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THE LANTERN.

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CHESTER, S. C., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1908.

At Robinson's Jewelry Store

At Robinson's Jewelry Store

Special Christmas Cut Glass Sale Monday, December 14th

25 Per Cent Discount

With Every Cash Purchase of \$1 Get a Coupon.

\$100 Worth of Goods Given Away

DIVERSIFICATION OF CROPS.

The Remedy For Nine-Cat Cotton Is Offered.

How is the farmer to be able to price his cotton and get the price he puts on his staple which represents his labor? There are three things essential: First, accurate forecasts, second, co-operation together; third, diversify your crops so as to make himself-supporting. Raise corn, bacon, wheat, oats, horse, mules and more live stock, so as to make manure to enrich your land, and quit buying so much commercial fertilizer in order to stay out of debt. The above system will free the farmer of the bondage they are now in, for the cotton that has been sold up to the present time has been sold at or about the cost of production. The speculators and the manufacturers are saying to you that you are making too much cotton. Now let's take them at their word and reduce the cotton crop next year to twenty-five million acres and plant the other eight million acres in food supply crops.

About nine million three thousand bales, and the farmer would get as much money for the nine million three thousand bales as he would for a twelve million five hundred thousand bale crop. Just remember, because when you make more of a product than you can control some one else will make it at your expense and manage it for you for their own interest. Now, every one knows that cotton is not a party in price with anything else. A sale of cotton makes the price about three years ago for \$10 now costs you \$18. Cotton should have sold the whole season for twelve cents per pound. At that price the first bale was gained. Now who is to blame for it selling from 8-12 to 9 cents? Nobody except the producer himself, and do not put the blame on it on the market; faster than the speculators wanted it. Never will the farmer be able to set his price unless they make home self-supporting and market the cotton crop as the world needs it. It takes twelve months to make a cotton crop, and you have to wait a month for the market to set a price to the grower. Brother farmer, it is in your hands to remedy this evil. It is now remedied, and the money you realize for the cotton will be done. Remember these things must be done: First, accurate, second, co-operation, and third, diversify crops. Remember that the day of organization, and all professional business men are organized. The farmer is also beginning to realize that he is forced to do likewise for his protection. I will give below the following statistical report taken from the census report of 1900, showing the number of heads of horses, mules and oxen for each person, horse, mule and hog in this nation. I ask you to remember the price of cotton, and the fact that the price of cotton is now 18 cents, and the fact that the price of cotton is now 18 cents, and the fact that the price of cotton is now 18 cents.

Relieves Croup in Children.

A little, rodent several days ago caused several thousand worth of damage to the Southern Power Company in Concord when it crawled over the terminal wire and made a short circuit, thereby stopping the wheels of every cotton mill in that city and various other enterprises for a period of forty-five minutes. The rat was a small one, and when found by the electricians it was cooked to a crip. Besides stopping the various shops and mills, two big trams were broken down, and a considerable expense on the power company. —Charlotte Observer.

Cure of Contending.

Passing through this city is no worse than suffering from unknown, worthless remedy for Foley's Kidney and Bladder Pills, which cures most obstinate coughs and breaks the lungs. —Leflore's Pharmacy.

Slate Rice's Turkeys.

Spartanburg, December 11.—Jim Hall, colored, did not kill game in violation of the laws, but he stole turkeys from James Henry Rice, Jr., secretary of the Audubon Society, and sold them to produce merchandise, sold and received them several times. He was caught on a train, charged with stealing this morning and was sentenced to serve a half year on the chain gang.

Mr. Rice had two fine turkeys in a pen, fattening them for Christmas, and they were lifted from his poultry house several nights ago. The theft was known to him, but he did not see several times over, and he was given the time in each case. —Special to News and Courier.

Notes from Wyles Hill.

Wyles Hill, Dec. 9.—Christmas is almost here and every one is anticipating a good time.

We welcome the new editors and hope them much success in their new work. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Adams, from Fort Lawn, spent a few days not long ago with home folks here.

Rev. R. A. Lumma, Messrs. Sam and John Martin, from Lewisville, look dinner at Mr. B. H. Ferguson yesterday from their way from Edgemoor to Union.

