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SHERMAN'S RAID

As Told by a Lieutenant in His Army—A Tella Who Bored Columbia.

To the Editor of The State:
Below will be found a copy of the original letter written by First Lieutenant Thos. Q. Meyers, of Gen. Sherman's army which counter-marched to reach the goal of the "Secession State," which he only did after bombarding the capital from the heights of Lexington county which are in plain view from the high points of this city, lying "just across the river." Upon these clay-hills were planted the batteries the shells of which scared the capitol, then in course of construction, and sounded the death knell, as it were, to the fair city on the Congaree. This letter puts the cause of the burning of Columbia where it properly belongs, and places the responsibility upon Gen. Sherman and his sub-officers, who were "disguised as privates," and did the looting.

In this connection I may say that this communication carries out the idea, so forcibly advanced recently, by Prof. Spahr and Col. J. G. Gibbs, who have translated and written up the same. It is a private letter, and the author is a private soldier.

Though the letter alluded to is from husband to wife, and sent "by flag of truce," I trust I betray no confidence, as the letter was picked up by an old southern "nigger," and carried to her "Missus," to know if it was of value.

It is by reason of great courtesy that I have a copy of this letter, saved from the ashes of Jacksonville, and for force is of a private nature. There are thousands who have never heard anything upon the subject; so with gracious permission, I am permitted to give this information which every true sympathizer of a "lost cause" will, no doubt, appreciate. The information in from private journals; so the printing, for sale, of this article is strictly enjoined and all copyrights reserved. The opinions expressed are those of the author and are not those of the paper.

ROBT. S. SPARKMAN.
June 22, 1901.

February 26th, 1865.
Dear Wife: I have no time for particulars. We have had a glorious time in this State. Universal license to burn and plunder was the order of the day. The chivalry have been stripped of most of their valuables. Gold watches, silver pitchers, cups, spoons, forks, etc., etc., are as common in camp as blackberries! The valuables procured we estimate by companies. Each company is required to exhibit the result of its operations at any given place. One-fifth and one-tenth fall to the share of the commander-in-chief and staff, one-fifth to field officers of regiments, and three-fifths to the company. Officers are not allowed to join these expeditions without disguising themselves as privates. One of our corps commanders borrowed a suit of citizens clothes from one of my men and was successful in this place, he got a large quantity of silver, among other things, an old time silver milk pitcher and a very fine gold watch from a Mr. DeSaure at this place. DeSaure is one of the P. V.'s of South Carolina, and was made to fork over liberally. Officers over the rank of captain are not made to put their hands under the estimate for general distribution. This is very unfair, and for this reason in order to protect themselves; subordinate officers and privates keep back everything that they can carry about their person, such as rings, earrings, breast pins, etc., of which, if ever I live so get home, I have about a quart—am not joking—have at least a quart or jewelry for my wife and all the girls, and some No. 1 diamond rings and pins among them.

Gen Sherman has silver and gold enough to start a bank. His store in gold watches and chains, etc., at Columbia, was two hundred and seventy-five; but I said I could not go into particulars. All the general officers and many privates had valuables of every description, even to ladies' embroidered pocket handkerchiefs. I have a share of them too. We took gold enough from the d—d rebels to have redeemed their infernal currency twice over. This, the currency, whenever we come across it, we burn as we consider it utterly worthless. I wish all the jewelry this army has could be carried to the old Bay State, it would deck her out in glorious style, but I would not be scattered all over the north and middle states. The d—d negroes as a rule prefer to stay at home, particularly after they found out that we only wanted the able-bodied men, and to tell you the truth, the youngest and best looking women. Sometimes we take off whole families and plantations of negroes by way of copying the secessionists; but the useless part of these were soon managed to leave—sometimes in crossing rivers—sometimes in other ways. I shall write to you again from Wilmington, Goldsboro, or some other place in North Carolina. The order to march has arrived and I must close hurriedly.

Love to grandmother and Aunt Charlotte. Take care of yourself and the children. Do not show this letter out of the family.

Your affectionate husband,
THOS. Q. MEYERS, Lieut., etc.

P. S.—I will send the flag of truce to be mailed unless I have a chance of sending it to Hilton Head. Tell Sadie I am saving a pearl bracelet and earrings for her; but Lambert got the necklace, and breast pin of the same set. I am trying to trade him out of them.

These were taken from the Misses Johnson, daughters of the president of the South Carolina secession convention. We found them on our trip through Georgia.

The foregoing is a copy of a letter found by Miss Florence Canby, of Camden, at the Yankee camp, near that city. It is directed to Mrs. Q. Meyers, Boston, Mass., and corroborates what was believed at the time, that officers were citizens' and privates' dress, in order to rob without compromising their shoulder straps.

The following is a letter from Miss Florence Canby, now the wife Rev. Mr. Johnson, rector of St. Philip's church, Charleston, S. C., written to her son, Mr. Joe Johnson who enquired of her concerning the authenticity of the aforesaid letter. There are in the possession of, and form part of the journal of, Miss Grace Elmore, which she kept during these troublesome times.

Charleston, March 26th, 1869.
My dear sir: The letter you wrote of was written by one of Sherman's soldiers, and picked up near our old home Hobkirk Hill. It was slightly damp from lying on the ground, when brought to me by a negro woman who had picked it up. This woman had always been considered a quiet, good woman, not remarkably bright and could not read a word. She found it just after a part of Sherman's army had raided Camden and the surrounding country, and brought it to me to know if I could tell her whose letter it was. She did not have an idea if it was lost by soldier or civilian, or to whom addressed. Afterwards, I learned that the silver pitcher named, corresponded with one taken from Maj. Joe, of DeSaure's home: it was the only piece taken, as it was left out by mistake when the rest of the family silver was concealed. The letters were printed in the Camden newspapers, but it has never been returned to my possession. I would be glad to have it now, or at least a copy of it. This negro woman had been a slave of your grandmother's, and she was overrunning, leaped and then afterwards, as if she still bore allegiance to her, and you, I think, remember her as the nurse of your sister, yourself and little John. She was named Cinda, and wanted to go with us to Charleston; but her mother was old and feeble and wanted her to stay in Camden. In my own mind and that of my family there is not a doubt of the letter being authentic.

I enjoyed your letter and will write soon. My love to my cousin in the South.

Your affectionate Mother.

Will McClarin Advocate This?

In his speech to the republican state convention of Ohio on Monday, Senator Foraker, one of the most influential leaders of the party in national affairs, declared that the disfranchisement of the negroes in the Southern states, "under the forms of constitutional amendments that are in violation of the constitution of the United States, is worse, if possible, than the inhuman lynchings of which we read almost daily, because it is without provocation and is a slow aimed bolt at the class and the government of a nation." "Constitutional authority," Mr. Foraker continued, "must find a way to suppress these wrongs, or the government will deserve to lose the support of a race that has shed its blood for our flag in every field, and upon almost every field where it has waved." And the white people of the South must find a way, and will find a way, to protect themselves against negro rule to which the eminent republican senator from Ohio, and his party, would condemn them. We received a letter yesterday from a distinguished public man, which throws some light upon the true meaning of Mr. Foraker's speech. Our correspondent says:

"I have private advice from a former republican of prominence and a man with more than ordinary means of obtaining inside information from that party's councils, that legislation to reduce representation in the Southern states will be pressed at the next session, and that the republican party will make that its battle cry in the next election. They are in possession of senate, house and presidency and nothing but a protracted filibuster can defeat the scheme. After it is thus defeated then the idea will be to go to the country on the issue of preserving the negroes' rights, or giving the white men of the North equal rights with the white men of the South."

