

SEA BREEZES FROM WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH

BY F. G. H.

Wrightsville, June 19.—During the past week Capt. D. D. Walker has been kept busy launching large crowds out in his fine launch the "Nettie". The fishing has not been better for many seasons. Large numbers of the Spanish mackerel, blue fish, black fish and hain have been caught by the various guests of the beach. Most of the parties have visited the much-favored "rocks," being within easy access, and in sight of the oft-desired terra firma.

One of the prettiest beaches on the Carolina coast is that known as "Shell Island," about three miles down the coast from Wrightsville Beach. During the past week a party of about twenty women and children went to "Shell Island" to gather shells, where, as the name implies, are to be found the greatest number and variety during the season. Large frequent trips there to gather the beautiful specimens to carry home with them.

Wilmington has been a scene of gaiety during the past week. The North Carolina State Firemen's Association has been holding its session in that city, and fire ladders from all over the State gathered there to enjoy the pleasures afforded them, and to participate in the contests between the different departments. The pleasures of the beach have not been overlooked, and gay lumina has been the scene of several very delightful dances, which the public was invited to attend. Many have availed themselves of the opportunity to take a dip in the surf. One of the other pleasures offered to the fire ladders and other visitors to the city, was the boat trip down the Cape Fear and out to sea, which has proved very popular.

The North Carolina Funeral Directors held their annual session at the Seashore Hotel, Wrightsville Beach, during the past week. The session was largely attended, and there was much interest manifested throughout the entire session, the chief feature being the annual election of officers, as follows: Mr. D. W. Hardie, of Raleigh, secretary and president; Mr. P. G. Flannigan, of Greenville, first vice president; Mr. Orland Elan, of Shelby, second vice president; Mr. F. H. Ziegler, of Elizabeth City, third vice president; Mr. F. P. Brown, of Raleigh, secretary and president; Messrs. Walter E. Yopp, of Wilmington; George Stranburg, of Greensboro, and W. G. Rowe, of Weldon, were elected delegates to the National Convention of Funeral Directors and Embalmers of the United States, which will be held at Indianapolis, Ind., next October. Messrs. J. M. Harry, Charlotte; H. W. Simpson, Newbern, and A. T. Brown, Raleigh, were appointed a committee to investigate the advisability of the proposition, and to make a full report at an early date.

Misses Mattie McCullen, of Greensboro, and Mabel Hardin, of Rocky Mount, both well known in this State, will arrive next week to be the guests of Miss Charlotte Fennell, of Wrightsville Sound.

One of the most brilliant events occurring on the beach this season was the ball given at Gay Lumina in honor of the visiting firemen, on Wednesday last. Lumina was thronged with crowds from the hotels, while a great number of persons came down from the city, in addition to several hundred firemen and visitors. Many of Wilmington's most prominent and attractive young ladies were present, in addition to many newly arrived guests of the Seashore Hotel and Tarrymore Hotel. It is estimated that there was perhaps fifteen hundred persons upon the floors and porches of this attractive pavilion, and the dancing was greatly enjoyed by all who were present.

The Sigma Nu fraternity, a large chapter of which is located in Wilmington, held a banquet on Thursday night at the Seashore Hotel. It was in every respect a most delightful social event, and those who were present enjoyed such as repast as would tempt the most epicurean taste, all of the most delicious sea-foods being placed before the guests. There were many interesting and informal speeches made during the evening, and it was pronounced by all to have been the most successful meeting held in a great many years.

The manager of the Hotel Tarrymore expects to entertain during the month of July the members of the Cape Fear Council, No. 374, United Commercial Travelers, who will hold a social session at that time. Members of this council are looking forward with much interest to the event, which promises to be a perfect success.

