

## GIVE HIS SIDE

### Governor Blease Answers Representative Smith's Charges.

## HE OBEYED THE COURT

### There Was Nothing Dishonorable in Change Made in Record in His Office—Merely a Fight in the Greenville County Legislative Delegation—Mr. Blease Statement.

Concerning the Greenville County appointments for township commissioners that have created such a stir in the upcountry, to the extent that an affidavit was made and published by a member of the Greenville delegation, charging the governor with changing names, a statement was Friday given out by the governor. Here is the statement about the matter given out by the governor:

"On February 13th, 1911, the recommendations were handed in for Greenville county, accompanied by a note signed by W. L. Mauldin, senator. Later, Mr. C. D. Smith came in and asked to be allowed to make some changes in the recommendations. The governor requested him to take the matter up with Miss Newnam, who was then a stenographer in the office, Miss Newnam having charge of this part of the work. The governor, going into the front room, with Mr. Smith, and instructing Miss Newnam to make such changes as Mr. Smith suggested. Miss Newnam says a large, stout gentleman came to her and stated that he wanted to make the changes, but did not have the names with him, but that he would get them. He later came back and suggested that Miss Newnam insert the names in the townships in her own handwriting, crossing out the names sent in on the original list. After Miss Newnam made the changes, she asked the governor if he wanted to look at them, and the governor said, 'No, go ahead and make the appointments just like he gave them to you' and the appointments were made.

"The following letter explains the changing of the names:  
"Greenville, S. C., Mch. 11, 1911.  
"His Excellency, Cole L. Blease, Governor of South Carolina, Columbia, S. C.  
"Dear Governor: In re appointment board of assessors Cleveland township, Greenville county: Your excellency has appointed Ben Hagood, W. L. Morgan and J. D. Drake on the recommendation of Mr. C. D. Smith and myself. I find that we were mistaken in the initials of Drake, and same should be C. G. Drake instead of J. D. Drake. There is no J. D. Drake in this township. I suggest that you have an oath sent to our clerk of court reading to C. G. Drake, re-calling the one to J. D. Drake. There is a small kick going on from friends of Senator Mauldin, but they amount to nothing, and didn't support either you or myself. "With best wishes, I am,  
"Yours very truly,  
"Wilton H. Earle."

"After the appointments were made, Senator Mauldin came to the governor and stated that the original list contained the names of the parties recommended by a majority of the Greenville delegation and insisted upon their being commissioned. "The governor, in view of the recent decision of Judge Ernest Gary in regard to such appointments, revoked the commissions of those appointed, and commissioned the parties who were recommended by a majority of the Greenville delegation. "The governor says that there was nothing dishonorable in the transaction on the part of any one, so far as he can see; that Mr. Smith wished the changes; that they were made for him, and Senator Mauldin insisted upon the appointment of the original named parties; and, in obedience to the decision of Judge Gary, these parties were appointed. That it was merely a delegation fight and that he does not see that anything dishonorable has been done by anybody, and that he is surprised at Mr. Smith endeavoring to place the blame for the changes on a secretary in the office."

### Tillman Feels Better.

Senator B. R. Tillman in response to an inquiry as to his health inspired by a rumor that he was very unwell said Friday that he was feeling entirely fit. He spent the day in the fields on his farm at Trenton, and says the country life is agreeing with him so finally that he feels better every day. He is feeling better than he has felt for months past.

### Made Fatal Error.

Aroused by an unusual noise in his home at Landown, Pa., Friday morning and seeing a figure moving about in the dim light, Alexander Kerr, age 18, fired a shot gun at the object and then discovered that he had mortally wounded his 10-year-old sister, Nellie. The girl died in 15 minutes.

### Died at His Desk.

While seated at his desk in his office on the first floor of the county court house in Columbia Probate Judge John T. Gaston was stricken fatally ill Saturday morning just before noon. He died at 12:10 surrounded by a few friends.

### Shot Himself at Sea.

Dr. Carl Buck, ship surgeon of the North German Lloyd liner Koelin, which arrived here today, committed suicide March 29th for no known cause. He shot himself through the heart. Dr. Buck was buried at sea.

### Abandon Vessel.

An abandoned ship riding on her beams' ends was reported Tuesday in the lane of the coast liners about 140 miles due east off Jacksonville, Fla. Revenue cutters are searching for the derelict to destroy it.

