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COUNTRY NEWS LETTERS

SOME INTERESTING HAPPENINGS IN VARIOUS SECTIONS.

News Items Gathered All Around the County and Elsewhere.

Ehrhardt Etchings.

Ehrhardt, November 17.—The dispensary opened up its doors to the public on Saturday last. Its trade commenced from the opening. Was good all day, so much until all the balance of the merchants felt it. Four or five was locked up in the red top inn and one or two fights. Fairly good start for the first day.

Pres. Pleasant E. Monroe, of Sumnerland College, preached for us on Sunday night. He is a good preacher and his talk showed that he had faith in what he was saying. Come again, reverend.

The fishermen on Ashepoo river last week had good luck and the catch was good and fine average trout and jack of good flavor.

Cotton does not come in so fast now. Must be about gathered.

Oats are being planted now.

The young folks are making bargains, or at least trying to perfect them. Just when to close them seems to be the trouble.

Some hunters went Saturday to try their guns and birds. Don't think they were in good practice as one young man made the remark after the birds had been flushed and flew away, "Wonder why I did not shoot?" Had his gun in hand in position.

Starting up the Hacker Co. seems to be as slow as anything starting up again.

Mr. R. L. Williams, of Bethune, S. C., was in town Sunday. Did not find out his business, unless he was looking for men to work for him.

Mr. Sam W. Copeland is making headway with the brick work on his store.

Mr. J. I. Copeland is hauling brick on the ground for two brick stores on his lot. Let them come, they are needed to make insurance cheaper.

Mrs. Julia O. Hiers went to Barnwell, S. C., to spend a few days with her sister, Mrs. John Reid.

Mr. Knight, inspector for the post-office department, made the assertion that Postmaster Jacob Ehrhardt, of Ehrhardt, S. C., holds the oldest commission as postmaster in the State.

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Fairfax Fancies.

Fairfax, November 16.—There was a "Dime Reading" Thursday evening for the benefit of the library. The pieces were most amusing and a pleasant evening was spent. The "Song by the Teachers" was especially amusing.

Misses Harrison and Albergotti took a trip to Orangeburg last week, the home of the latter. They report a very fine time.

Hugh Craddock, who has been doing house building work in Camden for some time, is here now and finds plenty to do here in that line.

Rev. D. B. Groseclose and family are comfortably ensconced in the Lutheran manse here, which is like a new house now. We welcome them cordially here, as he was popular when he left here several years ago.

Mrs. Otis Compton, from Clio, spent some time here with relatives.

The little child of Mr. Farnham Compton (who lived with Mrs. Marion Craddock) died last week.

Mrs. Mamie Getsinger, of Washington, D. C., visited here last week.

The U. D. C. held its last meeting at Mrs. W. White Anderson's. Quite a pleasant hour was spent.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Lightsey, of Crockettville, visited friends here recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Ketchin and son are spending a week with Mrs. John Harter.

The Woman's Home and Foreign missionary societies, of Fairfax Lutheran church, executed a very interesting program for Sunday evening.

Music by Misses Kenney, Harrison, Albergotti, Mesdames Johnston and Lightsey. Little Helen Lightsey and Lonnie Folk did well, and of course little Fannie Wilson captivated the crowd. Eight little girls sang very sweetly.

Mesdames Wideman, Young, Wingard, Connelly and children have returned from a visit to Augusta.

Several speak of going to Charleston for fair week.

Allen Harter, Wm. Thomas and Frank Thomas also visited Augusta recently.

All are congratulating Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Loadholt, a little daughter.

Mr. Gordon Kearshe has been quite sick but is up again.

Mrs. Wm. McDaniel and Mrs. Ken-

PHYSICIAN SHOTS SALESMAN.

Killing Said to be Result of Talk Over 'Family Troubles.'

Kansas City, Mo., November 18.—Dr. W. T. Elam, former city physician of St. Louis, now a prominent citizen there, this afternoon shot and killed W. T. Cramer, of Chicago, salesman for a magazine, at the Baltimore Hotel, in this city.

Cramer was about 40 years old. Dr. Elam is 45. The two went up to Cramer's room to talk over some family trouble and when the shot was heard employees rushed into the room. Cramer was dead. Dr. Elam admitted the killing and was taken to police headquarters.

