MYSTERY AS TO EMERSON CASE. Jury Finds He Came to Death at the Hands of Unknown Parties.

At the adjourned meeting of the coroner's jury held last night some eight or ten witnesses were examined, M. C. Long, Esq., plying the questions. There was not sufficient testimony brought out to justify the jury placing on any one the crime of killing Robert C. Emerson, who was killed some time during the night of Monday, December 6th, and whose body was found ruesday morning following below the Blue Ridge trestle in Walhalla, lying on the side of the embankment and about twenty feet from the west end of the trestle. A plece of rusty iron about 18 inches long was found a short distance from where the body was lying, and physi-cians testified that the wound on the back of Emerson's head was such as would have been made by a blow from such a weapon, the wound being slightly larger than the bolt on the end of this piece of iron. Though Mr. Long plied his questions adroitly, nothing definite was brought out sufficient to fix responsibility for the unfortunate man's death.

The verdict of the coroner's jury was to the effect that Robert C. Emerson came to his death at the hands of some party or parties unknown to

Mrs. S. Joyce, Claremont, N. H., writes: "About a year ago I bought two bottles of Foley's Kidney Reme-It cured me of a severe case of kidney trouble of several years' standing. It certainly is a grand, good medicine, and I heartily recommend it." J. W. Bell, Walhalla.

#### New K. of P. Officers.

At the regular meeting of Walhalla Lodge, No. 67, Knights of Pythias, held Monday night, the fol-lowing officers were elected to serve during the ear 1910: Chancellor Commander—W. D.

oss. Vice Chancellor—D. A. Smith. Prelate—Dr. G. C. Probst. Keeper Records and Seal—George

Master of Finance—B. S. Look Master of Exchequer—J. A. Steck. Master of Works—J. M. Moss. Master at-Arms—H. P. Holleman. Inner Guard—W. T. Maxwell. Outer Guard—W. M. Kay.

Trustees-J. M. Moss and F. A. H. The officers will be installed the first Monday night in January.

#### Unclaimed Letters.

Following is a list of unclaimed letters remaining in the Walhalla post office for the week ending December 20, 1909: Smith, Tommie.

Tood, Jim.
Watker, Alex.
West, Miss Annie.
Persons calling for the above will
please say they were advertised.
Anson C. Merrick, Acting P. M.

Many persons find themselves affected with :. persistent cough after an attack of influenza. As this cough can be promptly cured by the use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, it should not be allowed to run on until it becomes troublesome. Sold by The Seneca Pharmacy; L. C. Martin, Clemson College.

## Notice to Soldiers and Widows.

To Confederate Veterans and their Widows: I will attend in the Auditor's office every Saturday in January, 1910, for the purpose of preparing applications for those soldier, and widows who are legally entitled to same who are not already on the roll. These applications will go be-fore the County Pension Board, which will meet at the Court House on the first Monday in February, 1910, to

pass upon the same. No attendance is required of those who are already enrolled.

The Pension Board will meet on the first Monday in February without any further notice.

J. W. Holleman,

Pension Commissioner.

## Rich Men's Gifts Are Poor-

beside this: "I want to go on record as saying that I regard Electric Bitters as one of the greatest gifts that God has made to woman," writes Mrs. O. Rhinevault, of Vestal Center. N. Y. "I can never forget what it has done for me." This glorious medicine gives a woman buoyant spirits, vigor of body and jubilant health. It quickly cures nervousness, sleepless-ness, melancholy, headache, backache, fainting and Dizzy Spells; soon builds up the weak, ailing and sickly. Try them. 50c. at all druggists.

## Items from Mount Dale.

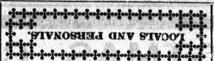
Mount Dale, Dec. 21.—Special: The bad weather has stopped the farmers from their work in the fields. They are getting up their Chrstmas wood and preparng to have a good time. The snow broke up the hot supper at Dodge road, but it will be held on the 23d. There will also be one at Bethlehem school house on the 28th. Everybody is looking for a good time. Come one, come all.

W. M. Nicholson is the happiest man we have. He killed seven tur-keys at one shot. They were fine. The writer had the good fortune to dine with Mr. Nicholson.

Davis Martin and son Paul are vis-iting at William Welch's. Mr. Welch will be 102 years old in April. Mrs. Reid and family of Mont Vale, N. C., are visiting at the home

of W. J. Keown.

