He Has a Good Time Watching the Grandchildren Play With

Their Toys This Christmas is like "lengthened sweetness long drawn out" at our house, for the boys have gathered from the four corners and brought born daughter-her daughter. Music shares, the reorganization managers their love and their rations with them. New York brought a huge box of decorations for the Christmas tree. It was beautiful beyond description. Dolls of silk and satin and paper, all her touch upon the ivory keys is still any representation in the reorganized covered with glittering spangles—little as delicate as when she was a lassic of angels with pearly wings suspended by sixteen. I used to think that I, too, shareholders had to pay \$10 per share threads of invisible rubber, golden had a melodious voice, and sometimes and the East Tennesse, common stockharps and hearts and wreaths of spun would venture to hist the tune in Sunglass in rainbow colors -- scores of little waxen candles to illuminate the scene. Oh, it was like a fairy vision, and every limb and twig of the stately long body else ever told me so, and one day leaf pine was burdened with Christ- my wife said that my voice was a little mas gifts for old and young. There cracked and if she was me she would tion syndicate had to step into the gap. were twenty-four of the family present, and it took half the night to untie and unfold the surprises, for all were reshocked me, and I have never sang in church since, or anywhere else There membered over and over again by old Santa, Yes, all, even to the venerable old patriarch—the "Paterfamilias," the antique ancestor, for he brought me a ba'l and a monkey jack and some candy, because he had heard that I was the boy-the only boy-about the house. But later on I discovered a silk cap and a pair of slippers, some handkerchiefs and an inkstand that the little grandchildren can't spill the ink

Little Mary Lou, who is Jessie's child, got so many dolls and pretty things that she looked tired and, draw- THROWING OFF THE MASK. ing a long breath, said: "Ganpa, it" too much, and I can't hardly stand it.' There were toys and books, and vases and perfumes, and baskets and gloves, and jewels and other gifts too numerous to mention. Mexico brought a beautiful hand-woven Castilian shawi for my wife, and she struts around as hthe and gay as Eden's garden bird. "My boy brought it from Mexico," she says, forty times a day. " My boy of her tongue. Well, that's all right. Bunches of mistletoe hang from every mischievous girls find me standing under one, they slip up unawares and normal dignity and, coming slyly behind me, suddenly wrapped the drapery of her Castilian shawl around me and claimed a mistletoe kiss from my con-

out of if they do turn it over.

nearly fifty years has stood upon the to it of \$433,000 per annum, and that cording the hours as they pass did not company's common stock of \$120,000, stop on Christmas night, and at midnight the happy group retired to rest off that amount of revenue per year and happy dreams. Next day came would be tantamount to depriving the intermediate space crowded with luxuries for the inner man and woman. Eighteen of the family were the welcome guests at the table, while six of the infantiles surrounded a smaller one nearby. I never asked a blessing with and finally (apparently to cliuch a a more grateful heart, for Providence weak argument) "that it does not rest has been kind, and since last we met no affliction or calamity has befallen us. Verily, the lines have fallen to us in pleasant places. Would that all our kindred and friends-yes, would that every family in the land-the rich and the poor-could have a like happy and unclouded Christmas. As I survey the happy scene it is enough to look upon the serenity of the maternal ancestor as she gazes fondly upon her boys-yes, her boys, who have come so far to give her joy and comfort. Oh, ye boys -ye young men and middle aged, whom fortune or fate has removed far from a good old mother's tender care and solicitude, don't forget her yearnings and if you cannot go to reorganization committee was not on her at least once a year, write to her every month and comfort her with your loving letters. The papers are full of crimes of all descriptions, but in my opinion, there is none that will more surely provoke the curse of God than for a man to neglect or distress his mother.

Yesterday the boys with their mother and sisters visited the old home- to cast aspersions upon a body of men stead-the farm in the country, where womanhood-where these scattered boys worked and plowed and planted and reaped where they had sown; where they labored bard by day and wanted to revisit the old scenes and of its onerous character. drink water from the same old gushthe old meadow where the big trees ing which everyone else had abanthat was named for Voorhees, the tall sycamore of the Wabash

They wanted to see the old barnyard where they used to tease old Pete, the Morino ram, and incite him to rear defiant and provoking m wner. Sometimes they got out of his way just in time, but ever and anon they dident. stay at home and take care of Jessie's children.

in these dozen years; how the house cheaper than at any previous period seemed to have sank into the ground a in its history.

