COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

News Items Gathered All Around the County and Elsewhere. Ehrhardt Etchings.

Ehrhardt, Jan. 16 .- Mrs. Mary E. Beard will be 84 years old on January 23rd, 1911, and wants all of her family and connection and all others who care to participate to come to her home in Bamberg county on that day and under the head of a family reunion, make the day pleasant and enjoyable in each others' company. Don't forget the day, as old Aunt Mary will be loking for you. Don't disappoint her.

Mr. J. Monroe Kinard and Miss Sarah Ayer were married at Mt. Pleasant parsonage by Rev. D. B. Groseclose on Sunday afternoon. The pair have the congratulations of quite a crowd of friends.

Mr. John Belton O'Neal Holloway, of Newberry, was here on Saturday morning, all puffed up with a speech for the Farmers Union, but by some means unknown to the writer he did not get a chance to rid himself of his stuffed feelings. He, however, went over in the Jenny section and there I feel satisfied that in the quietude of Capt. J. W. Jenny and Maj. J. D. Jenny he had a chance to expound his pet theory of the union; but, by the way, they are merchants and can't be admitted to the order. Too bad isn't it, O'Neal?

Messrs. F. H. Copeland and Chas. Ehrhardt went to Denmark on last Saturday morning. They returned just before night fall both hoarse. Must have made big speeches up there. Can't imagine the subject.

Mr. J. L. Hiers has entered a new new field recently. Must have some success, as he seems to be very attentive recently.

The Haceker Manufacturing Company have commenced work on their logging road extending down in the Folk section. They are at work on the framing for a new saw mill building 115 feet by 32 feet; considerably larger than the old one. Will soon have business going on in full blast.

The fertlilizer agents are havingmore trouble selling their goods than in other years.

Colston Cullings.

Colston, Jan. 16.-We are having beautiful weather for hog killing and pinder shellings.

Mr. Willie Beard and daughter, Miss Thelma, visited friends and relatives near Islandton a few days last

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Folk visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kirkland last

Messrs. G. L. and J. J. Bishop were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. and J. H. McMillan near Lodge last Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Besinger, from Midway, visited Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Padgett last Saturday and Sun-

Mrs. E. E. Rentz, Mrs. C. C. Fender, and Mrs. Ollie Chitty visited friends at Ehrhardt last Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Beard is spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. Sudie Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. George Beard spent last Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. W. L. Mitchun, at Ehrhardt.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Fender and sons, from the Ehrhardt section, vis-

ited friends at Colston last Sunday. Mr. G. H. Kearse visited friends near Ehrhardt last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Beard visited their parents last Sunday.

Miss Annie Bishop was the guest of Miss Bessie Folk last Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Abner Fender and Miss Minnie Fender visited relatives in the Ehrhardt section last Sunday. Mrs. Mattie Inabinett is visiting friends and relatives in Georgia.

There will be a birthday dinner given at Mrs. Mary Beard's on Monday, January 23rd. Everybody is cordially invited to attend, with filled baskets.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bishop visited their sister near Lodge a few days last week.

Messrs. B. D. Bishop, Wilson Beard, and George Kearse went to Bamberg last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bishop and family were the guests of Mrs. A. E.

Folk last Sunday. Mr. C. F. Padgett visited friends

Ehrhardt last Sunday.

material, as well as brick.

WILL APPEAL JONES CASE.

Attorneys to Seek Bail for Convicted Branchville Lawyer.

Columbia, Jan. 16.-Attorneys for J. J. Jones, the Branchville lawyer, who was convicted of manslaughter State News Boiled Down for Quick before Judge Memminger, at Orangeburg, and sentenced to ten years and one month, for the killing of Abe Pearlstine at Branchville on December 15, last, will appeal in the Supreme court Monday in habeas corpus proceedings and seek bail for Jones, pending an appeal, notice of which has been given. The sentence of ten years and one month removes the question of granting or refusing bail from the Circuit Judges' jurisdiction, and the Supreme Court must consider the matter.

Wolfe & Berry, Glaze & Herbert and C. P. Brunson are appearing for Jones; for the State Solicitor Hildebrand, Raysor & Summers and Adam H. Moss.

City Council Criticised.

