Scraps and facts.

- London, April 14: The British government has decided against plac-ing cotton on the contraband list. A question was asked in the house of commons this afternoon on this subject, and Neil Primrose, under-secretary of foreign affairs, replied that after careful consideration, it had been found that the military advantages to be gained by declaring cotton contraband were insufficient to render such a step expedient. England has consented to allow two cargoes of dyestuffs, which the American Textile al-liance secured in Germany in payment for cotton before the allies' order in council placing an embargo on exports from Germany went into force, to pass the blockade. The cargoes, however, must be sent to a neutral port, then shipped or neutral vessels. American Ambassador Page today notified the Washington government of the decision. The alliance will have to seek Germany's permission for the cargoes to leave that country.

- "Germany, ignorant of the soul France, now is being punished for her mistake," was the declaration made by Premier Viviani at the opening at Gueret, France, last Monday, of the departmental council of Creuse. "She thought to find," he continued, "a di-vided, frivolous nation, but she met an iron wall, against whose heroic resist-ance the flower of her army was broken. Then behold, the iron wall was moved, supple and unbreakable, to-ward the western front, crushing little by little the army whose chiefs were not prepared for so long and bitter a struggle. The French nation, misunderstood and despised, has arisen ready to pile sacrifice upon sacrince, with millions in arms, preparing for Germany's chastisement. We are certain of victory—the victory of justice. We want Europe free, Belgium liberated, our lost provinces restored, Prussian militarism crushed, since the peace of the world is irreconcilable with its imaginary whims. We shall accomplish this task with our allies. We shall write not only the history of France, but in the annals of humanity, a page which our sons will read with emotion and pride."

- "There are virtually no willing, eligible men left to be recruited in those parts of the country which I have visited," writes a British army re-cruiting officer to the London Times. Those who remain, he says, either are in the employ of the state; doing work essential for the defense of the state, under binding obligation to parents, wives, children, employers, employes or religious principles; earning such good money that they are deaf to other considerations; ignorant or skulk-ers. The officer believes that if any considerable additional number men is required conscription will be necessary. Discussing those who denecessary. Discussing those who de-cline to enlist because they are earning too much money, the officer says: There are many small towns which for several months have been full to overflowing with billeted troops. Tradesmen and householders have been making more money than ever before. Labor is nowhere to be had." Of the agricultural districts, the officer says: "Farmers at first encouraged their men to enlist to an extent which seriously hampered their business. Now they can no longer spare a single man. They express resentment over the unfair competition for their employes by the government and local

- Telegraphic communication between the European countries, whethr belligerent or neutral, writes an Associated Press correspondent from The Hague, have been affected to an enormous extent by the war. Not only has the time of transmission been greatly extended, but the cost to the conders has been weathy increased. senders has been vastly Holland, for instance, in in order to communicate with neutral Spain, must route her messages by way of England, at double expense, since France will not permit telegrams whi been passed over German or Austrian lines to be taken over her wires. Otherwise it would be possible to send the message by way of Germany and Switzerland and thus over southern France to Spain. In order to tele-graph from Holland to Denmark, Sweden or Norway, the despatches from Holland must pass either through the hands of the German or those of the English censors, by each of whom they are in many instances given short shrift and often do not reach their destination. For America all cablegrams from Holland must first go to England, with consequent delay and sometimes suppression by the censors, but more especially when coming from the United States to Holland, when a delay of ten days is nothing unsual. The question has been raised in commercial circles here as what course is to be pursued to recover the tolls paid to the cable com panies for messages which, owing to the action of the German, British and French censors, have never gone over the wires, and an investigation has been started with the object of regulating the matter after the war

-"I myself will not intern." This was the emphatic declaration of Lieut. Capt. Thierfelder, commander of the the other counties will study careful German converted cruiser Kronprinz her methods and profit by them. Wilhelm, now at Newport News, Va., when informed by newspaper men late Wednesday that it was generally reported the cruiser ultimately would intern at that port. It was rumored that Commander Thierichens of the Prinz Eitel Friedrich had taken a similar stand, and that orders to in-tern his vessel had come from his government. Commander Thierfelder ide no reference to probable action of the German government with regard to the disposition to be made of the Kronprinz Wilhelm. Authorization to take the Wilhelm into dry dock was given to Commander Thier felder in two letters from Collector Hamilton. In reply to the captain's communication of April 13, in which was asked time to repair and make the Kronprinz Wilhelm seaworthy. The commerce destroyer will be removed from her anchorage into dry dock today. The condition of the ship and her boilers is said to be such that it will require three weeks to complete the temporary repairs for which her commander has asked. She is in need of boiler tubes which cannot be sup plied at Newport News and must be manufactured elsewhere. All knowledge of the whereabouts or operations of the German armored cruiser Karlsrhue were disclaimed by Capt. Thier-felder. "We have rever heard from the Karlsrhue," said the German cap-tain. "A surgeon doctor on my ship was on Wednesday morning quoted as having said we had heard from the Karlsrhue. He told this merely as a story, the newspapers like stories. I myself would know if we had heard from the Karlsrhue. We have not heard anything from the Karlsrhue." - Marked activity in manufacturing

and heavy exports were the features of the March cotton statement of the census bureau issued last Wednesday. Manufacturers in March used 523,959 bales, exclusive of linters, which is a record for monthly consumption, being 6,000 bales more than has been used in any month since the census bureau began collecting the monthly statistics two and a half years ago Cotton exports amounted to 1,298,573 bales, or almost double what they were in March last year. The month exports brought the total for the first eight months of the cotton year be-ginning in August, up to 6,689,613 bales, or 1,246,461 bales under last year's exports for the same period. The war's effects on cotton exports is indicated in Germany's takings, which for the eight months have been 242,-661 bales against 2,413,712 for the same period of last year. France has taken less than half the quantity she took last year, but Italy has more than doubled her cotton imports from the United States, Great Britain's imports were 147,000 bales less than the same period last year. All other countries took 2,199,685 bales against 1,106,029 bales in last year's period. Cotton used during March was 523,-959 bales exclusive of linters, the census bureau announced. Cotton on hand March 31 in manufacturing es-tablishments and independent warehouses aggregated 5,119,317 bales. March consumption compared with March consumption compared with 493,354 bales used in March, a year ago. During the eight months ending March 21 cotton used was 3,578,215 bales against 3,765,210 in the period of the previous year. Cotton on hand March 31 in manufacturing establishments was 1,746,475 bales.

