COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

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

Ehrhardt, Oct. 2.-Play time is over for the school children. This morning at the ringing of the bell they congregated at the school build- lina was then 1,514,000. ing, a happy band, bouyant, gay and frolicsome, ready for the work which was awaiting them within the walls of the building—and not only the tries is made each year and along children but also many of the parents and friends of the school were there to see the beginning. Rev. E. A. McDowell, the Baptist pastor, opened the exercises with prayer, and made a most excellent address, to account and their percentages ful of powerful advice and inspira-Rev. D. B. Groseclose, the marks which encouraged both pupils sioner Watson's figures are correct In South Carolina 339,111 bales were and teachers. Mr. S. W. Copeland, they indicate an increase of populaof the board of trustees, announced amid applause that the contract for the new \$10,000 brick building would be let within the next sixty teachers and pupils would be comfortably situated in it. A larger enrollment is assured this year than ever before. The high school is in a flourishing condition, the prospect being that at least twenty-five will be enrolled. The common school department, under the management of Miss Mary Wright, of Newberry, and Miss Jennie Milling, of Winnsboro, will be crowded. In fact school prospects are better than ever before. Fla., automobiles conveyed the par-At last people of Ehrhardt are awakened on school questions, and Professor Shealy is doing his best to push the work along.

eagerly to the time when the lyceum course begins. An elegant course has been arranged, and our town people should be glad to avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing some of the best talent in the coun-

Cotton remains king in these parts. Notwithstanding the low price, It is bound to come.

Rev. E. A. McDowell, assisted Rev. Mr. Martin, in a few days' meeting wide, cool verandas were very invitlast week at Hendersonville, S. C. ing, being tastefully arranged with

There were two accessions. Dr. W. T. Derieux, after preaching the dedication sermon at Bethany next Sunday morning, will preach the guests engaged in the exciting that night in the Baptist church at

Fairfax Fancies.

Fairfax, Oct. 2.-Miss Lela Bennett entertained a bride and groom, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Stone, from Appleton, recently.

On Thursday evening Mrs. Talley gave a reception to the teachers. Quite a number of ladies and gentle- decorated with ferns and cut flowers. men were present, and the occasion The guests thoroughly enjoyed an was one of unalloyed happiness. The delicious cake and Neapolitan cream was served on the front veranda of whist. Mrs. John Hartz won the her bungalow, the Japanese lanterns prize, an exquisite hand-embroidered lending a soft light. Bright and sparkling conversation (getting acquainted with the new teachers) ensued, and all voted Mr. and Mrs. Talley prince of entertainers, making of Walterboro, have returned to their them feel so much at home.

The same evening Mrs. S. L. Sanders entertained the girls and boys of the glee club. In guessing riddles Lylete Wilson won the prize of a Refreshments—cake, nice book. cream, fruit, candy, etc.-were served, and all seemed merry enough but when the "Bowing Betty" came hilarious in their shouts of laughter, Especially amusing was she when she asked the boys if their "parents" knew they were out. There was only one note of sadness to cast a damper over their spirits-it was Miss Claudia O'Neal's last evening with them, she being all packed up to return to Florida. She had won the love of old and young, and we will look forward with joy to another visit from her ere long.

Mr. John Harter entertained the teachers and young gentlemen with a fish fry last week by moonlight (or was it torch light?) All enjoyed it

very much. Mesdames Carrie Rutland and Chivie Jamison are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. O'Neal.

There was a mass meeting at the school house Friday evening to discuss questions of importance to the welfare of our town. Intendant G. D. Sanders, S. Talley, Rev. J. D. Timmons, Rev. W. B. Aull, and others gave interesting talks.

Mesdames Anna Tuten and Maggie Griffith, of Ulmer, were the guests of Mrs. Julia Harter this week. The health of our town is good. No fever that we hear of.

Piano Contest.

Following is the standing of the contestants in the contest for the piano now being given away by The Bamberg Herald and Hoover's drug store. No names of contestants are published, each contestant having a number. Get in the game early and News. make the contest interesting:

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WATSON FIGURES INCREASE.

State's Population Greater by 28,000 Since Federal Census.

Columbia, Oct. 1.-According to an estimate sent by Commissioner E. J. Watson to-day to the New York World, for use in the World's Almanac, the population of South Carolina to date is 1,542,912. According to the United States census, taken for 1910, the population of South Caro-

The estimate by the department of agriculture, commerce and industhe lines of the most careful means possible, other than a direct count. All the factors which tend to increase and decrease population are taken inworked out in as nearly a correct manner as is possible. If Commistion of about 28,000 during the past year and a half.