The speech of Mr. Foraker and the policy of the republican party towards the white people of the South as indicated in the statement which we have given do not encourage any great activity on the part of those who have been engineering the information of a white republican party in the South. The declaration of Mr. Foraker that "constitutional authority must find a way to suppress these wrongs"—that is, restore the power of the negroes to control the elections in the South—will not contribute materially to the formation of a white republican party in the South. Some of us remember how "constitutional authority" enforced its decrees in South Carolina twenty-five years ago, when the ballot-box was dominated by the bayonet; and yet the whole fabric fell to the ground because the white people of the South would not, and will not be, ruled by the negro—Nras and Coward.

A Poor Millionaire

Lately starved in London because he could not digest his food. Early use of Dr. King's new life pills would have saved him. They strengthen the stomach, aid digestion, promote assimilation, improve appetite. Price 25c. Sold everywhere or by mail. Sold by Woods Drug Company.

A Life for a Life.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., June 27.—Samuel Logan, son of Judge S. T. Logan, was drowned in the Tennessee River this evening, after rescuing Miss Guin, of New Orleans, from the same fate. A crowd of young society people had gone on the river for a boating. In attempting to ride the waves behind a steam-wheel steambot the yawl tipped and Miss Guin, thinking the boat was overturning, leaped and followed and kept her from sinking. After a hard struggle in the turbulent waves, she got Miss Guin to the boat. As she was being pulled into the boat, and before help could be extended, young Logan sank from exhaustion and was drowned.

Eczeema, salt rheum, tetter, chafing, ivy poisoning and all skin troubles are quickly cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. The certain cure. Pryor & McKee.

CAPT. JOSEPH S. HARDIN.

Conspicuous for Gallant Conduct in Battle.

From a brief history of the 46th U. S. V. I found in the Manila Times of April 20th, 1901 we read the following, which will be read with pleasure by the many friends and acquaintances of Capt. Hardin: On January 1st, Col. Johnson and the Battalion left Indang for the insurgent strongholds of Lerner and Taal. The enemy was first engaged at the barrio of Tay where a fierce fight was fought, completely demoralizing the enemy and driving it before the victorious column into the sheltering beyond and out of the immediate reach of the expedition who started taking the town pushed on to Batayan where the enemy had rallied with reinforcements and another engagement occurred in which the enemy was again thoroughly defeated and the town taken. The column camped for the night here and before dawn of the next morning was on its victorious march headed for Calica, a town known to be the garrison of the insurgent population in that part of the province. The enemy was found almost invariably entrenched and opened the engagement with a heavy volley fire from its fortified position which was heartily responded to by the men under Johnson. The extremely difficult position of the enemy made a charge impracticable and a slow cautious advance was begun, and the heavy firing on both sides continued without abatement. The engagement would follow. This time the ammunition of the column in a depleted condition and Major Johnson, realizing the importance of securing an additional supply made his way under the heavy fire to the beach and signaled the gunboat Marieta whose commander quickly responded and landed ammunition and supplies after which he set out for Batayan with a dispatch from Maj. Johnson asking for the operation of the 33rd Infantry who were stationed there. This precautionary move by him was however unnecessary as the enemy was finally driven from their position, the column proceeding to Lerner where another hard fight was made and the enemy subdued. This fight developed the enemies strength and position at Taal. The column went into camp for the night and the next morning descended on the town of Taal, the principal center of the insurgent resistance. Major Muir of the 18th had instructions to attack the town from the east, while Major Johnson and his force were to operate from Lerner side of the river bridge. Here it was found the insurgents had constructed from bamboo and rock an obstruction which seemed impassable. The trenches of the enemy were only a short distance from the bridge and covered it completely. As the attack began it was found that to accomplish effective work the bridge must be cleared. To do this was required work of the most hazardous nature, the insurgents continually sending up snipers for the Major Johnson with selected volunteers picked from the many who so readily responded, proceeded to the bridge and under the increasing fire of the enemy quickly and thoroughly removed the obstructions. This feat of daring was accomplished under the most trying ordeal, not only were the brave men facing the small arm fire but were also exposed to the raining shrapnel bombardment of four cannon placed on an eminence and covering the bridge from the other side. A charge was ordered and with the irrepressible American whoop the column dashed for the bridge, and in the face of a blinding fire reached the other side and at short range dislodged the enemy and drove them through the town demoralized and beaten. The four brave volunteers were captured with their small arms and ammunition. The light had been a hard long struggle and was under the most unfavorable conditions and had it not been for the fearless spirit shown by officers and men, victory would

Gen. Gomez Has Arrived.

TAMPA, Fla., June 27.—Gen. Maximo Gomez arrived here this morning from Havana and is en route to New York. He left immediately for that city. Gen. Gomez appears to be in excellent health and as vigorous as a man many years his junior. He talked freely, considering the brief time he spent here, but was very reticent concerning what Cuban matters, with which he is supposed to have much to do. He said that he was especially delighted to set foot once more upon American soil, as he felt that he was always among friends who had been tried and proven themselves true. He said his people were busy now in rebuilding their wasted and devastated island and only hoped they would follow the example he recognized. He positively declared that there was nothing whatever significant in his trip to the United States at this time. He was simply on private business, he said, and gratifying more than anything else a desire to see many friends once more, and renew the ties of friendship which he made in the Spanish-Spanish days. His coming was known to but few and, only about a dozen people met him at the train. While he was eating supper his presence became generally known, and a large crowd was out at the depot when he left. His departure was amid an ovation from the Cubans. It is generally understood that from New York he will go to Washington to confer with the president and Secretary Root.

It Dazzles The World.

No discovery in medicine has ever created one quarter of the excitement that has been caused by Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, pneumonia, hemorrhage, pleurisy and bronchitis, thousands of whom it has restored to perfect health. For coughs, colics, asthma, croup, hay fever, hoarseness and whooping cough it is the quickest, surest cure in the world. It is sold by Woods Drug Co. who guarantee satisfaction or refund money. Large bottles 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

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The "Slavery Cases."

The great hullabaloo caused by the remarks of Judge Benet at the February term of court and the editorial criticism of a number of newspapers in and out of this state, in reference to the so-called "slavery" cases in this county have terminated just as we predicted. There was nothing in the charges, and there was no cause for the remarks of Judge Benet or the criticism of the newspapers. Had some of the newspapers and people who condemned the matter known the circumstances they would probably have withheld their severe criticism. It is true that all the gentlemen, except Mr. Fowler, pleaded guilty to one of the charges in the indictment, but this was done simply to save expense and worry and trouble of a trial, and had they followed Mr. Fowler, example they, too, would no doubt have been acquitted of the charges. Judge Benet's remarks in open court have demoralized the negro tenants and laborers throughout the county, and many of our farmers have suffered severely in a financial sense as a result of his untimely remarks. Conceding to him all sincerity of purpose, he has done incalculable harm to the very class whom he would shield.

