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COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

News Items Gathered All Around the County and Elsewhere.

Ehrhardt Etchings.

Ehrhardt, Jan. 15.—Mr. John S. Copeland, one of our landmarks, died last week on Thursday night about 10 o'clock and was buried Friday at Mt. Pleasant burial ground. He was in the neighborhood of seventy-six years old. He was a great lover of children, and the little tots will miss him on our streets.

Friday night gave us a heavy sleet, later on in the day on Saturday sleet and snow, then the sleet gave way to a heavy snow. Suppose we had seven or eight inches. The young folks enjoyed snow balling to their heart's content.

The mail carriers were unable to go their rounds with the mail on account of high water. Nearly all the bridges were washed away, where there was a stream of any size.

The rains broke up the last of the show. The first night the rains commenced he said it was raining as hard as it could and about midnight it commenced raining harder, and the first chance he got he left these parts for the city of Lodge.

Work is practically suspended today on account of the snow. Can't do anything but hunt birds, so the laborers say. Not as much exposure hunting birds as it is working. Can you see it that way, Mr. Editor?

We have promise of fine open day today. If so the snow will disappear rapidly where the sun hits it.

Miss S. Merchant has been added to the force of teachers in our school, and they hope to make a success teaching the little ones how to spell, write, and arithmetic.

It was so cold Saturday night until one party lit his lamp and when ready to extinguish says he could not put it out—the blaze was frozen. Has the presidency of the Prevaricating Club, eh? JEE.

Fairfax Fancies.

Fairfax, Jan. 15.—Miss Annie Cleeland, a belle of Brunson, spent some time with Miss Lily Myrick recently. Several parties were given in her honor, which were much enjoyed by the young folks.

Mrs. Ernest Ritter (nee Miss Meng,) of Ehrhardt, was here greeting old friends recently. Her successor, Miss Robertson, of Central, has arrived, and is "at home" with Mrs. Martin Lightsey.

Mrs. Harrison, of Johnston, visited her daughter (our popular music teacher) recently, then went to Olar to see other friends.

Mrs. Dr. Addison and daughter have returned from a pleasant visit to Augusta, where the former spent some time with her mother, Mrs. Luquire.

Mrs. E. S. C. Ulmer continues in quite a low state of health, and so does Mrs. Mary Reed.

G. D. Sanders visited Barnwell recently.

Rev. Simpson (late of Norway) is installed in the Baptist parsonage here.

About 3 p. m. Sunday Mr. Jack Williams, of Appleton, and Miss Tela Bennett, of our town, were married. Rev. W. B. Aull was the officiating clergyman. Only a few friends were present. They left for Appleton, their future home, same day. Many friends here wish them great joy.

Mrs. Bertie Bessinger visited here recently.

With the return of sunshine our farmers are resuming their former cheerful looks.

Mr. W. J. Speaks has returned from a trip to Sumter.

Denmark Doings.

Denmark, Jan. 16.—The heavy snow on Friday night and Saturday gave the young folks an opportunity for pleasure which they seldom ever enjoy. Snowballing was entered into in real earnest, and every one who ventured on the street was made to join in the sport. The merchants were prisoners in their own establishments, the crowd having promised them a double share.

The holiday season being over, there are very few visitors in town. On last Friday evening Dr. and Mrs. H. J. Faust entertained in honor of Miss Clabourne, at their home on Railroad Avenue. The house was tastily decorated in holly, mistletoe, and bamboo, with a number of lovely ferns and flowers. During the course of the evening several beautiful selections were rendered on the violin

NECK BROKEN IN FALL.

Fatal Accident to Young White Man in Columbia.

Columbia, Jan. 15.—Kit Mims, a young white man, had his neck broken, when he slipped and rolled down an embankment. His body was picked up and removed to an undertaking establishment, where it was identified by some of his people. He was a young man about 22 years old, and a mill operative.

Reflections of a Bachelor.

Some people would rather steal a poor living than earn a good one.

Set 'em up, and the crowd is with you. Go broke, and you go it alone.

The goddess of justice may be blind, yet she occasionally winks the other eye.

If grindstones were abolished, perhaps fewer boys would want to leave the farm.

Going through tunnels in an electric lighted train is wasted opportunity for a girl.

