COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

News Items Gathered All Around the County and Elsewhere. Denmark Doings.

Denmark, July 23 .- Misses Wyman and Hart, of Estill, made a short visit to Mrs. J. W. Wyman last week. Miss Ida Robinson, of Brunson, is making an extended visit to Mrs. W.

S. Cooper. Miss Gladys Milhous, of Columbia, made a short visit to relatives here last week.

The Misses Bryner and Miss Brunson, of Brunson, are the guests of

Mrs. Brunson. Mr. Herman Brunson, of Columbia,

was a visitor in town last week. Mrs. H. W. Goolsby, of Fort Motte, spent a short while last week with Mrs. G. W. Goolsby.

Miss Kathleen Califf, of Barnwell, is the guest of Miss Ina Califf. Miss Elizabeth Brux has returned home, after a pleasant visit to rela- The misty dews of summer fell,

tives in Charleston. Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Rice have been detained from their mountain trip on account of the illness of the latter's mother.

Country Correspondence.

Protracted services are being held at Spring Branch church this week. surviving veterans.

We are glad to report no sickness in our community.

We deem it not amiss to speak of Baptist church on Sunday. Mr. C. Elise, Dr. O. D. Faust, and Mr. Clar- one. ence Black furnished the instrumental parts and a large number of voices stirring services. Rev. W. R. Mc of the bride's mother. Millan is ever at his best, but me thinks he, too, was better than best. grin's wedding march was heard,

A Boston Witness.

"Now sir," asked the lawyer, "can you give me the true facts in this

The witness hesitated. "Well, sir, can't you answer?"

"I was just wondering," said the witness, "whether or not a true fact argues the existence of an untrue fact: and, to carry the idea a little further, what might be the precise shade of difference between a true fact and untrue falsehood; or, on the other hand, if there is any real distinction between an untrue fact and a true falsehood. Sometimes, I apprehend analogy is less convincing than dissimilitude. The introduction of a startling contrast may enable the mind to grasp the salient points

"You can take the witness," gasped the lawyer, waving his hand feebly at the attorney for the other side .-Chicago Tribune.

What Does It Matter?

It matters little where I was born, Or if my parents were rich or poor; world's scorn,

Or walked in the pride of wealth

But whether I live an honest man, And hold my integrity firm in my clutch,

I tell you, brother, as plain as I can, It matters much.

It matters little how long I stay In a world of sorrow, sin and care; Whether in youth I am called away, Or live till my bones and pate are

But whether I do the best I can To soften the weight of adversity's

On the fading cheek of my fellow

man,

It matters much. It matters little where be my grave,

Or on the land or in the sea, By purling brook or 'neath stormy

It matters little or naught to me. But whether the Angel Death comes down

And marks my brow with his loving touch

As one that shall wear the victor's crown,

It matters much.

Union is being held in Columbia this reef to ripple its surface, nor a breakweek, the session commencing yes- er to mar ts peaceful voyage. May son, who had been out in the storm. terday. The marketing of crops is there be just enough thorns along the The bolt hit Mr. Ashley on the top cussed at this meeting. Hon. Jno. flowers blooming along its way. L. McLaurin will delived an address on cotton warehouses and banking.

CUT OUT IN CONFERENCE.

Tillman Forced to Abandon Fight for Navy Yard Money.

Washington, D. C., July 22 .- Today the conferees on the naval appropriation bill dropped from the measure the amendment inserted in the Senate, at the instance of Senator Tillman, setting aside \$300,000 for the improvement of the facilities for the accommodation of torpedo craft at the Charleston navy yard.

Senators Perkins, of California, and Lodge, of Massachusetts, refused to stand with Senator Tillman, their fellow conferee, in making an issue of this provision.

The South Carolina senator is much disappointed and says he does not see how anything can be done to save the item.

The disputed appropriations for Portsmouth and Philadelphia will also be dropped, along with the Charleston item, the senate yielding to the house.

Taylor-Ehrhardt.

On nature's verdant face, The season for the marriage bell, Is drawing fast apace.

Yon crescent moon last week did shine,

On cupid's mystic darts, The silken cords were made to twine, Around two faithful hearts.

