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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. 28.—In the presence of a number of their friends, Mr. Bradley Hiers and Miss Agnes Peters were united in marriage at the Baptist parsonage Sunday afternoon by Rev. E. A. McDowell. Mendelsohn's Wedding March was rendered on the piano by Mrs. McDowell, who also played softly "Traumerie" during the ceremony. Mr. Hiers is a successful young farmer and Mrs. Hiers is the young and beautiful daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Peters, Jr., all of the St. John's community. The young couple have hosts of friends, who wish for them a successful voyage of life.

Mrs. Dr. Ketron, teacher of the primary department of our school, has resigned, her resignation to take effect February 1st. Her successor has not yet been chosen. Mrs. Ketron has given entire satisfaction in the position that she is soon to vacate, and it is with much regret that the trustees accept her resignation.

There is a series of meetings in progress at the Methodist church that are being conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Mr. Hutchinson. There will be services each night during the week.

Rev. E. A. McDowell, of the Baptist church, has begun a series of sermons on some O. T. Bible characters. He will preach the second in the series next Sunday night at 7:30, and his subject will be Samson.

The executive committee of the Ehrhardt Baptist pastorate, consisting of ten laymen, with D. O. Hunter as chairman, will hold an important meeting to-day.

The many friends of Mr. William Folk, of the Bethesda community, are much pleased to know that he is recovering from a long and severe spell of pneumonia.

Mrs. Mary E. Beard, of the Colston community, celebrated her 86th birthday last Thursday. All of her children, Geo. W. Beard, Mesdames Sodie Brown, J. B. All and Elijah O'Quinn, were present. In addition to these, Mrs. Beard has 17 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren, making in all 56 living descendants. A number of her neighbors, and some of her friends from a distance, joined with her children in celebrating the day. After a sumptuous feast that was spread upon a long table in a grove in front of the residence, the older members of the party repaired to the parlor of Mrs. Beard's home, where some appropriate religious exercises were conducted by the Revs. Chisolm and McDowell. It was a matter of much regret to every one that Mrs. Beard was too unwell, being that day confined to her bed, to participate in the social pleasures of an occasion held in her honor.

Fairfax Fancies.

Fairfax, Jan. 26.—Gen. Lee's birthday was celebrated here by U. D. C. Fairfax chapter. Very interesting recitations by the school girls opened the program. Then Miss Margaret Youmans read us about "Traveler," the general's staunch war horse. Mr. Moorer, in a graceful speech, presented the framed picture of Lee to the school, in the name of the chapter. All joined in singing "Dixie," then the school children marched out to an inspiring piece executed by Miss Harrison.

Mrs. Luquire, Mrs. Addison, and little Jessie have returned from a pleasant visit to Augusta.

Miss Mahaley Folk has been visiting relatives here.

Mesdames S. Sanders and J. Harter visited Old Allendale recently. It is well worth a trip to that historic settlement to view the remains of some of the "fore de war" grand homes. The home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lawton is well kept up, as they are energetic and up-to-date. They have tree japonicas, bushes grown to trees, many of them over sixty years old. The Tea Olives are also trees. In the hot houses one sees huge ponderosa lemons, which when cut with a stem, last for months. Under the japonicas is like a green, red, white and pink carpet of fallen leaves, but there are a plenty left, and the generous owners kindly share with their friends.

Rev. B. M. Foreman, of Orangeburg, preached a fine sermon in Baptist church Sunday afternoon. That evening the Young People's Union held its meeting. An interesting program was carried out. Mr. Harry Dowling presided and Miss Margaret Youmans was secretary. Misses Harrison and Padgett had interesting papers. Prof. Coker gave a fine address on "Character." Miss Sadie Harter was organist.

Many of our citizens expect to attend the corn show in Columbia.

Mrs. Rosa Platts, of Hickory Grove, visited Mrs. Julia Harter recently.

A business league was formed among the citizens recently.

Miss Alice Singleterry, after look-

WALHALLA GIRL IN ATLANTA.

