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## Read and Heed

The following letter gives you an idea of how the Policy Holders of the

### Equitable Life

are satisfied with the result of their investment.

GREENVILLE, S. C., Sept. 4, 1893.  
W. J. RODDEY, Rock Hill, S. C.,  
Dear Sir:—In reply to yours of the 28th of July, giving me results of my Tentative Policy in the Equitable, would say that I am more than pleased with the result. I have decided to take the cash surrender value of my policy. Let me know at once what to do. I have been out of town for some time. Very truly,  
L. M. BOLLIN.

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March 16, 1893.

### NOTICE.

Hotel Property for Sale.

On account of failing health of myself and wife, I offer for sale my hotel property in the town of Boone, North Carolina, and will sell low for cash and make terms to suit the buyer, and will take real or personal property in exchange. Apply soon.  
W. L. BRYAN.

### NOTICE.

Parties putting papers in my hand for execution will please advance the fees with the papers and they will receive prompt attention, otherwise they will be returned not executed for the want of fees.  
D. F. BAIRD SHFF.

### WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

President Cleveland and Secretary Carlisle, both of whom know how to appreciate a humorous situation, must enjoy the wild guesses of the newspaper men who are trying to build political sensations upon the very slender foundation of the President and Mrs. Cleveland having invited Secretary and Mrs. Carlisle to spend a week at Gray Gables. Surely it is difficult for a man possessed of ordinary common sense to discover anything sensational in the visit. Mr. Cleveland probably thought that Secretary Carlisle needed a week's rest after the harassing work he has done in connection with getting the new tariff in running order, and that he and Mrs. Cleveland would enjoy the company of Mr. and Mrs. Carlisle, hence the invitation. That the two gentlemen will discuss political matters is perfectly natural, as a Congressional campaign is on and everybody else is discussing the same thing; but it is arrant nonsense to say that the visit has been made because of any impending political crisis. It was also perfectly natural that Senator Faulkner, chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, should call upon Secretary Carlisle before he left Washington, to give him all the information in possession of the committee concerning the present status of the campaign and the outlook for Democratic success. No man can be more deeply interested in the campaign than is Mr. Cleveland. Only a man who draws a salary for doing so would pretend to find anything sensational in all this and no one else is doing so.

Representative Tarsney, of Missouri, who has been re-nominated and who is now in Washington, reports his State as being all right, and his own re-election he regards as certain. Speaking of the campaign generally in Missouri, he said: "I attended a Democratic meeting last Tuesday at Lexington, and I never saw a more enthusiastic gathering in any previous campaign. Reports from all over the State indicate the same feeling everywhere. I do not think there is a possibility of losing more than one Democratic Congressman and even that is not a certainty. I refer to the St. Louis district now represented by O'Neill. Situation there is very much involved at present. No nomination has been made yet by the Democrats, and it is difficult to make a prophecy of the outcome."

Before leaving Washington Secretary Carlisle accepted the resignation of Supervising Architect O'Rourke, which was requested early last week. There are already a number of applicants for the vacancy, but it is understood that no appointment will be made until the architect office has been completely reorganized. Under the reorganization all of the business relating to the letting of contracts and kindred matters will be looked after by the Secretary of the Treasury, leaving the architect in charge of that portion of the business only for which he is by his profession especially fitted. This will doubtless be a relief to the new architect, whoever he may be. Wrangling with contractors has hitherto occupied a good portion of his time.

Secretary Herbert has gained a warm spot in the hearts of the scientists by his reorganization of the Naval Observatory, placing it under the direction of a civilian, instead of a Naval officer. Secretary Herbert along service on the Naval committee of the House had familiarized him with the subject, which has been agitated for years. His action has given general satisfaction and there is little doubt that it will add largely to the usefulness of the observatory.

