COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE.

EEWSY LETTERS FROM OUR SPE-CIAL CORRESPONDENTS.

tems of Interesst From all Parts of Sumter and Adjoining Counties.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS. Mail your letters so that they will reach this office not later than Tuessay morning. When the letters are received Wednesday it is almost an Impossibility to have them appear in the paper issued that day.

DARK CORNER.

Dark | Corner, November 18 .- We had a beautiful day yesterday, after some cold and windy ones.

Farm work is nearly all done in those coasts. Some little cotton yet to pick, also a few peas. And some have not gathered their corn-slow coaches you know. I was out in Northwest Wanchester yesterday and saw Mr. J. A. Gardner, who stays on Mr. F. Levi's place. He told me he has a good deal build a certain road. Yes, he had propof cotton and about all of his pease to gather yet and does not expect to hope of any country is its people; get done gathering cotton this side they may be thrifty enough, but if urday and Sunday at "The Ruins." of Christmas. I saw that some gentlemen have a steam saw mill at Levi's water mill and are converting land county. With great difficulties pine logs into lumber in a hurry. I have not been in Northwest Manchester before in twenty-five years; everything surely looked strange to me. I heard a funny thing while out there. Mr. J. N. Geddings the man in charge of Levi's mill and gin, had gone to your city leaving young white man in charge, and a bale of cotton coming in to be ginned, Jim, the young and I was surprised to see no imwhite man, turned on the water but the gin would not move, so Jim ran help these people immensely if they out to a Mr. Street, who happened to would come out and see that "the be near, and he went to investigate the world do move." cause and found that a large house cat had got between the ribs and ter, one of the livest places around, There was one candidate for baptism saws of the gin. This is the first time I ever heard of ginning cats. Mr. Geddings must be going into the sausage business and using his gin for a meat cutter.

and Baum, called on me last Wednesday evening, but they did not tarry be Sumter's motto. long when I began to talk old time Baptist religion to them against their for persecution it becomes prostitugreat visions that they have and do tion." receive from God.

are visiting relatives here.

Mr. A. S. Weeks went to Soven yes-

terday. Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Ardis, of Rocky Bluff visited relatives here last Saturday, Sunday and Monday, returning home Tuesday. We are always glad to see Rufe and his charming wife.

Mrs. S. A. T. Lackey and her daughter, Mrs. E. S. Bartlette, spent the day last Sunday at W. J. Ardis'. Mr. J. M. Ardis and family visited at W. J. Ardis' last Sunday evening.

Old man Jim McIntosh is some bet-

Joe Johnston is laid up with a pain

in his side.

No other sick to report and everything in calm and serene in these

TINDAL

Tindal, S. C., November 21.-Mr. rebuild the old water mill which was in the congregation, and gave Mr. Mconce run by his father, Mr. J. A. Os- Dowell immediate attention, after teen, about 30 years ago. Since that which he was removed to the home time the place so well known in this neighborhood as the "Old Mill," has have been able to learn is that Mr. of the old houses having been taken weak. The news caused much anxaway years ago and nothing left which lety here, and it is the sincere hope this place once was. We hope that spared. Mr. Osteen's efforts will be successful and that the old mill will be of importance again.

Misses Bessie and Hugh Hodge returned to Orangeburg on last Tuesday | This "talk with them" came as a surmorning.

The members of Providence church are going to give an oyster supper at members and complying with and livthe school house tonight. A good ing up to the rules of the church. He time is expected.

Miss Julia Broadway spent last Friday in Sumter.

Mr. E. E. Hodge, who has been suffering with an attack of la grippe is improving.

Miss Belle Aycock, of Bessie, Ga., who has been spending some time with her sister, Mrs. B. R. Hodge, of dances. He assured his hearers that Silver, visited in the neighborhood he did not believe the report, but This week.