Believed that Miss Poole is Victim of Boston Bigamist.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 24.—The appeal of J. D. McCloud, an inventor of Hyde Park, Boston, for a loan from a secret order, to which he belongs here, precipitated an investigation, which led to the belief that he has been leading a double life. He has been placed under arrest on the charge of bigamy. McCloud, who is 58 years of age, was married November 10 in Walhalla, S. C., to Miss Essie Poole, a young girl, who has since lived with him here in Atlanta. Investigation brings out the charge that he has a wife in Hyde Park, Boston, who is in destitute circumstances. When she confronted him in the police station, his girl-bridge denounced him as the destroyer of her happiness, and then threatened to commit suicide. McCloud was taken to the city prison here, but denied information to reporters. His attorney, however, declares he is innocent.

LONG COAL TRAIN.

Norfolk and Western Pulls 175 Cars of Coal.

Bristol, Tenn., Jan. 27.—For several months the Norfolk and Western and the Virginia Railways have been vying with each other in the pulling of long coal trains. When the Virginian hauled 110 loaded cars with two locomotives, it was felt that the record had been broken, but when a week later the Norfolk and Western sent a train of 150 cars of coal out of Page Hollow, in West Virginia, much comment was aroused.

But this record was surpassed last week when the same company sent a train forth from the same mines, pulled by three locomotives, that was made up of 175 loaded cars. This train was a mile and a quarter in length, and in passing through the towns along its route, crossings were blocked from 15 to 20 minutes, as the speed had to be reduced within the limits of incorporated towns.

Leaves Jail to Claim Bride.

Spartanburg, Jan. 24.—Mark Gentry, the young man who several days ago married Miss Nellie Woods, and who was arrested on the charge of perjury within 30 minutes after the marriage ceremony, was released from jail by Magistrate Kirby yesterday, the father of the bride having relented and expressed a willingness for the couple to live together.

When young Gentry made application for a marriage license, he swore before the probate judge that the young lady was 21 years of age. I. E. Wood, the father of the girl, who lives in North Carolina, arrived in the city within a few minutes after the marriage and took the young bride under his care claiming that she was only 16 years of age. When he had learned that Gentry had made oath that the girl was 21 years of age he swore out the warrant charging him with perjury.

MR. R. A. WELCH A SUICIDE.

Newberry Man Kills Himself—Ill Health Probable Cause.

Newberry, Jan. 26.—About 10 o'clock this morning Mr. Robert A. Welch, a citizen of this town, went into his yard and in an outhouse blew the top of his head off, using for the purpose a Colt's army pistol, from which death was almost instantaneous.

He was about 64 years of age and had been in bad health for some time. Bad health is the only cause that can be assigned. He is survived by three daughters, who lived with him, two brothers, Dr. S. G. Welch, A. C. Welch, and two sisters, Mrs. E. S. Coppeck and Mrs. Wilbur, all of whom live in Newberry.

Engineer Convicted.

Cartersville, Ga., Jan. 25.—Sam Farris, engineer of a Louisville & Nashville railroad passenger train that recently crashed into an automobile at a road crossing near here and killed Miss Caroline Dubose and seriously injured her father, W. F. Dubose, to-day was found guilty by a jury of involuntary manslaughter. Judge A. W. Fite sentenced him to pay a fine of \$1,000 or serve 12 months in jail. The case will be appealed.

Mr. Dubose is an Atlanta newspaper man.

ing after her two new rented houses here, has returned to Holly Hill.

Mrs. Polly Best is extremely ill. Most of her family are around her bedside, nursing faithfully and anxiously. Erysipelas has set in.

IN THE PALMETTO STATE

SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

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

An appropriation of \$20,000 for a State exhibit at the Panama exposition will be asked of the general assembly.

The town of Bennettsville is preparing to put up street signs and have the houses there numbered in order to obtain city delivery of mails.

The celebrated Beach case is scheduled to be tried at Aiken next week. Whether the defence will fight for a continuance is not yet known. It is understood that Solicitor Gunter will press the case to trial if possible.

The legislature is wrestling with the question of special dispensary elections. Barnwell, Bamberg, Williamsburg, Colleton and others want to vote on the question as soon as possible. The general assembly has not decided the matter yet.

When the S. C. C. I. is moved to Greenwood from Edgefield it will be called the Bailey Military Institute and will be strictly a boys' school, the co-educational feature being done away with, no doubt on account of Lander college being located at Greenwood.

The Spartanburg Journal says that Harrison Ferguson, a white man of Spartanburg, is preparing to sue Senator B. R. Tillman for libel on account of statements made about Ferguson in the Senator's recent letter to the general assembly. The amount of damages claimed is not known yet, but it is rumored to be \$25,000.

