

SOUTH CAROLINA MATTERS

Occurrences of Interest From All Over South Carolina

MANY ITEMS OF STATE NEWS

A Batch of Live Paragraphs Covering a Wide Range—What is Going On in Our State.

Charlotte Cotton Market.

These figures represent prices paid to wagons.

General Cotton Market.

Galveston firm, 10.2-4; New Orleans steady, 10.1-2; Mobile steady, 10.7-10; Savannah steady, 10.3-8; Wilmington steady, 10.3-8; Norfolk, quiet, 10.3-4; Baltimore nominal, 10.7-8; New York steady, 11.05; Boston steady, 11.05; Philadelphia firm, 11.30; Houston steady, 10.4-4; Augusta, steady, 10.1-16; Memphis, steady, 10.4-4; St. Louis, dull, 10.7-8; Louisville firm, 10.1-11.

Homicide in Columbia.

Columbia, Special. Ed Tully, a moulder at the Gibbes Machinery Works, was shot in Fred Sheppard's store early Friday night by Jim O'Neil a tough and brother-in-law of Sheppard, who was shooting at J. T. Boatwright. Tully appears to have been concerned in the affair in no way, being an innocent bystander. Only had fired several times at Boatwright who ran into the store and took refuge behind the counter. Boatwright was begging for his life at the time Tully was shot. Tully died half an hour after reaching the hospital, without regaining consciousness. Only and Boatwright have both been arrested but only had disposed of his weapon before the police arrived. The coroner, police and others who have been working on the case are puzzled to discover the motive. Only had for firing upon Boatwright. The scene of the killing is a particularly tough section of the town and the leading witnesses are interested in keeping silent.

Commission Appointed.

Governor Heyward has appointed the commissioners under provisions of an act "to establish a township government for the township of Sullivan's Island, in Charleston county." The nominees are: James Cosgrove, Dennis McKelvin, Jr., William M. Bird, II, O. Strohecker, Thomas S. Wilbur.

Mayor Gibbs Wins Out.

Columbia, Special.—Election day passed off quietly and Mayor Gibbs was reelected by a majority of 206 votes. He ran ahead in every ward except in Ward 5, where Colonel Marshall beat him by 55 votes. Mr. Gibbs' largest majority was in Ward 4, where he ran 85 votes ahead; his home ward, and the number was 82; the next largest was in Ward 3, where he finished 61 votes ahead and in Ward 1 his majority was 33 votes.

Palmetto Bribs.

A commission was issued to the St. George Cotton Seed Oil company to be capitalized at \$25,000. The incorporators are: J. B. Johnston, W. B. Rayson and J. H. Moore.

A commission was issued to the Bell-Richards Shoe company of Spartanburg, to be capitalized at \$20,000. R. T. Bell, C. S. Richards and S. T. Hodges are the incorporators.

Mr. A. S. Salley, Jr., secretary of the State historical commission, is preparing another brochure in reference to the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. Mr. Salley has had made some photographs of the records in the archives in London. Another matter in which Mr. Salley is interested is in the preservation of the correct history of the mace of the State.

The Ware Shoals Land Company of Darlington was commissioned; capitalization \$2,000. The Home Charity Association of Peru plantation, Georgetown county, was also chartered.

The Ware Shoals company filed notice of its increase in capitalization from \$300,000 to \$1,000,000. The name of the company is changed from "Ware" to "Ware" shoals. The directors of the company are: N. B. Dial, E. W. Sparks, J. O. C. Fleming, Benjamin Riegel, Jno. S. Riegel, Geo. E. Riegel, B. O. Riegel, and H. B. Dial, president, and E. W. Sparks secretary.

MINEFIS MAY SIGN BY DISTRICT

General Strike is Made Highly Improbable by Decision of Union Officials to Regard Resolution of Former Convention as Eliminated From Consideration by Present One.

Indianapolis, Special.—It can be stated authoritatively that the officials of the United Mine Workers of America have decided to allow the Ryan resolution to be eliminated from the consideration and will act upon the assumption that the adoption of the report of the scale committee has virtually repealed the resolution which prevented one district from signing an agreement with the operators until all districts had come to an agreement.

