Items of Interest from the Churches of the State and City.

The past week has been one of especial significance and interest in religious matters. Beginning with the bright festival of Easter, marking the change from the death of winter to the new life of spring, it has also been crowded with incidents each possessing in itself much local interest, and all denoting the renewed preparations of the church militant for another year of battle for the faith. Below will be found an interesting résumé of the religious news of the week gleaned from the papers of the State or iurnished by our thoughtful correspondents:

Citadel · quare Baptist Church, Interesting services will be held in this church to-morrow (Sunday) evening, commencing at 8 o'clock, on the occasion of taking a public farewell of the Rev. N. B. Williams, missionary elect of the Foreign Mission Board of the South ern Baptist Convention, who, with his wife and her sister, is about to set out for his field of labors, Canton, in China. It will be seen that several addresses are to be delivered on various subjects relating to the missionary work. Hymns appropriate to the occasion will be sung, and a collection taken up in aid of missions in the city of Rome and also in China. The congregation of the First Baptist Church particularly and the public generally are invited to attend. Seats free.

Methodist Quarterly Conference. The quarterly meeting of the Cokesbury District will begin to-day in the Methodist church at Abbeville. Rev. H. M. Mood, presiding elder, will conduct the worship at eleven o'clock. The quarterly conference will coast. be held in the church at eight o'clock P. M. On Sunday there will be a lovefeast at nine o'clock. After the morning sermon the sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered. At four o'clock P. M. there will be a meeting for the children. Services at 8 P. M. Columbia Bible Society.

The anniversary meeting of the Columbia Bible Society was held last Monday evening at the Baptist church in that city. A crowded audience testified an unusual interest in the subject, and were held in wrapt attention by the eloquent preacher of the occasion, Rev. J. L. Reynolds, D. D., whose sermon was a masterly and beautiful defence of the Bible. Rev. Geo. Howe, D. D., president, made a brief statement of the work of the society in the past, and Rev. E. A. Bolles, sigent of the American Bible Society, gave Interesting figures of the amounts received and used, and the number of Bibles by the society distributed throughout the world during the past year. He stated that the Charleston Bible Society had under consideration the plan of employing ladles in the work of distribution, and good results were to be expected from their plous labors. A collection was taken up, and a very satisfactory amount was raised. A Protracted Meeting.

Beligious services were begun at the Methodist Church, in Sumter, on Saturday last, and protracted until last Wednesday. Revs. S. A. Weber, of Bishopville, G. H. Wells, of Timmonsville, and A. J. Stafford, of Liberty Chapel, assisted the presiding elder, Rev. W. H. Fleming, and the pa tor in charge, Rev. J. M. Carlisle, in the conduct of this meeting. The inestimable truths of the Gospel of Christ Jesus are being presented with zeal and ability, and much good is believed to have resulted. Rev. William Martin, of Columbia, also assisted on Sunday, and at night, after an earnest dicourse, presented the claims of the Washington Street Church, (of that city) burned by Sherman, and now in course of rebuilding in elaborate style, and a collection was taken up in aid of the enterprise. The State Sunday School Convention.

Much interest is manifested in the approaching Union Sunday School Convention to be held in this city on Wednesday the 15th proximo, some of the Sunday schools throughout the State having already elected their delegates, while many others have called special meetings for this purpose. The basis of representation is as follows: "Every Sunday school of fifty scholars, or less, one delegates; and for every additional fifty scholars, one additional delegate." Arrangements will be made with railroad companies to pass and return delegates for one fare, and homes will be secured for all delegates who purpose attending such convention, provided notice of such intention is given to the committee before May 1. It is requested that delegates come prepared with the name of school, name of superintendent, postoffice, number of officers and teachers, number of scholars, average attendance at school, number of volumes in library, and that the names of the delegates elected be forwarded as early as possible to either of the following gentlemen, who constitute the committee on correspondence: C. N. Averill, R. Caldwell, Jr., Presbyterian Church; A. C. Palfrey, Baptist Church; R. G. Chisolm, Lutheran Church; Samuel A. Nelson. Methodist Church.

