

South Carolina Convict Caught Here Saturday—Things Quiet With the Bluecoats.

Here we are. An important part of our new dress shipped from St. Louis March 5th has failed to reach us, owing to which we are not in the shape we had hoped to be; still we are here in some shape.

Going to the TWICE-A-WEEK GAZETTE involves extensive changes which in this case could not be made in a week. We hope to develop.

We thank our friends, old and new, for the generous reception already accorded us. Renewals and new subscriptions have been coming our way like a landslide; so much so that simple justice to our patrons and ourselves calls for an extension of the one dollar limit. We have consequently decided to make two propositions open to all.

1. Until May 1st subscriptions to the TWICE-A-WEEK GAZETTE will be received at one dollar a year. 2. For the largest club of new subscribers sent us by that date we offer a choice between two fine twenty dollar prizes. Go to work now and get the prize. Further particulars later.

Eleven years ago to-day the present editor first took charge of THE GAZETTE. We are celebrating the event by coming out as a semi-weekly.

How swiftly we go forward! A special train on the Pennsylvania Railroad recently made a trip from Philadelphia to Jersey City. The distance is 90 miles and the train was whirled over it in 20 minutes. A few years ago this would have been a statement to marvel at, but as the years go by and the possibilities of modern mechanical progress unfold themselves the marvel will pass away only to give place to a greater one.

We print the recent speech of the Hon. Henry Watterson on the Republican spirit of imperialism and militarism. It has ginger and makes good reading. While at some points the words are severe, it is the sting of a just whip that they carry. It is an eminent utterance. And we will add that we purpose printing from time to time other eminent utterances upon topics of the times. They will be taken from speeches, books, contributions to the magazines, interviews, news and editorial columns of the newspapers, in fact, wherever we may find them. The selections will sometimes be in accord with our own views and the views of our readers, sometimes the opposite will be the case, sometimes the author's prominence and the subject matter, sometimes the style, and sometimes some other distinguishing characteristic will supply an element of interest, but there will be something about them to make them eminent.

NEGRO'S RIGHTS USURPED. White Men in Irrell Jail for Stealing Chickens.

S. M. Templeton and Wiley Campbell, both white, of Union Grove township, were brought here Sunday and lodged in jail, the latter charged with stealing chickens and the former with concealing them.

Mr. Turner Jennings, of Union Grove township, has been missing his chickens for several months and suspected Templeton and Campbell of stealing them, but had no evidence to justify an arrest. One night last week several chickens were stolen from Mr. Jennings and he went to Templeton's house, where he found chickens cooked and uncooked and dressed chickens stored in jars for future use.

He inquired of Templeton where so much chicken meat came from and the latter said Campbell had brought it there. Thereupon Mr. Jennings had warrants issued for Campbell and Templeton, charging them with stealing chickens and the latter with concealing them.

Squire A. A. Bush tried the case and bound Templeton and Campbell over to court in a \$100 bond and on failure to give bond they were committed to jail. These men should be severely punished, not so much for simply stealing the chickens as for usurping the prerogatives of the colored man. This is a precedent that should not be permitted to stand.

Saturday morning Chief Alexander and Patrolman Carroll did some clever work in jailing one Jim Moss, a white man who escaped from the Union County S. C., chain gang in March 1900. Moss is a "slick chicken" and has four times shaken the dust of the Union County chain gang from his feet and emigrated to other parts. He tried to work his tricks on the police here but failed. Saturday afternoon he requested to be let out of his cage into the surrounding corridor that he might have some exercise in the shape of walking around. His request was granted and when Policeman Carroll went in a short while after to see that all was well, there were no visible signs of the prisoner save his coat and hat lying near the window. Moss was a very slim man and the bewildered policeman began to think that he had crawled through the bars and made his escape. A thorough investigation was made at once and he was soon found curled up under the small steps leading from the cell to the corridor. He had evidently hoped that the outside door would accidentally be left open and thus afford him a means of escape. Supt. Hancock, of South Carolina arrived Sunday and left yesterday morning with the runaway prisoner.

The past week has been a very quiet one with the bluecoats, as was evidenced by the slim attendance at Mayor Love's court Monday morning. Only one case was called for trial and it was discharged for lack of sufficient evidence. Pet Howell, colored, was charged with being drunk and disorderly but the witnesses disagreed in their testimony and Mayor Love sent the culprit on his way rejoicing.

FEDERAL PRISONER DEAD. Passed Away Suddenly Friday Night in Dallas Jail.