A woman has just as much right to lie about her age as a man about his poker hands.

What makes the baby look so much like its mother is its father knows it looks like him.

Silence may be golden, but it's the loud candidate who gets the campaign contribution.

White Men Put to Death.

Horrible atrocities have been committed by the tribes in Portuguese Africa during a rising of the natives there, according to a dispatch received from Angola at Lisbon. A number of Portuguese officials who were captured by them were burned alive. The rebellion occurred in the province of Muxima, and the natives crossed their path. Some of these were immediately burned at the stake, while others had their lips severed and their eyes pulled out of their sockets before they were thrown into the flames. One British merchant was maimed, but later taken to his house, where his servants were murdered.

News from Ehrhardt.

Ehrhardt, Jan. 15.—Mr. John S. Copeland died Thursday night and was buried Friday afternoon at Mt. Pleasant Lutheran church.

Mr. J. Etna Buch, of Rural Retreat, Va., is visiting his sister, Mrs. D. B. Groseclose.

Miss Lucile Carter, of Waynesboro, Ga., is visiting Miss Minnie Copeland.

Miss Sarah Merchant, of Newberry, arrived Thursday to take charge of the third and fourth grades of the Ehrhardt school.

Mr. Abner Fender has moved into the old parsonage at Mt. Pleasant Lutheran church.

Col. John F. Folk and Judge Harmon reached town Thursday morning, after having stuck in the mud with their automobile.

Miss Annie Sue Copeland is visiting her uncle, Mr. Joe Copeland.

Miss Annie Carter, who lived with Mr. John J. Copeland, deceased, for thirty years, is now making her home with Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Copeland.

Mr. W. C. Hughes, who has been with the Farmers Mercantile Co., and wife have moved into the country home of Mr. H. A. Hughes.

Mr. J. D. Dannelly has moved his stock of goods into Mr. H. C. Copeland's store, Mr. Copeland having built a furniture room on the side of his old store.

Mr. S. W. Copeland will move into the store made vacant by Mr. Dannelly.

Miss Minnie Fender, from Colston, spent the week-end with her uncle, Mr. E. C. Hughes.

Miss Llewlyn Zeigler spent the week-end visiting friends.

and piano by Misses Josephine and Virginia Faust. A delightful salad course was served by the Misses Faust and Louise Zeigler. Those invited were: Misses Genevieve Wroton, Margaret Thorpe, Emma Thompson, Hattie Lee Guess, Martha Riley, and Louise Zeigler; Messrs. R. A. Goolsby, J. B. Guess, Jr., Cecil Crum, Gordon Steadman, E. B. McCown, A. P. Guess, J. W. Crum, Jr., Elbert Steadman, and St. Clair Guess. The evening was very much enjoyed by all present.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Chitty, of Lees, spent the week-end with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Garris, of this city.

Mr. C. R. Gillam, of Bamberg, was here Tuesday evening on important business.

Mr. M. L. McCrea has gone to Jacksonville, Fla., where he expects to remain for some time.

IN THE PALMETTO STATE

SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

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

Jas. T. Harris has been elected president of the Spartanburg chamber of commerce.

The Farmers and Merchants bank of Lake City, Williamsburg county, cleared 22 per cent. the past year.

Both the senate and the house have endorsed by resolution the "Rock Hill Plan" for reducing the cotton acreage.

Last Wednesday the legislature passed over the governor's veto the bill providing for rural police in Spartanburg county.

Senator Smith has appointed W. S. Carrington, of Spartanburg, to the naval academy at Annapolis, Md., after competitive examination.

The effort to form a new county, to be called Heyward, out of portions of Aiken and Edgefield, with North Augusta the county seat, has been revived.

The railroad commissioners will investigate the report at its meeting this week that the Coast Line owns 52 per cent. of the stock of C. N. & L. road.

Four towns in Lexington county will make bids for the girls' college that the Lutherans propose to establish—Lexington, Batesburg, Leesville, and Chapin.

Sixteen freight cars left the rails on the Southern at Carlisle on Friday and tore up the track for 300 yards. Six cars loaded with coal were smashed to pieces.

The Lutheran board of publication expect to complete their new building in Columbia by July. It will face Sumter street. Their former building, facing Main street, they sold for \$80,000 recently.