The estrangement he has caused between landlord and laborer as certainly calls for more stringent laws relating to farm labor as that the next general assembly shall convene. Not that such legislation is the result of such estrangement, but for the reason that such contracts have been passing current as valid for so many years are now by an edict from the throne declared illegal, invalid and inhumane.

It does not then require any great amount of common acumen to see where the burden of Benet's folly falls. It falls squarely upon the shoulders of the poor white man and the negro who will be under the necessity of becoming parties to a labor contract that will bind them more securely than ever before, and provide more burdensome penalties for its violation.

Judge Benet is certainly well come to all his laurels.—Anderson Intelligencer.

The Interest Rate.

A Chester contemporary reports that it has heard from various sources that money is being loaned in that city on short time at 500, 600 and 800 per cent; it has even heard of rates of 1,000 or 4,000 per cent. Whatever may be thought of the wisdom of state regulation, the rates are certainly charged by banks and other open financial agencies; it will hardly be contended that such rates as those reported from Chester are justified by either the value of money or the demand for it. Interest charges ranging from 500 to 4,000 per cent. per annum are so monstrous as to make the loan of money on such condition an oppression instead of an accommodation. They are emphatically against the public welfare. There are in power in South Carolina representatives of an element still styled "Reform" and committed by many declarations against financial extortion. Why is it that nothing is done against these loan sharks who in every community prey upon the ignorance and the necessities of the very poor? It seems to us that however the usury law may be relaxed in its application to the larger loans, the law should be enforced against the men who are fattening on the petty needs of the poor by almost inconceivable extortion.—The State.

White Man Turned Yellow.

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Can It Be Possible.

"There is hope for Charleston yet. The grand jury of that county has actually found one true bill in a dispensary case. How in the world it happened nobody knows, but the whole court, attorney, witnesses and all nearly failed when the return was read. It is said that the clerk actually had to pass the paper round the court house before he could believe the evidence of his own eyes. He thought he was bewitched. This strange man who has been as bad as to see a blind tiger in the very strictly law-abiding community of Charleston, to the great indignation of the people thereof, is named Duggan. His name will go down in history. It is well for you to remember it. A syndicate is now being formed to put him and the grand jury that found the bill on exhibition during the Exposition. It is stated positively that he went prior to Sam Pregally, but when the cases comes into court it will be shown positively and conclusively that Mr. Pregally is a most abominable man; that he never, by mistake even, takes anything stronger than a little cold tea without milk. Nobody that ever saw Mr. Pregally could for a moment conceive the idea that he ever touched spirituous or fermented liquors. It is very evident that a mistake, a serious one, has been made and the grand jury may be called out to coffee and pistols to wipe away the stain and dishonor. It is surprising to one acquainted with the city, the people and the circumstances, and especially the heat little parlor for tired gentlemen that Mr. Duggan presides over that such things could be. It passes comprehension, but the past jury will probably properly re-act on the next mistake. It may be that public sentiment in Charleston is waking up.—Florence Times.

She Didn't Wear a Mask.

But her beauty was completely hidden by sores, blisters and pimples till she used Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Then they vanished as well as eruptions, fever sores, boils, ulcers, itching, and all other skin troubles. Infallible for cuts, corns, burns, scalds and piles. Cure guaranteed. 25c at Woods Drug Co.

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TUESDAY, JULY 2, 1901.

The Rev. L. L. Pickett.
If the Greenville News is correct in its report of the sermon of Rev. L. L. Pickett, and there seems no reason to doubt it, the indignation it expressed in its editorial is justified, and Mr. Pickett's conduct is a reproach to the Christian ministry. To utter such wholesale denunciations against the virtue and womanhood of an entire city is a scandalous libel because it is a matter entirely without his knowledge. If he said as reported, we do not see how the fathers and brothers of those women restrained their indignation from taking some active form to put a stop to it. They should have taken some action and ought to, but no man, even though he wear the cloth ought to be permitted to publicly slander and insult an entire community. This is a sensationalist run mad, and is a species of ecclesiastical insanity. An ecclesiastical mountebank is an abomination. — Anderson Daily Mail.

We know something of the Rev. L. L. Pickett, having heard him preach at Mt. Prospect camp ground in this county almost every day for two weeks some few summers ago, and we know something of Greenville, having been there several times in our life, and we rather think, neighbor, the "mad sensationalism" of which you speak is in the make up of the Greenville people instead of the man. When you are preaching to them—God we heard this man preach he was not in the least insulting to Christians people, but he frequently licked the old sinners so hard that they howled long and loud.

Obstructions to Our Progress.
Like every other growing city in the world, Chester has within her bounds some inhabitants that ought never to have been born—at least they ought never to have been born in a wide-awake, progressive, growing place like this. They might be fit subjects for citizenship in places like Winnsboro or Yorkville that were full grown before the war, but they have no part of a place in city like this.

The other day we heard one of these all-wise, do-nothing, long-tongued beings speaking of a certain new business that is about to be launched here, and he will at once of several things something like this: "Well, I don't know what any body wants to be foolish enough to go into that sort of thing. He will not only burst himself inside of three months, but he will burst every other house in the place now carrying his line." We don't know whether this evil prophecy of this obstructor of progress had, or will have any effect upon the new business referred to. It most certainly will not have a good effect upon the strangers who heard it. Possibly some of them had never been here before, and we imagine if they should be asked about it they would reply, on the strength of the above remark, "that the town was full and no new comers need apply."

About a year and a half ago we heard a remark similar to the one mentioned above, made in reference to the Commercial Bank, then organizing, and the Exchange Bank, then as now, in a most prosperous condition. We don't believe it is any use to talk to such people, but if it is at all possible for anything to penetrate their skull, we would like to ask that they study the facts presented in this issue in reference to these institutions, and then see if they can't feel the least bit ashamed of themselves.

Progress of Our Banks.
It gives us much pleasure to direct the attention of the public to the semi-annual statements of Chester's banks, which appear in another column. These institutions index more correctly than anything else we can think of the true progress and prosperity of our city. Compare the showings made to-day with the statements of one year ago, and note the wonderful growth of these institutions. On June 30, 1900 the Exchange Bank had deposit \$195,619.45 and the Commercial Bank had \$411,143.31 or a total of \$606,762.76. Today the Exchange Bank has deposit \$230,377.65 and the Commercial Bank has \$113,773.09, or a total of \$344,150.74.

change Bank of \$33,758.20, and a gain for the Commercial Bank of \$73,589.71, or a total gain for both of \$107,347.91.

At the same time last year the Exchange Bank had loans to the amount of \$329,204.91, and the Commercial Bank had loans to the amount of \$66,611.09, or a total for both institutions of \$395,816.00. To-day the Exchange Bank's loans amount to \$309,599.07, and the Commercial Bank's to \$151,851.69, or a total for both of \$461,450.76. A gain for the Exchange of \$30,395.06, and a gain for the Commercial of \$85,240.60, or a total gain for both of \$115,635.66. One year ago the undivided profits of the Exchange Bank were \$29,709.80; it paid its usual semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent and increases its surplus to \$34,122.94, a gain of \$4,413.14. At the same time last year the Commercial Bank, then but six months old, showed undivided profits to the amount of \$3,318.21; it paid an annual dividend of 3 per cent at the end of its first year, and this time pays a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent and increases its surplus to \$5,542.22, a gain of \$2,224.01.

