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COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

News Items Gathered All Around the County and Elsewhere.

Ehrhardt Etchings.

Ehrhardt, May 17.—Oh, my, how dusty! The autos have a tough time running through the sand beds.

The game of ball between Walterboro and Ehrhardt teams was played on Thursday afternoon. The score in the first game was 12 to 8; in the second 6 to 2. Ehrhardt team getting the best in each game. Butler and Crosby constituted the battery for Walterboro and Hiers and Behre for the Ehrhardt team.

Ehrhardt and Oak Grove teams will cross bats Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. O'Neal, who was thrown from a buggy Memorial day, died Saturday. So did Mrs. Dr. Kirkland. The writer was informed that these two ladies died in about ten minutes of each other and both were buried at the Buford's Bridge grave yard on Sunday. Loved ones must pass away and leave others behind to mourn for them. Sympathy is extended to relatives of both.

A hot supper or some such gathering in town at one of the colored residences ended in a fight, no one badly hurt, but expect the council will place about \$15 into the treasury.

Mrs. F. H. Copeland and her sister went to North Carolina last week to attend the commencement of Mt. Annona Female Seminary. Miss Edin Ehrhardt is one of the graduates this year. They will return Wednesday and if in good shape intend to take in the picnic at Mt. Pleasant church.

Mr. Henry Ritter lost his dwelling by fire Saturday night about 12 o'clock. Can't say how or what caused the fire. Very little saved.

Govan News.

Govan, May 17.—The quarterly conference for this district was held at Salem Methodist church Saturday before the third Sunday, under the direction of Rev. Smith, the presiding elder of this district. Rev. Smith preached at same church on Sunday morning, also preached at Olar, in the new Methodist church Sunday night.

His text for Sunday night was taken from St. Luke: "I will arise and go to my father." He preached very forcibly and great truths, saying that "blood is thicker than water." He made a negation here by saying that blood hasn't anything to do with it, but that we all are the children of God the Creator, both sinner and saint, and that characterizes our relationship, i. e. God has the same relation towards us as his children as we have for our children. The idea runs in the light of my treatise on cannibal love, in condemnation of Mr. Bauarr McFadden, editor of Physical Culture Magazine, in saying that parental love originates in physical nature, which idea is perfectly preposterous. He (McFadden) is truly a recreant slanderer of the divine law!

He emphasized the truth that our Savior "came not to call the just to repentance, but sinners." Told the story of his trials in obtaining grace, and how he found it in this text. He said a great truth in this sense. A saint is not a candidate for salvation, but a sinner. His message seems to have come direct from God, laden with the spirit of truth and love.

The new church at Olar is a nice pattern, and gives grace to the town. We learn that its membership is increasing. It doesn't take long to increase an organization under the banner of "Methodism," for the ministers of that faith are imbued or imbued with great power (not baptism by immersion) to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ in "spirit and in truth."

The fish fry given for the benefit of the teachers and visitors was a success. We were lucky in catching plenty of fish.

Miss Lola Smithe and Prof. Nichols have returned to their respective homes in the upper part of the State. Both made many friends while here, and their departure was quite sad.

Mr. Johnnie Seabrook has returned to Charleston.

Mr. Leighton Hartzog has been quite ill with pneumonia, but is recovering. W. A. H., JR.

\$10,000 GIFT FOR NEWBERRY.

President Harms Announces Another Donation by Dr. Pearson.

Newberry College, May 14.—The college community was delightfully surprised when President Harms announced the receipt of a check for \$10,000 from Dr. D. K. Pearson, the generous benefactor of Newberry. This is an unconditional donation, and will be used as is deemed best by the president and the board of trustees. It will be remembered that two years ago Dr. Pearson gave the college \$25,000 towards her endowment on condition that \$40,000 be raised by the college authorities, which condition was met in a comparatively short time through the efforts of ex-President Scherer.

SEMINOLE CASE.

Founder Garlington Files Claim for \$24,000 for Sale of Stock.