It is stated in the Barnwell Sentinel that H. F. Buist, Esq., of Blackville, will be a candidate for Master of Barnwell county in the primary the coming summer. He would make a most efficient officer, and we hope the voters will elect him.

H. H. Evans, of Newberry, formerly a member of the board of dispensary directors and now under indictment for receiving rebates while a member of the board, has announced that he will run for attorney general this year. Wonder what his platform will be.

Pointed Paragraphs.

The cradle manufacturer is naturally out for the rocks.

Only a woman can smile sweetly when she wants to cry.

You don't have to lead some men to water to make them drink.

Yes, Alonzo, its easier to get married than it is to stay married.

A woman never means it when she says she doesn't care how she looks.

Some people are so conceited that they are actually jealous of themselves.

Nearly every time you meet a man you hear of some other man he dislikes.

There's one thing we admire about women: Few of them are called "Professor."

The man who is considered a "good fellow" by the boys downtown is seldom that kind of a chap at home.

When May and December take each other for better or for worse, the chances are they will both get the worst of it.

Up to her wedding day a girl believes that if her husband has bad habits it is because his wife never feeds him angel food or meets him at the door with a kiss.

There is no use wasting sympathy on a man who can't be happy with good health, good meals and good weather.

Great-Grandmother at 47.

Early marriage seems to run in the feminine progeny of Mrs. Hazen Conklin, of Denver, Colo., who at the age of 47 years finds herself a great-grandmother.

The fourth generation of the family of which she is the maternal head was born to her granddaughter, Mrs. Lydia Rauch, on Thursday.

Mrs. Conklin was married at Memphis, Tenn., when 14 years old, in opposition to the wishes of her mother, who herself was no older when she was married.

Mrs. Conklin's first daughter was Mrs. Mildred F. Ferguson, married at the age of 16, and now a grandmother at 34. Her daughter, Lydia Rauch, married at 15.

FAMILY TRAGEDY IN TAMPA.

One Dead, Another Dying, Third Shot, but Will Recover.

Tampa, Jan. 14.—Incensed because his wife, from whom he had been separated six months, received a young man caller this afternoon, W. D. Moore shot and fatally wounded his father-in-law, J. R. Robinson, at the Robinson home, in Arcadia, near here, and was instantly killed by Robinson's son. The son, John L. Robinson, is wounded, but not fatally. The elder Robinson is president of the Gardiner Lumber Company, one of the largest in Florida.

Moore married a daughter of Robinson about a year ago, but they separated, and for the past six months Mrs. Moore has been living with her father. Robinson brought Moore home to dinner in hope of effecting a reconciliation, which seemed about to be realized, when a young man, whose identity the family is concealing, came to call on Mrs. Moore. This aroused the anger of the husband and he began to heap insults on the family.

Robinson ordered Moore from the house, when the son-in-law fired three shots at the old man and one at the son, each taking effect. Young Robinson secured a pistol from a mantel in the room and shot Moore, killing him instantly. The elder Robinson is not expected to live until morning. The son is not badly wounded.

The young man who was the cause of the tragedy left the house when the first shot was fired.

Diplomatic Sidestepping.

"Last winter during a social function in Washington," says Mr. Kenard, counselor of the British embassy, "I overheard a remark on the part of a young clubman there, the tact of which indicates that the youth in question should immediately adopt diplomacy as his lifework."

"He had been asked by a widow to guess her age. He hesitated. 'You must have some idea about it,' she said, with what was intended for an arch smile.

"I have several ideas," the young man admitted with a smile. "The only trouble is that I hesitate whether to make you ten years younger on account of your looks or ten years older on account of your brains."—Lippinsott's Magazine.

New Judges Elected.

Columbia, Jan. 12.—The joint assembly of the two houses to-day made the following elections of circuit judges:

For the 2d circuit, Hayne F. Rice, of Aiken, to succeed the late Robert Aldrich.

For the 4th circuit, Thomas H. Spain, of Darlington, to succeed Associate Justice R. C. Watts.

For the 8th circuit, Frank B. Gary, of Abbeville, to succeed the late Judge J. C. Klugh.