Ordination Services. The ordination of Rev. Edwin C. Rice to the work of the Gospel ministry will take place inthe Baptist Church of Greenville to-morrow. Dr. William Williams, of the Theological Seminary, will preach the ordination sermon. Mr. Rice is now a student at the Theological Seminary.

Southern Baptist Theological Semi-

The commencement exercises of this institution, located in the City of Greenville, will begin on Friday, the 3d prox., with an anniversary oration before the Andrew Fuller Society, by Rev. J. B. Stark, of Missouri, at eight o'clock P. M. The commencement exercises proper will take place on Saturday evening, beginning at eight o'clock. The graduates are Messrs. J. H. Dargan, South Carolina; J. J. McLendon, North Carolina; A. F. Redd, Virginia, and A. E. Rogers, Missourl. The missionary sermon will be preached by Rev. J. C. Hiden, of Wilmington, N. C., at eleven A. M., Sunday, May 5, and the commencement sermon by Rev. Mr. Lorrimer, of Boston, Mass., at eight P. M., the same day.

Miscellaneous Notes. There are five hundred Baptist Churches in South Carolina.

The Baptists of Edgefield had a big day at Horn's Creek on Sunday last-the first "diuner" meeting of the season-while the Episco palians rejoiced at home in their Easter flowers and Easter hymns.

Last Sunday afternoon the Greenville Baptist Sunday-school held its usual "fifth Sunday" public exercises. There was a large congregation present, and the occasion was a very interesting one.

The American Bible Society have very generously remitted a debt of \$703 64, due them by the Charleston Bible Society.

The Easter services last Sunday in the Episcopal Churches throughout the State are reported to have been unusually imposing and impressive.

The South Carolina Presbytery begins its semi-annual session at Abbeville next Wednesday, and the Harmony Presbytery assembles at Marion on Thursday.

The rite of confirmation will be administered by Bishop Howe to-morrow morning at the Church of the Holy Communion.

Easter Elections. CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, YORKVILLE. Wardens-A. Coward and W. B. Wilson. Vestrymen-J. S. R. Thomson, W. B. Metts celebrates.

and R. J. Latta. Delegates to Diocesan Convention-A. Coward, W. B. Wilson, R. J. Latta and W. B. Mette.

ZION CHURCH, RICHLAND. Wardens-T. B. Clarkson, Jr., Dr. W. W. Keith. Vestrymen-Geo. T. Wickes, T. B. Clarkson, Sr., J. S. Hanahan, A. Shoolbred, Richard Singleton. Delegates to the Diocesan Convention-T. B. Clarkson, Sr., Dr. W. W. Keith, G. T. Wickes, J. S. Hanahan.

CHRIST CHURCH, GREENVILLE. Wardens-H. C. Markley and Dr. H. R. Rutedge. Vestrymen-E. P. Jones, Thos. M. Cox, E. B. Bacon, Hamlin Beattle and Dr. O. B. Irvine. Delegates to the Convention-E. S. Irvine and Thos. C. Markley. Alternates-Dr. T. A. Walter and Henry C. Markley. ST, JOHN'S CHURCH, WINNSBORO.'

Wardens-H. A. Galllard, DuBose Egleston. Vestrymen-W. R. Robertson, W. M. Dwight, Dr. C. H. Ladd, Pierre Bacot and T. Ross Robertson, vice J. M. Daly, declined. Delegates to Diocesan Convention-W. M. Dwight, T. Ross Robertson, H. A. Gaillard. ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FLORENCE.

Wardens-S. A. Robertson, secretary and treasurer; Jos. H. Johnson. Vestrymen-Dr. Morton Waring, Charleston; John W. Gaillard, C. E. Jarrot, D. W. Haines, E. H. Mellichamp. Delegates to Convention-D. W. Haines, Jos. H. Johnson. Alternates-C. E. Jarrot, John W. Gaillard.

PERSONAL .- Mr. G. W. Quintard, of New York, the president of the New York and Charleston Steamship Company, is staying at the Charleston Hotel. The line of which Mr. Quintard is president owns the finest and fleetest steamships upon the South Atlantic

THE IRISH RIFLE CLUB.-This newly organized and representative body of citizen soldiery have had an agreeable surprise in the shape of a donation of two hundred dollars made by some of our public spirited citizens, who wish that the club may increase in numbers and efficiency. We hope to see one hundred men out on the next parade.