July 17th ushered in one of the The old soldiers' reunion, which happiest events which the town of will be held at Bethesda on Thursday, Newberry ever witnessed, when Mrs. promises to be one of pleasure to the Alma Taylor gave in holy matrimony her amiable daughter, Alma, to Mr. Herbert Wilson Ehrhardt, of Ehrhardt. This indeed was a glorious occasion as well as a social event. the excellent music at the Bamberg Hymen, with his silken chain, has again made two souls with but a W. Rentz and his daughter, Miss single thought, two hearts to beat as Man Says He Paid Lawyer Five Hun-

> The solmen rites were performed by the Rev. J. E. Carlisle, pastor of Cen-

Promptly at 8:30 o'clock Lohenby Miss Lucy Hill, of Newberry, and slowly descending the stairway came the bridal party as follows: Rev. Carlisle leading followed by the lovely bridesmaids. Next came the groom accompanied by his best man, Mr. J. B. Ehrhardt, followed by two flower bearers who scattered rose petals in the pathway of the bride. Last, but not least, came the bride and her maid of honor, Miss Louise Taylor.

The bridesmaids were: Misses Rena Reeder and Sara White, while Mrs. W. H. Casson acted as dame of honor. Miss Reeder wore a dress of liberate a criminal?" marquisette over pink while Miss White was dressed in pink satin. The maid of honor wore a dress of blue crepe de chine while the bride was beautifully gowned in white marquisette with macrame lace trim-

The house had been handsomely decorated for the occasion. The parlor was decorated with smilax and yellow roses. The drawing room contained an immense display of valuble presents which proved the popularity of the young couple.

After the ceremony the guests were invited to the spacious dining Whether they shrank at the cold room where refreshments were serv-

> Miss Taylor was one of Newberry's most popular young ladies and we feel sure that it will feel a loss at her departure. Mr. Ehrhardt is an energetic young business man of Ehr-

> The out-of-town guests were: Mrs. Chas. Ehrhardt, Miss Edrie Ehrhardt, Messrs J. B. Ehrhardt and Henry Copeland, of Ehrhardt; Misses Lucile Epting and Helen Heightman and Mr. M. J. Epting, of Savannah; Mrs. W. H. Casson, Mr. and Mrs. Newnham and children, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Williams, and Miss May Plumer, of Columbia; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Plitt, of Baltimore; Miss Bertha Wadsley, of Spartanburg, and Miss Sara White, of Clinton.

the part of wisdom by laying aside the robes of celibacy and joining the hymenial hosts who have entered the elysian fields of conjugal bliss. We welcome the young couple to our midst and to the young benedict and his lovely bride we extend our heartiest congratulations, and may their barge, which is now launched upon the ocean of wedded life, glide on like a clear limpid stream to a haven The State meeting of the Farmers' of peace ad happiness, without a Anderson. He was riding his mule

Mr. and Mrs. Ehrhardt have acted

H. E. C. Ehrhardt, July 20, 1912.

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 army worm is said to be doing a lot of damage to cotton in Anderson county, and the farmers there have appealed for help in destroying the

Geo. R. Rembert, the Columbia lawyer, denies that he received \$500 for securing the pardon of Glenn, who killed Rhoden at Batesburg. He admits that the amount was \$300.

The board of trustees of Chicora girls, has decided not to move the college from Greenville. The board held a meeting, at which several Greenville business men addressed

Last week the governor issued a long article replying to the charges by many citizens and the majority of made by Thos. B. Felder and the detectives at the hearing before the dispensary committee in Augusta. He to the fact that if anything were done published several affidavits from former members of the old dispensary board of directors and others connected with the dispensary.

In his statement issued last week done with you." the governor says that the disagreement between himself and Mayor wanted to control the appointment of dispensary constables in Charleston. Grace says it is "absolute, unqualified lie, and Blease knows it is a lie.' Blease and Grace were former politithe governor.

MAKES SERIOUS CHARGE.

dred Dollars for Pardon.

