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FOUR MEN KILLED

Result of an Accident On Southern Railway

A COLLISION NEAR CHARLESTON

When Found the Dead Engineer's Hand Firmly Grasped the Emergency Brake—Freight Engineer's Watch Said to Have Been 30 Minutes Slow, This Being the Cause of the Accident—Engineer Reed Fatally Injured.

Augusta, Ga., Special.—A special from Branchville, S. C., to The Chronicle says: The worst wreck that has occurred on this division of the Southern Railway in many years happened Sunday morning about 3 o'clock a few miles below Branchville near a small lumber station called Badham.

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Expectedly the Russo says, "a grouping of powers in Western Europe has begun, and perhaps we are attempting to place in the hands of international events."

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PEACE REPORTS QUESTIONED

Japanese Minister to France and Foreign Minister Del Casse Agree That No Peace Negotiations or Preliminaries Are in Progress, and Declare That Alleged Conferences Between the Two Never Took Place.

Paris, by Cable.—Whatever hopefulness the peace situation may have had some days ago, the prospect has now completely changed, and there is every prospect that the war will drag on again.

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PALMETTO AFFAIRS

Many New Items Gathered From all Sections.

General Cotton Market. These figures represent prices paid to wagons: Strict good middling 7 1/4, Good middling 7 1/2, Strict middling 7 3/4, Middling 7 1/2, Tinges 6 1/2 to 7 1/4, Stains 5 1/2 to 6 1/4.

A MOST HORRIBLE AFFAIR. Young Man Kills Woman and Ends His Own Life. A Conway special to Friday's Columbia State gives an account of a most horrible occurrence, as follows:

One of the most awful and sickening tragedies which has ever occurred within the borders of the county took place Thursday morning about 10 o'clock at Homewood station on the Coast Line Railway. As soon as the news reached this place your correspondent secured a horse and buggy and went out to the scene—a peaceful looking one-room board cabin, steps leading to a small clearing planted in English peas and strawberries, in the midst of the pine woods.

Tremendous Sales. It is stated on good authority that the increase in the sale of liquor by the State for the quarter ending March 31st, was \$222,000. The fiscal year begins with December.

102-year-old Colored Woman Dead at Columbia. Columbia, S. C., Special.—Fannie Barwell, sometimes known as Fannie Brice, died Sunday morning at 10 o'clock at the ripe old age of 102 years.

Young Howell's Murderer. Early Thursday morning Most Brunson, a negro suspected of the murder of young Stephen Howell, was brought to Columbia by being working.

Crackman in South Carolina. Columbia, Special.—A special to the State from Heath Springs, Lancaster county says, the sale of the Springs Banking and Mercantile Company was blown open by professional burglars about 3 o'clock Saturday morning.

GOVERNOR GRANTS RESPITE

Governor Gives Ned Mack Time For Further Investigation.

Columbia, Special.—Upon advice of Solicitor Wilson, Gov. Heyward granted the Manning negro, Ned Mack, who was to hang this week, a respite to April 23 in order to have a commission passed upon the question of the negro's sanity about which there is grave doubt among many good people at Manning.

Greenwood Farmers Meet. Greenwood, Special.—Messrs. Weston, Hyatt and Smith addressed a large and enthusiastic meeting here at the court house Monday. The meeting was composed of farmers and business men of Greenwood, and they gave each speaker the closest attention and frequently applauded them.

Death of Mr. A. Cole Lyles. Union, Special.—Hon. A. Cole Lyles died Monday at his home near Carlisle, S. C., which succeeded an attack of grip. At the time of his death he was president of the County Cotton Growers' association, to which office he was elected February 14, 1905, and until last fall had served for six years as a member of the same.

Dispensary Affairs. The allotment of the dispensary school money was made by the Comptroller General. The fund was divided out among the counties of the State; and in salaries to a force of 60 men.

Attorney General Gunter rendered an opinion of much interest to the school people. He decides that the State board of education has authority to say what constitutes a college within the meaning of section 1200 of the State school law.

To Run for Governor. Newberry, Special.—Mr. A. C. Jones has returned from New York and resigned his position as traveling salesman for Arnold, Constable & Co., to enter the race for governor.

Terms Accepted. Washington, Special.—President Roosevelt has accepted the proposition of the Dominican government, made through Minister Dawson, for the control of the finances of that republic.

Palmetto Items. Two pardon petitions were refused by the Governor—that of Pink Tinkleton, sentenced at Greenville to seven years for burglary, and that of Stephen Hough, given six months at Lancaster for grand larceny.

B. Y. P. U. STATE CONVENTION

Annual Convention of Young Baptists to Be Held Next Week in Charleston.

The annual convention of the Baptist Young People's Union of South Carolina will be held in Charleston, April 4-7, the meeting to be held in the Citadel Square Baptist church.

Second Session, April 5. 9:45 a. m.—Praise service, Rev. F. M. Satterwhite, Sumter. 10:45 a. m.—Organization of convention.

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