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FRIDAY, MAY 28, 1906.

CHESTER WANTS FEDERAL COURT
 As will be seen from a dispatch from Washington published elsewhere in this issue Representative Aiken has introduced a bill in the House calling for a western judicial district of the Federal Court. This is the same bill which caused such a fight last year in Rock Hill and Chester, but wanting the court located in their respective midsts.

But we want the bill to pass and the court house located here. We are glad that the new postoffice building is just being completed and we would like to see the Federal Court building over the postoffice. Chester gets to get busy at once and land the Federal Court House.

It will be recalled that the last time the bill was up in Congress Representative Finley favored Rock Hill while the then Senator Lattimer backed Chester and neither would confer, the bill finally being killed in conference. Senator Lattimer is dead but Representative Finley is alive. Chester needs a champion. Get after the Court House and get after it quick.

THE ANTI-CIGARETTE LAW

We have received from the Patent and White Ribbon, a paper published by the ladies of Edgemoor in the cause of temperance, a copy of the South Carolina Anti-Cigarette Law from the Criminal Code of 1905. This law has never been attempted, so far as we have observed, towards enforcing this law and we think that the officials should look to the matter. The fight here in Chester we venture the opinion that not half dozen are cognizant of this law. We see mere boys, little more than babies, smoking cigarettes on the streets day after day. We wonder them where they get them. Who is guilty? Let the officers see to it that this law is no dead letter and if this is not done the people will be brought to the attention of the grand jury. The full text of the law follows:

Sec. 23. It shall not be lawful for any person, either by him or by another, to sell, furnish, give or provide any minor or minors, under the age of eighteen years with cigarettes, tobacco, or cigarette paper, or any substitute therefor.

Any person or persons violating the provisions of the preceding section, either in person or agent, or in any way, may shall be liable to the penalty of a misdemeanor and upon indictment and conviction therefor shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the State Prison for a term of not more than one year nor less than two months, or both in the discretion of the court. One half of the fine imposed to be paid to the informer of the offense, and the other half to be paid to the treasurer of the county in which such conviction shall be had.

Vomits Live Lizard.
 Notice last Thanksgiving, Miss Satche Leonard, daughter of Mr. Leonard in West Hickory, has been dangerously ill. She claims there was something alive in her stomach. Monday morning she vomited two live lizards, the larger being about five inches long and the other smaller. The head of the larger was about 3/4 of an inch broad and resembled the head of a redbreasted nuthatch. Their bodies resembled tad poles in shape. They were alive. After this the girl rested easy. What it really is, what it means, and whether it will be, is time alone must tell. We got the above information from one of their neighbors and consider it reliable.

—Nat. Shell.

Still Talk of a Ball League.

Talk of organizing a ball league of which Chester was to be a member is still going the rounds. The latest plan is to have a league composed of Chester, Rock Hill, Gaffney, in South Carolina, and Hickory, Gastonia, and Statesville in North Carolina. It is believed that this league with a salary limit of \$700 would be a success. Chester, Gaffney, Rock Hill and Gastonia all want ball. The other members of the old talk league laid down and would not come in when attempts to organize the league sometimes ago were made. It is supposed that these towns will organize a league in the Pee Dee and Chester and Rock Hill left in the cold. But Chester, Rock Hill and the other towns have no organized care nothing for a Pee Dee League for they are able to take care of themselves. The matter so far has been only talk and in rather late stage the season, but something might be done.

BILL CALLS FOR A NEW DISTRICT AGAIN; BEING SOUGHT

NEW FEDERAL DISTRICT AGAIN; BEING SOUGHT
 Chester Expects Court House Here—Representative Aiken is in Charge of Bill.

Washington, May 25.—If the plan of Representative Aiken are carried out, South Carolina will soon be divided into two judicial districts, with a new Federal judge for one of the districts.

Mr. Aiken has just introduced a bill to this effect, and if the committee, to which it has been referred, reports favorably, Congress will pass the bill. It will be up to the President to name the new judge.

The new, or western district, would include the counties of Boone, Perry, Anderson, Greenville, Spartanburg, Laurens, Abbeville, Greenwood, Edgefield, Saluda, Newberry, Union, Chester, York, Chester, Lancaster and Fairfield. All the other counties in the State would remain in the old district.