Mr. Will Kane, from Richburg, spent one night last week with Mr. Wyles Hill.

Mrs. Henry Caldwell and daughter, from near Book Hill, and Mr. Jim Ferguson, from Oakwood, spent Thanksgiving day at Mr. S. D. Thomas.

Mr. Ernest Black, from Rock Hill, spent one night not long ago with his aunt, Mrs. E. J. Jordan.

Mr. Hilliard Pittman, from Richburg, spent yesterday with his father, Mr. J. O. Pittman.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Ferguson spent Thanksgiving day at Mr. John McJee's, at Bacoenville.

Mr. S. D. Thomas and little son W. R. spent Saturday in Rock Hill.

Mr. Ernest Gibson and sister, Miss Sallie, from below Richburg, spent Saturday night at Mr. W. H. Smith's.

Mr. John Allen and two children, from Hugb, spent a few days at his father's Mr. A. O. Pittman, last week.

Mr. Ellis, from Catawba, spent a night, not long ago at Mr. S. D. Thomas's.

Mr. Henry Jordan spent a few days last week with his father, Mr. Joe Jordan, at Bacoenville.

Mr. R. H. Ferguson spent one night, not long ago in Charlotte. —Violet.

Marked for Death.

"Three years ago I was marked for death. A good heart cough was taking my lungs to pieces. Doctors failed to help me, and hope had fled, when my husband got Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People." —Mrs. A. C. Williams, of Baco, Ky. "The first dose helped me, and improvement kept on until I had gained 88 pounds in weight and my health was fully restored. This medicine holds the world's health record for coughs, colds, and lung and throat diseases. It prevents pneumonia. Sold under guarantee at the rate of 50c and 75c per bottle. Trial bottle free, if you write for it." —Leflore's Pharmacy.

Tragedy of a Kiss.

He had not known her very long, but as she stood in the moonlight at a dance and a big smile on her face he felt so well that he thought he had never seen a prettier picture. And then he did an awful thing—he kissed her. The innocent girl shrieked from him in horror, and the young man realized that he had gone too far. Instead of the panting girl strove to obliterate himself sufficiently to express his remorse in her bosom the young man thought of the beating he must endure the next day from her father and brothers, and the long accounts of the night would appear in the newspapers. Fortunately he hid his hat in his hand and turned to go, but thought he had better speak. He would express his contrition for his action though it killed her. "When," she said in a low, faltering voice, full of deep seated hatred, "are you coming again?" —Arlington Globe.

Tom.—It was a case of love at first sight with me, Jack.—There, didn't you marry her? Tom.—Oh, I saw her again on several occasions. —Chicago News.

Edgemoor Events.

Dec. 9.—The Ladies Aid society of Edgemoor, A. R. P. church met with Mrs. R. D. Robinson last Friday afternoon. Those present were: Mrs. Dickey, Mrs. Chambers, Mrs. Lyle, Mrs. Willis, Mrs. McCreeght, Mrs. Robinson and Miss Ayers Simpson. After the usual exercises and roll call the minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

A splendid paper was read by Mrs. Willis, on "Our Duty to Our Fellow Workers." The society adjourned to meet with Mrs. M. Walker the first Friday in January, 1909.

Mrs. Della Whitesides has been right sick for the past week but she is glad to say she is improving. Her sister, Miss Edna, has been with her child last week.

Mr. J. C. Drusser, of Charlotte, has been in town since Saturday evening movements to the graves of the little boys of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Gibbs.

Dr. and Mrs. Gaston spent last Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Will Gaston, of Rodman.

Miss Sadie Boyd, principal of Pleasant Grove High School, visited her friend, Miss Gill Neely, of Edgemoor, Friday night and Saturday.

Mr. W. C. Wood and children, of Edgemoor, visited kinfolks at Edgemoor last week.

Mrs. R. D. Robinson visited her father, Mr. W. T. Glascock, who has been very sick, last Saturday returning yesterday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Lyle, Mr. and Mrs. McCreeght, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Whitesides, Misses Ben Willford and Bea McCreeght, and one day last week with Mrs. Francis Robinson. Quite a pleasant day was spent.