Columbia, May 15.—John Y. Garlington, originator, founder, promoter and late president of the Seminole Securities Company, has filed a claim against the company for \$24,000 for the sale of stock while he was connected with the company "for amount due me from the sale of my stock as appears from the report of Charles H. Highly, auditor, appointed by the stockholders of the Seminole Securities Company, in December, 1909." Some time ago the receivers of the company brought action to recover about this sum from real estate owned by Mr. Garlington in Laurens county.

The filing of this claim by Mr. Garlington will likely have the effect of long delaying the 20 per cent. payment on stock to certificate holders, which it has been the intention of the receivers to pay within a few weeks after the expiration of the time for claimants to file claims with A. D. McFadden, the referee appointed by a recent court order in the case. However, more definite information along this line will be available when the receivers meet here on May 20. The time for filing claims expired to-day. Mr. McFadden said to-day that a large portion of the claims so far filed are coming from North Carolina and Georgia, though there are a number also from practically every Southern State. The largest claimant so far is Mr. Lybrand, of Wagener, who files a certificate for 4,500 shares. From the little town of Rowland, in North Carolina, fifteen separate claims have so far been filed, ranging in amounts from \$100 to \$500.

Some claimants are disposed to show their temper about the Seminole deal, but most of them appear to take the matter good-naturedly, blaming themselves for being so easily taken in. A Richmond man came in and gave himself a good, earnest cussing, ending up by saying: "If you want to see a correct imitation of a simple, easy sucker, the which I never thought I was one of whom, just gaze on me and break out crying." In sending in his certificate a South Carolina stockholder enclosed one of the pretty little folders the company got out to show how many hundreds and thousands of per cent. of profit insurance companies are making out of the South, and endorsed it thus: "Ain't it awful?"

Kearse News.

Kearse, May 17.—The Timrod Literary Society met at the usual hour last Friday evening, but only a part of the program was carried out on account of the absence of several of those on duty.

The program was as follows: Current Events—Mr. Ennis Breland.

Story—Miss Melle Kearse. Music—Miss Pearl Breland. Debate—Query, Resolved, That a man without children should pay school tax. Affirmative—Miss Ethel Kearse and Mr. Quintus Brabham; negative—Miss Evelyn Brabham and Horace Kearse.

The decision was in favor of the negative. The society has decided to postpone the public meeting until Friday evening, May 28, hoping that we will have a large attendance.

Mr. H. J. Ritter's residence was destroyed by fire last Sunday morning.

The St. John's Sunday-school invites the public to attend their Sunday-school picnic Thursday, June 24th.

Mr. Philip Murphy, of Bamberg, spent Sunday in the Kearse section. Mr. L. A. Brabham has been on the sick list, but am glad to report that he is much better. E. B.

GIRL MISSING; FATHER JAILED.

Greenville Man Suspected of Making Way with his Daughter.

Greenville, May 15.—Prince Russell White, of this city, is held in the local jail pending a search for his 12-year-old daughter, who has been missing for several days. It is alleged that he has whipped severely the child on former occasions, and now that she has disappeared, local authorities are afraid that she has been done bodily harm. Search is being made for the little girl and the father is held until the search is rewarded.

HAND CUT TO PIECES.

Georgetown Lumber Company's Manager Sustains Fearful Injuries.

Georgetown, May 15.—A most unfortunate and terrible accident happened to Mr. J. W. Little, manager of the Eddy Lake Cypress Company, of Eddy Lake, S. C., on Wednesday last. The foreman being absent, Mr. Little undertook personally to adjust a part of the planing machine while the mill was in motion. He was in the act of using a wrench, and while exerting considerable force the tool slipped, precipitating Mr. Little forward upon the feed rolls. Before he could recover himself his right hand was drawn in among the knives and literally cut to pieces. Mr. Little is 52 years of age and has been engaged practically in mill work all his life, and this is his first mishap with machinery. Medical aid was secured promptly and the wounded man is doing as well as could be expected.

Mrs. M. G. Anderson, his daughter, left this city yesterday, to give what aid she could render. Mr. Little is intimately known here, and is very popular wherever he is known. The accident is regretted extremely by all.

IN THE PALMETTO STATE

SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

State News Boiled Down for Quick Reading—Paragraphs About Men and Happenings.

