

PACOLET "KICK" SETTLED.

Superintendent will Respect Wishes and Appoint White Man.

Spartanburg, April 8.—The people of Pacolet Township, who have raised a howl because a negro had been appointed as census enumerator for their district, were made to feel perfectly at ease this morning, when Superintendent of Census Pritchard made known that such would not be the case, and that a white man would be appointed. The matter will be adjusted satisfactorily to all parties, and it is thought that nothing further will be heard of it. Some persons living in this township threatened not to give desired information to a negro census taker and petitioned that a white man be appointed.

The negro stood the examination successfully and received the appointment, and the citizens objected, and the outcome may be that a separate man will be appointed to take census of negroes.

The negro will only call upon members of his race. This arrangement is entirely satisfactory to all parties concerned, and Superintendent Pritchard will in all probability make an appointment of a white man during the next few days.

Cattle-Raising Again.

We republished recently a paragraph from The Bamberg Herald telling of the shipment of eight car loads of cattle from that county last week and calling upon our contemporary to inform us as to the profits resulting to the farmers who raised these heaves. Now comes The Herald with the astounding information that none of this cattle was raised in Bamberg county. These heaves, some seven or eight hundred head of them, were bought by Bamberg county farmers in Tennessee last fall and shipped to Bamberg to be fattened and resold, the farmers desiring to obtain the compost for their farms. The cattle, says The Herald, were fattened on hulls and meal purchased at the local oil mill, and brought about 6 cents the pound when sold last week. "In this connection," our contemporary concludes, "it may be noted that the fattening of cattle each winter by the farmers around Bamberg is getting to be quite an industry, so we were correct in saying that Bamberg is getting to be quite a market for beef cattle."

This is good enough as far as it goes, but why in the name of common sense buy cattle in Tennessee for the purpose of fattening them? If they can be fattened profitably in Bamberg, why can they not be raised there yet more profitably? And if they can be raised profitably in Bamberg county, why not in other counties? Twenty years ago it was customary to bring every winter great droves of hogs across the mountains from Tennessee into the upper counties of South Carolina for sale. The farmers of South Carolina have found now, at least some of them have, that they can best afford to raise their own hogs and their own corn upon which to fatten those hogs. Some day they will learn that it will pay them also to give some attention to supplying butter and milk for their neighbors in the towns and cities of South Carolina, as well as for themselves, and to furnish some of the beef which they themselves and their neighbors must eat. Why postpone that time? Why not do it now? The subject at least merits careful investigation.—News and Courier.

Alleged "Raffles" Arrested.

Springfield, Mass., April 6.—The wanton murder last Thursday evening of Miss Martha Blackstone by a masked burglar at the residence of Mrs. Sarah J. Dow has been formally charged against Bertram G. Spencer, a clerk, aged 28, who was arrested yesterday.

Spencer was identified by Mrs. Dow and Miss Lucy Dow, mother and sister, respectively, of Miss Harriet P. Dow, who was seriously wounded by the robber's bullets.

Later, according to the police, several other persons identified Spencer as the man responsible for a local reign of terror a year ago, whose homes were broken into and robbed by a burglar, who adopted some of the method of "Raffles."

A search of Spencer's home after the arrest resulted in the finding of two black silk masks, several loaded revolvers and a small amount of miscellaneous articles, including jewelry. Mrs. Dow and her daughter picked out from this alleged loot a peculiar green Indian head belt and a pearl brooch, which, they said, were taken by the man who entered their home on Round Hill Thursday evening.

Worse than Bullets.

Bullets have often caused less suffering to soldiers than the eczema L. W. Harriman, Burlington, Me., got in the army, and suffered with, forty years. "But Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured me when all else failed," he writes. Greatest healer for sores, ulcers, boils, burns, cuts, wounds, bruises and piles. 25c at Peoples Drug Co., Bamberg, S. C.

CRIMINAL ASSAULT CHARGED.

Alleged that Italian Committed Crime in Columbia.

Columbia, April 8.—It was learned that O. Sciserlinder, an Italian dress-maker, is in jail upon the charge of criminal assault. The deputy jailer stated to-night that he could not understand the man's version of the alleged affair. It is alleged that he committed a criminal assault upon a well known married woman, who resides in Shandon.

The assault is alleged to have been committed a month ago at the victim's home, where Sciserlinder boarded, but the charges brought to light at the preliminary hearing before Magistrate Fowles did not become known until Wednesday. The woman said she dared not tell her husband because Sciserlinder threatened to kill her if she mentioned the matter to anyone. Her husband said that for several weeks his wife acted strangely, as if there was something of a serious nature on her mind. Finally she told him of her accusations against Sciserlinder, and the arrest of the man followed. The parties involved in the case are well known in Columbia. The husband of the woman is employed in a store in the city. The alleged offence is not bailable.

Orangeburg's View.

Orangeburg has been stuffed full of railroad propositions for the past several years, and in each and every case, we have been "stung." But if there has ever been one which possessed merit, the present proposition for an extension from Ehrhardt to Bamberg, and on to this city, seems to be that one. The proposition has many attractive features, and perhaps the most attractive one is the fact that the road is not such a big undertaking, and therefore will not require tons of money to carry it through. The propositions hitherto, while they started in modest proportions soon grew to such gigantic size that they were unwieldy, and were compelled to be abandoned. The present proposition is a road of not more than 20 miles at the utmost, and to build this road would mean the opening up of a most valuable territory. Much business could be drawn to this city on account of this road, and much travel would undoubtedly pass through here on account of the fact, that this country is practically inaccessible only in a most round about way. This city could be made the terminal station, and then another train would be added to the large number already arriving in the city each day. Viewed from all sides, the proposition seems to be a feasible one, and one which should be taken hold of by our citizens and carried through to completion, if such is possible.—Orangeburg Evening News.