This figure is supplied every year days and by another session both the for the World Almanac by Commissioner Watson, the request coming through the governor.

Ehrhardt Social News.

Ehrhardt, Sept. 30.—A stag party was given at Clear Lake last Monday evening by Dr. J. L. Copeland in honor of Mr. Farrell, of Jacksonville, ty to the lake, where they were provided with fishing tackle. Several pleasant hours were spent at this Our people are looking forward sport, the landing of a great many fine trout furnishing much excitement. A bountiful fish dinner was served.

A few friends enjoyed a delightful evening at the lovely home of Miss Elizabeth Roberts, when she entertained in honor of Miss Ida Lee Mcmuch of the crop is being marketed. Tyre, of Florida, and Miss Carrie They ought to hold for a higher price. Fraysse, of Hendersonville, with a very informal "porch party." The ferns, cosy seats and lights. Small tables were also arranged, at which game of progressive "travel." An ice course was served while little Misses Grace Moore and Genie Ramsey gave several catchy vocal selec-

Wednesday afternoon the Matrons' Club spent several delightful hours at the home of Mrs. I. D. Copeland. The halls and parlors were tastefully interesting game of progressive towel. During the afternoon delicious refreshments were served.

Mrs. C. D. C. Adams and children, home, after a short visit to Mrs. W. M. Walker.

Miss Ida Lee McTyre, of Florida, and Miss Carrie Fraysse, of Hendersonville, have been the charming guests of Mrs. W. B. Moore.

Among the many who have recentin unannounced, they became almost ly left to enter various colleges of this State are: Misses Maude and Florence Farrell, Mamie Ehrhardt, Columbia College; Messrs. Bennie Ehrhardt, Harry Copeland, Newberry; Leroy Smith, S. C. C. I.

> Prof. Shealy, Miss Carrie Wright, both of Newberry, and Miss Jennie Milling, of Winnsboro, the teachers of the graded school, have resumed their duties for another term.

J. B. Traywick Dead.

home near this city this morning writer, story teller, and Miss Ethel at 7 o'clock after an illness of some- Zimmer, contralto soloist, piano virtime. Mr. Traywick had been in fail- tuoso, piano monologues, entertainer, ing health for some years and this morning he passed into the great beyond.

Mr. Traywick was about 48 years

The deceased came to Orangeburg county some 30 years ago and started at the bottom. He has continued niment. Miss Zimmer is said to be a to climb up the ladder and has always been a man of considerable energy. He married Miss Edna Tatum, daughter of the late J. S. Tatum, who survives him. He also has one brother, Dr. Paul Traywick, who resides at Cameron.

The entire community extend to the bereaved relatives their sincere sympathy. - Orangeburg Evening

Death in Flood.

The immense dam of the Bayless Pulp and Paper company, near Austin, Pa., broke on Saturday after- cently appointed chief clerk to the noon and 500,000,000 gallons of water swept down the valley, destroying the town of 3,200 inhabitants and causing damages to the amount of \$6,000,000. Most of the people got warning of the approaching flood in time to escape, but the number of drowned is estimated at

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 fiftieth anniversary of woman's organized work for foreign missions will be celebrated in Charleston October 17-18.

The students of Newberry college have abolished hazing. Acting on their own initiative they held a meeting and voted it out, a remarkable Gamble, besides a note unaddressed. incident in college circles. No attempt at coercion was made by the faculty. According to the report of the cen-

sus bureau 3,663,066 bales of cotton were ginned from the growth of 1911 prior to September 25 and against 2,-312,974 for the same date last year. ginned this year against 160,521 last year. The report gives the condition of the crop as 71.1 of normal.

One of Governor Blease's friends in Spartanburg wrote him a letter in reference to calling out the militia during the recent street car strike in Spartanburg, telling him he made a mistake, but the governor gave him no satisfaction. In a rather curt letter the governor stated that he only did his duty and had no apologies to make.