For the 11th circuit, Judge J. W. DeVore, of Edgefield, re-elected.

For the 12th circuit, Judge S. W. G. Shipp, of Florence, re-elected.

The first two elections were full of spirit and vim and the contest between Mr. Edward McIver and Mr. Spain, to succeed Judge Watts, for the unexpired term, was one of the sharpest and most spirited contests that has been seen in many years.

On the first ballot the result was a tie. There was a bit of feeling over what appeared to be a delay in the announcement of the result, and while the result was pending several senators came in and recorded their vote. The late arrivals added to the vote of Mr. McIver and there was more or less resentment over what some thought to be a purposed delay, but each vote stood on its own bottom and when once recorded, under the rules, cannot be changed until the next ballot. On the second ballot Mr. Spain won by a majority of 26 votes, although on the first ballot it was a tie.

In the race for the judgeship from the 2d circuit there was a sharp contest, which narrowed down to Senator Bates, of Barnwell, and Mr. Hayne F. Rice, of Aiken. On the second ballot when things simmered down, the vote stood Bates 66, Rice 74, Miley 10, Davis 5. On the third and final ballot the vote stood Rice 99 and Bates 55, and by this vote Mr. Hayne F. Rice, at present a member of the State board of education, was elected to succeed Judge Aldrich.

When the joint assembly met the first election taken up was that of judge for the 2d circuit. The nominees were Senator George H. Bates, of Barnwell; Mr. Hayne F. Rice, of Aiken; Mr. James E. Davis, of Barnwell, and Mr. B. W. Miley, of Bamberg.

VETOED BILLS ARE PASSED

BAD DAY FOR VETO MESSAGES OF GOVERNOR BLEASE.

Principal Among Acts Passed was for Investigation of Dispensary Commission.

Columbia, Jan. 16.—This was distinctly a bad day for the veto messages of Gov. Blease. Each and every veto message that was considered was over-ridden and so far as the house was concerned the acts passed at the last session, that were considered today, are to become laws the vetoes to the contrary notwithstanding.

First and foremost the veto on the act providing for an investigation of the dispensary investigating committee is now an act, the house and senate both having passed the act over the veto. It will be remembered that Gov. Blease at first asked for such an investigation and then suggested that it looked like the committees were "packed" against him and his friends and that it would not be a real investigation and vetoed the act. The senate passed the act over the veto and to-day the only symptom of defence was a move to delay and this it was explained was not an approval of the governor's course in vetoing the act. The fact is that the act was unanimously passed over the veto, whether this meant that there was no use of a fight or that the members insisted upon the correctness of their original position is not known.

Passed Over Veto.

The house then in one, two order passed over the governor's veto the bill relative to the Industrial Home, at Florence.

No other veto messages were taken up to-day, except that providing for the commission form of government for Charleston, and in this case a motion to refer the measure to the judiciary committee for the purpose of a hearing, prevailed, although there was opposition to this. Mr. Vander Horst explained that Mayor Grace and others had requested a hearing on the act. He did not indicate what their attitude would be, but wanted the hearing as a matter of courtesy.

Old Dispensary Fund.

The house took up the governor's veto on the act relative to the distribution of the balance from the old dispensary fund. Mr. Stevenson, the author of the act, came vigorously to its defence and explained the position the house had taken last year and why it should be sustained. The act was passed over the governor's veto by a vote of 83 to 11.

Don't Tickle Sweethearts.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 11.—Moral. Girls, don't tickle your sweethearts.

R. J. Watkins, a young man who came here recently from Raleigh, N. C., fell down the stairway in his boarding house and shattered an arm artery in the stub of his right arm, that was amputated some months ago.

He and his sweetheart were spooning at the head of the stairway, when she suddenly executed a dive by tickling him. This caused him to take a tumble head-foremost down the stairway. He was removed to Virginia hospital, followed by his sweetheart. Aside from the shattered artery, the doctors say his injuries are slight.

Biggest Gun in the World.