BILI, ARP AND HIS CHILDREN ened at the top. I've been through all railway is of the same baseless char-OUR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT THE CENTURY IN COTTON. work heretofore requiring at least 100 pleasures we have music, good music, companies. Everybody in the financlassical music of the great masters cial and railroad world knows that the and minstrel music with choruses from terms were not liberal. Indeed, the all the band and even my wife, Mrs. Aip, was constrained to play the one. Leaving out of account what may "Caliph of Bagdad" with her firstis our family's gift, for they all play on levied heavy assessment on these old something, and all have voices for har- stocks, and also on some classes of mony of sweet sounds. This gift, I bonds, and the security-holders had to suppose, comes from their mother, and pay these assessments in order to get

> kind, but nobody will tell them. They are called talsetto. Farewell Christmas farewell old Santa Claus-while we all rejoice, let

> > BILL ARP.

refusal.

The Interstate Commerce Commission and the Railroads.

grateful.

N. Y. Financial Chronicle, Dec. 1, 1900. In a decision rendered this week the Interstate Commerce commission has thrown off all disguise and has revealed the animus which is controlling its course and action. The framers of the interstate law intended that the comand my children" are always on the tip mission should act in an impartial manner, deciding cases before it They are her boys, sure enough, and strictly in accordance with their merits. she knows it. There may be some The board has from the first acted as doubt, sometimes, about who is the if it were the champion of the shippers, father of a child, but everybody knows and as if its chief function consisted in who is its mother. Downstairs has all harassing and embarrassing the railbeen clothed with mistletoe and holly. roads and ruling against them when Geraniums from the pit are placed all occasion offered. But while the comaround, and some beautiful roses lift mission could not conceal the bias it up their lovely forms from beautiful felt, its utterances at least have hither, vases that old Santa Claus brought. to been couched in judicial and unobjectionable language, thus preserving chandelier, and every time these merry, a semblance of impartiality. This week, however, it has finally thrown precaution to the winds. The Southclaim a kiss. Even Mrs. Arp lost her ern Railway company had asked for a rehearing in a case involving relative rates to Lynchburg, Danville, etc., which had been decided against it in the spring. In its petition the com-But the old marble clock that for of the commission would involve a loss mantel ticking the moments and re- as no dividend had been paid on the the Christmas dinner. Every owners of the stock of their property leaf was placed on the long extension without due process of law. The comtable. At each end was a large weil- mission makes an attempt to disput browned, well-done turkey, and all the the figures of loss given, and then goes on to say that the stock was issued as part of a reorganization scheme under which the company came into existence, that it does not appear that any thing was ever paid upon such stock,

> upon the whole Southern country." The allusion here to the "whim of a reorganization committee" in "Wall street" is not only irrelevant and in exceedingly bad taste, violating every rule of official propriety, but in the inference which it seeks to convey is a gross misrepresentation of the facts of the case. There was no occasion for lugging in the reorganization committee at all, and we can conceive of no reason for so doing, except a desire on the part of some of the members to pose before the country as foes of the railroad and financial interests. The trial, and if the commission deemed the capitalization of the Southern railway excessive and wanted to maintain ts position with reference to the rate question, a decorous statement to that effect would have answered every purpose and have shown that the board still had some regard for its official nosition. Instead, the commission seeks who in reorganizing the old Richmond

mittee in Wall street to impose a tax

our children grew up to manhood and and West Point Terminal company and its constituent properties rendered as important a public service as was ever rendered under similar circumstances by a like body anywhere in the counhunted coons and 'possums by night; try. As a matter of fact the reorgan-where they went to the naboring mill ization committee, instead of being piland fished in the pond while the grist loried, should be held up to public apwas grinding; where Carl and Jessie proval and praise. They accomplished went to school and crossed the creek a task which seemed wellnigh hopeless

on a slender footlog, and gathered haws -a task which several previous comand maypops and wild strawberries on mittees formed for the same purpose the way. These boys and their sisters had been obliged to abandon because The imputation that this committee. ing spring. These boys wanted to see which carried to success an undertak-

stood in their majesty-the oak trees doned, sought by the reorganization "to that we had named for Roscoe Conk- impose a tax upon the whole Southern ling and Blaine, and the big sycamore country" is absolutely without any foundation in truth, and has nothing whatever to sustain it. When these people took hold the properties constituting the present Southern railway system were a physical as well as on his hind legs and run to butt them financial wreck. The service was bad, as they presented their posteriors in a and the costly way in which it was rendered forbade the possibility of cheapening the charge to the public. The reorganizers provided the means

and he sent them on their winding way for rehabilitating the system, and scratching the ground on their allfours. poured millions upon millions into it They wanted to see the grave of old for its improvement and development. Bows, that good old dog whom they Now at last the territory served by the loved. I did not go for there was no lines has a railroad service worthy of room, and as I am the boy, I had to the name. So far from having imposed a tax upon any portion of the Southern country, we venture the as-Well they came back in due time sertion that the South today, as the and it was amusing to me to hear them result of these efforts and expenditell how everything had changed with- tures, is being served better and year.