Fire.-At a quarter past three o'clock yesterday morning an attempt was made to fire a house in Charlotte range, Market street, by some unknown incendiary, who broke into an unoccupied apartment, the tenants of which are in jail, and placing a box of shavings, rags, &c., on the floor, set fire to it and left. The policeman on duty saw the smoke, and suspecting something wrong, aroused the inmates of the house, who discovered and extinguished the incipient conflagration.

TURKEYS AND DUCKS. - Early Jesterday morning a colored boy named Daniel Middleton was arrested at the corner of Smith and Vanderhorst streets with a pair of turkeys and two pair of ducks, which he was suspected of having stolen. Daniel said the poultry were given him by the owner to take to the market for sale, but the owner, upon identifying his property at the Guardhouse failed to corroborate Daniel's statement. The prisoner is held for examination.

THAT PORT ROYAL RAILROAD .- The Augusta papers are confident that the late conference of representatives of the South Carolina, the Georgia Central and the Georgia Railroads will not prevent the last-named company from endorsing a million of dollars of bonds of the Port Royal Railroad. Perhaps the stockholders of the Georgia Railroad may not be as eager as some of their directors are to pay a million dollars for a new road to the sea, while both Savannah and Charleston lie open to them without cost, and with far greater advantages than Port Royal can pretend to offer them.

CLUBS AND STARS .- Scipio Barnwell, colored, arrested on Thursday evening for stealing a jar of candy from a store in King street, near Horlbeck's alley, was sent to the House of Correction for ten days.

A parcel of goats in the habit of congregating in a lot on State street, near Market, were surprised yes:erday morning at six o'clock by a detachment of the police. Five of the gate; fifty to one hundred scholars, two delecaptured, and seemed destined to make mutton for the little orphans until at length their several owners appeared and released them from durance vile by paying up the fine of one dollar imposed upon each.

ANOTHER CIGAR-BOX CASE. -Mr. G. W. Davis, the keeper of a grocery store at the corner of King and Spring streets, was brought before United States Commissioner Porteous yesterday morning charged with selling an old cigar box upon which the revenue stamp had not been obliterated. It appeared on the examination that the box had been sold by the assistant without the knowledge of Mr. Davis, and the latter was discharged. There are six cases in all in which unsuspecting parties have been entrapped by prowling informers. The latter are still pursuing their vocation, and all dealers should be careful in guarding against their traps or approaches.

MASONIC STATISTICS-There are now in the State of South Carolina one hundred and forty nine chartered lodges of Free and Accepted Masons in active working order. Fitteen charters are dormant. At the last session of the Grand Lodge one hundred and twentyeight lodges were represented. Six thousand, four hundred and seventy six master masons are in full affiliation within this jurisdiction-Solomon's Lodge, No. 1, of this city, has the largest membership, there being one hundred and thirty members reported. The second highest number is reported by the Hiram Lodge, No. 68, at Anderson Court House, its roll embracing one hundred and twenty-one

Home Again .- The Columbia Union says that in the general upsetting of things upon the arrival of the Federal troops in 1865, a sword belonging to one of the masters of the veil of the Columbia Chapter was carried away. On the 17th of February, this year, the same reached the chapter, having travelled a adopted, which provides for the division of circultous route up through Massachusetts, and back to Charleston, to which place it was returned to be forwarded to the chapter. The sword has upon it this inscription: "Taken from Columbia Chapter, No. 5, by Sherman's army, February 17th, 1865; bought by companion D. Nason, and returned by him to Columbla, February 17th, 1872." Not a little singular is it that it should arrive the same day of the

month upon which it had been taken. THE ODD FELLOWS' CELEBRATION .- The Independent Order of Odd Fellows are making extensive preparations for a becoming celebration of the fifty-third anniversary of the introduction of their Order in America, on the 26th of this month, and to judge by the programme, a grand affair may be expected. The celebration will take place; at the Freundschaftsbund Hall, and P. G. S. W. G. DeSaussure, P. G. J. S. Buist, M. D., and Rev. Bro. W. B. Yates, will deliver addresses. In the music selected for the occasion will be included an ode written by a lady of Charleston expressly for the occasion, and sung by a choir of twenty-five trained voices from among the brethren. The managing committee are working energetically, and will doubtless make the occasion worthy of the powerful and charitable order whose introduction in America it

THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

Second Night of the Blonde Burlesquers. Another crowded and fashionable audience greeted Miss Thompson and her graceful satellites at their second performance at the Academy of Music last evening. The favorable impressions of the previous evening were more than confirmed, and the troupe achieved another decided triumph. The play was Lurline, or the Nymph of the Lurleberg, and it was none the less enjoyable that it was a heartless burlesque on one of the prettiest or German fairy tales. The humor of the travestle was extravagant, exuberantly overflowing the music admirable; the puns were execrable but the whole was irresistibly comical, and the veriest stoles of the audience even while asking critically and incredulously, "What was there to laugh at ?" found themselves wiping their eyes and shaking with laughter. The success of the evening belonged, of course, to the fair Lydia, who made the most reckless Sir Rupert, who, being very hard up, went softly down to the cave of the Naiads in search of a fortune; Harry Becket, the devoted seneschal with a very large eye to the main chance; Miss Weatherby, as the lovelorn Lurline, a sad victim of misplaced confidence, and Miss DuBols, the heroine of the play and the sweetest of soprano singers. To-night Miss Lydia Thompson takes her

benefit, and will appear in two pieces and five characters. This afternoon there will be a matinee at 2 o'clock, when Sinbad, the Sailor, will be given.

Booth at the Academy.

The sale of seats for the engagement of Mr. Junius Brutus Booth will begin at the Academy at 9 o'clock this morning. The price of admission is only one dollar. Reserv ed seats twenty-five cents extra.

AN UP-TOWN POSTOFFICE Box .- By permission of the postmaster, a letter-box has been placed at Dr. Baer's Drug Store, No. 131 Meeting street. The postoffice messenger comes for the letters twice a day-for the present at 3 P. M. and at 8 P. M. OF THE "HORSE MARINES."-The curious

animal resembling a horse in its head and body and ending in the tale of a fish, the capture and exhibition of which was mentioned some time back, died a few days ago. Its story was a curious one, and fit to be told to the marines. THE CROPS ON THE SEA ISLANDS, -A promi-

nent planter on Edisto, under date of April 3, writes: "At this date usually my crop is up and growing; now it is under ground, and I very much fear that it is sleeping the sleep of death, for the unprecedented cold and wet weather has rotted my seed once and again, and, if it does continue much longer, I know not where we are to get more seed for re-

THE TURF.—The whisperings and chaffering lately rife among the lovers of the turf culminated yesterday afternoon in an exciting quarter at the Washington Race Track. The entries were "Rocket," a dapple gray gelding, owned by Mr. A. W. Meyer, and "Firefly," a bay mare, owned by Mr. J. H. Apeler. The race was sharp and decisive, the flery competitors making splendid time, and was neatly won by the gray.

PRIVATE THEATRICALS.—The Charleston Dramatic Club gave one of their enjoyable performances last evening, at the corner of Meeting and Tradd streets, before a crowded audience of youth and beauty. The piece chosen was Knowles's historical play, entitled William Tell. The evening's entertainment was opened by Mr. Florian McCants in an address on the stage, which displayed much careful 1"ought. He showed that while the use of the stage is often abused, still the general effect of the legitlmate drama is wholesome. The scenery, acting and general conduct of the club was highly creditable to all the partles engaged, and should encourage an early repetition of the performance.

BISHOP PERSICO .- The Savannah Republican learns that this prelate has gone to New York tation, the consecration of the Catholic Church which has just been finished on Fifth avenue in that city, and to perform the grandest part of the ceremony in the consecration, which takes place to-morrow. The church is said to be a magnificent structure, and the consecra tion will be of an imposing character. Archbishop McClosky will be present, and will preach the morning sermon, while Bishop Persico will follow with the evening sermon. The new church will be dedicated to St. Alphonsus, the eminent Spanish theologian and Bi hop of Avila, who was born in 1400 and dled in 1445.

CRUMBS .- T. J. LaMotte, E.q., of the South Carolinian, is in town.