Mr. Jeannette Doun, of Providence, N. C., spent last week here with her mother and sisters at the home of Dr. Gaston. She is improving since she was operated at the Fennell hospital in Rock Hill.

Mrs. McRaney's Experience.

Mrs. M. McRaney, Prentiss, Miss. writes: "I was confined to my bed for three months with kidney and bladder trouble, and was treated by two physicians but failed to get relief. One day my man tongue can tell how I suffered, and I had given up hope of ever getting well until I began taking Foley's Kidney Pills. After taking two bottles I feel like a new person, and I don't say a word to tell suffering women what Foley's Kidney Pills did for me." —Leflore's Pharmacy.

A Perfect Dentifrice.

Whitens the teeth, preserves the gums, performs the best and prevents their decay.

Meade & Baker's Carbolic Mouth Wash

A medicinal mouth wash with a pleasant flavor.

Your druggist, 25c, 50c, \$1.00.

Editor Bigham Leaves Us.

J. T. Bigham, of the Chester Lantern, has hidden his readers adieu and has turned over the assets and goodwill of the paper to W. F. Caldwell and J. R. Lattimer. Mr. Bigham is both sorry and glad—"I have long regretted," said—"I am tired of the grind and long for a change." The Lantern, says Editor Bigham, "has been in a modest way a financial success." The editor, has no complaint. "I never have failed to furnish bread for the children and pay tuition, and other bills, and it has treated us to a few extras."

It is only in another respect that Editor Bigham feels that the paper did not quite give him a fair show. He says:

But one of the chief regrets is that, in the language of a certain neglected boy whom I arrested in court, "I ain't never had no chance" to do myself or the paper justice editorially. I have always craved an opportunity, if for only a short while, to edit a newspaper without being at the time overwhelmed with business management and the multitude of other demands that claimed my whole time, making editorial work a mere incident, and reducing the writing to be done often under the most unfavorable conditions. I regret absolutely that there are a thousand things which I had in mind to say that remain unsaid. But possibly it is better so.

The editor of a county weekly must be a versatile man, who must distribute his talents over the whole range of activities from collecting subscriptions to running the press and writing news and editorial. It is but natural that like Editor Bigham he should feel that he "ain't never had no chance" in the actual writing of "copy." He feels, and feels rightly, that if he had the time to buckle down to the plain business of writing he would be better able to do justice to himself and to his readers. It is undoubtedly disconcerting to be interrupted in the midst of an editorial on "Walters Are We Drifting?" to bargain for a contract with the advertising representative of Mrs. Pydia Livingston.

But, Mr. Bigham, we all have our troubles. You never had time to write; we, of the daily press, have time to do nothing else. How many an editor of a county weekly has said to himself, "Gosh, but I wish I had had the snap those fellows on the city paper have; all they have to do is sit down and write; and draw the salary." And how many writers on the city paper have said, "Gee, but it must be a cinch to get out a paper once or twice

a week; all you have to do is rest and take in subscriptions." The Other Fellow always has a snap and really doesn't deserve what he earns; only we—You and I—have a hard time in life.

Editor Bigham, we think, ought to be a satisfied man. He made an honest living, his paper "furnished bread," paid the tuition for the children and gave a few extras on the side. The paper itself was a straight, honest paper—no what more could be desired? And as for the things Editor Bigham wished to say, and didn't—why we all go to the grave with these good things unsaid.—The State.

Hoarse coughs and stuffy colds that may develop into pneumonia over night are quickly cured by Foley's Honey and Tar, as it soothes inflamed membranes, breaks the lungs, and expels the cold from the system. —Lattimer's Pharmacy.

Just Waiting.

At a dinner given by a prominent railway magnate there was among the guests a man, who, during the course of his remarks concerning peers who had taken up useful work, told an amusing story of the late Lord Rosse, himself a practical engineer.

It appears that Rosse, unknown to the employees, once entered the engine room of a large manufactory, where his odd behavior attracted the engineer's attention.

"What's up now?" he growled at the peer. "Why are you shaking your head in that way and looking at your watch every second? Anything to find fault with?"

"Oh replied Lord Rosse, "It's all the same to me. I've no fault to find. I'm just waiting till the boiler explodes."

