled them to retire and live c abley.—Strand Margine

Marie and Her

Orr's Rifles at Gaines's Mill. For years the government has

captured by the regiment, Col. Marshall speaks highly

#### THE LANTERN, YS AND FRIDA

## J. T. BIGHAM, . . Editor and Prop Entered at the Postoffice at Chester, S. C., as econd-class mail matter. FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1897

It is rumored that the Rev. J. A. Sligh will make the race for govwill distance all competitors, even including the Hon. George Tillman

moving into its new and beautiful quarters. This is an indication of the present day night lattended a song service We congratulate The State the prosperity of our brilliant con-temporary. It is a credit to Columtemporary. It is bia and the State.

#### A Tempest in a Tea Pot.

very mild form of the disease. may be chicken pox after all.

### Long Distance 'Phones.

The long distance telephone is injuring railroad passenger ness. This is evident from the long late remark of S. R. Garloway,

Men's thoughts are much according to their inclination, their discourse and speeches according to their learning and infused opinions.-Bacos.

This thought is susceptible of speak. Our thoughts are imperious, and are continually demanding ex-al character and reputation of the pression.

Men may lay claim to whatever purity and refinement they choose, but unless their daily conversation be pure and refined, none but the foolish will be deceived. Evil thoughts can no more give off pure expression than putrid flesh can give off sweet odors. A foul mouth must do duty for a corrupt mind.

One's moral fibre is as easily poisoned by listening to foul words, as is the physical by coming into close contact with physical poisons. think of the fearful consequences H. Riley. follow obscene Miss Rosa Steele and Mr. that almost always follow obscene conversation? Does he realize the dangers to which vile language subjects a young boy or girl? If so, would he not take his child off the street.

Since so much depends upon our learning and infused opinions, it bees very important at whose feet learn and what opinions we hold The sweetness and usefulness of a life time are often des-troyed by laying hold of erroneous opinions. Learning with no limita-tion placed upon the term is by no means always desirable. Many a man's life has been made miserable by the character of his learning.

### Chester Rejoices.

We rejoice with Rock Hill, in that it is now entirely free from all danger of smallpox, and that refugees have all returned. "May our neighoring town never pass through nother such trying ordeal as it has by done. Chester deeply sym-hized with Rock Hill in its late uble. She was ready and willing extend a helping hand if the ergency had arisen. ately done.

Edit T LANTERN . Ymr De pondent spent a part of the holidays in Augusta. It was my second visit to that city and I was pleased with it. It has beautiful stores and a

Letter from Abbeville.

RIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1897. It is rumored that the Rev. J. A. the will make the race for gov-or gainst Ellerbe. The 'large' pressbyterian church and rieard an distance all competitors, even excellent serion from Dr. J. T. using the Hon. George Tillman uses excellent language. The scr-mon on this occasion was evidently fine singing. They have one of the most magnificent organs in the South

On Monday I had the pleasure of meeting Hon. Pat Walsh, the new All of the smallpox patients in mayor, t was a served with boundless and most fastidious tasts con-Greenville are recovering. Nearly him. He is spopular in Augusta and most fastidious tasts con-all of them are well enough to be up is noted for his warm, generous and was served with boundless grace and hospitality by the charm-ing hosters. The atternoon passed It Chronicle, one of the leading papers of Georgia.

In the Cbronicle office 1 had the and the coronice once I had the good fortune to meet Mr. J. R. Ran-dall, the accomplished Washington correspondent of the *Chronicle*. 1 The shore and is an interesting taker, has pleasant manners and makes friends where were he goes. When I met him he been trying to find the reason why was engaged in editorial work tempionspile. Business mean taker was pleased in editorial work tempionspile. Business mean taker was using to ponsible. Business mean tuging more and more, and the way it is a very serious matter to us." have read his letters in that paper 
 Inter remark of S. R. Greekay, with great pleasure.
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 us add our best wisiter to the state of the lake Shore and is an interesting talker, has pleasant

 president of the lake Shore and is an interesting talker, has pleasant
 TERN'S success in the new year

 that will soon dawn.
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distance telephone is res-main point. He didn't believe the of sermons preached at the Baptist public cared to know how you came church last Sunday night. It was by your information, what they based on Matt. 25:13, "Watch, by your information, what they based on Matt. 25:13, "Watch, wanted was the fact. He said that therefore, for we know neither the

