MANNING, S. C., WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 1904.

efforts to burn the immediate business district. At that, however, there is

the great outlying districts, among

ten times the number of troops now

on hand would be entirely insufficient

The fire in East Washington street

the mob should go, and there is now

no danger of it spreading either fur-

ther east or west or to the north

where the fashionable East High

Charles Jackson, aged 19, a negro.

fearing to remove him to the county

DISPENSARY APPOINTMENT.

Changes Are Made

The new state liquor commissioner.

the term. There are a number of

sioner, would make a clean sweep,

Mr. G. H. Charles is retainee as clerk

and is fully up to its duties. The book-

keepers, Messrs. M. H. Mobley, B. A.

as does Mr. T. W. Collins as invoice

office. Mr. C. J. Lynch, former ship-

Smith of Lynchburg stating: "Rev.

Washington Street church at noon

Senator Tillman Sick.

he can take. A thorough examination

was made of the Senator's throat

which time the phsicians hope the

Radium Goes Up.

L. D. Gardner, importer of radium,

A dispatch from Washington says

Friday.

to prevent incendiarism.

AN OHIO MOB

Shot a Negro to Death, Then Hanged Him and Shot Again.

NEGRO KILLED A POLICEMAN.

Was Stormed by the Mob. Who Took Their Victim Out and Shot

Richard Dixon, a negro, was shot to death at Springfield Ohio, Monday night by a mob, for the killing of Policeman Charles Collis, who died Monday from wounds received at the hands of Dixon on Sunday.

Collis had gone to Dixon's room on the negro's request. Dixon said his mistress had his clothes in her possession. Collis accompanied D.xon to the room and in a short time the man and woman engaged in a quarrel which resulted in Dixion shooting the woor Mamie Occbin, in the left breast, just over the heart. She fell unconthen fired four balls into Collis, the last of which penetrated his abdomen. Dixon went immediately to poup. He was taken to jail.

As soon as Collis' death became known talk of lynching the negro was heard and Monday night a crowd began to gather about the jail.

THE NEGRO SHOT TO DEATH.

At 11 o'clock the negro was taken from the jail and shot to death in the jail yard and the body was taken from there to the corner of Main street and Fountain avenue and hung to a telegraph pole where the mob spent the next half hour riddling the body with bullets from several hundred revol-The mob forced an entrance to the jail by butting in the east doors with a railroad iron. At 10.30 o'clock the mob melted rapidly and it was the general opinion that no more attempts would be made to force an entrance. Small groups of men, however, could be seen in the shadows of price thereof, to be recovered by suit the court house, two adjacent livery or set up as a counter-claim to an acstables and several dwelling houses.

At 10.45 o'clock the police were sat- fertilizers or manures. isfied that there was nothing more to fear and they, with other officials and small crowd moving from the east doors around to the south entrance. The police followed and a bluff was leading up to the sonth entrance. The crowd at this point kept growing, while yells of "hold the police," "smash the doors," "lynch the nigger" were made, interspersed with re-

All this time the party with the heavy railroad iron was beating at the east door which soon yeilded to the battering ram as did the inner lattice iron east door, and overpowered the sheriff:turnkey and handful of deputies and began the assault on the iron turnstile leading to the cells. The police from the south door were called inside to keep the mob from the cells and in five minutes the south door had shared the fate of the east one.

In an incredible short time the jail was filled with a mob of 250 men with have prevented access to the negro, iron partition leading to the cells resisted the mab effectually until cold chisels and sledge hammers arrived, which were only two or three minutes later in arriving. The padlock to the turnstile was proken and the mob soon filled the corr dors leading to the cells. the stone steps to a court in the jail the police to rescue him the leaders

formed a holl w square. NIXE S IOTS IN HIS BODY.

ground and those near to him fell back four of five feet. Nine shots were fired into his postrate body, and satisfied that he was dead, a dozen men grabbed the lifeless body and with a triumphant cheer the mob surged into Columbia street and marched to Fountain avegue one of the principle

From here they marched south to rope was tied around Dixon's neck. Two menclimbed the pole and threw the rope over the topmost cross-arm ignited. and drew the oody about 18 feet above the street. They then descended and

streets of the town.

their work was greeted with a cheer. The fusillade then begun and for 30 minutes the body was kept swaying back and forth from the force of the rain of bullets which has poured in on convulsively when a muscle was struck, and the mob went fairly wild

with delight. Throughout it all perfect order was maintained and every one seemed in the best of humor, joking with his nearest neighbor while reloading his

Wanted to Lynch Him.