Can any town in the state show institutions with better records than these? We don't believe they can unless they have Chester men running both the institutions and the town.

The so-called commercial "democrats" tell us that our manufacturers are underselling the Europeans across the world, even right in their own territory, and yet in the very next breath, they assert that we must have a high protective tariff tax to prevent Europe from underselling us here in the United States.

We haven't heard anything lately regarding Chester county's exhibit at the Charleston Exposition. We see by our exchanges that several of the other counties in the state are getting up fine ones, and while we are not afraid of any of them being able to beat us to the blue ribbon, we feel called upon to warn the gentlemen who have the honor in charge that they may expect to have several strong competitors.

The editor, accompanied by his daughter, left this morning for Glenn Springs, where he will attend the meeting of the state press association. The paper, during his absence, is in the hands of an amateur, and we hope our readers will bear this fact in mind because it is more than probable they will find several things in it to criticize. We promise, however, to do the best we can towards filling his place until he returns.

Our policemen should enforce the city ordinance against persons congregating on the sidewalks, and especially in "Happy Valley" on Saturday afternoons. Last Saturday afternoon we saw a lady and child passing up Gadsden street, and at every few yards the colored population was so dense they were forced to get out into the streets in order to get along. The negroes, and some white folks too, seem to think that the side-walks were made for a camping ground instead of a stampering ground, and that they have a higher right than passers by to occupy the space. Mr. Mayor, we will pardon us for so doing, if you will pardon us for so doing, if you would suggest that you instruct the policemen to see that hereafter it shall not be necessary for any lady or child to have to walk the street instead of the sidewalk when they have to go up town. Neither the negroes or the whites will feel guilty of this thing, if they know you are against it.

Neal Convicted.
Col. W. A. Neal, ex-superintendent of the State penitentiary, was convicted in Columbia on Saturday last for forgery to turn over money to his successor within 30 days, and is now liable to a fine of \$1,000 or imprisonment not exceeding twelve months. An appeal will be taken to the supreme court, but the general opinion is that if it will amount to nothing more than delay. The attorney general has pushed this case with commendable zeal, and now if he will just give little attention to a few of the dispensary stalls, he will be entitled to go higher.

Don't forget the 4th of July cheap rates from S. A. L. Ry.

Chapel Items.
CHAPEL, July 1.—Crops are progressing nicely where they have been worked.

Rev. C. M. Boyd is visiting his sister, Mrs. Morgan, of Johnston, who is very sick.
Miss Mary Lee Hardin is attending the summer normal in Spartanburg.
Miss Fanny Sanders has been visiting at Mr. S. B. Hardin's.
Mr. C. B. Smith and daughter, Mrs. Mason Ferguson, of Yorkville, visited relatives here Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Estelle Stevenson is visiting Miss Cora E. Hardin this week.
Mr. C. C. Hardin spent last Tuesday in Lockhart.
Capt. Joe. S. Hardin is at home. His many friends are glad to see him back.

Mrs. Sallie Grant has returned home from a pleasant visit at Mr. Churchill Carter's of Chalkville.
Mrs. Bell Barber, of New York, is at home for a few days.
Mrs. Paul Hardin and Mrs. G. M. Boyd were here sick, but glad to report they are better. Uncle Neely Hardin is improving slowly.
Little Miss Nellie Hardin is visiting relatives in Blackstock.

LENA.
Your Shraf Grain
Is wanted by A. W. Love, Supt. S. C. Exhibits at the Charleston exposition this winter. Mr. Love requests all who have saved shraf grain for him to notify him at once in Chester, by letter or in person, how much and what kind, so that he can give shipping instructions to him. Any person having fine shaf grain of any kind will confer a great favor by saving it for the exposition, and it will be paid for at its value. Don't wait, thinking that some one else will furnish it, for several hundred dozens are wanted, and all will have to help, as the wet spells have ruined quantities of the finest. Write at once.

Opening Books of Subscription.
State of South Carolina,
Pursuant to a commission issued to the undersigned as copartners by M. R. Cooper, Secretary of State, on the 28th day of June, 1901, notice is hereby given that the books of subscription to the capital stock of the BOWLEY HARDWARE CO. will be opened at the office of Caldwell & Gaston in the city of Chester, State and County of South Carolina, on Wednesday, July 4, 1901, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. The said proposed corporation will have a capital stock of \$100,000 divided into 10,000 shares of the par value of \$100 each, with its principal office in the city of Chester, S. C., and it will be empowered to engage in a wholesale and retail hardware business.
L. B. DAWSON,
Corporator.

REPORT OF CONDITION OF The Exchange Bank
of Chester, S. C., at the close of business June 29, 1901.

RESOURCES	
Notes Discounted	\$309,599.07
Banking House	6,871.46
Due from Banks	72,822.29
Cash in Vault	37,808.11
	\$427,101.78
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$75,000.00
Bills Payable	75,000.00
Personal Deposits	229,377.65
Due from Banks	8,292.14
Set aside for taxes	1,773.78
Dividend No. 10 unpaid	5.00
Dividend No. 20, payable 1st July	3,740.00
Undivided Profits	34,122.94
	\$427,101.78

I, T. H. WHITE, Cashier of the Exchange Bank of Chester, S. C., do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
T. H. WHITE, Cashier.
Sworn to before me June 29, 1901.
R. M. McFADDEN,
Notary Public for S. C.
J. W. COOPER,
S. J. JONES,
S. M. ALEXANDER.

REPORT OF CONDITION OF The Commercial Bank
of Chester, S. C., at the close of business June 29, 1901.

RESOURCES	
Notes Discounted	\$151,851.69
Bonds, S. C. 4 1/2%	11,268.50
Due from Banks	7,282.14
Due from Banks	17,818.88
Cash in Vault	11,888.28
	\$194,909.49
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$75,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	11,268.50
Reserves	117,729.99
Dividend No. 1 Unpaid	5.00
Dividend No. 2, 3 per cent, payable July 1st	1,138.00
Due from Banks	1,364.54
Reserves for Taxes	413.40
Notes & Bills Redeemed	36,000.00
	\$194,909.49

I, W. A. Eady, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. A. EADY, Cashier.
Sworn to and sworn to before me June 29, 1901.
R. M. McFADDEN, Notary Public for S. C.
J. W. COOPER, S. J. JONES, S. M. ALEXANDER.

Have You a Daughter?
She will bless you and the world in proportion to the education you give her.

DUE WEST FEMALE COLLEGE
Offers the best advantages, educationally, morally, religiously, giving six B. S. Normal, Music, Expression, Art, and Business Courses, under experienced teachers, in an ideal college community. Most beautiful location. Deep tubular well, water absolutely pure. Low rates. The past year all our rooms were occupied, and many rooms are engaged for next year. The forty-third, which opens SEPTEMBER 18th. For illustrated catalogue, address:
Rev. JAMES BOYCE, Pres.,
Dura War, Abbeville Co., S. C.