I was glad to meet Mr. Hook, the active editor of the Chronicle. He Inits mought is susception of lacer excellent writer and is a gen-preparation should be full. Once thoughts of a man shaped by his tleman of pleasing address. The already has Christ come, but he inclination, but these thoughts in people of Augusta are decidedly shall come again in like manner as turn shape his words. It is next above the average in courtesy, re-turn shape his words. It is next above the average in courtesy, reto impossible for a man to hide his finement, intelligence, and educathoughts, if he permits himself to tion. The tone of society is high

#### city. WALTER L. MILLER.

#### Lowevville Letter.

#### The holiday season has passed off

quietly and pleasantly here. Among the college people home to spend Christmas, we note Miss Hester Titman, from Due West, Miss Annie Lou Abell, from Columbia, and Mr. Arthur Darby, from Clinton. All their numerous friends are glad to have these bright young people home to spend the holidays. Miss Lilla Riley, of Easley, S. C. has been spending some time in guest of her sister, Mrs. A.

Williams, of Yorkville, spent Satur day with Miss Annie Lou Abell.

Miss Mayme Darby is visiting relatives in Chester. Rev. F. K. Sims is up from Co-lumbia to spend a few days with

his relatives Misses Colie and Isabel Guy gave

social party at their pleasant home on Monday evening, complimentary to their friend, Mr. Arthur Darby. Quite a number of the young peoand ple of the town were present, and it goes without saying that all enjoyed themselves highly.

Mrs. D. G. Anderson gave a de

Mrs. D. G. Americano, lightfult at to a number of young that win source of the second second second second second Every one fortunate enough to be there, had & delightful time at Miss second second second second second second second second second Annabel Darby's party, given in joy in the hearts of the faithful honor of her friend, Miss Pauline The source of the second second second second second second second Bishop, on Tuesday evening. The would suddenly be caught at switter not being present, cannot the resultation of the second second second second second second worn on this occasion, but we were a informed that many of them were closed the discourse. Second se

elegant and sumptuous dining the a number of their young friends gon-day. Our popular postmaster and mer-chant, Mr. A. D. Darby, went out in the country to attend a "party of two" Tuesday night. The hour of his return would indicate that he

functions of the season was the dinner given at the beautiful home of ner given at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Titiman, on Monday. Among the guests we-noted Maj. and Mrs. Lowry, Rev. and Mrs. T. C. Ligon, Mrs. Riley, Miss Riley, Prof. and Mrs. Sylva-tow Erwin. The day was screet in nus Erwin. The day was spent in social conversation, enlivened by beautiful piano music by the charming Miss Hester Titman, the accomplished daughter of the genial hos and hostess. Dinner was served at two o'clock. It was a magnificent all too swiftly, and when the guests departed it was with the conscious-ness that one more day of unalloyed pleasure had been added to the too brief list of days that never fade from memory.

With the closing of the year, let us add our best wishes for THE LAN-

### December, 27, 1897

If Christ Should Come to Chester.

If Christ should come to Chester, or the Night Before Christmas, was wanted was the fact. He said that he took for granted that whatever day nor the hour in which the Son interested him would interest other people and that if it did not do so, it must be for some fault of his in of the ten virgins, said the speaker. FRESH FISH and OYSTERS daily, etting it. He is an affable, pleas-it gentleman and does not patron it was glad to meet Mr. Hook, the laws glad to meet Mr. Hook, the was compared by the servals of the servals of the servals in was glad to meet Mr. Hook, the is was glad to meet Mr. Hook, the is an affable, the servals of the servals of the servals of the parable was doubtless the impor-tive you in the least. tance of being ready for Christ's coming at all times, and that this preparation should be full. Once he ascended into Heaven. When he shall return is unknown. The time is hid in the counsels of God. But his coming shall be sudden, like the lightening flash, like the flood of Noah's day, like the thief in the night. The general opinion is that we are fast nearing the end of all things and the return of the Lord.