in independent warehouses, 3,378,317 bales against 1,834,008 last year.
Exports in March were 1,208,573
bales against 695,310 last year, and
for the eight months 6,689,613 bales
for the eight months 6,689,613 bales against 7,935,075 in last year's period. Imports were 38,534 bales, against months 200,790 oddes, against 113,391 in last year's period. Linters used were 31,398 bales, against 24,720 last year and for the eight months 214,579 bales against 204,683 in last year's period: on hand in manufacturing estimates the state of the stat tablishments 161,647 bales against 103,626 bales last year, and in independent warehouses 100,208 bales against 57,538 last year. Linters exported were 60,175 bales and for the eight months 155,365 bales. Cotton pindles active during March number-d 30,918,533 against 31,083,898 in March last year.

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Wonder what makes those Gaffney people think they can underbid York ville on a loan to York county?

The public will naturally be nuch concerned in the legal fight that has been precipitated between the Riggs National bank of Washington, and the treasury department. On the face of the proposition the treasury department has gone after the bank to make it obey the law and the bank officials claim that the treasury officials are prompted altogether by pri vate motives. As to what the real facts are it will remain for the courts to determine; but in the meantime i is inconceivable that such officials as Messrs. McAdoo and Williams should use their high positions to such an end as the bank people allege.

The presence of the Wilhelm at the whereabouts of the sea raider Karlsrhue. It is reported that a member of the Wilhelm's crew claims to have heard from the Karlsrhue since the date that ship was reported to should keep in mind the danger have been destroyed. Of course the jumping at conclusions. story is only a rumor that cannot be confirmed; but nevertheless the subject is one which makes speculation. There are British and French ships outside the harbor watching for the Wilhelm. The Karlsrhue could hardly handle these ships, and it is hardly possible that the Germans have a submarine that they could send across the Atlantic to do them injury. No one seems to think it possible that any of the larger German ships will try to break out of the North sea. But still the situation compells all

happen. Greenville is certainly getting som advertising out of the fact that she is to spend \$950,000 for good roads. Papers near and far are commenting up-on her progressiveness. But all this advertising will be exceeded by the advertising she will receive if the money be wisely and effectively expended and she take the lead among the Piedmont counties, not only in providing money for good roads, but in acquiring them. It must not be forgotten that the Greenville highway commission has undertaken a very re ponsible operous task made heavier by the fact that it is blazing the way as there is no form of highway construction within the means in the hands of the commission that has been tested and proven satisfactory for the soil that prevails in this section of the state. There should be no impathe state. tience if the commission proceed more slowly than some would have it in the discharge of its duty.—Greenville

We wish Greenville well. It is great and important experiment on which she is entering and whether she succeeds or fails the whole state wil be her debtor. If she succeeds, the the other counties will study carefully she fails the other counties will profit likewise by her experience. We agree the benefit that will properly go along with such a well-earned distinction We hope she will succeed.

The War News.

There may be those who are not in terested in the news from the terribl European war; but it is more likely that those who profess lack of interest; are only trying to make themselve think they are not interested, because as a matter of fact, the gigantic strug daily life and future fortunes of th whole civilized world, and it is inconceivable that anyone should lack in terest in a situation like this.

But the trouble is that no matte now great the interest of the individ ual or of the people, it continues im ion as to developments. The paper are printing all they can get about the war, and thousands and hundreds of of thousands of readers think they are getting the whole story; but as matter of fact, they are getting nothing .. the kind. The only really acing the kind. The only really ac- New Haven, Conn., Tuesday. It was curate and comprehensive information the first time the two ex-presidents that the world at large is getting is from various developments far outside of the seething cauldron of activity, and of a nature that cannot be well of the board of aldermen of the city of St. Louis, Mo., has been indicted on

Where a German submarine sinks a merchant ship after taking off all or Both sides recognize the impossibility of concealing an event like this and neither side tries. In the case of a graph company and the Pennsylvania killed or wounded soldier, of course his people are informed. When large from the battle line, the people at home draw their own inferences, but ficers and soldiers in uniform have as to whether the news is given out to b the world depends upon circumstances It is the same when shipload after shipload of recruits are sent to the front. Orders for large numbers of horses, or immense quantities of food, arms or ammunition, and news of diplomatic correspondence on this subject or that, also give much material for inference. Along with it, too, the official reports, the claims, admissions, denials, suggest the trend of develop-

ments and cause speculation; but in

men to the mile, and fighting is going on with more or less regularity, some-Imports were 38,534 bales, against 30.863 last year, and for the eight months 206,790 bales, against 115,157 times continually, sometimes intermittimes tently, that recruits and supporters tently, that recruits and supporters are being sent forward in regular streams and that wounded are being sent back as opportunity and facilities permit; but as to which side is making most headway and to what extent is only a guess and a very wild guess at that.

At times, the average individual reasons that since the allies have control of the sea, unlimited money and the world to draw from, they must surely win. Then there is pointed out the fact that up to this time all the fighting has been on the soil of the allies and the claim that the Germans and Austrians have all the supplies of both food and ammunition that they require; that up to this time nothing like all their available men have been engaged. In the absence of accurate and reliable information, there is

nothing left but perplexity. Common business opinion has it that he war cannot last longer than next fall; but Lord Kitchener, who says that it will not begin until May, has not withdrawn his original prediction that it would last three years. Business people do not know and Lord Kitchener does not know. One is left to figure it out according to his own

notion. There is another thing. The whole Africa has been stirred in connection with this matter. These people as a rule are not equipped for fighting as having. they are fighting in France and Russia; but they are very numerous and very warlike when they are thoroughly stirred. There is very little or nothing being said about them; but there are intimations that they are giving trouble in Asia Minor, in India, in northern Africa and elsewhere. They might easily be giving a great deal more trouble than has been reported.

