LYNCHED THEM BOTH AWFUL RAILROAD ACCIDENT.

For the Murder of Mr. W. K. Jay Near Trey, S. C.

THEY ACCUSED EACH OTHER.

Man and Wife Quarreled and Jay Ordered Peace Then One or the Other Shot His Head

A special dispatch to The State from Greenwood of Saturday says Will K. Jay, one of the most prominent young farmers of the Troy section of this county, was foully murdered in his own yard Triday evening between 6 and 7 o'clock by either Oliver Wiceman or his wife, two negroes living on his place. Both negroes were made to pay the death penalty for their deed by an infuriated crowd of Mr.

Jay's neighbors and friends. most nearly correct of how the killing

Mr. Jay lives in a new house about three and one-half miles from Troy. This place has never been inclosed and the negro cabin formerly occupied by the negroes is within about 25 or 30 yards of the residence. Mr. Jay was returning to his house after attending to some business in the neighborhood and when close to his house he heard the man was abusing or lighting his wife and they were both quarreling and resisting. It was to stop this disturbance, that lead M. It seems that to and engineer of the express. stead of this the conductor of the press received a clearance order, turbance, that lead M. It seems that turbance that lead Mr. Jay to their home, which as stated, is only about they could not stay on his place. Immediately after this Mrs. Jay, who was in her house, heard the report of a gun. She ran to the door and looked out, and saw the two negroes, man cabin. Calling to them, she asked what was the matter, but the negroes made no answer and kept on running. Failing to get any response from them loudly to he husband. There was no response. She was then wild with fear and began looking over the yard, and in a short while found him dead in a pool of his own blood. Almost his entire head had

The alarm was at once given and the immediate neighbors rushed in. The news of the horrible murder spread rapidly. Carriages started in all directions. A telephone furnished the news to Troy and nearby towns, and the whole country for miles

yound was soon being literally scour-A party of men coming towards the place from a section of the community a few miles near Mr. Jay's home, met cion and carried them back to the place of the crime.

The gun with which the murder started out in flight. ing towards Edgelield when caught.

After the inquest the two negroes were turned over to the constable, who started to jail with them. At the Winterseat bridge they were stopneighbors and lynched. The lynching occurred about midnight.

Is Now a Fact.

Wireless telegraphy is now an assured fact. The Halifax Chronicle announces that wireless telegraphic by established by Marconi between Cape Breton and Cornwall, England. mous coherer being replaced by another old. wonderful invention of Marconi, called a magnetic detector, which gives most satisfactory results and which enable the transmitter to attain greater speed and accuracy. The inventor has also established at his Table Head station one of the world. It was thought that until a similar current was established at the Cornwall station satisfactory results would not be had. Tests were made frequently during the last few weeks, but the greatest secrecy was maintained. Last week communication was estab-

A Street Ducl.

lished.

on the street, as a consequence of the people of the State. believed to be a family disagreement. tide over the term of stringency. Padgett and Buchanan have heretofore been friendly, but on meeting Wednesday each drew a revolver and cannot recover.

Santa Claus Scorched.

as Santa Claus, was painfully but not countries by the United States. ught fire

Twenty-eight Killed and Many Seriously Wounded

The most frightful railroad accident in the annals of the past decade happened a short distance from the little station of Wanstead, Can., on the Sarnia branch of the Grand Trunk railway, Saturday night. in collision were the Pacific Express and a freight. The express was run ning nearly two hours late and was making fast time. The freight was endeavoring to make a siding to get clear of the express, but failed by a

There was a dreadful crash the ocomotives reared up and fell over in a ditch, the baggage car of the express telescoped the smoker and in an wounded and the dying filed the air. The loss of life is 28. The injured will number considerably more, and many of these may die.

Many of the dead were terribly mu-From all accounts, many of which tlated. Heads we're cut off, legs differ, the following is offered as the wrenched from the bodies and the Heads we'e cut off, legs level stretch of snow became crimson with the blood of the victims.

The responsibility for the accident has not been definitely fixed, but it is believed to have been due to a telegraph operator's error.

The operator at one of the stations where the two trains stopped gave an order to the freight to pass No. 5, the Pacific Express, at Wanstead.