Have Your Buildings Rained or Mowed.
H. Abrams, of Knoxville, Tenn., is doing the repairing to the new Chester Hotel. He also moves and raises brick and frame buildings. Anyone contemplating having their business moved or raised would do well to consult him while he is in the city.

IF YOU WANT A PAINT
That will last longer, and not peel nor crack, try
Hirahburg, Hollander & Co's
Stag Brand Paint.

It will go further than any other. Varnishes, White Lead, Wood Stains, and Murusco, the best Wall Finish on the market. Call for color cards at

Jos. A. Walker's.
Trespass Notice.
All persons are warned not to walk, ride, drive, team, fish, cut timber or otherwise trespass upon lands, within the corporate limits of Chester, owned or controlled by the undersigned. This June 13, 1901.
J. K. HENRY, Jr.

Literary, Food and Sale Stables
I have electric lights, water works and buggy wash. One feed 15c, hitch stall 10c. One buggy wash 20c. I feed on corn, oats, fodder and Timothy hay. Have no cut straw and swamp hay. Feed on best of feed. Ready to wait on my customers day or night. Have a lot of nice horses for sale. Good qualities and high prices. Call before you buy.
R. W. CROWDER.
Phone 132.

Mowing Machine Repairs
I have a full line of Repairs for Deering, McCormick and Champion Mowers, at prices that will interest you. If you mowers need repairing, it will pay you to call on the Old Reliable Hardware Store.

PAUL W. McCLURE,
Chester, S. C.

HOTEL DEALF.
New Furniture and Everything Up-to-date. Beds clean and comfortable. Building just remodelled. The famous Big 4 Restaurant has been merged into this new hotel. Meals served on the European or American plan, to suit guests. Board and lodging furnished on easy terms. Main entrance, Gadsden Street.

We Wish
You would do us the favor to look through our stock of Toilet Requisites—articles for the bath, the dressing room, the toilet—for we are more than certain that your verdict would be favorable. BRUSHES: Toilets, Hair, Nail, and Bath. Soaps, dentifrices, perfumes, toilet waters; atomizers, perfume sprayers.
Woods Drug Co.
(Successors to Woods & Brice)



COMING TO THE GREAT CLEARING OUT SALE OF FURNITURE!



We find that we will need considerable space for our fall stock of Furniture. In order to attain this end we will begin to day to sell out our present stock at GREATLY REDUCED prices. This is no hum bug sale. We simply mean business. Some of our orders are already in the hands of the manufacturers. Our Fall Stock of Furniture will be the largest, best selected and most up-to-date ever seen in Chester.

We have just secured the agency for the largest Wall Paper House in the world. Come and see the samples and prices. We can save you Money.

W. R. Nail Red Racket and Furniture Store.

Crawford's
WE ARE NOW SHOWING A BEAUTIFUL LINE OF
FINE MILLINERY!

All the latest New York Styles and with Five Young Ladies in this department we can give you prompt and efficient service. We invite a comparison of Prices and Qualities.

Dress Goods.
We are now showing a nice line of Dress Goods, Wash Goods, Silks, Embroideries and Laces. We have just received a beautiful line of Ladies' and Misses' Slippers at close prices. Yours truly,
E. A. CRAWFORD.

WARM WEATHER Wants
We Can Fill Them All.
3 lb. can Light Syrup Peas, only 10c. Soups only 10c. can. Fruit Jams, Tins, only 10c. glass jars only 15c. Fresh Saratoga Potato Chips only 25c lb. Tangle Foot Fly Paper only 40c package. Grape Juice, a fine tonic, only 25c pint. Cream of Wheat Grape Nut and Poston Cereal.
A Fine Line of Teas, for ices.
About 40 bushels Unknown Cow Peas for sale.

Jos. A. Walker
Simplicity, durability and light draft are the strong points of the Desiring 'Ideal' Binder. R. A. LOVY, Agent.

SPECIAL BARGAINS
A Silk Manufacturer, hard up, made us an offer on an immense lot of
ALL SILK TAFFETA RIBBON
all the fashionable shades, with 30 and 40, suitable for SASHES, always on the lookout for Bargains for our customers, we bought the lot. The regular price is 25 to 40 cts. a yard, we offer you your choice for 30 days at 15 cts. a yard.
...CHESTER... MILLINERY COMPANY
BARGAINS!
A Gold Filled Ring for **50 Cts.**
For the month of June we are going to close out a large stock of—
Ladies' Gold Filled Set Rings for 50 Cents!
These rings are standard make, which is guaranteed for three years and are not a plated ring. Do not wait for the last minute before you buy, because when these are gone we will not be able to duplicate them.
The Theiling Co.
JEWELERS.
Fine Watch Work a Specialty.

Chandler's Joke.

A Washington dispatch says that Senator Chandler cannot get over his propensity to joke. Some time ago he offered a reward of \$100 for the discovery of the author of the words in the republican platform of 1896 after the declaration of war of international bimetallism, "which we pledge ourselves to promote." Several persons sought to establish their right to claim the honor and the prize. But Senator Forsaker, who knew something about the financial resolutions that year produced the original draft of the resolution, with the records referred to in the handwriting of Senator Lodge.

Senator Chandler, when the proof was forthcoming, sent his check to cover the reward, and wrote as follows:

"All wise men know that McKinley and Hobart would not have elected if the platform had not been declared opposition to the free coinage of silver, except as the result of an international agreement if it could be secured. McKinley and Hobart had not been elected in 1896, Mr. McKinley would not have been re-elected in 1900. Therefore those six words were of priceless value, and I trust that when all the facts are known my humble offering of \$100 will be supplemented by such generous donations, not only from many members of the republican party, but as well from democrats who have so much trembled at every prospect of the election of Mr. Bryan, as to adequately recognize the sagacity which led you merely not to conceive, but to actually insert into the platform of 1896 concerning bimetallism the words, 'which we pledge ourselves to promote.' That immortal declaration twice made Mr. McKinley president, and the fidelity with which the pledge has been fulfilled the world knows."

The "Bonnie Blue Flag."
A recent issue of the *Confederate Veteran* publishes a version of the "Bonnie Blue Flag" and claims that it was first sung in a New Orleans theatre in 1861. Every one in a while some one claims to be the authorship of this song, or some new version of the melody. It is presented to the public, none of the former having any foundation in fact of reason. It is a fact not generally known that the song was written in the city of Jackson on the 9th day of January, 1861, and it was first sung on the night following in the Spangler theatre by its author, Harry McCarthy, well known comedian in vaudeville days. Col. J. L. Power, Mississippi's venerable secretary of state, vouches for the truth of this version of the song, and he put it into type for the first time from the authors manuscript, afterwards printing a thousand copies for McCarthy. According to Col. Power, the author obtained his inspiration from the secession commission, which on the 9th day of January, formally withdrew mississippi from the Union. McCarthy was in the hall when the vote was taken on the ordinance of secession, at the conclusion of which a blue flag, made of silk and with a white star in the center, was presented to President W. S. Barry for Mr. Homer Smythe, and it was raised aloft by President Barry as the first flag of the young republic. Six months later the song was printed in sheet music form by A. E. Blackmar, of New Orleans, and dedicated to Gen. Albert Pike.—*New Orleans Times Democrat.*

Cures Rheumatism or Catarrh through the Blood.
Nothing to Try.
Would you like to get rid of that chronic rheumatism or offensive catarrh forever? Then take a bottle of the Botanic Blood Balm, which has cured thousands of helpless cases that had resisted doctors and patent medicine treatment. Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.) cures through the blood by destroying the poison which causes the aches and pains in the bones, joints, shoulder blades and back, swollen glands, hawking, splitting, bad breath, impaired hearing, etc., thus making a perfect cure. Botanic Blood Balm thoroughly tested for 30 years. Composed of pure Botanic Drugs. Perfectly safe to take by old and young. Druggists, \$1. Trial treatment free by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble, and free medicine advice given until cured. Don't give up hope, but try B. B. B., which makes the blood pure and rich and builds up the "old man" into a healthy body. B. B. B. makes the blood as giving the skin the rich glow of perfect health.

