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The Murder of Dr. Ayer.

The first news of the murder of Dr. Benjamin Ayer, was given by telegraph, and from the wording of the telegram announcing that Dr. Ayer, Republican member of the State Legislature, was found dead by the roadside, it was evidently intended to convey the impression that he was murdered because he was "a Republican member of the Legislature." We wonder that an Executive proclamation has not yet issued, charging the homicide on the Democrats, and offering a reward of at least \$5,000 for the apprehension of the murderer.

It is apparent, however, that the unfortunate victim perished by the hands of the race for whom he abandoned his own. For months he has devoted whatever intellect God gave him to excite the blacks against the whites in the County where he lived. He was elected to the Legislature by negro votes. To elevate the negro and degrade the white race was his politics.

Beyond a shadow of doubt, from the evidence which has been collected, Ayer was murdered by negroes for the purpose of robbery. He was old and infirm, and though he had dishonored his grey hairs for the sake of the money which caused his murder, he was too despicable to provoke resentment in the minds of any of the white people of his county.

BISHOP WIGHTMAN, OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AT THE CHURCH OF THE STRANGERS.—The Rev. Bishop Wightman, of Charleston, South Carolina, a Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, preached Sunday, both morning and evening, at the Church of the Strangers, in the New York University Chapel, on Washington Square, of which the Rev. Dr. Deems, formerly of North Carolina, is pastor.

THE COST OF A VELOCIPED.—A gentleman in Hornellsville, New York, recently bought a velocipede, for which he paid \$100; broke a plate glass window, for which he paid forty dollars; cut his face and neck, for which he paid the doctor five dollars, ruined one pair of pantaloons, for which he paid eleven dollars, frightened a horse so that the animal ran away and broke a buggy, for which he paid damages amounting to sixty dollars; and to cap the climax, he finally smashed his velocipede by running into a brick wall, leaving him \$216 out of pocket, and a court plastered face to show for it.

A TARDY DECISION.—Under a display heading of "At Last! At Last!" the Philadelphia Age publishes the decision of the Pennsylvania Chief Justice condemning the election frauds of the Radicals last October and November. "At Last! At Last!" Too Late! Too Late!

Proceedings of Council.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, COLUMBIA, May 4, 1869.

Present—His Honor the Mayor; Aldermen Agnew, Bates, Claffey, Geiger, Hope, Hussung, Johnson, Radcliffe, Shields, Walter and Waring.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and confirmed. A petition was presented by P. W. Fuller, praying that Council would grant him time to settle the executions against him in the hands of the Sheriff. Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The following accounts were presented and referred to the Committee on Accounts: E. & G. D. Hope, Alms House and City Hospital; Wm. Klapman, Alms House and City Hospital; M. L. Bower, Alms House; Geo. A. Shields, Water Works and Market Departments; Boyne & Spruill, Market Department; and John Burdell, against the city for services, &c.

The City Clerk, Market Clerk and Chief of Police presented their respective reports for the month of April, which were referred to the appropriate committees.

The Committee on Accounts presented a report, recommending that the following accounts be paid: E. & G. D. Hope, Alms House, \$194.88, and City Hospital, \$94.20; Hopson & Sutphen, for dog collars, \$9.00. Report received and adopted.

The Committee on Market reported that they have examined the report of the Clerk of the Market for April, but, having found it incorrect, recommend that it be referred back to that officer, with instructions to report to the City Council at its next meeting. Report received and adopted.

The Committee on Alms House submitted the following report: The Committee on Alms House, to whom was referred the report of the City Physician, beg leave to report that they concur in the recommendations in regard to the necessity of having a loom and wheels furnished to manufacture cloth for the inmates. Your committee think it would be economy to have a cooking stove forthwith, and beg leave to present a set of rules and regulations for the government of the Alms House; and also recommend that copies of the same be framed for use.

Alderman Walter offered the following resolution, which was adopted: Resolved, That the report and accompanying rules and regulations of the Committee on Alms House be adopted, and the Committee be authorized to carry out its provisions.

The Committee on Licenses presented a report upon the application of Gorman & Badenhop, for tavern license to retail spirituous liquors, recommending the same be granted. Report received and adopted.

The following reports from special committees were presented, and received as information:

The Special Committee which was appointed at last meeting of Council to represent the city stock in the Greenville and Columbia Railroad, at its annual meeting, held on the 29th of April, respectfully report, that we discharged that duty, to the best of our ability, for the interests of the city of Columbia.

(Signed,) ORLANDO Z. BATES, JOHN AGNEW, W. T. WALTER.

The Committee appointed to attend the meeting of stockholders of the Charlotte and South Carolina Railroad beg leave to report, that they have performed that duty to the best of their ability.

(Signed,) EDWARD HOPE, CLARK WARING, JACOB HUSSUNG.

A bill entitled "An Ordinance to exempt certain property from municipal taxation" received its second reading, and was ordered to its final reading at the next regular meeting of Council.

The following resolutions were offered and adopted:

By Alderman Bates: Resolved, That in accordance with an Act of the Legislature appropriating fifteen thousand dollars to assist the authorities of the various towns and cities in the State in caring for the transient sick poor of such cities and towns, his Honor the Mayor be instructed to ascertain what portion of said appropriation the city of Columbia is entitled to; then, by order, approved by the Governor, draw such amount for the benefit of the suffering and transient poor of this city.

By Alderman Agnew: Resolved, That the agent of the South Carolina Railroad Company be notified to place a crossing and bridge on the South Carolina Railroad at the point where the road crosses Lincoln street, so as to open that street across the railroad, in accordance with the Ordinances of the city.

By Alderman Hope: Resolved, That a Special Committee of three members of this Board be appointed by the Mayor to examine the Fair Grounds, and report to Council what action is necessary with a view to holding an Agricultural State Fair, in November next.

His Honor appointed Aldermen Hope, Waring and Johnson on the above Committee.

By Alderman Hussung: Resolved, That the Chief of Police be instructed to call the special attention of his

men to the following Ordinances of the city, with a view to their strict enforcement, viz:

An Ordinance in relation to using the water from the city by persons without paying the tax thereon.

An Ordinance in relation to dogs running at large.

An Ordinance in relation to vehicles running in the streets without having paid the license, and not having the proper badge. On motion, Council adjourned. J. S. McMAHON, City Clerk.

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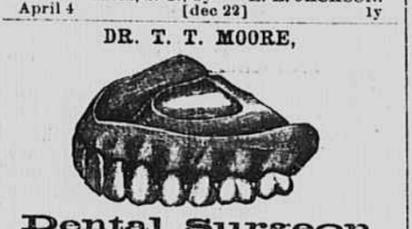
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