

DAMAGES BY RECENT RAIN.

The News of The Week from Owings and Vicinity.

Owings, March 20.—The heavy rain last week did a great deal of damage in this section. It would be hard to estimate the loss in dollars and cents. Besides the bridges that were swept away, the fields are washed badly and it will take a long time to bring them back to the condition they were in before the rain came. The rock dam built by Mr. F. R. Owings to overflow his bottoms during summer drouths, was entirely swept away. It will cost a good sum of money to re-build this dam, which I understand will be done sometime during the year.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Stoddard and their little niece, Dee Ree Bryson, visited relatives and friends at Coronaca Sunday.

Mr. John Willingham, of Newberry county, is spending a few days in Owings visiting relatives.

The farmers are very "blue" about preparing for their crops. At the very best it is going to be late before the crop can be planted and with very little preparation.

The merchants at Owings seem to be having a very good trade, even if the times are "hard."

Mrs. R. A. Stoddard is very busy these days preparing for the Opening.

James Stoddard fell from a horse and broke his arm. His friends are glad to know that he is getting along fine.

Mrs. Mary Owings died at the home of Mr. S. C. Hili last week, and was buried at the Robinson burying ground. Mrs. Owings was the widow of the late Drayton Owings, who died several years ago in Texas. Mrs. Owings was one among the few Southerners that drew a pension from the United States Treasury. Her husband fought in the United States army, when the Indians out West became unruly and had to be looked after.

Miss Daisy Putman has gone to Epworth, S. C. She has charge of a millinery store at that place.