It is possibly easy enough to guess that the allies will surely win this war. That is the natural assumption of most of the outside world. Practically all of the facts that are getting publicity point to such a conclusion. Newport News has revived interest in But since those who are trying to ful farmer of Bethel, is growing study the whole matter closest, find doubtful about nitrate of soda for it most difficult to determine what is facts and what is a half truth or

PROGRESS OF THE WAR

Situation Generally as Seen in London Yesterday.

Although it is not yet certain that a German submarine sank the Dutch steamer Katwyk off the North Hinder Lightship last night, the destruction of the vessel has aroused the indignation of the Dutch people as evi-denced by the editorials of newspapers in Holland.

The Katwyk, loaded with grain kinds of speculation as to what might the explosion and to have been flying bid like that filed by the First National the Dutch flag. The Dutch newspapers insist that no mistake could have Bank of Yorkville, submarine actually torpedoed steamer, "we must expect that German government will without loss of time be made responsible for this this evere violation of the rights of neu-

tral powers." The fact that the Dutch ment was directly involved in the Katwyk's cargo and that the news of the sinking of the steamer came im-mediately after announcement that four Dutch trawlers had been selzed by the Germans and taken to Zee-brugge apparently has heightened the feelings of the Hollanders.

The Katwyk incident and many ru mors of diplomatic movements in Italy and the near east seemingly have made the people of England almost

forget last night's Zeppelin raid and fighting on the continent.

Next in interest to the sinking of the Katwyk was the publication of a "White Paper," showing Great Britain acknowledged that British cruisers had sunk the German cruiser Dresden in Chilean territorial waters and had apologized for the action of her squadron. her squadron. As far as fighting is concerned the battles in the Carpathians and in the

Woevre are the only important ones. The Russians are said to be continuing their efforts to force the Austro German armies completely out of the Carpathians. Having successfully taken the western passes they are bend-ing their energies in an effort to cap-Uzsok pass and the heights northeast of that break in the moun Petrograd claims that the Russians are making steady progress despite efforts of the Austro-Germans to

out-flank them; but the Austrians in-sist that the recent fighting has been in their favor and that they captured another important height west of Uzsok pass. In the Woevre the French

rently have revived their offensive and at several points claim to have added materially to ground previously gain-ed, which would bring them a step nearer their main object—the removal of the German wedge which their line back to St. Michiel. In the Argonne, in Alsace and he region of the Sommo, the French declare they also have made progress, but this contradicts the Ber-

rench attacks were repulsed MERE MENTION According to information received in Tokyo, Japan, Tuesday evening, an accident in a coal mine near Shim-onoseki, Japan, Monday, resulted in the loss of 236 lives......The fifteenth annual convention of the Southern Supply and Machinery Dealers association is being held in Atlanta, Ga., this week....Ex-Presidents Theodore Roosevelt and William H. Taft attended the funeral of Prof. Thomas P. Lounsbury of Yale university at had been in each other's since they were opposing candidates for the presidency in 1912.....A. H. Frederick, recently elected president a charge of forgery in the first degree.Mrs. L. A. Leonard and her four children were found dead in home in Seattle, Wash., Tuesday. The killed by poison administered by the mother.....The Western Union Telerailroad have announced that they will give work to convicts who have een discharged from Sing Sing prisnumbers of wounded are brought back on The American National base been forbidden by Canadian chiefs to cross the American border. The orler is made because of the danger o internment of soldiers who happen to get over the line.....In commemora tion of the birthday of Abraham Lincoln yesterday, all the executive de partments of the Federal government were closed.....According to est mates of the German government Russian losses in the Carpathia Russian losses in the Carpathian mountains since the beginning of the war are at least 500,000 men..... lifteen persons were killed Tuesday night at Volkhova, a suburb of Petrograd, Russia, in an illicit alcohol dis-tillery. Serious damage was caused

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS McConnell Dry Goods Co.—Suggests that now is the time to buy all the cotton goods you need. Oxfords for

W. C. Lattimore, Hickory Grove—is in the market for hides and will pay highest market price for same. im Johnson-Tells people to see him at once for ribbon cane seed. His supply is limited. Jim Johnson—Has two 4-room cot

tages on Lincoln street, for rent. York Drug Store—Suggests that you teach your children to take good care of their teeth. See it for the brushes and dentifrices. E. Ferguson-Wants you to see him for fruits, candies, and also for

hams and bacon. J. Keller & Co.—Ask you to see them for paints, oils, varnishes, put ty, glass and lumber. Thomson Co.—Invites the ladies see the new spring dress goods in silks, crepes, etc. New millinery in

today.
vric Theatre—Gives its programm. for next week. Mary Fuller on Mon-day. "The Master Key" Tuesday day. "The Master Key" Tuesday "The Million Dollar Mystery," Fri

The farmers are able to get busy at last, and they are feeling better. Col. T. L. Kirkpatrick was elected mayor of Charlotte last Tuesday over Mr. Frank McNinch, by a majority of

58 votes. This Field Day crowd in Yorkville York county is a pretty big thing from the standpoint of population both as to quality and quantity.

