COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

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SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

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

E. Copeland, who is principal of a high school in Kinley, N. C., came home to spend holidays at home with his parents. Harry shows that he has had some work to do to keep his school up, says his school will open up on the 7th of January, 1914.

Rev. C. J. Shealy will preach for us in the Ehrhardt Lutheran church next Sunday morning and at Mt. Pleasant in the afternoon.

son left last Saturday for their homes to spend Xmas at home. Prof. S. C. Paysinger went to Newberry Saturday to help eat a big turkey dinner with the home folks.

Mrs. H. W. Ehrhardt and her little son went to her mother's in Newberry to spend her Xmas days.

Frank Copeland says he drove a horse that could kick some. Chief says the horse was so tall that he kicked Weimer's Cross Roads out of place last week. Weimer's Cross Roads is only about nine miles from funeral will be held at Florence to-

Some booze is taken out by some citizens, and don't think they are night were unable to account for the able to manage same very well.

All are trying to give all the Xmas presents to their friends that they can. The post office is busy all the six feet deep. The car was overturntime, fixing them ready, for the ed. mails.

The meeting of Ehrhardt lodge, No. 98, Knights of Pythias, was held as usual on second and fourth Monday nights. At our last meeting we had a large crowd and officers were elected as follows: F. E. Robinson, C. C.; A. W. Kinard. V. C.; Geo. Warren, Prelate; Frank Hiers, M. of W.: W. B. Moore, K. of R. & S.; G. P. Sease, M. at A.; J. B. Ramsey, M. of F.; J. H. A. Hartz, M. of E.; A. E. Kearse, Inner Guard; F. H. Copeland, Outer Guard. Will be glad to see all the members at our next meeting, January 12, 1914, with their families, as there will be a public installation of officers and an oyster supper, and any one that has been suspended for non-payment of dues and wishes to be reinstalled. come, as it will only cost three dol lars for the present.

Election of Union lodge, A. F. M. No. 247, as follows; J. Benj. Ramsey, W. M.; J. J. Farrell, S. W. Geo McKenzie, J. W.; W. C. Hughes, S. D.; W. H. Mitchum, J. D.; F H Copeland, Secretary; L. C. McKenzie, Treasurer; Melvin Lyons and H. S. Kearse, Stewards; H. L. Brown, Tiler. The lodge is in fine shape. and hope to see it hold its own and see all members present at the next meeting on January 8, 1914, and all visitors that can, come. Will confer two Master degrees that JEE. night.

Fairfax Fancies.

Fairfax, Dec. 22.-Mr. and Mrs Hampton Williams celebrated their crystal wedding recently. Rev. J. H Wilson, now of Marion, Va., who officiated at their marriage fifteen years ago, was present on the occasion, also Rev. Jas. Edwards was there. Many relatives and friends partook of the sumptious dinner They received handsome presents some of them were cut class.

Mrs. Jones Williams, of Brunson visited Mrs. Julia Harter recently.

Miss Willie Timmins, of Lowndesville, and Misses Dewy Rheny and F, Marsh, of McCormick, are spending the holidays with Miss Sadie Har-

The banquet given by the Masons at the Commercial Hotel on the evening of the 19th was quite a success Miss Margaret Folk, from Estill, and

other visitors attended. Rev. J. H. Wilson, of Marion, Va. spent several days with Mr. F. M. Young recently.

WOMAN WON'T HEAD POLICE.

Mrs. Ray, of Indiana Gives Reason for Refusing Job.

Gary, Ind., Dec. 20.—This city wil not have a woman police head at present, as Mrs. Kate Wood Ray today declined to accept an appoint ment tendered several days ago by Mayor Knotts. Mrs. Ray, who at first planned to accept control of the fire and police department, to-day said she would not hold office under laws in the making of which she had had no part.

1913 town taxes are now due, payable to town treasurer .- adv.

KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT.

W. Aaron Fass Meets Instant Death When Car Ran into Ditch.

Dillon, Dec. 21 .- W. Aaron Fass was instantly killed and Miss Mary Moore was seriously injured this afternoon at 6 o'clock when an automobile in which they were riding ran into a deep ditch one-half mile from Ehrhardt, Dec. 22.-Prof. Harry Dillon, Miss Moore, daughter of John B. Moore, of Latta, was rushed to Dillon in an automobile, where she was given medical attention. Mr. Fass is a well known merchant of Dillon and is a native of New York. A spoke on the steering wheel severed the jugular vein of Mr. Fass.