The felling of a tree within the incorporate limits of a town should, in any circumstances, be regarded a serious matter and that is a queer proceeding reported from Bamberg. The town council, which goes out of office in four months, employed men with axes and "in the dead of the night' caused the trees in "Main street" to be cut down, choosing the cover of darkness in anxiety lest the citizens protest. Only extraordinary reasons excuse the performance of any act by public officials in the dark. In the absence of more detailed information, we withhold any opinion of the propriety of the Bamberg aldermen's peculiar doings-though it must be said that if the action in cutting the trees was clearly wise and praiseworthy the manner of doing it seems the more absurd on that account. Sometimes a bitter dose such as castor oil is justifiably administered to a child by a parent under false pretenses but even though the Bamberg aldermen are "city fathers," it does not follow that their constituents are babies.—Columbia State.

Country Correspondence.

Beautiful weather we are having now-a-days, and the farmers are making good use of it on their farms by turning the soil.

Mrs. S. W. Sandifer and sister, Miss Lillian, spent a few days recently at Ehrhardt with Mrs. Sandifer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George F. Kinard.

We hope enough boys in the county will enroll their names to insure the organization of a corn club in this county. So many boys that are now inclined towards other professions might be encouraged into being successful farmers, and that is what is needed.

The union meeting will be held at Springtown the fifth Sunday instant. The church is very desirous of it being a very interesting and largely represented union.

It makes one feel a little sad to look up Main street of Bamberg and miss the beautiful shade trees that have protected us and a tired horse for so many times from a parching sun, but then Bamberg is attaining city airs, and so like them must do away with its trees, we suppose.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hughes visited the latter's mother, Mrs. Boynton, Monday, at Ulmer. Their little daughter, Meta, who has been there for several months, returned with them

Miss Marie Smoak has been on a visit to relatives at Branchville. Mr. T. J. Smoak is doing very nice-

ly since he returned from the hospit-Monstrosity in Form of Human Being

A 625-pound baby rolled into Charlotte yesterday afternoon on the 6 o'clock train from the South. The prodigy boasted of height reaching five feet four inches. He was the centre of attraction at the Southern depot, but so vile were his oaths and heavy were his blows on curios bystanders, that The Chronicle reporter at the station lost his nerve and refused to interview the

monstrosity. Whether he was destined for the North or a country side show was not learned. Where he came from and where he went was not vouched

though that the expression was that ed Godwin he was dead. of a Berkshire hog. The legs were A lumber yard was certainly so short that short trousers would needed in Bamberg, and Mr. L. B. have been impossible. The creature Fowler has opened one on the lot looked around and all but grunted. opposite the electric light plant. He It was a picture no artist could paint will carry all kinds of rough and an attraction well worth the dressed lumber, posts, and building price of admission.-Charlotte (N. C). Chronicle.

IN THE PALMETTO STATE

SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

Reading-Paragraphs About Men and Happenings.

The new county which Mr. J. U. Jackson is attempting to form from portions of Aiken and Edgefield is fifty-four miles long and is three miles broad at its narrowest point. A county of such shape as this ought to be defeated.

For some time there has been a persistent rumor going the rounds that the ticket collectors were to be discontinued by the Southern Railway. Now the comptroller of the system comes out and says the collectors will stay, as the results fully warrant their continuance.

to J. B. Ross, who was convicted in Barnwell county on the charge of entering the county treasurer's office with intent to steal in 1908 and given a sentence of five years. There were several letters from those in Barnwell county, familiar with the case, which stated that there was some doubt as to the guilt of Ross, the evidence which convicted him being circumstantial.

WOMAN WANTS DIVORCE.

Poured Whole Quart of Booze on His Wife's Head.

Macon, Ga., Jan. 15.-In a suit for divorce filed against her husband, Mrs. Callie F. Holloman avers that he poured a quart of whiskey on her head on becoming angry when she refused to drink with him. The petition also sets forth that he deserted her, notwithstanding that during the time they lived together she supported him instead of him support-

Barnwell Baptist Association .

Union meetings will be held at Branch churches Saturday and Sunday, January 28th and 29th, 1911.

PROGRAMME. Saturday, 11 a. m.

Introductory Sermon. Organization.

