

The Bamberg Herald

BAMBERG, S. C., THURSDAY, AUGUST 12, 1909.

One Dollar a Year

Established 1891

COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

News Items Gathered All Around the County and Elsewhere.

Ehrhardt Etchings.
Ehrhardt, August 9.—Our town was very quiet Saturday. The booze shop was closed, and some of the money was spent for food.

Cotton has commenced to open. A colored man brought me a cotton boll full open two weeks ago, of the King variety. Says he could get near a bale now.

The ginners are busy getting their machinery in shape for work.

The farmers are having bad weather to gather their fodder. Some of it is ripe and needs gathering this week.

Mrs. Tom D. Jones has her household goods packed up and ready for shipment. She will leave this week for Augusta, Ga. She says it is not good for a man to be alone, and is decidedly worse for a woman to be alone. So she and Earle are going to join Tom. The town will miss her in many ways, and all are sorry to lose her from our midst.

Mr. G. L. Kinard and family were in town Saturday.

Mr. Carey Bishop and family are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawton Bishop.

Mr. Willie Hiers came in Saturday from Glenn Springs. He seems glad to get home. He looks bright and ready for business.

The Conrad Ehrhardt Co. have about completed a bill of lumber for a fine large dwelling ordered out by W. C. Geraty Co., of Young's Island, S. C.

Some pleasure seekers went to Charleston Saturday to spend Sunday in the city. Mostly ladies.

JEE.

News from Govan.

Govan, August 9.—The Govan baseball team played Olar Monday afternoon on the Olar diamond. The score stood 8 to 9 in favor of Olar.

Saturday afternoon the Govan team were entertained on the Colston diamond. The score stood five to six in favor of Govan. Much interest was manifested in both games.

On Monday afternoon a serious accident occurred to Mrs. J. W. Smith and Miss Ella Bessinger, of Olar. As they were driving up to Georges Creek church, their horse ran away, and threw them out of the buggy on the hard clay road. The horse stopped in the church yard, after breaking loose from the buggy. We learn that the sufferers are doing as well as can be expected.

The protracted meeting at Georges Creek church closed Thursday afternoon. The meeting was largely attended and there were some converts. Rev. W. R. Smith, of Denmark, assisted in the meeting. His sermons are delivered with great power, and I am of the opinion that his preaching has great influence for good.

McP. Eubanks is the champion farmer of this community. He has some corn that will yield fifty bushels to the acre. There are ten acres in the field. A poor indication of a "gopher country."

W. A. Hay has a few acres from which he will realize fifty bushels to the acre.

The corn crop is fairly good in this section, but cotton very ordinary. Cotton was very promising in the beginning, but deteriorated from the heavy rains.

The writer traveled through this county and over into a good portion of Colleton county recently and found the corn and cotton crop very fine on the route.

Burford's Bridge Breezes.

Burford's Bridge, August 10.—Protracted services were carried on at Mizpah last week. Although the weather was extremely warm, and the rains almost incessant, the attendance was good. Rev. E. Alston Wilkes, the pastor, conducted the meeting and preached some able and touching sermons, which we hope will be of much benefit to the people of this community. A pleasant continuation of the meeting was the quarterly conference which convened Saturday and Sunday. The presiding elder, Rev. C. B. Smith, of Orangeburg, preached two eloquent sermons. He is a preacher of note, and his eloquence in the pulpit is well known.

Crops in this section are above mediocrity, and the farmers are very cheerful.

Some of the young folks around are substituting the refreshing waters of Little Salkehatchie river for the surf bath, and find it very enjoyable and invigorating.

Miss Hattie Tony, Mr. Spann Tony and wife, Mark Tony and Powell Harrison, of Johnston, are the guests of Mrs. J. Ham Kirkland.

Dr. N. F. Kirkland, Sr., returned to his home Friday, after a two weeks visit to his son, Mr. J. M. Kirkland, at Beaufort.

Mr. LeRoy Wilson, of Allendale, was the guest of Mr. S. E. Neeley several days last week.