A general whitewashing of the trees and ree-boxes on Meeting street is in progress. The Citadel Post Band gave a delightful concert last evening in the vestibule of the

The offices of the Western Union Telegraph Company displayed emblems of mourning yesterday out of respect to the memory of Proessor Morse. The county board of school examiners will

meet this morning at the Normal School, and all candidates for positions as school teachers are requested to be punctual in their attend-

The Governor has appointed the following named additional trial justices: John E. Brezeale, of Anderson county; J. G. Gatlin, of Darlington county, and Rev. W. J. Parker, of Spartanburg county.

Mr. A. J. White, Jr., of this city, who was fer some time past in the office of the Gas Company, has recently received the appointment of purser on the steamship James Adger, Captain T. J. Lockwood.

IMPORTANT MASONIC APPOINTMENTS .- At the last session of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina an amendment to the constitution was this jurisdiction into ten Masonic Districts, and the appointment by the grand master of district deputy grand masters, whose duties and powers are defined by the amendment. In accordance with this authority Grand Mas ter Robert S. Bruns has made the following appointments of district deputy grand masters: First District—Embracing the Counties of Abbeville, Anderson, Oconee and Pickens—F. A. Conner, of Cokesbury,
Second D.strict—Embracing the Counties of

Greenville, Laurens, Spartanburg and Union—C. G. Jaeger, of Laurens.

Third District—Embracing the Counties of Cnester, Fairfield and York—James H. Rion, of Winusboro',

Fourth District—Embracing the Counties of Edgefield, Lexington and Newberry—Z. W. Carrille of Edgefield. Carwile, of Edgefield.

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Fifth District.—Embracing the Counties of Lancaster, Kershaw and Richland.—G. T. Berg, of Columbia.

Sixth District.—Embracing the Counties of Barnwell, Beautort and Orangeburg-James

F. Iz ar, of Orangeburg.

Seventh District—Embracing the Counties of Charleston and Colleton—Charles Inglesby, ot Charleston. of Charleston.

Eighth District—Embracing the Counties of Chesterdeld, Darlington and Mariboro'—M. W. Lloyd, of Fiorence.

Ninth District—Embracing the Counties of Charendon, Sumter and Williamsburg—T. V.

Walsh, of sunter.

Tenth District—Embracing the Countles of Georgetown, Horry and Marion—S. A. Durham, of Marion.

THE UNITED STATES COURT. Trial of a Mutiny Case-A Batch of Rev-

enue Indictments. The United States Circuit Court was occuoled yesterday with the trial of John Harman, alias Richard Lawless, and John McCants, alias Patrick West, on a charge of revolt. It appeared that these seamen belonged to the American vessel Martha Booker, commanded last January, while the vessel was lying in Charleston harbor, they refused to work or to obey the orders of Captain Cutter, whereupon the captain signalled a revenue cutter, which came alongside and took off the refractory seamen. They were defended by G. Lamb Buist, Esq., by assignment of the court, and no violence having been proved against them the jury returned a verdict of not guilty, and

they were discharged. The grand jury presented true bills of indictment against the following persons for various violations of the internal revenue laws: Anthony G. Bentley, John J. Chaplin, Henry O. Eaton, alias Henry Smith, Elias Fowler, Samuel B. Latham, Daniel Nance, Curtis F. Scaler and Joseph Vaughn. No bill was returned against Ambrose Adams and James Adams.

In the District Court Judge Bryan granted the following important order in the bankruptcy proceedings regarding the Laurens Railroad Company on the application of creditors by liens to require the Greenville and Columbia Railroad Company to comply with the terms of their purchase.

Ordered, that the Greenville and Columbia Rallroad Company do pay the assignee, James M. Baxter, the balance of cash portion of purchase money, with interest due, and also \$20,833 35-100, with interest on \$62,500 from \$20,833 35-100, with interest on \$62,500 from December 17, 1870, on or before the first of May next. In case of failure, ordered, that the assignee proceed to resell at the risk of the Greenville and Columbia Railroad Company, after advertising the same for one month in the daily papers of Charleston and Columbia, on the following terms, to wit: For a sufficient amount to pay the balance of purchase money, both principal and interest, which will be due on the day of said sale on a credit of one year, to be secured by the bond credit of one year, to be secured by the of the purchaser and a merigage of the property sold.

