

The Watchman and Southern

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 1, 1897.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Charleston Gala Week. Ernest Bultman—Wedding Presents. Schwartz Bros.—Holiday Shopping. E. Hogan—Every Dog Has Its Day. Royal Pub. Co.—Life of R. E. Lee. J. Diggs Wilder, Auditor—Tax Returns. Burtman & Bro.—Ladies' Health Shoes. Neill O'Donnell—Personal Property for Sale. O'Donnell and Co.—Blankets, Etc., at Sacrifice.

PERSONAL.

Mr. J. Coney China is in the city. Mr. J. W. McCoy, of St. Charles, spent yesterday in town. Miss Vertie Green, of Bishopville, is visiting relatives in this city. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Mollwaine have returned from their bridal trip. Mr. R. E. Caroon, of Bishopville, spent yesterday in town on business. Miss Sophie Warren went to Forreston yesterday afternoon to teach school. Mr. Willis Chaudler and family, of Manning, spent Thursday in the city. Miss Rosa Fuller has gone to her home in Laurens County to spend a week. Rev. C. O. Brown has gone to Rock Hill to attend the State Baptist Convention. Capt. T. H. Dick, after several weeks stay in Columbia, has returned to this city. Miss Edith DeLorme has gone to Abbeville to attend a meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy. Mr. Joe Pitt, who has been buying cotton here since early in the season, left Monday for Dallas, Texas. Mr. Jasper Miller, a well known cotton buyer, of Columbia, is in the city. He will spend a part of his time on this market. Mrs. Katie Sbolar, who has been visiting the family of her brother, Mr. J. T. Sbolar, returned to her home in Wilmington, N. C., yesterday morning. Miss Ellen and Thayer Willeford, Etta Skinner and Minnie McCallik have returned to the city after spending the Thanksgiving holidays at the home of Miss Skinner at Bl-Blota. Messrs. J. T. Sbolar and W. P. Friar who have been ordered to Florence to enter upon the discharge of their duties in the Dispatcher's office, will not go for several days.

A. Auld is organizing a new Building and Loan Association to lead money at six per cent per annum. Mr. J. K. Knight has charge of Sept. S. H. Edmunds classes in the tenth grade during the illness of the latter. There are four petitions being circulated in Privater requesting the legislature to pass a prohibition law at its next session. Why will you buy better nansating tonic when Crowe's Famous Child Tonic is as pleasant as Lemon Syrup. Your druggist is authorized to refund the money in every case where it fails to cure. Price, 50 cents. Beginning on next Friday, Schwartz Bros. offer to the ladies their entire stock of Cloaks and Capes at cost. Also blankets. Read their large ad. and profit thereby. Beef cattle are plentiful and cheap and prices are not as stiff as a short time ago. Those who hold cattle until after January 1st will probably obtain higher prices. The meeting to be held at Wedgefield for the purpose of organizing a military company will be held at 7.30 p. m. Wednesday December 2nd, instead of 7.30 a. m. as previously announced by mistake. Mr. R. B. Cain, who has charge of a large public school in Privater township, has offered two gold medals to the pupils, one to be given for the best attendance and the other for the best recitation. This is an example the other teachers can well follow. Nothing more has been heard of the crowd that came to the vicinity of this city Sunday morning before daylight with the intention of lynching Charles Williams. That lynching party adjourned since die when it was learned that the victim was out of reach. Wash Reames, colored, of Mechanicsville, age 52 years, has been examined, by order of the Judge of Probate, for lunacy, and having been pronounced dangerous to be at large was taken to the Asylum last Friday. His case is of a religious form with a disposition to roam about. Dr. E. S. Booth, of Mannville, won first prize for the best buggy horse exhibited at the Oeraw fair. Mr. Nat Barnett, of Mannville, won second prize on a pair of mules. Mr. J. E. Sanders, of Hagood, who attended the fair with several of his race horses took first money in one race and several second prizes. His best horse was badly cut on one leg in a race by another horse striking him. The injured horse may never be fit to enter another race. The report got abroad last week that Capt. J. A. McClure had been appointed postmaster, the appointment to become effective at the expiration of the term of Capt. P. P. Gaillard. The report was run down and it was found to be baseless, in so far as the appointment having been made is concerned, but there is substantial ground for belief that Capt. McClure is well up in the lead in the race for the position. A large crowd turned out Monday afternoon to witness the exhibition run of the fire department and were disappointed for their pains. Mayor Bossard refused to grant permission for the hose wagons to race on the streets as the council is opposed to needless running of the teams on the principal thoroughfares. The action of Mayor Bossard disappointed the crowd that had assembled in anticipation of a spirited exhibition, but he has the support of a majority of people, as some one was liable to be run over at any time. When a fire occurs there is some reason for speeding the fire horses but so little good is accomplished by exhibition runs that it does not pay to take the risk of accidents that follow in their trains.