Mr. Fass and Miss Moore had been for a ride through the country and were returning to Dillon late this afternoon. Just after passing the Ma-Miss Louise Taylor and Miss Wat- ple dairy the machine swerved sharply to the right and plunged into a ditch. The car was badly damaged.

Several persons in an automobile passing 30 minutes later found the wrecked car. Mr. Fass was dead and Miss Moore was unconscious.

Mr. Fass was 36 years of age and had been a resident of Dillon for several years, coming here from New York. He was engaged in the mercantile business. He is survived by his mother and a sister of New York and four brothers, residents of Dillon. The morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

Those who viewed the wreck toaccident. It is supposed that the steering gear broke, sending the machine into the ditch, which is about

FINDS TEETH IN STOMACH.

Woman Does Not Know How They Got There.

Discouraged because she and her husband were separated, Mrs. Nina Cooper swallowed fifteen grains of bichloride of mercury, but as she of the First South Carolina congressimmediately announced the fact, a doctor from St. Catherine's Hospital was able to start the treatment within ten minutes.

After Mrs. Cooper had swallowed the whites of innumerable eggs and a great deal of milk she was taken to the hospital for the application of the stomach pump. From her stomach this instrument brought to light a set of false teeth. This surprised the doctors and nurses, and their surprise became amazement when Mrs. Cooper expressed great wonderment as to how they had got there. She said she had no recollection of having swallowed any teeth at any time, and, in fact, did not recall ever having mislaid a set. Mrs. Cooper will recover .- New York Times.

BEFORE BOARD OF CLIMS.

Charleston Architect Wants \$13,000 for State House Plans.

Columbia, Dec. 19 .- The claim of A. W. Todd, of Charleston, architect. who designed the proposed extension to the State House for \$13,000, is before the State board of claims, it was announced this evening. Mr. Todd drew up the specifications for the million-dollar improvements to the State House, and the original bill was \$60,000, the \$13,000 being the first claim. The legislature turned down the recommendation of the ways and means committee for a compromise amount to be paid Mr. Todd. The State board of claims will finally act on this claim at its last meeting. December 30. All other claims must be in by December 23, twenty days before the Legislature meets.

Another claim before the board is that of James Henry Rice, former game warden, for one year's salary of \$1,900. The Audubon Society is also asking for \$1,150, which it spent in its work, without being heretofore reimbursed by the State.

No Beauty for Him.

Haggerty and his wife were riding home on the street car. Haggerty was in the mellow state which urged him to be extra nice to his wife-to treat her as if he was courting her again if you know what we mean. Haggerty's wife sought to divert him from the extravagant compliments he was paying her.

"Look, dear," she said. "There's a remarkably pretty girl sitting across the aisle from us two rows back. want you to notice her."

"Ah, my darling," whispered Haggerty leaning close, "I have no eyes for beauty now. I just want to look as being slightly darker than copperat you."

That's the way he carried it too fer; and confirmed her suspicions the latter peculiarly shaped. that he was the way he was .-- Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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 Building Trades Council of Columbia has passed a resolution in protest against the establishment of a furniture factory within the state penitentiary, and calling upon the citizens to support them in their efforts to have this mill, now being established, abolished by the state.

There was a wreck on the Southern Railway at Augusta last Monday morning, two switching engines colliding on the Savannah river bridge. One or two men on the engines were hurt but not seriously, but one of the engines fell into the river. The trains on this part of the line were delayed very much in consequence.

Joe Bates, former policeman, who was sentenced at Spartanburg in October of 1909, to be hanged for the murder of a young married woman, and whose sentence the present governor commuten in July of 1911, to life imprisonment, received Monday at the same hands a full pardon, effecting not only his release from the penitentiary but his restoration to full citizenship.

T. U. Vaughn, a preacher, formerly in charge of the Odd Fellows' Home for Children in Greenville, has appealed to the United States Supreme Court to set aside his conviction of assault upon a 14-yearold girl in the home. The court will review the case. Vaughn was sentenced in the State Courts to the electric chair. He pleaded guilty, but his attorneys says he did not plead guilty to assault, only to a great moral wrong.