"The boiler explodes? Why, you are a crazy man!" exclaimed the engineer, angrily, preparing to turn his torchlight upon a dangerous crank.

"Well," retorted the earl, "if you work ten minutes longer with that loose screw the boiler will certainly explode." —Tit-Bits.

The engineer glanced in the direction indicated by Lord Rosse's speech, and had an opportunity of seeing a boiler explode. —Tit-Bits.

Nearly everybody knows De Witt's Little Early Risers are the best pills made. They are small, pleasant, sure Little Liver Pills. Sold by Standard Pharmacy.

Baled Cotton Seed Cotton Gineries

BOTH SYSTEM and OLD STYLE

I make the handling of INSURANCE on above mentioned property a specialty. See me, write or phone me, before placing your INSURANCE.

C. C. EDWARDS

Office Phone..... 88.
Residence Phone..... 88.
Chester, S. C.

The excellence of our printing doesn't just "happen." We give care to every step of the work.—The Lantern Job Office.

Just Received

CHESTER WHOLE-SALE GROCERY COMPANY'S

one car of the celebrated high-grade low-priced Russell wagons. Remember we will sell them for less and guarantee everyone to wear equal to any wagon sold in Chester.

If you want an open or top buggy see us. We have sold almost a car in the last thirty days. This speaks for itself.

Just received, one car of the celebrated Silver Leaf Flour, lower than any one will sell the same grade.

See us before buying bagging and ties.

NOTICE!

Beginning Monday, December 28th, we gin only on

Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

See us before buying bagging and ties.

CHESTER OIL MILL

Grocery Company

Clothing Bargains

I have made the greatest sales and sold more clothing so far this fall than I ever sold before. Why? During these small prices for cotton? Why? Simply because we sacrificed the profit, and as I have the largest stock of clothing by far in Chester. I will continue to sacrifice the prices up to Xmas.

Hundreds of \$12.50 suits being sold here at \$7.48.
Did you get yours?
Hundreds more worth \$7.50 to \$8.50 going at \$3.98.
Don't you think you had better get one now?
Hundreds of pairs of shoes are changing owners daily. Are all your feet shod? If you don't bring your pay more.
8 1-3c Mill End Gingham 4c.

J. T. Collins

"In The Valley."
Big Sale Still Continues

Do Your Christmas Shopping

At

THE BIG STORE S. M. JONES & CO.

The Place to do Your Christmas Shopping

Is Hamilton's Book Store

Here Are a Few of the Many Things They Have:

Toilet Sets, Military Brushes, Collar Bags, Neck Tie Boxes, Manicure Sets, Mirrors, Jewel Boxes, Shaving Sets, A large assortment of dolls, Toys, Pictures, Books, Games, Fancy Stationery, Fountain Pens, Fancy China, Christmas and New Year Post Cards, Post Card Albums, and many other nice gifts.

Hamilton's Book Store.

The excellence of our printing doesn't just "happen." We give care to every step of the work.—The Lantern Job Office

ARE YOU ON A CASH BASIS?

Do you pay your bills with cash, and perhaps pay them twice? Do you argue and dispute over the amounts? Do you try to keep all such records in your mind?
A checking account with this bank will eliminate all such troubles. Deposit your money in this bank—pay your bills by check—that is the safest way, the modern way of doing business. Come in and let us start you. It's easy.

The Commercial Bank

Chester, S. C.

Nearly Everybody

Yes, man, and yes, sir, you are pretty close on to right when you say that nearly everybody has found out that Kluttz Big Department Store is for a fact the cheapest store in Chester. And Kluttz, too, will right here say that more and more people are every day fast finding out that Kluttz does for a fact give the most good goods for the least little bit of cash.

Christmas money, Christmas money. Buy all of your winter goods from Kluttz and then you will have left a whole lot more good cash to spend for Christmas presents.

Kluttz has the biggest stock of goods and the greatest assortments, in fact just about anything you could want, think or dream of. You will find in Kluttz's wonderful stock of every imaginable kind of nice goods at a cheap down price.