In point of attendance, Field Day i all that could be expected. The chil-Mohammedan world of Asia and dren, together with their teachers and trustees are here from all parts of the county, and it is a great time they are Gregg, Joseph T. Dendy and several

> yesterday that wheat and oats are looking fine in Bethel township. The Martin and A. D. P. Gilimour and Elthe prospect is good. Mr. Jim Johnson of Yorkville, re

ports that he made sixty gallons of acre of ribbon cane last year, and he is going to try the experiment this year on a somewhat larger scale. He sold his molasses last year at 56 cents wholesale and at 60 and 65 cents retail. Mr. I. H. Campbell, quite a success

fertilizer. He thinks his cotton land has not been producing as well as forwhat is pure misrepresentation, all merly and has a theory that the trouble is possibly due to the bad influence of nitrate of soda previously used on oats. He has large quantities of oats this year and they are look ing fine, notwithstanding the fact that he has used no nitrate of soda.

The First National Bank of York ville, went after that county loan in a manner which indicated very clearly that it meant business. Heretofore the People's National Bank of Rock Hill, has been the most popular source of cheap money. The community is certainly entitled to congratulation on from Baltimore consigned to the Dutch government, is reported to have een lying at anchor at the time of and enterprise to enable it to make

> WITHIN THE TOWN - The Ancona Mill school, Mrs. Lee eacher, had 53 children in the parade today, all dressed in white, and each child carrying a United States flag. The school made quite a hit.

- At a meeting of the board of trusees of the Yorkville Graded school, held last Wednesday, teachers re-elected as follows: High school, Prof. G. C. McCelvey, Miss Nora Wiliamson; seventh grade, Miss Margaret R. J. Herndon. Marion; sixth grade, Miss Marilla Ewart; fifth grade, Miss Mary Cart wright; fourth grade, Miss Ella Neely; third grade, Miss Gerald Lowry; second grade, Miss Fredrica Lindsay; first grade, Miss Sudie Allison. Prof. B. C. Riddle was re-elected superintendent several days ago. Election of teachers of the colored school has not school will close the year's work on May 23.

HEAD OF THE ASYLUM Dr. C. Fred Williams, son of Pro oate Judge L. R. Williams of York county, and formerly a citizen of announcing the appointment Govergor Manning made the following state-

ment: state hospital for the insane, because good at Gaffney as he did at Yorkit was found that he was barred by ville. rovisions of the constitution, I have appointed Dr. C. Fred Williams of olumbia as superintendent.

"Dr. Williams has resigned as regent of this institution, and I have appointed Mr. Christie Benet as regent in his stead.

"The salary provided for in the appropriation bill is \$3,000, and the su perintendent is given a house with water and lights and other perquisites in official report, which says that all have found it necessary, in order get the trained, skilled physician was seeking for the position, to allo a salary of \$6,000, but without the residence and without any perquisites In addition to the salary provided for in the appropriation bill, I will per-sonally borrow monthly the balance of the salary, standing security for the same and will report the matter next year to the legislature to reimburse me if it agrees in what I have done. "The date on which Dr. Williams will assume the duties of superintend ent will be announced in a few days. Dr. Williams, who was a member of the board of regents of the hospital, has resigned that position, and accept d the appointment of superintendent From the statement given out by overnor Manning, the understanding seems to be that the services of Dr Sargeant, the Baltimore expert, to be retained in connection with the sylum.

PRESBYTERY IN YORKVILLE With practically every church rep sented and many visitors other than elegates present, the spring meeting irst Presbyterian church in Yorkville his week, the sessions beginning on Tuesday night and 8 o'clock and presbytery adjourning last evening. Three sessions were held Wednesday and three yesterday, each meeting being featured by addresses of interest and value, together with the usual confer ences and discussions concerning the vellfare of the various churches in he organization.

The following ministers and elders ttended, representing the various hurches in the presbytery: Ministers-Revs. W. M. McPheeters Columbia: James Russell, Van Wyck: W. A. Hafne:, Fort Mill; J. T. Dendy, Ebenezer: W. B. Arrowood, Sharon. S. C. Byrd, Chicora college, Green-ville: E. E. Gillespie, Yorkville: T. B. Craig, Rock Hill: Alexander Martin,

against 1,679,239 bales last year, and to the Carpathian mountains on the LOCAL AFFAIRS. M. Douglass, President Presbyterian college, Clinton; H. R. Murchison Lancaster; J. M. McLain, Clover; T W. DeVane, Liberty Hill; J. A. Mc Murray, Bethesda; R. K. Timmons,

Bethel. Elders-T. M. Martin, Allison Creek; Elders—T. M. Martin, Allison Creek;
E. M. Dickson, Beersheba; A. L.
Thompson, Bethel; B. R. T. Bowen,
Beth Shiloh; W. B. Riddle, Bowling
Green; W. E. Good, Bullock's Creek;
F. V. Caldwell, Blacksburg; W. L. McCrorey, Catholic; J. A. Page, Clover;
W. T. McDoneld, Concord; J. R. Nee T. McDonald, Concord; J. B. Nee-Ebenezer; R. F. Grier, Fort Mill; W. Bankhead, Hebron; R. M. Perry, Kershaw; R. E. Wylie, Lancaster; R. C. Jones, Liberty Hill; Sidney Adams, Oakland Avenue, Rock Hill; R. M. Lindsay, Olivet; H. K. McGari-Rev. W. H. K. Pendleton, trustee, ty, Fleasant Grove; R. B. Caldwell, Church Home orphanage, Spartan-Chester; T. A. Brown, Ramah; David Hutchison, First Presbyterian, Rock Hill; J. W. Smarr, Salem; W. N. Ashe, Van Wyck; E. E. Ferguson, asylum, Oxford, N. C.; Rev. W. T.

tiring moderator, Rev. R. Roy Brown, whose subject was "The Gospel Min-Yorkville church, was elected moderator, and Rev. J. A. McMurray of Bethesda, was elected assistant clerk.

Wednesday morring's session was a conference on missions. Presbytery was addressed by Revs. F. W. Gregg of Rock Hill and A. D. P. Gilmour of Chester.