Col. F. N. K. Bailey, president and owner of the S. C. C. I., which institution has been conducted at Edgefield for a number of years, has announced that he will move the school to Greenwood, having accepted the offer of that city, and will begin the fall session there in new and commodious buildings which will be erected by that time. The citizens of Edgefield are taking steps to replace the S. C. C. I. with a boarding or high school.

Senator B. R. Tillman was elected Tuesday by the general assembly for another term in the United States Senate the legislature simply confirming the result of the primary last summer, in which Senator Tillman defeated two opponents without making a speech, yet his opponents stumped the State. On Monday some members of the Senate had something to say about not voting for Tillman because of his expressions about railroad influences in the general assembly, but when it came to vote the senator received all the votes. No doubt some members of the legislature would have liked to have voted against Tillman but they were afraid to.

HELD FOR IMBECILE'S DEATH.

Alleged Confession of Boy Leads to Father's Arrest

Rutherfordton, N. C., Jan. 25.—Joseph Price, a white farmer, is a prisoner in the county jail here to-night charged with the murder of Jno. Allen, an imbecile negro, on the night of August 11, 1911, as a result of a confession made to-day to the authorities by the prisoner's son, Ernest, 16 years old.

The youth asserted that his father killed the negro with an axe while he and his mother were at church attending a revival service and that when they returned home his father compelled him to aid in burying the negro's body in a small woods near the house. The skeleton of a man was found in the woods last March. His father, the youth asserts, killed the negro because he wanted "to get his gold." The authorities discredit this motive for the killing, as the negro is not known to have had any sum of money.

WANTED MOTHER-IN-LAW SLAIN

Decatur, Ala., Dentist Convicted of Alleged Plot to Murder.

Decatur, Ala., Jan. 25.—Gilbert W. McCarley, a dentist of Priceville, was convicted by a jury to-day of attempting to hire two negroes to kill his mother-in-law, Mrs. Della Fennell.

A few months ago McCarley caused the arrest of the two negroes, claiming they robbed him. Investigation resulted in the charges against him. Mrs. Fennell is said to be wealthy.

SICKLES AWAITING ARREST.

To be Held in Connection with State's Suit.

New York, Jan. 25.—Gen. Daniel E. Sickles sat amid the war relics in his Fifth avenue home to-night expecting momentary arrest in a suit brought by the State to recover \$28,476 for which he has failed to account, it is charged, as chairman of the New York monument commission. Within his call were his son, Stanton, and an aged negro retainer. Save for them he was alone.

The order for the veteran's arrest, issued this afternoon by Supreme Court Justice Rudd at Albany, and a copy of the complaint were placed in Sheriff Harburger's hands this evening by Deputy Attorney General Francis Kennedy, who brought them here. Mr. Kennedy announced his intention of asking for immediate service. After a talk with Mr. Kennedy, however, Sheriff Harburger said he would give the documents to his lawyer to determine whether they are to be drawn. This, he thought, would give the general respite from arrest until Monday. The order can not be legally served on Sunday.

May Go to Jail.

Unless Gen. Sickles is prepared to furnish at once a \$30,000 bond, Sheriff Harburger said he will have to go to Ludlow street jail until the bond is forthcoming. There was no inkling to-night as to who, if any one, would come to the veteran's aid.

Gen. Sickles' aged negro met all comers at the door and turned them away. For the first time the shades at all the windows of the house were raised, and in each window there was placed an American flag.

The order for Gen. Sickles' arrest comes as a climax of a distinguished and picturesque career. Born in New York in 1825 of a wealthy family, Gen. Sickles served as soldier, legislator and diplomat. The guest of honor for many years at gatherings of war veterans, he was recently refused admission to a local organization of war veterans on the ground "of military unskillfulness and reckless sacrifice of the lives of his men." Congress, which in 1897 awarded him a medal of honor for bravery, three years ago refused to grant him a lieutenant generalship. In his old age financial troubles beset him one after another and his wife, son and daughter became estranged from him.

An Affair of Honor.

Gen. Sickles was a member of the house of representatives just before the outbreak of the war, and it was in Washington that he shot and killed Philip Barton Key, a United States district attorney, for alleged attentions to his first wife, the daughter of an Italian musician.

At the outbreak of the war Gen. Sickles raised and equipped at his own expense five regiments of volunteers and as colonel of one of them went to the front. He participated in most of the great battles of the war, including Gettysburg, where he lost a leg and achieved distinction for bravery. He was rewarded by promotion to the rank of major general.