A CORRECTION .- Mr. A. E. Philippy denies emphatically that he was the person who informed on Messrs. Law & Doscher for viola ling the internal revenue laws.

THE PEOPLE'S SAVINGS INSTITUTION .- This nstitution will begin business in the 'People's Bank building on the 15th instant, where it will receive deposits, upon which it will allow six per cent. interest. All of the profits are divided every fifth year among the depositors.

THE DEAD FOUNDLING .- The inquest over the body of the baby, which died the day after it was found at the gate of the Orphanhouse, was concluded yesterday. The jury found that it came to its death from exposure, and that the person who left it exposed to the weather was accessory to its death.

A MUSICAL ELECTION -At a meeting of St. Patrick's Brass Base, held last evening, the tollowing officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year: P F. Gleason; president F. J. McGary, vice-president; N. G. Duffy, secretary; T. J. Sheehan, treasurer. Commit tee on letters-M. Conners, M. Powers, Geo. Cleary, M. Barry.

A FREIGHTING FREAK .- FIRTY packages of coffee and sugar, consigned to Columbus, Ga., were received in Charleston from Baltimore last week, to be forwarded to their destination by way of Fernandina, Fla. This is pretly good evidence that the Columbus merchants are determined to flank the Central Railroad of Georgia, even if the South Carolina Railroad declines to be a party to the transaction.

HARD HITTING .- E. Heyward and Peter Sommers, two colored men, quarrelled last evening in a bar-room on East Bay, near Elliott street, and the former picked up a brickbat and flung it at Sommers, striking him in the head and inflicting an ugly cut. The wounded man was knocked senseless, and was taken to the Guardhouse bleeding pro fusely. Heyward was also arrested, but denies that he flung the brick. He is held for examination.

THE YOUNG AMERICA BALL .- The third annual ball of the Young America Steam Fire Engine Company took place last evening, at the Hibernian Hall, and was a brilliant affair. lection. The hall was beautifully draped with flags, which, with the pendant decorations of moss gracing the splendid chandellers, formed a striking and picturesque feature of the tout gott, Benedict & Co. ensemble of the scene. The fact that several prizes were to be awarded by the managing committee had become generally known, and excited hopes which added lustre to the lovely tollets of the fairer sex, and an easy grace to the movements of each gallant fireman. The ladies were out early in numbers, and the hall was soon filled. The Chicora Band furnished the inspiration for the dancers, and ruled with its harmonious strains the fairy footsteps of the graceful couples, as they gilded over the polished floor. The red shirts and coats were the especial objects of admiration, and the wearers exhibited a gallantry and devotion to the fair which corresponded with their heroic enthusiasm and endurance when battling with the fiery elements. Quadrilles, waltzes, polkas and other Terpsichorean allurements made the hours pass away like minutes, and the morning hours all too soon surprised the gay company at their revels. .

The ball was conducted with an attention to the pleasare of the guests, which merited their hearty appreciation, and the Young Americas have reason to congratulate themselves on the success of their third annual bail.

THE KU KLUX PRISONERS .- In addition to those previously reported, the following cluizens of Chester County have been arrested and committed to Jail by the United States authorities: J. C. Cornwell, W. A. Cornwell, G. C. Crosby, Curtis Jamieson, D. Hardwick, H. D. Hardwick, and John Dallas. Mr. Crosby

was subsequently released. There are nine prisoners in the Chester County fail.

Of the prisoners confined at Yorkville, J. M. Kirkpatrick and J. B. Kirkpatrick were discharged on bail last Saturday, leaving twenty yet in jail. J. S. Miller, whose term of imprisonment expired on the 28th ultimo, was discharged on that day.