A stinging rebuke to the electorat sional district in the primary which sent Representative Richard S. Whaley to the house is contained in the report of the investigating committee of the house, which for some time past has been probing the charges filed by Mayor Grace against Mr. Whaley, in which the latter was accused of buying his seat at a cost of something like \$60,000 and of making false statements in connection therewith.

MAKING FOR CHARLESTON.

Gaillard Woman Left Vance by Boat, Now Thought.

Orangeburg, December 21.-It is believed that Mary Gaillard, the negro woman charged with attacking and severely wounding Mrs. Sue C. Cannon, at the latter's home, in the Vance section of Orangeburg county, Thursday night, has already arrived in or is on her way to Charleston, where she is said to have lived before going to the Vance community,

about two years ago. This is the latest information received from the scene of the difficulty. However, having no assurance that the woman has really left that vicinity, the officers are still searching for her. All trains on the Preg-Lall branch of the Atlantic Coast Line, which traverses that section of the county, have been watched since the attack on Mrs. Cannon, and so far as known, nobody answering the description of the fugitive has at tempted to leave the neighborhood

The fact that Mrs. Cannon's son-inlaw, Capt W. J. Morgan, is the conductor of the train running between Creston and Pregnall might have deterred the suspect from trying to make her escape by train, which strongly indicates, according to the authorities, that the woman has probably left the community by boat on the Santee River, with Charleston as her destination.

Information received at a late hour tonight relative to the condition of Mrs. Cannon, who is still in this city at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Morgan, was that Mrs. Cannon was doing as well as could be expected under the circumstances and that in all probability she will recover. While she received a number of wounds at the hands of her ferocious assailant. it is said that a careful examination disclosed that none of them is serious enough to cause death unless blood poisoning, which the doctors are tak-

The Gaillard woman is described to have a very small face and head,

ing precautions to prevent, sets in.

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BIBLE SAVED HIS LIFE.

Bullet of Supposed Assassin Lodges in Book.

Blairsville, Pa., Dec. 21.-What is believed to have been an attempt to assassinate the Rev. R. E. McClure, president of the Indiana county Anti-Saloon League, failed late last night when a bullet penetrated a Bible which he carried under his arm and made a slight abrasion upon Dr. Mc-Clure's side.

Dr. McClure had made a sick call and was returning home when fired on. As the minister reached the street leading to his home he saw two men. As Dr. McClure approached them a whistle sounded and one of the men fired a revolver at him. The minister picked up a stone and hurled it at the men, running toward them. As the assailants retreated the man with the revolver fell. Before Dr. McClure could reach him the man had regained his feet and fired a second time, the bullet tearing through the minister's Bible and clothing. Both men then fled.

Dr. McClure has been pastor of the United Presbyterian Church here for twenty-five years.

Will Adopt Part of Byrnes' Scheme

Washington, December 20 .- The good roads committee of the house. after conducting hearings for several weeks, has appointed a subcommittee to draft and report the bill embodying the views of the committee. The subcommittee has been instructed by the whole committee to include in the first section the plan similar to that introduced by Representative Byrnes of South Carolina, providing for co-operation between the federal building and maintenance of roads and to have section 2 contain practically the provisions of the Shackle ford bill of last sesion. Section :: will provide that the States may elect kerosene. under which section they shall receive appropriation of \$20,000,000 will be asked for.

Greenville Prisoner Has Ranch.

Greenville, Dec. 20 .- Ray D. Gould, an American, owner of a ranch in Mexico, who is now held in the Greenville county jail on two minor charges, is said to be wanted in Mex ico to the extent of \$1,000 reward offered by the Huerta government. Sheriff Rector wired the Mexican department of justice yesterday, also wrote the Mexican embassy and department of state at Washington.

Gould came to Greenville about two months ago. He took quarters at the Y. M. C. A. and joined the Greenville band. A week or more ago he left the city for Spartanburg. being brought over from that city by a deputy sheriff on a warrant charging breach of trust.