How to Climb Stairs.

If one would avoid fatigue in climbing stairs, a necessary act in city like Chicago, where many buildings have no elevators, he must learn how to do it properly, says the *Record* of that city. A physician of repute tells how this should be done.

"Usually," he said, "a person will tread on the ball of the foot in taking each step. This is very tiresome and wearing on the muscles of the legs and feet. You should in walking or climbing stairs seek for the most equal distribution of the body's weight possible. In walking upstairs your feet should be placed squarely down on the step, heel and all, and then the work should be performed slowly and deliberately. In this way there is no strain upon any particular muscle, but each one is doing its duty in a natural manner. The woman who goes upstairs with a spring is no philosopher, or, at least, she is not making a proper use of reasoning faculties. The habit, too, of bending over half double when ascending a flight of stairs is exceedingly reprehensible. In any exertion of the kind, when the heart is naturally excited to a more rapid action, it is desirable that the lungs should have full play. The crouching position interferes with their action, the blood is imperfectly aerated, and there is trouble at once. Give the lungs a chance to do their work everywhere and at all times."

The Farmer's Creed.

Since creeds are fashionable, it would be a good idea for farmers to adopt one and strictly observe it. Following is a farmers' creed said to have been furnished by Henry Beecher sixty years ago, when he was editing the *Indiana Farmer*:

We believe in small farms and thorough cultivation.
We believe the soil loves to eat as well as its owner, and ought therefore to be liberally fed.

We believe in large crops which leave the land better than they found it—making the farmer both glad and once.
We believe in going to the bottom of things, and therefore, in deep plowing, and enough of it. All the better with a sub-soil plow.

We believe that every farm should own a good farmer.
We believe that the best fertilizer for any soil is a spirit of industry, enterprise and intelligence.

Without this, lime and gypsum, bones and green manure, manure and guano will be of little use.
We believe in good fences, good barns, good farm houses, good sheds, and children enough to gather the fruit.

We firmly disbelieve in farmers that will not improve; in farmers that grow poorer every year; in starving cattle; in farmers' boys turning into clerks and merchants; in farmers' daughters unwilling to work, and in farmers ashamed of their vocation, or who drink whiskey until honest people are ashamed of them.—*Ex.*

Tax Rebates.

All dealers in tobacco, who had as much as \$10 worth of revenue stamps on their stock on hands July 1st can now be reimbursed for said tax, by filing a claim for same with the collector of internal revenue for this district, who is Mr. E. A. Webster, of Columbia. The claim for this rebate must be made out on a special blank which will be furnished by the collector on application, and no time should be lost in procuring said blank and filing your claim. The blank is No. 481.

Mr. Jas. Brown, of Portsmouth, Va., over 50 years of age, suffered for years with a bad sore on his face. Physicians couldn't help him. DeWitt's Witch Hazel salve cured him permanently. Prior & McKee.

There are decidedly more advocates of prohibition in the United States than are prohibitionists. In twenty of the states of the country at various times in recent years the adoption of prohibition amendments to the state constitution has been submitted to the voters, and the aggregate vote in favor of compulsory prohibition was 1,920,000. But the total vote for any prohibition candidate for the presidency has never exceeded 265,000. Last year it was only 209,000 for Woolley, the candidate for president of the reunited prohibitionists.—*Ex.*

The bilious, tired man cannot successfully compete with his healthy rival. DeWitt's Little Early Risers the famous pills for constipation will remove the cause of your troubles. *Prior & McKee.*

It is said that when congress meets next winter a battle royal will be waged over the tariff question. The fight will be made over the exorbitant features of the Dingley law, and many republicans are signifying their intention of joining the democrats in their effort to repeal so much of this law as encourages and builds up trusts.

Charlotte's "city fathers" have decided that hereafter no saloons in that city shall open its doors for business between the hours of 9 p. m. and 6 a. m.; nor while open obstruct the view of passers by sign, blind or other fixture.

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THE UNDEFEATED
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TO RIDE OR DRIVE FOR SALE OR HIRE.

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BUGGIES, CARRIAGES, WAGONS and HARNESS. Never mind about the price. Select what you want. We will agree on the price.

REPAIRS

We will half-sole your horse's feet to make them last. We will mend your vehicles, and trim and paint them to make them look new.

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W. H. NEWBOLD, Attorney at Law, Main St., Opposite Court House, CHESTER, S. C.

Farmer's Mutual Fire Ins. Association OF CHESTER COUNTY.

Consult the Agent of the Farmers Mutual Ins. Association before you insure.
Amount Ins. in force \$219,000.00
Amt. paid out during 1900 2,607.10
which was 1 1/2 per cent.
Amt. paid out during 1899 657.18
which was 1/4 of 1 per cent.
Therefore for three years the average cost per year would be 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 per cent. or less than 4 1/2 of 1 per cent.

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Digests what you eat. It is particularly digestible for the food and aids nature in assimilating and reconstructing the exhausted digestive organs. It is the latest discovered digestant and tonic. No other preparation can approach it in efficiency. It is a highly refined and perfectly pure medicine. It is a highly refined and perfectly pure medicine. It is a highly refined and perfectly pure medicine.

WEST VIRGINIA LIMITED TRAINS

DOUBLE DAILY SERVICE

In Effect May 26, 1901.

NORTHBOND	Daily	Daily
	AM	PM
Le Chesapeake	11:45	8:30
At Yorkville	9:45	1:00
At Camden	8:45	12:00
At Yorkville	7:45	11:00
At Cambridge Falls	7:00	10:15
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LOCAL NEWS.

Mr. Arthur Cross is home from the Citadel.

Miss Ethel Cross is visiting in Rock Hill.

Miss Sue Stoll has gone to Pawley Island on a visit.

Dr. W. B. Smith, of Blackstock, was in the city yesterday.

Miss Nora Means is spending a while at Catawba Springs.

Miss Willie and Master Lex Neal are visiting friends in Gastonia.

Representative P. L. Hardin, of Bascomville, was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. W. A. Barber and Mrs. J. L. Wood spent yesterday in Yorkville.

Mrs. F. M. Boyd, of Newberry, is visiting her mother, Mrs. M. M. Stewart.

Mrs. D. N. McLaughlin and children and Miss Nettie Melton have gone to Saluda, N. C.