foot or two and the farm had shrunk up and the fields were smaller and the hills lower and the shade trees short-

terspersed with our daily and nightly in exchange for the stocks of the old organization was a peculiarly drastic

holders had to pay \$7.20 per share; day school when the tune hyster was and besides had their holdings reduced absent and, like the crow who tried to 40 per cent. So hard were these terms sing, I thought I did it finely. No considered that many of the security owners sacrified their holdings rather than accept them, and the reorganizanot try to raise the tunes in the church If the interstate commerce commission any more. It was a revelation that does not know all this it is inexcusably ignorant on a most important subject, coming directly within its province. are voices in church choirs of the same | And what benefits have the securityholders who came in under the reorganization scheme received thus far? They have had no dividends upon their holdings of common stock, and today us not forget that Christmas comme- six and a half years after the reorganimorates the birth of the Savior of men zation, they find these shares quoted -the nativity of Kris Kringle, which in the market at the munificent figure means "the little Christ child." It of 17. When, therefore, the managers is well enough to rejoice, but we of the company sought to protect these should at the same time reflect and be shareholders against the action of the interstate commerce commission in threatening a large reduction of the

> ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO Some Advantages Which A Modern Man Has Over His Predecessor.

commission in denying the request for

frained from injecting abuse into the

rehearing might at least have re-

One hundred years ago a man could ot take a ride on a steamboat.

He could not go from Washington to New York in a few hours. He had never heard of a Pullman

palace car porter. He had never seen an electric light r dreamed of an electric car.

He could not make a cake of ice as g as a lump of sugar. He could not cool himself under an electric fan or warm bimself at a steam

He couldn't talk through the tele-

shone, and he had never heard of the nello girl. He had never seen a shirt waist or ainy day skirt.

He could not ride a bicycle. He could not call in a stenographer

and dictate a letter. He had never received a type written ommunication. No matter how grave a crime he

ommitted, he never could be electrocuted for it. He had never heard of the germ

heory or worried over bacilli and bacteria.

photographer or had his picture taken. He wouldn't have known a comple ens from a gin Rickey. He had never heard of Neptune and

Ceres. He couldn't measure the distance be ween the stars.

He knew nothing of the chemical omposition of the stars. He had heard of oxygen, but would in the whim of a reorganization com-

not have understood an allusion to He had never heard of the molecular constitution of matter, or the conservation of energy, and did not know hat he was descended from a monkey.

He could not predict a rain or anounce the coming of a cold wave or cyclone. He was aware that there was such thing as electricity, but looked upon

t as a germ. He never heard a phonegraph talk or aw a kinetoscope turn out a prize

He never saw through a Webster's Unabridged Dictionary with the aid of

Roentgen ray. He had never taken a ride in an ele He had never imagined such a thing

as a typesetting machine or a typewriter. He had never used anything but a

ooden plow. ewing machine.

He had never struck a match on his ants or on anything else. He had never hung up against a gas-

He had never seen a searchlight or lrunk a cocktail. He couldn't take an anaesthetic and ave his leg cut off without feeling it. He knew nothing of geology because

eology knew nothing of itself. He had never visited a free library. He had never purchased a ten cent garded as a miracle of art.

He could not buy a paper for a nickel and learn everything that had happened the day before all over the world. He had never seen a McCormack eaper or a self binding harvester.

He had never crossed an iron bridge or traveled in a public omnibus. He had never sailed through the He had never used a deadly explosive

or tried smokeless powder. In short there were several things that he could not do and several things he did not know .- Memphis Commer-

cial-Appeal. The total number of inquests held during the year just closed by the Coroner of Charleston County was 85, divided as follows: Murders, 26; drownings, 15; as results of railroad accidents, etc., 15; burning, 4; miscellaneous, 8; suicide, 3; accidental shootings, 9; explosions by lamp, 1; justifiable homicides, 4.