All resolutions offered to the miners' convention which endeavored to effect action upon the scale or the Ryan resolution were quietly sent to the resolution committee without comment. The position of the miners' leaders with reference to the Ryan resolution will enable the operators and miners to deal by districts if there is a failure to make an agreement for the entire bituminous field. Mr. F. L. Robbins and other operators who favor signing by districts even if an advance in wages is given are greatly pleased over the position by the leaders of the miners.

The convention voted \$5,000 for the legal defense of C. H. Moyer, W. D. Haywood and Pettibone, officers of the Western Federation of Miners, who are under indictment in Idaho, charged with conspiracy. The convention adopted a resolution favoring woman suffrage and defeated a resolution declaring in favor of the government ownership of mines.

The resolution to vote aid to the officers of the Western Federation was offered by Frank Haynes, a delegate from Illinois. The resolution was supported on the floor by President Mitchell and Vice President Lewis. The executive board was authorized to spend additional funds for the defense of the men if more money should be needed.

The convention then adjourned until Monday morning in honor of St. Patrick. Nearly 1,000 of the delegates later marched in the St. Patrick's Day parade.

Operated Under Umbrellas.

Biddeford, Maine, Special.—Seventeen patients at Trull hospital in this city were removed from their beds during a fire which destroyed a portion of the building, and the surgeons at the hospital completed an operation upon a female patient while the firemen were at work and while umbrellas were held over the operating table to ward off the water which was leaking into the operating room from the upper part of the building. When the surgeons, who had begun the operation before the fire was discovered, had completed their work successfully, the patient was removed to another part of the building.

Greene-Gaynor Case Drags.

Savannah, Ga., Special.—Friday was another day in the Federal Court that was given up to the testimony of E. J. Johnson, national bank examiner and expert accountant, and not even then was the end reached. When the hour for closing this evening was reached Mr. Johnson was still on the stand and it is expected that this cross-examination by the defense will be continued.

\$150,000 Cotton Warehouse Fire.

Toccoa, Ga., Special.—Fire of an unknown origin destroyed the large cotton platform and warehouse of Cuman, Akers & Luman, the plant of the Atlanta Compress Company, 700 bales of cotton and seven loaded freight cars. The loss is placed at \$150,000, fully insured.

Earnings of the American Tobacco Company.

New York, Special.—Net earnings of \$25,212,285 for the year 1905, an increase of \$2,907,589 as compared with the previous year, are shown in the annual report of the American Tobacco Company. The net balance for the year was \$14,204,551, increase \$1,969,020. Total surplus after deducting \$9,988,990 for bonds purchased and \$8,048,480 for dividends on American Tobacco stocks was \$25,685,961, a decrease of \$3,832,019.

Shot Young Girl.

New York, Special.—Miss Estelle Young, aged 25 years, address given as 219 West Thirty-second street was shot and almost killed by Louis Nasser, and his mother at Pierpont Apartment House, 45 West Thirty-second street. After shooting the woman Nasser sent a bullet through his own brain, dying almost instantly.

COLORADO TRAINS CRASH

Fatal Disaster on the Denver and Rio Grande Railway.

PASSENGERS ROASTED TO DEATH

Express and Local Meet Head on Curve Near Adobe, Colo.—Engines and Coaches Turn Over and Flames Add to Horror.

Pueblo, Colo.—In a blinding snowstorm which prevailed in the Arkansas Valley, trains No. 16 east-bound and No. 3 west-bound, on the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad, collided head-on at Adobe Station, near Fort-Laud, Colo., about thirty miles west of Pueblo, at two o'clock a. m.

The accident brought death in most horrible form to at least thirty-five persons. Half of them were incinerated so completely that identification in some cases is impossible, and the exact number of dead may never be determined. The injured number about twenty and all will recover.

Engineer William Hollis, of No. 16, and Conductor William C. Considine, of No. 3, are among the dead. The man on No. 16 was also killed, and J. H. Smith, fireman of No. 3, escaped by jumping, being badly hurt.

Express Messenger McCullough, of Denver, on No. 16, caught under the wreckage and burned to death. Other persons stood by helplessly. Some tried to stop the flames by throwing snow on the man, but he finally succumbed.

The majority of the dead were passengers in the forward coach of No. 3. How many more will die may never be known, as this car, together with other coaches, was entirely consumed by the fire which started two minutes after the locomotives came together.