HAGOOD. this old world of ours. I stopped at a place some time back that was innocent of a comb and brush. Yes, I and these take the position that it is was in a straight. They were church a matter deserving more consideramembers but had never seen that tion, and should not be hastily agreed Secretary and Treasurer. scripture (?) that cleanliness is next to .- Manning Times. to Godliness perhaps or else its force was lost upon them. Talking about the Bible one fellow gave me this as scripture "A whistling woman and many of our folks went over to the a crowing hen never come to any opening sale of the New York Salgood end. " Did you ever notice what vage Company last week, summary punishment the women visit bargains and some did not. on a crowing hen?

work no other way. You see she had York Salvage Company to sell their resort for a pleasant evening. sneered so much at her husband, at stock that members of said firm will her children, at everything and every- not drive their automobiles this way of the arrival of many more in the bullet entered the right temple share. Today's declaration brings the body that for convenience sake her n celebrating the event. ose took that shape. How much A fine of \$10 each for reckless be insured beyond all doubt.

wreathed with smiles.

St. Matthews has a model police- of a horse. man, as clever as can be. Pleasant, when occasion demands, as stern as a judge. He has a habit, a good one, of holding every stranger and finding out his business. But did he not have a close shave when the safe crackers attempted to rob the St. Matthews' bank. The rascals put a spent several days at home the past replies received it is evident that in lighted lantern at the door of his week. house whence he came out and had he heard the explosion and gone out most assuredly he would have been

Orangeburg county is coming to the can get some bargains there yet. One J. S. Pinckney. great drawback to much of it is the miserable roads, but they are improving, the people turning out and building them, not waiting on the hundred dollars of his own money to day and today. erty on it, but so did others. The they are close and selfish development, if it comes, will be tardy. Richin the way, has, as I suppose, the finest roads in the State. The old wide road to Camden for sixteen miles out from Columbia, is a model of excellence, and what Richland did the rest of us can do. Kershaw roads, as a rule, are bad and Fairfields, those I saw, are miserable. It has been years since I was in that county till lately provement in it whatever. It would

from side to side enterprise and activ- and two for confirmation. We were ity, the city setting pace to the coun- very glad to have our dear bishop try. Stay away from the city a few with us once more and to be able to weeks and be surprised at the improvements it has made made. Br'er Two Mormon elders, Messrs. Wells Rabbit says: "If you are going to do a thing, do a thing," which seems to I repeat it, "When prosecution is

Give some fellows an inch of privil-Mr. and Mrs. Wash Scott, of Soeven, ege and they will take an ell of liberty. Proper restraint in office politics, all things hurts no one, but saves much every way.

> I hope the farmers will not go crazy over cotton. There is plenty and tough work for the association. The cry when we began was "too late, too late. Let us start in time. Thanks, Mr. Editor, through you, to all the press for their invaluable, their indispensible aid, without which I most assuredly believe the cause would have miscarried.

MANNING NEWS NOTES.

near New Zion, Mr. J. L. Keels, aged | dwelling. about 50 years. The funeral took place Sunday at Friendship church Bishopville. in Sumter county.

/ Dr. James McDowell was taken suddeny ill last Sunday at Midway church just as he was beginning to preach S. F. Osteen has commenced work to his sermon. Dr. Hagood Woods was of Mr. W. T. Rose. The last news we been a dam across a large branch, all McDowell is better, but he is very would indicate the importance which that this grand old man will be

After the regular Presbyterian service last Sunday morning the pastor requested the young people to remain as he wished to have a talk with them, price, and the "talk with them" struck exhortation on the duties of church urged them to give up dancing, attending theatres and card-playing. He also made reference to some information, which, under promise that he of his information, related there was a scandalous handling of names of some young ladies who attended the nevertheless it grieved him. The meeting resulted in nearly all the young folks present signing a pledge One meets all saits of people in not to attend any more dances, theafew who declined to sign the pledge,

It is the unanimous hope of our I met a well dressed lady in a fix; citizens that if another firm should be her nose was all turned up and would so unfortunate as to have the New where the members of the club may and used a Smith & Wesson pistol that Oil Company, has declared a quarterly terrible fire that has occurred in

pleasanter to meet faces habitually driving is not deemed justice for the demolishing of a buggy and ruining

We are law abiding citizens, but no companionable is Frank Hill, but such recklessness will be permitted in these parts.

days in town.