Miss Ethel McMillan, from the

Colston section, is visiting Miss Pearl Kearse.

Miss Eva Johnson, after a visit to Miss Ada Kearse, has returned to her home in Varnville.

Misses Annie Laurie Kirkland, of Olar, and Elise Black, of Millettville, were the charming guests of their aunt, Mrs. Henry C. Kirkland, last week.

Mrs. Victor Kearse, of Allendale, and Mrs. Max Walker, of Bamberg, are visiting their mother, Mrs. R. B. Kearse.

Miss May Ceruti, of Columbia, after a delightful visit to Mrs. Daisy Kirkland, has returned home.

Mrs. Nita Armstrong and her interesting children, of Bamberg, are spending a while with her sister, Mrs. A. L. Kirkland.

Miss Sallie Neeley leaves this week for an extended visit to relatives in Columbia.

Rev. W. C. Kirkland and family have returned to their home at Dillon after a two weeks' stay with his brother, Mr. A. L. Kirkland.

Mr. Bob Lee Kearse has accepted a position at Varnville and will leave shortly to take up his new duties.

Mr. Henry Kearse has accepted a position with Mr. A. Rice, of Bamberg.

The many friends of Mr. S. E. Neeley are glad to see him convalescent after a severe illness.

Doings at Olar.

Olar, August 10.—Messrs. Ruthertford Free, of Blackville, and Carl Kirsch, of Bamberg, visited Mr. Frank Starr last week.

Miss Elise Black, of Millette, is visiting Miss Annie Laurie Kirkland. There was a Sunday-school picnic on the school grounds last Wednesday. Every one in attendance enjoyed themselves.

Messrs. Kelley and Wyatt Browning, of Blackville, are visiting in town.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Rizer and family visited Bamberg last week.

Miss Lucile Rizer will leave Monday for New York, where she will spend a few weeks.

Mr. John Smith and Dr. Cecil Ray visited Barnwell last week.

Mr. John Bessinger and his bride are visiting his parents.

Dr. L. A. Hartzog, of Govan, visits our town frequently.

Mr. Hugh Kearse, of Schofield, spent Sunday in town.

Dr. A. B. Hooton is spending a while in town.

Misses Sudie and Zella Halford, of Blackville, visited Miss Inez Starr last week.

Miss Ida Bessinger has returned from Blackville.

Misses Kate Sadler and Belle Cooke have returned from Govan, having spent a pleasant time with Miss Jesse Zorn.

Miss Sarah Brabham spent last Friday with Mrs. R. C. Jones in Bamberg.

Miss Ruth Ray, of Denmark, is visiting Miss Hattie Ray, of this city.

Mr. Willie Hutching, of Beaufort, is visiting his brother, Dr. John Hutching.

We are sorry to hear of the accident of Mrs. J. W. Smith and Miss Ella Bessinger. We hope they will soon be out again.

Mr. James Roy Chitty (sometimes called "Bub") visited Bamberg last week.

Mr. Frank Guess, of Orangeburg, visited relatives here last week.

Miss Kittie Hooton has returned from the summer school in Spartanburg.

Misses Agnes Kearse and Gladys Milhous, of Denmark, and Mortima Ray, of Bamberg, are visiting Miss Inez Starr.

Little Miss Helen Milhous returned to her home in Denmark Sunday.

Dr. Hooton, of Ulmers, visited Olar last week.

Mr. Frier's Sermon.

Editor The Bamberg Herald: All honor to Rev. O. J. Frier for the kindly spirit in which he reviewed on Sunday night last the sermon delivered by Dr. Howard Jones, of the Citadel Square Baptist church, Charleston, as published in the News and Courier, in which he (Dr. Jones) stated that he expected to vote for the dispensary and advised his congregation to do the same.

Avowedly an unpleasant task, yet plainly his duty as pastor of a church, and minister of a great denomination, upon which such utterances as those of Dr. Jones are so calculated to bring reproach, Rev. Frier faithfully turned the search light of scripture upon Dr. Jones' position, and proved how utterly at variance with the teachings of Jesus were such statements.

