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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

JACK WADE LYNCHED BY A LAKELAND MOB

Miss Newell Positively Identified Him As Man Who Attempted to Outrage Her

Special Telegram to The Sun.
(By M. F. Hetherington.)

LAKELAND, Feb. 12.—Jack Wade, the negro who was arrested at Newberry on Thursday by Sheriff Ramsey of Alachua county and Deputy Sheriff Scott of this (Folk) county, and who left Gainesville Friday in custody of the latter en route for the Hartow jail, was taken from the train at Lakeland this morning and marched out to the home of Miss Newell, his attempted victim, and was positively identified by her as the guilty man.

The mob, which was composed of only about twenty-five determined men, everything being done so quietly as not to let others know of their intentions, then took Wade into the woods a short distance from the Newell home, and after first strapping him up to a limb cut him down before life was extinct and set him up against a tree and soon riddled his body with bullets.

Wade neither confessed or denied his guilt.

It will be remembered that on Monday last Miss Newell was waylaid and

assaulted while en route to school from her home near Lakeland. Several negroes were arrested for the outrage, and a mob of infuriated citizens were at the point of burning one of them at the stake, but the man's life was spared at the earnest pleading of the girl's father, she having failed to identify him.

Miss Newell said her assailant looked like Jack Wade, who had been in the employ of the Newells up to two days previous to the assault, and that if Wade were brought before her she could say positively as to whether he was the guilty party. Wade was traced to Newberry, where he was arrested as above stated, and with the result as above chronicled.

Jack Wade was a well-built, ginger-colored negro, and he expressed every confidence of being able to prove an alibi by prominent citizens. He was not at all nervous when seen by a Sun reporter in Gainesville on Friday afternoon, and told his story in a straightforward manner.

Fortunately for Miss Newell her assailant failed to accomplish the object of his assault.

Read the want ads. in today's Sun.

MISS BESSIE DUPREE STILL IN THE LEAD

Following is the standing of the candidates in the piano contest as shown by Saturday's count:

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| Miss Bessie Dupree, city..... | 682,740 |
| Miss Dorian Ellis, city..... | 676,250 |
| Miss Catherine Halle, city..... | 624,960 |
| Miss Florrie Strickland..... | 300,029 |
| Miss M. Daughtrey, city..... | 158,555 |
| Miss Mary McCormick, city..... | 71,160 |
| Miss Nannie Dickinson, city..... | 53,765 |
| Miss Alma Fennell, city..... | 47,640 |
| Miss Julia Carter, city..... | 44,875 |
| Miss A. Groff, Newberry..... | 37,910 |
| Miss Mabel Sanchez, city..... | 31,720 |
| Miss Jessie Evans, city..... | 30,080 |
| Miss A. Strickland, Waldo..... | 22,185 |
| Miss Estelle Beal, city..... | 21,570 |
| Miss Annie Beville..... | 18,190 |
| Miss Emma Hudson, city..... | 13,285 |
| Miss Elvena Staf, Waldo..... | 11,430 |
| Mrs. I. Ware, High Springs..... | 10,845 |
| Miss Lizzie Sheppard, Bell..... | 5,905 |
| Miss Goldie Lambert, city..... | 5,655 |
| Miss K. Carlton, Micanopy..... | 5,490 |
| Miss Mary Thigpin, city..... | 3,795 |
| Miss M. Fernandez, city..... | 3,620 |
| Mrs. A. W. Sargent..... | 3,285 |
| Miss L. Sanders, Hawthorn..... | 3,150 |
| Miss Ruby Albright..... | 2,080 |

The Sun would be pleased to have photographs of the contestants, so as to present their pictures to the public.

UNIVERSITY NOTES

The anniversary of Lincoln's birthday was not allowed to pass unnoticed at the University. At chapel Roosevelt's eulogy of Lincoln was read, and Dr. Sledd made a few remarks. Among other things he said that as the passions engendered by the war are disappearing, the fame of Lincoln and of Lee seems to be becoming greater, and that eventually both of these leaders would be venerated by the whole nation.

The students are making preparations for the annual field sports to be held on Washington's birthday. Judging from the practicing, some of our records will undoubtedly be broken. The public is cordially invited to attend.