This country exports nearly \$10,000,-000 worth of fruit to England every

Bears the The Kind You Hare Always Bought

Maurens

Bales of Cotton and Manufacture Five Million Bales in 1910. Progress made by the South in cot-

ton manufacturing during the past ten years is likely to be duplicated during the next ten years if certain conditions Dr. Charles W. Dabney, formerly as- lowing: sistant Secretary of Agriculture, now To the Editor The World: president of the University of Tennesce, and recognized as an authority in agricultural advance of the South. In able growth of which-from a crop of his paper he contends that undue about 9,000 bales n the year 1790weight should not be given natural re- will be shown by a .ance at the folsources, but that the people who must convert them into wealth must also be considered. Among the natural resources he reckons the soil and climate of the South, the best in the world for the growing of cotton ; its water-power from rivers running eastward, southward and westward from the Appala- 1870-1871 chian Mountains to be used directly or through electric transmission; abundant coal from 47,000 square miles of workable fields, of which less than a thousand square miles have been developed up to the present time, and an lesired conditions for the most refined kinds of cotton manufacturing. He finds that to these natural resources nust be added an intelligent and reaof young people, and on that point he has been reached. company's revenues, they were evidently doing only their duty. The says:

"It is well known that the white people of the Piedmont section of the South form an excellent mantacturing population. They come from an intelligent and kindly race, who learn rapidly to be skillful mechanics. With artisans as can be found anywhere. There is less opportunity for unions among this domestic population; these mills are owned largely by local people and modified co-operation promises to keep out the vicious walking delegate and all his kind. The negro has not been much used in the mill so far, but there is little doubt but that he will be employed in particular mills or in those ines of manufacturing which require cheaper labor, with less ability to think. The negro is by nature an imitative creature and rapidly learns any process that is shown him. He is thus well acapted to all those forms of manufacture that do not require originality or

forethought. " The only thing that we need in the South for an almost indefinite expansion of cotton manufacturing is more capital and more technical experts, both in the business and in the manufacturing departments. The capital will be forthcoming, as it always is, as of it and use it. The Southern people The great need of the South to-day is men to organize and conduct the business of manufacturing, but especially He never looked pleasant before a men who know how to build and operation has been been also before a at the cotton mills themselves. The vement for technical education, and ospecially that for textile schools, is

going to supply these experts at an to operate many more cotton mills in the South is more education for the masses of the people, from whom the nical training for the young men who are to build and operate the mills. All these things are surely coming, and they all betoken the prodigious development of cotton manufacturing during the next ten years.

" The Southern States now produce more than 66 per cent, of all the cotton consumed in the world and manufacture about 7 per cent. of it, while the Northern States manufacture about 13 per cent. With China and Africa both opened to our trade, with the canal cut between the Atlantic and Pacific, I prophesy that in ten years the Southern States will have trebled the number of their spindles and will be manufacturing at least 20 per cent. of the cotton of the world, which by that time will be at least 20,000,000 bales. The South manufactured about 1,500,000 bales last year; this means, allowing for improvement in machinery, that she must prepare to manufacture 5,000,000 bales, half her present crop, by 1910, when she will be probably growing at least 15,000,000. When we consider her past progress and her magnificent resources in con-

nection with the opening up of the

East, and the general advancement

of civilization, we cannot expect any

THE RUNNING OF A FAST TRAIN. A speed of ninety miles per hour was ecently made by the Black Diamond Express of the Lehigh Valley railroad, says the Railway Review. The train nagazine which would have been re- consisted of four Pullman cars and an 'Atlantic' type engine. The train was thirteen minutes late at Rochester Junction, and on this run to Manchester an attempt to make up the lost time was made, and was more than accomplished. One section of the road a listance of 5.1 miles was made in exactly three minutes and forty-one seconds. For the last 1,800 feet of that distance the brakes were applied, slowing down for a train order board. The list four and three-quarter miles by This speed was timed by three watches, which never left the hands of the men miles, was covered in nineteen minutes and ten seconds. This time was taken from a standing start at Manchester, the speed being reduced to a rate of twenty-five miles per hour through the Manchester yards.

> CASTORIA. Boars the Mind You Have Always Bough Mgnature of Carte Ilstans

The South to Raise Fifteen Million The Outlook for Our Chief Staple is One of Great Promise.