Yet how kindly and charitably he spoke! How forcibly, yet with that brotherly kindness and deep regret that his brother should be so misled, and his utterances so widely quoted and misused!

Surely this is the spirit of Christ, and we predict that such a spirit evidenced as it was in the Baptist pulpit in Bamberg, last Sunday night, will prove a power for good in the town and community.

A HEARER.

Death of Miss Bessie Felder.

Miss Bessie Felder, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. Z. Felder, died at their home just out of town Monday afternoon of this week, after an illness of several weeks of typhoid fever. She was about seventeen years old, and was a most lovable young lady. The burial took place at the Zeigler burying ground, on the old Midway road, Tuesday morning, the services being conducted by Rev. T. G. Herbert, pastor of Trinity Methodist church.

IN THE PALMETTO STATE

SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

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

The police of Columbia got busy last week and went to raiding the clubs of that city, which were merely blind tigers. A large amount of whiskey and beer was seized.

The county commissioners of Aiken county have let the contract for remodeling and putting in a steam heating system for the county court house. About \$5,000 will be spent in improving the building.

Up in Greenville they have found a substitute for whiskey and beer in malt, which is being sold there in large quantities it is stated. This malt contains alcohol, and will make one drunk as quick or quicker than beer.

The Greenwood Journal says it has been reliably informed that a movement is on foot to establish a first-class private school in that city. The present plans are to have a superintendent and a faculty composed of five able teachers.

Before daylight on Tuesday Engineer Snider, of the Southern railway saw a negro named Lyde Gains trying to enter a house in Greenville and shot him, making a serious wound. There has been a regular epidemic of burglaries in Greenville for some months past and people have got nervous and excitable on the subject.

Mention was made a week or so ago of the new cotton mill No. 2 to be built by the Grendel mill people. Now comes the news that Capt. F. S. Evans is canvassing for subscriptions to another mill for Greenwood, its capital stock to be \$300,000, and that he is meeting with so much success that the enterprise is already regarded as a certainty in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan Wareham and Mr. Darnwell and Carrie and Cary Darnwell, Seventh Day Adventists, were tried before a Greenville magistrate and a jury on Tuesday on the charge of working on Sunday—the charge consisting in picking strawberries on that day. The defense was that their Sabbath is Saturday, and that to have left the berries over from Friday to Monday would have been to lose them. The jury promptly acquitted them. The prosecution was brought by a neighbor; but it will hardly be regarded as a neighborly act.

Is it Worth While?

(Joaquin Miller.)

Is it worth while that we jostle a brother
Bearing his load on the rough road of life?
Is it worth while that we jeer at each other
In blackness of heart?—that we war to the knife?
God pity us all in our pitiful strife.

God pity us all as we jostle each other,
God pardon us all for the triumphs we feel
When a fellow goes down; poor heart-broken brother,
Pierced to the heart; words are keener than steel,
And mightier, far, for woe and for weal.

Were it not well in this brief little journey
On over the isthmus, down into the tide,
We give him a fish instead of a serpent,
Ere folding the hands to be and abide
For ever and aye; in dust at his side?

Look at the roses saluting each other;
Look at the herds all at peace on the plain—
Man, and man only, makes war on his brother,
And dots in his heart on his peril and pain—
Shamed by the brutes that go down on the plain.

Actress Stabbed During Play.

New York, Aug. 5.—Mlle. Dazie, an actress, will not be able to assist the company in the production of a pantomime for some time, following a serious stab wound she received in the breast in full view of the audience in a theatre at Rockaway Beach.

Mlle. Dazie's jealous rival on the stage was supposed to stab her to the heart with a dagger, and for this purpose two weapons were employed, one with a shining steel blade to impress the audience and the other with a rubber blade for the actual use of the jealous rival.

In some manner the rival, Mlle. Lina, grasped the wrong dagger at the critical time and plunged the steel blade into the breast of Mlle. Dazie, inflicting a wound four inches long. The audience on hearing the shriek of the wounded actress and seeing the blood, became wildly excited, but was calmed by a statement from the stage manager.