A County Fair.

New Hampshire College, Durham, N. H., Nov. 11, 1913.

Mr. A. W. Knight, Bamberg, S. C. Dear Sir: Several weeks ago I noticed a piece in the "Herald" in regard to a county fair for Bamberg county the coming year. Just allow me to say that I certainly do most heartily second Dr. Black's motion.

In a number of the Western States, it has been my pleasure to make a very close study of agricultural conditions, and it would seem that in the most prosperous counties in these particular States, we find the people taking a very great interest in county fairs, particularly of an agricultural and educational value.

It would seem that a county fair properly conducted, and of an educational and agricultural value, would be one of the greatest movements toward better agriculture for Bamberg county. Yours very truly,

W. E. STOKES.

Court Proceedings.

When The Herald went to press last week the case of G. Victor Kearshe for the killing of Joe M. Kinsey was being tried. This case was finished Friday, the jury returning a verdict of guilty of manslaughter. He was given a sentence of three years in the penitentiary, without hard labor, on account of his physical condition and his provocation for the act. Appeal to the Supreme Court was taken, and the judge granted bail. Bond was at once given. This case concluded the general sessions court.

Monday, civil cases were taken up, the first case being that of Miss Alma Folk against the Seaboard Air Line Railway, a suit for damages. A verdict for \$1,750 damages was returned by the jury, \$1,000 actual damages and \$750 punitive damages.

A number of cases were marked ended, and in the case of R. R. Coney against Saltkeatchie Lumber Company a consent verdict was rendered for \$3,500 damages. This case has been tried twice, and each time a mistrial was the result. It was a suit for damages for personal injuries sustained while in the employ of the company.

In the cases of O. J. C. Lain and J. R. Morris against the Seaboard Air Line Railway, consent verdicts were rendered for \$250 each, the same jury acting in each case.

The case of H. C. Folk against P. A. Carroll resulted in a verdict of \$1,100 for plaintiff.

Nixon Grocery Co. against J. A. Hunter, a verdict for \$831.38 for plaintiff.

The jury was dismissed yesterday at noon, and in the afternoon several orders were taken and equity business transacted, court finally adjourning during the afternoon.

While the civil court only consumed two and a half days, much business was transacted, and the calendar is in better shape than for a long time.

Walter Wyatt, white, aged 16, was arrested in Greenville on Tuesday by Sheriff Rector. The boy confessed that he has been concerned in five robberies in and near the city within the past two months. He implicated two other youths.

dricks, of Hazen, Ga., are visiting relatives here.

Miss Effie Wates, who teaches near here, spent Saturday with Mrs. H. Harveley.

Mrs. Eliza Hickson, of Williston, is spending some time with Mrs. G. W. Barber.

Miss Margaret Folk has accepted a position with the Bank of Estill. She will be much missed here.

Rev. M. H. Shuman and daughter, Edith, also Mr. Hammie Crapps, of Furman, visited J. W. Tuten recently.

Rev. E. N. Nungazer and E. O. Lawton, of Estill, visited Rev. Wm. Simpson Sunday.

Miss Carrie Weekly, of Ulmer, is with her sister, Mrs. Otis Weekly.

IN THE PALMETTO STATE

SOME OCCURRENCES OF VARIOUS KINDS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

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

The damage suits against the Lancaster & Chester road for deaths and injuries to the Hoopers creek trestle wreck last July now amount to \$338,500.

In characteristic language the governor denies the story sent out from Washington that he has withdrawn from the race for the United States Senate and will ask a third term as governor.

W. C. Davern, former South Atlantic league umpire, and two of his companions, named Schwab and Jones, have been bound over to the sessions court of Richland county on the charge of forging the name of Dr. M. M. Rice to a prescription for cocaine. They all seem to be cocaine fiends.

The nine young men, seniors and juniors at Wofford College, recently suspended by the faculty for becoming members of the Kappa Alpha fraternity in violation of the rules of the college, have left for Trinity College in North Carolina. It is understood that they will enter Trinity with the same grading as they held at Wofford.