A special from Murpheysboro, Ill., says that seventy-five Carbondale citizens attempted Thursday morning to them a continuous existence as a Kotake a negro from jail to lynch him. The sheriff frustrated their plan, and arrested four prominent citizens. Sheriff Thorpe was apprised of the mob's departure for Carbondale, and, with a deputy, waited on the second floor of the jail. When the mob approached the jail they were covered with guns from the windows above, W. W. Hill and two sons on the brought Companies G and K, of Day-

AN INDEPENDENT ACT

In Reference to the Purchase of Commercial Fertilizers.

To remind purchasers of commercial fertilizer of their privileges under the law we reproduce an act of the Legislature, approved February 19, amending or abrogating these statutes we have failed to see them.

An Act, To Provide a means whereby any purchaser, in This State, of any commercial fertilizers or Manures, may have the same analyzed by Clemson Agricultural and and to provide a penalty for delivering fertilizers or manures short in

vessel holding same. General Assembly of the State of South Carolina: That from and after the passage of this Act, any citizen of this State who shall purchase any commercial fertilizers or manures, shall have the same analyzed by Clemson Agricultural and Mechanical College by taking a sample of same withman, who is variously known as Anna in ten days of receipt thereof from at least ten per cent. of such fertilizers in the presence of at least two disinterested witnesses. One to be chosen scious at the first shot and Collis by the purchaser and one by the seller jumped towards the negro to prevent who shall certify that such sample his escape from the room. Dixon was taken from such fertilizers or manures, which certificate, with the sample, shall be sealed by a third disinterested party in the presence of said witnesses, and directed to Clemlice headquarters and gave himself son Agricultural and Mechanical Col-

Section 2. The said college shall have the said sample analyzed free of cost, and within three months after receiving the sample, supply the purchasers of such fertilizers or manures with a certificate giving the per cent. of the different fertilizing ingredients of same, signed by the Chemist of Clemson Agricultural and Mechanical College, which certificates shall be admissable as evidence in all suits relative to such fertilizers or manures whether the same be instituted by vendor or purchaser of same.

Section 3. That any vendor of commercial fertilizers or manures whose goods or wares fall short to the extent of ten per cent. in any fertilizing ingredient guaranteed by the analysis appearing on the sack or vessel holding same, when delivered to the purchaser, shall forfeit one-half the sale tion for the purchase price of such

Section 4. Be it further enacted: third witness, who shall proceed to local companies. take samples as hereinbefore provid-

tent with the provisions of this Act. with this act be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Approved the 19th day of February A. D. 1900.

A Berlin Tragedy.

A dispatch from Berlin, Germany, says Lieut Carl Beseke, (retired, tune Wednesday took his last money and wave a splendid dinner in honor of his nineteen-year-old daughter's and seemed to be waiting for a start death was not expected it did not all the entrances and yard gates birthday. Beseke then poisoned his to be made by the white men. The create such a shock as it would other and members appear in the report as suffers periodic spells, caused by have crop of last year. Much land which in the night attack, one officer was blocked by fully 2,500 men, thus mak- wife, daughter, two sons, respectively other crowd was boisterous and there ing it impossible for the militia to 12 and 16 years old, cadets at a mili- were frequent yells and several pistol received a telegram from Mr. E. D. had it been on the scene. The heavy ide of potassium, which he seemingly inserted in the mouth of each, in the form of a pill, after they had gone

into a drunken sleep. After a brilliant career and marreached the end of his fortune and Seeing that firther resistance was use- iff. He won the iron cross during the mob at a distance of a hundred feet, less and to a oid the killing of inno- war of 1870-71 with France, married shot at the front of the building for a cent prisoners the authorities consent- the daughter of a rich hotel-keeper, half hour, but it is not known whether Senator Tillman of South Carolina is ed to the der and of the mob for the hereby having to leave the service, as any of the occupants had remained in very ill with a serious throat trouble. right man. He was dragged from his he married out of his castle, and the building and if they did whether His friends are much concerned as it cell to the jal door and thence down started a newspaper. The lieutenant any fatalities resulted from the shoot- is impossible for him to swallow and yard. Fearing an attempt on part of cessful, and he became sales agent for a manufacturer and then manager of a map-making enterprise. He lived children to drink lots of champagne. institution was to be immediately of complete rest will be necessary by He died holding his wife's hand tight-

A Horrible Death.

At Atlanta, Ga., from the effects of She ran, screaming and praying, into a sleeping apartment worried, but did not seem to know with offices in the Temple Court and fell in a charred mass at the bedside of her sick mother. She was picked up by neighbors, who were ating agonies for twelve hours she died ing, and the news of the death of her daughter.

The Koreans.

The people of Korea are neither Japanese nor Chinese. They are Mongolian and have a polysyllable language, with a phonetic alphabet. They have a recorded history, of disputed authenticity, which claims for the levee by a circuitous route. shrouded in the mists of tradition and

A Fatal Fight.