Chester. A conference on systematic beneficence was held at 3.30 o'clock Wed-nesday afternoon, the discussion be-This Field Day crowd in Yorkville There was a large congregation in today is suggestive of the idea that attendance at the night session Wed-

Mr. R. B. Riddle of Zeno, stated elders were named to investigate the practicability of organizing a church

wheat acreage is not nearly so large ders J. B. Caldwell and J. F. Reid were as the farmers hoped to get in, but named to look into the matter of organizing a church at Blackstock.

Presbytery adjourned yesterday af-ternoon, following the election of Revs. W. A. Hafner of Fort Mill, F. A. Drennan of Lowryville, and fine molasses from one-third of an R. B. Caldwell of Chester, and W. L. vene September 14.

A number of ministers and elders in attendance, left for their respective homes last evening while others re-mained over until today.

ABOUT PEOPLE

Mr. Blakely Plexico of Yorkville, was a visitor in Columbia this week. S. T. Frew has been elected city health officer of Rock Hill, at a salary of \$72.50 per month. Misses Mary and Belle Summerford of the past and the children present who has since been confined in the Clover, after a visit to relatives and happiness, the glorious food that feeds riends in Sharon.

Miss Mozelle Inman of The Enquirer staff, who has been ill with pneumonia for some time, is improving steadily. Mr. H. M. Judge of New York,

the guest of his cousins, Mrs. J. K. Alston and Messrs. H. I. and R. G. McCaw, in Yorkville. Miss Sallie Craig returned to her in Yorkville this morning, after

a visit of several days to friends at High Point, N. C. W. W. Moore, former president and able and a source of pride to the entreasurer of the Wymojo mill of Rock treasurer of the Wymojo mill of Rock The children began to arrive early, Hill, has taken a position as general

at Danville, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Caldwell laffney, and Miss Margaret Caldwell of King's Creek, were among those who attended the Wright-Stevenson wedding in Clover, Wednesday night. Mr. John B. Whitesides is ill at the home of his father, Mr. Jeff D. White-sides on Hickory No. 2, with appendi-citis. The attending physician hopes that an operation will be unnecessary.

Among the Yorkville people who attended the music festival in Spartanburg this week, were Dr. and Mrs. J. D. McDowell, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Spencer, Messrs. J. P. McMurray and Mr. and Mrs. A. Rose, who have bee living in Yorkville for several months past, returned to their former home at Leesville this week. They were ac-

companied by their granddaughter. Miss Thelma Beckham, of Yorkville. Rev. J. B. Talbert of Rock Hill, who was recently elected pastor of Hickory Grove, Smyrna, Shiloh and tendent several days ago. Election of teachers of the colored school has not yet been held. The Yorkville Graded Hickory Grove, where he will reside. Second Lieut. J. T. Hornsby, state armorer, was in Yorkville yesterday, for the purpose of collecting the military equipment of Company L, first infantry, N. G. S. C., of Yorkville, recently disbanded, and shipping the

same to Columbia. On his return from a trip over into county, and formerly a citizen of Yorkville, has been appointed superintendent of the state hospital for the insane, to succeed Dr. T. J. Strait. In consistent of the appointment Governor.

tion is considered quite serious. Prof. J. H. Witherspoon, formerly of Yorkville, but for the past year su-perintendent of the city schools of "Following the revocation of the appointment of Dr. George F. Sargent of Baltimore, as superintendent of the perintendent of the city schools of Gaffney, has been re-elected to that position. Prof. Witherspoon has made

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Black and sor Clyde, of Rockingham, and Mrs. Maye Pickett of Hamlet, N. C., passed through Yorkville Wednesday in an automobile on their way to visit Mr. W. E. Sanders of Guthriesville and other relatives and friends in this

county. Oscar Plexico of Yorkville, son Mr. M. E. Plexico, has been appointed to represent the University of South Carolina in the University of Pennsylvania relay carnival to be held in Philadelphia, Pa., Friday and Satur-day of next week. Plexico is considered one of the fastest runners in any

southern college. The following York county citizens have been chosen to serve as petit ju-rors at the April term of the United States district court to be holden in Greenville: V. Brown McFadden, Rock Hill; J. Brown Neil, Filbert; T. W. McElwee, Smyrna; J. W. Goforth Yorkville; J. B. Pegram, Yorkville; J.

TRI-STATE CONFERENCE

C. Moore, McConnellsyille.

The Tri-State Conference of North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia Orphanage Workers held its annual neeting with the Church Home orphanage in Yorkville on Tuesday and in York county last week. Following Wednesday of this week, and after a ed to holds its next meeting with the South Georgia Orphanage Home at Macon, Ga., during the latter part of next March.

The conference opened Tuesday morning with the president, Rev. J. B. Branch, of Thornwell orphanage. in the chair, and was welcomed by Bishop W. A. Guerry of Charleston, president of the board of trustees of the Church Home orphanage. After responding to this address, the president called the conference to order and the work of organization was taken up with the enrollment of delegates as follows:

phanage, Clinton, S. C.; R. S. Brown superintendent Oxford orphanage Oxford, N. C.: Rev. A. S. Barnes, superintendent Methodist orphanage. Raleigh, N. C.; Rev. S. T. Prentiss Poys' Home, Augusta, Ga.; Rev. J. O. Cox, Christian orphanage, Elon

Louise Short Baptist Widows and Or-phan home, Evergreen, Ala.; Geo. W. Jones, South Georgia Conference orphanage, Macon, Ga.; H. Dougherty, South Georgia Conference orphanage Macon, Ga.; W. A. Garrett, M. P. Children's home, High Point, N. C. Rev. A. T. Jamison, Connie Maxwell orphanage, Greenwood, S. C.: Rev. T. Tracy Walsh, chaplain Church Home orphanage, Yorkville, S. C.; Rev. C.

