

We Are Powerful Busy These Days

Supplying the people of several counties with HORSES and MULES, BUGGIES, CARRIAGES, WAGONS, HARNESS, &c. You should remember that we not only sell more live stock than any dealer in the lower part of the State but that :: ::

We are headquarters for vehicles of all kinds. ::

We buy in carload lots from the best makers in the business, and the buggies and wagons we sell are such as we can fully guarantee. If it's a Bamberg buggy or wagon you can rest assured it's a good one, for we are especially careful as to the material which goes into them. A full stock of everything in the live stock and vehicle line on hand, and prices and terms are right as always. :: :: :: ::

Remember that we have recently received several carloads of horses & mules, and we have what you want in an animal for any purpose. We want to impress upon you the fact that

It is to your interest as well as ours to see Bamberg before you buy live stock or vehicles

We mean this, and all that we ask is that you give us a chance to prove it.

FOR LIVE STOCK AND VEHICLES, SEE

G. Frank Bamberg
BAMBERG, :: :: S. C.

PENITENTIARY REPORT ISSUED.

Institution Makes Best Financial Showing in its History

Columbia, Feb. 13.—The following is the report of the board of directors of the State Penitentiary submitted to the General Assembly through Governor Ansel:

To His Excellency, Martin F. Ansel, Governor—Sir: We have the honor of submitting herewith our annual report for the year ending December 31, 1909:

The prison is still being run on business principles, and we cannot too highly endorse the administration of Superintendent D. J. Griffith. In common with the rest of the State, the institution has had a year of prosperity. Every department of the main prison is in excellent condition; the Reformatory is doing a good work for the juvenile criminals, and we are glad to say is more than self-sustaining; the fertility of the State Farms is being increased every year and the crops grown during the past year have been satisfactory in every particular.

We submit the following financial statement:

To total receipts for year \$133,344.68
To cash on hand December 31, 1908 40,392.43

\$173,737.11

By expenditures for year \$86,569.77
To balance on hand December 31, 1909 87,167.34

\$173,737.11

This is the best financial showing that the institution has ever made. Of this amount we have authorized the superintendent to deposit with the State Treasurer \$30,000 to go in the general funds of the State. The balance will be retained to meet the current expenses of the institution and to make permanent improvements, which we believe are necessary, and will result ultimately in increasing profit to the State.

The State Farms are well stocked with live stock and have produced an abundance of corn, wheat, oats and other food-stuffs to more than supply their present needs. The surplus will be furnished the main prison at Columbia and will be sufficient for all needs. We commend the work and management of the Reformatory. It is an important adjunct to the main prison. The lessons taught there, both spiritually and industrially, should be of lasting benefit to the boys committed to its care.

The Rev. J. C. Abney, the beloved chaplain of the prison, is ever faithful in his work and administers well to the spiritual and moral welfare of the inmates.

The death rate for the year has been less than it has ever been. The hospital department is watched over by Dr. F. W. P. Butler, the physician and surgeon in charge, who devotes all of his time to the sick, and the low death rate and fine sanitary condition of all the wards are attributable to his ever-watchful eye and his painstaking care of those committed to his charge.

In conclusion, we beg to extend our grateful thanks to all the officers and employees of the institution, from the superintendent down, for the splendid services they have rendered and for their faithfulness to duty. We also thank your Excellency for your interest in the welfare of the prison.

Gave Wife to Lover.

Meridian Miss., Feb. 15.—The unusual occurrence of one man turning his wife over to another for better or worse, took place in Meridian last night. After the transfer the men pledged friendship for each other for life.

J. A. Sellars and Mrs. A. H. Johnson, the woman being a brunette, young and pretty, were arrested, occupying the same room, on a charge preferred by the husband of the woman that the latter had eloped from their home at Yellow Pine, Ala., with J. A. Sellars, carrying with them his two little boys, aged 5 and 7 years. At police headquarters the aggrieved husband took his two boys, withdrew the charge and told Sellars that he could have Mrs. Johnson. Sellars told the police he had a wife in Mobile.

Negro Meets Death.