Miss Maude Jones, of Columbia, who has been visiting friends here, has returned home.

Mrs. W. A. Barber and children arrived here last Friday from New York, on a visit of several weeks.

Misses Nora and Mattie Hyndman have returned to their home in Charlotte, after a visit to Mr. J. L. Wood.

Miss Anna Bigham returned yesterday from a visit to her brother, the Rev. J. M. Bigham, at Huntersville, N. C.

Mr. H. E. White, of Rock Hill, the architect who has charge of the improvements on the court house, spent yesterday in the city.

Mr. W. D. Bewley and family are occupying for the present the beautiful residence of Mr. Thos. J. Martin, on Pinckney street.

Mr. Boyd Morris, who has been with S. M. Jones & Co. for some time, has accepted a position with the C. & N.-W. Ry. at Yorkville.

Rev. L. C. Hinton was in attendance several days at the meeting of the Baptist Union last week, and remained over in the city yesterday and today.

Mrs. C. L. Strobel and her daughter, Mrs. Ina Hemphill and children left last night for the summer at the seaside at West Falmouth, Mass.

Miss Janet McClure came home last week, having been detained at Georgetown at the close of the school with an attack of malarial fever, but she is nevertheless delighted with Georgetown and expects to return in the fall.

Mr. W. D. Bewley arrived Saturday and he and Mr. Dawson are very busy opening up goods and getting ready for business. He says he got his business all settled up in Elberton without a hitch, and all his plans made several months ago were carried out most satisfactorily.

We are glad to hear that Mr. Carl Stahn after graduating at the Bliss Electrical School in Washington, and successfully standing the examination for the army, has received his appointment and will be stationed with the electric engineer corps at Staten Island, New York.

A. W. Love, superintendent of the state exhibits for the exposition, who has been in Charleston for several days posting himself on matters connected with the exposition, has left on a four-day tour through the purpose of securing exhibits from the different counties to be displayed in the state building during the exposition.—Spartanburg Journal.

For sale cheap—Fine bed room set, nearly new, large bed room. Party leaving. See J. J. MCINCH.

On July 2nd, 3rd, and 4th the S. A. L. Ry. will sell round tickets at all points at one and one-third fare.

Mayor's Court.

Following is a report of the mayor's court for the month of June: Arrests, 31; discharged, 45; sent to chaingang, 2; cash fines collected, \$167.

Veteran's Meeting.

The quarterly meeting of the Walker-Gaston camp will be held in the Supervisor's office July 5, 1901, at 12 m. sharp. All veterans are requested to attend.
W. D. KNOX, Adjt.

Nicholson's Contest.

About fifty pretty little cooks are engaged to-day in making biscuits at the Nicholson's Furniture Stores. Mr. Nicholson will give the one who makes the best biscuit a small nickel plated range, and we know that he feels now that he would like to have fifty ranges instead of one.

Home-Raised Bananas.

Dr. I. Simpson, of Rock Hill, has favored us with a sample of his South Carolina raised bananas, and we agree most heartily with him when he says his experiment proves that bananas may be raised in this state as well as elsewhere. He has several trees in his yard, and they are doing nicely. We hope many others will follow the doctor's example.

The Baptist Union.

The Chester Baptist Union was in session at the Baptist church Saturday and Sabbath, and was very interesting. These meetings, which we believe are held every fifth Sabbath, are exceedingly helpful, the subjects discussed being of vital interest not only to the Baptist church but to the cause of religion and good morals generally. The next meeting will be held at Liberty the fifth Sabbath of September and Friday and Saturday preceding.

The Palmetto.

Have you ever heard of "The Palmetto"? It is the name of the new confectionery, bakery, soda water and ice cream establishment to be opened in a few days in the New Chester Hotel building by Mr. J. M. Moore. We are assured that it will be on a plan never before attempted in Chester. It will cater especially to the ladies and the best custom generally. The "Four Hundred" will patronize it. Comforts and conveniences not found elsewhere will be provided, and the room is being fitted up in the best of taste. Mr. Moore will adopt a method of handling bread that will commend itself to the most fastidious. His delivery wagon has been ready for some time and it is a beauty and a novelty. Look out for "The Palmetto."

Lieut. Crawford.

Lieutenant W. P. Crawford has returned from the Philippines. He talks most interestingly of that country. He was stationed almost under the equator, and of course the weather was hot all the year, though he says he did not suffer with heat as much as he does here. There is always a good sea breeze. Chickens, sheep, goats, cattle, fruits and other products furnish good food. He gives a rather good report of the Filipinos, and says the Spanish, who pretend to be friendly, and the priest really give more trouble than all others. His regiment was in several pretty hot engagements. He says the Filipinos, though brave, do not know how to fight, and he adds that he is mighty glad of it. Lieut. Crawford had a crowd around him all day yesterday, and they were greatly interested in his conversation.

For Sale cheap, Tyson & Jones buggy, good as brand new—cash or credit. For terms see Julian Sloan.

Items from Rock Hill Journal—Miss Ethel Cross of Chester will be up Tuesday to visit Miss Mayme Reid.

Miss Sadie Robinson, of Edgeport, who was operated upon about a week ago for appendicitis, we are glad to report, improving.

Miss Mayme Lyles, one of Chester's most charming young ladies, spent Thursday in the city, the guest of Miss Amelia Beckham.

Miss Lillie Stevens, who was recently elected a teacher in the Rock Hill graded school, has had offers for other positions. Miss Stevens taught in Bamberg last year, and she says there was offered to her a raise in salary if she would re- turn.

Something New—Ice cream and switches, at J. L. Simmons.

Minutes of Court.

Pursuant to the requirements of law, the court of general sessions convened at the county court house yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, Judge Geo. W. Gage was on the bench, and Solicitor Henry and Stenographer McCaw at their respective posts. The names of the grand jurors were called, and every member of the panel answered to his name. Two of the petit jurors, S. S. Dickey and J. D. Collins, were absent, and another, H. J. Millen, was excused from further attendance. The following persons were appointed constables: S. A. Murphy, T. H. Murr, J. A. Lipsey, J. T. Coln and Jim Fudge. Archie Lovv was selected to draw the jury.

The sheriff's report showed the following prisoners in jail: James Tallford, confined Dec. 1st and charged with murder; Richard Williams, confined April 22nd and charged with rape; Jim Price, confined May 11th and charged with grand larceny; Parsh Gilmore, confined June 27th, and charged with gambling, and Jane Mitchell, confined July 1st and charged with house breaking and larceny. The solicitor gave out sundry bills of indictment, and the court charged the grand jury briefly and they retired.

The solicitor called up the case against James Tallford, indicted for murder, and both sides announced lead and the trial began, Messrs. Glenn & McFadden appearing for the defendant.

The grand jury came into court with the following presentments: State vs. James Price and Jane Mitchell, indictment for larceny, true bill; State vs. Jerry Alexander, indictment for murder, true bill. The solicitor handed out other bills of indictment, and the jury retired. In a few minutes they returned and made the following presentments: State vs. James H. Jagers, indictment for violation of the dispensary law, true bill, and State vs. Samuel Leach, et al., indictment for gambling, true bill. The solicitor announced that he had no further bills and the court instructed the jury to retire and consider their other duties.