He may now return at any time, What if he had come on the night before Christmas? If Christ had come to Chester on

the night before Christmas he would have discovered much sin. The preparation for the observance of Christmas on the part of many suggests more of a heathen festival than the commemoration of the Prince of Peace or of the Lord of righteous-Some one from another ness. planet, were he to come on Christmas eve would conclude that it was a celebration in honor of Bacchus, the god of drunkenness, or of Venus, the goddess of lust. An unusual amount of drunkenness, licentious debauchery, gluttony and ness, greed would have met the gaze of the returning Lord. Also he would have found thoughtlessness as to the real meaning of Christmas, of life, of eternal things and of the Lord himself. But will a man be thoughtless when the ship is sinking, when the house is on fire and when the train on which he is ridwhen the train of which he is he ing is about to collide with another? Will the soul be thoughtless in the act of going down into the deep of destruction, amid the conflagrations

Do You Chew?

Do You Smoke?

Do You Eat?

Have You a Girl?

Have You a Beau?

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# Groceries, Hardware, Saddles, Harness, Plows, &c. If you want has worth a forceveris of \$1 come to \$3. M JONES & $\hat{C}_0$ . If you with a Stad worth a forceveris of \$1 come to \$3. M JONES & $\hat{C}_0$ . Do you with a Staddle, Buggy and Harness? If so, call on us, and we will ave you more the stuff. If must be converted into cash. Remember we do not carry over any stock. We do not believe it is business to carry goods from one year to another. Quick sales and small profits if we can, if not quick sales and no profit.

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very beautiful. All the young fadies looked their best-sweet and modest as Lowryville young fadies al-ways look. Misses Ida and Sue Guy gave an Americans in that country.

TWO DOLLARS A YEAR, CASH FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1897

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#### LOCAL NEWS.

Miss Jennie White of Lewisville Ga., is visiting in the city.

Miss B. Vista Wood, of Rock Hill, is visiting Miss Mamie Wood.

Mrs. W. H. Hand's mother died near Goldsboro, N. C., Wednesday night. Mr. R. W. Tinsley, of Union,

visiting his daughter, Mrs. S. W. Pryor.

This is the last day for the payment of city taxes without the penalty.

Persons wishing to register will have an opportunity to do so next Monday.

Mr. J. R. Millen, of Erskine College, is spending the holidays with Mr. J. K. Henry.

Rev. William Lindsay is spending a few days in the city with his parents. .

Chester county stands 9th in the State in the length of the terms of the public schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy, of Richmond. , are here on a visit to the family of Mr. James Hemphill.

The South Carolina and Georgi granite company has been formed with Mr. L. D. Childs as manager.

Miss Mary Gray, of Norfolk, Va. spending the holidays with her friend, Miss Elzie Brandt,

Mrs. W. L. Ferguson, and her little daughter, Mildred, of Wylies' Mill, are visiting relatives in our city this week.

Mr. L. E. Sigmon, of this county, sent to our office a cluster of an ples pulled on Tuesday, the 28th of this month

Miss Elzie Brandt, who is attending school at Norfolk, Va., came home on last Friday to spend the holidays.

Mr. J. E. Ardrey, of Salisbury, Mr. J. E. Arurey, or days in N. C., is spending a few days in the city, the guest of Mr. Harper Woods.

Miss Lizzie Alexander and Miss Bagley, teachers in the Williamston female college, are visiting friends in the city.

Mr. D. P. Crosby, who was re-cently operated on by Dr. S. M. Da-Vega for appendicitis, is slowly improving.