Governor Blease has refused to allow the Governor's Guards to attend a celebration in Atlanta, and he has also written Supt. Bond of the Citadel that the cadets of that institution must not attend. However, the Citadel authorities had already decided not to participate in the celebration on account of the expense attached. It is stated that Gov. Blease threatened to have Supt. Bond removed if the cadets went to Atlanta, but the governor has not the power of removal in this case, he being only a member of the board of trustees. The governor took this action because the newspapers had a great deal to say about his not being invited to At-

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

On and after this date the subscription price of The Bamberg Herald is \$1.50 a year. Persons who have paid in advance for the paper will not be affected by the change in price until the time they have paid for expires. Of course we could not change the rate on them after they had made a contract with us to furnish the paper at \$1.00 a year and had paid for it. The new rate will apply to new subscriptions and old subscriptions as they expire. The rate now is \$1.50 a year, 75 cents for six months, or 50 cents for three months. Please remember this. Subscriptions must be paid in advance.

This increase in price is made necessary by the advance in everything which enters into our business, and we cannot publish such a paper as The Herald at one dollar a year and live. Our expenses have gone up more than fifty per cent. and a dollar paper is no longer possible. The Herald is worth \$1.50, too. It is all printed at home, and gives more reading matter than any weekly in this section, and we feel sure that none of our readers will object to the increase in price, but that all will realize the justice and necessity of it.

First Number of Lyceum Course. The LeBarge Musical Company will give a concert at the auditorium of the Carlisle Fitting School, Thursday, October 5. This will be the first of age, being 241 less than in 1910, number of the regular lyceum course. only 410 are under 12 years of age. Mr. J. B. Traywick died at his John A. LeBarge, instrumentalist, singing humorist, magician, seng compose the company. They come as entertainers of wide experience. Mr. LeBarge is an extraordinary artist. His international standing as an artist on the mandolin and banjo is well known and honestly earned. He is pleasing in his old plantation favorites with banjo and piano accompapianiste of unusual ability and posquality, well trained, and beautifully sweet and pure in tone.

A delightful evening's entertainment is promised those who attend, and it is hoped that a large audience will be present to greet this first attraction of the season.

MR. HURRY MEETS MISS DELAY.

Ill-Assorted Postal Clerks Now Work Side by Side.

"Mr. Hurry, I want to present Miss Delay," said a clerk in the post- ing \$278.836. office department yesterday to a rethird assistant postmaster general.

employed at the department for about ten years .- Washington correspondence Philadelphia Record.

KINGSTREE MAN A SUICIDE.

Sam Brown Takes Fatal Dose of Morphine-Reason Unknown.

Kingstree, Oct. 2.-Sam Brown, junion member of the firm of Brown & Brown, of this place, committed suicide last night at about 11 o'clock, in his room over O. H. Patrick's store, by taking one-eighth of an ounce of morphine. Before committing the rash deed he wrote three letters, one addressed to his mother, another to his brother and partner, J. M. Brown, and one to Miss Viola

The note read as follows: "It is now 8 o'clock; has been one hour since I took last dose; still feeling fine. Men can say what they please but it takes nerve to do this. Goodbye. Sam."

To his brother, John, he told what to do with his watch and other effects; said it was his intention to help him through the busy season, before taking his life, but decided to do so now. He told his mother not to grieve for him, as he was bet-

To Editor Wolfe, of the County Record, he said that people would say: "Woman in the case; but this was not the case."

The community is at a loss to account for this rash act. He was apparently as well as usual yesterday and because of his failure to open up the store to-day investigations developed, with the above results. A coroner's jury was empanelled and a verdict rendered to the effect that the deceased came to his death by an overdose of morphine at his own hands.

Mr. Brown leaves an aged mother and four brothers, one in the navy, all of whom, with the execption of J. M. Brown, live near town. He has been engaged in business here not behave himself. with his brother for more than three | Peter attended meeting Sunday rears and together they have been conducting a profitable business. Interment will take place at Cedar Swamp church to-morrow morning Some one was sent out to keep him at 11 o'clock. The Woodmen lodge at this place, of which he was a member, it is understood, will take charge of the body, burying with Woodmen

Textile Figures for Carolina.

Columbia, Sept. 15.—Commissioner Watson to-day made public the completion of the statistics of the textile industry from the certified reports from all the cotton manuafacturers called for under the law to be filed by Sept. 1. This summary of the industry is preliminary to that which is made under the law on Dec.

The census shows a total of \$66,-782,169 in capital stock which is an increase of \$5,508,071 over last year at the same time. The total amount invested in textile plants is \$83,612, 994 which is an increase of \$8,984,-055 over last year. The total spindleage is now 4,322,264, which is an increase of 233,482 over last year. This year the consumption of cotton is depressed by 680,317, which is an increase of 140,800 over the year 1910. There were 46,808 more tons of coal used this year, the total consumption being 497,000, and as will be seen, there has been a marked increase in the employment of water power, the increase being 8,818 horse power, while the steam power increased only 5,642 horse power.