## DENIES A SLANDER

### BLEASE ANSWERS A SLANDEROUS STORY ABOUT STATE.

### The Governor Rightfully Denies the Statement That South Carolina Has Asylum for Illegitimates.

Governor Blease received Saturday a letter from Nevada which aroused his indignation and brought forth a characteristically picturesque reply. His correspondent, writing from Reno, said he and others were trying to "clean up things" at Reno, in respect to the divorce industry, and in consequence this State had been openly attacked in the legislative debates, a leader in the Nevada assembly going so far as to say that "the State of South Carolina, on account of its public immorality, occasioned by the absence of divorce, had been compelled to erect a large asylum for the maintenance of illegitimate children."

South Carolina's standard of morality, Governor Blease replied, "is higher than that of any other State in the union." The governor denounces as absolutely false, mean and malicious the statement quoted in respect to a State asylum for illegitimate children. "South Carolina," says Governor Blease, "has no divorce law, and her people are very proud of the fact."

### The Correspondence.

The very interesting correspondence on the subject follows:  
Nevada Realty and Finance Company, Anderson building, Reno, Nevada.  
March 25, 1911.

Hon. Cole L. Blease, Governor of South Carolina, Executive Chamber, Columbia, S. C.  
My Dear Sir:

We are in a hot fight out here in this Western country concerning easy divorce. We are trying to clean up things out here, organized a course of lectures and I enclose card descriptive thereof. Also send you under separate cover copy of my lecture and the attack upon me by one of the newspapers here, all of which will bring good results.

An attack has been made by the legislature here upon South Carolina, as I understand, your State grants no divorces. I have timber interests in the South and know the high grade of citizenship and morality that obtains in your State. One of the leaders in the legislature told me yesterday that the State of South Carolina on account of its public immorality, occasioned by the absence of divorce, had been compelled to erect a large asylum for the maintenance of illegitimate children, and I write this letter to inquire if that is a truthful statement.

Would it be too great a favor to ask for you to write me briefly if the absence of divorce in your State tends to immorality.  
Thanking you for the courtesy of an answer, I beg to remain,  
Very sincerely yours,  
D. F. Smith.

### The Governor's Reply.

Mr. D. Ford Smith, Anderson Building, Reno, Nevada.  
Dear Sir:

Your letter of March 25 received. South Carolina has no divorce law, and her people are very proud of the fact. The betrayal of the virtue of one of her women means death. The standard of her morality is higher than that of any other State in the American union, and the statement that she has an orphan home for illegitimate children is absolutely false. There may be some institutions of the kind in the State, but the State herself has no such institution, and the assertions set out in your letter as to such statements being made in your State are mean and maliciously false.  
Very respectfully,  
Cole L. Blease, Governor.  
Columbia, April 1.

## TWO NEGROES BURNED

### Beyond Recognition in Their Home at Blackville.

At Blackville Oscar Greene and his wife, two respectable old colored people, were burned to death Friday morning in their home. The fire occurred about 1 o'clock Friday morning, and the wind was blowing at a rapid rate, but, fortunately, only one other residence was burned. Oscar Greene was a good old dandy, and his death and that of his wife are deplored. These old people had acquired a right nice property, and while having no children of their own, had adopted several, and educated them, among them being Albert Davidson, the mulatto who served as postmaster there for several years, until his sudden death in the postoffice.

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## AFTER A HARD FIGHT

### BOTH SIDES NEED AND CALL FOR REINFORCEMENTS.

### Mexican Regulars Are Outnumbered by the Rebels, Who Come Off Victorious.

A dispatch from El Paso, Texas, says a stubbornly fought and bloody battle between 300 insurgents and 200 federal troops has raged around the little town of Santa Barbara, southwest of the city of Chihuahua, Mexico, for two days.

"According to the dispatch the rebels attacked and took Santa Barbara, but before they could strengthen its defenses the federal rallied and attempted to retake the place. A body of 25 rurales charged through the insurgent lines and succeeded in reaching the municipal building, but were cut off from the main federal body. They took refuge in the building. The telegram does not reveal their fate.

Finding himself outnumbered, Col. Arsamendi, in command of the federal troops, sent to Parral for reinforcements and the insurgent leaders are said to have dispatched messengers in the direction of the camp of Madero and Orozco on a similar errand. It is said both sides exhibited the greatest bravery and the percentage of killed and wounded is high.