There would also be separate court offices, consisting of a district attorney, clerk etc., in each district.

The efforts of Mr. Aiken and other members of the South Carolina delegation to pass this bill two or three years ago are well remembered. Had it not been for the persistent halting of some of the members in building for towns in their respective districts the measure would probably have been a law long ago. The rock upon which the scheme was dashed and broken to pieces three years ago appeared when the question of authorizing the courts to be held at Greenwood, Spartanburg, Rock Hill, Chester, and Greenville. These towns, through their representatives in Congress, fought bitterly but without success, the whole matter finally dying because they could not reconcile their differences.

Every member of the delegation from South Carolina, who was in any way interested in the matter contended for the interest of his district, and Senator Lattimer was one of the strongest supporters of the proposition to make Greenwood one of the Court towns.

The conferees got the bill after it had been passed by both the House and Senate, but so vigorously was the fight kept that the 58th Congress came to an end with nothing done.

It is interesting to note here in Chester we venture the opinion that not half dozen are cognizant of this law. We see mere boys, little more than babies, smoking cigarettes on the streets day after day. We wonder them where they get them. Who is guilty? Let the officers see to it that this law is no dead letter and if this is not done the people will be brought to the attention of the grand jury. The full text of the law follows:

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Wylie's Mill Events.
 Wylie's Mill, May 26.—It is still too wet to plow last week's rain. We are sorry to say that Mr. Joe Nunery is no better.

Mr. S. D. Thomas and son spent Monday in Rock Hill. Mr. and Mrs. Will Kee and children of Hickburg, spent Monday with Mr. John Smith.

Mr. T. H. Melton and daughter, of Hickburg, and Miss Mattie Ferguson spent a few days last week with kin people in and near Edgemoor.

Miss Walker Atkinson and two children, Miss Olga and Miss Walter from near Landis, spent today at Mr. H. E. Ferguson's.

BEAUTIFUL LIGHTS FOR THE REUNION

Meeting of the Executive Committee This Morning—Preparing for the Reunion.

The executive committee of the Reunion met in the office of Mr. A. L. Gaston this morning at the call of the chairman, Col. J. W. Reed. A letter was read from Gov. Asael appointing Col. Reed a member of the committee to disburse the funds for the Reunion.

Major Samuel was present and stated that the city would furnish the wire and do the work for the proposed arches. He said that he had been in conference with Mr. Lachlente, of the Southern Power Company, and that the latter stated that he would furnish the poles for the arches free and he was taking the matter up with them right away.

It was decided to have these arches and committee consisting of Major Samuel, as chairman, and A. M. Aiken and Z. V. Davidson was appointed to see how many arches would be needed and where they would be located. It is thought that there will be ten arches in all, the committee to furnish the lights.

Messrs. Henry Samuels, Z. V. Davidson, A. M. Aiken and W. J. Simpson were added to the executive committee.

It was moved and passed that a formal invitation be extended to Mrs. Stonewall Jackson to attend Reunion. Written invitations will be sent her by the mayor, the chairman of the invitation committee, the chairman of the general committee and Gov. Asael.

Program For Closing Exercises of the Graded School.

- 1. Following is the program of the closing exercises of the Chester Public Schools which will take place on the opera house next Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock.
- 1. Hymn.
- 2. Prayer—Rev. S. J. Cartledge.
- 3. Class Chronicals—Miss Essie Green.
- 4. Recitation—Drafts Rev.
- 5. Report of Statistician—Miss Louisa Carpenter.
- 6. Chorus, Quail Song from Miss Bob White.
- 7. Debate, Affirmative—Carlisle White, Chas. Connelly.
- Negative—Luther Alexander, Fred Murphy.

Query: Resolved that South Carolina should make school attendance compulsory for the whole term for all children under fourteen years of age.