H. Jordan, trustee Church Home or-phanage, Greenwood, S. C.; T. S. Scoggins, general manager, Georgia Baptist Orphans' home, Hapeville Ga.; Archibald Johnson, Thomasville Hill; J. W. Smarr, Salem; W. N. Ashe, Van Wyck; E. E. Ferguson, Waxhaw; R. D. Hope, Sharon; G. H. Walker, Barium Springs orphanage, O'Leary, Yorkville; A. W. Lowry, Zion.

The feature of the initial session of presbytery was the sermon of the retiring moderator, Rev. R. Roy Brown, Inc. Smith, Superintendent Thompson corrections. Thompson orphanage, Charlotte, N Elder Geo. H. O'Leary of the C .: Rev. Jas. D. McLean, Southwestern Presbyterian orphanage, Itasca. Tex.; O. T. Porcher, trustee Church

Charlotte, N. C.
The balance of the morning session was taken up with a discussion of the Farm, Garden and Orchard, follow-ing a thoughtful address on the subattendance at the night session Wednesday. "The Work at the Thornwell Orphanage," illustrated by stereopticon views, was the subject of an interesting lecture by J. B. Branch.

Rev. H. R. Murchison, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Lancaster, preached a strong sermon before presbytery yesterday this second in the The main features of Wednesday morning's proceedings was the reading of a paper on "The Orphanage School," by H. Z. Nabors of Colum-bia, and much interesting discussion

thereon. Officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: Rev. W. T. Walker, president: T. S. Scoggins, vice president, and Archibald Johnson,

tary and treasurer.

Before adjournment the conference passed resolutions of thanks to the people of Yorkville for the hospitable manner in which they opened their homes to members and to Deaconness age, and her corps of helpers for their warm hearted entertainment.
The orphanage rintery

the minutes of the proceedings in a handsome pamphlet that was ready for delivery yesterday afternoon.

A GREAT FIELD DAY This has been a most notable day in

York county, a day of revelation, a alias "Chicago Nolan," alias "Pa of those rare days that bring to the ernor Blease in January, subject to older people abundant justification for Misses Mary and Belle Summerford fond self denial and strenuous efforts olina might have against him, and the splendid enthusiasm of the future. Every section of the county is represented from the furthermost bound

and from all points between. The schools are here from the north, the south, the east and the west. In many instances the representation is com-plete, the trustees, many of the parons, the teachers and the children t the last little tot. In other cases the representations consist only of strong delegations; but taken all together the attendance is something remark-

Hill, has taken a position as general superintendent of the Dan River mills and as they passed in from the differstreets of the town and toward the graded school grounds, they made the echoes reverberate with their happy school yells, sounding in some cases like flocks of blackbirds. This went like flocks of blackbirds. on for more than an hour. py visitors.

It was estimated this morning that altogether there were hardly less than 3,000 people on hand, and later by actual count it developed that there were 1,456 teachers and children in the big parade that featured the first number on the programme of the morning. In addition several hundred children ar

rived too late for the parade. Headed by the Yorkville and Clover troops of Boy Scouts, the monster pa-rade of school children left the graded rade of school children left the graded school grounds shortly after 11 o'clock, marched up Jefferson street to Congress street as far as the square and then marched back to the speaker's stand on the school grounds. They formed a parade more than a half mile long. The Boy Scouts in uniform were long. The Boy Scouts in uniform were followed by the Hickory Grove band after which the school children march-ed amid yells and songs in the following order: Yorkville Graded school, Santiago, Mount Holly, Rock Hill High school, Winthrop Training school, Dixie, McConnellsville, Guthriesville,

Fort Mill, Clover, Cotton Belt, Ogden, Newport, Filbert, Sharon, Hickory Grove, Yorkville graded school military company, Ancona mill. There various schools of the county who had not come to the meet in a body who followed. The Tirzah band brought up the rear of the procession.

A feature of the parade were the York County Canning club girls in their white aprons and caps, about

forty strong, carrying banners and every few feet uttering the various Canning club yells. Following the parade the children gathered around the speaker's stand on the school grounds, where they were welcomed to Yorkville by Mayor J. C. Wilborn.

Following the welcome address Prof. R. C. Burts made the announce ments of the events of the afternoon after which a ten minutes meeting of the York County Teachers' association was held. Each child present brought his or

her lunch, and following the an-nouncements of the morning, each one made preparations for dinner, the extensive grounds of the Graded school soon being dotted with little parties of diners. The Enquirer goes to press the

Field Day visitors have just begun the arious contests of the meet.

CONCERNING YORK SCHOOLS. John E. Carroll, superintendent of

education of York county, on Wednes day received a letter from Prof. Lueco Gunter, state inspector of rural schools, in regard to his impressions of York county rural schools, following his four days tour of inspection are some extracts from the commu covered in the interview previously published in The Enquirer: "It was a great pleasure to spend four days last week with you in your

schools. Having been a resident of York county for three years, I knew something of school conditions in the county. But my knowledge had not extended beyond the town schools and few of the country schools in the easter, portion of the county. While I knew that in the past few years rapid progress had been made over the county generally along all school lines, I must say that what I saw of he schools far exceeded my expecta-"For three-teacher rural graded

schools Filbert and Cotton Belt would rank among the good schools of the state. These two schools with their modern buildings and the interest on the part of the people that the larger schools have aroused, demonstrate the also to Dunlap & Dunlap for their et-wisdom of the larger and better school forts in behalf of a fellow who was is contrasted with the small oneteacher school. "While not so large, the Guthries-

dently desire to keep the schools up-permost in the thought of the people of the several communities. Miller, Pine Bluff and Lowry Wil-

their schools. But, however, the peo-ple of these communities should uniertake to improve their schoolhouse It seems to me that they should conider the advisability of providing at suitable location in the district such a building and such a school as is provided at Filbert and Cotton Belt. Glendale, Pine Bark and Bethel are too close together for all three com-munities to maintain a strong rural school. In fact, they are too close together for the state's money to be available in the erection of adequate schoolhouses. The Bethel school has a good house and the school spirit there is excellent. But Bethel is too hemmed in by other schools to be-come the flourishing school that the spirit of the people merits. I have not seen anywhere a better opportu-nity of combining four small schools into one large consolidated school than exists in this community. With such a consolidaton a building would be erected, sufficient teachers would be ecured, and sufficient support would