Advices from Magdalena, Sonora, by mail, declare that Monday's battle reported from Agua Prieta as a victory for the rebels was really a victory for the rebels. Instead of being ambushed themselves, the rebels ambushed the federals at San Rafael and the federals were driven to a mill at Santa Rosa, where the rebels surrounded them, says the correspondent.

Mail advices from Hermosillo say of the fighting: "The battle that is being fought at San Rafael is the most important engagement of the revolution in this State. There are 700 revolutionists and some 1,000 federals. It is a stand-up fight. The revolutionists knew the federals were coming to the attack and stood their ground.

"Friday night the government issued a bulletin claiming that in the battle 78 revolutionists had been killed and that the government had lost 16 badly and 60 wounded. Twenty-six badly wounded federals arrived here from the front. After three days of fighting the government has issued no new bulletin or claimed the victory. The city is waiting. All know the news is bad for the government.

Although reports received at El Paso indicate heavy fighting at Ures, Sonora, representatives of both Mexican factions declare the report that 1,000 men had been killed is without foundation. Representatives of the insurrecto junta here, in close touch with the war zone, declare the insurrecto force which might have been engaged numbers but 1,100 and that not more than 2,000 men were engaged on both sides. The statement from Tucson that the town of San Rafael had been destroyed by fire is discredited, as the town consists almost entirely of adobe houses with mud roofs, which are fireproof. It is believed the loss has been heavy.

## MULE KILLED IN A FIELD.

### Old Rotten Pine Tree Falls Across Animal's Back.

Quite a peculiar accident is reported from Farrells, in Bamberg county, by which a fine mule was killed. It seems that while Mr. Sam Berry, a well-to-do farmer of that section, was ploughing in his field one afternoon last week a tree fell on and killed his mule. The ends of the rows went close to a little branch, in which several dead pine trees were standing.

As Mr. Berry was turning the mule around to start back with another furrow one of the dead pines fell directly upon the back of the mule, felling it instantly. The mule died from the effects of the blow in a very short time.

A little son of Mr. Berry, who was with him at the time, had a narrow escape from the same cause, as he saw the falling tree just in time to get away from it.

The accident is peculiar in that there was but a very light blowing at the time. The tree could have fallen in another direction as easily as the one in which it did fall.

### Turned Him Loose.

Governor Blease has paroled during good behavior James Murphy, of Dorchester county, who in 1907 became a life sentence for murder. Solicitor Hildebrand, in reporting on this case to the former administration, said that the man should have been hanged. Governor Blease did not seem to agree with Solicitor Hildebrand, and so turned Murphy loose.

### Only One Got Away.

Revolutionists slaughtered every federal official of the town of Guazaapas, near the Sonora line in Chihuahua, when they took the town. All were placed in jail and shot. A young telegraph operator alone escaped. He fell with others beneath the dead and crawled out 12 hours later and made his way barefooted to Chihuahua, 40 miles away.

## FATAL JOY RIDE

### The Chauffeur Was Killed and Several Others Severely Hurt.

## THE AUTO WAS BURNED

### Car Becomes Unmanageable and Strikes Tree—Steering Post Torn Away and Driver's Neck Broken—One Young Woman Thought to be Dying and Another Fatally Hurt.

Felix Faust, a chauffeur of New York, was killed, Misses Bessie McDonald and Gertrude Pfeiger, of Boston, badly injured, and Miss Emma Lucid, of Boston, hurt internally in an automobile "joy ride" accident on the Port Orange road, near Daytona, Fla., early Sunday.

The car was the property of R. A. Warner, of New York, who left for his home last Friday, after spending the winter season here. He left instructions with Faust, his chauffeur, to ship the car to New York Sunday.

Saturday night Faust invited a party of his friends to take a farewell "joy ride," and they were on their way home when the accident occurred. While the car was proceeding at a high rate of speed, it is said, it became unmanageable, and left the road, plunging through a ditch and grazing a tree. The tree tore away the steering post, broke Faust's neck and crushed his skull. The car ran a hundred yards and collided with another three, throwing the occupants in every direction.

Miss McDonald suffered a broken jaw, broken shoulder and concussion of the brain and is said to be dying. Miss Pfeiffer's injuries also are expected to prove fatal. Wm. Thompson, of New York, and Clyde Spring, of Daytona, who were also in the car, were thrown out, but their injuries are slight. The car took fire after the accident and burned up.