Seaboard May Tap Augusta.

It is possible that the Seaboard Air Line railway may touch Augusta by the construction of a branch line from some point on the line of the road between this city and Savannah.

Chas. A. Bland, the traffic manager of the Augusta chamber of commerce, was assured the support of General Freight Agent Chalener of the Seaboard yesterday in the extension of the road.

Mr. Bland said that since the Charleston & Western Carolina road had discontinued traffic arrangements with the Seaboard that Augusta had missed the Seaboard connection more than ever.

The building of a road from a point on the Seaboard would give Columbia a double service to Augusta and the immediate territory and also to south-west Georgia over the Georgia & Florida railroad.

Mr. Bland conferred with Secretary Moorman of the Columbia chamber of commerce and he was assured the full co-operation of the local body.

The Augusta chamber of commerce and the Columbia chamber of commerce are trying to get the Atlantic Coast Line to extend its Green Pond branch from Ehrhardt to some point on the Seaboard, at either Denmark or Bamberg and Barnwell on the Southern railway.

Mr. Bland said that the Augusta chamber of commerce would take up the Ehrhardt matter at the meeting to be held next Tuesday.

The extension of both the Seaboard and the Coast Line would materially help Columbia and Augusta in a trade way, as both lines would pass through a rich agricultural section of the State.—Columbia State.

A Charleston bakery has taken to baking bread from cotton seed and the new bread is finding a ready sale and becoming popular, according to the report of the bakery. The bread is simply made from the ground seed meal, with water and salt. The bread is dark in color, almost like gingerbread, and it browns readily and well. The bread is quite palatable, but a little greasy, but no more so, however, than would be a slice of wheat bread with butter.

REVENUE TAX ON SOFT DRINKS.

Revenue Agent Gives Notice that Dealers Must Comply.

Columbia, April 8.—It is very probable that Charleston drug stores and all others selling soft drinks, will be subject to revenue license tax, if all are not now paying it.

The internal revenue department under the administration of Mr. A. J. Yellowley, as revenue agent, has served notice upon all the soft drink sellers of Columbia that they must take out licenses as liquor dealers, if they are using or have used syrups containing as much as one-half of one per cent of alcohol. Several of the dealers in Columbia have taken out licenses for the last two years, rather than contest the ruling, but it is possible that one or more of the dealers may take the matter to the Courts. Others have paid up rather than protest.

Prohibition and Federal Law.

The advocates of the bill in congress to restrict the shipments of liquor into prohibition states, are getting restive under the hold-up and propose to make trouble, says the Pittsburg Standard Union. The Anti-Saloon league says it will carry the issue to the polls if the bills do not pass. This league is not on the best of terms with some of the prohibition and temperance organizations, but it is numerous and aggressive. In the present state of party confusion its activities might further complicate the political situation in several states.

No good arguments against the bills has been brought forward; in fact, they are having to contend not so much with opposition as with evasion. When a state prohibits the sale of liquor, importations in original packages cannot be interfered with because interference would be regulation of inter-state commerce, a power delegated to the Federal portion of the American government. Sometimes it happens that more liquor (such as it is) gets into a state after a prohibition law is passed than before, making state regulation difficult or impossible.

The Prohibitionists want interstate traffic in liquors forbidden as to states in which the people have declared for the abolishment of the saloons. This is as it should be, because the people of a state ought to have either one thing or the other—either no liquor at all or else liquor dispensed on the terms prescribed by the people. The system of giving the abstainers all the law they want and giving the drinkers all the "rum" they want is a joke that should be obsolete.

Closing Streets to Automobiles.

The town of Eden, in Maine, under express legislative authority, passed an ordinance closing to the use of automobiles certain public streets in that town, the Supreme Judicial Court of the State held (State vs. Mayo) that the legislative enactment which authorized the closing of such streets to the use of automobiles was not repugnant to any constitutional provision, and that the ordinance was constitutional. The court said that when the legislature has constitutional authority to enact a law to promote the public safety, and does enact it, the expediency of its enactment is not to be passed upon by the court. In such a case the legislature determines by the enactment that the law is reasonable and necessary.

Took Rough on Rats.

Spartanburg, April 5.—Telling his brother and his wife that he was going to commit suicide, Ebenezer Walker, a farmer, 65 years of age, living near Enoree, went to the Enoree drug store Monday afternoon and bought a box of rough on rats and ate the poison. His failure to return home Monday night caused his brother, Mack Walker, to go out in search of him. His body was found this morning at 9 o'clock near his home by the road side.

Coroner Turner was notified and went to Enoree to-day to hold the inquest.

After investigating the circumstances the coroner decided that an inquest was unnecessary.

Rivers' Bridge Memorial.

The Rivers' Bridge Memorial Association will observe Thursday, April 28th, as memorial day. The Rev. C. C. Brown, of Sumter, will deliver the memorial address. To these services the public is cordially invited, and the ladies are especially requested to bring flowers.

Committee on grounds and order of the day: J. D. Jenny, J. C. Kinard, H. W. Chitty, J. A. Peters, W. D. Sease, W. H. Ritter, Stacy Kearse.

Friends are requested to bring baskets and lunch will be served on the grounds.

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