In a fight near Valden, Miss., Aaron Stewart and his son on one side and to the eastbound Big Four train with pistols about a boundary line. whites and so far as their scanty num-

A WILD MOB.

The Homes of Negroes Burnt in Ohio grave danger of the tire starting in By Senators and Representatives Who by White Men.

ANOTHER NIGHT OF TURMOIL.

1900. If there has been any acts, Governor Herrick Was Very Slow in Ordering Troops to The Rescue of the Colored

A dispatch from Springfield, O., says intense excitement prevails here imminent danger from the spread of Mechanical College, free of costs, at an early hour Wednesday morning which not even the presence of seven ingredients appearing on sack or companies of national guard can allay. This excitement is shared by all the Primrose alley and within two minutes Section 1. Be it enacted by the business men and property owners of a mob of several hundred surrounded the city, the fear that some negroes him and he was hidden by the police will attempt to avenge the burning of to save his life. He was held at the levee districts by firing the down town business houses or their homes in the residence district. So far the jail. negroes have not tried to make good their threats to dynamite the county jail to "even up" with Sheriff Routzahn for permitting the negro mur- A Large Number Held Over and Few derer Dickson to be taken by the mob Monday night without the shedding of blood to save him. Not a fourth of under patrol by either militia or police and it looks as if a close guard would have to be kept for several days to prevent further incendiarism. It is changes and transfers, but several lay on the table. Three cases are set now on hand will be able to save the western levee district in West Washington street, which the leaders openly dec'ared they would set fire to as soon as the work in the eastern half of the street was completed. There is little or no disorder, the mob of 2.000 men standing quietly watching the spread of the flames in the neighborhood of Spring and Gallagher streets, and apparently ready to help if it should show signs of spreading beyond the confines they originally set for it.

When the leaders of the mob passed down off of East High street early last evening to begin the work of burning the levee residences, Father John Cogan, assistant pastor of St. Raphael's church, got down on his knees on the sidewalk and implored them to desist in their work as they might start a fire they would not be able to control. The incendiarists paused only a moment, a few of them cursed him and then went quickly on to begin their task. So far the fire loss does not exceed \$30,000.

DETAILS OF NIGHT OF TRIAL.

having been notified or requested by day night and he asked Governor Her-Kersbaw, formerly a member of the the purchaser so to do, then he or rick for troops. Two companies from legislature is appointed in place of N. they shall have forfeited their rights Dayton and one each from Miamis- H. Stausel. No appointment has been made at jostling them off the steps so to do, and the purchaser shall select burg, Urbana and Columbus, have made yet for the inspectorship now two witnesses, who shall select the been promised to reinforce the two occupied by Z. T. Searson.

Many of the negroes of the city were Commissioner Tatum, that of stock ed. All samples of fertilizers drawn surely and moody Thursday night, and bookkeeper, and this place is to be under the provision of this Act shall it was realized that only a spark was filled by J. T. Parks, of Orangeburg, be subject to such other rules as may needed to set off the magazine of a the editor of the Orangeburg Patriot. be prescribed by the Board of Trus- race war. At 9:30 o'clock Thursday This offlice is made because of the tees of Clemson College not inconsis | night the crowd gathered in the levee | enormous amount of stock handled. district numbered 1,500 and one or Section 5. All Acts inconsistent two revolver shots had been fired at

random. By 9:30 o'clock a crowd of 2.000 men had assembled along the Big Four were called upon to mourn the death railroad tracks almost blockading Washington street which is known as the levee from Fountain avenue. Two hundred negroes were clustered together just west of Fountain avenue. after a long and steady decay of for- in the levee district near the place

called Honkytonk. The negroes were unusually quiet tary academy, and himself, with syan-shots heard, although no one has been reported injured so far. At 11:20 the threat of the mob. fre-

quently made through the day and died suddenly just ten days ago. He head and Clayton, Senator Pettus. evening, was finally made good and a was in apparently good health up to volume of flame was seen to shoot up riage with an heiress. Beseke had from the rear of a place occupied by "Les" Thomas, a saloon keeper. Prehis goods were to be sold by the sber- ceding the firing of the building, the wrote well, but the paper was not suc- ing. The fire spread both ways from a little liquid nourishment is all that

Thomas' place. It is understood that the negro population is highly incensed at Sher- Wednesday and disclosed the fact that beyond his means for thirty years. iff Routzahn for not using greater an abscess had formed on the left Last night the Beseke family had a force in protecting Dixon. Sheriff torsil. It is said to be a very small box at the Iroquois. At 10 o'clock Routzahn had been warned that the one and the physicians believe it can dinner was ordered in from a caterer. instant the torch was applied in be relieved without great difficulty. Beseke was especially gay and tender, Washington street he had better re- An operation will be performed Thursand pressed his wife and his three move his family from the jail as that day morning. After that several days