Verbal reports from the churches. Subject for discussion: Our State and Associational mission work. Their different branches and claims

Sunday, 10:30 a.m. The normal work of our Sunday-schol board. Teacher training.

11 a. m. Missionary Sermon.

BLACKVILLE.

Introductory Sermon - W. M. Jones, D. D.

State Missions-J. D. Pitts, W. G. Britton.

Normal Work-J. F. Carter, Prof. Coggins.

Missionary Sermon-O. J. Frier. SPRINGTOWN.

Introductory Sermon-Geo. Hop-

State Missions-F. M. Hauser. Normal Work-Geo. Hopkins. Missionary Sermon-B. F. Allen.

REEDY BRANCH. Introductory Sermon-W. C. Bax-

State Missions-J. K. Goode and

R. M. Mixon. Normal Work-R. M. Mixon, G.

E. Birt. Missionary Sermon-J. Sandford. Dinner expected on the grounds

Saturday.

O. J. FRIER, B. F. ALLEN, W. G. BRITTON,

Committee.

FOUND DEAD ON STREET.

Lake City Man Wandered from Home-Died on Street.

Lake City, Jan. 14.-Mr. Samuel T. Godwin, a well known citizen of this town, was found dead on the street yesterday morning, about 4 o'clock. He had been ill for several days and under treatment. His physician left him about 11 o'clock, resting easy and sitting by the fire, smoking. Sometime after this he with having committed a criminal left home and went wandering about assault on the 15-year-old wife of and the figure, (if courtesy could the streets. His young son went to a Geneva county boy, himself only be stretched to such an extent) was his father, but was sent back home. 17 years old. The names of the Ill., in 1867, just a few hours before allowed to wander unmolested from A neighbor found him later acting couple are withheld. Aycock and he was to have been married to Miss light stocks. An active week is look-Th mountain of flesh had a youth- summoned Chief of Police G. B. of the couple, and after administer- is believed the ring is the one with week as many of the largest buyers ful face, so round and so puffed Rodgers, but when the latter reaching a severe beating to the husband, which Woodmanse had intended to will be in attendance at the annual

quest. The jury, after examining Aycock. witnesses, including physicians who examined the dead man, rendered a verdict that he came to his death from natural causes.

or five children.

COLOR LINE DRAWN.

Medical Students go on Strike Because of Negroes in Class.

Washington, Jan. 13 .- More than a hundred medical students from Georgetown and George Washington universities here have gone on strike against lectures given by Dr. Wm. White, superintendent of the Government Hospital for the Insane because of the presence at the last lecture of about thirty negro medical students from Howard University. Expulsions it is said may follow.

The lectures are given weekly by Dr. White and are prescribed as part of the medical course at the Georgetown and George Washington universities. To the last lecture the negro students were invited. When the students from Georgetown and George Washington appeared they refused to enter the lecture room. A few minutes after they sent in an oral notice asserting they would not attend Gov. Ansel has granted a pardon because of the presence of the negroes. Dr. White then lectured to

the negroes. The faculties at both institutions have apologized to Dr. White for the stand taken by the students, but so far no action has been taken. The students declare that they will not attend the lectures unless the negro Mr. Lyon's wishes were acceded to." students are barred.

Forty-five students from Georgetown and 55 from George Washington "cut" the lecture.

Reds and Blacks in Court.

Guthrie, Okla., Jan. 14.-Scores of negroes and Indians came here today to be examined by the federal grand jury in regard to the operation of the granfather clause of the State election law.

One old scarred and crippled negro veteran of the Civil War came into the court room accompanied by his son, who was in the American army during the war with Spain. Neither of them was allowed to vote at the last general elections. The negroes were talkative and objected to the law strenuously, but the Indians who are voters in Oklahoma, sat by themselves, morose and quiet. Blackville, Springtown, and Reedy Federal Judge Cotteral in his instructions to the grand jury said that the fifteenth amendment of the federal constitution was still a part of the supreme law of the land, and that it could not be subrogated by any State law.

> COUNCIL, SPARE OUR TREES. 'Council, spare our trees, Touch not a single leaf,

For the summer game of draughts,

you know, Will surely come to grief."

