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SCENES DOWN SOUTH.

The Old Palmetto State Climbing Ladders in Medical Science.

EDITOR STANDARD:—Here are three innovations I have discovered in South Carolina, which I wish to tell your readers:

1. The State Board of Medical Examiners have just completed an examination at Columbia; some fifty or more doctors, with license, were ordered to do business.

2. In Orangeburg county some days ago, the local paper announced "a man was assaulted in his own house and dangerously shot in the forehead."

3. The Sampter p-per announces that a few days ago "a man was shot in the forehead section."

Finally, Mr. Editor, let us hope that in the rapid strides the medical profession is making we may yet know the geography of a fellow's own body.

No hing affords me more pleasure than to sit down for an hour and discuss a my good friend, Dr. Herring, on these unknown localities.

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CLOSING EXERCISES

Of the Concord High School—A Creditable Showing—Dr. Alderman, of the North Carolina University De-livered an Address.

At 11.30 o'clock, as announced, the closing exercises of the Concord High School were held in the court-house.

The stage was beautifully decorated with flowers and evergreens, with the back ground tastefully decorated with variegated fabrics.

Prof. Holland Thompson announced the true sphere of the school as that which its name indicates and introduced Mr. William Henry Gibson as declaimer, whose subject was "The good of Climbing."

The speaker was deservedly applauded. Miss Mabel Bickel Means recited "A Revolutionary Girl" (Jennie McNeill). This recitation afforded intense delight to the spell-bound audience.

Dr. Edwin A. Alderman was then introduced and the audience could feel that it was quaffing intellectual draughts from the fountain head of the State's educational system.

Coming as he does as the president of our State University, a position above which there is no step in the State for him to take, it was exceedingly pleasant to hear him dwell so much on sweet and innocent childhood as a starting point from which to study and trace the paths to State and National greatness.

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SHOTR LOCALS.

Dr. L. A. Bickle, of King's Mountain, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. George W. Means.

Miss Cora Collins, of Asheville, is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. P. L. Saunders.

Mr. W. T. Sergeant, of Greensboro, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. O'Neil for several days.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barnhardt, of Mt. Pleasant, died Thursday night.

The first watermelon of the season was received Thursday night by Dove & Best.

We are sorry to learn of the feeble condition of Mr. J. B. Farr, of No. 4 township—Daily 20th.

Pleasant on Cabarrus Savings bank says, "Legal holiday, bank closed."—Daily 20th.

Miss Mary Mohr and Eloise Ortman, of Wilmington, are visiting friends in Mt. Pleasant. They will spend several weeks there.

Georgia Honors Her Dead.

The Legislature of Georgia two years ago appropriated \$25,000 for the purpose of fittingly marking in the National Military Park, at Chickamauga, the part played by Georgia troops in the great war drama that was enacted on that historic battle-ground.

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A Bold Robbery.

At the Kimball House in Salisbury Wednesday some one robbed a Mr. Bark's trunk while he was gone to the drug store for a prescription.

Seventeen dollars and most of his clothes were the booty. Now the detectives have a good case on which to exercise their wits.

In Caneto, Edgecombe county, a negro and a white man by the name of Keel, were in a bar room drinking. The negro offered Keel a pill telling him it would sober him up.

Keel took the pill and soon sickened and died. The negro was arrested, and says he was given \$25 to give Keel the pill. The stomach will be analyzed.

The mysterious disappearance of the wife of R. L. Edwards, a negro minister of the city, has caused considerable uneasiness and talk among the colored people.

Edwards had treated her very badly and distracted her, and that he had upon several occasions threatened her with severe punishment.

She left her home at midnight Wednesday and no trace of her has been had.

Edwards is regarded by the colored people as being a bad man and they fear that the woman has been dealt with cruelly. She left an infant in charge of her mother.

Made an Assignment.

Mr. R. M. Nimocks, of Fayetteville, one of the largest wholesale grocery merchants in North Carolina, has failed.

His liabilities were about \$70,000. Dull times and general business depression were too great for him, hence he was forced to the wall.

A BIG SQUABBLE.

Detective Henry, of the Southern, Comes for Williamson, But His Lawyers Retain.

"J. A. Williamson, the Augusta man who was arrested and brought to Salisbury yesterday for robbing the train at Concord, threatens to give all parties concerned trouble.

Williamson was arrested yesterday morning and confined in the lock up here. Ward was sent to Concord by the Salisbury authorities of the man's arrest, but no one had showed up at the expiration of twenty-four hours to take the man in charge.

A message was received from Concord that Detective Hanes of the Southern, was on his way here and he arrived in the city about 12 o'clock.

Attorney R. Lee Wright had been employed by Williamson and he refused to allow Hanes to take the man and thus the matter stood at 3 o'clock.

Williamson through his attorney threatens to bring suit against both the Southern and the city for the false arrest and imprisonment.

Mr. T. L. Pearce, the fireman whom it is alleged that Williamson threw the rock, was in the city this (Saturday) morning, having come down from Danville.

From what we can learn the railroad has a very weak case against the accused man as Mr. Pearce says that he could not swear that the man threw a rock or that he threw anything at all.

Best Served in the World.

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Write for particulars quickly. JAMES D. BALL, 36 Bromfield Street, Boston, Mass. Sept. 17 '97.

The best paid commander in chief is India's. His annual salary approaches \$50,000.

The best paid ambassador belongs to France. He is the French ambassador in London, whose yearly salary is \$60,000.

The best paid university professor is the professor of anatomy in Elinburg, whose salary is rather more than \$10,000.—Asheville Citizen.

People are not slow to appreciate the efforts of Mr. John F. Yorke in his learning the knowledge of the optical profession.

Mr. Yorke has secured the services of Dr. Charles W. Lowe, an eminent specialist of New York, for the examination of eyes, who will remain in the city for one week longer.

Dr. Lowe is giving special instructions to Mr. Yorke and is thoroughly prepared to fit the proper glasses to the eyes and discover the slightest defect in the sight.

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SCHEDULE SOUTHERN RAILWAY. IN EFFECT JAN. 18, 1897. This condensed schedule is published for information and is subject to change without notice to the public.

Down at Pinehurst. Capt. A. M. Propoy, one among the biggest contractors in the State, is down at Pinehurst, on the proposed Aberdeen and Concord railway.

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