John Brakefield, a United States prisoner in the County jail at Dallas, died suddenly Friday night of Bright's disease followed by dropsy. Although he had been in bad health for some time, his death was unexpected. At nine o'clock, only three hours before the end came, he was walking around and was apparently as well as usual. Brakefield was committed to jail on December 14th, 1901, for alleged violation of the revenue laws in running a distillery, for which offence he was awaiting trial at the June term of court.

The dead prisoner was about thirty years old and was a son of James Brakefield who lives near King's Mountain.

The body was enclosed in a neat, plain coffin and shipped on No. 11 Saturday to Kings Mountain, accompanied by W. C. Upton, where the interment took place in the El Bethel cemetery by the side of his wife.

WHY IS EASTER MOVABLE? Bob Peak Wants to Know Why It Doesn't Fall on a Fixed Date as Christmas Does.

Correspondence of the Gazette. In the last issue of THE GAZETTE we noticed the reason that Easter is a movable feast. From the same standpoint of reasoning if the moon had full at 11:59 on Saturday 23rd, just 22 hours sooner, last Sunday would have been Easter March 23rd. This is the fact, whether the logic is good or bad.

We understand that Easter is intended to represent the resurrection of Christ from the dead, and may have been so.

But we cannot see how so marked an epoch in the history of the great King can be changed from one day to another—and still more from one month to another. If the 25th day of December irrevocably fixes the day of the King of Glory's birth, we can see no logical reason why His death and resurrection should not be so definitely fixed as well. If Christ was crucified on Friday and rose on Sunday these two important transactions occurred on a certain day of a certain month and therefore cannot always be on the same day of the month every year, regardless of the day in the week.

We do hope that some one will explain why Easter should be a movable feast, and yet mark a noted day which we believe cannot be changed. Give us more light on the subject.

BOS PEAK. Cherryville, N. C., Mar. 28 '03. Answered from 2125 in the World.

Washington-Crosby Co., of Minneapolis, Minn., have not only the best but one of the best milling plants in the world. Their Gold Medal Flour took first award at the Pan-American Exposition. The wheat used in their mill is the very best. This flour is a little golden in color, which indicates purity and strength, and the bread will have a rich nutty flavor, not found in ordinary flour. Their flour is ground granular and absorbs more water or milk, and the guarantee is to make one fifth more flour than any other flour properly handled. J. A. Lewis & Co., Chattanooga, are their agents.

NEGRO WOMAN DROWNED.

Fell From Foot-Leg at Riddle's Mill Saturday Afternoon—Body Found Monday Morning.

A negro woman named Lucy Iles was drowned in Crowder's Creek Saturday afternoon at Mr. J. B. F. Riddle's mill. She was the wife of Henry Iles, an employe of Mr. Riddle, and was a girl that Rev. W. B. Arrowood brought as a cook when he came to his present Bethel pastorate.

Having been on a visit, she was returning home, accompanied by her husband's sister, about five o'clock. The creek was swollen from the recent rains, and at this crossing below the ford it was swift and was high enough to be lapping the log.

The Iles woman went to cross first, the other waited. When she reached the middle of the log, she seemed to take a fright and exclaimed, "I can't walk any further; I believe I'll get down and coon it." In attempting to do so, she fell off on the upper side. The current swept her under, but she held to the log calling for help. The other woman, too, called for help, saying, "I can't walk across to you; you hold on until I call somebody." The unfortunate woman held on bravely while strength lasted, but finally she cried "I can't hold on any longer," and was swept down the stream, coming up once about twenty feet below the crossing.

Vain search was made for the body and was kept up all day Sunday in the presence of 150 to 200 spectators. Monday morning the corpse was found about half a mile down the creek. Mr. Clarence Wilson says that near the same spot thirty years ago a child was drowned in the creek and was fished out the next day by his father with a long brier hook. Mr. Joseph Adams and Mr. Henry Adams, his uncles, came near drowning many years ago just above the ford, having been upset in a boat and washed over the mill-dam.

A GOOD NAME. It is a Monstrous Help in Time of Trouble.