In the system of the Grand Trunk the two negroes making considerable this order should have been duplicated disturbance in the cabin. It seems that this order should have been duplicatstead of this the conductor of the express received a clearance order, telling him to run right through. freight train meantime had stopped 30 yards from his own house. On his arrival he ordered the negroes to be quiet—that if they could not be ing storm which was raging rendered objects invisible at the distance of a few feet. The operator at Wanstead is not usually on duty at night but last evening be happened to be in the office for a short time. He was going and wife, running away from their out at the door when he heard the telegraph instrument click repeatedly the message: "Stop No. 5." "Stop No.

> Seizing a lantern the operator dashed for the door and as he closed it be hind he heard the crash of the col sion up the track.

There was not a house at hand to which the injured could be carried. Fortunately, however, the two Pullman cars on the train did not sustain been blown off. Death was instanany damage. They were warm and comfortable and were converted into a temporary hospital. The injured were placed in the bert's and every thing possible done too, se their suffering.

The Cold V ive.

shows that the severe weather is general: "The severest cold wave of the season covers the upper Mississippi two negroes in the road, a man and a valley where the temperatures range The party did not know the from zero to 26 below. The cold wave the ruins. Helwig is widely known negroes, but arrested them on suspi-cion and carried the freezing line southward to to thousands of visitors who come to began to make figures on a piece of there is a tobacco or succeed you Northern Florida, with light frost at Jacksonville, Southern Alabama, westof inquest. They were the guilty When examined both acknowl.

When examined both acknowl ward through Central Texas. The Padeson of the deed, but accused each other of committing it—the many state of committing it—the many state of the deed was possible. Such as found and the safe was open. It is snowing in a state of the deed of the deed was found and the safe was open. It is snowing in a state of the first of the wark first. The Venezuelan in the look were present. The venezuelan i other of committing it—the man said the woman said the lake regions, upper New England the lake regions t the man did it. They never changed and the Ohio valley. Portland, Me., the local physicians, s, but died accusing each other | had over 10 inches of snowfall during the past 24 hours. Generally clear weather prevails over the southern was committed was carried to old bill States except along the coast where Wideman's house, the father of the it is cloudy. The highest reported man, and left there while the two temperature Friday was 80 at Los They were go- Angeles, the lowest Saturday morning was 26 below zero at Huron, S. D."

A Great Sensation.

A dispatch from Dresden says all Saxony is agog wit atcrest and specped by a crowd of infuriated friends ulation resulting from the flight of Crown Princess Louise, who said he husband was a "beast," and that she would never again return to the court. lynched by a mob because early Christ-It seems that the Princess cloped with French tutor, who had been em- Milton Hinkle, a policeman, while the ployed to teach the children. She is officer was trying to protect himself an Austrian archduchness, being th communications have been successful- eldest daughter of Archduke Ferdi- At the first effort to lynch the negro ty, and Daniel Curran. co-defendant, nand, who represents the Tuscan the rope broke. Some one in the branch of the Austrian imperial fami-A message has already been sent to ly. She was born at Salzburg in 1870 ing the jugular vein. King Edward by Lord Minto, Gov- and married at Vienna in 1891. She ernor-General of Canada, and also one is considered one of the prettiest printo the King of Italy. Dr. Parkin, M. cesses in Europe, being endowed with at a dance, which was attended by a defendants were charged, netted the P., of Toronto, special correspondent great personal charm, keen intelli-of the London Times, also had a mes-gence, learning and modesty. The men from neighboring mining camps sage transmitted. Marconi has been crown prince is a fine looking, soldier Montgomery Godley and his brother at Table Head for the last eight weeks by man of 37 years. There are five working steadily. The wires were all children of the marriage, the eldest, disorderly when Policeman Hinkle inremoved and installed anew, the fa- Prince George, being nearly 10 years perfered. The negroes became insult-