Don't buy your Santa Claus, Christmas Dolls, Toys, and Fireworks until you see Kluttz Santa Claus Christmas world in all its shining glory.

For your own pocket book to stay the fattest Kluttz here gives you fair warning that you sure should not part company with your good cash until you see his cheap down price—see below.

Shoes, Shoes, Shoes—Shoes for Sunday, Shoes for Every Day, Shoes for the whole family. Blankets, Dress Gowns, Stockings, Gentlemen's Suits, Lace Curtains, Warm Underwear for everybody, White Countertops, Siles, Window Shades, Boy's Suits, Lap Robes, Bed Frames, White Flannel, Ladies' Hosiery, Skirt Goods, Comfort Quilts, Socks, Outing Cloths, Boys' and Men's Caps, Trunks, Etc. Guns, Gentlemen's Pants, White Housepan, Wall Paper, Flannellets, Ladies' Coats, Ribbons, Hair Bats, Gloves, Check Housepan, Corsets, Bags, Canton Financ, Art. Square Carpets, Gingham, Embroidery and Lace, Santa Claus Toys, Floor Oil Cloth, Gentlemen's Hats, Boys' Pants, Suit Cases, Ladies' Jackets, Baby Caps, Sweater Coats, Matting, Oceanic Soap, Over Alls, Fascinators, Table Linens.

On all these and thousands of other things Kluttz cheaper than cheap down price will save up for you a whole lot of good Christmas money.

THE LANTERN.

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION.
\$1.50 per year, cash.

FRIDAY, DEC. 11, 1908.

LOCAL NEWS

CHRISTMAS Handkerchiefs at Wylie's.

Hon. A. L. Gaston was in Columbia Wednesday on business.

HOLIDAY GOODS—A beautiful line at Hamilton's Book Store 12113.

Mr. B. M. Spratt, Jr., spent yesterday in Malden on business.

There will be no services at Armita and New Hope on next Sabbath.

LEATHER ROCKERS, diners, extension tables, chairs, stools, etc., in large stock and suits at lowest prices. Lowrance Bros.

Miss Mary Cunningham is at home again, after a pleasant visit to Charleston.

HAVE YOU seen those pretty shoes slippers at Strange-Robinson Shoe Co's.

Mr. Les Sample continues to improve and in all probability will soon be well again.

Mr. D. I. Sample, father of Mr. A. N. Sample, has gone to Fort Pierre, Fla., to spend the winter.

BUY YOUR wife a nice Fur, Wylie & Co. have them.

Miss Margaret Carter, of Salisbury, is visiting at the home of Mr. J. S. Booth on Calvert street.

THERE'S nothing more serviceable for a Christmas present than a nice pair of house slippers get them at Strange-Robinson Shoe Co's.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Crawford have returned from their wedding trip to Charleston and other points.

Mrs. Sarah I. Davis, after a visit at the home of Solicitor Henry, returned to her home in Columbia this morning.

DO YOUR Christmas shopping at S. M. Jones & Co's.

Mr. Jesse H. Hardin is attending the meeting of the board of trustees of Clemson college at that institution this week.

ASSORTMENT of gift books at Hamilton's Book Store.

Mr. T. M. Hanson, Mrs. J. J. Neal and Mr. Lee Neal left yesterday morning for Columbia, where they will make their home in the future.

Mr. and Mrs. William Godfrey and daughter, of Chester, S. C., were registered among the guests at the Central yesterday. —Charlotte Observer.

Messrs. W. W. Lewis, of Yorkville, J. P. Hollis and W. M. Dunlap, of Book Hill, passed through this morning on their way to Columbia, where they have business before the supreme court.

CHRISTMAS neckwear for ladies and gentlemen. S. M. Jones & Co.

Messrs. J. M. Sava, of Richburg, H. A. Holder, of Blackstock, Walter Lindsey, J. L. Davidson and Joseph Lindsey have returned from the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Charleston.

Among those who attended the Bold-Donlap wedding in Book Hill on Wednesday night were Mrs. Doper Anderson, Mr. Rodgers, J. A. Barrett, Mrs. J. C. Cross, Misses Helen Hood and Kate Mills.