Mr. J. G. Troutman is at home for a short stay.

is visiting Mrs. Carrie Brohun.

STATEBURG.

Stateburg, November 20.-Mrs. A. front fast as an agricultural section P. Manning and Mrs. H. S. Gaillard come when this want should be sup- ers was \$196,450.50, divided among and land is leaping in prices but one spent several days last week with Mrs. plied. One of the mot phenomenal the counties as follows:

Miss Annie M. Barnwell, of Flor-

ence, spent Sunday at home. Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Richardson, Mr. Henry Richardson and Miss Suchaingang. Mr. Banks, of the firm of san Richardson, of Pinewood, were Banks & Wimberly, expended several the guests of Mrs. W. R. Flud yester-

Miss Mayo Rees spent Sunday at

Mrs. M. S. Burgess, of Sumter, returned home this afternoon after a short visit to Mrs. Screven Moore.

Mrs. F. H. McLeod will return to her home in Florence tomorrow after a very pleasant visit to her mother, Mrs. S. E. Nelson.

Mr. F. P. Burgess spent Sunday at her home.

Mrs. R. M. Cantey and Miss A. N. Burgess are visiting Mrs. J. J. Johnson in Charleston.

Bishop Ellison Capers was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Barnwell on Sunday.

and appreciative congregation at the I am back home now, in old Sum- Church of the Holy Cross on Sunday.

MAX.

Max, November 20.-Messrs. D. McKenize and W. E. Lea, of Timmonsville were in Beaulah one day last week on business.

A large congregation listened attentively to a splendid sermon by the pastor at Bethel Sunday afternoon.

in Clarendon last week with his old twice as much to feed, clothe and friends Capt. Wm. Burgess and Mr. James P. Langston. He reports a warm welcome, peace and plenty.

Baptist Convention which meets in Columbia Dec. 1.

PRIVATEER.

Privateer, Nov. 21.-Mr. John N. Ingram was buried at Bethel Church lege in the same length of time; If on the 15th inst.

Mr. W. E. Kolb is still very ill. Dr. R. B. Forman is adding another Died suddenly last Saturday night story to his already commodious

Miss Daisy Lide and Miss Katy Susong spent last week in Orangeburg. Miss Elma Geddings spent Saturday and Sunday at her home in Paxville. Mr. J. M. Griffin, of Silver visited

in the neighborhood Sunday. Mr. Matthew Aderson, of Sumter, spent Sunday at Mr. G. A. Nettles'. Mr. and Mrs. Alva Mellette of Wedgefield visited in the neighborhood Saturday.

Mr. I. E. Mims spent Sunday night at Mr. E. W. Rivers'. Miss Inez Wells is spending sometime in Wedgefield.

Bishopville News Notes.

Mrs. Amanda McCaskill died yesterday (Wednesday) morning about 5 o'clock and will be buried at the ing to bite everything it came in conmorning at 11 o'clock.

Mr. I. W. Weaherly's saw mill near Mr. J. M. Tindal spent Friday in them with consternation as the pastor DuBose's bridge was burned last house cat, and tried to bite Mrs. proceeded to make a most beautiful Sunday night at an hour that nothing | Ilderton and Miss Mabel but disapwas saved but the belting to the fly wheel. No insurance and the loss is kill it. He had his cat killed after

> At a meeting of the stockholders of | bly mad. - Florence Times. the Lee County Grange Co., the capitol stock was increased to \$25,000 and the following Board of directors was elected: N. Barnett, G. F. Parrott, J. P. Kilgore, W. A. James, L. A. woud not declose the source or nature of his information, related there was Mr. D. Ed. Durant has sold his store and lot to Mr. Geo. M. Stuckey and his house and lot to Mr. H. W. Woodward and has bought a valuable suicidal intent and that her death was farm near Yorkville. -Bishopville but a matter of a few hours. Vindicator.