Barnwell county is to build a new jail, \$5,000 having been borrowed from the sinking fund commission for this purpose.

Mr. John W. Hammond, who has been editor and manager of the Colleton News since it was established last year, has accepted a position with the Charleston News and Courier, and has given up the editorship of the News. His brother, Mr. E. F. Hammond, is now editor and publisher.

The Edgefield News suspended publication with its issue of last week. Mr. Calhoun got out a good paper, but, as we said when the paper was started, Edgefield had two good newspapers, and there was not, in our opinion, room for a third. Therefore we are not surprised at its suspension. How long before men will realize that it takes money and good business ability to make a success of a country newspaper?

BABY BORN IN A HACK.

Mother was Going to House in Suburb—Mystery Surrounds Actions.

Columbia, S. C., May 15.—The police of Columbia and Columbia's suburb, Brookland, have a mystery on their hands which has defied all solution so far. A well dressed white woman on her way across the Congaree bridge from Columbia to Brookland frightened the hackman by giving birth to a child. He thought she had lost her mind and drove her rapidly to the nearest physician. After the child had been dressed and the mother cared for he drove her on to the house in Brookland, which had been prepared for by a mysterious man, whose name has not yet been learned, and who had given directions to the hackman, whose name is also unknown. The proprietor of the Brookland house says she has a check for \$50 from the man of mystery, but declines to give his name and has not yet cashed the check. The man in the case had an interview with the bridge keeper shortly before the arrival at the bridge of the hack and told him that in case a lady came along in a hack and did not have the bridge toll to let her pass and he would make it good. The lady offered the bridge keeper a \$10 bill, from which to take the 25 cents toll, but he could not make change and let her pass. All efforts to run down the hackman by his number have failed. In the case of each number given the hackman holding that number has proven a clean-cut alibi.

4-LEGGED CHICKEN IN KERSHAW

York, Being Jealous, Says Strange Things Happen in Strange Places.

Referring to the four-ounce egg, and the four-legged chicken, of which the Kershaw Era has been proudly boasting, aided and abetted by the News, the Rock Hill Herald says: "In this civilized county—York—we are contented with an ordinary hen egg. We do not know the weight of the eggs of York, but we do know that the Kershaw egg weighing four ounces, would lay heavy on one's stomach. We are not surprised to know that a young chicken in Kershaw has four legs, for strange things will happen in strange places. But the strangest thing of all is why Editor Connors claims these products. Nothing strange at all about our claim to 'these products,' since Kershaw is in Lancaster county. We would have you remember that old Lancaster raises everything—except h—l—from numerous limbed fowls to live, hustling towns and the prettiest women on earth—Lancaster News.

Hains Goes to Sing Sing.

Flushing, N. Y., May 17.—Unless some unlooked-for legal obstacle is interposed, Capt. Peter C. Hains, Jr., U. S. A., who was convicted of manslaughter in the first degree for killing Wm. E. Annis, at the Bayside Yacht Club last August, will be taken to Sing Sing to-morrow and at once will begin serving a sentence imposed upon him to-day by Justice Garretson in the supreme court. The sentence is an indeterminate one, under which the minimum period of imprisonment will be eight years and the maximum 16 years. His time in prison must be spent at hard labor.

Counsel for Hains late to-day practically agreed to their client's immediate transfer to Sing Sing, when they announced, after a consultation with Gen. Hains, his father, and Maj. Jno. P. Hains, a brother, that no application would be made for a certificate of reasonable doubt to act as a stay of execution. An appeal, based on the general court record in the case, will be taken in regular course, however.

Catholic Car Robbed.

Evansville, Ind., May 16.—St. Anthony Car, a rolling Catholic chapel, that has traveled over a good part of the United States in the interest of Catholic church extension, was robbed to-day during service.

The car was filled with fashionably gowned women of the city, who went to attend Mass, and during the services some one emptied the large glass bowl that sat on the altar, and which was nearly filled with silver and gold pieces. It is said there were several hundred dollars in the bowl.

NEW BANK FOR BLACKVILLE.

The Citizens' will be Ready for Business June 15.

