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NEWS FROM WHITMIRE.

Fine Opening of the School—Pretty Wedding of Mr. Eugene Tentz and Miss Ella Setzler.—Other Items.

Whitmire, September 23.—Rev. Foster Speer has returned from the Jamestown exposition.

Dr. J. K. Gilder was at Mr. John P. Fant's Saturday.

Dr. R. R. Jeter and Mr. William Coleman's families are home again, after spending some weeks in the mountains of North Carolina in and around Asheville.

Mr. J. E. Coffield spent two weeks with his daughter, Mrs. Ruth Howie, in Greenville. He is at home again.

Mrs. Annie Jeter and children are at the home of her father, Mr. J. E. Coffield.

Messrs. J. L. Epps, Hayne H. Abrams and James A. Burton were in town last week. Mr. Burton was looking after some of Whitmire's valuable real estate.

Misses Myrtle Suber, Willie Mae and Sarah Shannon are boarding here and attending the graded school.

Mrs. Marvin Abrams and Miss Winnie Henderson have returned from a pleasant visit to relatives at Santuck and Maybinton.

Mr. Lloyd Osborne, who has been cashier of the bank here for a number of years, has accepted a similar position in a bank in Richmond, Va. He and his family will move there soon. Both Mr. and Mrs. Osborne have made many friends here who regret their going away.

The school here opened on the 16th. Seventy-five pupils were enrolled the first day and others are coming. Mr. John B. Derriek teaches the higher grades. He is a graduate of Newberry college, was for four years superintendent of education in Lexington county and has had five years experience in the school-room. Mrs. Annie Jeter has charge of the intermediate classes. She is a pupil of the Due West Female college and a graduate of Winthrop. She has taught successfully for ten years. Miss Elizabeth Child is a graduate of a Georgia college and was the popular teacher of the primary department last year. Whitmire has a fine school building equipped with every convenience.

A pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mrs. Mary Setzler on Wednesday the 18th at 7.30 p. m., the contracting parties being Miss Ella Setzler, and Mr. Eng. Tentz, of Pomaria. The house was tastefully decorated with white and green. The wedding march was sweetly rendered by Mrs. Frances Young, of Pomaria. The attendants were Mr. — Feagle and Miss Mattie Young, Mr. Tom Duncan and Miss Marie McMillan, Mr. Hallman Setzler and Miss Eva Dean, Mr. Jason Ringer and Miss Ella Duncan.

They were married beneath an arch from which was suspended a wedding bell. The bride wore a beautiful dress of white Persian lawn, her going away gown being a handsome tailor made coat suit of brown Panama with pattern hat to watch. The bridesmaids were dressed in white with blue girdles. Immediately after the ceremony an elegant supper was served. The happy couple were married by Rev. Foster Speer assisted by Rev. J. J. Long. The wide circle of loving friends and relatives were evidenced in the large and handsome display of gifts.

The out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Owens, of Clinton; Mr. and Mrs. James Young, of Reno; Rev. J. J. Long and Mrs. Frances Young, of Pomaria, and Mr. Posey Copeland, of Clinton. The day following a reception was given at the home of the groom near Pomaria.

Mrs. J. E. Coffield is suffering from a fall received some time ago in which she sprained her arm very badly and broke her nose.

Nita.

The total coal resources of the Southern states are estimated at 600,000,000,000 tons, or more than one-fourth the estimated coal reserve of the entire country.

SAYS KEEP PHILIPPINES.

Dewey Thinks We Will Need Them In the Future—Hero of Manila Bay Discusses the Talk About Selling the Philippine Islands.

Washington, September 21.—Admiral Dewey strongly resents the proposition that has been discussed in a more or less academic manner to surrender the Philippines, which, of all men, he was a leading factor in bringing under the American flag. In an interview today the Admiral set out clearly the reasons which impel him to insist upon the retention of the islands. Singularly enough, in view of the fact that the Admiral is a man of war by trade, the strong point of his argument is not based upon the military or naval importance of the archipelago, but almost altogether upon the great value, present and prospective, of the Philippines to America in the extension of our trade with the Orient, which he regards as holding out the best promise of commercial expansion. The Admiral says:

"Abandon the Philippines! I don't think our country will ever do that. Certainly it should be because it has altogether too much at stake. It is only our control of the Philippines that makes it possible for us to insist upon the open door in the East, toward which our diplomacy has been directed for a number of years. We want our share of the enormous commerce of the East and we cannot keep the door open for it unless we hold the islands.