It is said, in Columbia that a bill will very probably be introduced at the next session of the general assembly to abolish the state income tax law as a result of the national income tax law. Comptroller General Jones has repeatedly pointed out in his annual reports that the law is not being enforced because of inadequate means. The tax has amounted to only about \$14,000 during the past several years.

Thomas E. Fischer, Jr., a twelve-year-old boy of Charleston, was shot and killed Monday of this week by his playmate, Jewel Bremer, 14 years old. The boys were shooting at a target and the shooting was entirely accidental. Bremer was shooting at the target when Fischer stooped down to pick up an empty shell and got in line of fire just as Bremer fired. The bullet took effect in his head and he lived only a short time.

A report comes from Washington the Blease will not enter the race for the Senate next year, but will run for governor again, and will run for the Senate later, possibly against Senator Tillman should the Senator's life be spared to make the race again. There are so many political rumors going around that one does not know what to believe. Certain it is that the Blease banquet in Columbia has split the governor's forces badly, and just now they do know "where they are at."

County Fair.

To the Editor of The Bamberg Herald: I see what our good friend, Dr. J. B. Black, has to say about a Bamberg county fair, which I must say I am heartily in favor of and think we should get busy and organize same. From what I know of the good people of Bamberg county and their progressive spirit, I am sure we can get the hearty co-operation of all the farmers, merchants, and business men of the county, especially do I think the good ladies will take a great interest in same, displaying their fancy work, canned fruits, preserves, flowers and good cakes. I know a great number of chicken cranks with their various breeds, all of the best, who would like to come forward and show what the hen is doing for Bamberg county. Best of all I hear of the progressive farmers of the Denmark section beginning to raise Bamberg county mules for their farms, which I think shows a very progressive spirit. I know these gentlemen would take great pleasure in competing against their neighbors, with the best looking mule. I don't know just what our good friends in the Olar and Ehrhardt sections are doing, but I know if it is not mules, they will have something equally as good looking to show at the fair. Gentlemen, fellow citizens, and neighbors, let us all hear from you, and come forward and organize the Bamberg County Fair Association, which will require a few shares of stock from each one of you, and I am very sure it will pay you a small dividend on your investment and at the same time put us in line with all of our sister counties surrounding us, all having the best county fair. Yours for success,

GEORGE F. HAIR.

SCHOONER'S HOLD FULL OF FISH

Not a Soul on Board—Baffling Mystery of the Sea.

New Bedford, Mass., Nov. 6.—The faded, yellow pages of the logbooks of the New Bedford whaling fleet fail to record a mystery of the sea more baffling than that presented today when the revenue cutter Gresham towed into port the Gloucester fishing schooner, Annie M. Parker, which was picked up Monday with all sails set, her hold filled with fish and without a soul on board, 60 miles east of the Nantucket lightship. There is no trace of any of the nineteen men composing the schooner's crew.

In its details the mystery recalls the case of the Boston brig Marie Celeste, which was found abandoned at sea some forty years ago. The fate of her crew never was known to the world.

The British steamer Astrakhan bound from New York for France, sighted the Parker Monday drifting with all sails set. Boarding the schooner, officers of the steamer found four of the dories missing. A few burned pieces of bread was all the food in the galley, indicating that before leaving the crew had hastily gathered together a supply of provisions.

The schooner was not leaking and was in perfect condition, except for the loss of one jib. Salt fish, valued at about \$8,000, filled the hold.

A prize crew from the Astrakhan took charge of the Parker and turned her over to the Gresham.

The Parker's owners said she sailed from Sydney, N. S., for her home port October 26, after a fishing trip to the New Foundland Grand Banks. She was in command of Capt. Vincent Nelson, a veteran Gloucester skipper, and was manned by a crew of eighteen. The owners could offer no explanation of the abandonment of the vessel. There is a possibility that the Parker's crew was picked up by some sailing vessel. Had they been taken on board a steamer the rescue probably would have been reported by wireless.

Husband's Fidelity Stands Test.

Erie, Kans., Nov. 12.—The ornaments are on the mantel over the fireplace, the knives and forks are in place on the dinner table, and every other thing in the Martin Brewer home here is just as it was a dozen years ago, although no one has set foot inside the house in that time.

Mrs. Brewer died 12 years ago. "Just leave the things the same as if I was here," she told her husband.