At the campaign meeting in Columpast two sessions of the general as- | manner. sembly, advanced to the front of the stage, from his seat at the rear, on hearing his name mentioned by Judge Jones, and asked that the statement about him be repeated. Judge Jones

"He (Blease) pardoned Glenn, who killed Rhoden in Batesburg. Glenn which pocket he would find his ticksays he paid Mr. Rembert \$500. Remhouse. Did that \$500 pay Mr. Rembert to explain how Glenn was innocent, or did it pay for Mr. Rembert's influence on Gov. Blease to

"Any one who says Glenn gave me \$500," said Mr. Rembert, "is a liar." Judge Jones. "Glenn said so, and upon demand I will produce proof

that he said it." Mr. Rembert said no more, but re- have been received more cordially. tired to his seat. Why did he not demand the proof?

Sent Mileage Book, Left Passenger.

A Southern Railway official tells a book and a careless office boy who month:

works for a New York capitalist. The other day the Southern Railway box at the postoffice contained a press, prepaid, on yesterday a supply letter bearing this inscription— "Mileage, New York to Columbia and paroles, etc. one Pullman-12:08."

That's all.

notified and the New York office notified to trace the mileage book and Pullman reservation inclosed. The mileage book was in the name of Geo. Hugins and after keeping wires hot for several hours it was learned that Mr. Hugins, a New York capitalist, had instructed his office boy to buy the mileage book and ticket to Columbia. He made a note of it on the envelope containing the check and the thoughtful boy put a couple of stamps on the envelope and sent mileage · book and Pullman reservation South. The postoffice people here sent it to the Southern Railway turned out of the Red Men I will be

The remarks of Mr. Hugins are not recorded, there being no dictagraph in the office.—Columbia State.

Killed by Lightning.

Anderson, July 21.-John M. Ashley, a well to do farmer and distant cousin of Josh Ashley, was killed by lightning last night, 15 miles from through a swamp in search of his the most important subject to be dis- pathway of life to remind them of of his head and killed him and the Ashley was about 50 years of age. | didn't receive any part of it.

KING ANSWERS BLEASE.

Greenville Man Denies Statements Made from State House Steps.

Please allow me space in your paper to reply to the false statements made by Cole L. Blease in his speech at Columbia last night concerning Mr. Watson and myself.

The simple facts will be sufficient for my friends and the public generally to understand the situation.

Olin M. Watson and I went to Columbia to ask for a respite of 60 days for a negro, Stake Morris, condemned to be electrocuted July 26, so that a largely signed petition for commutation to life imprisonment could be presented later. We went to the mansion Sunday afternoon after dinner after making an engagement by college, a Presbyterian college for telephone with him and told Blease our mission. We were in the bed room and the door shut.

> He said they had the sleuths and dictagraphs after him and he would not do anything.

We showed him the petition signed Greenville county officers. He refused to look at it. I called his attention it must be at once. I was so surprised at his decision that I said, "After all I have done for you if you won't grant this little request I am

Blease said angrily, "Get out of my mansion." I replied as I pulled on Grace arose over the fact that Grace my hat, "Damn you and your mansion, too."

This was in ordinary conversation and was heard by no one except those in the room. Mrs. Blease met Mr. Watson and me as we went down cal friends, but now Grace is fighting stairs to the front door and talked to us and told us good-bye in a friendly manner. She did not know what had happened.

Mr. Watson was so surprised that he said to me that Blease certainly could not have understood us or must | Copeland would not run this year. bia on Friday Geo. R. Rembert, of be drunk or crazy, and after we got Mr. Copeland was fortunate in havall blending together furnished depth- tral Methodist church, at the home the Columbia bar, who had been floor to the street, he went back against ing a smoke-house; he didn't have leader of the Blease forces in the my advice. He did not stay long as one. Would do his whole duty and house of representatives during the Blease ordered him out in the same

I have been a supporter of Blease for several years and a personal friend. I remember one incident several years ago at Union, where he got so drunk he could not get on the train. I bought a ticket, put him in a seat and told the conductor in et. It looks like if I had been drunk bert is Blease's floor leader in the Sunday and he the friend he claimed to be, he would have taken care of me in his house as I have done for him, but the difference was that I was not drunk Sunday, but absolutely

He claims he sticks to his friends. Watson and I are both poor working "I have not said so," rejoined men and we were interested in Stake Morris because we were sorry for him. Perhaps if there had been a few hundred dollars in it we might

Blease said from the State house steps last night that if Watson and I were gentlemen "God pity the ho-

If he felt this way about me why rather peculiar story about a mileage | did he write the following letter last

Columbia, S. C., June 26, 1912.