The appalling loss of life was caused by explosion of an acetone gas tank in the smoking car of one of the trains. At first, fertilized by the crash and flames, most of the occupants were sufficed by the gas and dropped down in the wreckage to be burned. Only two passengers escaped from the car in which the explosion occurred.

One man in the car where the explosion occurred managed to raise a window and got part way through, when his body stuck and the flames swept over him. Roasting alive, he begged that he be shot. A burning beam fell upon his head and ended his suffering, while fellow passengers stood by, helpless to save him and others who perished in plain sight.

One of the pathetic tragedies of the disaster was the wiping out of all except two of the eleven members of the Hewitt family, of Lebo, Kan. The two surviving sons, E. A. and W. L. Hewitt, are among the injured in a Pueblo hospital. Their father, mother, wives and children were all burned, after the train had stopped and the rescuers began to release them from the debris. The two surviving sons, E. A. and W. L. Hewitt, are among the injured in a Pueblo hospital. Their father, mother, wives and children were all burned, after the train had stopped and the rescuers began to release them from the debris.

Two stumps of arms with handkerchiefs clasped on the bones, lying in the ashes near an officer's revolver, told of the sad fate of a man and his wife. The man, badly hurt, was pinned under an iron rod. He begged the other passenger to help him. They worked until the flames reached the spot, when the man said: "I am too badly hurt to want to live. Save my wife and child, please." A man and his wife were trying to get out of one of the car windows when an iron rod caught them. They were burned alive, together with their little child, which was near them.

Another man, being taken from the wreck. When the rescuers took hold of his hands all the flesh came off the bones. He was dead a moment later. Almost every person killed in the wreck was cremated and little remains except melted tinners and twisted rods, with here and there a pile of ashes. The impact overturned both locomotives. A smoking car and a day coach on the express were also thrown violently off the track and upset. Fire started immediately in both these cars, and it is said that few of the passengers in either of them escaped.

SEW ACTRESS AND HIMSELF.

Man Locked Wife in Bathroom Before Committing Crime.

New York City.—First making his wife a prisoner in a bathroom, Louis Nasser, a New York man, shot and killed Miss Stella Reynolds, of New Orleans, an actress, who was a guest at his home, and then killed himself. The murder and suicide was the sequence of a stormy scene when Miss Reynolds called at the Nasser home to take Nasser to task for refusing to go to Europe with her as he had agreed to do.

GOVERNMENT TO MAKE POWDER

Patents Issued to Naval Officers Held to Belong to the Country.

Washington, D. C.—The Senate Committee on Appropriations has added an amendment to the Fortifications Appropriation bill providing for a Government powder factory. The amendment provides for a committee of investigation to be appointed by the Government and to report on the powder used by the so-called Powder Trust.

After hearing General Crozier and other officers, it was determined that as these patents were issued to officers of the Navy, the Government had a right to use them, but private parties could not do so, and therefore, an amendment for a powder factory was incorporated in the bill.

Drops Dead in Courtroom.

State Attorney Solomon Luen, of New London County, dropped dead at Norwich, Conn., in the Superior Court room as he was talking over the George Gleason murder case.

Standard Oil Defendant.

The Standard Oil Company, notified Attorney General Hadley, of Missouri, that it would only give information about its business that it was compelled to give.

Pray For Radical Pastor.

At a special meeting of the congregation of the People's Church, Omaha, Neb., prayers were offered for the Rev. T. J. Mackay, the Episcopalian clergyman who is advocating the keeping open of saloons on Sunday.

NOWANTON DESTRUCTION

Gen. Wood Admits That Women and Children Were Slain at Jolo.

Wives of Moros Dressed in Male Attire, and the American Soldiers Were Unable to Differentiate.

Manila, Philippine Islands.—Major-General Wood, who has arrived here, admissions that he assumes full responsibility for the extermination of the Moros at Dajo Hill, near Jolo. He says there was no wanton destruction of women and children, though many of them were killed by force of necessity because the Moros used them as shields in the hand-to-hand fighting.

Many of the women wore male attire and fought desperately, so that their sex could not be distinguished. The priests had worked the Moros to a religious frenzy.

"Neither in this nor any other fight has an American soldier killed a woman or child except in a close engagement, when it was impossible to distinguish sex," says General Wood.