Owing to the bad weather Rev. J. Tramell did not get to fill his appointment at Bethlehem, nor did Rev. J. H. Clark the second Sunday. C.



(Locals Continued from Page Eight.)

J. C. Keys, at St. Stephens, S. C., this

-The Walhalla Graded Schools will close to-morrow afternoon for a holiday vacation of ten-days. The several out-of-town teachers will spend Christmas at their respective We wish for teachers and pupils a merry Christmas.

-Married, at the North Carolina —Married, at the North Carolina State line, on Sunday, December 19, at 11 o'clock a. m., by W. A. Grant, Magistrate, Wm. Cannon, of Salem, S. C., and Miss Zoie Lusk, of North Carolina. Mr. Cannon is the youngest son of John W. Cannon, Sr., of Salem, while his bride is the second daughter of Norther Luck of North daughter of Newton Lusk, of North Carolina. They have many friends and relatives in both States who wish them a long life of happiness and prosperity.

-R. H. Dilworth and family will move to Pickens county about Jan-uary 1st to make their home. Mr. Dilworth will have charge of C. L. Dean's farm near the town of Pickens. He is quite as good a farmer as he is salesman, and that is saying no little. Prior to his employment by C. W. & J. E. Bauknight in their store here he was a successful far-mer on his father's place near Con-Mr. and Mrs. Dilworth will be missed from our midst, and will carry with them to their new home the best wishes of many friends.

—The children of the Methodist Sunday school will enjoy a "treat" at the church next Saturday (Christmas) morning at 10.30 o'clock.
There have been no extensive preparations this year for the little ones, owing to efforts having been concentrated on the orphanage work and affairs connected with the new church. The members of the Sunday school will, however, find that they have not been forgotten entirely. All are asked to meet at the church at 10.30 o'clock Saturday morning. The committee in charge will have everything in readiness by that hour.

—J. F. Abercrombie and family have recently moved to Oconee from the Pea Ridge section of Pickens county. Mr. Abercrombie has bought land in this county, and will make his home here permanently in the Salem section, where he has settled on 400 acres of land on Fall in perceek, which he secured from John ble D. Verner, of Walhalla. Mr. Aber-crombie is a brother of Rev. J. S. Abercrombie, who at one time was a member of the South Carolina Methodist Conference, but is now resid-ing in Atlanta. Mr. Abercrombie and family are heartily welcomed Oconee.

-We regret to chronicle the Margaret Land, (better Aunt Peggy), which ocknown as Aunt Peggy), which oc-curred at the home of her son, and only child, A. H. Land, near Hope-Tugaloo township, last Saturday night at 12 o'clock. Death was due to the infirmities of old age, she being in her 86th year at the time of her death. The interment took place at Hopewell on Monday, J. T. Bryant conducting the services. The deceased was born and raised in Laurens county, and moved to Oconee sixtyfive years ago, and has resided here continuously. She was a kind and 300,000,000 of Them Deposited in loving neighbor, and was always ready to lend help in time of need. To the bereaved son and other relatives is extended the sympathy of many friends.

—Henning Fred Thode and Miss ala Hix Earle were married last evening at 9 o'clock at the Lutheran parsonage, Rev. T. B. Epting officiata while, though the marriage of the young couple was not unexpected for the future. Mr. Thode, who is a medical student in the Atlanta Medical College, arrived in Walhalla 2011 day, ostensible. the most popular young ladles of Walhalla, a graduate of Winthrop and a young woman of strong personality. Mr. Thode is the only son of Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Thode, a graduate pharmacist and medical student. He has the congratulations of hosts of friends here and elsewhere, and the best wishes of all follow the young couple, in which The Courier joins most heartily. Mr. and Mrs. Thode left immediately after the marging covernment for Atlanta. riage ceremony for Atlanta.