From 1869 to 1873 he served as minister to Spain, where he met and married his present wife, the daughter of a Spanish councillor of state. Shortly after his return to this country with her the couple separated and Mrs. Sickles went back to Spain, where she remained until 1908. Then she returned to New York. There were frequent reports of their reconciliation and for a year or more Mrs. Sickles lived in a house adjoining her husband, but it never appeared that they were really reconciled.

Trapping a Lawyer.

In some cases counsel receive answers to questions that they had no business to put, which if not quite to their liking, are what they justly deserve. The following story of George Clarke, a celebrated negro minstrel, is a case in point. On one occasion, when examined as a witness, he was severely interrogated by a lawyer.

"You are in the minstrel business, I believe?" inquired the lawyer.

"Yes, sir," replied the minstrel.

"Is not that a rather low calling?"

"I don't know but what it is, sir," replied the minstrel, "but it is so much better than my father's that I am rather proud of it."

The lawyer fell into the trap.

"What was your father's calling?" he inquired.

"He was a lawyer," replied Clarke, in a tone that sent the whole court into a roar of laughter as the discomfited lawyer sat down.—Weekly Telegraph.

MRS. LONGSTREET WILL AID

SOUTHERN VETERANS WILL RELIEVE GEN. SICKLES.

Will Raise Amount Due Among "Ragged and Maimed Followers of Gen. R. E. Lee."

New York, Jan. 27.—Mrs. Helen D. Longstreet, widow of the famous Confederate general, came to the aid of her husband's civil war foe, Gen. Daniel E. Sickles, to-day, with an offer to raise \$23,476 among the "ragged and maimed followers of Lee," to pay Gen. Sickles' alleged debt to the State of New York. Sheriff Harburger, who arrested Gen. Sickles to-day in the civil suit brought by the State to recover the money, also directed a letter to many of the richest men in New York asking them to aid the aged veteran.

In a telegram sent to Gen. Sickles from Gainesville, Ga., Mrs. Longstreet said she had telegraphed to the attorney general of the State of New York that she would raise the money among the Confederate veterans if allowed sufficient time.

Republic Not Ungrateful.

"The republic, whose battles you fought," will not permit your degradation," were her closing words to Gen. Sickles.

The sheriff addressed his letter to J. P. Morgan, John D. Rockefeller, Andrew Carnegie and the 450 members of the sheriff's panel, composed of wealthy New Yorkers.

Sheriff Harburger dealt gently with his prisoner. Instead of serving the order of arrest this morning he waited until Gen. Sickles' lawyer, Daniel P. Hays, had arranged with a surety company for a \$30,000 bond for the veteran's freedom. Mr. Hays brought it to the sheriff's office and they went to Gen. Sickles' 5th avenue residence this afternoon.

Sheriff Does His Duty.

"Well," the sheriff greeted him, "it's a bit of formal business to-day. You know I have to serve you with the papers; I'm sorry I have to do so, but I have no choice."

"It is all right," Gen. Sickles replied, tossing the unopened order and complaint on his library table. "You are one of the best friends I've got, sheriff."

They placed the bond before the general and he signed it in a flowing hand.

"That handwriting is not so bad for a man who is more than 92 years old, sheriff," he commented. "It cost me \$600 to get this bond."

General Picks Up Pennies.

There was a fee of \$5.25 owing the county for service of the papers. Gen. Sickles summoned Miss Edith Wilderding, his housekeeper, to pay it. She came into the room with her hands full of pennies, tripped on a rug and scattered them over the floor. The general assisted in picking them up. When the sheriff left Gen. Sickles shook hands with him and renewed his declaration of friendship.

The issuance of the bond makes it unnecessary for the sheriff to place Gen. Sickles in jail, as he feared Saturday he might have to do. The sheriff said this afternoon he thought the case would be speedily brought to trial at Albany.

Mrs. Longstreet's Offer.

Gainesville, Ga., Jan. 27.—"I will raise the money to relieve Gen. Sickles of his embarrassment if New York pushes the prosecution and none of his Northern friends go to his aid. The ragged, maimed veterans of the South will rush to respond to the need of one of the most gallant soldiers America ever knew."