be available to give the people of that school district as good a school as is to be found anywhere in the state.
"The truth is, the schools of this vicinity are not in keeping with the other conditions of the community. The splendid condition of the farm lands was a revelation to me. The magnificent homes are evidence of the pride and the prosperity of the peo-ple. It is extremely unfortunate that the schoolhouse and the school accommodations are not in keeping with the homes and farms. The people of Frances Hoke plead not guilty to the this section should not long permit

this condition to exist. "While we did not see the Ridge school, it was a genuine pleasure to was entered into, it developed that see the new building now in course of Frances and Jane, who lived in the see the new building now in course of erection. When this building is completed it will be a modern school building in every respect and will be a source of inspiration to the people

of the community.
"It was a genuine pleasure to note everywhere the splendid spirit of your teachers. Interest was not lagging in any school and apparently the teachers were concerned in making their school a model of its type. The court-The orphanage rintery showed considerable enterprise in turning out was readily observed and highly appreciated. I shall look forward to another visit to the county at the first opportunity."

> NOLAN SET FREE Thomas Nolan, alias "Detroit Nebs,"

day of pride and a day of promise, one Tom," etc., who was paroled by Govsuch claims as the state of South Car-Bank of Fort Mill on the night of September 29, 1902, has been set at liberty on his own recognizance.

From what has already been pubished, it is generally understood that this noted character fully expected to spend the balance of his life in jail. He was quite sure that he could not responsibility for the death of be convicted on the charge for which he was being held for the York sessions; but he was aware that Postofand he saw no other way for it than that he was to be kept in jail by charge after charge.

But in Nolan's case the unexpected nappened. Although still satisfied that Nolan is guilty as charged, the nspector has been unable to get the evidence upon which to establish his ase, and he came to the conclusion hat he could do no better than drop

on Tuesday. It was fully warranted in so doing. There was positive tes-timony to the effect that Nolan had een seen in the vicinity of Fort Mill at about the time of the robbery, and there was about the circumstance—
the fact that he was a stranger, and
had been charged with a similar offence elsewhere—enough to warrant
the presumption of his probable connection with the affair. This was
enough for a grand jury, especially in
view of the gravity of the charge; but
not enough for a petit jury, and none
connected with the affair understood
the fact better than Inspector Gregory and the defendant, especially since here was about the circumstance ory and the defendant, especially since he defendant had never admitted that e had been seen in the neighborhood. prisoner to try to conduct his own case. He had no money to employ counsel, he said, and also he insisted, "If Gregory has anything against me, he's got to make it himself." But when Messrs. Dunlap & Dunlap Rock Hill, volunteered to serve

counsel, the alleged cracksman grate-fully accepted their offer.

Tuesday afternoon Inspector Greg-ory went to the jail to see Nolan; but the Irishman refused to talk with him Harper, jail breakers, in eluding cap-

a straw bond during his good behav-ior, to which Solicitor Henry agreed Shortly after noon Nolan was release from custody.

cerning robbers or robberies with whom or in which he might have been implicated. They asked for no such information—not even Inspector Gregory, much of whose success as a deory, much of whose success as a detective is said to be due to information package to his home. Sam Harper, which he has received from those who have served terms for safe-cracking justice at the time Foster was arrest-and from those who have been spared for information they gave. If Nolan is guilty of robbing the Fort Mill bank, if he knows the parties who did rob the bank or if he was guilty of following their escape from jail. He robbing the Encree Manufacturing stated that Foster had seen stated that Foster had seen was the robbing the in Spartaphure county tion with Wyatt; but denied that Foster had held conversain 1902, for which alleged crime he served twelve years in prison, he has made no admission to that effect.

When seen by a reporter of The Francisco and the prosecution sought to show that When seen by a reporter of The E quirer shortly after his release Wednesday afternoon, the Irishman said he was glad to be out in the shine again after being retained

to be a matter of course with him, should have been given the officers and his demeanor was pretty much the same as it has been during his three months' confinement in the York county jail.

"I haven't got used to the sunshine and the ground yet," he said. "You see, it's been a long time since I have been allowed to go as I please like a was ordered. been allowed to go as I please like a was ordered.

n his blue eyes. "I feel a little queer

yet: but I'll come around. "I am beginning to have a faith in human nature and I know that the people of Yorkville and York county consider me a human being. If you print anything about me being down and out and to the many other good people who have been interested in my case and whose sympathy I have had. I will ever be grateful to ville, Pethesda and Oak Ridge schools I have had. I will ever be grateful to are two-teacher graded schools that them all. I am 55 years old now and court adjourned sine die was

him, Nolan said he didn't know, unless it was because the sleuth realized that he could not convict him and rather than fail had decided not to son are one-teacher schools of the press the charge. "You can bet your best type that exists in the state. One-teacher schools are a necessity in a me," he said. "That fellow hasn't great many places, and where they got any sympathy. He just realized exist good buildings and interested, he had nothing on me and he laid active teachers should be secured.

The Lowry Wilson building is one of Nolan left yesterday morning over the Southern william of North Control of North Con

"The children of the Glendale and the Pine Bark communities are not so fortunate as some others mentioned in the physical accommodations."

The Southern railway for New York. He had about \$50 in his possession which had been sent to him by a friend in New York. Before his delimited their schools. parture he said he did not know what occupation he would follow. "I'll just hang around a while and get used to things first," he said. "I am going to go straight, though. You'll never hear of my being in bad again."