-The new Neville home thrown open with a wealth of hos-pitality on Saturday afternoon, Deember 11th, when Miss Neville, with Mrs. Shanklin as honor-guest, was at home to the members of the Paul Hayne Club. There has been no more charming affair during the social life of the club. Beautiful in all its details, the reception was one of the happiest gatherings of the entire season. An amusing contest had been planned, during which those present wrote character sketches of each other. The cards having been numbered were read aloud and portrayed most aptly the following women: Mesdames Bell, Di y, Hern-don, Geo. Ansel, John An. , Brown, Adams, Shanklin, Blu. , er, and Misses Strong, Smith, Biemann and Verner. In an endeavor to assign the proper name to each, Mesdames Darby and Adams proved themselves to be the most expert character read-ers and received as tokens of reward There are several moving in these oblong pin cushions of pink and parts. Waddy Elliot and R. A. green satin. Inviting and fairy-like Keown made an exchange of places; was the dining room, with its elaborated decorations of vines pink and Keown made an exchange of places;
John Vaughn and family have rented from J. M. Green; R. A. Nichols and wife are moving to their place at Tamasses. We wish Mr. Nichols much success in his new home.

Owing to the had weather Bare. color scheme prevalled. A delicious course, consisting of pink and green cream and nut cake, with mint and salted peanut entries and after úin-

ner coffee, was served

COL. ROPERT A. THOMPSON.

The Last Great Link in the Chain of Two Generation

(Columbia Record, 20th.)

One's mind turns naturally to-day to Walhalla, for there dwells the very last of those 170 Carolinians, flower and pattern of the State's best wisdom and manhood, who this day forty-nine years ago signed the Ordinance of Secession. Strange and solemn must be this anniversary to the Grand Old Man of Occase and the Grand Old Man of Oconee ghostly the company about his 2:-

James H. Carlisle and it is likely that to his passing Col. Thompson's thought turns oftenest this winter evening, much like, the fathers say, that other evening in Charleston, near half a century back.

We have each his conviction as to the wisdom and foresight of seces-sion and discussion upon the point is needless; but there is no division upon the question of the high-minded patriotism of the convention, nor any reservations, mental or emotional, in the affectionate veneration with which thoughtful Carolinians turn today to Col. Thompson. A solemnly pathetic and yet noble and dignified figure he is, last link between his comrades of the convention and our generation, calmly awaiting in his mountain bond the collection. mountain home the call to join his comrades. Col. Thompson is more than four-score years of age, and in the nature of things it cannot be long now, until the time when the roll-call of the convention will show not

a single member absent from the spirit land. It is fitting to note at this time the fact, unusual enough to make it wor-thy special mention, that in the fret and trial of petty daily circum-stances, since the signing of the ordinance, Col. Thompson has lived consistently clean and patriotic, faithful and steadfast in all the activities of broad and full citizenship. There have been many men of heroic mold, capable of high deeds at need, who yet have had afterward to owe much to the gratitude and forbearance of those about them, because of fortitude in trivial affairs than they showed in emergency. To these all is forgiven. That is well, but the fact makes all the more lustrous a long life led unclouded once by petulence or smallness, though it lie through a round of littles and outward monotony, lacking the stimulus of war-time excitement. To be great in peace is a greatness not attainable for many who might easily

achieve greatness in war Alone in a Saw Mill at Midnight unmindful of dampness, drafts, storms or cold, W. J. Atkins worked as night watchman, at Banner Springs, Tenn. Such exposure gave him a severe cold that settled on his At last he had to give up He tried many remedies, but lungs. all failed till he used Dr. King's New Discovery. "After using one bottle," Discovery. "After using one bottle," he writes, "I went back to work as well as ever." Severe colds, stubborn coughs, inflamed throats and sore lungs, hemorrhages, croup and whooping cough get quick relief and prompt cure from this glorious medi-cine. 50c. and \$1. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by all druggists.

# RURAL CARRIERS AND PENNIES.

Rural Delivery Boxes. Local postmasters have received the following circular letter from the Post Office Department in Washing-Patrons of the routes are very kind to and usually thoughtful regard to their carriers, but penny-in-the-box hardship is not one parsonage, Rev. T. B. Epting officiating. This was one of the most complete surprises to the citizens of Walhalla that has taken place for cuits.

cal College, arrived in Walhalla Friday, ostensibly to spend the holidays with his parents, but the happy conwith his parents, but the happy consummation of his trip proves that he summation of his trip proves that he had plans "not dreamed of by his friends." The bride is the oldest daughter of Senator J. R. Earle and is a young lady of many excellent traits of character. She was one of the most popular young ladies of the purchase of stamp supplies, it was found that each carrier in the county was collecting an average of 115 one-cent coins each week. This average applied to all the routes in operation throughout the country would give the appropriate that of should be appropriate that the purchase of stamp supplies, it was found that each carrier in the county was collecting an average of 115 one-cent coins each week. This average applied to all the routes in operation throughout the country would give the enormous total of about 300,-000,000 one-cent coins.