Lexington, Feb. 14.—The fourth homicide to occur in Lexington county this year—in less than six weeks—occurred on the plantation of Albert R. Taylor, near Cayce, on Saturday night, when Ed. Johnson, a negro boy 18 years of age, was struck in the head with a brick bat thrown through an open door by Elmore Koon, another negro. Johnson was rendered unconscious by the blow and lingered until yesterday at noon.

The killing took place at a frolic at the home of Dave Johnson and there were many rows during the course of the evening.

Koon was brought to jail, pending the outcome of the coroner's inquiry.

PERSONAL MENTION.

People Visiting in This City and at Other Points.

—Mr. W. D. Rhoad has gone on a business trip to New York.

—Mr. Otis Brabham, of Allendale, spent Wednesday in the city.

—Mrs. D. Graham Copeland is in the city on a visit to relatives.

—Mrs. E. O. Kirsch is visiting relatives in Walterboro this week.

—E. Henry Henderson, Esq., spent Sunday in Aiken with his father's family.

—Mr. F. M. Simmons, who has been sick for several days, is out again.

—Mrs. W. E. DuRant of Elliott, Lee county, is visiting Mrs. M. W. Brabham.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Felder, of Ehrhardt, spent Sunday in the city with relatives.

—Messrs. J. C. Moye and Tillman Felder, of Ehrhardt, spent Sunday in the city with relatives.

—Messrs. D. P. and D. M. Smith and Geo. J. Hiers, of the Ehrhardt section, were in the city Monday.

—Mrs. J. Clarence Moye and little son, Charlie, are visiting the family of Mr. C. D. C. Adams in Walterboro.

—Mr. Grigsby Chandler, of Florence, spent a few days in the city last and this week, on a visit to relatives.

—Mr. A. Shep Pearlstone is spending a short while in the city with the family of his uncle, Mr. S. W. Pearlstone.

—Mrs. M. E. Hill, mother of Mrs. T. G. Herbert, and Mrs. H. H. Hill, of Sumter, are visiting at the Methodist parsonage this week.

—Messrs. R. Pinckney Bellinger and Clarence E. Black, from the University of South Carolina, spent a few days at home last week.

—Mr. J. F. Willis, who has been with The Herald for nearly a year, left Sunday to join his mother in Memphis, Tenn. Mr. D. C. Howell, of Walterboro, takes his place.

—Mr. J. J. O'Neal, who has been living in Savannah for several years, is at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. O'Neal, and will be here indefinitely, as his health has given way.

—J. F. Carter, Esq., went up to Columbia Monday night to hear Senator Jos. W. Bailey, of Texas, address the legislature on the income tax question. Mr. Carter says it was a great speech.

Jno. G. Mobley Vindicated.

Jno. G. Mobley, president of the State fair, has been given a practical exoneration by a committee appointed to investigate charges made by A. W. Love, ex-secretary. This committee consisted of Lowndes J. Browning, Paul V. Moore and J. T. Kinard.

Mr. Browning said last night: "Having investigated the charges against Mr. Mobley made by ex-Secretary Love, we find that the allegations are not sustained."

Mr. Browning declared furthermore that there has for some months been a spirit of contention in the association and the committee appeals for all this to end and for all members to work for the good of the South Carolina Agricultural and Mechanical society and the next State fair.

At the semi-annual meeting of the members of the society, when Secretary A. W. Love's resignation was received, it was reported that his father, Col. R. A. Love, had denounced the members of the society, all but two of those present having voted to ask for A. W. Love's resignation. Col. R. A. Love writes that he did not denounce all the members of the society, but President Jno. G. Mobley alone.

The committee's report as to President Mobley is claimed to be an entire vindication, as it was regarded that the charges of ex-Secretary Love, if offered in good will to the society, would have been presented before this time.—Columbia State.

Bond of Avant Not Given.

W. B. Avant, who was convicted several months ago in Georgetown on the charge of killing Mrs. Ruth Crisp Bigham, is still at the penitentiary. An attempt is being made to secure the necessary bond of \$3,000 before he can be released. The supreme court recently, as a result of habeas corpus proceedings, signed an order for the release of Avant from the penitentiary provided he could furnish bond in the sum of \$3,000 pending an appeal to the supreme court.