It was thus the checkerist wailed, (Did you hear his mournful cry?) When our noble city fathers said:

"Our Main street trees must die." No wonder that he wailed aloud; His place to "rest" has gone, And while he naught else has to do, His doing this is done.

No more we'll see the soap box seats Which once "graced" streets and doors,

And blocked each lady's progress As she passed our Main street

For "Progress" is the watchword of Our council, if you please,

And out must go street checker games,

"Box" seats and ugly trees. To scions who carved their names in

("Box" wood you understand,) And chewed and spat tobacco juice With no thought where 'twould land,

A little advice I have for you, Which I most freely give, If carving's what you're made to do, Carve where your names will live.

Carve out an extra dime or two And give them to your town; Break up the game, throw out your quids,

And get some paving down. —W. C. P.

Horrible Crime in Alabama.

Dothan, Ala., Jan. 14.-Joel Aycock and Alto Barefoot, two white farmers of Geneva county, were removed from jail here to-night to prevent lynching. They are charged assaulted the wife. The husband's wed Miss Virt. Magistrate Baldwin held an in- father overtook the men and stabbed

Escaping from the old man, Ayher on a bed shot the side of her Mr. Godwin left a wife and four face off with a shotgun, putting out young man was lured there and mur- his church paper, and it filled his her right eye.

LIQUOR HOUSE PAYS CASH

MILLIONAIRE LIQUOR DEALER RETURNS GRAFT MONEY.

I. W. Bernheim, of Louisville, Settles With State for Richland Distilling Co. Pickings.

Columbia, Jan. 16 .- Mr. Thos. B. Felder, of Anderson, Felder, Roundtree & Wilson, a firm of Atlanta lawyers, came here to-day with \$39, 400 in cash. The money came from I. W. Bernheim, the millionaire liquor dealer of Louisville, as his part of the claim or basis of settlement for the pickings made by the Richland Distilling Company. The State claimed that the Richland Distillery overcharged the State nearly a million dollars with the connivance of the State board. For some time negotiations have been pending, looking towards a cash compromise. Col. Felder said to-night: "This case would have been settled some months ago, but for the fact that your faithful Attorney General, Mr. Lyon, would not agree to any settlement which eliminated criminal prosecutions, and this matter was not settled until, at a conference recently, Of the \$39,700, \$34,700 is by way

of settlement and \$5,000 is for a bond, by I. W. Bernheim, that he will appear at Chester at a witness against the Blocks, of Macon, who are also under indictment. At Chester two bills were returned against I. W. Bernheim and two against Block Brothers, in connection with the sales of the Richland Distillery to the State. The State will get the \$34,700, less the fees of the attorneys, and, under the terms of the bill offered by Mr. Stevenson, all these salvages go to the common school edy were hysterical. funds. The State has seized the land and plant of the Richland Distillery

will be prosecuted at Chester. It is noteworthy that I. W. Bernheim paid the State over \$30,000 by way of settlement for overcharges made the State by I. W. Bernheim & Brother. It is said that the only outstanding claim is that against the Richland Distillery. This has nothing whatever to do with the pending criminal cases, which have been and are being pressed by Attorney General Lyon.

NEGRO BURGLAR CAPTURED.

in Penitentiary.

He is Wanted to Complete Sentence

Greenwood, Jan. 10.-Sheriff Mc-Millan and Constable J. B. Riley have succeeded in landing one of the most notorious rogues now at liberty. Under the name of Henry Williams he is wanted at the South Carolina penitentiary to complete a 25-year sentence for burglary and under the name of Tom Toole he is wanted at Hartwell, Ga., to complete a 20-year sentence for burglary, committed after his escape from the South Carolina penitentiary. He has been around Greenwood for some time and it is believed he is the one who has been robbing pantries here for a year.