Throughout the day there has been throat again will be in its normal a vague unrest in every quarter of the condition. The statement was made city. The body of the lynched negro at the senator's house Wednesday was taken from the telegraph pole at night that his condition is not dangburns Miss Fannie Alexander died a 3 o'clock Thursday morning and placed erous and that he has only a very the intersection of Main street, and a norrible death. Miss Alexander was in a little undertaking shop. Through slight fever. lifting a coffee pot from a stove in the the forenoon filly 15,000 people saw cooking room, when her clothing the body and stood about the city in groups. The police and officials were

building, gives out the startling news what was best to do. At noon the undertaking office was that the price of radium has increased closed. The crowds did not disperse, \$4,200,000 a pound in two days. The tracted by her screams, and medical and nobody seemed to be working. At commercial rate last week was \$8,400,assistance summoned, but after suffer- nightfall there were reports of threat- 000, now it is \$12,600,000. Mr. Gardened trouble flying thick and fast and ner belives the rate will be even it. Frequently the arms would fly up Thursday morning. Mrs. Alexander the crowds in the streets grew larger. higher. "By April 1," he says, it is in a critical condition, as a result It was rumored that the negroes would will be almost impossible to buy raof the shock at the time of the burn- attempt to burn the city and the in- dium at any figure. We now get all ley, Daizell and Butler. surance men appealed to Mayor Bow- radium from Europe, this country lus to protect them. The police were having been unable to extract it so in a state bordering on panic after far. The increase in price will stimtheir horrible experience at the jail ulate American prospectors. In Utah

> the night before. The company of militia from Nenia States, pitch-blended, carnotile, fer- low. arrived at 1:30 (Wednesday morning) gusonite and uranite have been disand were immediately sent towards covered, but I have not neard that

Company M. of the Fourth regiment, articles." rean people of about 5,000 years, the of Xenia, and Company D. of the earlier part of which, of course, is Third regiment, of Urbana, are now picketed along the Big Four railway tracks facing the burning district along East Washington street. There are 225 enlisted men in each. At 12:45 o'clock three cars attached

who, according to her hisband, is Hughes and Dayton. only 26 years old, was put in the psychopathic ward at Bellevue Hospital Jenkins, Cooper, Davidson, Babcock,

Don't Blame Her.

At New York, Mrs. Eva Abernathy,

bers would permit, will forestall any POSTOFFICES OWNED

the factories or dwelling houses and Are Involved in Scandal.

MONEY VALUE OF "INFLUENCE."

has burned out exactly the district Another Chapter in Last Summer's Postoffice Investigation. Different Forms of Crooked Business Let Out.

street district, including St. Raphael's Another chapter in the postoffice Catholic church was for a while in investigation of last summer was re- section of the town is under water. vealed Thursday when Chairman Only a few business houses escap-Overstreet of the house committee on ed the flood, and as a result the postoffices and post roads laid before merchants have lost thousands of dolflourished a big revolver in the prethe house of representatives a closely lars worth of goods. The ice is gorged sence of a small crowd of whites in printed document of 218 pages re- there and the water backed up so counting the instances on file in the rapidly Wednesday afternoon to leave used, instead of raising on a portion of chadni, was sunk. Admiral Makapostoffice department in which mem- their homes, and are now living on his farm the farm produce and forage roff inaugurated his assumption of the bers of the senate and house of repre- the upper floors. sentatives have used their "influence" headquarters all night, the police with officials of the postoffice depart- erty has been destroyed in the Wyomment, with more or less success, to se- ing valley and over two thousand famcure increases in the salaries of postmasters, additional clerk hire and ad- river is falling at Wilkesbarre Wedpostoflice purposes.

The report was made by the unanimous vote of the members of Mr. day announced his appointment for Hay of Virginia. As the information dred yards by the ice and Wednesaccompanies the report, the commit- day evening the two remaining spans tee recommended that the resolution collapsed. who thought that the new commis- government for postoffice purposes. The members involved are J. W. has served in this office a long time of Connecticut.

The history of 161 cases is given in the report wherein members of con-Hawkins and W. M. E'der, all remain, gress figure in getting authorization for clerk hire in excess of the amount bookkeeper in the commissionser's the office in question was entitled to. Many of these increases were only ping clerk, is displaced by Mr. L. L. temporary, and have been d scontin-

Baker, and Mr. J. H. Classy, of Or- ued. Among those whose "influence" angeburg, is made superintendent. Both of these men have been dispen- seemed good with the postoffice desers, the former in Batesburg. Mr. partment are Senator Clay and Reg-T. E. Dickson, former superinten- resentative Griggs of Georgia; Sens. tor Pitchard secured an increase for dent, has been made contrabant clerk, clerk hire of Greenville, N. C., from displacing Mr. W. W. Harris. Mr. \$70 to \$150 per annum, which on Dec. Dickson has been in the dispensary a 1, 1903, was discontinued altogether. number of years. Mr. W. J. Powers He also secured an increase from \$40 continues in office as shipping clerk, to \$150 for Wake Forest, N. C., which but Mr. Thomas Reasoner is displaced was reduced to the former amount by Mr. W. H. Sondley, a new appoint-Oct. 1, 1903.