"Dear sir: I forwarded you by exof my books in regard to pardons,

"Please distribute them to the best advantage possible; and, should there The Southern Railway folks got be any expense connected with the busy. The postal authorities were distribution thereof, please send me dressed the audience. bill, and I will reimburse you for the outlay.

> "With kindest personal regards and best wishes,

"Very respectfully,

(Signed) "COLE L. BLEASE." 'Mr. James N. King, Greenville, S. C."

I have no favors to ask of Blease, but have supported him without reward or hope of reward because I believed that he was sincere and true. I know now that he is neither, and a liar besides.

When he gets ready to have me glad to have him come up and try it. I am also a Woodman and a Mason, and think that my record will compare with his any day he wants to make the test. I hope I won't have to make any

further statement to the papers. If Blease will stick to the truth one time I won't have to. J. N. KING.

Greenville, July 20. Col. W. G. Stubbs, a member of

CANDIDATES AT EHRHARDT

PRESENT THEIR VIEWS TO THE "DEAR PEOPLE."

Large and Attentive Crowd Hear the Speakers-Sentiment in Favor Judge Ira B. Jones.

The first campaign meeting for Bamberg county was held at Ehrhardt Wednesday of last week. The meeting was held in the large hall over the Ehrhardt Hardware Company. There were about 250 persons present. Mr. D. P. Smith, president of the Ehrhardt Democratic club, presided over the meeting, which was opened with prayer by Prof. J. C. Guilds, Headmaster of the Carlisle him in the upper part of the chest, Fitting School.

Smith made a few appropriate remarks, and announced that all candidates would be allowed five minutes, except those for the house, who were given fifteen minuts, and the Senatorial candidates twenty minutes. He also stated that the voters would like to know if the House and Senatorial candidates endorsed the present State date for the legislature, but withadministration.

The township candidates spoke first. Mr. W. D. Sease, for cotton weigher at Ehrhardt, who is unopposed, in a few well-chosen words thanked the voters for their confi-

J. C. Copeland, who is asking for re-election as magistrate for that district thanked the voters for their support and told of his record and asked for re-election. Had done his duty and was ready when called on, day or night. Mr. Kinard was trying to take his smoke-house from him or at least a part of it.

J. H. Kinard, for the same office, said he had announced his candidacy with the understanding that Mr. would appreciate support.

Mr. Copeland then stated that he did not promise not to run this year. G. W. Folk, who is asking for reelection as county commissioner, thanked the voters for splendid vote given him two years ago. The office was an important one. Had carefully studied affairs and done what he thought best for the county. Favored good roads, but couldn't have them without money and co-operation of the people, who should co-operate and not criticise. Nearly 500 miles of road in county, and all couldn't be worked at once. His past experience would enable him to do better

work in the future. W. Preston Sandifer would do his duty and work for interest of the entire county. Hoped he would hear | Friday night that Mr. King and Mr. on the 27th day of August the welcome sound that he had been elected, and not the awful one that he must return home, the county didn't need him in its business.

W. Barney Smoak would serve to best of his ability, regardless of consequences. Would do his duty as he saw it. Would appreciate their support, but if they saw fit to vote for some one else, he was still their friend.

J. J. Zeigler could not make a speech, but would appreciate the office and do his entire duty if elected. This closed the addresses of candates for county commissioner, and the candidates for coroner then ad-

G. P. Harmon, who wants to be re-elected Probate Judge, grew eloquent in complimenting the people on their magnificent agricultural sction, beautiful bomes, vine-clad piazzas, with handsome ferns and stately palms. Appreciated highly the overwhelming majority always given him. Felt sorry for his friend, Walker, who entered politics two years ago ters soon to be decided. People who with great aspirations, but he was knew him knew whether he was caleft at the post. Did not believe his friends would allow him to be buried politically this year.