The figures as to child labor are particularly interesting as are also the figures as to female labor. In the matter of child labor there are 1,370 less children of all ages employed than were employed just a year ago. The total now is 8,404, and of these 4,858 are over 14 years Of this last there were 726 in 1909 and this number fell to 610 in 1910. The decrease of 210 this year is particularly gratifying.

On January 1 next these 410 children who have not become 12 years of age, all go out of employment under the new act which becomes effective on that date. The decrease of 919 children between the ages of 12 and 14 is another most gratifying a singing humorist, and is especially feature. This makes 1,129 less children below the age of 14 in the textiles than were there a year ago There are altogether 525 less girls employed than the preceding year sesses a contralto voice of fine and a decrease of 561 women. Due to the curtailment this year there has been a decrease of 2,896 in the total number of employes and a decrease of 2,938 in the mill village population, the total population now being 111,900, and the total number of employes being 44,133. Nearly fifty per cent of the decrease in total number of employes is in children of the total decrease of 2,896 in number of employes, 1,931 represents the women and children. The curtailment has reduced the value of the product turned out for the year which is \$71,520,090, the actual decrease be-

Figures compiled recently show that it will cost the taxpayers of the Mr. Hurry started to work to-day State one mill for five years to make and was introduced to all the clerks the much needed improvements on in his division. Miss Delay has been the State house. The improvements will cost \$1,000,000. The question will be decided by the next general assembly.

HAPPENINGS IN DENMARK

NEWS GATHERED IN THAT RAIL-ROAD CENTRE.

Old Negro Woman Robbed-Negro Given Sixty Days on Gang for Disturbing Church Services.

Denmark, Oct. 3.—Last Saturday night about 11:30 o'clock an old negro woman was robbed of about \$11 in change and a watch on the base ball diamond here. The negro woman was waiting on the Seaboard South bound train No. 43, having come in on the Southern. It is alleged that the third trick operator ordered this old woman out of the depot, told her she could not stay there to wait on the train and ran her out. This woman not being acquainted with the town and not knowing where to go to find a place to await the train, started out to find a place and was enticed to the ball field by two "hoboes" who were to show her a boarding house. These two "boes" then robbed her of the above stated amount, and, as they were not identified at the time being, they slipped to Bamberg, where they were arrested Sunday afternoon by Chiefs Hand, of Bamberg, and Kirkland, of Denmark. They were placed in jail in Bamberg to await trial.

The railroad companies should be sued for not providing a place for passengers to await trains if they cannot remain in the depot between trains at night. A place should be provided for them to wait. We understand that this is not the first time that people have been ordered out of the depot while awaiting trains.

Mr. James Fogle has accepted a position with Mr. H. W. Beard in Bamberg.

Mrs. J. W. Corbett, of Camden, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. D. G. Richardson.

Peter Sellers, colored, was tried and convicted of disturbing church services and sentenced to sixty days on the chain gang. This is not the first disturbance which Peter has made, having a few weeks back broke up a funeral. Peter says he just can-

night, and after sitting still awhile decided he had enough and got up and started out. On the way out he turned over one of the benches still, which seemed to make him mad, and in a few moments Mr. Peter strolled back with his hat on and smoking a cigar. As seen just before he left for the gang he was stylishly dressed, having on a white vest and a large red flower and also several cigars in his pocket.

The cotton receipts for this season up to date are about 1,600 bales. The Denmark Machine Works are preparing to open business on a

larger scale. Mr. Kenneth Kearse has purchased the stable of Mr. W. D. Whittle. of Blackville, which is located on Seventh street here, and is having it generally overhauled.

STAMP DEALER'S FIND.

Contents of Sailor's Kit-bag Yield Five Hundred Pounds Sterling.

As a boy in 1863 Mr. Gibbons had wood-blocks."

the ship reached Cape Town they and we would like to still further rehad leave to go ashore, and there duce the price if possible. Help us they were persuaded by some ladies to make the plant a success, for it is at a bazaar to take a shilling ticket the property of the citizens of the in a raffle. So they won the bag of town. Make any complaints to Mr. stamps, which the ladies had begged Camp, who will be glad to adjust all around Cape Town. Their shill- them. ing was well repaid by a 5-pound note, and the sack went into the deal- second of each month, and they must er's stock, in due course yielding be paid by the 10th of the same him not less than 500 pounds profit. month. If this bill is not paid by -London Telegraph.