One of the striking developments of the South has been in the increased the plant kept running constantly. production and manufacture of cotton. At this century mile-stone we are taking backward glances at the progress we have made, and to the South genare met. The outlook in this direction erally anything relative to cotton is inis discussed at length in last week's teresting. In the New Year's issue of issue of the Manufacturers' Record by the New York World appears the fol-The close of the present century suggests a brief review of the cotton matters affecting the industrial and industry of this country, the remark-

Total production --120,000 1.150,000 850-1851 4 350,000 6 600 000 1890-1891

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1899-1900 9 436,000 The increase in production is still more remarkable if we consider that equable climate, in which are the de- in 1800 the average weight per bale was about 225 pounds. By 1820 it when Frank M. Player, the dispenser, had increased to 260 pounds, 1840 to was placed behind the bars of the 365 pounds, from which period the Kingstree jail to answer at the next weight has steadily increased until the sonably cheap labor, largely made up present average of about 506 pounds

While our producing power enables us to supply the world with the raw announcing that Dispenser Player had materal, we view with equal interest been held up at the back door of the and pride the rapid increase of our dispensary by four masked men and spinning industry. In 1850 the robbed of \$1,800. Player stated that quantity of cotton consumed in this he was unable to identify any of the country was less than 500,000 bales, in proper training they make as expert | 1870 it had increased to 1,000,000 bales, and last year the takings of the mills amounted to 3,665,000 bales.

These striking figures are very largely the result of the recent industrial enterprise of the South.

The opening of the Oriental markets presents a new avenue of trade, of which our cotton-goods merchants will not be slow to take advantage.

Briefly, the outlook for the cotton trade in this country is one of great promise.

WILLIAM V. KING. Exchange.

tion of the whole country. In the new century southward the star of progress will take its course, and the great field that Player was incompetent to fill the of development is here. The building of the Nicaragua canal will be another soon as the men are found to take care great factor in the development of this was badly imposed on by his friends section. It is true that the people of and loaned out the State's money as health for some time. He was born are getting richer every year, and will undoubtedly invest their spare means in the North, East and Northwest have undoubtedly invest their spare means in the fortunes, but in searching about contrary to the dispensary law.

The Southern people of the title that the people of the North, East and Northwest have well as credited out liquor, which is contrary to the dispensary law.

The population receipts and educated in France, but in 1860 that there were searched out the State's money as meant nor some time. He was born and educated in France, but in 1860 that there were searched out the State's money as meant nor some time. The was born and educated in France, but in 1860 that there were searched out the State's money as meant nor some time. The population receipts and educated in France, but in 1860 that there were searched out the State's money as meant nor some time. The was born and educated in France, but in 1860 that there were searched out the State's money and educated in France, but in 1860 that there were searched out the State's money and educated in France, but in 1860 that there were searched out the State's money and educated in France, but in 1860 that there were searched out the State's money and educated in France, but in 1860 that there were searched out the State's money and educated in France, but in 1860 that there were searched out the State's money and educated in France, but in 1860 that there were searched out the State's money and educated in France, but in 1860 that there were searched out the State's money and educated in France, but in 1860 that there were searched out the State's money and educated in France, but in 1860 that the searched out the State's money and educated in France, but in 1860 that the searched out the State's money are searched out the State's money and educated in France, but in 1860 that the searched out the State's money and educated in France, but in 1860 that the searched out the searched South the most inviting field. There is abundant room here for added he was not required to ronew it, and it with the Confederate government. population and capital, and there is no is stated that Player, while under the

Maj. John W. Thomas, president of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. early time. Our conclusion, then, is that the only things we need in order sighted business man, has truthfully declared that there are associated and could not hurt him, as his bondhad exconspiring factors in the future growth of this section of the United States laborers will be drawn, and more tech- that no other country in any age has ever offered to human energy. He thus summarized these factors:

"1. The capacity of the soil of the South to feed five times the population it has at present. "2. The large area of its coal fields,

embracing 47,000 square miles that have seams of workable thickness. " 3. The large quantity of iron ore found in eight of the fourteen Southern

States. "4. The ability, by reason of the cheapness of coal and iron ores, to make cheap iron, which is now the standard basis and meter of civiliza-

" 5. The national advantages for the manufacture of cotton and wool. "6. The large extent of forests and the thousands of industries that will naturally spring from the presence of

FREE SEED DISTRIBUTION.

The Agricultural Department is Sending Out Large Bulk of Garden Seeds.

The largest annual seed distribution ever made by the government began last week by the shipment of garden seed to farmers of the Southern States, and will continue until every part of the country has been reached. The Southern States, where planting times comes earliest, will be served first, and the Northern States last.