"Those Moros were absolute fanatics. Some of the 'hospital' corps were in constant danger of being compelled to minister to the native wounded. The Moros would feign death and slash at the ambulance men and surgeons with their knives. When our men were climbing up the mountain just below the summit of Dajo, the fanatics leaped headlong from the edge of the crater upon the Americans. Some of them succeeded in seizing soldiers in a death grip and poising with them down the precipice.

"Women fought alongside the men, and many were necessarily killed. Some of the men, holding children before them as shields, plunged into our bayonets and slashed the Americans with their bolos until it was impossible to separate the inhuman enemy. I regret the killing of women and children, but it was unavoidable.

"The majority of our casualties were caused by spears and kris. After the fight commenced it was impossible to separate the ammunition of the Moros. Several of our men were killed by the operating table some of the wounded fought the surgeons. The island is now quiet."

Secretary Taft had called for a full explanation of the killing of women and children, and General Wood had sent a reply of which the foregoing is the substance.

RAVAGES OF VOLCANO.

Samoa Village Destroyed—Lava Flowing Into Sea.

Honolulu, Hawaii.—The officers of the steamer Sierra, which has arrived here from Sydney, New South Wales, by way of Samoa, report that the eruption of the volcano on the island of Samoa, of the Samoan group, continues. Three villages have been completely destroyed, including Malaeoa, which had the finest cocon plantation on the island. The homes of A. King and G. Barkley have been reduced to ruins. The lava from the volcano is flowing into the bay, and the fiery stream makes a wonderful picture. The Government recently chartered the steamer Maori to remove women and children from the zone of danger.

The officers say that there has been no communication with Trifiti since the recent disastrous hurricane.

IOWA TO PROBE BRIBERY.

House Asks Governor to Substantiate Sensational Charges.

Des Moines, Iowa.—The House, by a vote of 73 to 6, passed the Gilliland resolution calling upon Governor Cummins to substantiate his charges that railroad influence was used to defeat the Primary Election bill. The amendment providing for a committee of investigation was voted down and the Governor will now be asked to prove the charges he made in his letter accepting the third-term nomination.

The Governor charged that the railroads were using money power money or influence could direct, and indicated that members of the Legislature had been influenced. He promises now to make sensational disclosures regarding the work of the lobbyists in the State, and his friends in the Legislature obtained the passage of the resolution.

VERDICT IN MEDICAL LIBEL SUIT.

Jury at Buffalo Mule the Ladies' Home Journal \$16,000.

Buffalo, N. Y.—The first libel suit growing out of the attacks on "patent" medicines, in which Dr. Pierce, of Buffalo, was plaintiff, and the Ladies' Home Journal was defendant, has resulted in a verdict for Dr. Pierce. Although the jury named \$16,000 as the amount of damages which the Curtis Publishing Company should pay, Dr. Pierce immediately moved that the verdict be set aside and a new trial ordered, the grounds being that the verdict was insufficient. This motion is yet to be argued.

Girl Student a Suicide.

Miss Ruth Edith Houdiette, of Cambridge, Mass., a Radcliffe College acolyte, is dead mysteriously from wood alcohol. Suicide, while suddenly insane from overstudy, is the most plausible theory suggested.

Oyama to Resign Soon.

Upon the completion of the evacuation of Manchuria by the Japanese Field Marshal Oyama will resign and will be succeeded by General Barou Kodama.

"JUDGE" HAMILTON AT BAY

Denounces N. Y. Life Trustees Before Legislature.

GUILT IS THEIRS, NOT HIS

Interjects Alibey Hearing to Make a Heated Attack on the Insurance Company's Managers—They Know, He Declares, of Every Dollar He Spends—Defends John A. McCall.

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LONGWORTH'S KING'S GUESTS.

Report That President's Daughter and Husband Will Go to Buckingham.

London.—The Chronicle says that Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, when they visit London in June will make a stay at Buckingham Palace as the guests of King Edward. They will also visit the Duke and Duchess of Marlborough, the Duke and Duchess of Roxburghe and Ambassador and Mrs. Reid.

They have accepted an invitation from the Society of American Women in London to a luncheon.

GIFT FROM MISS HELEN GOULD.

Hospital of University of Virginia Also Received \$50,000 From Chas. Steele.