Blackville, May 15.—The latest commercial venture of this progressive town is the Citizens' Bank, which institution will be ready for business about June 15. The capital stock of the new bank is \$25,000 and all legal requirements have been met, in fact, so great was the demand for stock that the promoters would have experienced no difficulty in raising twice the amount. Back of the enterprise are some of the most substantial and successful business men of Blackville, the officers being as follows:

H. D. Still, president; I. Rich, vice president; H. M. Mathis, cashier; Reynolds Martin, assistant cashier. More than 80 per cent. of the stock has been taken by home people. The banking house will be located on Clarke street, a few doors from Main. The building is now being put in first-class shape, and will be fitted up with modern furniture and fixtures.

When the Citizens' Bank throws open its doors, Blackville can boast of two financial institutions second to none, the other, the Bank of Blackville, having been in successful operation for a number of years, due to the admirable management of its capable officers.

LOVE ROBINSON HANGED.

Negro Executed at Yorkville for Murder of Little Girl.

Yorkville, May 15.—Love Robinson, the negro boy, who on the 26th of April of last year, killed a little negro girl in Fort Mill township named Lina Watson, paid the penalty of his crime yesterday by being hung by the neck until he was dead.

The hanging took place in the debtor's room of the county jail, in strict accordance with the law, in the presence of a number of witnesses. The drop fell at 11:07, and death, which resulted from strangulation, followed within fifteen minutes, although to make sure, the body was allowed to hang for about fifteen minutes longer.

The instrument of death consisted of a scaffold, supported by four legs, with a platform on top, supported on one side by hinges and on the other with a rope. The noose was suspended from the ceiling overhead and after it had been adjusted around the condemned man's neck the trap was sprung by cutting the supporting rope with a hatchet.

Led by Sheriff Brown and Deputy Sheriff Quinn, Robinson came from his cell with a firm, unwavering step, and climbed to the position that had been provided for him on top of the death platform. He gave no sign of fear or other emotion, but on the contrary appeared to be the coolest man in the room. The work of tying his legs and adjusting the black cap consumed something like a minute, and during all that trying period the prisoner stood firm.

After all the preliminaries had been arranged, Sheriff Brown said to the negro in a kindly tone: "Now, Love, if there is anything you want to say, you shall have an opportunity to say it." The condemned man hesitated a moment, and then said: "I want to thank the sheriff and all the rest of you for being so kind to me, and I want you all to see where I am for what I have done, and I want you to meet me in glory." Then after a pause he said to the sheriff:

"I am ready to go." With hatchet in hand, Sheriff Brown said, "Goodbye, Love." "Goodbye, sheriff; goodbye all," returned the negro.

There was a brief silence. It was evident that the condemned man had nothing more to say. This silence was interrupted by the sudden "swish" of the hatchet, and the negro's body shot down through the trap. It was perfectly still at first, but later there were a few contortions of the body, and these were followed by absolute quiet until life finally fluttered out, when Dr. Miles Walker, the county physician, pronounced him dead.

There were several hundred people, both white and colored, about the jail on account of the hanging. They were allowed to go up into the jail before the hanging, but just before the time for the execution everybody was asked to get out except those to whom the sheriff had previously extended a special invitation or permission. After the body had been hanging for some minutes, the door was opened and the crowd was allowed to come in, view the hanging body and file out.

The whole thing passed off in a decent and orderly manner. Although it was evident that the job was a very distasteful one to the sheriff, he showed no signs of nervousness, and omitted no detail of his duty, from the reading of the death warrant to the cutting of the rope and to treating the curious crowd with all due and proper courtesy.

During his long imprisonment, Robinson had the ministrations of Revs. E. E. Gillespie and R. E. Sharpe, but for weeks past has received closer attention at the hands of ministers of his own race, Revs. J. B. Middleton, M. A. Murray and G. W. Jennings. He was able to read and at the instance of the colored preachers, has repeatedly read the 14th chapter of John. The colored preachers say that he had quite an intelligent idea of what he read, and they believe that he was truly repentant and entirely reconciled to his fate.