Her wish has been respected. The top of the sewing machine is up just as she left it when she was taken sick. The tea kettle, pots and pans she had set on the kitchen stove still are there. No one has been allowed to touch a thing in the house.

After his wife's death Brewer locked the house. In all the time that has elapsed since then it has not been unlocked.

The old place possessed tender memories for Brewer, and after the death of his wife he used to go there and sit on the front porch in the evening, living over in his mind the days that had gone by. But he never went into the house. Everything there was just as his wife had left it. Neighbors used to suggest to Brewer that he hire carpenters to fix up the house and sell its effects he could not use. Everything in it for years has been deep covered with dust. The floors have sagged and broken through. The paper hangs in strips from the wall.

"No, I don't believe I'll bother the place," Brewer replied. "I told mamma I'd let the things alone just as she left them. That's the best way." The house and its owner seemed to slip downward with time together. As the building became more dilapidated Brewer became more frail and infirm. When he sat on the porch on summer evenings it made a harmonious picture—the husband devoted, just as he was when his wife died, the house just the way she had left it.

Brewer died recently. The house still stands locked. No one would disturb it. The building is in what was the best residential district of Erie, but the city has grown away from it. The people know its story, however, and for the place all seem to have a reverence. The house was owned by Brewer when he died. No heirs have come to claim it. It stands as it always did, a monument to a husband's devotion.

The Cotton Market.

Cotton is selling in Bamberg to-day (Wednesday) at 13½ cents the pound. Receipts here for the season amount to 10,693 bales.

COTTON PICKING MACHINE

PATENTED BY NORTHERN MAN IS GIVEN A TRIAL.

Economy Question All That Remains to Be Settled Before Being Put on the Market.

Anderson, November 18.—Mr. W. K. Dana, of Westbrook, Maine, is here with one of his patented cotton pickers, making experiments to learn its actual commercial value. He was here 17 years ago making investigations along this line and at that time was the guest of Mr. Jos. J. Fretwell. He is back here again with the output of his ideas and his plans, and is making experiments in the fields of Mr. Fretwell.

Mr. Dana Saturday tried out his cotton picker on a place planted by Mr. J. L. Cochran, former manager of the county farm. The picker operates on the pneumatic suction principle, and is operated by three men. As there are negro hands who can pick from 350 to 400 pounds a day it would be necessary for this machine to pick about 1,500 pounds a day and to pick it clean, for it to be a financial success. There is no doubt about the fact that it will pick the cotton.

The picker sits between two rows and is a squat little contrivance about the size of a cultivator with a four horse motor swung to it. Between the handles is the sack into which the cotton is dropped as it is sucked from the bolls by the long rubber tentacles operated by the motor. There are two of these tentacles or pickers and each is operated by one person. The rubber hose terminating in the patent picking arrangement will stretch over about three rows of cotton so the machine will cover five or six rows at a time. The operator merely pokes the end of the rubber hose at open bolls of cotton and the machine does the rest. The picker at the end of the hose has a kind of rotary motion, and when the pin points at its end touch the open locks of cotton, the fibre is given a little twist which removes it from the boll. Mr. Dana's understanding of the nature of the cotton is shown in his having a guard on the end of the picker which catches against the end of the bolls and prevents them from being sucked in also.

Woman Fights the Union.

New York, Nov. 13.—Mrs. Catherine Haverty, who for four years has been conducting a taxicab business left without a head when her husband died, defied her sixty striking chauffeurs today by sending out her cars with twenty non-union drivers. She decided even to ride herself on the front seat of the first car out of her garage notwithstanding that she believed the strikers contemplated violence.

Anticipating trouble, the police arranged to give Mrs. Haverty and her non-union men ample protection.

Mrs. Haverty asserts that her late husband aided with money and advice the creation of the union that is now threatening to ruin her and which she declares has depreciated her property from \$150,000 to \$50,000. She was ill, she asserts, at the time her agreement with the union expired on November 1 and the union would not agree to wait a few days until she might be able to discuss terms.

S. Tom Bailey, a citizen of advanced age, was struck by an automobile on the streets of Clinton Thursday and badly hurt. The automobile was driven by Milem Hellans of Dials township.