The biggest gun in the world is a sixteen-inch breech-loading rifle designed for the seacoast defense of the United States and its insular possessions, the first one completed being intended for the Panama canal. The total length of the gun is 49 feet 2.9 inches. It has a diameter of 60 inches at the breech, tapering to 28 inches at the muzzle. If smokeless powder is used it is estimated that a full charge of 576 pounds will throw a projectile weighing 2,400 pounds a distance of 22 miles. The projectile prepared for the monster is five feet four inches long, and it has been calculated that it would go through a steel plate 42.3 inches thick, if the plate was placed at the muzzle. The total weight of this monster is 130 tons. What would happen to a vessel when hit by one of its projectiles can only be surmised. The French battleship *Liberite*, which blew up recently, would probably look like a slightly damaged ship beside it. Other rifled guns of large calibre heretofore constructed are the Italian gun, caliber 17.75 inches; the French gun of 16.5 inches caliber and the Armstrong gun of 16.25 inches caliber. The greatest gun ever built by the Krupps had a range of 12½ miles. None of these compares in point of energy and range with the newest American product.—Chicago Tribune.

TRAIN FROZEN TO TRACK.

Three Engines Required to Loosen Grip of Ice.

Bristol, Tenn., Jan. 14.—A rare incident in the history of railroading in Virginia occurred on the Norfolk and Western, at Lynchburg, today, when the Washington-Chattanooga fast train actually froze to the rails. Stopping in a swag, the dripping water from the pipes caught the wheels and the temperature being below zero the train was locked so securely in the ice that it required the use of three engines to move it, bumping from the rear.

It was two and a half hours before the train could be moved and it arrived here several hours late.

The Same Way Still.

Ever since the Editor of The Herald can remember, people have been talking about planting less cotton and raising their supplies at home; but they continue to go on the same old way. Perhaps they reason as Jones did in the poem by Sidney Lanier, the noted Georgia poet, published many years ago. The poem follows:

Jones's Private Argument.
That air same Jones, which lived in Jones,

He had this pint about him:
He'd swear with a hundred sighs and groans,

That farmers must stop gittin' loans,
And git along without 'em;

That bankers, warehousemen and sich
Was fatt'nin' on the planter,

And Tennessy was rotten-rich
A-rasin' meat and corn, all which
Draw'd money to Atlanta;

And the only thing (says Jones) to do
Is, eat no meat that's boughten

But tear up every I. O. U,
And plant all corn and swear for true

To quit a-rasin' cotton!
Thus spouted Jones (whar folks could hear,

—At Court and other gatherin's)
And thus kep' spoutin' many a year,

Proclaimin' loudly far and near
Sich fiddlesticks and biatherin's.

But one all-fired sweatin' day,
It happened I was hoein'

My lower corn-field, which it lay
'Longside the road that runs my way

Whar I can see what's goin'.
And a'ter twelve o'clock had come

I felt a kinder faggin',
And laid myself un-neath a plum

To let my dinner settle sum,
When 'long come Jones's waggin',

And Jones was settin' in it, so:
A-readin' 'of a paper.

His mules was goin' powerful slow,
Fur he had tied the lines onto
The staple of the scraper.

The mules they stopped about a rod
From me, and went to feedin'

'Longside the road, upon the sod,
But Jones (which he had tuck a tod)

Not knowin', kept a-readin',
And presently says he: "Hit's true;
That Clisby's head is level.

Thar's one thing farmers all must do,
To keep themselves from goin' tew
Bankruptcy and the devil!

"More corn! more corn! must plant
less ground,
And mustn't eat what's boughten!

Next year they'll do it: reasonin's sound:
(And, cotton will fetch 'bout a dollar
a pound.)

Tharfore, I'll plant all cotton!"
Macon, Georgia, 1870.

Rats Destroy His Fortune.

The life savings of Jack Simpson, of Aiken, Minn., amounting to \$2,565, securely hidden from burglars, were reduced to pulp by hungry rats and mice, and in a letter received by President Taft he appeals for the redemption of the pulverized fragments by the federal treasury. His wealth, accumulated to buy a farm, Simpson explains, was placed in a box and deposited between the upstairs floor and ceiling. No human being disturbed it, but when he took it from its hiding place he found it had been reduced to dust by the ravages of rodents.

The president has referred the matter to the treasury department for investigation.

To revive wilted flowers, try putting them in luke warm water, rather than cold. Many flowers (either wild or cultivated) will never revive in cold water, but will respond to the warm water process.