A grocery and confectionery store will soon be opened at Jos. Walker's old stand. Mr. C. Warren will be the proprietor.

Mr. W. W. Coogler will soon move into the storeroom once occupied by the late R. C. Stewart. He will sell groceries and confections.

Miss Bertha Stahn gave an en tertainment Wednesday evening in honor of her many friends. It was

Mr. James Chambers, of York , and Mrs. Laura McArthur, of our city, were married on Wednesday by the Rev. J. S. Moffatt.

day by a procession and addresses.

Mr. Jas. H. Craig, of Blackstock, is "running express" on the C. & Miss Leuse, of New Orleans, who has been visiting Miss Bertha February. Stahn, returned home yesterday.

Mr. J. T. Bigham's frjends, whose mes are legion, are glad to hear of bis- improvement. They- hope to see him very soon in his office.

Prof. Hand went to Columbia on Wednesday to the State Teachers' Association. The next meeting of this association will be held at Harris' Springs in July.

Mrs. Julia Campbell will give a sociable this evening in honor Miss Miller, of Charleston. The young people are indulging in bright

anticipations of a good time. Married, at the Baptist parsonage, by Rev. H. C. Buchholz, Dec. 29, 1897, Mr. R. L. Straight, of Güthriesville, and Miss Lula Kennedy of Chester

Miss Kate Gaston, of Montgomery, Ala., who has been visiting relatives here, left this morning ac companied by Miss Kate Gaston, of this city, for her home.

The active of Governor Ellerbe in appointing the gene constable to as-sist in the conference of the dispensary law has occasioned considerable indignation in Columbia

Mr. Robert Orr, of this county, and Miss Mittie Hunnicutt, of Anderson, S. C., were married on Wednesday, December 15th, at Anderson, Rev. Dr. Manly officiating

Every section of our county doubtless be well represented at the farmers' meeting on next Monday. They are aware of the fact that something must be done to improve heir financial condition.

Miss Bessie Miller, aged 15 years and daughter of Mr. R. G. Miller, of the vicinity of Blackstock, died Wednesday and was buried yester-day. She fell a victim to that dreaded disease-consumption.

Rev. W. B. Allison, son of the late Col. W. B. Allison, of Tirzah, died in Charleston last Friday while undergoing a surgical operation. He was recently licensed to preach by Bethel Presbytery.

Mr. George Gill, of Richburg was in town yesterday. Though having passed his three score years and ten, he is still able to cut the pigeon wing. He performs this dance on every Christmas day for the pleasure of his friends.

Misses Mamie Brice and Bertha Brice, daughters of ex-Senator Tom. Brice, were married yesterday at the same time at their father's home, near Woodward. After the matrimonial knots had been tied. the two couples departed on their

Fire.

Mr. Garris.

Mr. Fowler, who recently moved to the Brice house, near Well-ridge, met with a great misfortune last Monday night. His barn filled with roughness, was destroyed by fire. It is thought to be the work of an incendiary. There was no insurance on the property destroyed.

#### Walker-Gaston Camp

A meeting of the Walker-Gaston Camp U. C. V. was held in the court house on Thursday afternoon. A considerable number of the members of the camp were p Col. J. R. Culp in the chair. present,

, There were several accessions to the Camp. J. W. Reid offered to present to

the Camp a flag of his own design. The offer was accepted. The following notice was adopted:

The annual meeting of the Walk-er-Gaston camp will be held in the courth se on 1st Monday in Jan-To-morrow is another anniver-sary of Emancipation Day. Our attend. By order of the Camp. colored friends will celebrate the day by a procession and eather

Adjutant.

A Beautiful Church. Our friends of the Associate, Reformed Presbyterian church ful church on Sunday week The

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dedication services will take place in equaled, in our city. de.

Yesterday at 1 o'clock, at McConnellsville, by the Rev. J. G. Hall, Mr. John Jones and Miss Janie Mcto their elegance. tion Connell were united in the bonds of holy matrimony. Dr. and Mrs. McConnell, and Mr.