This statement was made to-day by Mrs. Helen D. Longstreet, widow of the Confederate general, after the publication of her telegrams to Gen. Daniel E. Sickles, at New York, and the State attorney general, at Albany, offering aid in the soldier's financial difficulties.

"My husband always spoke of Gen. Sickles as the hero of Gettysburg," the statement continues. "They were opposed to each other in that deciding battle of the war, and Gen. Longstreet, in the last autograph letter he ever wrote, September 19, 1902, to Gen. Sickles, told him that the taking of the peach orchard by Sickles' corps won the battle for the Union forces."

"It was Gen. Longstreet's detachment that shot off the leg of the brave Union general, but, as Gen. Longstreet said: 'Sickles can well afford to leave a leg on Gettysburg, for he has made sure his place forever in the hearts of Americans.'"

"I have made no plans as yet, but if Gen. Sickles needs my aid, and the aid of the South, he will get it."

GUN STOPS CATO BAKER.

Shot J. M. Pennington from Ambush Last July.

Walterboro, Jan. 25.—Cato Baker, who shot J. M. Pennington from ambush at his residence below Green Pond in July, was lodged in jail here this afternoon in a serious condition, having been shot while resisting arrest by Deputy Sheriff Lucas Padgett.

The negro was plowing for Mr. Pennington, having persuaded him to let him go back to work. Mr. Pennington agreed and notified Sheriff Owens, who sent Deputy Padgett down this morning. He, in company with Bert Drawdy, went to Mr. Pennington's place and went into the field where the negro and several others were at work. Baker came out to the end of the row where Mr. Padgett and Mr. Drawdy were talking to Mr. Pennington, presumably selling him a new kind of plow. The negro suspected something and turned to run, meanwhile drawing his pistol. Deputy Padgett jerked up his gun, which was in the buggy, and shot the negro down. The gun was loaded with buckshot and three shot took effect, one just below the ear, another in cheek and a third in shoulder.

Dr. Esdorn was called and states that the negro is seriously shot. He is in an unconscious condition, and is under the influence of a stimulant. He has not yet probed to find the shot penetrating the brain. "Baker is considered a dangerous negro, and had twice attempted Mr. Pennington's life from ambush, shooting him at night while seated on his back porch. Since this time he has been in hiding and only recently came out."

ARRESTS FOR BLINDING A MAN

New Yorker Struck in the Face with Stockings Filled with Lime.

New York, Jan. 24.—John Lynch, formerly a conductor employed by the Union Railroad Company, will be led from his home, No. 1073 Tiffany street, to the Children's court to appear against three boys.

One of Lynch's eyes is gone and the other is fast failing, so that it is feared he soon will be blind, all because the three boys celebrated last Hallowe'en with a stocking filled with lime.

Lynch says he was on the rear platform of his car, which had come through Tremont avenue and was nearing Bronx Park, when several boys in costumes and masks boarded the car. Three of them struck the conductor on the face and head with stockings, in one of which was lime.

One Eye Removed.

The conductor fell, his eyes filled with lime. The boys leaped from the car and escaped. Passengers on the car went to Lynch's assistance, who became unconscious. He was taken to Fordham hospital and the next day described the boys who attacked him. His right eye was removed, his left eye was badly affected and he was taken to an eye and ear hospital, where he has been under treatment.

With a description of the boys the detectives learned that three youngsters on Hallowe'en night went to a building in course of construction and one of them filled a stocking with lime. The other two had stockings of cement mixed with flour.

Boys in the neighborhood were questioned and suspicion pointed to Sidney Diamond, twelve, of No. 1139 Wyatt street; Isidor Cohen, fifteen, of No. 1170 East One Hundred and Seventy-eighth street; and Lewis Sapz, twelve, of No. 1151 Walker avenue.

Since then the boys have been under careful watch. They had no notion that they were under suspicion of having blinded the conductor; nor had their parents. They have attended school and played with other boys in the neighborhood.

Arrest of the Boys.

The incident of blinding the conductor had been almost forgotten when last evening detectives went to the boys' homes and arrested them as juvenile delinquents. They were taken to the rooms of the Children's Society.

The police said last night the boys had not been arrested before because Lynch's condition was such that he could not appear against them in court. It was decided, however, when doctors said he probably would lose his left eye also to make the arrests without delay.

The races opened at Charleston last Saturday and are going on right along just as if there was no law against racing in this State. We have no idea they will be interfered with, either.