Doctors in the audience, dressed the wound, and said that while it was not mortal, it was sufficiently serious to prevent the actress' public appearance for some time to come.

MAYOR MENACED RAILROAD.

Declared War on the Pennsylvania System.

Philadelphia, Aug. 5.—"This is a declaration of war. My life is openly staked on the result, for I am prepared to meet you at any time and place you may name. The weapons I shall use are dynamite and other high explosives."

Thus wrote Abram C. Eby, mayor and referee in bankruptcy of Burkeville, Va., to the "president of the Pennsylvania-railroad, Philadelphia," on July 23, naming \$45,000 as the ransom for the safety of the railroad, its steamships and the traveling public and otherwise threatening the Pennsylvania railroad.

Following a carefully laid plot of the federal postal detectives, Eby was arrested in this city to-day while in the company of Oswald J. DeRousse, chief clerk to President McCrea, who acted for the latter in inveigling Mayor Eby to this city. He was given a hearing before United States Commissioner Craig and held in \$10,000 bail for September term of court.

At the hearing William L. Calvert, postoffice inspector of Richmond, Va., furnished evidence showing that Eby mailed threatening letters to the Richmond and Charlotte railroad postoffices.

All through the hearing Eby sat unmoved, and said simply that he could not furnish bail.

In his letter Eby said he would meet no one except the president or some high official of the road. He designated that the sign of a secret order be used in the insertion of a "personal" as an answer in the Richmond Times-Dispatch.

A "personal" was inserted by post-office detectives and Eby's demand of \$150 and transportation to Philadelphia was acceded to through Mr. DeRousse. Eby reached here last night and wrote to Mr. DeRousse, making an appointment to meet him at noon to-day. About 12:30 o'clock the men met and Mr. DeRousse took Eby to the Third National bank, where he secured a certified check for \$30,000 and \$300 in cash. These he offered Eby, but the latter refused them, saying, "Keep them for awhile." Chief Postal Inspector Calvert then made the arrest.

Inspector Calvert said: "Mr. Eby is not crazy. He has long entertained a spite against the Pennsylvania railroad. His father held stock in a branch road in Virginia and Mr. Eby believes that by the reorganization of the road through the Reading and Pennsylvania influences, his father lost some \$200,000."

DETYENS SHORT NEARLY \$7,000.

Rechecking of Detyens's Books Confirms Reported Discrepancy.

Georgetown, August 7.—Comptroller General A. W. Jones and his assistant, Mr. Wilson, have completed a rechecking of the books of the treasurer's office here and the apparent shortage which was found by them several days ago, amounting to \$6,800, has been confirmed by them. The bonding company through which Mr. Detyens, the treasurer, gave bond, has also had the books checked up, but the accountant did not make any statement here regarding the condition of the office.

Detyens sent in his resignation several days ago, to take effect on the 1st instant, and it was accepted by the governor. His successor in office has not yet been named, though the names of E. V. Emerson, James W. Wingate and L. Gluck have been mentioned in connection with the office, though it is not probable that either one of these three will accept if the office is offered. Mr. John Richardson, Jr., who was Detyens's political opponent for the office, has also been mentioned to succeed Detyens, but from what can be learned, he has also declined to seek the office.

Miss Bessie Felder.

Bamberg, Aug. 10.—Miss Bessie Felder, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. Z. Felder, of this place, died at her home yesterday evening after an illness of about eight weeks. Miss Felder's death has brought sorrow into many hearts she having been a member of the younger set of girls in Bamberg of whom there are a great many. She was about 16 years old, of a very quiet and sweet disposition and her taking away will be felt keenly in the home in which she was a favorite with all. The funeral services were held at the old Felder burying ground near Midway, many friends and relatives accompanying the body to its resting place. The pallbearers were young men of this place, all friends of the deceased and of the family.

The first duty of the citizen is to regard himself as made for his country; not to regard his country as made for him.—John A. Andrew.

TAFT WILL DIVIDE PLUMS

ADOPTS NEW POLICY IN DISTRIBUTING CENSUS JOBS.