ter Light Infantry and perfected the for death.

were made an important part of the sponsible for the act. ' organization.

at first, and when it grows to suffici- Dr. J. H. Perryclear and it was here ently large proportions, a club house that the deed was done. will be built at some nearby place, Mrs. Brunsen was in her own room

spring, the success of the club should and passed through the head, coming total dividend for the year to \$40 a resulted in the loss of 39 lives and the out of the left temple.

STATE HIGH SCHOOLS.

The idea . f establishing a number of Mr. J. A. Harvin is spending a few state high schools will be advocated annual report of the State pension dent of education in his annual re State printer. The report is particu-Mr. W. T. Aycock, of Columbia. for an idea on this line and from the amount received by him or by her. state high schools that help the at- Class A, \$96 each, 75; class B, \$72, Mrs. Elise Lathrop, of New York, tendance at the colleges a great deal. Omitting the letters Mr. Martin will No. 2, 15.50, 4,068; class C, No. 3, have the following in regard to it:

a weak place in the educational system | 804. of South Carolina. The time has growth, in any educational line is the great growth of state universities in Anderson, \$1,120:; Bamberg, \$1.712.the middle and far West. This growth | 75 Barnwell, 83,832; Beaufort, \$680.is largely accounted for by the pro- 50: Berkeley, \$2,403: Charleston, vision on the part of the legislatures \$3.089.50: Cherokee, \$5.163; Chester, of those states for high schools. As a \$3,696; Chesterfield, \$5,696.50; Clarrule, these state univertities enroll endon. \$3,338; Colleton, \$6,984; Darmore than three thousand students. lington, \$4,989.50; Dorchester, \$1,754; This occurs in states whose population | Edgefield, does not exceed that of this state. \$2,884 25: Fairfield, \$3,357; Florence, Such university growth is impossible | \$3,885.50; without good preparatory and high | Greenville, school facilities. It is poor educa- wood, Mr. J. Singleton Moore spent Sat- tional policy for a state to spend ap. \$4,181 5 Herry, \$4,437; Kershaw, proximately a quarter of a million \$3.387.75; Lancaster , \$5,880; Laurens, dollars on four colleges and then | \$6,705.75; Lee \$2,946.50; Lexington, make absolutely no provision for high | \$5,771.27; Marion, \$5,466; Marlboro, schools to be feeders to those col- \$3,610.50; Oconee, \$6,905; Orangeleges. The statistics from the states burg \$5,375; Pickens, \$5,320.28; Richabove referred to show that the high land, \$5,874.50: Saluda, \$3,755: Sparschool not only serves as a feeder for tanburg. \$17,810 50; Sumter, \$3,070; the university, but that thousands of Union, \$5.134.50: Williamsburg, \$3, boys and girls are prepared for life's 988: York, \$7.598; total. \$199.287.80. duties in these high schools. In ract, it is customary to offer two courses, one for students who expect to go to college or to the university, and one for those who do not.

Some of the states provide only our high school to the county. Some provide for as many as seven in one county: and some provide for the organization of a high school in any territory larger than a township. Of Bishop Capers preached to a large course, I should not favor state aid to any high school unless the community, township or county should be willing to aid itself, and also be willing to admit boys and girls free of tuition from any part of the county in which the school is located. In order to encourage local effort and initiative, I think the law should provide state aid hear another of his excellent sermons. to any territory as great or greater than the township which would make a special levy for high school purposes. This levy need not be large. In some counties which would gladly take advantage of a law of this kind. a half mill would be amply sufficient, and I do not belive that any county would need more than one mill for

