

MANSLAUGHTER THE VERDICT.

Laurence Marley Convicted of Killing John Waelick on April 4th.—Sentence Not Yet Passed—Negro Who Started False Report Given a Good Whipping and Run Out of State.

Special to The Observer. Yorkville, S. C., July 15.—GUILTY of manslaughter and carrying concealed weapons was the verdict returned by the jury to-day in the case of Laurence Marley, charged with the murder of John Waelick on April 4th. The jury was out about two hours and it is said for a time stood six for murder and six for manslaughter. While there was much speculation as to what the verdict would likely be, it seems to be generally endorsed except of course, by those who hoped for the usual verdict in similar cases in the past of not guilty. Sentence has not yet been made. The entire time of the Court of General Sessions was taken up yesterday with this trial. The taking of testimony was concluded in the afternoon and the jury was then addressed by Messrs. John R. Hart and Thomas F. McDow, for the defendant, and by Solicitor Henry, for the State. Court then adjourned until this morning, when the judge's charge was delivered and the case given to the jury.

Both parties being white, there was considerable interest manifested in the trial. The main facts as brought out at the trial were practically the same as recited in this correspondence at the time the killing occurred.

Two dwellings in Yorkville were burglarized Monday night, one on King's Mountain street and the other on Wright avenue. It is reported that at the first the principal thing that the burglars seemed to be after was food, but at the other a suit of clothing and a money order for \$5 were stolen. So far as known there is no clue.

Mr. John C. Whitesides, a farmer living near Sharon, in this county, committed suicide last Friday by shooting himself through the head with a shotgun. The deed was due to mental aberration. He leaves a wife and several children.

About ten days or two weeks ago a report gained currency in a neighborhood about seven miles northeast of Yorkville, near a place called on the person of a little white girl. An immediate investigation proved it to be utterly false and without foundation. Citizens of the neighborhood made careful inquiry as to the author of the report and finally fastened guilt on Bob Howard, a negro. Monday night a number of men visited his home, took him out, applied 100 lashes to his back and advised him to leave the State, never to return, by noon yesterday. He went. It is claimed that he started similar reports in several other neighborhoods in which he had lived in the county.

THE TOWN OF WALLBURG.

One of the Most Progressive Places in the State Having Many Modern Improvements—Its School the Pride of the Village.

Special to The Observer. Lexington, July 15.—Between Lexington and Winston-Salem, in the northern part of Davidson county, is situated the town of Wallburg, a town that needs only a railroad to make it known throughout this entire section of the State. It is to be doubted if there is another town in the State that has had with more modern improvements. Wallburg has perhaps 250 inhabitants and the village boasts of a furniture factory, lumber plant and large roller mill, all belonging to Messrs. G. H. and C. M. Wall. About ten days ago work was completed on the installation of an electric light system, and in addition to this the town is up to have waterworks and sewerage work on both progressing rapidly at the present time and will be finished in about two weeks.

What the town is proudest of, though, is its high school. Liberty-Piedmont Institute—an institution supported by Liberty and Piedmont Baptist Associations. Last spring the main building was burned and instead of injuring the school it will prove an excellent thing for the school building has been replaced by what is said to be one of the best high school buildings in the State. It is a splendid brick building and cost \$20,000. During the past year Prof. P. S. Vann, superintendent of education in this county was principal of the school but he recently resigned to devote his entire time to the duties of superintendent of education. Prof. W. H. Early, of Bertie county, a graduate of Wake Forest and also of the University of Chicago, has been elected to succeed him. This school will begin its next session with the brightest prospects in its history. The people of Davidson county are proud to possess within the limits of the county such a thriving and up-to-date town as Wallburg.

SUP. WASSUM PROMOTED.

Spencer Man Made Superintendent of Terminals at Birmingham.

Special to The Observer. Spencer, July 15.—Mr. J. W. Wassum, for the past year superintendent of the Southern Railway Company, has been promoted to superintendent of terminals for the same road at Birmingham, Ala., effective at once. With the promotion comes also a handsome increase in salary as well as a big increase in responsibilities, the territory being much larger. Mr. Wassum came to Spencer from Jacksonville, Fla., where he was trainmaster for the S. A. L. He has had a wide experience of more than 15 years in railroad service and has made good. It is learned he was chosen for the position at Birmingham over five applicants, although he himself was not an applicant for the place. During his stay here Mr. Wassum has made many friends, not only among the patrons of the Southern, but likewise with officials of his company to which he has always been found loyal. He will assume his new duties at Birmingham at once, though his family will not go to Alabama for several months.

Negro Bather Drowned in Lumber River.

Special to The Observer. Lumberton, July 15.—Foster Thompson, colored, aged 25 years, was drowned in the Lumber river six miles west of Lumberton, yesterday afternoon while in bathing. His body was found at 3 o'clock at the bottom of the river, which was at that spot eighteen feet deep. Desperate effort was made by a fellow-bather to save him.