His capture was effected as the result of a raid on one of the orphanage houses. He was suspected by Superintendent Jamison who had noticed him while working as a laborer at the orphanage. Sheriff McMillan and State Constable Riley soon had him in tow and he was first recognized as the negro wanted in Hartwell, Ga. Later the negro owned up to being wanted in South Carolina and begged that Superintendent Griffith, of the State penitentiary, be notified, as he said he would rather go to hell than go back to

The burglaries for which he was sent up for 25 years were committed are being reported for spring. Doin and around Columbia about 10

May Clear up Old Mystery.

finding of a ring to-day near the spot where a number of himan bones were unearthed a few days ago, in this city, it is believed, will clear up the mysterious disappearance of Eugene C. Woodmanse, of Danville, in a very strange manner, and he Barefoot, it is said, went to the home Sarah Virt, who lived near here. It ed for in the primary markets next

Older inhabitants of the city recall that about the time of the War of In renewing for The Herald a few secession a roadhouse with a bad rep- days ago Mr. R. L. Lancaster, of the cock and Barefoot are said to have utation was located near the Cloud Govan section, said he could not do returned to their victim, and finding home, under which the bones were without it. That The Herald was discovered, and it is believed the the only paper he received, except

WOMEN PRINCIPALS IN TRAGEDY

Texas Lawyer's Wife Fatally Shoots Dry Goods Store Employee.

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 16.-Shooting with the colness and skill of a native born Texan, Mrs. T. M. Brooks, wife of a prominent local attorney, this afternoon fired five bullets from a .38 calibre revolver into the body of Mrs. Mary Binford, department manager of a local dry goods store. All of the bullets went true, death resulting almost instantly. Both Mrs. Brooks and her husband refuse to make statements that would lead to the cause of the shoot-

The shooting occurred on the second flor of the establishment, where Mrs. Binford was employed. Making her way through the lower floor, Mrs. Brooks smilingly bowed and stopped to chat with acquaintances. As she stepped from the elevator, Mrs. Brooks inquired for Mrs. Binford and as the latter appeared, Mrs. Brooks drew an old fashioned revolver from her muff. The women grappled, Mrs. Broks finally freeing herself and forcing the other woman against the wall. In the scuffle, the weapon was discharged, the bullet ploughing its way through Mrs. Binford's hand. With her victim at bay, Mrs. Brooks stepped backward and fired four times, each time aiming at her adversary's head.

The second ball struck Mrs. Binford in the shoulder and the third one inch higher, and the fourth entering the base of the neck, severing the spinal vertebrae. Before the woman fell to the floor Mrs. Brooks fired again, and this time the ball struck Mrs. Binford behind the ear and came out through the top of her head. Shoppers witnessing the trag-

Making her way through the crowd, Mrs. Brooks went to the ofand this is expected to swell the fice of her husband, two blocks disfunds \$25,000. It is said the Blocks tant. As she handed the revolver to Mr. Brooks she said:

"I am sorry," and then fainted. The waist worn by the dead woman caught fire from the flames of

the revolver's muzzle and the body was badly burned before clerks regained their presence of mind and extinguished the flames. Before securing a divorce from her husband about two years ago,

Mrs. Binford was wealthy and very popular. Mrs. Brooks and her husband are also well known. Mrs. Brooks waived preliminary trial before a justice of the peace

and readily furnished bond in the sum of \$10,000 to guarantee her appearance Tuesday morning, when an examination will be held.

Now Talking Curtailment.

New York, Jan. 15 .- Curtailment of production is uppermost among cotton goods manufacturers at the present time. Meetings are being held and curtailment without agreement is actually going on. This is brought about by the difficulty merchants are finding in securing prices for cotton goods commensurate with the cost of production.

Some advances are being made, but sales are not large enough at the higher prices to warrant mills in continuing production beyond the orders actually given. Fruit of the Loom 4-4 bleached cottons have been advanced from 9 to 91/2 cents a yard and Lonsdales from 81/4 to 81/2 cents. All lines of cotton blankets have been opened for the fall season and several lines of lighter weight napped cottons are also being shown. Prices have not been named, but are expected to become public early next

At the present time the expectation is that the advances will not be radical. Printed goods continue in fair demand and active shipments of old orders are being made.. Wash goods mestic drills and sheetings are quiet, purchases being confined to actual needs. Of the 105,000 pieces of print cloths sold during the week at Fall Noblesville, Ind., Jan. 12.—The River, 40,000 were for spot delivery,

the rest futures, running to April. Reports showing the financial condition of dry goods distributers show low stocks of merchandise on hand. Retailers will begin to come on the first of the month and it is the common belief that they are carrying association meeting.

wants satisfactorily.