A treat is in store for the people of Gainesville, especially for those who love birds. One of the most enjoyable lectures ever delivered in this city was Mr. Frank Chapman's lecture last winter; a lecture on a similar subject will be given under the auspices of the Florida Audubon Society on February 25 under the joint management of the High School and the University. The lecturer, Dr. Job of Connecticut, comes most highly recommended. His lantern slides illustrating bird life are said to be extremely fine. More detailed information will be given later. Every lover of birds is cordially invited to be present. The lecture will be delivered at the auditorium, and will begin early, so as not to conflict with the attractions of the Chautauqua, which will then be under way.

Dr. Farr's health forces him to take a rest of three or four weeks. He will leave Tuesday for the southern part of the State, and may extend his trip to Cuba. During his absence his classes will be taught by other members of the faculty.

Will Again Take Charge.

Prof. F. H. Ellis, principal of the Alachua High School, who was so badly injured by a kicking mule two weeks since, has sufficiently recovered to be out again and was a visitor to Gainesville Saturday. He states that while he has not fully recovered he expects to resume supervision of the school at Alachua Monday, but will not undertake to teach for the next few days.

Funeral Largely Attended.

From Sunday's Daily Sun: The funeral services of the little two-year-old son of Dr. and Mrs. B. M. Tison were held from the house yesterday and followed to Evergreen

JURY IS COMPLETED TO TRY THE COOPERS

But State Solicitor Gives Notice That He May Strike Some of Them.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 13.—Hardly had the jury been completed yesterday in the case against Col. Duncan B. Cooper, Robin J. Cooper and John D. Sharpe than the State served notice that it might seek to again deplete the box. This incident followed a wearisome day. Nearly 200 talesmen had been called without securing the twelfth juror when suddenly and unexpectedly both sides accepted William Hows, a German farmer 55 years old.

With alacrity, Judge Hart ordered the sheriff to bring the complete jury into court to be sworn. Then it was that Attorney-General McCarn interposed. He said he had information tending to show that two of the men now in the box were incompetent. This information, he explained, came too late for use before. He asked until Saturday morning to produce the proof, if such proof existed.

Judge Hart consented to the delay and the case will be resumed this morning. Judge Hart announced Friday morning that he proposed to get a jury if it takes another month.

W. A. Bell, a farmer 50 years old, who had not read a newspaper for twelve years, qualified, but was challenged by the defense. A. G. Burnett, a horse trader to whom news-

paper reading is an undiscovered art, and who is a close friend of John D. Sharpe, next qualified. The State excused him.

J. H. Lloyd, who qualified, never believed what he saw in a newspaper because once he read in one that a certain grocer sold thirty pounds of sugar for a dollar. When he went to get the sugar the grocer told him it was a mistake. Since then he said he did not believe anything in the "durned papers." The defense excused him.

Gray haired, gray whiskered, with face deeply lined, but erect and active still, J. T. Horn, aged 65, one of Forrest's famous hard-riding cavalymen, qualified as a talesman. He had not read the papers; but had formed an opinion.

Col. Duncan B. Cooper, one of the defendants, was one of Forrest's officers, too, but in spite of this the State accepted Horn as a juror. The fact evidently aroused the suspicions of the defense for a lengthy conference followed. Then to the surprise of everyone, they challenged him peremptorily.

It was late when the twelfth juror, Hows, was accepted and then came the announcement of the Attorney-General, which caused an early adjournment.

Sea Island Cotton Market Was Active and Firm

SAVANNAH, Ga., Feb. 13.—The Sea Island market was fairly active and firm the past week for all grades, except extra choice, which grade appeared to be neglected. Although some holding cotton was added to the receipts to swell the offerings, the demand was sufficient to take up everything of the grades in request, and large sales were made for the season. Prices remained about unchanged, but quotations are readjusted for choice and below, which grades were in especial request. The market closed quiet, but firm, with some disposition to ask higher prices. Sales for the week were 2,041 bales.

The following prices were based on factors' quotations and are revised weekly on Fridays:

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| Fancy Floridas..... | 19 | @20 1/2 |
| Fancy Georgias..... | 19 | @20 |
| Ex. choice Fla's..... | 17 | @18 |
| Ex. choice Ga's..... | 17 | @18 |
| Choice Ga's. and Fla's..... | 15 | |
| Ex. fine Ga's. and Fla's..... | 14 | |
| Fine Ga's. and Fla's..... | 12 1/2 | |
| Com. Ga's. and Fla's..... | 10 | @11 |

CHARLESTON, S. C., Feb. 13.—Sea Island market quiet; fine, 20c; fully fine, 22c; extra fine, 23c. Receipts, 125; exports, 561; sales, 600; stock, 1,854.

