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On the 26th ult., Wm. THOMSON, colored, was arrested, charged with shooting Eliza MORAGNE, colored, and brought before Trial Justice Hemphill. The affair occurred in the neighborhood of Wilson's Mills. It clearly appearing that the shooting was from an accidental discharge of a pistol, the party was discharged. The wound inflicted was very severe, but not fatal.

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FIFTY DOLLAR REWARD

The above reward will be paid for the apprehension of Wade PRESSLY, colored, who escaped from the Abbeville jail on the night of Saturday the 4th inst. He is six feet high, about thirty years old, weights 165 or 170 pounds, is of fine appearance and quite sociable in his manners. H.S. Cason, Sheriff of Abbeville county, June 10, 1870

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GENERAL CLEBURNE; SOME INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT HIM

When General CLEBURNE was killed at Franklin, Tenn. in 1864, he was in his thirty-fifth year. By education he was a druggist and in early life he was as thoroughly accomplished as one could be at his age in that profession. When about twenty-one years of age, he abandoned the monotony of bottles and labels and the filling of prescriptions, and joined the British Army as a private. The extent of his service, I know not, but it seems probable that he did not remain in the Army many months.

He landed at New York poor and friendless and some years before the war, was found at Cincinnati by a gentleman of Helena, Arkansas who induced him to go to that place and accept, under him, a situation in his drug store.

The young Irishman soon made friends, who recognized his merits and talents and persuaded him to study law. He was soon admitted to the bar and became the partner of Colonel Mangam, an eminent lawyer of Arkansas, who was afterward one of Cleburne's staff officers and who is still practicing law at Helena.

When the war broke out, Cleburne went out from Philips county as Captain of a company. His subsequent career is part of the known history of the war, and his fame belongs alike to the South and his native Ireland. Strange and unnatural as it may seem, he had a brother in the Federal Army. Of this fact he never spoke even to his most intimate friends and few of them ever ventured to broach the subject.

Passing over this circumstance, which has many painful parallels, we come to the saddest romance of his great life which involved another who was as gentle and pure, and patriotic in her sphere, as he was brave and knighly and fierce in war. She, too, has gone to the spirit land, and we violate no sacred confidence now in writing thus briefly a tender episode in the warrior's life. It will be remembered by hundreds and thousands of the surviving members of the Grand Old Army of Tennessee that while the army was in winter quaters at Dalton, General Cleburne had a leave of absence and went to Mobile, as it was impossible for him to get through the lines to home.

When he returned to the Army, it was overserved by all who knew General Cleburne that he was dressed up as he never had been before. He wore a new uniform, with the buff trimmings and insignia of a Confederate Major General, also a new felt hat, adorned with a sweeping black plume. The soldiers grew curious over the change in "old Pat's" appearance for previously he had generally worn the garb of a common soldier, and they explained the transformation in many witty remarks.

It subsequently transpired that during the General's absence, he had addressed an accomplished and lovely young lady of Mobile, was accepted by her, and they became formally betrothed. A time was appointed for the celebration of their nuptials, but fate decided that they should never meet again.

General Cleburne carried with him into Tennessee his wedding suit; and expected at the first opportunity to return to Mobile to be married. The rest is quickly told. He fell at Franklin and was buried in his bridal suit, as one of his staff who interred him recently informed me. The young lady, some time after the war, was married, but last year she too passed away from earth, and the betrothed spirits have doubtless met before the Great White Throne of Heaven, where all believers in Divine Revelation must admit "there is no marriage or giving in marriage."

General Cleburne joined the Episcopal church before the war and was buried at Franklin with the full rites of that church, which were performed on the occasion by Bishop Quintard. The Memphis Ledger

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Mrs. Mary CREWS, after a short illness, died at the residence of her son

T.B. CREWS, in Laurensville on Friday the 3rd inst.

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## MARRIAGES

Married on the 7th of June at the residence of Mr. R.M. White of Greenwood by Rev. W.H. Lawton, Mr. W.T. BRANCH and Miss Annie C. WILSON, all of Abbeville.