Statesville Landmark. But whether guilty or innocent Wilcox is a bad fellow and his general reputation is doubtless largely responsible for his conviction. If his character had been above reproach; if he had been a high-toned and perfectly honorable gentleman, which it appears he was not, it is not probable that he would have been convicted on the evidence presented. But the idea seems to have been that he was entirely capable of committing the crime and this, added to the circumstantial evidence against him, threw him. We do not mean to say, of course that Wilcox should be put to death simply because his reputation is bad, but we do mean to say that a good reputation is a monstrous help in time of trouble. Previous good character has saved many a man from punishment which he richly deserved and a bad character has doubtless caused some innocent men to be punished. We know that a bad reputation does cause men to receive severer punishment, when they are convicted of crime, than they would otherwise receive. "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches," said the Wise Man, and that saying is just as true to-day as it was when it was first written.

Logical Suggestion. Philadelphia Record.

"After years of bitter experience, including bankruptcy, I learned the value of advertising," says Mr. C. C. Shayne, the largest merchant of New York. "I discovered that the road to success is through judicious advertising. I believe in advertising, and I think that if \$10 worth of newspaper space pays, \$15 worth will pay better—and so on until your business reaches such a magnitude that you cannot supply the demand. Even then it is not good policy to quit advertising."

Sowing Wild Oats. Christian Observer.

Said a young man: "That will do well enough for a grown-up man, but a young fellow like me must sow his wild oats." This is Bob Burdette's answer: "No, young man, it does not hurt you a particle to sow your wild oats. Go ahead, and sow as you like. But it's the gathering in of the crop that will make you howl. And you have to gather it, too. If you don't, it gathers you in, and one is a great deal worse than the other."

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

FRANK J. CHERRY makes oath that he is the duly elected Mayor of the City of Toledo, Ohio, and that he is qualified to exercise the duties of the office of Mayor of the City of Toledo, Ohio, and that he is a resident of the City of Toledo, Ohio, and that he is a citizen of the State of Ohio.

FRANK J. CHERRY, Mayor. Attest: J. A. LEWIS & Co., Notary Public.

FRANK J. CHERRY is a native of Ohio, and was educated in the State of Ohio. He has been Mayor of the City of Toledo, Ohio, for the past two years, and has been a member of the City Council of Toledo, Ohio, for the past five years. He is a member of the Ohio State Bar Association, and is a practicing lawyer in Toledo, Ohio.

McADENVILLE.

We lift our hat to the SEMI-WEEKLY GAZETTE and hope that it will continue to be a factor in the welfare of our county.

We are anxious that McAdenville shall be represented in the first issue, therefore we make haste for fear we are crowded out.

Well, one more Easter has come and gone and a great many pretty eggs disappeared with it. A larger number of our people went over to St. Mary's to attend Easter services than usual.

We are sorry to report the continued illness of Rev. B. L. Hoke, pastor of the Baptist church. There was no preaching at that church Sunday. We hope to see him out soon.

Wynne Cashion is sick with typho-malarial fever.

Little Lucy Webb, who has been sick for the past six or seven weeks, has so far recovered as to get to the table with the rest of the family. She had catarrhal fever.

Miss Lottie Alba is home from Catawba College for an indefinite time. She has been troubled with neurasthenia for some time and has come home for treatment. Dr. L. N. Glenn, her physician, is treating her.

Mr. Clemmer, of Stanley Creek, will begin work this week rebuilding the supply house which fell in with the snow some time ago.

There has been much interest taken in the singing school that is being taught by Prof. W. M. Stowe and we hope that much improvement will be made in the singing here.

Two of McAdenville's former worthy citizens, Buel B. Reid and Jno. B. Rush, of Converse, S. C., accompanied by Sam T. Reid were welcome visitors Sunday. They have relatives and many friends here who regret that their stay was so short, but they were here long enough to say howdy and good-by.

Supt. John Withers, of the Ozark, visited his father-in-law, Henry Smith, Sunday. George Wilkerson, of York, has been spending the past week with his brother, E. P. Wilkerson. R. L. Tate and E. C. Ray, two prominent young travelling men, spent Sunday with R. R. Ray.

The boys were disappointed in not getting to play on their new ball ground which has just been fixed up for the season. The rain Friday made it too slippery to play on Saturday. They claim to have the finest ball ground in this section now and will probably give an exhibition of their prowess soon.

George Alexander has accepted a position with the Southern Cotton Mills at Bessemer City where he will move this week. This is a busy time now; gardening, farming, cleaning up, building, and repairing are going on almost continually. The school is so well attended and has grown to such an extent that a third teacher had to be called in. Mrs. Ed Webb is the new teacher. She has taught here before and has always given satisfaction and is held in high esteem by her former pupils.

We shall look with eager interest for the advent of the SEMI-WEEKLY GAZETTE and there are others as eager. Wishing it even greater success than its predecessor, "THE GAZETTE," we will not impose upon the readers longer at this time.