As most of these coins are deposited loose in boxes it is desirable that you and the rural carriers, in a tactful and polite way, put forth your best efforts to induce patrons to provide themselves with stamp supplies in advance of their needs, and to equip their boxes with suitable coinholding receptacles. It should be ex plained to patrons that the picking of loose coins from boxes not only results in needless hardship and suffering to carriers in winter weather, delays the delivery and collection of the mails, but frequently results in actual money loss to the carriers, for, if, in collecting coins from boxes, they drop them into the snow or on the ground without recovery, they are required to replace the amount out of their own funds.

P. V. DeGraw,

Fourth Asst. Postmaster General.

## Entertainment at Oakway.

The Ladies' Missionary Society will give an entertainment at Center Methodist church, at Oakway, on Tucsday, December 28, 1909, at 2 o'clock p. m. A good program has been arranged, and Rev. J. C. Yongue, of Walhalla, Roy Brown, of Columbia, and Rev. J. L. Singleton, Westminster, are expected to be there to make some good lectures on the ladies' missionary work. public cordially invited.

FOR SALE—270 acres of land, 40 per cent inside incorporate limits of Pendleton, one-quarter of mile from Graded School, oil mill, cotton mill and depot. Would sell for one-fourth cash, balance to suit purchaser. Write E. H. SHANKLIN, Masley, S. C., or apply to A. Z. WILSON, Pendleton, S. C. 42-52 MASTER'S SALES.

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA. County of Oconee.

Court of Common Pleas. Pursuant to a decree of the aforesaid Court, in the case named below, I will offer for sale, to the highest bidder, in front of the Court House door, at WALHALLA, S. C., on Mon-day, JANUARY 3d, 1910, between the legal hours of sale, the tract of land below described: R. T. Jaynes, Plaintiff,

against James S. Davis, Defendant.

of these spirits the latest to put off fleshy habiliment was the venerable ing in the County of Oconee, State of South Carolina, adjoining lands of J. S. Carter, A. Zimmerman, Charlie Leathers and others, near the cor-porate limits of the Town of Westminster, on the road leading from Westminster to Dr. Johns's mill, containing thirty-three and one-third acres, more or less, and more fully represented by plat of same made by D. Conger on November 18, 1904, and being the tract of land conveyed to James S. Davis by David P. But-

ler.
Terms of Sale: CASH. That in the event of failure of the purchaser or purchasers to comply with the terms of sale within five days from day of sale, the Master do readvertise and resell said premises on the following saleday, or some convenient saleday thereafter, at the same place and on the same terms as heretofore set out, at the risk of the former purchaser, or purchasers, and that he do continue so to do until he has found a purchaser, or purchasers, who com-ply with the terms of sale. Purchaser to pay extra for papers, W. O. WHITE,

Master for Oconee County, S. C. December 15, 1909.

#### MAKE YOUR TAX RETURN. AUDITOR'S OFFICE,

Oconee County, S. C. December 14, 1909. This office will be open to receive Returns of Real and Personal Property for taxation from the 1st day of January, 1910, to the 20th day of

February following, inclusive.
The Real Estate—Lots and Buildings— are to be assessed this year. Taxpayers will be careful to list exactly the number of acres, number of lots and number of buildings on their returns, as the assessment made now will stand for the next four years. The Township Assessors are required by law to !!st for all those who fail to make their own returns within the time prescribed. Hence, the difficulty of delirquents escaping the 50 per cent penalty, as well as the frequency of errors resulting from this practice By all means make your own returns and thereby save expense and confu-

Males between the ages of 21 and 60 years, except those incapable of earning a support from being maimed, or from any other cause, shall be deemed Taxable Polls.

Return your dogs at the same time ou return your real and personal

For the convenience of taxpayers the Auditor or his deputies will also receive returns at the following times and places:

Mt. Tabor-Saturday, Jan. 1. Retreat—Monde: Jan. 3. South Union—Tuesday, Jan. 4. Fair Play—Wednesday, Jan. 5. W. N. Woolbright's—Thursday,

Jan. 6. Friendship—Friday, Jan. 7. Roads)— Tokeena (Cross day, Jan. 8.