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## COURT News

The Regular June Term of Court commenced on Monday last, his Honor Judge ORR presiding. The following Jurors were organized:

## GRAND JURY

D.O. HAWTHORNE, Foreman

J.A. McCORD

Thos. ROBINSON

Zack WIDEMAN (colored)

W.H. SHIVES (colored)

Jonathan JORDAN

Wm. MADDIX

G.W. DONNARD (colored)

Lee SMITH (colored)

Robt. GRIFFIN (colored)

Wash GREEN (colored)

B.F. ROBERTS

A.W. BOWEN

Wade HAMPTON (colored)

W.C. MOORE

W.H. PENNY

Gordon McWILLIAMS

Wm. POPE (colored)

PETIT JURY No. 1

B.D. KAY, Foreman

James H. BRITT

S.S. BAKER

John DAVIS

B.H. AIKEN

N.A. EDWARDS

Jno. FISHER

J.D. GUILLARD

John GOULSBY (colored)

Ben HUGHES (colored)

Vachel HUGHEY

T.J. HEARST

PETIT Jury No. 2

J.M. LATIMER

Geo. LOVEGREEN (colored)

Wm. LATIMER (colored)

Sharpe McCASLIN (colored)

Davis MORRAH

Wade PUCKETT (colored)

Henry PRESSLY (colored)

Daniel PROFITT (colored)

Larkin REYNOLDS

R.M. WHITE

Chas. WATSON (colored)

J.L. YOUNG

The following true Bills were found:

State vs. Lewis TRUWITT and Williams TRUWITT, assault and battery

State vs. Jeanette HODGE and William FRANKLIN, assault and battery

State vs. Virgil MADDEN, assault and battery

State vs. Newlin MERCER, assault and battery

State vs. Jerry HOLLOWAY, Griffin WRIGHT, Nathan WATSON, Jack WRIGHT, grand larceny

State vs. Manuel McKELLER, assault and battery

State vs. Thomas HIGDON, assault and battery

State vs. Wade PRESSLY, grand larceny

State vs. Wade PRESSLY, retailing without license

State vs. Louisa BARR, assault and battery

State vs. R.J. CHEATHAM, assault and battery with intent to kill

State vs. Agnes YOUNG, arson

State vs. Edwin BROWN, petit larceny

State vs. Waller W. DOUGLAS, larceny

State vs. Virgil MADDEN, assault and battery

State vs. Ch. W. SMITH, grand larceny

State vs. Jerry HOLLOWAY and Jack WRIGHT, assault and battery with intent to kill

State vs. Henry BURRIS, David CRAFT and Byrd HALL, riot and assault and battery

The following case verdicts were rendered:

State vs. Laura ARCHER, larceny, Guilty

State vs. Frank WIDEMAN, assault and battery, Guilty

State vs. Lark REDDIN, assault and battery, Not Guilty

State vs. Sam'l H. ERWIN, F.P. TOMLINSON and J.H. BENNETT, riot, Not Guilty

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DIED, in this village, at the advanced age of over eighty years, Mr. Josias CASON, at the residence of his son Mr. H.S. CASON the Sheriff of the district. He was one of a long lived family, his brother Mr. James CASON of our district, being still surviving, a hale and hearty man of over ninety winters. The deceased was a good citizen, a man of estimable character and highly respected by all who knew him. He leaves many friends and relatives to deplore his loss.

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DEATH OF ESTEEMED CITIZEN, Capt. James TAGGART Sr.

We regret to announce the death of Captain James Taggart Sr., a well known citizen, at his residence near Calhoun's Mills, from paralysis on Tuesday last. He was well advanced in years and this being the second attack, soon terminated fatally. Capt. Taggart was a public spirited citizen, a man of large heart and generous impulses, a popular companion, a good neighbor and a useful member of society. He leaves a large circle of friends and relatives to mourn his loss.

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