Richmond, Va.—Announcement was made at the University of Virginia of the gift aggregating \$60,000, one of \$50,000 from Charles Steele, of J. Pierpont Morgan & Co., a master of arts of the university, and the other \$10,000 from Miss Helen Gould.

Both sums will be expended in the completion of the university hospital.

KILLED BY DEAD LOVER

Faterson Girl Took Poison That a Suicide Gave Her

Puzzling Feature Surrounds the Death of Miss Mae Agnes Morton—Fatal Tablets Contained Corrosive Sublimates.

Paterson, N. J. James Boucher, a well known young man of this city, and a nephew of Dr. A. Nuxall, of 281 Main street, left Paterson about two weeks ago for Scranton, Pa. The last person to see him as he boarded the train at the station was Miss Mae Agnes Morton, then a thirteen-year-old daughter of Alexander Morton, of 72 Madison street, Erie, Pa., and Miss N. Y. Y. Of all the sensations developed before the Armstrong Committee none approached in dramatic force the sudden and unexpected appearance in the Assembly chamber of "Judge" Andrew Hamilton, the legislative agent who handled \$1,347,000 of the New York Life's money.

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SENATOR DEWEY ILL AGAIN.

Has Suffered a Relapse—"Rest Cure" May Be Continued Indefinitely.

New York City.—Senator Chauncey M. Dewey is again ill and absent from the session of the Senate. At his Washington home the statement is made that he is in this city, but no information is forthcoming from his city house. Friends of the Senator, while admitting that he is suffering a relapse, deny that he is in any danger, and from other sources it is learned that he has been taken away from the city for a rest.

By a former associate of Dr. Dewey's in the New York Central directors it was reported that the Senator while the Senator was not by any means in a grave condition at present his early recovery was not looked for, and that it is more than possible that the "rest cure" the patient is now taking will be prolonged indefinitely, while an accompanying retirement from those duties which he has not yet included in his list of resignations.

Eight of the recent rioters at Springfield, Ohio, have been found guilty, but because none is more than twenty-five years old the jury has recommended leniency.

Both Houses of the Virginia Legislature have passed a bill requiring railroads to sell 500 and 1000-mile tickets at two cents per mile.

Navigation between Detroit, Mich., and Cleveland, Ohio, was resumed the other day, the earliest with one exception in twenty-six years.

The Ohio Legislature has voted \$50,000 for a State play at the Jamestown Bicentennial.

FOREIGN.

Delate on a motion against protective duties began in the British House of Commons.

It was announced that General Rafael Reyes will resign as President of Colombia and be succeeded by General Chirino Calderon.

BITS OF NEWS

WASHINGTON.

Justice Brandeis, of the United States Supreme Court, resigned, to take effect May 28.

Senator Bailey, convinced that the rate bill cannot pass the Senate in its present form, decided to propose an amendment providing for restricted judicial review.

The President has selected Mary Lawton, son of the late Congressman, for an appointment as West Point cadet.

The funeral of Lieutenant General John M. Schofield took place in Washington, the burial being in Arlington Cemetery.

H. H. Rogers and John D. Archbold of New York, Vice Presidents of the Standard Oil Company, were in conference with President Roosevelt at the White House.

An Ontario Fish Hatchery bill, carrying \$200,000, has been agreed upon by the House Fisheries Committee.

Professor Wiley is now at work on a project to exclude cold-storage products from the markets after a certain time.

The railway rate bill has now the right of way in the Senate.

A resolution and a bill were introduced in the House to cure the defects in the case of monopoly complainants, of by the President.

OUR ADOPTED ISLANDS. Conditions in the Philippines are never so satisfactory as now.

For the first time in its history Honolulu has pawnbroking shops. They have started within the past few weeks.

Several leading plantations in Hawaii have agreed to meet the terms insisted on by Secretary Atkinson for the importation of European settlers, including an allowance of at least an acre homestead for each family.

Three hundred Americans and an Argentine number of Philippine gave a banquet at Manila for General James H. Smith, who will assume the Governorship of the Philippines.

A bill was introduced in the House of Delegates, San Juan, Porto Rico, appropriating \$5000 for a wedding present for Mrs. Nicholas Longworth.

Cornelius Pellizzaro, the last of the noted ladies of the Philippines, has been killed by constabulary.

DOMESTIC. Standard Oil attorneys tried to figure out a plan