At Cost. Commencing Dec. 1st, our immense stock of Cloaks, Capes and Jackets. See our prices on Blankets. THE SUMTER DRY GOODS COMPANY. Dec. 1-11.

Fire Last Night. About the hour of twelve last night two tales of cotton on the cotton platform at the A. C. L. depot were discovered to be on fire. The alarm was given and the fire department responded with their usual promptness. The cotton was thrown from the platform and the streams turned on the burning cotton until the fire was extinguished. The cotton was the property of Levi Bros and was insured. How the fire originated is not known. While going to the fire the tongue to the Moughn-Hose wagon was accidentally run into a tree and broken, and the company was not able to render any service.

A Commission Issued. The secretary of State on Monday issued a commission to the Griffin-Copeland company of Magnolia, Sumter county. The corporation are T. N. Griffin and Samuel Copeland, both of Magnolia. The company proposes to do a general mercantile business. The capital stock is to be \$6,000, divided into shares at \$500 each.

Remember we are Headquarters for Toys and Xmas goods. T. C. Scott, Sept. 29. Remember we handle more Stores than any other dealer, and can afford to give you better bargains. T. S. Scott, Sept. 23.

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The Church of the Ascension, Hagood, was the scene of a simple but beautiful marriage ceremony on Wednesday at high noon. The contracting parties were Dr. Marion S. Kirk and Miss May A. Ellerbe.

At the hour of twelve the bridal party reached the Church, and as the row familiar strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march were heard, entered; the ushers, Messrs. W. S. Graham, Haskell Sanders, Isham Moore and I. L. Sanders, first, followed by the Maid of Honor, Miss Annie Graham. The bride entered on the arm of her brother Mr. C. A. Ellerbe, the groom and his best man, Dr. Philip Kirke, immediately following. At the altar the groom and bride joined hands, and Rev. Mr. Barwell performed the ceremony according to the ritual of the Episcopal Church.

After the marriage the bridal party and invited guests repaired to the home of the bride where a reception was held. The large and commodious residence had been transformed into a scene of bewildering beauty by the artistic arrangement of beautiful palms and potted plants. The folding doors had been rolled back and the lower floor of the residence thrown into one large room, where was spread a most delightful lunch. Here the guests lingered until the hour arrived for the happy couple to take the train for the city of Charleston.

A few days will be spent in that city with Dr. Kirk's family, when Dr. and Mrs. Kirk will return to Hagood where they will make their home.

DEATHS.

Mr. Harvey Raffield, one of the oldest and best known citizens of Providence township, died Saturday, aged 73 years. He leaves three sons, Messrs. S. W. and Harvey Raffield, Jr., of this county, and Mr. W. N. Raffield, of Temple, Texas, and two daughters. He was an excellent citizen, and will be missed by his many friends. His remains were interred at Tirzah Church on Sunday at 1 o'clock.

A noble Christian woman, Mrs. Theodosia T. Williamson, died on Friday, Nov. 19th, at her home in the Mechanicsville section and was buried on Saturday at Rembert's Church. She was in the 65th year of her age and had been suffering from a complication of diseases. She was the mother of Mrs. John J. Dargan, of Darlington, and of Messrs. D. H. and G. Oscar Williamson, of this County. Mrs. Williamson was a beautiful type of the Christian and rests with her God.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Conyers died Monday night after an illness of a few days. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of their numerous friends in their affliction.

Mr. J. Rivers Stuckey, formerly of Bishopville, now of Rowland, Ky., arrived here on the early train yesterday, bringing with him the dead body of Mr. Zim Harris, formerly of this county, who was killed last Friday in Kentucky in a train wreck. He was engaged in repairing a trestle when a train came along and fell through, crushing him and one other person beneath the timbers. Mr. Harris was from near Elliott, this county. He went to Kentucky about a year and a-half ago and commenced to work for the Railroad Company. He was being constantly promoted to higher wages and positions for his faithful services when the sad end came. His parents reside in this county. He is the nephew of Mr. O. C. Scarborough.

Take JOHNSON'S

CHILL & FEVER

TONIC.

THE THOMPSON MURDER.

More Information Concerning the Saturday Night Killing.

It begins to look as if the evidence against George Elliott and Wallace Brown is becoming stronger, and there seems to be more reason for the belief that they murdered Mingo Thompson. The latest information is furnished by Mr. J. M. Reames. On Saturday night he was returning home from this city in company with his wife, and when he arrived at the place where the dead body of Mingo Thompson was found next morning he passed a wagon turned half around in the road. His horse shied as he passed the wagon and caused him to observe it more particularly than he would have done otherwise. Two negro men were standing in the road by the side of the wagon, and they were dressed as Elliott and Brown were proven at the inquest to have been dressed on Saturday night.

Sheriff Pierson arrested Jake Jackson on Friday in consequence of information lodged with him to the effect that Jackson had made statements that he knew who killed Mingo Thompson. He was taken before Magistrate Wells next morning and examined. He denied making the statements attributed to him and claimed to know nothing of the murder except what had been told him. He made certain statements while under examination, however, that were known to be false, and he was remanded to jail until additional information can be secured in respect to the statements he has made.