Senator McLaurin appears for an Mr. J. E. Ehrhardt retains his position as assistant superintendent, as increase in South Carolina. Repre-Threats throughout the day and does Miss E. P. Barrigan as steno- sentatives Brownlow and Gibson se-That if any seller or vendor of ferti- Thursday evening to burn the levee, grapher to the commissioner. The cured several increases in Tennessee lizers or commercial manures shall re- the negro district of the city, confirm- inspectors, Messrs. W. J. McCartha, which have been reduced since. Six out of the jail. Shortly before 11 fuse, decline or neglect to chose a wit- ed Mayor G. J. Bowlus in his behalf A. H. Dan and C. L. Brown have out of 11 cases in Virginia are down o'clock a diversion was made by a ness, as provided in Section 1, after that more trouble was brewing Thursbeen retained, but J. C. Richards, of to the credit of Representative Swanappears for others in this State.

There are accounts of 177 instance; in the repor; where members of congress have niade recommendations in connection with leases of buildings for A new office has been created by postoffice purposes. Senator Overman is the owner of

the building in which the postoffice at Salisbury, N. C., is located. The report says that on taking his seat as a United States senator he offered to declined by the government, it being The Columbia State says "it was held that the lease was not invalidatbut a week ago that many friends ed by his election as senator.

The report files in the postoffice deof Mrs. O. A. Darby, and now comes partment indicate that the office at the city on the train. When some agricultural crops. the announcement of the death of Tuskagee, Ala., is owned by the Repthat faithful servant of the South resentative Thompson of Alabama. Carolina conference, Rev. O. A. Darby The report gives the correspondence of Sumter county. It was feared that between Beavers and Representative He was found Sunday in a lake, wad- upon the question of the value of the succeed in saving the Stereguschtchi, the blow caused by the death of his Thompson at his successful efforts to ing around in water up to his neck. crop to the producer. The South will which foundered. Part of the crew wife had affected him very greatly, have the rent allowance increased and while the news of Dr. Darby's from \$240 to \$300 annually.

The following names of senators has some lucid moments, though he ally follow the great profits from the wise. The State Wednesday night having made representations to the ing his head crushed under a wagon has been devoted to other crops will seriously and three others were slightpostoffice department concerning the leases of premises for postoffices and O. A. Darby died suddenly Wednes- for allowances for rent, fuel and light. day afternoon at 7 o'clock. His wife Alabama -Representativees Bank-

Connecticut-Representatives Henthe time of his death. Funeral at ry Hill and Lilly. Georgia-Representative Griggs. Illinois-Representatives G. W. Smith, Marsh, Graff, Mann, Senator concern is backed by Andrew Carnegie Cullom, ex-Senator Mason, Speaker

Cannon. Indiana-Representatives Watson. Hemenway, Cromer, Overstreet, Brick and fire brick also will be conducted. and C. B. Landis.

Iowa-Representatives Connor, Hepburn, Hull, Cousins, Thomas, Haughen and Senator Dolliver. Calder-Kansas-Representatives

head, Curtis and Bowersack, Louisianna-Representatives Breazeale, Ransdell and Senator McEnery. the Alabama Great Southern, run- even for their stock, but farmers who the gurs of the fortress replied to the and Allen.

Maryland-Representatives Jackson and Pearrie. Massachusetts - Representatives

Lovering and Greene. Michigan-representatives Bishop, Wm. A. Smith and Darragh. The dead are: Engineer P. P. Larkin, Dakota wheat fields have run down considered ineffective, but the Japan-Minnesota-Representatives Mc-Cleary and Tawney.

and Gardner. New York-Representatives Alexander, Breeland, Ketcham, Spermar, Wadsworth, Payne and Litts per. North Carolina-Senator Overmar.

North Dakota - Representative Spalding. Objo-Representatives Van Voorhis. Skiles and Grosvenor. Pennsylvania - Representatives Wagner, Bates. Evans, Acheson, Sit-

South Carolina - Representatives South Dakota - Representative Burke. Tennessee-Representatives Brown-Colorado, Texas and other Western

Texas-Representative Burleson. Vermont - Representatives Foster radium has been extracted from these and Haskins. Virginia-Representative Swanson.