"Why did Spain for two hundred years dominate the commerce of the Orient? Just because she had the bay and harbor of Manila as a great commercial and naval base. That can be just as useful to us commercially as it was to Spain. For the past ten years every strong European nation has been trying to get a foothold for commercial and naval purposes in Eastern waters—Germany, England, France and Russia. Through the forces of war the United States obtained, rightfully and without chicanery, the best and most strategic position possible, giving us superior naval and commercial advantages over the other nations. What sort of common sense would it be for us to give up such a position?

"Suppose we should dispose of the Philippines and Japan should acquire them. See how the islands stretch along the coast? Here are the Japanese islands, here is Formosa, which Japan owns, and then come the Philippines. If Japan had them she would command every gateway to the Orient and the United States would be completely shut out.

"Every one concedes that the Orient is the future great field for the principal commercial nations of the world. We ought to be the leaders, but we must at least have a share in the enterprise, and in order to do so we must maintain the positions we have occupied through force of circumstances in that region. I am talking now of the purely commercial phase of the question, and I think it is plain that we must have a commercial base of operation such as Manila furnishes. And then in order to protect our commerce we must have a naval base and at Subig Bay such a base is now being developed. Congress has recognized our needs in the Philippines and has appropriated liberally for fortifying the islands. Modern guns are being mounted, a large dry dock has been located in Subig Bay, troops are stationed in the Island of Luzon, and in every way congress has shown its desire to protect the islands from foreign aggression and also to establish a base for possible military operations.

"It has been frequently said that the United States has assumed responsibilities in the Philippines which it cannot pass over to other hands. I do not care to discuss this phase of the situation, except to say that I believe the American people will never shrink from such responsibilities as were assumed for them when

the United States took over the Philippines.

"I want to emphasize my belief that the United States as a world power will always have commercial and diplomatic interests in the far East and cannot maintain itself properly without a base of operations. The United States cannot withdraw from its present enterprise in the East, but must go forward seeking its share of the advantages and sustaining its share of the responsibilities."

CONVICTED IN LAURENS.

Wash Young alias John Dillard Arrested from Chain Gang in Newberry for Murder Convicted.

The readers of The Herald and News will recall the arrest of Wash Young, alias John Dillard, by Sheriff Buford some months ago.

Young was at the time working on the chain gang in Newberry. At the Laurens term of the court last week he was convicted of murder, but recommended to mercy, which gave him a life sentence in the penitentiary. The following account from the Laurensville Herald of last week, in regard to the case, will, not doubt, be of interest to the readers of The Herald and News:

On Thursday morning Wash Young alias John Dillard was placed on trial charged with murder, it being alleged that he killed old Dan Fuller, near Mountville, in December, 1904.

Young was arrested in Newberry county where he went by the name of Dillard, by Sheriff Buford. He was on the chain gang in Newberry county, and Sheriff Buford, always vigilant, learned that he had made statements to other members of the chain gang which connected him with the murder of Fuller. Sheriff Buford investigated the case and secured the statements of those who said that Young had talked to them. He wrote Sheriff Duckett in regard to the killing, and the information he received from Sheriff Duckett corroborated the statements alleged to have been made by Young, and Sheriff Buford arrested Young and turned him over to the Laurens authorities. Dan Fuller, an old negro, was found dead in his home at Mountville, on Christmas day, 1904. His home was locked, and it was necessary to break in. Prior to that time he had not been seen since a week from the Friday before, and the supposition was that he had been dead about ten days when his body was found. He had been brained with an axe, and his throat cut with a knife.

On the night he was supposed to have been killed, the testimony developed that it rained and froze, and that during the latter part of the night some little snow fell.

The testimony of the State developed that Wash Young had lived in that community prior to the killing, and the witnesses did not recollect having seen him in that community afterwards. Witnesses from Newberry who had been on the chain gang there with Young said that Young had told them he had killed a man in Laurens county; that he got the man to make him a wash board, and that when he went for it he struck him with an axe. The testimony was that Wash Young made wash boards.

One of the witnesses said Young, who had assumed the name of John Dillard in Newberry, told him that the man he killed was Dan Fuller, and one of the witnesses also said that Young alias Dillard had told him that the reason he couldn't be tracked on the night of the killing was because it snowed. Sheriff Buford testified that when he arrested Young Young told him that he knew who gave him away, naming John Brown, one of the State's witnesses.