The Railroad Help. The Columbia State says a shorttime ago the state treasurer wrote a Hinkle behind the ear. The woundletter to the different railroad compa-nies asking them if convenient to pay nies asking them if convenient to pay their annual taxes into the State treasury. The lines of the Southern rapidly and a mob gathered in and Atlantic Coast Line systems have of the jail. The doors were battered complied with this request of the in and the mob seized Montgomery treasurer and have paid their taxes to Godley, who, with his brother, had the various county treasurers. This been arrested soon after the shooting. stringency in money at the close of pole three blocks away and At Nichols, Ga., on Wednesday Sam the readiness of the roads to comply P. Padgett and J. C. Buchanan, young and case the State's financial condiwhite men, fought an impromptu duel tion will be properly appreciated by Treasurer which Padgett is dying and Buchanan Jennings is urging every county treasis seriously wounded. The two young | urer in the State to remit the State men married sisters, and while the taxes as rapidly as they are received, cause of the trouble is not known it is and hopes to secure a sufficient sum to touch.

Needed In Hawaii.

Thomas Fortune, special labor combegan shooting. Padgett was shot missioner appointed by Secretary Shaw through the chest near the heart and to visit the Philippines and Hawaiian islands is at Honolulu. In an interview in The Star he said: "I believe A dispatch from Georgetown to the importation of negroes there The State says Tuesday night at a forms a natural solution of the diffi-Christmas tree celebration in that culty which unavoidably follows the city, Dr. R. S. Bailey, who was acting absorption of tropical or semi-tropical mynsly burned. His clothing ac- the Southern States and in the Carolinas the negro made the industries what they are." The commissioner what they are." The commissioner of Lincoln, Amite, Franklin or Pike. said there might be difficulty in ob-

THIRTY INJURED

By the Explosion of Gas at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

SIXTEEN SERIOUSLY HURT.

At Hot Springs, Arkansas, Wednesday afternoon in the cellar of the turf exchange, a club house and pool room operated by Chambers & Walker, the building was badly damaged and 30 in a serious condition. The most seriously injured are:

and both wrists broken.

of a bath house, both legs broken, will die.

The injured are:
J. S. Meeks, Hot Springs, Ark., both legs broken. Joseph Pace, hotel keeper, Hot Spings, both legs broken.

Finnegan, plumber, Hot Springs, both legs broken. James Cowen, Hot Springs, both legs roken. Wm. Metzer, a boy, Hot Springs,

will die. James Couglin, plumber, Hot Springs, leg broken. C. G. Parker, Milwaukee, Wis.

both legs broken. Al. -F. Hotebskiff, Hot Springs. knee fractured. T. Ozier, engineer, Hot Springs, both legs broken.

H. George, New York, leg broken. oroken, ribs crushed.

broken. Eugene Daly, Hot Springs, both legs broken Thos. Poelan, telegraph operator,

lot Springs, badly cut. Mr. Donnelly, visitor, residence un-known, leg broken, also badly cut. Twelve others sustained bruises and slight injuries.

About 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon the poolroom was crowded with

rapidly and soon Central avenue was for. jammed with people. The police and liremen took charge of the building were pulled from under the building life, and have no idea of the rules customere pulled from under the building life, and have no idea of the rules customere pulled from under the building life, and have no idea of the rules customere pulled from under the building life, and have no idea of the rules customered his breath he said the said that the in a terribly shattered state. One of "Billy" Helwig, the blind manager of amount yourself." the Lamber bathhouse was taken from

has not yet been determined. It is the innocence of a child. said by some that gas which escaped in the cellar of the building was igerrible accident.

when the explosion occurred. Lynched in Kansas.

At Montgomery, Kansas, on Christ

nas day, Montgomery Godley, a negro

mas morning he had shot and killed

After this he She was hanged a second time. The shooting of Policemen Hinkle occurred learning and modesty. The men from neighboring mining camps. ing and, when Hinkle drew his clu to defend himself, Montgomery Godey slipped behind the policeman. grabbed the officer's pistol and shot The news of the shooting spread

Rayages of Time. In the singular failure of the old windows of York cathedral, the glasshas lost most of its transparency, and in places has become so perforated that it crumbles at the slightest To stop the "disease" some glass of the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries has been removed. It is known that the hardest cement is sometimes disintegrated by chemical action set up by minute organisms, and it is supposed that the destruction of the glass has been due to some fun-

Stands by the Negro.