GENERAL SESSIONS

When The Enquirer went to press Tuesday, the court of general sessions was engaged in the case of T. K. Cunningham, a negro, charged with housebreaking and larceny. Cunningham was declared not guilty of the charge whereof he had been indicted. Jesse Wellman, a young white man,

his pleading guilty to the theft of a watch. Dan Beckham, colored, plead guilty to aggravated assault. Five months on the public works was the sentence imposed by the court.

was sentenced to serve one year upon

the public works of the county, upon

The state nol prossed the case against James Watson and Son Wat son, charged with assault and battery with intent to kill, upon the defend ants paying \$25 costs.

Curry Burris, a negro, was tried up-on the charge of assault and battery with intent to kill. The jury decided that he was guilty of assault and batthat he was guilty of assault and bat-tery of high and aggravated nature. He was sentenced to serve six months on the public works or pay a fine of

charge of stealing a petiticoat, two shirtwaists and four towels, belong-ing to Jane Addison. After the trial same house often borrowed articles of wearing apparel from each other and although Frances was wearing a garment of Jane's when arrested, there was no intent to steal the same. The was no intent to steal the same. The solicitor requested the jury to return a verdict of "not guilty."

Sam Harper was convicted of house-breaking and larceny, the defendant having been implicated with J. R. Wyatt in robbing the stores of Messrs. J. M. Williams and J. T. Crawford at McConpellsville. Goods valued at J. M. Williams and J. T. Crawford at McConnellsville. Goods valued at from \$25 to \$40, the property of Messrs. Williams and Crawford, were found in the home of Harper, who declared that he had purchased the same from Wyatt. Harper also admitted going to the store of Mr. Williams with Wyatt and helping to carry a sack of merchandise.

sack of merchandise.

J. R. Wyatt, the principal in the robbery of the McConnellsville stores, it will be remembered, broke out of the county jail about two months ago and has not been captured. Harper, who escaped with Wyatt, but volun-York county jail awaiting trial on the charge of having robbed the Savings ed on the charge of jail breaking. Henry Neely, a negro, was tried on the charge of rape and a verdict of "not guilty" was returned by the

Walter Cherry, colored, was acquitted of the charge of assault and bat-tery with intent to kill.

The greater part of Wednesday was devoted to the case of the state against Ressie Hawkins near Tirzah on the morning of August 7 last. Miss Hawk-ins was on her way to a picnic in a fice Inspector Gregory, whom he looks when the defendant came along on a upon as his Nemesis, had already motorcycle. The team was frightened motorcycle. The team was frightened by the machine and the young lady was thrown out of the surrey, sustain ing injuries from which she died a short time later. The state prosecuted the case very vigorously, and the jury remained out six hours before it

finally returned a verdict of not guilty. Solicitor Henry nol prossed the indictment against Fred Marion, the charge being assault and battery with ntent to kill. The charge of assault and battery with intent to kill against that he could do no better than drop, and battery with intent to an added the matter and let his man go free.

William Douglass was quashed for lack of prosecution, and a similar charge against Thomas McClinton was on Tuesday. It was fully warranted

showing that the incident was an ac-cident. The last case to be tried by jury yesterday afternoon was that against Robert McCrump, a negro of Fort nesday afternoon's session and nearly all of yesterday morning. After a dee had been seen in the neighborhood. liberation of only a few minutes the It had been the intention of the jury returned a verdict that the dey jury returned a verdict that the de-fendant was not guilty of the murder whereof he stood indicted, but was guilty of carrying a concealed weapon. He was sentenced to pay a fine of \$50 to r serve six months in prison, and al-so to forfeit the pistol he was con-yicted of carrying. The fine was

unless his counsel and the officers ture, attracted considerable attention. were present. He was not willing to give the sleuth a chance to manufacand Harper after their escape from the ture any evidence against him, he said.

Wednesday morning, in the preswednesday morning in the pres-ence of the solicitor, Messrs. Dunlap & Dunlap, and officers, the inspector for the purpose of trying to catch the suggested that the charges be dropped and that Nolan be given his liberty on reward which was offered for their capture. He admitted having received a package from Mrs. Wyatt, with the contents of which he was not familiar, There were no conditions regarding Mr. R. E. Stephenson, where he placed his release, save good behavior. He package on the porch of Mr. Stephgave the officers no information conemson's home. He denied having cartective is said to be due to information package to his home. Sam Harper tion with Wyatt; but denied that Fos

t.
The prosecution sought to show that
Foster had taken the package already
mentioned, from Mrs. Wyatt, to her
husband and not to the home of Mr.
Stephenson. It was further alleged that the answers given by Foster to the light so long. He was stoical questions put to him at the time the light so long. He was stoical questions put to him at the time the time that the time the light so long. He was stoical questions put to him at the time about the release, however. It seemed arrest, were not such answers as about his release, however, with him, should have been given the officers

been allowed to go as I prease and real man—nearly thirteen years, and that is a right good little bit, you know.

The first case taken up this morning was that against Harvey Watson, a little ten-year-old negro, charged with the larceny of a satchel of surgict the property of Dr. continued, with a smile and a twinkle gical instruments, the property of Dr. in his blue eyes. "I feel a little queer W. G. Stevens. There was much doubt as to whether the child could little be tried for the offense owing to the uncertainty of his age; but it was fin-ally agreed that the matter should be turned loose, please say that I am grateful to Sheriff Brown and Deputy Quinn for their kindness to me and reformatory or not has not been a full been defended before a jury which returned turned loose, please say that I am defendant will be sent to the colored reformatory or not has not been a full been defended before a jury which returned turned loose, please say that I am defendant will be sent to the colored reformatory or not has not been defended before a jury which returned turned loose, please say that I am defendant will be sent to the colored reformatory or not has not been defended before a jury which returned turned loose, please say that I am defendant will be sent to the colored reformation to the c reformatory or not has not been defi-nitely decided. Sam Harper was this morning sen-

tenced to service six months on the public works or in the penitentiary, he having been convicted of house-breaking and larceny. The last case taken up before the and live differently the rest of my days."

Asked why Inspector Gregory had tion of four minutes, the jury return-