Miss Bessie McDonald has no known relatives, but was to have been married next month, it is said, to an officer of one of the steamboats running out of Savannah.

## DR. SEAMAN A. KNAPP DEAD.

### Well-Known Agricultural Expert Expires at Washington Home.

Dr. Seaman Asahel Knapp, one of the foremost experts of the department of agriculture, who has made investigations in many parts of the world, died at his home in Washington Saturday. He was 78 years old. The news of the death of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp was received in official circles in Columbia with sorrow. Col. E. J. Watson left for Washington Sunday afternoon.

Dr. Knapp first visited South Carolina with a view of putting into operation the farm demonstration work here in the summer of 1907. He went over the rice fields of the State with Ex-Governor Duncan Clinch Heyward and Commissioner E. J. Watson.

In the fall of 1907, at Commissioner Watson's urgent request, Dr. Knapp put United States farm demonstration work in South Carolina and sent Prof. D. N. Barrow here as first State agent.

Last fall, when Dr. Knapp was here, he said that "he hoped to live to make South Carolina the object lesson State in up-to-date agricultural methods among all the States of the Union."

Dr. Knapp was a speaker at the University of Columbia on Founders' Day, January 12, 1911.

## RAT ENJOYS MATCH FEAST.

### However, Mischievous Rodent Starts Fire in Show Case.

Rats and matches came very near causing a fire in Aiken the other night. On Wednesday night the cigar case in Hall's drug store was not well closed and during the night a rat entered the same and seemed to like the flavor of a certain kind of match. Just before he had satisfied his appetite the box caught on fire and the blaze caught a box of cigars. After burning for a short time the blaze went out, possibly because there was not sufficient air for circulation. This prevented what might have been a serious fire. No particular damage was done, except that the heat cracked the top of the showcase.

### KILLS HIS UNCLE.

Young Abbeville Man Claims Shot in Self-Defence.

Contending that he had shot in self-defence, Truman Ashley, a young white man, living near Donalds, surrendered himself at the sheriff's office at Abbeville Friday, and is now in jail, having killed his uncle, Ira Stone, Thursday evening. Sheriff Lyon went to the scene of the shooting Friday morning on the train, and young Ashley came to Abbeville through the country, and in this way missed each other. Little is known here of the particulars of the killing, but it is understood that the two men had a row, when the killing took place as above stated.

### Death of Jim Tillman.

A dispatch from Asheville says with only his physician and a young nurse with him at the end, Col. James H. Tillman, at one time Lieutenant Governor of South Carolina, died here tonight at 9.45. The end came very suddenly. He had been here for his health for the past six months, and of late had improved.

### Victim of the Flames.

The body of Samuel J. Abbot, the only victim of the New York State Capitol fire at Albany, was found Friday on the fourth floor in the southwest corner of the buildings where the flames raged fiercest.

## WINS THE FIGHT

### THERE WILL BE NO NEGRO ORDER OF THE PYTHIANS.

### They Will Call Their Order the Knights of Hannibal in This State Hereafter.

The troubles between the Knights of Pythias and the three Charleston negroes who wished to establish a lodge in this State and give to it the same name as that of the white lodge, have been brought to an end, says the Columbia Record. Mr. J. Walter Doar of Georgetown, who is grand chancellor of the Knights of Pythias in this State, announced Friday that a settlement satisfactory to both sides has been had. The negro lodge will be designated "The Knights of Hannibal" and accordingly will the charter be issued to the organization.

This interesting fight as to the retention of the name of an order exclusively dates in this State to the passage of an act at the session of the general assembly two years ago. In this act an order is given the right to keep other proposed organizations from taking a like or very similar name.

Several weeks ago three Charleston negroes sought a charter for the negro knights from the secretary of state. The grand chancellor of the Knights of Pythias protested, under the terms of the act passed by the legislature. The secretary of state refused to grant the charter upon the showing made by Mr. Doar.

When the charter was refused under the name "Knights of Pythias," the negro organization sought to secure a charter under the name "Knights." This, Mr. Doar also opposed, on the ground that it appeared that the negroes were still not within the law because the Knights of Pythias are called "Knights" generally and this would still make a conflict in the names of the two orders.

It appeared that the case would get into the courts and the secretary of state so wrote the Charleston law firm representing the negro organization.