Gov. Longino, of Mississippi, Wednesday issued a proclamation offering fifty dollars reward for the arrest and report states that it was accidental. conviction of any person who forces a negro to leave either of the countie ining the negro; but he thought been ordered to leave these countles the planters could get all they during the past f w months, being if they sent the right sort of served with notices supposed to emater them. "You could get nate from "whitecapper" organizain six months," he said. tions.

THE MEANEST MAN.

He Has Been Found at Los Angeles

The worst thing about some stories is that they are lies. The worst thing about this story is that it is literally true. The meanest man in Los Angeles has been found, the case has been proved and "Next" has been alled. It is doubtful, in fact, whether a meaner man will be found anywhere. The story needs no embelishment. The simple facts are bad enough, and thisis just the way the events

A well known woman went out riding a few days ago. She had her pocketbook with her. The pocketbook contained some money. Therefore it is unnecessary to explain that the instant the shricks and cries of the people were injured, 16 of them being lost the pocketbook. When she came home she told her husband about the As to whether he scolded her or R. C. Chambers, one of the proprie- not my informant does not say. At ed it. He has long been a student of tors of the turf exchange, both legs any rate, that evening the family telephone bell rang and on answering Wm. Helwig, a blind man, manager it a man's voice was heard to make the usual inquiries, after which he

> ,und a pocketbook today consleep in that household was sweet that night.

Next morning the husband of the voman who lost the pocketbook called ooth legs broken and skull fractured, at the office of the well-known gentleman who had telephoned. He was presented to a fine looking person who was said to be the one who owned the of bright leaf tobacco, which, he says; found property. The husband described the portmonnale accurately. including the contents, and the finder better at apted to such culture than Robbery was apparently not the mocription was correct.

The book was then produced and was promptly recognized.
"I am very much obliged to you for

The other looked serious for a mo-

nent, and then replied slowly:

more than 100 persons. Just as a gamin or a beggar he would not have From 106 to 1,000 pounds of high race in New Orleans was being called been in the least taken aback. But to grade ferillizers on a basis say of Sper by the operator the floor of the build-hear that sort of a cool bid for a pit-

tomary governing such cases. I should the most pitiable sights was when feel better if you would name the The man looked still more serious.

Taking a pencil from his pocket, he

paper. Det's see," he said, musingly, as split the diff-no, say two dollars. And he looked up at his victim with

The man dug into his pocket speechlessly, and handed out \$2, and started to sustab your farm such as grain, nited in some manner, causing the for the door. He thought he had had forage, deat, etc., then plant some the experience of his life. Not so. If Another report, which is probably the man's diminutiveness had been excorrect, says a driver of a gasoline wagon was filling a tank in the cellar hausted, his nerve hadn't. Reaching farming should plant from five to ten into his vest pocket, he drew out a into his vest pocket, he drew out a acres of tobacco, or from one to two card, handed it to the stupified caller barns. Is to the size of a crop that and said:

'Here's my card. In case you man, was taken from the jall and the man who found your wife's pocketbook."-Los Angeles Herald

Helned the Robbers

At Chicago on Wednesday Police not guilty of burglary, by a jury which returned its verdict of a locally sensational case in Judge McEwen court today. The burglary of Hage robbers \$10,000 for which \$7,000 was recovered by the police. James Clark and an accomplice were convicted and served terms in the penitentiary. Upon his release Clark told a story to the state's attorney which resulted in the arrest of Curran a saloon keeper, and Mahoney, a policeman, well known and respected among his fellows. Clary testified that Mahoney in full uniform stood guard while the jewelry store was being looted.

Burned to Death. At Malone, N. Y., four persons acreage to employ an experienced it in, were burned to death Christmas day try your immediate neighbors and in the house of Julius King, of Pierce- work up say 40 to 75 acres and write field a pulp and paper manufacturing me, as its important that this decistown in the Adriondacks. The fire lon should be made early. You sow relieves considerably the danger of a They took the slayer to a telephone had gained such headway before it the seed in the months of January the year when the interest on the hanged him. At first the negro was Govern. King's eldest daughter, and State debt must be met. No doubt the readiness of the roads to comply the begged hard for his life.

Towerd. King's edgest daughter, and defiant, but just before he was hanged the three chileren, who were siceping on the lower floor, were not able to building to do. Tobacco barns can be ge, out and all were burned to death. burned seriously. It is not known last from three to eight years, accordhow the fire started.