Washington-Representative Cust-West Virginia - Representatives

Wisconsir - Representatives Mino:

porter, said that she had been made the report including the names of Reinsane by the care of their thirteen presentatives Burnett and Thompson murdering Miss Nelson, can be prosechildren, all of whom are alive. She of Alabama and Representatives W. cuted. She probably will be released. Weiss testified that their daughter on the girl with a pistol, and when

DAMAGE BY FLOODS.

Many Families are Rendered Homeless Much Money Lost.

The city of Wilkesbarre and the in times past has grown too much cotand the scene was more terrifying than on Tuesday. At Plymouth the entire business

Over a million dollars worth of prop-

of Bloomsburg are experiencing the worst flood in their history. Three spans of the great steel bridge Overstreet's committee, in response erected by the state at Catawissa to a resolution calling for the informa- were swept from their piers early in the business district of the city is W. O. Tatum, of Orangeburg, Tues- tion, introduced by Representative the afternoon and carried four hun-

ilies rendered homeless. Though the

Mill street, at Danville, the busithought, however, that the troops men are retained, and the result will forth in which members of congress ness thoroughfare of that city, was be somewhat of a surprise to those own buildings which are leased to the under water Wednesday night for its whole legth more than a mile. The ice moved at Danville early in the Wadsworth of New York: J. D. Bow- afternoon and carried the great covof the board of director. Mr charles erstock, of Kansas, and Geo. L. Lilley ered river brigde from its piers. The the increased demand and consumpthe head, losing his right eye. The water works of Danville are under water and the city is without electric light and gas. 'Two hundred families have been forced to leave their homes.

Congressman Croft Dead.

March 9, says: "Representative George W. Croft of the Second congressional district of South Carolina is critically ill at his home here and ton, at the same time the manufachope of his recovery has been abandoned. He is suffering from blood poisoning with complications of stormach trouble and heart failure due to protracted illness. Heart stimulants and saline solution are being admin- elsewhere. Undoubtedly, too, recent istered, but they are giving only in- advances in textile manufacturing, by one was seriously wounded. Accorddifferent relief, and his death is believed to be but a question of a few cotton, have had much influence upon hours. Mr. Croft's brother, a physician of Aiken, S. C., is with him. Mr. tion of the right hand, due, it is believed, primarily to a splinter which farmers to the value of a diversity of under date of March 10, as follows: was removed from the pulm after he crops has reduced the cotton acreage. Mr. Croft apparently was better: by both and spread with greater virulence and other work, has helped to lessen than before, the whole right forearm the acreage and decrease the yield. last year." He died Thursday.

Insane Man's Freak.

At Valdosta, Ga., a negro named sane and will be sent to the asylum. was arrested Saturday and started to ing it the most important of all distance this side of Olympia he He was finally arrested again and increase the acreage in cotton this was made prisoners and part was brought here for trial. The negro year very materially. This will natur- drowned. wheel some time ago.

A Big Plant.

The Secretary of State Tuesday issued a commission to the Pope Clay Product Company of Aiken which will have a capitalization of \$700,000. The corporators are J. C. Mosser and J. C. Murphy of Harrisburg, Pa. This and will manufacture aluminum from the kaolin with which Aiken abounds. The manufacture of pottery, glass The clay of South Carolina is attracting great attiention now, a \$100,000 concern havin; been chartered recently to make pa nt out of the inexhaustible ochre bed; near Columbia.

A Railway Massacre.

Maine-Representatives Burieigh ning sixty miles an hour, collided will diversify their labors and make enemy's fire. "The crew on board all Railway freight near Kewanee, Miss. early Tuesday. According to reports received there, no passengers were lands in the South, nor of lands for ordinary course in spite of the shells killed, but five railway employees general farming purposes. Some cot-falling between the vessels and cover-Gard- lost their lives, several were injured ton lands have run down until often ing them with fragments. "A bom-Smith, Fordney, Hamilton, and parts of both trains were burned, they fail to yield profitably, just as bardment at such a distance must be Fireman Henry Banks. colored; Robinson Riggs, mail clerk; D. D. South is not a one-crop country; on have been seen to suffer serious dam-Nebraska-Representative Burkett Nicholson, mail clerk; Express Messen- the contrary, it is the best country in age, the extent of which, however, it New Jersey-Representativ: Howell ger J. H. Hinds. Both roads use the the world for diversified crops. The was impossible to ascertain at a dissame track near Kewanee. The ex- old cotton lands in most cases simply tance of five miles. Many shells were press train was three hours late.

Population of China. R. T. Greener, at Viadivostock, has or more pounds per acre. census of China: Chinese Turkestan, 426,000 inhabi- the one crop.

Poisoned by Mail. A dispatch from Des Noines, Iowa.

COTTON PRODUCTION.