The party of distinguished Democrats who went from Washington to attend the State Convention of Democratic clubs at Raleigh, N. C., brought back nothing but good words for the condition and hospitality of the North Carolina Democracy. They also brought the assurances of those who know that there was not the slightest danger from the alleged combine between the Republicans and Populists to control the legislature and elect a Republican and a Populist Senator. The Democratic managers in the State are certain that the next legislature will be Democratic, regardless of any combination that can possibly be made to prevent it, and that North Carolina will continue to be represented in the U. S. Senate by two good Democrats.

Comptroller of the currency Eekels, who has just returned from an extended western trip, says he found everywhere unmistakable evidences of a general revival of business, and he believes that this improvement in business is going to be an important factor in the Congressional election. His idea is that the men who were quick to blame the Democratic party for the bad times will be equally quick to credit the party with the return of good times and to vote to keep it in power as a reward therefor.

New York Dispatch: Here are a couple of guides to happiness which some wise person has lately discovered: "For a fit of passion, take a walk in the open air; you may then speak to the wind without hurting any person, or proclaiming yourself to be a simpleton." "For a fit of idleness, count the ticking of a clock; do this for one hour, and you will be glad to pull off your coat and go to work like a man."

An autograph letter of General Washington to Colonel Hamilton brought \$42 recently at a sale in London.

### Bill Arp on the Outlook.

Well, it looks like we have seen the worst of the financial crisis. We have been at the bottom and the situation is obliged to improve. Some say that there can be starvation in the midst of plenty, but I don't believe it. It took all of the last two years crop to pay the people's debts and get them back to economy, and now, down here in Dixie, is another abundant crop that will scatter money broad east all over the South. Three hundred millions of cotton, one hundred millions for surplus corn is a heap of money, and it will come to stay. It won't go north to pay debts, and it will have to go into cotton mills, oil mills, knitting mills, canning factories, or some other industries that will give employment to labor. Here in my county, that is about out of debt, that will make at least ten thousand bales of cotton, and have 250,000 bushels of corn to sell. There is a half a million dollars to spare. Our farmers are raising their own meat and the crop of potatoes is splendid. Everything they have to buy is cheap except coffee, and the tariff will make all woolen goods still cheaper.

A letter from my son who is in England, says he bought a first-class cassimer suit of clothes for \$10, and they will be nearly as cheap here this winter, since the high tariff has been taken off. Blankets will be almost half price. Our wool factories are howling about this but it will turn out all right in the long run. Powers and Wightman howled awfully when the tariff was taken off of quinine and it dropped from \$3 an ounce to 50 cents. But they didn't quit the business as they threatened, and are making more money on quinine than they ever did. There is nothing like turning an infant industry loose to shift for itself. A son can lean upon the old man until he thinks he can't go it alone, but he can. The old eagles have to push their young ones out of the nest or they never would leave it, but would stay there just as long as the parents would feed them.

Low prices stimulate industry, and teach economy and cause new methods to be invented. When pig iron dropped from \$24 to \$15, iron men swore they could not make it at that price, but they did. Then it dropped again to \$12 and they are making it still. Farmers said they couldn't nor they would not raise cotton for 7 cents, but they keep on and will be glad to get 6 1/2 cents for this crop. Now, if we can all have more gratitude and less politics we will be better citizens and better Christians.

A Kansas editor says hay fever is caused by kissing grass widows. A Mississippi editor says it is caused by grass widows kissing a fellow by moonlight. An Illinois editor says it is caused by a kissing the hired girl while she is feeding hay to the milk cow.

### Col. W. C. P. Breckenridge.

The Bristol Courier of this week has a lengthy, burning, editorial on the record of Col. Breckenridge, of Ky., and he concludes the scathing article thus:

"Col. W. C. P. Breckenridge farewell. Our journey does not take us farther with you. May the loneliness of death surround you as you ascend the briny river. May no song of birds nor voice of laughing children fall upon your ears. May the waters of oblivion beat ceaselessly upon the gunwales of your boat. And when life's journey is over may you be buried as you wish, in the beautiful Lexington cemetery, and have erected above you a beautiful shaft of Barian marble, pointing heavenward, fit emblem of the purity and decency of your life, and bearing the simple inscription: 'Here lies the paragon of Madge Pollard.'"