Killed by a Woman

News reached Mobile Friday of the killing on Dauphin island, in Mobile ter of George Sprinkle. Matthews was a son of a former mayor of Scran ten, Miss., where his remains were taken for bur'al. The details of the shooting are not known although one

The Dead'y Parler fillle.

At Springville, sela., on Wednesday Prof. Jacob Forney, of the State uni Prof. Forbey was a son of the late Maj. C. John H. Forney of the rmy.

TO PLANT TOBACCO.

Aereage Near Columbia:

SOME FACTS FOR PIONEERS. Waldell Talks About Soil

Richard County and Its Spitability for Culture of Weed.

Columbia State says Mr. H. Waddet, who is a native of Hallfax county. Argibia, has arrived in the city. He is the expert in tobacco who has been brought here to take charge of the commental farms to be established. lished near Postt Park by Mr. F. H. already one over considerable land in the vicinity of Columbia and inspecttobacco offure. Thursday he closed the contact with Mr. Hyatt for the cultivation of 50 acres, and will doubtless take 50 acres also for parties owning adjoining lands. Mr. Waddell has also closed with Mr. Huffman to furog a card bearing your wife's nish an expert to manage 66 acres of c. 1 supposed the book belouged his land across the river to place in his land across the river to place in The thanks of the relieved family were freely poured over the wire, and vise with them, and if they desire it secure men to take charge of the farms, get them here.

He withes to establish a tobacco warehouse the first season and expects is not supposed that he had it with to make doiumbla his home. Friday him when he went to the gate. Who he talker interestingly of the culture perpetrated the horrible deed is still to. He considers hose lands much the murderer have been found as yet. graciously acknowledged that the des-co both Li this State and North Caroina. H says he thinks there are from 5,0.0 to 10,000 acres in this implication that are thoroughly large that are thoroughly believed to 12,000 keriday Walter Powers, St. Louis, arm roken.

Eugene Daly, Hot Springs, both do lowe you for your first like and that raise thoroughly adapted to growing bright tobacco and that raise sufficient to establish a first class market. He says that a first class market. He says that self-drai and land of light color will The other looked serious for a mont, and then replied slowly:

Well, I hardly know just how grade. Jands of this nature racely

"Well, I hardly know just how much to say. Well, let's say—no. It's up to you."

To say that the husband of the pocketbook loser was surprised would be putting it mildly. Had he been haggling with a pickpocket, street land a little study of its exadition.

larmer, inexperienced stands in dread of the exin-toback pense and risk in planting tobacco. I longer than necessary, became uneasy would say just here there is a greater and started to the front of the house per centiof failure in agriculture in almost any other crop cultivated than to see the storehouse a mass of flames

out any estruction from any one.
"I do not approve of the one crop basis. do believe though in diversi-fied farring. It pays. Raise plenty cotton a d some tobacco. Even a onehorse firmer when he is fixed for can best be determined by your situation. The first item is land, then should ever want anything in our line capital, and next and most important we would like to have you remember is labor. The needy time in labor is the harvisting season, July and August, wien your other crops are all laid by after which it can be marketed with 5 per cent. less labor.

In large crops from 25 acres up, it pays to lave an experienced man who may be secured for an interest in the erop. Men that are most capable will cost you from the fact they can make money at it for themselves alone. have sucreeded in locating three men with cross from 30 to 60 acres and have two more I know personally to be capable of managing like quantities. I will aid any one in securing men; that is bring them in and give you my judgment on the land, inquire as to his references and see that all such get good tobacco seed free, providing any such will write me in the next few days and give me full particulars as to how and where they are located. 1 don't ask a penny for what I tell them or do for them. I do this simply with

a view of establishing a market here. "I would say to all interested: In the event you cannot plant suff, int ing to the care you take of them. After you once get fixed to make ing. tobacco you can make it and put it en the market at an average cost

of from 2 to 31 cents per pound, or bay, of Fred Matthews, by a daugh- from \$20 to \$35 an acre, according to asons and conditions as to labor will answer all inquiries. I furnish tobacco seed in plenty of time for you, so long as they last. This offer is conaned strictly to Richland and Lexington counties or not exceeding 30 miles

> Gets "Franciscons." In New Yorl Wednesday, Thomas second degree for having killed Nicho las Fish, th sentene

rom this point."