Mr. J. Edd Orr, who recently lived on R. F. No. 1 in the Wellridge neighborhood, has gone to Brocksy ground for a permanent location. He intends to engage in the trucking business.

Mr. J. C. Campbell, of Stover, was in town yesterday and paid The Lantern office a visit.

BUY YOUR Christmas presents at S. M. Jones & Co's.

Sheriff A. D. Hood, of Fairfield county, is to be married to Miss Bessie May Brown on Dec. 26th.

Mr. J. Edgar Fosk, of Rock Hill, passed through the city this morning on his way to Greenwood on business.

CHRISTMAS neckwear, Wylie & Co. are the ones.

Among the visitors in town on Wednesday was Mr. John D. Boyd, a prominent farmer of the Cornwall section.

GET YOUR Christmas cake and candy from the Baptist ladies on next Tuesday.

H. H. McConnell, of Chester, S. C., was registered among the guests at the Selwyn last night.—Charlotte Observer.

Mr. Smith Kitchen, of Richburg, was in town on Wednesday. Mr. Kitchen is a Confederate veteran but is still hale and hearty.

CHRISTMAS and New Year Post Cards at Hamilton's Book Store 3c.

Rev. J. H. Farborough, of Fort Lenoir, called on Mr. J. S. Mills, Baptist church in the western section of the county. He will not begin his duties until the second Sunday in January.

OVERCOATS going cheap at Wylie's.

Mrs. Neva Shannon, of Blackstock, and Mr. James Mills of Atlanta, Ga., are at the bedside of Mrs. J. S. Mills in the last days.—A. R. Presbyterian.

Mr. W. H. G. Castles, a prominent farmer from near Blackstock, was in town yesterday. Mr. Castles raised corn and hogs last year and does not feel the low price of cotton so much. Mr. Castles has been farming 25 years.

USEFUL GIFTS—Gloves, room slippers, fur, neckwear, handkerchiefs, etc. at Wylie's.

Solicitor Henry will on the 18th inst. make a motion before the clerk of the supreme court that the appeal in the case of Lawson Addison be dismissed. It is understood that Addison's attorneys, Glenn McFadden, have decided to abandon the appeal. —Richmond Post-Opinion.

Suits and Overcoats, some big values at Wylie's.

The Lantern in its last issue mentioned a number of pretty windows of the merchants, and from the time they were in the streets and other places features which attract attention around the store.

Abraham Ruef convicted.

San Francisco, Dec. 10.—Abraham Ruef, former political boss of San Francisco, was convicted today of 1907. The verdict was returned at 1 o'clock when the deliberations of the jury had been prolonged throughout 24 hours. The warnings of Judge William F. Lawrence and the vigilance of the police check all attempted deceptions.

By previous agreement of counsel the bill of exceptions should be settled later, the court set Saturday, December 12th, as the day for pronouncing judgment.

Harvard Instructor Comes to Wofford College.

Spartanburg, S. C., Dec. 10.—Dr. William Arnold Coulter, Ph. D., will occupy the chair of modern languages in Wofford College, succeeding Dr. A. E. Cooke, who has resigned to accept a similar position at the University of Pennsylvania, Cal. Dr. Coulter is present instructor in German at Harvard. He was returned to Harvard the degree of Ph. D. several years ago. He will be the first fully recommended.—The Observer.

Mr. Luther Wilks died at his home in the Baton Rouge neighborhood Wednesday evening. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock yesterday, the body being laid to rest in the cemetery of Calvary church.

Mr. Wilks was about 21 years of age and a very popular and deserving young man. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Wilks.

Joseph Wylie & Co.
The windows of Joseph Wylie & Co. are attracting much attention. The goods are shown by beautiful arranged samples in the "windows" and make a very attractive picture to the passers by who almost invariably stop and take a look at the display.

"Hobbes" Sent to Gang.
In the police court this morning were two "Hobbes", young white men who were taken on No. 30 of the Southern last night charged with "beating" their way. Mayor Caldwell gave them their option of paying a fine of \$10 each or serving 30 days on the street. They took the latter.