Lecture by Dr. Flinn.

The Daughters of the Confederacy have invited Dr. J. W. Flinn, of Columbia, to deliver an address in this city on next Monday evening. He has accepted the invitation and the address will be delivered in the Assembly Hall of the Graded School Building on Monday, December 6th at 8 o'clock p. m. Admittance 15c, school children 10c.

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LYNCHERS FOILED.

One Hundred Men Start to This City for the Purpose of Lynching Charles Williams

When W. J. Lee was brutally murdered by Charles Williams on the night of Nov. 22d, there was some talk of lynching the murderer, but Magistrate Scarborough, who held the inquest, hurried him to this city and turned him over to Sheriff Pierson for safe keeping in the jail. Since that time rumors have been afloat that there existed a desire in some quarters to take the law into the hands of a mob and dispose of Williams in a summary manner. Not much attention was paid to the rumors, as it was not thought probable that any crowd of men would be so rash as to make the attempt to take Williams from the jail.

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The telegram was placed in Sheriff Pierson's hands at 8.50 p. m., and he decided that the best thing to be done under the circumstances would be to take Williams to Columbia on the 9.10 train. To get the prisoner from the jail to the depot in time to take the train required quick work, but it was accomplished. Williams is now in the Richland county jail where he will be kept until there is no danger from the lynchers. Nothing was heard of the lynching crowd on Saturday night and it was thought that they had abandoned the purpose, but Sunday night a crowd of about one hundred men assembled near DesChamps' mill pond and sent six men into town to reconnoitre. These men learned that Williams had been sent to Columbia, and when they reported this fact the crowd dispersed. It is stated by those who claim to have reliable information that the majority of the crowd would be lynchers came from the eastern and south eastern portion of this county and from Clarendon and Williamsburg counties and that very few of them were from the Bishopville section. This statement may or may not be correct, but there is no doubt about the crowd having come to the vicinity of this city with the avowed intention of storming the jail and lynching Williams, and only the timely warning given Capt Pierson by Magistrate Scarborough prevented serious trouble, for Williams would not have been surrendered to the mob without a struggle.

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In music, especially if it be produced on one of our Pianos. Fine instruments like the

STIEFF PIANOS

give a new pleasure to both instrumental and vocal performances. One can scarcely realize the difference between a superior and an inferior instrument except by comparison. The Stieff Pianos are only prized more highly when judged by this standard. They present a happy combination of excellences impossible to surpass and difficult to equal elsewhere.

STANDARD ORGANS.

Tuning and Repairing. Terms to Suit.

BALTIMORE 9 North Liberty St. WASHINGTON 512 11th St. N. W. CHARLOTTE, N. C., 213 N. Tryon St. NORFOLK, VA., 416 Main St.

Personal Property For Sale.

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Secret of Beauty

is health. The secret of health is the power to digest and assimilate a proper quantity of food. This can never be done when the liver does not act its part.

Do you know this?

Tutt's Liver Pills are an absolute cure for sick headache, dyspepsia, sour stomach, malaria, constipation, torpid liver, piles, jaundice, bilious fever, biliousness and kindred diseases.

Tutt's Liver Pills

Estate of Wm. W. Boykin, Dec'd. I WILL APPLY to the Judge of Probate of Sumter County, on December 10th, 1897, for a final Discharge as Adm. of aforesaid Estate. W. D. SCARBOROUGH, Adm. Nov. 10-4t.

Estate of Mrs. Fannie S. Koger, DECEASED.

ALL PERSONS having claims against said Estate will present same duly attested, and all Persons indebted to said Estate will make immediate payment to REV. CHAS. B. SMITH, Qualified Adm., Spartanburg, S. C. Nov. 24, 1897-4t*

For Next Friday

We propose to start a Cloaks and Cape Sale that will eclipse anything ever seen hereabouts. Remember the prices will be at cost. The entire Cloak stock containing over 500 garments go in this sale at unheard of prices

GLOVES.

15 doz all-wool Cashmere Gloves, in blacks and tans, all sizes, 19c. 10 doz Taffeta Silk Gloves blacks and tans, special, 19c. 5 doz black fleeced lined Gloves, these to go at 13c.

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Christmas Holiday Shopping Begins

WEND YOUR WAY To this New Toy Store—Noah's Ark of Holiday Goods.

You ask why we call this department our Noah's Ark! It is the collection of goods—the wonderful variety of X'mas things—that makes the name well-placed.

The Show is now ready. Call any day.

Early buyers get the cream. Right here let us say, the prices we have put on our stock of toys will be lower than ever before known in the history of the toy business in this city.

Just in To-day } A wonderful collection of Ladies' fine Embroidered Linen Handkerchiefs, put up 1/2 dozen in a box, assorted, special for X'mas gifts.

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