FOULLY MURDERED.

Expert) Take Charge of Considerable Mr. W. F. Hudsonn Found Dead in Twenty Million Dollars Raised by the

any known as the fron bridge, Friday of night, and the whole affair is so far shrouded in nystery. Ratify Saturated av morning Mr. W. F. Hudson, the from a millionaire to add the required amount to complete the full sum. The toll keeper, was found dead in his bed in a pool of blood, in his house by the in a pool of the donor is a secret, and will be made. In the Spartant-burg Herald some time ago of the burg Herald some time ago of the burg Herald some time ago of the subcommittee of th murder came from the cast side of the river as the postern shows marks on feller or Andrew Carnegie, notwitht, as if some one had tried to prize it standing that neither is a Methodist open from that side, while a few feet Another guess was hazarded that a off, the gate keeper's lantern was found with blood spots on it. The strings.

Blood trail begins on the right gate, where one spot is visible near the ground, and leads directly to the phone which is to the right of the house door. There is blood on the relation of feeling and the spot of the house door. ceiver, and the unfortunate man either

dle of the floor, and young Hudson lies in another one on his bed. His pistol was found on the desk, but It an unsolved story, and no very definite tive as nothing was taken out of the between 11 and 12 o'clock Friday night, seem to have been the last persons who saw Hudson before the mur class market. He says that ited and of light color will of acco, and those with the yellow ay subsoils will make a finer sands of this nature rarely it in producing color or quality. one, and the best evidence of the contidence and esteem he enjoyed in this community was his appointment to the same last year.

Killed by Robbers. A special from Matthews, Ga.

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idly consented to go to the store, nich was a short distance away, to thinking her husband was staying to see if he coming. She was startled the conclusion of the cabinet meeting and gave the alarm by screaming cannot rik this crop on a half-hand- Before assistance could arrive the Root were present. The Venezuelan irdered him, robbed the store and then set fire to it to cover up his crime. There is no clue to his

identity. Two Trains Collide. The Pennsylvania limited, running almost an hour late, crashed into the tribunal at the Hague. The Europrear end of the Leetsdale accomodation at Quaker Valley, Pa., Wednesday night at 11 o'clock. gine of the limited ploughed into the rear car, the smoker, like a knife tion to be conducted by President through paper, and the little car was Roosevelt, they assented to his sugpushed through the one ahead of it, gestion that the matter be referred to making the two cars the length of one. The crash was heard for a mile and of the case met the hearty approval of the limited, running at the rate of the members of the cabinet. No fear fifty-five miles an hour, carried the is expressed by the administration train from Quaker Valley to Edgeworth, a distance of almost half a brought into the controversy in any mile before it could be stopped. Many manner that might result in embarwere injured, some of them probably rassing the situation of the United fatally.

Santa Claus Burned. Forest Gale, 15-year-old boy attach ed to the Salvation Army, at Hamilton Ohio, was fatally burned Christ mas night while playing Santa Claus to 300 poor children. The accident occurred in the Salvation Army's hall where the annual Christmas enter tainment for the poor was in progress. Gale was swathed in rolls of cotton and wore a long beard of similar material. As he was frisking around the tree, picking gifts for each child, his clothes ignited by a candle. Fire enveloped him almost instantly, The false beard was burned and he in haled the flames. Gale was taken to a hospital, where he died in twenty minutes.

Found in a Well. The body of John Miller, a young man who had not been seen since Sunday night, was found in a well at Bythere was discovered that Mrs. M. J. Me- and Pebruary and it is essential that erly's brick yard one mile east of Winyou should push forward your work, ston, N. C., late Wednesday afternoon. It is believed that Rufus Stevenson, who committed suicide yesterbuilt from \$30 up. A barn will har- day afternoon, and his brother, Sand One of the children, whose body was from 4 to 7 acres owing to size Stevenson, killed Miller and threw found close to window, evidently had and season. Its lifetime is about 20 him in the well. Sand Stevenson was made heroic efforts to escape. King years, so practically your building arrested near the Stocks county line and his wife, with a few boarders on doesn't cost much. It is the other yesterday afternoon. He is in jail. an upper floor, escaped by jumping small expenditures, such as flues. A woman tells the officers that the out of the windows. One man was sticks and canvas for plant beds: they Stevenson brothers and Miller were at her house Sunday and that the latter had money. All of them were drink-