Some Thoughtful Remarks on the Subject from Southern Field.

The Southern Field says the South Wyoming valley in Pennsylvania, was ton, grown it unadvisedly, as well, in in a turmoil Wednesday. The mighty the case of hundreds and thousands of flow of water spread cut north and individual farmers and planters, withsouth west, making the north branch out intelligent cultivation. Always of the Susquehanna river a vast, mad- the great money crop and the one dened, coursing lake, sweeping in its easiest to market, as well as the one path whatever there was to invade, about which so many, especially the negro farmers, know most, men have been kept raising it to their own detriment. The trouble was not that the world's production of cotton was left Port Arthur at broad day light too large, but that the whole atten- Thurday morning and attacked the tion was given to cotton, season in Japanese fleet. One Japanese torpedo season out, while the farmer had to boat was sunk and one Russian torspend money for hay and other feed for his stock and for all that his family pedo boat destroyer, the Bezposhtwhich he needed, thus making the command of the Russian fleet at Port cotton crop cost much more than it Arthur by a complete change of tacought, while the land was being impoverished by the non-rotation of crops. With cotton his only crop, Retvizan, which was stranded at the and a cash outlay necessary for all promouth of the narbor and barred the vantageous leases for buildings for nesday night, towns in the vicinity visions and forage, the smaller farmer channel at certain stages of the tide, had to market as soon as the crop was making the egress of battleships immade, with the result that the lowest possible. Thursday morning he diprices resulted. Disaster necessarily often followed, especially in the years flotilla, supported by part of the Rusof general panic and depression, when the demand for cotton declined. The past few years, however, have been better for cotton growers. Two years have been rich ones for him, and all the indications are that they must

> The time has arrived when more turers have been extending the markets lessening the supply of foreign mills, which new uses have been found for

continue so.

the demand for the staple. The continued non-rotation of crops Croft's illness dates back about eight has destroyed for a time a good deal of weeks when he suffered an inflamma- cotton land and thus cut down the yield. The awakening of Southern being affected. Mr. Croft is 57 years The result of all this has been to put ability of the South to greatly increase around Clayatteville and Olympia and least \$500,000,000 to her people, mak-

again be put in cotton, but this will ly wounded; two soldiers were killed not make such a great difference as at and 18 were wounded. At 9 o'clock 14 first may be thought. Many farmers of the enemy's ships assembled before who have learned to diversify crops Port Arthur and a bombardment was have seen the profit in the practice begun with the heavy guns of their and will not abandon it. Many have battleship squadron at long range. left the cotton fields for good. To in- This plasted until 1 o'clock in the crease the cotton crop to its proper afternoon. It is estimated that the size two things there must be, a great- enemy fired I54 12-inch shells. The er care in cultivation and an influx of damage to our vessels was insignificotton growers, small cotton farmers, cant, and they are again ready for or of cotton field laborers. The present situation makes a fine opening slightly wounded and one soldier killfor the intelligent farmer from the ed and four soldiers wounded. The North or Europe. It adds greatly to illumination of the sea at night by the opportunity in the South for good the searchlishts mounted at our basfarmers. These should be farmers teries was most satisfactory and sevwho will not make cotton their whole eral times isolated shots from our crop, depending entirely upon it and batteries forced the enemy's torpedo sending their money out of the coun- boats to retire. "With the announce-The southbound limited express, on try for their food, their forage and ment of the bombardment at dawn head-on, with a north-bound Southern cotton simply one of their many pro- the ships engaged gave proof of re-

ducts. from continuous crops of wheat. The ese cruisers Takasigo is reported to need a rotation of crops and the right fired at a range of 7 1-2 miles." kind of farming to make them yield. United States Commercial Agent instead of 200 lbs., from 500 to 800

transmitted to the department of There are millions of acres too amounted to 426,447,325 souls. The States. The Northern man can raise 18 Chinese provinces proper had 407, cotton successfully; and while he is 737,305; Manchuria, 8,500,000; Mon- doing it he can sell his extra produce golia, 3,354,000; Tibet, 6,430,000 and to other cotton planters who follow

Commencing Early.

tators in Justice Truax's part of the must make his bed and cook his meals says sending poisoned candy to Rena Supreme Court were amazed yester-during the pendency of the action. Nelson of Pierre, South Dakota, re- day when Mrs. Bertha McCallum testi- This would seem to be carrying govsulted in her death. Governor Cum- fied in her suit for the annuiment of ernment by injunction to the limit. mius has announced that under the her marriage last summer to Percy Iowa laws, sending poison through McCallum. The Justice drew a long the mail is an extradible offense. He breath as he looked at her—a child in says no penalty is provided in Iowa appearance. She testified that after Wyker, pretty young school teacher, for the offense, and he knows of no living with her husband for three is dying, and Paul Weaver, eighteen Thirty-first street. Her husband, a A supplemental list is appended to way in which Mrs. Sterman Die, weeks she returned to her parents, years old is dead, as the result of his

MAKES GOOD START.