Mr. Doar and the negro organization finally agreed that if another word other than Pythias were added to "Knights," the change would be satisfactory. So the negro lodge will be called the "Knights of Hannibal of the Eastern and Western Hemispheres."

## MOB WREAKS VENGEANCE.

### Lynched in Alabama for Assaulting White Woman.

Abberdin Johnson, a young negro, was lynched on the outskirts of Union Springs, Ala., Sunday afternoon by a mob, which came from Goshen, Pike county. The lynching followed the storming of the Bullock county jail here. The sheriff of Bullock was handcuffed and tied in the jail, after which the mob disappeared with the prisoner.

Johnson was charged with the assaulting of a white woman, who lived near Goshen. After being strung up to a tree his body was riddled with bullets. The crime was committed a month ago. Johnson was captured Sunday morning about 8 o'clock, near Union Springs, and placed in the Bullock county jail.

News of the capture quickly spread and a mob was formed early Sunday morning at Goshen. They took the Central of Georgia train to Union Springs, arriving there about 10 o'clock. The mob was slow in forming their plans and the sheriff of Bullock county called up the Governor at Montgomery over the long distance telephone, asking for troops. The Governor had the riot call sounded in Montgomery immediately, but while the soldiers were gathering in their armories the mob had stormed the jail and secured the prisoner.

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## DARK HORSE WINS

### DEMOCRATS ELECT JUSTICE O'GORMAN, TO THE SENATE.

### His Election Seems to Give Satisfaction to Both Factions of the Democratic Party.

Supreme Court Justice James Aloysius O'Gorman, Democrat, of New York city was elected United States senator Friday by the legislature after the most protracted struggle over this position ever held in the Empire State. On the final ballot—the 64th—he received 112 votes to 80 cast for Chauncey M. Depew, whose term expired March 4.

The result was in doubt almost to the minute of recording the votes, owing to the uncertainty as to how many of the Democratic insurgents, who for over two months had prevented an election because of their opposition to William H. Sheehan, would enter the second caucus which had been adjourned from day to day since Monday.

At the close of a day of almost continuous negotiations the insurgents capitulated and Justice O'Gorman was elected. A few minutes before the ballot was cast Justice O'Gorman's resignation from the bench was filed at the office of the secretary of state, as a constitutional provisional would have prevented his election while holding the office of the justice of the supreme court.

Wild applause marked the end of the long contest, and the legislature, driven from the State Capitol by Wednesday's fire, quickly adopted a resolution adjourning until April 17. Gov. Dix tonight expressed gratification at the result.

"The State of New York," he said, "has elected for its representative in the federal senate an eminent jurist, a man of pronounced ability, of great attainments and of the highest character."

"The election of Judge O'Gorman can not but meet with the approval of the citizens of this State, regardless of party. He will rank with the ablest statesmen the senate has known, will represent the Empire State and bestow honor upon the party that elected him. I am gratified at this solution of the problem which has confronted the Democratic members of the legislature for the past ten weeks."

Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall, who for weeks has been striving to bring about the election of Mr. Sheehan, expressed himself as highly pleased at the outcome.

"No better election could have been made by the party after the unfair and unmerited defeat of Gov. Sheehan, whose position before the people has been greatly strengthened," said Mr. Murphy. "Judge O'Gorman needs no commendation from any one, but the public undoubtedly will see that in the triumph of the majority rule and that in sustaining the party caucus the power of the party and its opportunities to serve the people have been greatly increased."

## GETS LARGE GIFT.

### Carnegie Gives Wofford College Twenty Thousand.

A special dispatch from Spartanburg to The State says Wofford College received Saturday a contribution of \$20,000 to its endowment fund from Andrew Carnegie, philanthropist and former steel magnate. The gift came in the form of a check to Henry Nelson Snyder, president of the college, which arrived in the morning mail.

Mr. Carnegie sent no message with the check. As Dr. Snyder said this evening, he treated the matter purely as a business transaction. Dr. Snyder had written Mr. Carnegie, asking him to help the college, and the check was the answer.

This gift brings the permanent endowment fund of Wofford College close \$200,000. The money is invested and the income used for the support of the institution. The principal is held intact.

Of the present fund \$100,000 has been raised in the last five years. Dr. Snyder seeks to create a permanent endowment fund of \$300,000, and hopes that other gifts will follow Mr. Carnegie's. He is also trying to raise funds with which to build a large dormitory.