Leg Crushed. Mr. Will Moody, a fireman on the

Georgia road, went under the engine

which he was firing when the train made the stop at Social Circle, Ga. to make some repairs to the ash pan and while in a position with one leg extending across the track the engine moved, the wheel passing over the left leg and mangling it so that amputation was necessary. The other hip was badly bruised and dislocated. At the time of the accident there was versity, was accidentally killed while J Sharkey, the rivate detective, who little hope for recovery, but he is im-shooting sparrows with a parlor rifle, was convicted manuslaughter in the proving and there is good hope for and, it is said, was at one time mayor State prison for ten bia.

The at the southern road and lived in Columperished in a storm in an attempt to married a

THANKSGIVING OFFERING.

Methodist Episcopal Church.

A dispatch to The State from Cam. Success has crowned the efforts of the Says horrible tragedy was enacted the Methodist Episcopal Church to at the Wateree River bridge, generally known as he from bridge, Friday fering fund of \$20,000,000. About

Vanderbilt had opened his purse-

Rev. Dr. Edmund M. Mills, who has had charge of the work of raising the fund, refuses to discuss the matter, but admits that the final gift has been "underwritten." Of the thankoffering fund \$8,000,000 will be devodeavored to 'phone or reached for is gun, which hung over the door.
A large pool of blood is on the midness, and the prediction was made that the result will be that not a Methodist Church in the country will remain with a vestige of a debt hanging over it after the committee concludes its work. Along this same line will be the establishment of a fund of \$1,500,000 to provide pensions for aged and infirm ministers: The fund for this purpose will be increased when opportunity presents itself.

The contributions have been sur-prising in their nature. The Norwegian conference, in Minnesota, which is made up of a membership frugal, but far from wealthy, has contributed its sentiment, together with the influence of several members of congress To the education of Methodist chil-

dren nearly \$8,000,000 will be devoted. This fund has been gathered largely through the efforts of the presidents of Methodist institutions of learning.
The sum of \$1,176,800 was raised by
Syracuse University. The Ohio Weseyan University raised \$1,002,800.

It is understood that \$5,000,000 will be devoted to the hospital work. Pen years ago the Methodists had not a hospital in the world, while have 20 in the United State several others are under way. Will be Arbitrated.

A dispatch from Washin President Roosevelt will no trator in the venezuelan co The whole verations questic referred for automized, this is the tribunal. Epitomized, this is the situation as it had resolved itself at the Corbin Lock Company, Bridgeport today. The meeting was not a long All the members except

Londen, Berlin, Rome and Caracas In accordance with the suggestion of President Roosevelt, President Castro of Venezuela, was reported to have igreed to submit the differences between his government and the European powers to arbitration of the can powers have not only conseilted to consented to submit the controver-The big en- sy to arbitration, but while they expressed a preference for the arbitrathe Hague court. The presentation that the Monroe doctrine will be

Broiled Alive.

States.

A horrible accident occurred at the Richland distillery on Christmas eve. About half-past 4 o'clock Charlie Till man, a colored employee, while walking along the gangway just above one of the great slop vats which holds 2,500 gallons, slipped and fell into the vat. It was filled with boiling slop, the stuff from which the whiskey had already been extracted. This stuff was at the time of a temperature of 200 degrees Fabrenheit. When Tillman fell into the vat two fellow workmen tried to save his life. quickly managed to grasp his hands and pulled him out. He hardly spent more than two minutes in the vat, but when he was drawn out he, was meonscious and had really been cooked alive He was in such condition that his clothing had to be cut from his boiled flesh. Dr. Kendall was hastily summoned and found the man still breathing. He administered opiates and as soon as possible the sufferer was removed to the colored hospital. Through everything possible wrs done to save the man's life, death came and relieved his awful sufferings. He had inhaled the deadly vapor from

Rev. W. M. Jones Shot

the vat.-Columbia State

While out hunting Rev. W. M. Jones, the pastor of the Williston Baptist church, was seriously wounded in the right arm by the accidental lischarge of his gun, in removing it from the buggy, in which he, with Dr. John A. McCreary, was riding. It was at first thought that amputation would be necessary, but hopes are now entertained that the arm may be saved

Frozen to Death.

