

AIKEN LEPROSY CASE.

Supreme Court Decides the Aiken Board of Health Cannot Confine Miss Kirk in Pest House.

Columbia, August 19.—The famous Kirk leprosy case from Aiken was decided in the Supreme Court today in favor of Miss Kirk. The majority opinion is by Justice Woods, Justice Hydrick rendering the dissenting opinion against Miss Kirk.

The decision means that the Aiken board of health cannot as it tried to do confine Miss Kirk to a pest house. The Circuit Court's action in the case is affirmed. It came before the Circuit Court by injunction from the action of the board of health to confine Miss Kirk in the pest house.

Owing to the peculiar nature of the case, and to the fact that Miss Kirk, a missionary who had, it was alleged, contracted the disease in Brazil, was not only a woman of refinement and education, but aged, blind and helpless, the case has attracted much attention throughout this and other States, and the decision is of interest particularly to local boards of health. It is decided that the action of the board of health may be reviewed by the Court, although action for damages will not lie against members of the board for wrongly detaining or isolating, unless this is done in bad faith.

FARM HAND KILLS WOMAN.

Declares He Had Rather See Her Dead Than Wedded to His Rival.

Douglas, Ga., Aug. 20.—Declaring that he had rather see her dead than married to another William McLeod, a farm hand, to-day confessed to Sheriff Ricketson that he murdered Miss Mattie Graham, a wealthy and refined young woman whose body was yesterday discovered in a swamp near her home at Hokesboro, Coffee county.

Going into every detail, his statement is that he left his work and went to the house before dinner. Not seeing her he asked for Miss Mattie and being informed that she had gone to her field for a melon, he followed and found her.

Both started back towards the house side by side. Coming to a branch near the house, he let her precede him. When at her back he caught her by the left arm and cut one side of her throat.

She turned and looked him in the face and exclaimed: "Lord have mercy," the only word she ever spoke after the attack. Then he finished cutting her throat, and cut her in the side as she fell.

He stamped her in the face, washed the blood from his knife, face and overalls and when dry went to the house and ate dinner. His only motive for his crime was that he had rather see her dead than to see her marry Byrd Mobley.

While he loved her, he had never told her and if she was now alive no motive could induce him to harm her. His only fear appears to be of being lynched. He does not show any remorse.

TILLMAN SPEAKS IN OCONEE

Large and Enthusiastic Audience Greet the Senator at Richland.

Seneca, August 20.—A large and enthusiastic audience greeted Senator Tillman to-day at Richland. He spoke at random without any set speech along the same lines that he did in Greenville. He advocated the abolishment of the present system of having to secure tickets on mileage, saying that it was unnecessary and foolish, and was not done in the North. He next took up the negro question discussing it on his usual lines. He strongly advocated education in the country districts. When asked to discuss the tariff he declined, saying it was too large a subject to be handled in such a short time. He expressed great pleasure at being present, and of the developments of the country since he was last here.

ACCIDENT MARS AUTO RACES.

Two Lives Lost in Frenzied Carnival of Speed on Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 19.—Two lives were lost and two records broken during the inauguration of the Indianapolis motor speedway today.

Am A. Bourque, driver of the car in the 220 mile race, and Holcomb, his mechanic, were killed in the frenzied carnival speed.

Barney Oldfield, driving a high-powered Benz, covered a mile in 43.1-10, breaking DePalma's mark of 51.1, and Louis Chevrolet, in a Buick, negotiated ten miles in the marvelous time of 8.56 4-10, cutting Oldfield's

time of 3.12. Both of these are now American track marks.

Robert Burman, in a Buick car, won the 250 mile race, the feature of the day, and the contest which cost Bourque and Holcomb their lives. The winner's time was 4.38.57 4-10—slow, because of the many accidents that marred the race. The Stoddard-Dayton (Clements) was second in 4.46.01 8-10, and the National (Merz) finished third in 4.52.39 7-10. Another National with Kincaid, at the wheel, was the only other car of ten starters to finish the long grind.

STICKS BY HIS PRINCIPLES.

Col. Saussy of Sylvester, Ga., Refuses to Take Oath of Allegiance to United States.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 21.—They have discovered a real Confederate, an unreconstructed Confederate, here in Atlanta. He is Col. G. N. Saussy of Sylvester.

Gov. Brown recently named Col. Saussy a colonel on the governor's personal staff and the adjutant general mailed the old soldier his commission, together with the oath of allegiance to the State of Georgia and the United States.

Col. Saussy made a few changes in the commission and more in the oath. He erased the word blue wherever it appeared in the regulations for the uniform and substituted the word gray. Then he erased the oath to the United States constitution and wrote:

"I except to the 12, 14th and 15th amendments. I am a Confederate soldier, still on parole, and while pledged not to again bear arms against the United States, I still retain the views I had when I entered the Confederate army. I have never taken the oath of allegiance to the United States and while God gives me life I never will."

CLEMSON PREPARING TO OPEN.

The Applications as Usual in Excess of Accommodations.—Football Schedule About Complete.

Clemson College, Aug. 21.—Preparations are being made for the opening of the 17th session of Clemson college on September 8 at 8:40 a. m. Dr. P. H. Mell is kept busy in his office looking after the work necessary to getting the session started.

As usual many more have applied for entrance than could be accommodated. Over 400 old students will return, and about 350 new students have been accepted. The roll will be about 750 to begin with.

Originality.

Every time one of this country's holidays rolls around about 80,000,000 people make the original observation: "To-day seems just like Sunday."—Kansas City Times.

Fair View Items.

Fair View, Aug. 19.—Hot, dry and dusty.

Fodder pulling is the order of the day.

Crops are about one third short in this section.

Miss Berly Epting and Master Jacob Long have returned home after an extended visit to Chappells.

Miss Hattie Krelle is visiting her uncle, Mr. Luther Krelle, in Columbia.

Mr. J. M. Morris, of Newberry, is spending his vacation now at the home of his parents, after spending several days in Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. J. B. Aull, who went to Smithville, Texas, about a year ago, is now at his father's home, Mr. A. L. Aull, near Pomaria. He will take a vacation for about thirty days.

Our school is progressing nicely under the management of Mr. William Dominick.

Miss Lottie Lee Halfacre has been elected to teach next session.

Miss Estelle Dominick spent last Friday at the home of Mr. W. M. Lester.

Mrs. John Turner, of near Newberry, is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Connelly.

Miss Bessie Dominick, of Chappells, has been visiting friends and relatives in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. John Smith have returned to their home in Newberry, at West End.

Miss Mary Lou Moore has returned home, after spending two weeks at Mr. Ezra Counts', at Prosperity.

Mr. T. O. Boland, who is post master at Blackville, has returned to his post of duty, after about three weeks' vacation.

Mrs. Bessie Krelle returned to her home in Columbia on Wednesday. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Agnes Bickley, and Miss Hattie Krelle.

Miss Leahart, of Lexington, has been visiting Miss Nettie Barnes.

Miss Lillie Mills, of near Newberry, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ed. Dominick.

The health of this community is very good at this writing.

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