President Will Share Appointments Between Democrats and Republicans in Democratic States.

Beverly, Mass., Aug. 8.—Beverly was hot to-day, but President Taft spent a lazy Sunday and did not seem to mind the more than 90 in the shade. He began the first Sabbath of his vacation by going to the Unitarian church. Miss Helen Taft and Capt. Archibald Butt were the only other members of his party. Through the early hours of the afternoon the president sat on the broad veranda of his cottage overlooking the sail-dotted ocean and read "The Greatness and Decline of Rome," by the historian Ferrero, who spent a week at the White House with Mr. Roosevelt.

Near sunset the president took a long motor ride with Mrs. Taft. After dinner he again sought the cool of the veranda.

Taft is going to dispose of the matter of census supervisors throughout the entire United States this week. Secretary of Commerce and Labor Nagel and Director of Census Durand are coming to Beverly the latter part of the week with a list of names and by the time they leave the president hopes to announce his dispositions.

Policy of Division.

The president has fixed upon the policy he will follow with reference to census appointments from the South. In the States which are solidly Democratic, the president will divide the appointments equally among the Democrats and Republicans. He will insist that the appointees shall not be active partisans, however, but capable men.

From the so-called "Solid South" the president has picked out North Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky and Missouri as debatable States and will treat them on the same footing as Northern States, giving all of the census jobs to Republicans. He will insist, however, that in these States, the same standard of efficiency and character of men shall obtain. The States in which the division between Democrats and Republicans will be made are:

Virginia, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas.

LUNATIC STANDS AT BAY.

Threatens Peace Officers From His Father's House.

Augusta, Ga., Aug. 7.—R. E. Dunnington, a young white man about 27 years of age, and a former inmate of the State asylum for the insane, who is now serving a furlough at home with his relatives, about four miles from Augusta, became violently insane yesterday afternoon and is now barricaded at his father's home, defying the officers of the law. As a result of an attempted arrest this afternoon, Deputy Sheriff M. Gary Whittle, of the county constabulary, was fired upon and several bird shot took effect in his body.

Dunnington was let out on a 90-days' furlough and at the expiration of the 90 days seemed to be getting along all right. That was about 20 days ago. Yesterday one of the negroes on his father's farm failed to saddle his horse, and he became violent and chased the negro with a shotgun in hand for about two miles.

His brother made application to the ordinary for a writ of lunacy, and the sheriff sent officers to his place this morning to make the arrest. The insane man warned them not to approach the house, threatening death to the first man who came near. As certain death stared the officers in the face, they did not attempt to make the arrest.

It was Dunnington who wrote an article for one of the leading Georgia weeklies about the management of the asylum, making such grave charges against the officials that an investigation was ordered by the governor. He and George Bell, a former State politician and later an inmate of the institution, both wrote letters about the asylum. Bell, on the day his furlough expired, committed suicide.

The officers have the house surrounded, and will arrest Dunnington if it is possible to do so without killing him. At one time he fasted for 51 days and he defiantly stated to the officers to-day that he would fast that long again before he would submit to arrest. His parents fear that he will commit suicide rather than submit to arrest.

Leaps Into Well.

Anderson, Aug. 8.—Warren Guyton, a white man 35 years of age, committed suicide at an early hour this morning by jumping into a well 35 feet deep. He had been suffering with hemorrhages for five years and the doctors gave him no encouragement. His ill health was responsible for his self destruction. Guyton was brought baggage master on the W. & A. road between Atlanta and Chattanooga for several years, and had accumulated some property.

At 1 o'clock this morning a member of his family administered to him a dose of medicine. A few minutes afterwards he was missed from his room. The police department was notified and a search was instituted. His hat and coat were found near the well at 4 o'clock and on investigation the body was discovered afloat on the water. He was dead. The body will be interred here tomorrow. Mrs. John Kay of this city is a sister of the deceased. He was unmarried.

SHOOTS TWO MEN DOWN.

Policeman Wounds Business Men in Black Mountain.