T. H. Leitner, of our city were present at the wedding. speakers

Committed to Jail.

A few weeks ago in the vicinity of Lowryville Doc. Shannon, col-ored, was killed. Ed. Kennedy and Thomas Castles, both colored, were charged with the killing. At the preliminary examination held before Magistrate Williams on Wednesday the former was committed to jail to await trial at the next term of the circuit court in March, and the latter was discharged.

## The Ever Ready Pistol.

Last night at a cake walk on Maj. J. W. Wilks' plantation two negroes, Bob. Chalk and Bee Sanders, by of way variety engaged in a fight. The ever ready pistol got in its work as usual. Sanders was dangerously wounded, one ball penetrating his right lung and another his leg. Dr. J. M. Brice, being sent for,

arrived in due time, and succeeded in extracting the ball from his leg, but could not locate the ball in his lung.

## Baptist Church next Sunday.

day, at the Baptist church, will consist of the annual roll call, reports A. Hood and Miss Hood, Mr. Wachfrom the different departments of tel and the Misses Wachtel, Mr. church work will be read and the Pryor and Miss King, Mr. and Mrs. pastor will make the annual address. Gage, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. A. Walker At this service every member is ex- and Miss Walker, Mr. and Mrs. J. pected to be present and answer to C. Carpenter and Miss Carpenter his name, or send a note. At night Mr. and Mrs. Heath, Mr. and Mrs. the fourth in-the series of sermons Buchholz, Mr. S. Heyman and Miss on Chester at night will be preached; Heyman, Mr. C. Owen and Miss theme, "The Twelve Stroke of the Davidson, Mr. Martin and Miss Clock, or a Death at Midnight,

#### K. of P. Officers.

At a meeting of the Knights of Pythias the following officers were

Heyman, M. of A.; Charles Youngblood, I. G.; J. C. Carpenter, O. G.; Dr. John Brice, Physician; A. M. Aiken, Trustee.

It was a great honor to Mr. J. W. Means bridal tours, one going north and Means to be elected Chancellor the other south. One of the sisters Commander, and his many friends married Dr. Mitchell and the other take pleasure in congratulating him.

#### Election of Officers

At a late meeting of Richburg

Lodge, A. F. M., the following offiwere elected and installed: James Robertson, W. M.: Dr. J. Young, S. W.; Dr. DeK. Wylie, W.; G. C. Gill, Treas.; John P J A. Thompson, Sec.; J. B. Wylie, D.; R. B. Johnson, J. D.; J. R.

Hicklin, Tyler. After the installation of officers meeting of the Eastern Star was held with several accessions.

Rev Hudson A splendid supper followed, which

was enjoyed to the extreme limit of K of P., and their invited guests, the capacity of all present. arrived at their respective homes The great surges of the order, about one o'clock, highly pleased The great success of the enter-

tainment is due in a great mea to the admirable management of the committee of arrangements. Dr 1

P. Young, Dr. DeK. Wylië and Mr. J. A Barber. In order to avoid the necessity of Mr. W, D. Fudge, who has been students travelling on Sunday Prof. Edward P. Moses, Chairman of the faculty, has announced that the ex. Gollege on Tuesday. Ian the faculty for the state of the ercises will be resumed at Winthrop Bollege on Luesday. Ian the faculty for the state of the follege on Luesday. Ian the faculty for the state of the follege on Luesday. Ian the faculty following for the faculty for the state of the follege on Luesday. Ian the faculty following for the faculty following foll

Gollege on Tuesday, Jan. 4th, instead of the 3rd.

An Elegant Entertainment.