The demand for government seeds by the farmers is constantly increasing. In the past Representatives have found it necessary to purchase seeds to supply the demands of their constituents, and as a consequence the appropriation was increased at the last session of Congress from \$130,000 to \$170,000. This will allow an increase in each Representative's quota of seed of over 3,000 packages, each package contain-

ing five or six varieties of seeds. While the Agricultural Department is charged with the enormous yearly actual blue print measurement was task of getting these seeds ready for run in three minutes and eight seconds. shipment through the mails under the frank of the members of Congress, it has been the custom to let the contract holding them. The total distance was for furnishing and packing the seeds covered at an average of eighty-eight to private individuals or firms. Last miles an hour, and the cate for the year a California planter secured the first four and three-quarters was ex- contract, but the distribution just to actly ninety miles per hour. On the be made and the one for next year same run the distance between Roches- will be executed for the government ter Junction and Manchester, 20.1 by the New York Market Garden As sociation. This firm has leased the large building No. 1210 D street, Washington, and is establishing a plant

the work of packing.

girls. Not withstanding this great labo saving device, it would be necessary for the tirm to employ at least one hundred girls. This worked in a day and a night shift, and

Advertiser.

Besides the envelope filling machines, several other machines are to used for making the envelopes. Several carl ads of paper are now stored in the basement of the building to be used in this way.

In speaking of the seed distribution Secretary Wilson said: "This distribution of garden seed is not a matter of particular pride with the Agricultural Department, but is one of our duties, and we endeavor to discharge it. All the seeds sent out will be tested for germination, purity and variety. The work in the D street building will be constantly under the surveillance of inspectors from this department, and everything will be done to have the distribution now to be made better and more expeditiously accomplished than previous ones.'

THE KINGSTREE DISPENSER

Charged With Malfeasance in Office Gross Carelessness and Incompetency.

The Kingstree dispensary case reached a chmax Saturday afternoon term of court to the charge of malfeasance in office.

A few days ago Gov. McSweeney received a telegram from Kingstree men and readily gave up and allowed them to help themselves to the contents of his safe. The story was published at the time in full. Player had been dispenser for about a year, and this is the third robbery that he had reported since he had filled that posi-

Gov. McSweeney detailed W. II Holloway, a special constable, to accompany Mr. Stansell, an inspector, to Kingstree, to look into the matter and, if possible, to arrest the guilty party or parties. They have been at work continuously ever since and were Superintendent New York Cotton reinforced by Constables J. F. Bateman, George S. McCravy and member The industrial progress of the South of the State board, A. F. H. Dukes. s recognized by the superintendent of An examination of the books and stock the New York Cotton Exchange in his on hand show a shortage of at least communication, and in the same way \$2,500. Such is the condition of the sions to the State Hospital for the it is impressing itself upon the atten- books that it is next to impossible to get at the exact amount.

The statement of these gentlemen is position and had no conception of the duties required of him. Evidently he

Player's bond expired December population and capital, and there is no other section of the country that offers so many advantages to men and money.

Is stated that Player, while under the influence of liquor, boasted on the streets Christmas day that he had \$2,000 in his pocket, and when respect to the population and capital, and there is no other section of the country that offers so many advantages to men and money.

Dr. H. Baer, of Charleston, died on the streets of the part of the population and capital, and there is no other section of the country that offers so many advantages to men and streets Christmas day that he had \$2,000 in his pocket, and when respect to the population and capital, and there is no other section of the country that offers so many advantages to men and streets Christmas day that he had \$2,000 in his pocket, and when respect to the population and capital, and there is no other section of the country that offers so many advantages to men and streets Christmas day that he had \$2,000 in his pocket, and when respect to the population and capital, and there is no other section of the country that offers so many advantages to men and streets Christmas day that he had \$2,000 in his pocket, and when respectively. pired.

At a previous robbery, which occurred just after the primary, Player re- marked success in business. ported that he had been robbed of board allowed him and credited the the celebrated military academy in amount, but when an investigation Charleston which bears his name, has was made it was found that he was

Player paid up. These facts, together with other evi dences of criminal carelessness, convinced those in charge of the case to swear out a warrant against Player, which was done by W. H. Holloway and placed in the hands of Constable Bateman for execution.

Bateman went to Player's home and quietly arrested him. Player broke down and wept like a child. He protested that he had done nothing wrong and added that he had loaved out some small sums of money to his friends. which his books would show, but vigorously stuck to his story concerning the robbery.
Selicitor John S. Wilson was in town

o represent the State, and although Player employed counsel, a preliminary was waived and he was sent to jail in default of \$2,000 bail. Player's home was searched a few

days ago, but nothing was found in the shape of money. He has turned over to Treasurer Rollins \$135, which he claims was under his pillow at the time of the robbery. The dispensary is now in the hands

board, but will not be reopened until a as it can be done a new county board side doors. will also be appointed. The State 18 in possession of much criminating evidence, which will not be made known until the case is called in court.