There were no friends of the negro to take charge of his body, and it was buried on the county home farm.

NEWS OF THE CONTEST.

THE GIRLS OF BAMBERG COUNTY IN A WONDERFUL RACE.

Information as to the Progress of the Contest and a Big Offer for this Week.

The Herald's great popularity contest opened last week with entries from all parts of the county and more to follow, and the success of The Herald's undertaking is assured.

This week, and this week only, in order to inspire and encourage our contestants we have decided to offer double votes for all subscriptions that are turned into The Herald office before Saturday night. For instance, a new yearly subscription will count 2,000 votes instead of 1,000, and a five year subscription will count 20,000 votes instead of 10,000. The same offer applies to renewals also. You can easily realize what this offer means and if you have promised your subscription to any young lady now is the time to give it to her, as this is positively the largest offer we will make during the progress of the contest.

We have decided to commence the publication of votes in our next issue owing to the fact that several entries came into our office yesterday and these young ladies have just started. We will publish the votes each week commencing with next week's issue.

Now then, girls, remember, every single subscription secured this week means that you derive an advantage not to be secured later in the contest, and if a fellow tells you he will give you his subscription later on, just show him that by giving it to you right now it will amount to as much as if he gave you two subscriptions later.

This is the week to pile up the votes, get in the lead and stay there.

FOUND DEAD IN HOME.

St. Paul Meat Dealer Murdered by Unknown Parties.

St. Paul, Minn., May 13.—Louis Arbogast, a meat dealer, was found with his skull crushed in his home early to-day. The police say no arrests have been made. Arbogast's eldest daughter, Louise, aged 24, and her sweetheart, were taken to the central police station this afternoon, where they were closely questioned for several hours. Mrs. Arbogast, who is suffering from prostration, is being cared for in a hospital.

The police claim to be confident that the murder was committed by some one of the occupants of the house, as all of the doors and windows, they assert, were found the way they had been left when the family retired.

Mr. Arbogast's pocketbook and watch were found unmolested on the dresser. Neighbors stated that they thought Mr. Arbogast frequently quarreled with his family.

His Answer.

Pat, who was noted for a quick tongue, was digging potatoes when the parish priests came by. By way of a pleasant salutation the priest said:

"Good mornin' to ye, Pat, and what kind of p'tatoes are ye diggin'?"

"Raw ones, you riv-rince." "Och, ye're so smart. I'll just give ye a question on the catechism. What is baptism?"

"It used to be four shillin's afore ye came, but now it's twenty shillin's."—The Circle.

Leaps from Moving Train.

Anderson, May 17.—From a Southern train running 50 miles an hour, near Greenville, Robert Sams, a white man, being brought here for trial for attempted assault, leaped to the ground in hopes of gaining freedom. The train was stopped and Sams was found in an unconscious condition with face and nose broken. He arrived here in the care of a physician. His condition is very serious. Sams was arrested at Waynesville, N. C.

USED LIVER FOR BAIT.

Gillsburg Angler Backed Up Story with Proof.

An unusual trout story was brought here yesterday by Bill Boyd, who has been spending several days fishing in Spruce Run, says a "Gillsburg" dispatch to the Philadelphia North American. At first his tale was received with doubt, but when Mr. Boyd exhibited twenty-eight fish, all of them more than fifteen inches in length, he received respectful hearing.

"I learned from trustworthy authority," said Mr. Boyd, "that a number of fine trout had been placed in the run about four years ago. Although the stream had been fished repeatedly and by experts, few of these trout, which were of the California variety, had been caught. Indeed, it was feared by some that the fish had all died.

"In walking along the run I caught sight of many big fish, but I could not catch them. They refused to rise to the ordinary flies, and they would have nothing to do with worms.

"Along about noon I built a fire on the bank of the stream, and, getting out my sauceman, I proceeded to fry some liver and bacon. A commotion in the water attracted my attention. I looked down and saw the run alive with the finest trout I ever beheld. Then I understood. Those trout had been raised on liver, and they recognized the odor. I used my fried liver for bait—and here is the result.

TRAIN HELD UP.

Daring Robbery on the Great Northern, Near Spokane.