#### The K. of P. banquet Tuesday evening was an elegant affair. 1+ an Standy 2 grand-entersain never before being surpassed, if

It was given in the Chester Railroad Hotel, Gresham & Jamison, proprietors. The nice and delicious things, so nicely and beautifully prepared, are\_indescribable. Phe enjoyment of them was in propor-

At the end of the splendid supper Mr. Paul Hemphill read the te of the evening, which were gracefully responded to by the following

Rev. D. N. McLauchlin responded to Christmas; Mr. J. L. Glenn to Masonry; Mr. J. H. Marion to Pythianism: Mr. G. W. Gage to Our City; Mr. A. M. Aiken to The Press: Mr. W. A. Barber to The Bar; and Rev. H. C. Buchholz to Woman. All the speakers interspersed their remarks with witty of laughter. Hori. J. J. Hemphil being called on, responded in an en J. Hemphill tertaining and amusing manner His remarks were in the form of a criticism on the other speeches. Did space permit we we would give a synopsis of the different responses to the different toasts.

The ladies presented a charming appearance in their beautiful cos tumes, and of course the gentlemen enjoyed looking at them as much as they did feasting on the good things

The following were present at the Arr, and Mrs. Paul Hemphill and Worth \$10. Going at \$7.50 grand banquet:

Mrs. D. Hemphill, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Barber and Miss Hardin, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Aiken, Mr. E. H. H din and Miss Ethel Means, Mr. The morning service next Sun-B. Atkinson and Miss Lathan, Mr. y, at the Baptist church, will con-Minshall and Miss Stevens, Mr. S. All Wool Suits, worth \$7.50, going Davidson, Mr. Hood, Mr. S. F. McEadden and Miss Kate Gaston, of Montgomery, Ala., Dr. W. S. Gregg and Miss May Stevens, Mr. Honeycutt and Miss Carrie Youngblood, Mr. R. Brandt Available following officers was values of the following officers was values of the ensuing year: J. W. Means, C. C.; J. A. Haff, Dr. and Mrs. Pryor, Mr. Arthur ner, V. C.; J. F. Honeycutt, P.; Smith and Miss Griffith, Dr. and Mrs. Wise, Mrs. Miss McFadden Mrs. Wise, Mr. and Mrs. Miss Wise, Mr. and Mrs. and Miss Wise, Mr. and Mrs. James Hamilton, Mr. Betts and Miss Annie Stevens, Mr. J. H. Marion and Miss Hardin, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Melton and Miss Heath, Rev. and Mrs. McLauchlin, Mr. J. C. Mc-Fadden and Miss Louise McFadden Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hafner, Mr. Walker and Miss Melton, Miss Alex- Big Sale of ander, Mrs. Gresham and Mr. Youngblood, Mr. Pelzer Youngblood, Hon. J. J. Hemphill and Mrs lanie Stringfellow, Dr. Brice, Dr. Da-Vega, Messrs. I. N. Cross, J. E. Cornwell, W. H. Hood, F. D. Wil-Lornwell, W. H. Hood, F. D. Wil-liams, S. J. Wylie, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Glenn, Mr. T. J. Cunning-ham and Miss Eunice Moore, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Smith, Miss Pauline Mr. Tinsley and Miss Messrs. J. W. Means, Heyman, Mr. Tinsle Cornwell, Messrs. J. Z. V. Davidson, H. S. Heyman, R. P. Morgan, James Stevens, J. B. Cornwell, W. E. Sledge, B. McLure, Interesting addresses were then W. H. Murr, Earl Colvin, A. L. delivered by James Robertson and Gaston, W. H. Brice, M. S. Lewis, and Richard Woods

> The members of the noble order of about one o'clock, highly please with the evening's entertainment.

> > Items From Fort Lawn.

Columbia, where she will reside in the future. Mr. C. E. Darby, is spending a h is baing to be at 7 o'clock the few days at his home in Lowryville, next morning.

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monined by a bast of Napoleon and m-side the identical Sevres. Surely the stone that the builders ro-jected had become the head of the cor-ner. I carthed my cartosaty until the other visitors were gone, and then, over a cmp of tea, asked and heard the story "It was non day last week." said

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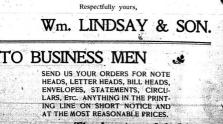
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