Player comes of a good family in Clarendon County, who have always stood well in their community.

A HISTORIC SITE .-- A delegation from Virginia has appeared before the House committee on military affairs relative to the project of having the government acquire the titles to the historic site at Yorktown, Va., where the revolutionary struggle closed with the surrender of Lord Cornwallis. The delegation included the Virginia Senators and Representatives, A. O. Mauck the owner of the property, and several members of the Virginia House of The site includes five hundred acres

sheltered Washington, LaFayette and father watched the sheriff as the ropes Rochambeau when the surrender was consummated. At the hearing me- eyes from his son as he was being exof machinery with which to do most of morials were presented from a number of State Legislatures asking that the down the old man sought the sheriff A newly patented machine for filling with seed and scaling the little envelopes is to be used. Eight of these machines are being installed. Each site was suited for national encamp-

STATE NEWS AND NOTES. Gathered From Our Exchanges and Other Sources.

city of Columbia for the past year were \$133,879. The new century was ushered in in

Charleston by the pealing of the chimes of old St. Michael's. Prof. John L. Pressly has been late-

German at Erskine College. Gaffney and Laurens are preparing to have the residence, business house

and vacant lots numbered. Lieutenant Governor Scarborough has ordered an election for a successor to Senator Mauldin, of Hampton.

A reward of \$200 has been offered by Governor McSweeney for the arrest of the Kingstree dispensary robbers. Governor McSweeney has ordered an election for a successor to Sheriff

Kennedy, of Abbeville, who was killed ast week. The liquor sales in Laurens for two days during the Christmas holidays went over \$2,000, while that at Abbe

ville was about \$2,000. Conway recently had the largest fire in her history. Two stores, a residence and several smaller buildings were burned. The cause of the fire is vet unknown.

From the time the privilege tax on fertilizers was inaugrated this tax nas yielded the State \$760,696.18. The

It will be interesting to know that that there are 7,707 pensioners on the of the results of the year's operations, rolls. Of this number 4,575 are old and particularly in regard to the persoldiers and 3,132 are the widows of manent improvements made. veterans.

The News and Courier has published the death list of the whites in Charleston for the year 1900. There was 346 white persons above the age of 21 who have died there the past year, most of tnem at an advanced age.

The Norris cotton mills, of which Col. D. K. Norris is president, has advised the Secretary of State that it has increased its capital stock from \$150,000 to \$200,000. This increase has been put in the Norris mills.

The fearful number of new patients four hundred and forty-eight admis-Insane during the past year. This is admissions for any one year.

Col. Louis Du Bois, an old and distinguished citizen of Charleston died on the 31st ult. Colonel Du Bois, who was 86 years old, had been in failing a close friend of Gen. R. E. Lee and 15th and the board knew this fact, yet held an important position connected

monstrated with by his friends that he in the Methodist church in this State. should not take such a risk, but should He was a Hebrew by birth and a highdeposit it with the county treasurer, ly educated man. He was possessed of sighted business man, has truthfully he coolly replied that if it was stolen it great force and strength of character, and was a power in the church and in secular affairs. He was a wholesale and retail druggist, and had met with

> Rev. A. Toomer Porter, D. D., the stock amounting to \$127. This the founder and until now the principal of retired from the management and con-\$327 short instead of \$127. This \$200 trol of that institution. Dr. Porter, in addition to being old and in bad health, is losing his eyesight, and these are the reasons for his action. The academy passes into the hands of the Episcopal church of South Carolina.

A company of Tennessee and Chi been chartered with a capital of \$100,-000. Surveys will be made within the

the work under way. Work on the improvements on the State House is progressing so rapidly that a hoisting apparatus has been placed in position in front of the State House. Two large work sheds are crowded with workmen, who are hewing out the rock, and additional work is being done at the quarry in Spartan-burg County. The State House grounds contain much of the finished rock to be used in the improvements. The of Mayor Kennedy, being turned over front steps will be torn away during to him by Mr. Dukes, of the State the coming week and until the House is completed those who enter the State new dispenser is appointed. As soon House will have to do so through the

> der the statute law he has the authority to appoint the successor to Sheriff Kennedy, of Abbeville. This is somewhat unexpected, but the statute law requires that the Governor shall appoint a sheriff where a vacancy occurs rom any cause. Governor McSweeney has written the Appeville delegation that if it be the desire to have a primary it will be acceptable to him, but if he delegation wish to recommend some one for appointment he will appoint whoever the delegation recommends, presuming, of course, that a suitable person be suggested. It is likely that a primary will be held.