Avant was convicted, together with Dr. Bigham, whose whereabouts has never been learned. After the conviction the attorneys for the two men asked for a new trial which was refused by Judge Watts. Intention of appealing to the supreme court was given, but no papers were ever filed. Avant was brought to the penitentiary, but just before he was mustered in as a convict a message was received from the Georgetown county sheriff, asking that he be held until further instructions. No further instructions were received and Avant has since been in the State prison.

GEORGIA OFFICER SHOT.

White Man Wounds Marshal at Davisboro.

Davisboro, Ga., Feb. 13.—Marshal W. J. Prince was shot and seriously wounded late last night by Bud Brown, a white man, whom he found at a negro house, where he had gone to quell a disturbance. After telling Brown to appear in court Monday morning to answer charges, the marshal turned to leave the house, when Brown, it is alleged, fired both barrels of a shotgun at him. One load took effect in the officer's thigh, and as he fell the other load passed over him. Brown escaped.

ROUGHLY USED BY ROBBERS.

Grain Elevator Engineer Has a Harrowing Experience.

Hagerstown, Md., Feb. 14.—Robbed and beaten by three masked men, bound hand and foot and his head thrust into a blazing furnace, from which he was withdrawn only because the door was not large enough to admit his shoulders, and then placed on the fly wheel of an engine, which was afterwards started, but from which he fortunately fell at the first revolution, John G. Neibert is in a pitiable and serious condition, though it is believed that he will recover from his terrible experience.

Neibert, who is engineer of a grain elevator here, went to the engine room early this morning as usual and started the fire. Shortly thereafter, three men, believed to be negroes, entered the room and attacked him. He is a powerful man, and for a time kept the trio at bay, but was finally overpowered, and \$10, all the money he had with him, was taken. His assailants then attempted to hide their crime by cremating him. Only his head could be forced through the furnace door, however, and this attempt was abandoned. The robbers then placed the body of the unconscious engineer between the spokes of the fly wheel and set the engine in motion, evidently believing that Neibert would be torn to pieces. But at the first revolution of the big wheel, the engineer slipped to the floor where he was found, still unconscious, some time later. There is no clue to the identity of the robbers.

Minister Forged Check.

Evansville, Ind., Feb. 14.—The fact that the Rev. H. D. Helwig was compelled to spend Sunday in the Evansville jail did not prevent him from holding services, though he had for his congregation not people of Tennessee, as he had anticipated, but a motley array of men, who, like himself, were prisoners.

On Saturday Rev. Helwig was arrested by the Evansville police on a charge of forgery. He confessed that he had passed a fraudulent check for \$50 here, saying he did it to get money enough to take him to Clarksville, Tenn., where he had an engagement to fill the pulpit. He told the police he formerly was pastor of the Methodist church at Fremont, Neb., and had had charges at Thurston, Neb., and elsewhere.

As the Bankers' National bank, which he victimized, recovered \$48 of the \$50, it is said he will not be prosecuted.

Two Big Fires at Greenville.

Greenville, Feb. 13.—Fire breaking out at an early hour to-night did about \$30,000 damage to the \$100,000 plant of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company. The loss is understood to be fully covered by insurance. The plant was situated in the suburbs.

The blaze was spectacular, the fire having originated in the acid chamber of the building, and while it burned the explosion of tanks of sulphuric acid attracted great crowds from the city.

Later, at about 11 o'clock, the residence of Mr. Perry Beatt/ was burned, the fire starting from a gas jet in the pantry. A number of fine oil paintings, brought from Europe, were saved. The loss is estimated at \$15,000.

Shot Superintendent.

Chester, Feb. 14.—At Eureka cotton mill here on Saturday afternoon C. E. Long, an operative, shot Superintendent M. W. Driver in a dispute over pay claimed by Long for himself and wife, who also works in the mill. Long was ordered off by the superintendent. He went and returned later with John Adams, boss of the room. Long, Adams and the superintendent were talking the matter over when, without warning, Long drew his pistol and opened fire. Two shots were fired at the superintendent, going wild. Another shot was fired, striking Mr. Adams on the scalp, causing quite a free flow of blood, but no serious injury.

Long ran off and was tracked several miles by Deputies Dye and Gibson, but escaped. A reward of \$25 is offered for his capture.