Oakway—Monday, Jan. 10. Westminster — Wednesday Thursday, Jan. 12 and 13. Clemson College-Friday, Jan. 14, a. m. to 12 m.

Adams' Crossing-Friday, Jan. 14, to 5 p. m. Newry-Saturday, Jan. 15

Seneca — Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 17th and 18th. Clark's Store-Wednesday, Jan. 19 Salem—Thursday, Jan. 20. L'ttle River—Friday, Jan.

A. L. Whitmire's—Saturday, Jan-uary 22. Tamassee—Monday, Jan. 24. Cherry Hill—Tuesday, Jan. 25. Mt. Rest—Wednesday, Jan. 26. Henry's Store—Thursday, Jan. 27. Cannon's Store—Friday, Jan. 28. M. H. Lee's Store-Saturday, Jan-

Tugaloo Academy-Monday, Jan-

Madison—Tuesday, Feb. 1. Richland—Wednesday, Feb. 2 Returns will be taken at all places rom 10 o'clock in the morning until 3 o'clock in the afternoon unless oth

erwise specified. R. W. GRUBBS, Auditor Oconee County, S. C. December 15, 1909. 50-

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CITATION NOTICE.

The State of South Carolina, Coun.

ty of Oconee.—(In Court of Probate)

—By D. A. Smith, Judge of Probate.

—Whereas, Wm. J. Stribling has
made suit to me to grant him Let-

ters of Administration of the Estate of and Effects of Mary C. Bolt, de-

Mary C. Bolt, deceased, that they be and appear before me, in the Court of Probate, to be held at Walhalla, Court House, South Carolina,

on Thursday, the 30th day of December, 1909, after publication hereof, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon to show

cause, if any they have, why the said administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand and seal this 10th day of December, A. D. 1909.

(Seal.) D. A. SMITH, Judge of Probate for Oconee County

South Carolina.

Published on the 15th and 22d days of December, 1909, in The Keowee Courier, and on the Court

House door for the time prescribed

by law.

These are, therefore, to cite and

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MASTER'S SALE.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF OCONEE.

In Court of Common Pleas.

Pursuant to a decree of the aforeaid Court, in the case named below. I will offer for sale, to the highest bidder, in front of the Court House door, at Walhalla, S. C., on Monday, the 3d day of JANUARY, 1910, be-tween the legal hours of sale, the tract of land below described: Luther Williams et al., Plaintiffs,

against James Lee, as Administrator of the Estate of James Lee, deceased, and also in His Own Right, et al., Defendants.

All that piece, parcel or tract of land, situate, lying and being in the County of Oconee, State of South Carolina, on waters of Oconee creek, waters of Cane creek, waters of Keowee River, adjoining lands of the Norris estate, Rexford lands, Ervin lands, lands of James Lee, lands of the estate of Mrs. Mar-garet E. Ross and others, and supposed to contain four hundred seventy acres, more or less, it being a part of a tract of one thousand acres conveyed to said James Lee by Samuel Lovingood.
TERMS OF SALE: For one-half

cash on day of sale, and balance on a credit of one year, credit portion to bear interest from day of sale until paid in full, at the rate of 7 per cent per annum, and to be secured by bond of the purchaser, or purchasers and a mortgage of the premises, with privilege to the purchaser or purchasers to anticipate the payment of the credit portion at any time; that in the event of the failure of the purchaser or purchasers to comply with the terms of the sale within five days from day of sale, that the Master do re-advertise and re-sell said premises on the following salesday or some convenient salesday thereafter, at the same place and on the same terms as heretofore set out, at the risk of the former purchaser admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said the risk of the former purchaser or purchasers, and that he do conduct the said the said the risk of the former purchaser. tinue so to do until he has found purchaser or purchasers who shall comply with the terms of the sale.

Purchaser to pay extra for papers. W. O. WHITE, Master for Oconee County, S. C. Dec. 15, 1909-50-52

#### NOTICE TO OWNER: OF TRES-PASSING DOGS.

Notice is hereby given to all owners of dogs that from and after this date I will kill all dogs trespassing on my lands, or lands under my control, within range of my sheep, wherever they may be herded, kept or pasturing. W. C. DUKE.
Dec. 15, 1909.—50-51\*



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