"And when you shall have entered Charon's boat upon the silent river, may the shades of Madge's children beckon you from the other shore and wail out the awful tidings that Colonel Breckenridge has come. \*\*\*

And so, old spot, farewell. It is not likely that we shall meet again, nor that we shall ever again have occasion to refer to you. Here is our hand, and we assure you that it gives us no small pleasure to shake hands with a great a scoundrel for the last time. And in parting, colonel, we beg of you to believe that in what we have said we are altogether sincere, and if we have failed to depict you faithfully as the most indecent and unprincipled man that ever went to congress, the fault has not been with our intention. Had we known how to paint you any blacker we would have done so, and we will do you the justice colonel, to say that you deserve all the smut that has ever been heaped upon you and rubbed into you by the press. Your reputation has been honestly gained, and is in every way the true index to your character.

"Colonel W. C. P. Breckenridge, we bid you adieu!"

Recorder: A missionary thus speaks of a congregation at a church service: "Japanese audiences are models of politeness. No one yawns, snaps his watch, shuffles his feet or goes out, even though the speaker is talking in an unknown tongue. Every eye is upon the speaker. When he begins to speak he is greeted by a polite obeisance from every one in the audience; and when he concludes, another low bow from every one in the room says silently, 'I thank you.' After the address another song, a prayer, and benediction, and then what? A grabbing of hats and canes and overcoats, and a 'break' for the door? Ah! no; the Japanese have not learned thus to close their worship. All drop into their seats again; for a full minute they sit with covered eyes and bowed heads, and then slowly and reverently pass out of church or break into little groups."

### Fusion Will Not Fuse.

Fusion will not fuse, and that's what is troubling the Rep and Pop ringsters. In Burke Rev R. L. Patton, Populist candidate for Congress in the Eighth district last year, repudiates the fusion and will support Bower, whom he opposed two years ago. He is disgusted with the betrayal of professed principles.

Fusion will not fuse. In the fusion convention in Haywood county, Mr. J. P. Herren, a leading citizen of that county, withdrew from the convention, and "said boldly on the streets," to quote the Courier, "that if Populists didn't put out a candidate that he would vote for Mr. Crawford for Congress." All the honest Populists in the Ninth district feel the same way.

Fusion will not fuse even in Richmond Pearson's own county. L. N. Wells, a leading Republican in Buncombe county who was elected to the House in 1886 on the same ticket with Pearson, has repudiated Pearson's Congressional aspirations and will do all in his power to defeat him.

Fusion will not fuse so as the negro is concerned either. J. F. Gibbons, a colored man, writes to the Charlotte Observer: "We can't vote a fusion ticket. It will never do. We might as well eat the devil as to drink his broth. We only see one straight ticket in the field, and that ticket will receive a large majority of the colored votes, including mine. Coming events cast their shadows before them."

Fusion won't fuse in Gaston either. A prominent Populist in that county told the editor of the 'Gazette' that he wanted no Republican fusion in his; when his party wanted to abandon its principles he was going to fuse back with his Democratic friends in whom he had confidence.—News-Observer.

### The Abused Editor.

The editor that can't stand the abuse of the whole town he is situated in had better go out of business, for he will never be of any account as a journalist. It will not pay for an editor to be at all sensitive to abuse. Why is this thus? Because the editor talks to and for the public; everything he says for this thing and against that is said publicly, and as every question is supposed to have two sides the editor is dealt with accordingly. Things which he may have no interest in personally, if he publishes one side, he must expect to be handled without gloves by those who see different. With the true editor this is all right. He expects it and feels about as lonesome as a last year's bird's nest without it. He would feel about as important as a linen duster in midwinter, if he abuse ever met him, and his feelings would not be deceptive. Give him plenty of so-called abuse and he knows at once that his work is effective, and if he is right he will work all the harder, and if wrong he can correct his work.—Ex.