The jury in the case of state vs. James Tallford returned a verdict of not guilty.

The solicitor next called up the case of state vs. Jim Price and Jane Mitchell indictment for larceny. W. H. Newbold, Esq., appeared in behalf of Jane Mitchell. The case was submitted to a jury, and they returned a verdict of "Guilty as to Jim Price; not guilty as to Jane Mitchell." Jim Price got 18 months on the chaingang.

GRAND JURY'S REPORT.

The grand jury came into court and made the following report: To the Hon. Geo. W. Gage, Judge presiding in Sixth Circuit: We, the grand jury in and for the county aforesaid, beg to submit our report for the July term of court, 1901, as follows: We have returned by proper indictment all bills submitted to us by the solicitor.

We have not deemed it necessary to refer into any extended examination of the quality of officers and institutions at this term, the same having been carefully considered at the spring term of court.

The work upon the county court house is progressing, and we hope to have the enlarged court house completed by the fall term of court, under the direction of the county board.

The public roads of the county have suffered by the continuing rains, but we look for their repair in the usual course of the work of the chaingang, and we think the county road overseers can do much to save them from serious damage by immediate action under the direction of the supervisor and county board.

We beg to express our thanks and appreciation to Your Honor, to the solicitor and court officers for the courteous treatment we have received at your hands.

Respectfully submitted, J. O. DARRY, Foreman. Chester, July 1st, 1901.

The next case called was that of the State vs. Richard Gilmore, et al., indictment for gambling. The defendant, Richard Gilmore, pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to a fine of \$50 and 3 months on the chaingang.

The witnesses for the prosecution having failed to appear in the

case of the state vs. Rich Williams, indictment for rape, the defendant was, on motion of Glenn and McFadden, his attorneys, granted bail in the sum of \$200.

The next and last case was that of the state vs. Jerry Alexander, indictment for murder. Messrs. Glenn & McFadden appeared for the defendant. The case is still in progress as we go to press.

Cornwell's Mill Notes.

CORNWELL'S MILL, July 1.—At this writing partial thunder showers are still keeping some of our farmers from killing peas, while others, ourselves included, are favored with nice seasons, which for the last week have not stopped us from plowing. There was more grass killed in this vicinity last week than in the three before.

McFadden Brothers were fortunate enough to make an exchange with Mr. Ed Poag by which on last Wednesday they were enabled to turn a few acres of corn, and Mr. Poag's farm being entirely too wet. The sickness and suffering are again in our midst and the Angel of death has been reaping his harvest.

The many friends of the Crook family were grieved to hear of the death of Mrs. Easter Crook last week. Although she has been a sufferer for many months, her death was a surprise to those who had not heard of the change in her condition. The bereaved ones have our sympathies.

Miss Sadie Robinson, the fourth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Robinson, of Highview, whose dangerous illness necessitated an operation, is doing very nicely, which is very gratifying to her relatives and many friends. It is bad that the first month of her vacation should have to be spent in such a manner, for we know she had expected to have a good time. Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Straight have each had a very sick child for some days past, but they are both better now. The little Drennan baby was extremely low, but is about out of danger now.

Mrs. Jno. Clark is still in Rock Hill. Dr. Fennell has not performed the operation yet owing to Mrs. Clark's general health not being sufficient.

We have been informed this morning that Allen Betts, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Glasscock, at Harmony station is no better. His condition has been quite serious for some time and his relatives hoped there would be a change for the better before now.

Last Friday a lady and gentleman returning from Rock Hill lost a hand satchel at the top of the hill this side of Oakdale church, and after going about five or six yards from the top of the hill where she had the article in her hand, they saw a negro man driving an empty two horse wagon at the foot of the hill. Not missing the article until passing him about one quarter of a mile, and meeting no one else in road, they thought it an easy matter to return and pick it up this side of where they passed the negro, or overtake him and ask for it, and of course get it. No such luck. Upon returning and failing to find it in the road, the negro was overtaken and denied any knowledge of it. Now there does not seem any other way of its getting out of the road, for there was no one else in the road either going or coming between the time they had it and the discovery of its loss. The purse besides containing some change, a lady's pen knife and a lady's new fan, there was some unopened letters belonging to another party. The mail has evidently been destroyed or hidden. Is there no redress in this case? It seems that this would be a case of tampering with United States mail. The mail was of importance not merely a letter, but legal business letters.

STRAGGLER.

News from Rock Hill Herald. Miss Virgie Triplett returned to Chester yesterday, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Will Barrow.

Miss Mary Lyles, of Chester, who has been visiting Miss Lillian Massey at Tirzah, returned home Thursday.

Mr. W. Banks Robinson, of Blackstock, spent part of Thursday and Friday with the family of Mr. A. R. Banks. He was out inspecting the damage caused by the storm to the telegraph line, and distance phone from Blackstocks to Rock Hill. He reports the worst damage in and near Chester.

Skeered Kluttz

All these thousands upon thousands of too many, too many summer goods in the New York Racket has so badly skeered Kluttz that he has taken a rough hand hold of his already cheaper than cheap prices and marked them down, down yonder to such a deep cut down price as will quickly move all these goods into the homes of the quickest bargain hunters.

Not a single one of these cut down prices will here be named, because if you should be the least bit slow the goods here named would all be gone, so you must be in a hurry about coming to see for yourself, that is, if you want to get first choice of these marked down bargains.

Kluttz means strictly business in this marked down sale, he is in earnest about seeing all these great stacks of all sorts of goods look smaller mighty quick.

The bargain home of the people is now

KLUTTZ' New York Racket

If you want to secure a big bargain in a house and (or a desirable vacant lot) on Pinckney St., call quick at this office.

A Veteran in the Business
Upheld by His Record.

No other firm in the city established in 1828 now existent.
No question as to our fairness of prices.
No limit to our willingness to show goods.
No end to our daily jewelry.
No such stock of jewelry elsewhere in town.
No approach to our Optical Department.
No equal to our stock of Watches.
No repairing too difficult for our skilled workmen.
No short comings in any of our broad garments.
No customer remains dissatisfied who makes known any reasonable complaint.

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OWEN'S BREAD AND ROLLS ARE UN-X-L'D.

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J. A. Owen.

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We have commenced our Semi-Annual Clearance Sale of ALL SUMMER GOODS. Our entire stock of Millinery, and Millinery Trimmings, all Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats, satins, Walking and Street Hats at actual cost.

We have a most Elegant Line of Millinery and Millinery Trimmings.

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Our entire line of Wash Dress Goods, consisting of Cotton Taffetas, Zephyrs, Seersuckers, Dimities, Egyptian Tissues, Hindoo Cloths and Linen Effects. Linen and Silk Mixed Goods at actual New York cost. Fine pieces Foulauds at 25 cts, former price 31. These prices are FOR CASH.

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WHO BAKES THE BEST PAN OF BISCUITS AT OUR STORE ON A REGULAR BUCK'S STEEL RANGE.

We - Furnish - All - Materials

And a committee of Ladies will be present to decide whose batch is the best.

Tuesday, July 2nd
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Children intending to try for the Range will please call at the store in the next few days and register their names and have a place and material set aside for them.

Everybody Is Invited to Be Present.

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