Joseph Harlton, an old prospector, missing for the past three weeks, has been found dead within three hundred yards of his cabin near Ilse, Col. grooms formed a clicic around the recovery. He at one time worked on of Atlanta. It's supposed that he monial club seek shelter and food.

MAIL BOX-SCANDAL

A Few Manufacturers Were Selected and Favored by Smith.

LEAKING OUT AS A SCANDAL

aspector or Personater a Patentee Mail Box and Brought the

service and the chief of the division of salary and allowance, of the postoffice department, without the recommendation of the postmaster general. As a sequel to the episode mentioned, what promises to be a very interesting matter has come up in regard, to the officials of the postoffice department and it is said that an investigation will be asked, to be conducted by congress. The matter is in connection with the box question of the rural free

delivery service. During the administration of Postmaster General Smith a regulation of the department required that boxes purchased for use on rural free delivery routes must be selected from a certain number of boxes, approved by the department, and made by a small. number of the manufacturers of such goods. Dissath faction was caused by this regulation, both because the patrons of the service disliked to be forced to buy a certain box, and because certain manufacturers were apan average of \$22 per member. The German conference of Oregon has contributed an average of \$20 per member. From the son of an old Methodist minister came a gift of Mr. Payne, upon his assumption of the duties of the office of postmasterthe duties of the office of postmaster-general, had adopted another regulation, which prescribed only the materials and size of the boxes to be used; and allowed them to be made by anyone, who could make a box meeting these requirements. This, it was thought, would remove all the former dissatisfaction and for a time, such was the case.

It is said now, however, that there is an understanding between some of the high authorities of the rural free

delivery is to be pu

vored, according to the reports, are the Corbin Lock Company, Bridgeport Conn., the Century company, of Detroit, the Bond Steel Post Company,

presented the net results of the cable partment, whose business is the laying correspondence with the governments out of rural free delivery routes, while York, went to Bridge port, and, under the pretence of being engaged in the laying out of a route from that point, assisted in the perfeeting of a box in the shops of the Corbin company. In a short time, it was decided by the department to lay in supply of about \$75,000 worth of poxes, and the inspector who had perfeeted the box was one of the comnission appointed to select the box of which so large a supply should be purchased by the department. The plan,

or some reason, was abandoned. It has been discovered, so the paper ays, that one of the high officials he department is a large stockholder in each of the companies whose agents have the advantage of others in being able to get upon the ground first.

Another feature of the situation is brought about by the fact that officers of the rural free delivery division are unquestionably in a posit" a such that they might be able to confer favors upon certain members of congress, and n return receive favors, and in fact t is stated by the local paper above referred to that instances are not rare where a member of congress, upon inquiry about routes where he possible reason for the refusal of the department to establish the service, has been told that nothing could be done for him in the matter of rural free delivery, while others, in the better graces of the officials, experience no difficulty in securing any routes desired.

The operations of this oligarchy, or postoffice department trust, as it is called, may be inquired into by congress upon its reassembling in Janu-

A Romance.

Three years ago while Miss Caroline C. Pritchard, of Pottsville, Pa., was nurging the Vanderbilt family at Newport, R. I., she met Harry P. Smith, a retired millionaire, of Boston. The romance then begun reached a happy conclusion in their wedding at Pottsville Friday. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. James T. Satchell, at the home of the bride's father, ex-Chief of Police D. C. Pritchard, Miss Edna Stichler acted as bridesmald; L. L. Pritchard, brother of the bride, was best man The wedding was very quiet and Mr. Smith and Mis. Smith left on an extended Mediterranean trip. Smith is a member of the New York Yatch Club and of the Eastern Yatch Club. Mr. Smith and his bride will later take a cruise in his handsome vatch Adrienne.

By Wholesale.

At Armstrong, Mo., Rev. Naylor performed a marriage ceremony Christmas night in which five couples were united. The brides and brideminister and clasped the vows.