FOUND DEAD IN SHANTY.

Body of Woman Drug Fiend Presents Gruesome Sight.

Jacksonville, Oct. 1 .- Dead in a shanty, at a deserted brick yard in the suburbs of this city, and decomposed all but beyond recognition, the body of Mrs. Marion Boykin, formerly a physician's wife, of Tampa, Fla., was found to-day. A short while later it was positively identified, then placed in a metal box and chemicals applied so as to preserve it, pending instructions as to burial and a coroner's investigation.

An incurable drug habit is said to father. "But tell me." have driven her to desperation and put her in poverty, forcing her to live where she was found dead. Two said the little maid. other pitiable drug fiends, who lived in the desolate shanty with her for a time, had been arrested several weeks ago and are under treatment.

been a member of a prominent West Florida family.

HYDE ASKS FOR BAPTISM.

Condemned Man Would Join Church Before Execution.

Anderson, Oet. 1.-Samuel Hyde, the young white man who slew his wife and her father on July 18, and who is under sentence to hang on October 20, has professed conversion and has addressed a letter to the congregation of the First Baptist church, asking that he be baptised and received as a member of that church.

Judge Prince, who was the presiding judge and who passed sentence on Hyde, is now in Conway, Horry county, holding court. A letter from a committee of the Baptist church has been forwarded, asking for an order allowing Hyde to be taken from the jail to the church for

To Electric Light Customers.

We wish to call the attention of all patrons of the city light plant to the fact that on the 15th instant Mr. E. V. Camp, of Dalton, Ga., will assume charge of the light plant, and the commissioners of public works wish to make a change in the method of running the business. Heretofore the bills each month were presented personally, which consumes a great deal of time and is very expensive as well as unsatisfactory. Under this system it took a week or more each month to collect the bills, and as the superintendent must of necessity do this work it interfered greatly with the service, as he cannot give the proper attention to the plant and be on the streets so much of the time

collecting. Therefore we have decided to mail bills hereafter, and customers can either mail checks to Mr. E. H. Henderson, town clerk and treasurer, or to Mr. Camp, or they can pay either of these gentlemen in person by calling at the office of Mr. Henderson or at the plant. We have also made arrangements with the Bamberg Banking Company to receive these payments, and you can pay your bill there, and the bank will give you a receipt.

All lamps, wiring, supplies, etc., must be paid for cash at the time of delivery or when the work is finished, except by special arrangement, for 'it is our intention to reduce the book-keeping to a minimum.

We trust the patrons will co-operate with us in this matter. The commissioners give their time to this work for nothing, and we are running the plant in the best interest of the town, as we see it. We get no pay for our services, and if others think they can do better we are perfectly willing to step down and out. The present chairman of the board has served the town in this capacity since before the plant was installed at a great sacrifice, and the other members give their services at a developed a business in selling great sacrifice as well. Therefore stamps while engaged in his father's we feel that it is not asking too much shop, in Plymouth, and a portion of of our people to co-operate with us his window was devoted to a show to the extent of calling at the bank of his philatelic treasures. These and paying their bills or mailing a were noticed by two sailors, who for check. It is your plant and we are a 5-pound note sold him a kit-bag endeavoring in every way to reduce full of stamps, which were all tri- expenses and make the investment angular Cape of Good Hopes, thous- a profitable one for the city, and the ands and thousands of them, and in- old method of personal collecting was cluding a considerable number of the largest item of unneccessary expense. Our rate for current is less The sailors explained that when than any town this size anywhere,

Bills will be mailed the first or that time the lights will be cut out without further notice. We will make no exceptions, so save yourselves and the board trouble.

> A. M. BRABHAM, Commissioners Publc Works.

A. W. KNIGHT,

G. M. DICKINSON,

Latest Information.

The little maid stood in the doorway, one hand on the handle. For a moment she gazed thoughtfully at her father, who was preparing to take his afternoon siesta.

"Papa," she said, "do you know what I'm going to give you for your birthday when it comes?"

"No, dear," answered her fond

"A nice new china shaving mug, with golden flowers on it all around," "But my dear," explained her par-

ent, "papa has a nice one, just like that, already."

"No, he hasn't," his little daugh-The dead woman is said to have ter answered thoughtfully, "cos-'cos-I've just dropped it!"-New York Mail.