The credit for the arrest is due to Sheriff M. M. Buford, of Newberry, one of the most capable sheriffs in South Carolina. The murder of old Dan Fuller was brutal, the theory being that the motive was robbery. Many efforts have been made to locate the guilty party, but heretofore the efforts had been unsuccessful.

A GOOD SUGGESTION.

It Is Suggested That the Reeder Lands be Cut Into Small Tracts.

Mr. Editor: We are living in a day of prosperity in material things, and I have a few thoughts that, with your permission, I will offer.

I want to say that I am truly glad to hear that the heirs-at-law have agreed to settle Mr. Reeder's estate by themselves. This is wise, and shows splendid judgment.

Now, there are several large bodies of land which in their present bounds could only be bought by wealthy men; but if these lands are cut up into tracts running from 50 to 150 acres, not a few splendid young men, with growing families around them, could and would buy homes for themselves. The labor question has pretty well solved itself—in that it cannot be depended on any more; but these young farmers would make the deserts blossom as the rose, and instead of negro quarters we would have prosperous white communities. Many of these young men pay enough rent in a few years to buy a place and have a home for their families.

Take, for instance, the Reeder home place, known as Gary's Lane. Where is a prettier location for a town? If these legatees would enhance this property, let them go there and lay off several wide streets and cross streets and cut up the land in a good number of lots containing one-half, three-fourths and one acre each, and sell at auction to all good white people and let no other bids be accepted—and in a very short time you would see a thriving little town going up. This would build up a nice high school; churches would go up, and stores would be built; and then open public roads wherever advantageous to the public, and you would see things prospering. As it is, most of these lands are negro quarters, with now and then a white man as an overseer. At Gary's we have already a depot, side track, and a store now run by a clever bachelor, who would no doubt build himself a nice home and possibly ask the hand of some clever lady to keep it for him.

People who have not a good chance of money can't own lots in an established town or city; real estate is too high. It takes most of one's ready cash to buy a lot, and then he has no house. Take most of our railway stations on this line, and you cannot get a lot—the owners won't sell. Why? Because they want it to farm on; but Gary's Lane has a fine opening before her if the legatees can see it, and will act. There is no lack of wood and water; plenty of both in easy reach, and plenty of building timber near at hand.

But some one says, Come to Newberry. Well, we would go there to purchase our clothing, shoes and spring hats, etc., and many other things we would need; but some of us can't own homes there, or even rent, but we could build up a nice town for ourselves. It would be a good while before we would ask for a court house to be built.

Seriously, it occurs to me the above suggestions might be helpful. So here goes. I make no charge for this.

Yours truly,

W. N. Glymph Graduates in Pharmacy.

Progress is in receipt of an invitation from Mr. Walter N. Glymph to the commencement exercises of the Southern College of Pharmacy of Atlanta, Ga., to be held in the Grand Opera House, Saturday evening, September 28th. Mr. Glymph is one of a class of twenty-seven. He is well known in Union, where he resided for a number of years, and has a wide circle of friends here. An interesting feature of the commencement exercises will be the address delivered by Hon. Thos. E. Watson.—Union Progress.

It takes only a stamp to get an allotment of cheap New York four-and-one-half per cents, but it isn't everybody that has the stamp.

AN APPROACHING WEDDING.

Mr. Zach McGhee to Marry Miss Helen Irwin of Spartanburg.

The State.

Spartanburg, Sept. 20.—The engagement of Miss Helen Irwin of Spartanburg to Mr. Zach McGhee of Washington, is announced here today. The wedding will take place at Miss Irwin's home on Hampton avenue, Monday evening, Sept. 30, Bishop Bratton officiating.

Miss Irwin is one of the most charming members of Spartanburg society, and with many accomplishments possesses remarkable beauty. Mr. McGhee is a South Carolinian, but is in Washington as correspondent for The State and other leading Southern newspapers.

John A. Eddy.

John, son of W. H. and Susan Eddy, was born in Newberry county about forty years ago. When quite a youth he joined the Methodist church and made a public profession of Christ. While young he entered into business life and by his honesty, faithfulness and piety, he soon won for himself an enviable reputation.