Spokane, Wash., May 16.—Following the hold-up of a Great Northern passenger train by six bandits between Colbert and Mead last night, twelve persons were injured when the locomotive and the mail car, cut off from the rest of the train, were run back wild by the bandits, after they had rifled the mails of an unknown amount, and collided with the rest of the train.

The conductor saw the wild cars coming back at 25 miles an hour. He and another trainman placed a tie on the track, but the cars, though partly stopped, plunged into the coaches, throwing passengers from their seats, cutting them with broken glass. A trainman sprang aboard the locomotive as the collision occurred, and shut off the steam, stopping the havoc.

When the train reached Colbert late last night, while the crew was busy with some switching, two men sprang into the cab and thrusting revolvers against the breasts of the engineer and fireman, ordered them to do as commanded. The engineer and fireman complied, and the mail cars were cut off from the rest of the train by four other robbers. The locomotive and mail car then ran up the track a few miles. Then the engineer and his fireman were forced to leave the cab. Two of the robbers went to the door of the mail car and ordered it opened. Their command was obeyed by Benjamin F. Stumpf, mail clerk, who was hurried away from the cars with the engineer by a dozen revolver shots. Manning the locomotive themselves, the outlaws took the mail cars down the tracks and looted the registered mail. Then they started the locomotive back toward the rest of the train and escaped.

Conductor C. L. Robertson cut in a telegraph wire to send word to Spokane. While he was telegraphing about a half hour after the locomotive and the mail car had disappeared, he saw the powerful locomotive careening towards the coaches in which many were asleep. Many of the passengers knew nothing of the hold-up until awakened by the collision.

As soon as Conductor Robertson realized that a collision was imminent he called on the brakemen and porters to aid him. While the conductor and another man threw a tie across the track, a brakeman stood ready to board the cab as soon as the shock of the collision checked the impetus of the wild locomotive. None of the passengers was fatally hurt.

Two special train-loads of deputies and doctors were hurried from Spokane. No trace of the robbers was found to-day.

While it is reported that the bandits obtained as much as \$20,000, railroad officers and mail inspectors say the amount is not known. One of the bandits who entered the cab was more than six feet tall, and evidently an experienced engineer. As the two robbers entered the cab this man said to the engineer:

"You have heard of us before," indicating that they had been involved in similar hold-ups.

Large Reward Offered.

St. Paul, Minn., May 16.—At the headquarters of the Great Northern Railway it was said to-night that six robbers held up west-bound passenger train, No. 3, just east of Morse, Washington, early to-day, cut off the postal car, ran it about two miles west and rifled the registered mail. The amount of booty is not known. One trainman was injured. The passengers were not molested. The Great Northern has offered a reward of \$10,000 for each robber captured.

CONFESSES TO MURDER.

Chicago Baker Admits Committing Crime in Atlanta.

Atlanta, Ga., May 13.—Vincent Karcz, a baker, of Chicago, who was arrested here last week on a charge of murdering Harry Teitelbaum, a driver for a Chicago bakery, in that city on May 5, to-night broke down and made a confession to Detective Charles Polowski, of the Chicago police department.

Karcz said that he shot Teitelbaum three times from behind and struck the driver in the head with an iron pipe. He admitted that the trouble grew out of the bakers' strike. Karcz wept in his cell and repeatedly asked the detective if he would be hanged. The Chicago officer will leave here to-morrow for Chicago with his prisoner.

Three other men are under arrest in Chicago in connection with the killing of Teitelbaum.

SNAKE FOR NECKTIE.

Seven-Year-Old Child is Deranged by Practical Joke.

Tacoma, Wash., May 10.—Raving in his childish treble, the 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Seeley, around whose neck, in a spirit of fun a companion a week ago wound a dead snake, may never recover his reason.

The children were playing near the Seeley home when one of them found the dead snake. Picking it up without being observed by the other children, he quietly approached the Seeley child from behind and suddenly wrapped it around his neck, shouting as he did so that the snake had jumped upon him.

The sight of the snake with the yell of the joker and the fact that the child for a moment could not jerk the snake away from his throat toppled the boy's reason.