Coroner Rancke was called to-day to hold an inquest but upon his arrival it was found unnecessary.

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THE DEATH RECORD.

Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Dockery.

Correspondence of The Observer. Rockingham, July 14.—Little John, the sweet and attractive 11-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Dockery, after an illness of several weeks, died Tuesday afternoon and was buried at Eastside Cemetery Wednesday. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Josiah Cruden, assisted by Rev. J. J. Underwood. Little John was one of the attractive and best-loved children in Rockingham and was a great favorite.

Mrs. A. B. Gorrell, of Winston-Salem.

Special to The Observer. Winston-Salem, July 15.—The community was shocked and saddened this morning when it became known that Mrs. A. B. Gorrell, one of the most beloved women of the city, passed away at 3 o'clock. She had been ill for some months and for several weeks her condition was regarded as serious.

Mrs. Gorrell was 58 years old and had lived in Winston all of her life. She was well known and universally esteemed for her noble Christian character. Four children survive. They are Messrs. Robert W. and Peter A. Gorrell; Mrs. H. L. Riggins and Mrs. J. H. Farris, of Butte, Mont. The funeral services will be held to-morrow.

Dr. W. H. Timmerman, of Batesburg.

Special to The Observer. Batesburg, S. C., July 15.—Dr. W. H. Timmerman, physician, banker and legislator, died last night at his home here after a brief illness from pneumonia, in his 77th year. The funeral took place this afternoon, the interment being in the old Timmerman burying ground in Edgemoor field county, where he was born. Dr. Timmerman was a member two terms of the lower branch of the Legislature, was afterward elected to the Senate, over which he presided first as president pro tem, and afterwards as Lieutenant Governor. After this he was elected two terms as State Treasurer. He served as a member of the constitutional convention in 1895. He was a captain in the Confederate army.

Dr. Timmerman was twice married, and is survived by his second wife and eight children—Mrs. G. P. Seigler, Eureka; Mrs. B. P. Lewis, Johnston; Mrs. W. S. Mobley, Thomson, Ga.; J. E. Timmerman, Aiken county; Mrs. R. H. and W. P. Timmerman, Batesburg; Miss Salome Timmerman, Batesburg; Solicitor George Bell Timmerman, Lexington.

A CLUB FOR DURHAM.

Business Men's and Social Organization Formed With Gen. J. S. Carr as President, Its Name Being the Commonwealth Club.

Special to The Observer. Durham, July 15.—The Commonwealth Club is a new business man's and social organization in this city and its club rooms have been opened in the Trust Building. The club starts off with a very large membership and will have all the modern conveniences of the best equipped clubs of the country.

The following named officers have been elected: Gen. J. S. Carr, president; Mr. F. L. Fuller, vice president; Mr. T. M. Gorman, secretary and treasurer; Messrs. J. S. Carr, W. P. Few, V. S. Bryant, John F. Willy, John Sprunt Hill and J. H. Mahler, governing board. The club started off with forty charter members and since then a number of new ones have been elected. The entrance fee is \$50 and the dues are such as to keep the club running in elegant style.

This is just such a club as has been long needed by the city and the first effort to organize it was through the chamber of commerce. Then General Carr took hold of the proposition and the Cavaliers' Club was first proposed, this being later changed into the Commonwealth Club.

Next Saturday the new Republican executive committee will meet for the purpose of calling the county convention when candidates for the various county and legislative offices will be named. It is the talk that the committee will not call a primary but that all the candidates will be named at the convention.

Marriage Secret Leaked Out After Ten Days.

Correspondence of The Observer. Waynesville, July 14.—Late yesterday afternoon it became generally known that a secret marriage had been contracted between two of our young people some ten days ago. The bride is Miss Olive Long and Mr. Jarvis Davis. Miss Long came here here from Calhoun and was held here in the telephone exchange. Mr. Davis is a well-known linenman of this place.

The ceremony was performed at 4 o'clock about ten days ago by Rev. G. W. Green of the Methodist church. The young people continued their daily duties as if nothing had happened until the secret became known as above stated. They will live here.

Wed in Salisbury.

A telegram has been received in this city, Va., announcing the marriage on Friday last, in Salisbury, N. C., of Stephen Putney and Miss Willford Graves McKee of Pulaski. The young couple were guests at a Sunday party in an elegant manner in a way, but strong headed, and as he won't allow a capable jockey to reach the stretch turn. He is a Star Ruby horse, good enough number in a way, but strong headed, and as he won't allow a capable jockey to reach the stretch turn.

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rate him along he will lose. There is very little betting on the election yet. The wager made by H. G. Merry, of Baltimore, who bets \$1,000 to \$500 by N. E. McBride on Bryan, is the largest bet so far recorded in Chicago.

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