The Week's Business. Dan's Saturday Review.

Favorable weather greatly facilitated Easter retail trade, the volume of transactions in all lines of wearing apparel being of exceptional magnitude. Activity was by no means restricted to these special lines, however, the general distribution of merchandise exceeding that of previous seasons, with prices well maintained.

A distinct evidence of the vigor of legitimate trade is found in the decline of only 2.4 per cent. in bank exchanges at New York, notwithstanding the fact that transactions at the Stock Exchange were not more than a third of those in the corresponding week last year, while at other leading cities clearings exhibited a gain of 9.8 per cent. over last year and 31.5 per cent. over 1899. Another undeniable indication of expansion in the nation's business is the increase of 4.6 per cent. over last year's in railway earnings for March, while compared with 1900 the gain amounts to 14.4 per cent. Industrial activity has suffered no diminution, the Civic Federation adjusting some labor controversies, while others are in a fair way to reach peaceful termination. Textile mills at the East are still the centre of strife, all cotton spinners demanding an advance similar to the one granted by Fall River manufacturers, although conditions are very different.



STOPS PAIN. Ever since the first appearance of my...

What is life worth to a woman suffering like Maudie Davis suffered? Yet there are women in thousands of homes to-day who are bearing these terrible menstrual pains in silence.

WINE OF CARDUI will bring you permanent relief. Consult yourself with the knowledge that 1,000,000 women have been completely cured by Wine of Cardui.

For advice and literature, address giving address to "The Ladies' Advisory Department," The Wine of Cardui Co., Chalmers, Ga.



Who Said That

a reasonable amount of jewelry—rings, necklaces, hair adornments and the rest—were out of reach of people of moderate means? Hasn't visited here, has he! We are offering some fine Gold Filled, and Sterling Silver Jewelry at prices which won't startle you—worth looking at anyhow.

TORRENCE, THE JEWELER.

SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE. Pursuant to an order of Court made in the...

Saturday, 26th Day of April, 1902. The following described real estate situated in the town of Gastonia, belonging to the estate of Victor Allen, deceased, and described in a deed from E. P. Adams and wife...

The terms of sale are: One-half cash and balance in six months with title retained until the security given for the unpaid balance of purchase money is paid.

Capt. W. B. Ryder, Superintendent of the Charlotte division of the Southern Railway has resigned his position, the resignation taking effect yesterday. Capt. Ryder is an experienced railroad man and has held his present position for seven years. The name of his successor has not yet been announced.

THE BLOOM OF SPRING!

There is an air of Spring time which awakens new life. Nature puts forth her best efforts to make herself attractive.

Why shouldn't you? It's an easy matter for you to select the goods and leave the effort in our hands.

Our new goods will out-rival nature's choicest efforts. There is a spring-like snap to them which is as attractive as the smile of spring or the smile of the price.

THOMSON CO.

Everything That's New.

We have the new things in Millinery. We always make it a point to have them. The new things, the new styles, the new fancies that adorn and please are all here.

MISS RUDDOCK, the Milliner. UP-STAIRS AT MORRIS BROTHERS.

Come in and buy you a new Buggy just out of the Factory. We have just received a car-load of the Old Reliable Babcock Buggies and a car-load of Anchor Buggies. We have on hand a lot of Farming Implements such as the Hoosier Cam Drills and Buffalo Pitts Cultivators, etc. Please call and see us before buying. Also have on hand a lot of fine Horses and Mules on easy terms. We are here always for business.

Craig & Wilson.

The Ground Hog

has had pretty much his own way for the past six weeks. He feels his oats and whosoever doubts his ability as a weather prophet incurs his displeasure. To declare him a fraud rouses his ire and he spiritedly retorts "you're another." But it remains for Old Sol to put in his best licks and warm up things generally. It is now in order to speak of Spring, as Spring is here, and of SPRING CLOTHING which is also here in all its freshness and beauty. We want you to notice the cut of our new suits. They're trim, snappy and full of elegance. The fabrics are first class—in keeping with the cut and finish. You will be surprised at the splendid, stylish, all-wool suits we are selling at \$5.00, \$7.50, and \$10.00. In fact from that price up to \$20.00, we give you the best in every grade. If you don't come in when looking for your Spring suit we shall be disappointed and so will you, if you buy without seeing ours. Our Furnishings are also complete. Come and see our Dry Goods, Shoes, etc. J. Q. HOLLAND & COMPANY.