Quarter Centennial of the Ladies' Missionary Society of the A. R. P. Church came to a close on Wednesday morning with the organization of the Western Missionary Union of the First Presbytery and the election of the following officers for one year: President, Mrs. R. L. Robinson, of Lancaster; secretary, Miss Agnes Chambers, of Chester; recording secretary and treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Ross of Charlotte, first vice pres. Mrs. W. C. Earl, of Yorkville; second vice pres. Mrs. J. L. G. McCreight, Adm. of Chester;—probationary secretary, Mrs. A. G. Brice, of Chester; Thos. H. G. Brice, of Lancaster; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. H. Smith, of the Western Missionary Society, and the other local churches by the following: For the Baptist, Mrs. J. G. Johnston; for the Methodist, Mrs. J. L. Glenn, of the Western Missionary Society; and the First Presbyterian of the Home Settlement, Mrs. H. R. Woods. A valuable paper on the history of the society was read by Mrs. A. H. Gaston.

MR. D. J. YOUNG COMMITS SUICIDE

Cut His Throat With a Razor Had Been in Bad Health for a Number of Years

Mr. D. J. Young, of the Stover section of the county, committed suicide on Wednesday morning by cutting his throat with a razor. He had been in ill health for some time and for several days had been very unwell. Funereal services were held yesterday morning at Helton, by the Rev. C. G. Brown and the remains laid to rest in the cemetery of that church.

The deceased is survived by his wife, seven children and a brother.

It is noted that Mr. D. J. Young on Wednesday morning left his home for the county where his brother, Robert, Bab, was working. It developed afterward that he had taken a razor and a pair of scissors with him. He had almost reached his brother's home when he stepped on a little piece of bushes a short distance away. Hearing him fall Mr. Bob Young ran to him and D. J. Young called for a drink of water. This was given him but his brother saw at a glance the rash deed and that it was only a short matter until he died.

Death resulted shortly thereafter and the man lay with his throat with the razor and the blood was pouring from the wound when his brother reached him. He died in a few minutes.

Mr. Young was born and reared in this neighborhood and was a good citizen. He is survived by his wife and seven children as follows: Miss Jane, Joe, Jim, Ed, Miss Mary, Mrs. Jane Hawkins and two smaller children and one brother, Robert, who lived with him.

Mr. Young was about 62 years of age. He served in the last year of the war, going out with the sixteen year old boys and made a good soldier. He had been in bad health for several days of the suicide came as a great surprise and shock to his many friends.

SCHOOL CHILDREN can get their tables, examination paper, composition books, pencils, pens, ink and many other articles they need at the new stationer, corner of Gadsden and Wylie streets.

Sheriff's Tax Sale

- By virtue of a tax execution to me directed by S. E. Wylie, county treasurer of Chester county, I will sell at public auction at the Court House on Wednesday, next, the 7th day of June, A. D. 1906, certain legal lots, hours of sale, the following described property to-wit:
- 1. All that lot of land, situated in said county in the city of Chester, containing one-quarter of an acre, more or less, and bounded by lots of E. C. Stain, David Mackon, et al, and being fully taxed and due for taxes, and recorded in Vol. 112, page 583.
- 2. One lot of land, being the property of Gabel, Fenimore for E. C. Stain, of terms of sale, Cash. Purchaser to pay for necessary papers.

J. H. McCREIGHT, Sheriff of Chester County, May 17, 1906, 1906-2133.

NOTICE

All person holding claims against the estate of J. Lyle McCreight, dec'd are hereby notified, that they must present the same properly verified to the undersigned at Edgemoor, Pa., and all persons indebted to said estate are hereby notified to make payment to the undersigned at Edgemoor, Pa., on or before the 21st day of June, 1906, at which time the said estate will be closed.

Final Discharge.

Notice is hereby given that E. R. Caldwell, admr. in fact of the estate of Mrs. Jane B. Caldwell, deceased, has filed his final account and discharge with the probate court of Chester, Pa., and the same has been appointed for the hearing of said probate.

Winthrop College Scholarship and Entrance Examination.

The examination for the award of vacant Scholarships in Winthrop College, at the graduation of students will be held at the Court House on Friday, July 2, at 9 a. m. Applicants must not be less than fifteen years of age. When the names of the students are called they will be awarded to those making the highest average at this examination. The examination will be held under conditions governing the award. Applicants for Scholarships should write to President Jackson before the examination for Scholarship examination.



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