this purpose. A majority of the high schools the farmers will sign themselves, special to the Observer from Union would have a three years course of Under that law, they get \$300 Mr. J. A. Carraway enjoyed a visit aid. South Carolina gives nearly educate sixty-eight boys with scholarship in a state college, as North Dakota does to encourage a system of high schools, which prepared several Rev. B. K. Truluck will attend the thousand boys and girls for college. It seems to me to be rank folly for the state to give \$1,000 to feed and clothe one boy and give him a college education, when that thousand dollars might be used to encourage the establishment of a high school which would prepare a hundred boys for colyou will give a boy such preparatory advantages as will get him ready for college, in nine cases out of ten be will work to feed and clothe himself while in college; nor should we forget the vast amount of work along Mrs. S. J. Bradford is visiting in scientific, commercial and industrial lines, which can be done in these high schools to prepare boys who old boy who was found by the police don't get to college, for life. I know of no possible legislation that would noon, apparently lost from his parens, be more far-reaching with its good influence upon our educational system than the enactment of a good high school law.-The Colubnia Record.

SUSPECT THE RABIES.

Son of J. F. Stackley Bitten by a Dog Thought to Be Mad.

J. F. Stackley left last night for Baltimore with his son Bory to have him treated by specialists for a mad dog bite. The child was bitten by Dr. Wm. ilderton's fine bird dog last Wednesday, but it was not known then that the dog was mad, but later the animal acted very strangely, try-Bishopville Presbyterian church this tact with, so Mr. Stackley thought it best not to run any risk.

Dr. Ilderton says the dog bit the peared before he could get a chance to he found out that the dog was proba-

A WOMAN SUICIDES.

city was shocked about 12 o'clock to-

connection here who were devoted to could have started accientally. When The officers elected were: Dr. J. A. her, lavishing care on her and trying the fire was discovered the flames sponds to the generally lower tem-Mood, President; Dr. Walter Cheyne, to reconcile her to life, and of late were confined to the hay loft, and the perature. There is still some delay in Vice President, and Mr. H. Harby, she had been more cheerful. It is doors were locked. It is difficult to mercantile collections, especially at said that one of the carnival fortune one of the carnival to dissipate, as far as possible, the last week, told her that she was on there is not a more inoffensive man in marketed freely. Traffic conditions hostile public opinion against auto- the verge of a great trouble, and this the county than Dr. Geiger, and it is have improved and railway earnings mobiles, to force its membres to have had intensified her despondency. This not supposed that he has an enemy in for the first week of November were Wedgefield, November 20.—A good and besides, this, the social fea streets, but those who know Mrs. is estimated at about \$750, allowing the first week of November were to the lic, and besides, this, the social fea streets, but those who know Mrs. is estimated at about \$750, allowing the first week of November were to the local feather than in the correct that he has an entropy of the first week of November were to the local feather than in the correct that he has an entropy of the first week of November were to the local feather than the has an entropy of the first week of November were to the local feather than the has an entropy of the first week of November were to the local feather than the has an entropy of the first week of November were to the local feather than the has an entropy of the first week of November were to the local feather than the has an entropy of the first week of November were to the local feather than the has an entropy of the first week of November were to the local feather than the has an entropy of the first week of November were the has an entropy of the first week of November were the has an entropy of the first week of November were the has an entropy of the first week of November were the has an entropy of the first week of November were the has an entropy of the first week of November were the has an entropy of the first week of November were the has an entropy of the first week of November were the has an entropy of the has an entropy of the first week of November were the has an entropy of the has an e tures of the club were considered and Brunson best do not think this re- for depreciation of value from use of responding time last year. Failures

Since her husband's death Mrs. insurance is only \$250. The club will commence medestly Brunson has made her home with

ANNUAL PENSION REPORT.

Agitation for the Establishement of Showing Amounts Expended in Each Entire Business Block on Depot Street of the Counties and For Each Class of Pensioners.