NEGRO IS RIDDLED WITH SHOT.

Posse Surrounds and Kills Man Who Shot Sheriff McCain.

Columbia, S. C., November 18.—Edward Winbush, a negro, was killed this afternoon by a sheriff's posse in a canebrake near Frost, a station about five miles from Columbia. Winbush was almost shot to pieces, seventeen bullets taking effect in his body.

The negro is the one who shot at Sheriff McCain yesterday and was surrounded in the swamp to-day. It is said that he was in the act of shooting at one of the posse when a bullet ended his life. Winbush was about 20 years old.

Winbush had fought off his pursuers all night and all morning. Bloodhounds were used to trail the negro this morning. The negro fired on a crowded street car when his arrest was attempted. This morning he was located by rural policemen, but escaped after firing at the officers.

GOES TO FOURTH PLACE.

Charleston Attains High Rank as a Cotton Port.

For the first time in at least 20 years Charleston has, according to statistics compiled up until last Friday, taken fourth position among cities of the United States in the value of cotton exportations. The order of standing of the leading cotton exporting ports, according to this compilation, is as follows: Galveston, Savannah, New Orleans, Charleston. The exports from Charleston for the season are valued at approximately \$12,000,000 and are greater than they have been in any previous season up to this time. It is conservatively estimated that the season's cotton export business from this port will amount to \$25,000,000. This estimate holding good, the export season for this year is now about half over. This is the first season in some 20 years, it is authoritatively stated, that Charleston's cotton exports have gone beyond those of Wilmington. This port's cotton business has been gradually increasing for the past eight years. It will be remembered that the cotton export business reached the low water mark of \$600,000 in the year 1906.

AEROPLANE HITS CROWD.

Several Are Hurt in Accident at Camden.

Several people were injured when the aeroplane of Frank Terrell crashed into the crowd that was witnessing his flight at Camden Friday afternoon. Mr. Terrell attempted to land, but as the claw which is used as a brake on his trailer refused to penetrate the hard ground, he lost control of his machine with the above results. Mrs. King, mother of Walter King, of Camden, was hurt the worst. She received the full force of the machine and was severely bruised. It is feared that she received a broken bone in the shoulder. Wilmer King, of Bethune, also received the full compact of the machine and was knocked unconscious for a few moments. His little daughter was slightly bruised. Jas. Shearn was bruised and his clothes badly torn. McDowell Lewis received a cut on the temple and a negro nurse was knocked down. Little Jack Nettles, who was with the nurse, was thrown on one of the planes of the machine but was uninjured. Mr. Terrell received a bruised arm when thrown from his seat.

The accident happened so quickly that people were dumfounded, women and children became hysterical and rushed toward the injured to see if any were their friends or relatives. Others, more timid, ran towards the exhibit building fearing to look upon the injured, who lay writhing on the ground.

Dr. Corbett was immediately to the side of Mr. King and Dr. Brasington went to Mrs. King's rescue. They were hurt the worst. Others went to Mr. Terrell's aid, who was on the ground near the fence, in front of the machine. For several minutes a small panic reigned, but the crowd was soon calmed by the assurance of a number of influential men that the injuries were not serious. Mr. Terrell broke down and wept, and it was some time before he could be induced to leave the ground and return to the hotel where he is stopping. The accident apparently was unavoidable. The crowd had been warned not to go on the ground where the accident took place, but in their anxiety to get a good view did not heed the warnings.

South Carolina Ranks Third.

With an output valued more than \$625,000,000 the cotton mill industry in 1909 among the industries of the United States, South Carolina ranked third in number of persons employed and seventh in value of goods produced. These figures were compiled by the census bureau and made public today.

The striking feature of the report was the discovery that the increase in manufacturing is much greater in the South than in the North. The industry is confined almost wholly to states east of the Mississippi river, there being only twenty establishments west of the river reported.

Massachusetts is the most important state, North Carolina second, South Carolina third, Rhode Island fourth, and Georgia, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, Connecticut and Alabama in the order named are next in rank. In these three states Alabama, North Carolina and South Carolina nearly nineteen percent of all employees are boys, and under sixteen years of age. In New England states the bureau found the percentage of women employees much greater than in the South.