H. W. Walker, for Probate Judge, was thankful to say he had been defeated by the votes of Bamberg county Democrats. Was a true Democrat and would always abide result of was more of a worker and doer. Ask-Democratic primary. Asked what had Harmon done in the eight years he had been in office. Spoke of grand having business dealings with so jury presentment as to probate's of- many people all over the county. Befice, and said Harmon had not been lieved he was fully competent to disan officer and had not done his duty. charge the duties of the office and would resign if grand jury said his would perform them to the best of office was not conducted according his ability, and would appreciate

J. H. A. Carter, for county treas-Had served on the county board of (Continued on Page 5, Column 1.)

DILLON COUNTY SHOOTING.

Jim Galloway Seriously Wounded by Neil McKinniss, Jr.

Dillon, July 22 .- Jim Galloway; a young farmer in the Mallory section, was shot and seriously wounded Saturday evening by Neil McKinniss, Jr., boss of the county chain gang. The force was working that day on the road near Galloway's, and after the day's work was over Galloway went to the camp and words followed between Galloway and McKinniss as to some clay removed from the side of the road on Galloway's land for repairs. Galloway got out of his buggy in the heat of the altercation and, it is said, advanced on McKinniss, who drew his pistol and fired, the ball striking passing through the apex of the right In opening the meeting, Chairman lung and lodging under the skin in the back near the spinal column, from which place it was removed by Dr. H. A. Edwards.

The wounded man, at last accounts, was alive and hopes are entertained for his recovery.

Mr. Galloway was mentioned in the early part of the campaign as candi-

BLEASE WILL PARDON.

Murderer of Men Who Act Like King and Watson.

Speaking Friday night from the steps of the State House in Columbia to a crowd of 1,500 people Gov. Blease said he would have a pardon ready for any man who killed J. N. King and O. M. Watson, of Greenville, if they came to any man's home in the same drunken condition and used the same indecent language that they were guilty of when they called at the executive mansion last Sunday

afternoon. Mr. King, and Mr. Watson gave out a signed statement that they had been insulted by the chief executive last Sunday afternoon when they went to see him about getting a reprieve for Stake Morris, a Greenville

negro, sentenced to the electric chair. Gov. Blease defended his pardon record and declared that J. M. Graham, who has the hosiery mill contract, had been "cleaning up" since he got in behind him. He told the crowd that he wanted all his friends in Richland county to vote for Geo. R. Rembert, when he ran for the house of representatives this sum-

mer, because he was his friend, A large part of the chief executive's speech was devoted to J. N. King, a contractor, and O. M. Watson, a metal worker, both citizens of Greenville, who came to Columbia last Sunday to see the governor about granting a reprieve to Stake Morris. a Greenville negro, sentenced to the electric chair. Gov. Blease declared Watason were drunk when they came to his home and that one of them "dropped into the first chair he came

His excellency said that the two Greenville men used indecent language. He declared that if Mr. King and Mr. Watson came to any man's house in the same condition that they were in when they came to the mansion and used the same language, if that man killed them then he would

have a pardon ready for him. Gov. Blease said that Mr. King and Mr. Watson might be members of the Order of Red Men now, but after three more meetings they would not be as he intended to have them turned out of their tribe. The governor said that Mr. Watson and Mr. King had been referred to as gentlemen in a newspaper and added, "If they are gentlemen, then God pity the ho-

education for several years, and had done his duty as he saw it. Would still do his entire duty in school matpable of filling office of treasurer. Could not promise as much as some candidates, but would do his best and would appreciate support on principle. Had always stood for that and would so long as he lived.

Geo. A. Jennings was no speaker, ed for support as a business man and gave his record as such, telling of

highly the support of the voters. J. Felder Hunter, for sheriff, did the governor's staff, is out in a card urer, was at home and all present not feel like making a speech, even admitting that he received \$100 for knew him. If he had made good and if he could. All the people of that mule instantly. The body of Mr. Ash- procuring the parole of Eugene Ho- was worthy of the office all knew it. section knew him. Was born not far ley was found later by his son. Mr. gan, Jr., but he says the governor Gave his record as a school teacher. from there, and was glad to say there