Columbiia, November 18.-The very strongly by the state superinten- department has been published by the port Mr. Martin bas written the vari- larly valuable in that it gives the ous state superintendents of education names of every pensioner and the

The total number of pensioners in the West there are a large number of the respective classes is as follows: 192: class C, No. 1, \$48, 585: class C, \$48, 756; class C, No. 4, \$\$15.50, 3.-The absence of high schools marks 129. Total number of pensioners 8,-

The total amount paid to pension-

Abbeville, \$3.582; Aiken, \$6 000; Fairfield, \$1,027; Georgetown, 811.014,90; Green. Hampton, \$3,324.50;

PROHIBITIONISTS WILL REJOICE

Eight Hundred and Ten Thousand Gallons of Whiskey Burned.

Connellsville, Pa., Nov. Y 19 .- At the Overbolt distillery at Broacford today 810,000 gallons of whiskey furnished a spectacular fire entailing a less of \$4,000,000, covered by instrance. A steady northeast wind which blew the flames toward the Youghicgheny river saved the town of Broadford, the buildings of the H. C. Frick Coke Company and the Baltimore and Ohio railroad station from destruction.

FIFTEEN-CENT COTTON.

Plans to Hold Three Million Bales of the Fleecy Staple.

the arrival of President Harvie Jor. | sight. dan, the Southern Couton association today perfected plans for taking off the market 3,000,000 bales of cotton by means of a series of pledges which cording to the pledges. A representative of the association is to be sent into every one of the Si7 cotton proof the association in Atlauta.

lieves that 15 cents for the remainder age the spinners 121/2 cents while they | vrties. have based all their calculations on 14 cents cotton.

Lost Boy Restored.

Greenville, Nov. 17 .- The four-yearroaming the streets yetserday afterwas the child of Capt. and Mrs. E. H. Parry, who reside in east McBee Greenville from Gamesville, Ga. The parents were very anxious about the disapparance of their child and were grateful to the officers for taking care of him until his parents were chief of police of Gainsville

Gang of Pickpockets Caught.

Valdosta, Ga., Nov. 17.-Seven alleged pickpockets were arrested here today and are being held for investigation. They are said to be gang that has been following Ringling Brothers' circus through Georgia and tract. The books would be sold the Florida. The names and location given by the prisoners are: John Burton, Montgomery: Ed Cole, Memphis; Frank Morgan of Louisville; J. A. Morris and Sam Ackerman of Memphis and James Hickey of Marion, Ind. Circus detectives spotted the men and local police followed and arrested them. Two travelers and a bond would be required for the were robbed here early today, one of carrying out of this part of the con-\$1,100 and the other of \$100.

Fire in Manning.

Manning, November 20.-A small barn belonging to Dr. Charles B. Orangeburg, Nov. 20 .- The entire Geiger was totally destroyed by fire at 5 o'clock this morning, and along day when it was known that Mrs. | with it was burned an automobile, Hattie Brunson had shot herself with a buggy and harness, and a small quantity of corn and hay. Dr. Geiger's two horses were rescued from H. Brunson, who died a year and a arrived soon after the fire was discov-

Standard Oil Dividends. New York, Nov. 15.-The Standard

had been her husband's. When found dividend of \$10 a share. The pervious Great Britain for many years broke With the great number of cars al- she was in front of the mirror, show- dividend was \$6 a share and the divi- out here today in a cheap lodging ready in the city, and the prospects ing she had acted very deliberately. dend at this time last year was \$7 a share. Last year it was \$36.

COSTLY FIRE IN SUMMERTON.

Swept By the Flames Saturday Morning.

Summerton, November 18.-Summerton was visited at an early hour this morning by the most disastrous fire in its history and there being no available way of checking its progress, it swept the entire business block on Depot street. The fire started in the store occupied by W. L. Brunson, Jr., and quickly spread to the adjoining buildings. The losses are estimated as follows: C. B. Brown & Co., loss \$2,000;

irs rance \$1,000. C. C. Wav, loss \$2,500; insurance \$1,700. M. D. Wells, loss \$1,500; in-

sarance \$500. w. L. Brunson, Jr., loss \$1,000; insurance \$600.

