

LOCAL.

Heavy Wind and Rain Storm.

The heaviest rain and wind storm that has been known in this city in the past, was experienced on Sunday from Wilmington as far up as Wadesboro. Considerable damage to the crops was done in some of the more fertile counties. At the head of the road and near Littleville the rain fell like a young deluge, washing lands, moving fences and so covering up any remaining parts of the newly laid track between Littleville and the Stanback crossing that considerable repairs were necessary before the train could pass there yesterday morning.

The March of Improvement.

A letter received Monday from a friend in Raleigh, N. C., says that the vote in this county was light, and I have not seen the exact figures. The majority for the amendments will not be very bright, but indeed the vote was nearly unanimous. This village is improving steadily and will, doubtless, become noted for its manufacturing industry. The Great Falls Cotton Mill is in successful operation. Besides this, Robert L. Steele and some associates contemplate the construction of a canal to the creek, about a mile from town. Indeed, operations have commenced. Then, just above, on the same, excellent sites. Below, and nearer town, Walter F. Leak is making some improvements, the exact purpose of which he does not say. Some say he means to put up a paper mill, others a flour mill, and others, still, a cotton factory. Sufficient progress has not been made to set the mill in motion. There was no party excitement in the election here, at all. We have no carpet-buggers, and hence the glorious

A graceful and well Merited Tribute.

In the beautiful address delivered in March last, by Dr. S. S. Satewell, of this city, in the presence of the citizens of New York, we find the following touching tribute to that good man and noble martyr to humanity, Dr. James H. Dickson, who died many years at the head of his profession in this city. Dr. Satewell says:

"In this connection you will pardon an allusion to the case of the State of South Carolina, in the remark, that the first operation for club foot ever performed on the American continent was an entire success. It was performed by my own State, Dr. James H. Dickson. He operated at Fayetteville, North Carolina, in the month of January, 1820, upon a lady whose foot was distorted and much shortened, and the operation was entirely successful. The leading physician of that State, Dr. John L. McQueen, who was one of the ablest and most distinguished medical men in the whole country, and none of our illustrious countrymen have a better record for purity of life, Christian graces, and high-souled devotion to duty and his profession, than has this gentleman. He was a most successful physician. He fell nobly, with his harness on, a victim of yellow fever, in the heroic discharge of his duty, and he left a name which will be remembered as long as the sun shall shine upon this earth."

A Mysterious Affair.

Last night, about 8 o'clock, the mutilated body of a lad, some 12 or 13 years old, the son of Mr. Robert Carter, was found in the yard of the late W. C. A. R. R. It was found under the trestle work of the W. & W. R. R. bridge over Smith Creek, about one mile from the city. The body was found feet and hands, with one arm missing and the neck and portions of the body appearing to have been bitten with a pair of teeth. The body was dressed in a pair of blue clothes, and no one knows anything of the circumstances attending his death. He was alive and well yesterday morning, and it is probable that he was the whole affair. It is possible that he may have been bathing alone at that point and have been accidentally drowned. It is also possible that he was probably that the body would have been found so soon after death. Some fear that he was foully dealt with, while others suggest that he was killed by a crocodile when an inquest will be held by Coroner Hewlett.—Daily Journal, 15th.

The Smith Creek Horror.

There is no elucidation, as yet, of the mysterious circumstances attending the death of the young lad, Willie Carter, whose body was found under the trestle of the Wilmington & Wadesboro Railroad, near Smith Creek, on Tuesday night. When first discovered he was lying on a mud sill beneath the bridge, and was so much decomposed that it was difficult to identify him. Coroner Hewlett yesterday called on Dr. W. W. Lane, who made a post mortem examination of the body. A juror was employed to assist in the dissection, but it was with great difficulty in obtaining testimony in the case and the jury has not yet returned. The body was found at 10 o'clock, for a further consideration of the matter. Dr. Lane is of the opinion that the lad had been foully dealt with. He does not think that the injuries sustained could possibly have been of such a character if he had been run over by a train of cars, and he is of the opinion that they were not inflicted by animals or fishes. The left arm was taken off near the shoulder and the flesh on the left side and breast is very much bruised. The head and face are badly bruised, the injuries having apparently been inflicted with a heavy club. In another portion of the body some of the parts are missing and here it would appear that a sharp knife or a razor had made a gash about an inch long in the forehead, and that the blood from the knife had slipped while being used. Altogether there is a painful mystery surrounding the case, and it is probable that the young man has been murdered and the authorities will use every exertion to ferret out the authors of the hor-

THE OUTLAWS.

Lowrey Redivivus—Floyd Oxendine Shot Dead—Killed with a Rifle—Sight of his Home—The Assassination of a Murderer—A Conflict of Opinions—That Point—Stephen

Lowrey Generally Charged with the Murder of the Deed, &c., &c.

For a long time past the denizens of South Carolina have settled down into a torpid condition of quietude, and notwithstanding the fact that the late conflict of opinion at that point yesterday, when now reached the city that Floyd Oxendine, a colored man and a peaceful inhabitant of Eureka, South Carolina, had been shot to death by some villain or villains unknown, but generally supposed to be Stephen, the last of the outlaws, the only one of the outlaws still alive. The particulars, as we gather them, are as follows: On the morning Oxendine left his store at Eureka for a visit to a field belonging to him not more than one-fourth of a mile distant. About 7 o'clock, he was met by a man who returned, a gun was heard a short distance from the house, and in the direction of the field, and James Oxendine, Floyd's father, starting in alarm, as he knew that his son did not carry a gun with him, started to the field. He had gone only about half the distance from the house when he was met by a man who he knew to be Stephen. He discovered the bleeding body of his son lying by the side of the road. He was quite alone, and he saw a double-barreled shot gun, in the hand and through the heart. His death was instantaneous. He was lying on his back, and his hands were clasped in prayer. Floyd then proceeded to Eureka, and made known the distressing event. A number of persons proceeded to the scene of the murder. Each had his own theory, and each was ready to stand by it. The attendant circumstances, the murderer's track was found crossing the field, and some asserted that it was exactly such as Stephen Lowrey makes when walking, while others insisted that it was the falling stroke of a gun, and that, however, it is Lowrey is the man that committed the crime.

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Further Particulars in Relation to the Murder of Floyd Oxendine.

The following brief particulars in relation to the murder of Floyd Oxendine, at Eureka, in South Carolina, are all that we have been able to gather. The murder occurred about 7 o'clock, and the fact was first discovered by a neighbor, who called on the store of Lowrey, who resides at Eureka, near the store of the murdered man. This little girl, when she heard the two shots fired, started to the house of her father, and soon came to a point at the grass at the side of the road, where she saw the body of the murdered man lying on the ground. She saw the body of the murdered man lying on the ground, and she saw the body of the murdered man lying on the ground. She saw the body of the murdered man lying on the ground, and she saw the body of the murdered man lying on the ground.

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