The names of the two were Fred Mitchell, who claimed that his home is in Penn, and the other gave the name Charles Wilson and claimed that he was a native of Virginia. They stated they were members of a show which they left at Tipton, Ga. That they made their way to Charleston. From there walking and "beating", their passage they came to Columbia. Mitchell said that he was a clerk of police in Columbia for work and he told them to get out of town. They made their way to Wingo and caught No. 30 last night, intending to go to north but when they passed through here the officers nabbed them and locked them up. They will be given a taste of the life in the city and will have thirty days of the training under Captain McKeown on the gang.

This is the time of the year for the army of the unemployed to move southward but Chester is a mighty poor place for them to rest in for they will certainly find work here.

In the police court on Wednesday morning Guy Atkinson, colored, forfeited a bond of \$25 for carrying concealed weapons.

DO YOUR Christmas shopping at S. M. Jones & Co's.

Government Estimate on Cotton Crop.
Washington, Dec. 8.—A total of 11,806,644 bales of cotton given for the growth of 1908 to December 1 and 28, 922 active ginneries against 8,243,306 ginneries to December 1 last year and 89,524 in operation a year ago, announced in the census bureau report on cotton ginned today. The 1907 crop was 11,067,822, of which 755 was ginned to December 1, the 1908 report 12,983,301, with 772 to December 1, and 1908 crop 10,485,105, with 85,810 to December 1. In 1908 there were 167,488 bales and in 1905 ginneries were 8,669,953 bales ginned to December 1.

The report counts round as half bales and excludes linters. It includes 300,818 round bales for 1906, 151,636 for 1907 and 227,145 for 1908. Sea Island bales included 68,497 for 1907, 52,309 for 1907, and 41,250 for 1908.

Today's report gives running ginneries ginned to December 1 and active ginneries, respectively, by States, as follows: Alabama, 1,177,644 bales and 429 ginneries; Arkansas, 708,138 bales and 349 ginneries; Florida, 85,571 bales and 231 ginneries; Georgia, 1,736,137 bales and 4,481 ginneries; Kansas and Kentucky and New Mexico, 17,714 bales and 5 ginneries; Louisiana, 379,179 bales and 1,745 ginneries; Mississippi, 1,297,291 bales and 3,222 ginneries; Missouri, 46,700 bales and 1 ginnery; North Carolina, 554,962 bales and 2,931 ginneries; Oklahoma, 452,971 bales and 973 ginneries; South Carolina, 1,662,547 bales and 3,184 ginneries; Tennessee, 276,679 bales and 625 ginneries; Texas, 3,200,221 bales and 4,091 ginneries; Virginia, 8,772 bales and 92 ginneries.

"Yes, I was one of them," says a man, who was asked, "and you were a robber, too?"

"But you can't be a robber, you can't be a robber, you can't be a robber."

"I can't be," says the man, who is a robber, "I can't be."

A DELIGHTFUL AFFAIR.
Miss Abernathy Gives Linen Shower in Honor of Miss McKeown.

Special to The Lantern.
Fort Lawn, Dec. 10.—Miss Abernathy was at home to a number of friends Wednesday afternoon—a Linen Shower complimentary to Miss McKeown.

The home was tastefully decorated in holy, red and green. There was not a moment of the afternoon that was not filled with pleasure for each guest.

"A Rose Story" formed the guessing contest for the afternoon. Miss Mattie Barber was the lucky one in drawing for the prize, a holy book of embroidered linen handkerchiefs.

Miss Abernathy, in an exquisite all lavender suit, with Miss McKeown, received, in her sweet natural ease, the guests, assisted by her sister, Mrs. Clyde B. McFadden, who looked pretty in a suit of green liberty satin.

Miss McKeown looked lovely in a suit of all pink with a picture hat.

A delightful salad course was served. An elegant display of embroidered linen and other handkerchiefs and useful linen articles, prettily arranged with red ribbons on a holy tree, went to show the popularity of bride and set, and the esteem in which she is held by her many friends.

S. M. Jones & Co.
One of the many attractive and pretty windows is seen at the stores of S. M. Jones & Company. Besides the other displays the one which strikes the eye most is that showing the table linen with a nice green fern as the center. Many have remarked on it and complimented the one who fixed it up.

Mr. T. T. Lumpkin's House Burned.
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