Sam Lawson, loss \$500; insurance Ragin, Green & Jones, loss \$1,200;

A. J. Richburg's office, loss \$500; ins ira ce \$300 R. B. Mellette, loss \$1,000; iusurance \$600.

insurance \$600.

Bill Doughty, loss \$500; insurance 830 1. The town also suffered the loss of its new guard house, which was not insured. This block was built only recently and contained only small frame buildings. It is reported that only brick buildings will be erected

on this street hereafter.

HOMICIDE AT BATESBURG.

One Negro Shoots Another-He Declares Gun Went off Accidentally...

Batesburg, Novebmer 19.-The quite of the Sabbath was broken today by the report of a gun in the negro quarter of this town. In a few moments the cries of a negro woman rent the air. In a short while it was ascertained that Thomas Watkins had been shot to death by Sam Coleman. All the parties are negroes and it is a hard matter to get at the facts.

down and was discharged. Watkins was shot in the left ye and the range was so close that his hat was powder burned, and it is the opinion of many that the killing was murder or mauslaughter.

Coleman claims that the gun fell

There were two negroes on the piazza of the house where the shooting occurred, but they do not seem to know anything about the matter. The hole New Orleans, Nov. 15.-Following in the dead man's head was a ghastiy

The Union Cotton Mills.

Charlotte N. C., November 19.-A. stating their name and address and S. C., tonight, says that Mr. J. O. the amount of cotton they will thus Proctor, of Boston, representing the hold. The cotton held will not be reorganization, committee of the sold for less than 15 cents a pound ac- Union and Buffalo Cotton Mills, announced that over three-fourths of the claims against the two concerns have been deposited with the holding ducing counties of the cotton belt at company, tomorrow being the last day once. When the pledges are signed for such deposit, and that a reorganthey will be sent to the central office | ization of the corporations under the scheme proposed is now assured. The President Jordan says that half of plan is for the holding company to the crop has already been sold at an issue stock in the new corporations in average of 10 cents and the spinners settlement of the claims. It is likely issue stock in the new corporations in must have all the remainder. He be- that the old corporations may gothrough bankruptcy proceedings, the is a fair price and it will only aver- holding company buying in the prop-

ADDPTION OF TEXT BOOKS.

Will Be Made Next Spring and Supt. Martin Wants to Get Best. The contract between the various

book concerns and the State expires on July 1, 1906, and State Superintendent Martin is sending out circular avenue, having recently moved to letters to State superintendents of education throughout the country for suggestions as to a book law that will give satisfaction. There is the hardest kind of a fight every time the book found. Capt. Parry was formrely contract comes up and if possible Mr. Martin wants a law that will be

more uniform than the present. It has been suggested that a law be passed making the books a uniform price in all of the counties with the price stamped on the back of the book by the company getting the condealer so that a profit of 10 per cent. would be made, to which no one would object. A contract would be made with the book company that books would be sold in this State as cheap as they were sold elsewhere tract.-The State.

Dun's Weekly Trade Review. New York, Nov. 17 .- R. G. Dun &

Co.'s weekly review of trade says: A temporary flurry in the money market had little deleterious effect in commercial channels, most recorts indicating a further increase in the Mrs. Brunson was the wife of Henry the burning structure by persons who volume of business. Orders came forward freely for distant delivery, and SUMTER MOTOR CLUB.

half ago. His death was a blow from which Mrs. Brunson never recovered and she was frequently very despondand she was frequently very despondspread so rapidly that they had to week in the armory of the Sum- ent and has often spoken of her desire forsake it to save themselves. It is Wholesale trade in holiday goods is not known how the fire originated, now well under way and retail distritres or card-playing. There were a organization of the Sumter Motor Mrs. Brunson had a large family but it cannot be conjectured how it bution of seasonable merchandise rethe automobile, and the amount of this week numbered 240 against 217

> Glasgow, November 19 .- The most house for men in Watson street and severe injury of many others,