Asheville, N. C., Aug. 7.—Paul Cameron Collins, cashier of the Bank of Hillsboro, N. C., and John Hill Bunting, a traveling salesman of Wilmington, N. C., were shot in their room at the Gladstone hotel at Black Mountain, N. C., 14 miles from this city, about 2 o'clock this morning by Policeman F. C. Watkins of that town and are now at the Mission hospital, this city. Bunting is expected to die from the effects of a wound in the abdomen, while Collins, though shot under the heart, is expected to recover.

Policeman Watkins, who came in to-day and surrendered to the authorities of this city, and was placed under a \$500 bond pending developments, claims that he was called from bed by the proprietor of the hotel, who stated that the men were creating a disturbance in their room, and threatening the guests of the hotel. When he reached the hotel, the policeman claims, he heard the men using the language attributed to them, that on entering the room he was attacked by Collins and Bunting, who upset the lamp, and that he drew his revolver and shot in the darkness to protect himself. Watkins says he fired twice and the men fell away from him. A light was secured and Collins and Bunting were seen lying on the floor of the room, both bleeding profusely. The wounded men are respectable citizens and of high standing in their respective communities. Telephone messages to Black Mountain to-night developed many conflicting rumors about the case. Friends from the section where Collins lives say that when his condition warrants it he will make a statement which will throw a different light on the case. At the Mission hospital it was stated to-night that Bunting could not recover.

John Hill Bunting died at the Mission hospital this morning at 12:05 from the effects of his wounds. He did not recover consciousness. F. C. Watkins, the policeman who shot him, will, it is stated, be rearrested and jailed on the charge of murder.

HOUSE ALMOST WRECKED.

Lightning Played Remarkable Pranks With Residence in Dillon.

Dillon, Aug. 7.—A very severe thunder storm, accompanied by a heavy downpour of rain, passed over this section at midnight Thursday night. The lightning struck the home of Mr. S. D. Jordan in the northeastern part of the town, and while none of the family, consisting of Mr. Jordan, wife, two daughters and niece, were seriously injured, they were all fearfully shaken up. The bolt struck the chimney of one room, demolishing it, tore a great hole in the roof, through the ceiling into a closet. There it seemed to divide, one fork going to the right, the other to the left between the plastering and front weatherboarding, the bolt passing to the left traversing the hall, doing no damage save to the mirror of a hatrack, and passing into the adjoining room, where a heavy washstand was thrown forward against a table. The full force of the explosion expended itself on the front windows, the sash of which, the screen, the frame work and weatherboarding around and below look as though a bomb had exploded at that spot. One piece of timber was driven across the room into the plastering of the opposite wall with such force that it was withdrawn with considerable difficulty.

Mrs. Jordan was asleep in a bed within a few inches of the window, and while terribly shocked, she was able to give the alarm to Mr. Jordan that the house was on fire, a fierce blaze springing up the side of the window. A pitcher of water in the room enabled them to extinguish the flames before they could make any headway. The freakish fluid played queer pranks. All around, the silvered back of the hall mirror shows the most beautiful fern-like traceries. A metal handle of an umbrella was blown off and melted and the screen window in its metal parts showed the same effect of the great heat. Holes were bored through the wood and plaster, the whole presenting the appearance of some of the houses as seen by the writer in Charleston during the war within the shell district.

The escape of the family was simply miraculous.

Columbia Social Clubs Raided.

Columbia, S. C., August 5.—Squads of Columbia police and detectives last night raided four social clubs and at midnight four operators of these clubs had been arrested and given bond. Over four thousand bottles of beer stored in the police station between fifty and seventy gallons of whiskey seized and one charter torn from the walls of one of the clubs. This is the first step toward the enforcement of the prohibition law in Columbia and according to a statement of Chief Cathcart, of the Columbia police, the "blind tigers" must go. The chief stated to-day in speaking of the raid, "If we are going to have prohibition let's have it."

Six social clubs were raided this afternoon by Columbia police and detectives. About two thousand bottles of beer were seized. This makes ten clubs raided in the past 24 hours.