About three years ago he was happily married to Miss Lilla Cromer. To them was born a son, and with such pleasant surroundings, his life bid fair to be long and happy, but just when the prospects were most flattering God sent his messenger—death—and called him to his upper and better home.

"The voice at midnight came,
He started up to hear;
A mortal arrow pierced his frame
He fell, but felt no fear.
His sword was in his hand,
Still warm with recent fight,
Ready each moment at command,
Through rock and steel to smite."

"At midnight came the cry,
To meet thy God prepare,
He woke and caught his captain's eye
Then, strong in faith and prayer,
His spirit with a bound,
Left its encumbering clay,
His tent at sunrise on the ground,
A darkened ruin lay."
Johnnie Eddy was no ordinary man. To my mind he was one of Newberry's noblest young men. A dutiful son, a devoted brother, an affectionate husband and father, and above all a Christian. His loved ones sorrow not as those who have no hope. Peace to his ashes, and rest to his soul.

A Friend.

Mrs. Wm. T. Buford.

Katie Eddy, wife of Willie Buford, was born in Newberry county about 35 years ago. She too, like Johnnie, was born of pious parents, and in her early girlhood days joined the Methodist church and made a public profession of Christ.

Her life was adorned by many traits that go to make up a true woman.

About eleven years ago she was happily married to Willie Buford. To them were born five children, two of whom preceded her to the grave.

She was an affectionate daughter, a devoted sister and a true wife and mother.

She was called away very unexpectedly by her friends, but all who knew her believed she was ready for the summons, and although she was unconscious for the last few hours of her life, we have every reason to believe she is at rest in heaven.

We laid her remains in the church yard at Fairview, there to await the resurrection morning.

May a kind and loving father sustain, broken-hearted husband, and watch tenderly over the motherless little ones and make this sore bereavement a blessing to them. And may he sustain the dear aged parents a few days longer, and then they will meet Johnnie and Katie again.

"Go to thy grave in all thy glorious rest,
In full activity of zeal and power;
A Christian cannot die before her time,

The Lord's appointment is his servant's hour."

"Go to thy grave, at noon from labor cease,
Rest on thy sheaves, thy harvest work is done;
Come from the heat of battle, and in peace,
Sister, go home, with thee the fight is won."

A Friend.

To the Memory of Jno. A. Eddy and Katie Buford.

Our dear Johnnie and sweet Katie,
Children of thy parents dear,
Have been called to realms of glory,
And each others presence share.

Once they played and prattled round us,
Making glad our hearts and home,
With their cheerful childish nature,
But now they are forever gone.

Johnnie was a boy of promise,
Possessing traits of goodness rare,
Always ready to do duty,
And help others theirs to share.

He was kind to everybody,
And made friends where'er he went,
For he never had contention,
Nor would he a wrong resent.

Just as he was now beginning,
In his business to succeed,
He was called from earth to heaven,
For him his blessed Lord had need.

He left a wife and a sweet baby,
And their hearts are wrung with pain,
But if she is true and faithful,
They shall surely meet again.

Katie too, has joined her brother,
Who loved her with a tender tie,
For she too, left her "Will" and children,
God decreed that she must die.

She fulfilled a mother's station,
Acted well the noble wife,
But now she is beyond the power,
Of Satan, sin and earthy strife.

She has there two precious children,
Who went on a while before,
And with Johnnie and her dear ones,
She awaits us on that shore.

Now fond parents cease your mourning,
They are safe in heaven above,
And are basking in the sunlight,
Of God's glory and his love.

You will both soon go to join them,
Never more to part again;
But in that eternal city,
Of our God, you shall remain.

Will the others God has given,
Be as true as these have been?
If so, all will surely enter,
And united be again.

To the widow of dear Johnnie,
Teach thy boy to love his God;
Walking daily in the pathway,
That his sainted father trod.

Teach thy boy to shun the vices,
That his father daily shunned;
And his life will be a blessing,
When his earthly course is done.

To the husband of dear Katie,
A double load you have to bear;
Willie, God is good and gracious,
And will take you in his care.

You will often think of Katie,
As she sees you from the sky,
And may sometimes flit about you,
When she hears her children cry.

God has spoken to you, Willie,
Louder than in thunder tone;
And by this he would entreat you,
To sit down about His throne.

May God bless this greatest trial,
To your soul's eternal peace,
And to heaven safely bring you,
Where all earthly cares shall cease.
Affectionately by
A Friend.