Daytona Postoffice Was Robbed By Professionals

DAYTONA, Feb. 13.—Some time Thursday night, it is impossible to estimate just what time of the night, thieves gained entrance into the postoffice and drilled the safe, taking the entire contents in currency and stamps. Aside from some grease spots made by the oil used on the drill, they left nothing disturbed, and there was every evidence of the professional in their line of work. The doors and windows were locked and undisturbed, and when Charles Messing, who opens the office, arrived, it was some few minutes before he discovered the robbery.

The robbers had evidently gained entrance to the office by half-inch bit bored through the safe door to

the lock, opened the door and helped themselves to the cash box and stamps. The empty cash box was found yesterday morning by Mr. Dunn, Sr., in an empty barrel back of Dunn Brothers' store. The robbers had used a cold chisel in prying, and a freshly broken piece of concrete is what first attracted Mr. Dunn's attention and directed his search.

Postmaster Smith does not say the amount of money and value in stamps stolen, but he acknowledges that the amount was considerable. With no light burning within the office, and the mail boxes as a screen to operate behind, the danger of detection was not great enough to deter these professionals.

What Was Transpiring in Gainesville in 1876

(Gainesville Times, July 27, 1876—E. M. Hampton, Editor.)

M. Endel & Son announce that no liquor is sold in their establishment, and their customers, ladies especially, need fear no unpleasant interruptions while purchasing there. (Nearly every store in Gainesville sold liquor by the bottle in those days. Now it is not legally sold at all.)

On Friday last, during a thunder storm, the new store of Matheson & Co. was struck by lightning, causing considerable damage. One corner of the building only was struck, the whole frame work of the corner, however, being torn open. The shock was felt by several persons in the immediate vicinity. (This was a large two-story frame building where the store of L. J. Burkhim now stands.)

Mr. I. Blumenthal was in the city several days last week.

What has become of the fire company that was organized a few months since?

The constant tap, tap of the hammer and the noise of the saw in the hands of the busy carpenter attest the growing prosperity of Gainesville. (Same now.)

Acce & Parker are now keeping on hand regular supplies of ice. (We now have two ice factories.)

At least 40 carloads of watermelons have been shipped from this place since the first of June and still the shipments continue. (Few people now grow watermelons here for shipment.)

Mr. Geo. K. Broome lost a fine horse last week under very peculiar circumstances. The horse was hitched to a plow, and owing to the carelessness of the negro in charge he became entangled in the gear, and in his efforts to extricate himself fell upon the point of the plow, cutting a gash in his side from the effects of which he died in a short time.

Judge King and family have gone to Worthington Springs for a few weeks.

In our first issue w unintentional-

ly omitted to acknowledge our obligations to Mr. Charles H. Berg, foreman of The Sun office, for his services in our behalf while procuring the material for The Times office. He selected our outfit and performed many other favors for us, for which he has our sincere thanks. (Mr. Berg is still living in Florida, being employed at his trade in Jacksonville.)

The hogs have been allowed to roam the streets again and supply the place of our indifferent scavenger.

Mr. F. S. Roux will soon have his new shop completed and prepared to fill all orders in the line of wheelwright and cabinet maker.

Mayor Burnett and Mrs. McMillan have returned from South Carolina, the one from Orangeburg and the other from Charleston, where they have been spending several weeks.

The express office is an institution of the past, but its memory still liveth. (What would the "old toppers" do now if they had to get their "little brown jugs" by freight?)

Notwithstanding the numerous failures in this section in the vegetable business, numbers of old citizens and recent settlers will try it again next year. (It will thus be seen that the "old timers" made failures in 1876, the same as many of our truck growers now have to contend with.)

Judge J. T. Maghee, editor of The Tampa Guardian, was in our sanctum on Monday last. (Judge Maghee was a peculiar man, but a learned jurist. He once released himself from a city jail on a writ of habeas corpus issued by and returnable to himself, claiming that a circuit judge was a judge whether in or out of prison. The travel from Tampa in those days was principally by steamer to Cedar Key, and thence by rail to Gainesville, most people preferring this mode of travel to the old stage line via Brooksville and Ocala to Gainesville.)