Governor McSweeney finds that un-

James Kelly, a negro, was hanged in Charleston on Friday, Jan. 4th, for the murder of Willis Bonneau, a miser, whom he first robbed. he murderer's father, an old man bent with age and and the old Moore massion which infirmities, saw the execution. The were being tied and never lifted his ecuted. When the body had been cut

The aggregate losses by fire in the y elected to fill the chair of Greek and

> crop will be scrubby.

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THE STATE PENITENTIARY Result of the Year's Operations-The Permanent Improvements

The books of the State penitentiary have been c = 4 for the year of 1900 and the accounts have been balanced. The report is now in course of prepaagement of Capt. D. J. Griffith will largest amount received was during the make perhaps the best showing of ary of the State institutions. Capt. Griffith and the board of directors are receivhe pension roll of the State shows ing congratulations from those advised

Including amounts spent for permanent improvements this year the institution will show a net earning of \$36,-483.67, which takes no account of the amount of corn and other products from the farms during the past year used at the institution for mainten-

The year opened with \$9,886.67 on hand. The total receipts for the year were \$65,926.36 in actual cash. The total disbursements were \$71,879.91, leaving a cash balance on Dec. 31 last of \$3,933.12, to which amount should be added the estimated value of 328 that go to the State Hospital for the bales of cotton on hand—\$13,120—and \$2,962 due for convict hire and known that the annual report of Dr. oats, making a total of \$20,016.12. To Babcock will show that there have been this also should be added the following disbursements for permanent improvements, making the net profits first given: New prison building, 89,by decided odds the largest number of 456.55 of the contract price of \$14.649; reformatory, \$1,000; artesion we \$1,220; barn, \$2,000; gravel roof on hosiery mill, Sto; new boiler, etc., \$1,100; recovering guards' quarters, \$110; mowers, binders, mules, etc., \$1,142. The total receipts were ac-

The population report will show that there were 801 prisoners in confinement at the close of the year 1899. From the courts since that date 246 26 died and 1 killed white trying to

escape, leaving in the prison on Dec. 31, 1900, 795 prisoners.

It is hoped that the new prison building will be ready for the use of the prisoners by Feb. 1. The work is

progressing well. A ROMANTIC MARRIAGE. - Chiua Grove, N. C , was the scene, on Dec. 26th, of a very romantic marriage in which Newberry County had part, as Pomaria. A few weeks ago Miss Cornelia Beatrice Hentz, went from the latter place to China Grove ostensibly to visit her aunt, the wife of the Rev. Jos. Q. Wertz, but as a matter of fact and as she soon informed her relatives, to meet for the first time the gentleman who is now her husband. The cago capitalists is preparing to con- facts of this interesting episode are struct a railroad from Louisville, Ky., these: Four years ago Miss Hentz to Port Royal, S. C. Those interested and several other young ladies who n the project have organized them- were at Mount Amoena Female semiselves into the Louisville and Port nary, Mt. Pleasant, N. C., formed a Royal Railroad company, which has close friendship with a classmate, Miss Belle Penland, of White Pine, Tenn. Miss Penland was married soon after n xt two or three weeks and next to Mr. Wm. Taylor Hale, of Morris-

spring the promoters expect to have town, Tenn. Her death occurring within a short while, Mr. Hale naturally informed these friends of the death of his wife and a correspondence grew out of the circumstance between each of the young ladies and himself. This correspondence, begun out of mutual sympathy and affection for the wife and friend, soon developed into a more personal regard on the part of the two leading characters in this little romance in real life, resulting in their marriage on the above date at the Lutheran parsonage at China Grove by the Rev. Jas. Q. Wertz, the ceremony taking place at 5 o'clock, after which an elegant supper was served by the hostess and at half-past seven the couple so romantically united left for the home of the groom near Morristown,

> It may be stated as an indisputable truth that no man ever succeeded at farming who was ashamed of his crops, says the Southern Farm Magazine. nan whose farm is so poor or whose tillage is so bad that his crops are worthless had better abandon his calling and get at something else. If his land is poor he should emich it. If he neglects to work his crops well he is a failure already. There is an intense pleasure to the intelligent farmer to so lirect the operations on his farm as to produce crops of which he will be proud. He then rejoices in his vocation. His mind is ever on the alert for new improvements either for tertilizing his soil or for cultivating his crops.

Considerable excitement was created n the streets of Camden a few nights ago by a shooting between W. D. one has the capacity to fill and seal seventy envelopes a minute, and the eight machines are expected to do the York river come together near there. all. Dat was my youngest child, but was working, and after ome hot words