New Russian Commander at Port Arthur Uses New Tactics.

ATTACKS THE JAPANESE FLEET

And Sinks One Torpedo Boat and Loses One Torpedo Boat Destroyer. The Japs Were Surprised.

The Russian torpedo boat flotilla tics. As soon as he appeared he ordered the removal of the battleship rected a sortie of the torpedo boat sian squadron, against the Japanese.

WHAT ALEXIEFF SAYS. Viceroy Alexieff has sent the follow-

ing message to the emperor: "In the fight between our torpedo boats and the Japanese cruisers on March 10 Capt. Mattoussevich, Ensign cotton must be grown to supply the Alexandroff and Mechanical Engineer world's demands. The yield of cotton Blinoff received slight wounds, and has not increased of late in ratio to Ensign Zaeff was severely wounded in tion. Two years of short crops have commandant at Port Arthur reports made this especially evident, and peo- the following details or the bombardple are heard speculating as to the ment of the fortress on March 10: 'As supply of the future. Several things soon as the enemy opened fire our bathave co-operated in bringing about teries replied. Six of the enemy's A dispatch from Washington dated this change. One of the influences is ships remained behind the Liao Tishin the great development of the textile promontory and opened fire on the industry in the Southern States, which fortress over that shelter. They has made a home demand for raw cot- ceased bombarding at 11.15 p. m. The enemy fired about 200 projectiles. One shell from battery No. 15, on for their products, thus diminishing the amount available for export. Electric Cliff, damaged a Japanese cruiser seriously. "The results of the bombardment were insignificant; six which have not been able to find one soldiers were wounded. Three inhabitants of the town were killed and ing to Gen. Stoessel's report the officers and soldiers in the shore batteries displayed exemplary courage and fired

their guns in perfect order." A MORE DELAILED REPORT. "Admiral Makaroff, commanding

the fleet, reports from Port Arthur, "Six torpedo boats which went out had been sick several days. For a The scarcity of labor, caused in great to sea the night of March 10, four of time the infiammation decreased and measure by the leaving of the farms them being under the general command of Cant Martonsevitch enlater, however, it again became acute towns, the factories, the mills, mines countered the enemy's torpedo boats followed by cruisers. A hot action ensued in which the torpedo boat destroyer Vlastini discharged a white of age, is a well known lawyer of the price of raw cotton where it be- head torpedo and sunk one of the South Carolina and was leading coun- longs and make the cultivation of it enemy's torpedo boats. On the way sel for the defense in the Tillman trial one of the most profitable of all kinds back the torpedo boat destroyer of agriculture, and also to cause wide- Stereguschtchi, commanded by Lieut. spread discussion as to the future sup- Sergueieff, sustained damages; her ply of cotton, as well as regards the engine was distbled and she began to founder. By 8 o'clock in the morning surrender the lease, but the offer was John Wesley Stevens was adjudged in- its yield. The poorest crop of cotton five of our torpedo boat destroyers the South has had for years, that of had returned. When the critical He had been terrorizing the negroes 1903, from the high prices, meant at position of the Stereguschtchi became evident, I hoisted my flag on the cruiser Novik and sent the cruiser Boyarin to the rescue. But as five The question as to the ability of the of the enemy's cruisers surrounded our jumped head-foremost through the South to produce the cotton of the destroyer and as their battleship, car window and took to the woods. world, or the most of it, bears directly squadron was approaching, I did not

> "On the ships which participated battle. Our losses were one officer markable coolness in action. Below There is no derth of good cotton decks the work of the day followed its

Section Hands Killed.

At Harrisburg, Pa., four unidentified men were burned to death in a commerce and labor the following which have never had a plow on them. box car containing gasoline, which from a Chinese publication on the When it is remembered that farm caught fire near Harrisburg Wednes-"According to the lands in the South are cheaper than day. Two others barely escaped with last census taken in-China, by impe- in any other section of the country, it their lives. The men were employed rial order, in view reassessing taxes, will be seen what an opportunity is as section hands. One man lighted the total number of inhabitants open to the immigrant from other his pipe near the cask of gasoline which exploded.

She Must Work.

A court at Coshocton, O., has enjoined a woman who is suing her husband for divorce from abandoning here. The New York American says spec- household duties, ordering that she

At Trenchtown, N. J., Miss Mary

and hurriedly dispersed. Vaughan is other, on Wednesday, Hill and one ton, and Company H, of Miamisburg. charged with criminal assault, his vic. soll were kined and ins other soll was posse of his neighbors tim being a Carbondale school teach-