Gould is said to have killed three Mexican soldiers when they surrounded his ranch. He was wounded in the leg, and escaped on his horse. He says he has no property except his possessions in Mexico, which, by this time, may have been confiscated by rebels. Gould says the federals surrounded his place after finding a large quantity of dynamite buried on his ranch.

CHARGED WITH FORGERY.

Warrant Sworn Out Against Cashier of Augusta Bank.

Augusta, Ga., Dec. 20.- A warrant charging forgery has been sworn out against Cashier James P. Armstrong, of the Irish-American Bank, the doors of which institution were closed last Saturday by the State bank examiner at the instance of the board of directors. It is alleged that soaked garments of her prostrate vic-Armstrong forged the signature of a tim, when the children arrived, find local business man as the endorser of a note on which he secured funds.

of Armstrong, he will return to Augusta tonight or tomorrow and give himself up to the officers. Bond in the sum of \$10,000 will be arranged and he will assist the auditors in clearing up the tangled affairs of the institu-

As a result of the Irish-American failure the Industrial Lumber Company, with liabilities of over \$175,000 was placed in the hands of a receiver by the United States Court at Char-

The whereabouts of Armstrong at and a few intimate friends. It is here to-night, it that the fugitive has the presence of the deputy sheriff known that he left here several days not yet been captured, but it is be- will deter the crowd from taking ago, but those close to him say that lieved that she is in the swamp, which summary vengeance. colored, but not black. She is said be is within thirty minutes' ride of the posse has surrounded, and cannot Augusta and will return.

> Sale stables, horses and mules, buggies and harness. RIZER & MOYE Fairfax, S. C.

NEGRESS ATTACKS WIDOW

MRS. SUE C. CANNON DEPERATE-LY WOUNDED NEAR VANCE.

Fugitive Reported Surrounded by Posse in Santee Swamp-Details of Fiendish Deed.

Orangeburg, December 20.-As results of one of the most atrocious deeds ever committed in this county, Mrs. Sue C. Cannon, about 45 years old and a widow, is in the city desperately wounded, and Mary Gillard. a negro woman, accused by Mrs. Cannon of attacking her, was, at last reports, surrounded by a posse in a swamp in the vicinity of Vance, near the scene of the assault, which, it is greatly feared, will terminate in a tragedy. In fact, it is said, the doctors attending Mrs. Cannon hold out little hope of her recovery, so serious are the many wounds she received.

Mrs. Cannon was brought to Orangeburg last night for surgical and medical attention, after her physician, Dr. W. H. Lawton, of Vance, ing to her training. A Japanese had taken more than twenty stitches in her wounds. She is now at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. J. Morgan, wife of the well known At- ar every breath, and right down into lantic Coast Line conductor on the the deepest lung cell there must go Pregnall branch.

Children Saves Mother's Life. The fiendish attack on Mrs. Cannen, of which Mary Gaillard is accused, was made early Thursday night at Mrs. Cannon's home, on her plantation at Millican's, a small station on the Coast Line near Vance. Mrs. Cannon was alone at the time. girl a little younger, having gone on shape of the foot. government and the States in the a visit to neighbors, and returning just in time to witness part of the to take gymnastic exercises. When attack and prevent the assailant ap- an American or English child swings,

Although fearfully injured, Mrs. federal aid. Mr. Byrnes says that an Cannon has been able to talk about the attack, which she declares was made for the purpose of robbery, and during which a sum of money, for which she had sold some cotton, was taken. She asserts positively that Mary Gaillard was her assailant. It is said that the Gaillard woman hs been in the Vnce community about two years and bears a bad reputation among both the negroes and white people.

The substance of Mrs. Cannon's version of the difficulty in which she received what may prove fatal injuries, is about as follows:

Victim's Recital. She declares that while alone in her home, about 8 o'clock Thursday night, Mary Gaillard came to her house, but the woman's presence heing objectionable Mrs. Cannon ordered her away. The woman stated that she had come to see about a pattern and also spoke about some sewing she probably wished to have Mrs.