The fellowing are the names of the prisoners from Laurens County who were brought to Columbia on Thursday, as noticed in our special disparches yesterday: John Ellison, R. W. Ellison, Samuel Bolt, R. L. Potter, W. F. Fainey, J. Enright, B. T. Balem, C. West, J. A. Leland, A. W. Teague, T. McCoy, James Huggins, Alexander McArley, W. E. Beach, R. E. Richardson, W. E. Crish, H. W. Andrews, Dr. W. Anderson, John T. Cray, Beauford Meddows, Henry Suber, E. Young, R. Williams, S. Pearson, S. Fritz, R. R. Blackiey, A. Mack. S. Oliver, J. Crampton, S. West, William John son, William Irby, William Adair, Osborn Bishop, George H. Davis, and Charles Pettis. The last named is an escaped prisoner from Spartanburg, and was rearrested at Alston. The arrests made are not for Ku-Klux out rages proper, but on account of the riot which

occurred at Laurens Courthouse in 1870.

THE STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

From the advertisement published in our columns it will be seen that this body assembles in Columbia on the 16th proximo. A successful meeting was held in this city in April last, when a volume of transactions highly creditable to those engaged was issued. It is to be hoped that a large number of physicians from every section of the State will assemble in Columbia, where many subby Captain Cutter, and that on the 26th day of jects of interest to the profession will be brought up for consideration involving topics which affect the welfare of the community at large. The origin and spread of epidemics, diseases of local origin, methods for their prevention, &c., will be considered, and papers and reports from the several countles of the State may be expected. There is every reason to believe that a large and pleasant meeting will be the result.

THE LADIES FUEL SOCIETY.-At the regular monthly meeting, held yesterday morning at the depository, in Chalmers street, this society closed its charitable work for the season. From the reports of the distributors for the various wards it was shown that about eleven hundred dollars worth of fuel had been distributed among the poor of the city, in many cases gratuitously and in others at one-half of the actual cost. The severe winter through which we have passed caused heavier calls upon the charity of the society than was an ticipated, but the resources were husbanded with care, and applied with much circumspection. The amount of suffering alleviated and wants relieved by the society can hardly be appreciated by those who are not familiar with the circumstances of the poor, and as they look back upon the ministerings of the officers of this association, hundreds of poor destite families will exclaim: "God bless those ladies."

> Hotel Arrivals-April 4. PATILION HOTEL.

T. W. Davis, J. H. Morgan, J. T. Stuart, Greenville; F. G. Burrows, Memphis; Captain

O. P. Wheeler, Boston; John Nettles, Northeastern Railroad; J. Cameron, St. Louis; J. C. Ferrell, Atlanta; A. Morgan, Georgetown. CHARLESTON HOTEL. Charles A. Larendon, J. M. Walker, Geor-

gia: D. B. Van Houten and wife, A. Smith, B. S. Howard, E. W. Jessup, W. L. Jessup and wife, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Litchfield, New York; H. Jones, South Carolina; J. P. Brien, T. Jeter and wife, Mrs. Carmonche, Pennsylvania; G. S. Trezevant, T. J. LaMotte, Mrs. Glover, son and servant. Miss Whitner, Columbia: H. Conrad and family, Winchester; M. M. Hawes, J. A. Goni, D. Baker, Savannah; J. B. Dawkins, Gainesville, Fia.; J. Bosenthal, Baltimore; Mrs. J. L. Carringhan, Mrs. Marshall, Richmond; A. E. Tamplet, Georgetown; H. N. Raymond, Mrs. M. N. Raymond, Cleveland: M. W. Garrison, Alabama. MILLS HOUSE.

W. S. Williams and wife, Edgefield; H. H. Benner, United States Army; Mrs. Clarke, M. Daniels, New Jersey; G. Cottrell. C. Cottrell, D. M. Walduck, A. Smith, P. S. Heward, M. N. Cochram, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Van Valken-N. Cocnram, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Van Valken-bergh, Miss Annie Van Valkenbergh, Miss Emmie Van Valkenbergh, Master Allen Van Valkenbergh, New York; Mrs. R. Higgins, Richmond; D. Baker, Savannah.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

LARGE invoices of Singer Sewing Machines, per schooner James Wall, from New York. One hundred and twenty-five Machines re ceived at Singer office yesterday.

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AT FURCHGOTT, BENEDICT & Co., No. 244 King streat-a new andelegant assortment of 20 and 25 cents Dress Goods, just unpacked. Also, the Dolly Varden Polonaise in large se aprl

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