### Won't Oppose Tillman.

In addition to reiterating his former declaration that he will run for the Senate, Governor Blease Friday verified The News and Courier's surmise that he will not run against Senator Benjamin Ryan Tillman. "I am already in the race, but I won't run against B. R. Tillman," said the Governor.

### He Owned Up.

At Chicago Philip Purpurpa, a former commission merchant, Friday confessed to the police that he had written no less than twenty-five letters to persons of South Chicago demanding money and signing the epistles "The Black Hand." Some of these were successful, he said.

### Electric Cars Collide.

Rural Policeman Knox, whose leg was amputated, and Conductor Kolb, whose skull was fractured in a bad electric car smash in the suburbs of Charleston on Saturday night, were reported to be doing nicely.

## BALKS AT NEGRO

### Young Girl Model Draws Color Line in Chicago Art School

## SHE WINS MUCH PRAISE

### Refuses to Pose Before Class in Which Negro Man is Included—Hereafter Negroes to be Barred—Makes Epoch in Practices of Art Schools in Chicago.

Hereafter negroes will be barred admission to the art classes in Chicago. The climax to the question was brought about last week in Chicago through the following incident related by the Chicago Tribune:

A beautiful girl model standing on a raised dais before Boutwood's life class of men students raised her hands to her throat and was about to fling away the long kimono that draped her figure from the nape of her softly curved neck to her bare feet.

As she did so her eyes took in the men of the class, one by one. At last they rested on Thomas Downs, a negro. Then suddenly the hands which had been fumbling with the cords at her throat paused. A deep flush spread over the face of the girl. Turning to one of the men students in the first room she said in a half whisper:

"I'll not pose so long as that—that black man is in the room. You must get him to leave if I stay."

Downs was on his feet in an instant. This was the first time in the history of the life classes at the Art Institute that the color line had ever been drawn. A half dozen other students stood up when Down did. They looked at Downs and Downs looked at them expectantly. Then with a muttered protest Downs walked slowly to and out of the door.

An instant later the kimono had been tossed away and the work of the life class was on.

That was all there was to it except the congratulations and applause that came to Miss Blanka—that is the name of the model—after the class was over; but it marks the beginning of a new order of things in the life classes at the Art Institute. From now on no negroes will be admitted to the classes in which girls pose.

There has for a long time been an undercurrent of protest both among the students and the models against compelling beautiful young girls to pose before negroes. This feeling never found voice until yesterday. The models were afraid to speak for fear of losing their positions, the girls students remained silent in dread of being ridiculed for prudery, and the men said nothing because it did not seem a thing for a man to talk about.

Miss Blanka's action solved the situation. She did what every one seemed to want to have done and what no one seemed willing to do. Miss Blanka—her first name is Mamie—lives at 812 Southwestern avenue. She had been chosen to pose for the class because of the exquisiteness of her figure, which is said to be almost Grecian in its classicalness. Yesterday was her first appearance before Boutwood's class.

"The other girls had told me what I was to expect when I posed before this class," said Miss Blanka, "and how they dreaded to do it. I made up my mind that some one would have to take a decisive stand in the matter, and as I have personally such a great aversion to colored men that it would have been almost impossible for me to force myself to pose before one of them, I determined to bring on a crisis of some sort. I am glad that matters have turned out as they have. With the exception of the negro student I guess every one is satisfied."

## WANTS HIS FRIENDS.

### Reasons For Not Reappointing All of Asylum Board.

Gov. Blease has refused to appoint three members of the commission named to relieve the congested condition at the State Hospital for the Insane.

He said Saturday that he would commission Dr. J. W. Babcock, superintendent of the asylum, and Dr. Robert Wilson, Jr., of Charleston. He said that he would not commission George B. Cromer of Newberry, Leroy Springs of Lancaster and R. O. Purdy of Sumter.

"The other three members of the commission will be Blease men," said the governor.

He said that the personnel of the commission would be announced tomorrow, and that he would sign the measure of the last general assembly providing for further work of improving the asylum and erecting the buildings on the new site acquired by the old commission.

"In making these appointments," said Gov. Blease, "I believe in the slogan, 'To the victor belongs the spoils.'"

## Cruisers to be Repaired.

Extensive repairs on the cruisers Charleston, St. Louis, Milwaukee, Chattanooga and Galveston will soon begin at the Puget sound navy yard to put those ships in readiness to go into commission. The work will cost approximately \$750,000.