Cannon do for her. Then, without giving the slightest intimation of her intentions, Mrs. Cannon says, the woman struck her on the head with a billet of wood, then began slashing her with a razor, also striking her with a bottle. Mrs. Cannon further declares that her assailant grabbed her, telling her that she was going to break her arm, which she proceeded to do by twisting the member until the bone was

fractured. The woman then, says Mrs. Cannon, stuck a knife into her ear and twisted it around several times, causing excruciating pain and inflicting one of the most serious of her many wounds. Mrs. Cannon says her clothes were then saturated with kerosene by the woman, who was about to apply a match to the oiling their mother barely able to speak The negro woman then ran out of According to the family and friends the back door and, presumably, go ing into the Santee River swamp.

Posse in Search.

The alarm was immediately given and a posse was soon in search of the perpetrator of one of the most brutal deeds ever recorded in Orangeburg county. Sheriff A. M. Salley sent one of his deputies from here to direct the hunt for the woman, and Rural Policeman Ballard, of Elloree, about ten miles from the scene of the outrage, and other men from the community are assisting.

The latest information from the present is known only to his family scene of the woman hunt, received

> party are a number of determined residing in Charleston, Mr. U. V. men and what will follow the capture | Millican.

JAPANESE WOMEN HEALTHY. Are Taught Care of Body from Child-

hood Up. Some interesting facts have been published, which throw light on the remarkable healthiness of women and girls in Japan, says The New Yory Weekly. They are well worth the attention of parents in our own

"The Japanese men are strong," said an athlete who had been studying in Japan, "but they are weak compared with the women. A Japanese woman will outwear a man every time in the athletic games and in other feats of endurance."

in Japan you see few ailing wo-

men. All seem to have sipped not only of the fountain of health, but also of beauty. And all are peaceful, with that quiet, contented look which tells that the heart as well as the body is at rest. Partly this is aue to the sensible, quiet, well-ordered life which every woman leads, making the care of her body her chief consideration, but more is owchild is taught to breathe deeply. All its clothing is made with this end in view. The lungs must be inflated a supply of pure air. The little Japanese girl is taught that no part of the body should be restricted. Even her feet are left free, and are encouraged to grow. "There are nerves in your feet," the Japanese teach, "and you must keep them supplied with air." The shoes of a little Japanese are light and soft, her children, a boy about 11 and a and they are made to yeild to the

The Japanest young girl is made plying a match to their mother's or plays horses, or jumps the rope, or clothes, which she had saturated with rolls the hoop, the little Japanese girl goes into a little home gymnasium and practices gymnastic tricks. She calls them jujutsu and she knows that it is a fine thing to be proficient in jujutsu. Every little Japanese girl has her gymnasium teacher and after the teacher has gone she and her little sisters will play jujutsu for an hour. They wrestle with each other, bend and sway and do other tricks which are watched by the family and applauded.

Such a thing as a weakling is hardly known in Japan, for, though the race is a small one, the children are healthy and strong. Such a sight as a tired out little girl is also rare there. And it is not very often one sees a peevish child, for both boys and girls are kept interested in their

CITIZENS ASK PROTECTION.

Claim There is No Law in Copperfield, Oregon.

Salem, Ore., Dec. 21.—Charging that there is little resemblance to law and order in the city, that the saloon element is in control of the municipal government and that the lives of citizens and their families are in constant danger, fifty-five residents of Copperfield have appealed to Governor West for relief. One of the 'petitioners in a letter to the Governor

"The mayor lives in a house with a saloon in connection. He gives Saturday night dances, sells and gives away liquor to minors and sells liquor to habitual drunkards."

"These people are going to have the relief they demand," said the Governor to-night.

What He Thought of His Flock.

"Well, Bre'er Wilson," said the elder of one of the colored churches to a newly appointed pastor, "what do yo' think of yer new congrega-

"Since yo' ask me, Br'er Johnsing," replied the minister, "I have got to say dat I think dey is a scrubby look-

in' crowd." Why, Br'er Wilson, what do yo mean?" questioned the other in amazement. Dest folks has had mo camp meetin's and got religion oftener dan any congregation in town."

"Well, dat's jes' it, Br'er," responded the pastor, "dat's jes de trouble. Dey has done wore out de seats ob dey pants backsliden, and dere knees prayin' for fo'giveness."

of Mrs. Cannon's assailant is problematical, although it is possible that

Mrs. Cannon's wounds are principally in the top of her head and on It is said that in the searching the back of her neck. She has a son