Two very attractive cottages have been opened recently on the beach for the accommodation of visitors, the "Georgia Cottage" and the "Charlotte Cottage," which will be kept by Mrs. M. A. Crabb, of Colartown, Ga., and Mrs. W. C. Ashe, of Athens, Ga., and by Mrs. H. H. Hood and Mrs. J. W. Whit, of Charlotte, respectively. The "Georgia Cottage" has but recently been opened, and in a few days will be ready for the accommodation of guests. It is most attractively furnished, and will prove in every way to be comfortable for the summer boarders. The "Charlotte Cottage" has already been opened, and those who have arrived recently are Mr. R. O. Cobb, Miss Helen Cobb, Mr. Griswold, Miss Gladys Cobb, Mr. James Watt, all of Charlotte. The "Charlotte Cottage" is said to be one of the most popular cottages on the beach, and a large number of guests are expected to arrive later in the summer, where they are served with all the conveniences of cottage life.

Some little interest was created one day during the past week, when the tug boat "Morning Star," which was seen to put in at Wrightsville Beach, having come in the inlet at high tide, and anchored off Hotel Tarrymore on the sound. As this was rather unusual it caused quite a little excitement, and the guests at the Tarrymore had a fine view of the pretty little tug boat. The captain of the "Morning Star" says his appearance at Wrightsville Beach was due to the shortage of coal.

The Hotel Tarrymore's fine launches "Charlotte" and "Atlanta" have been unusually busy in the past week carrying the guests to the hotel to "Shell Island," the "Rocks" and many other points of interest along the coast. Among the most

THE ELDER DAY

BY SAVOYARD.

Political joint discussions between candidates of the two parties have long been out of fashion, but that mischievous child of democracy, the primary, will surely re-establish it in canvases for party nominations. We see it in Tennessee at this blessed moment. Tennessee is the State where the political joint debate flourished in most vigor—Polk and Jones, Johnson and Getty, Johnson and Henry, Harris and Rattan, are historic combats of the States. It is likely true that Kentucky has furnished as many brilliant debates between champions of opposing parties as Tennessee. "Old Ben" Hardin was famous for his triumphs on the stump. He was the legal technician, Tom, Humphrey and Ed Marshall. He was a Kentuckian, perhaps the ablest debater the State ever produced, and a Hector for stump discussion. He donned every variety of hat and of political costume, and his tenth Ben Moore, of the Kentucky Reports and read the dissenting opinion of Elijah Hise in the Slack vs. Lexington and Maysville Railroad case in chief of it is legal technique, but so clear and so social that it appeals to the mind of every intelligent layman. The remainder is an elucidation of the principles of Republican government, and the ablest composition of that character that I ever read. If the old fellow could emerge from his grave and were introduced to this latitudinarian democracy, I can see him throw that luster upon his nose and read that classic paper by Henry Clay, of long familiar acquaintance. Like Nell Gwynne, he would ejaculate, "What company am I got into!" What he would do to John Rhea would be a plenty.

At the North political joint discussions ceased sooner than it did at the South, though less than 20 years ago there was a joint debate in Faneuil Hall between Henry Cabot Lodge and William E. Russell, of Ohio. They made the latter a Democratic Governor of the Republic Commonwealth of Massachusetts. I know of no political joint debate at the North since. After the war Robert C. Schenck and Lewis D. Briggs, of Ohio, held joint discussions in the famous old third Ohio district. Schenck, perhaps the most intellectual Republican Ohio ever produced, had been a big and a big and had followed Schenck into the Republican party; but Campbell sided with Andy Johnson in the era of reconstruction and was now a Democrat. Both Schenck and Campbell had made races for Congress in the third district, and as I now remember both had beaten him, and both had been beaten by him.

Of course, the most famous joint discussion of political candidates at Lincoln in 1858. But for it Douglas would have been President, and but for it Lincoln would not have been President. On the stump the two men were the subject of a description. Lincoln forced Douglas to repudiate the Dred Scott decision. It saved to Douglas the senatorship, but lost to him the South in national convention, and thus lost to him the presidency.

It was my good fortune to have a rather intimate acquaintance with the late William H. Botts, of Glasgow, Ky., a man of infinite jest, an orator of wonderful power, a lawyer of great ability. He was a member of the road on horseback he related to me the following anecdote of a joint discussion between opposing candidates for the Legislature in Jackson county, Tenn. Botts was to launch "Atlanta" on Monday afternoon. Among those composing the party were: Capt. James D. McNeill, president of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, and his daughters, the Misses McNeill; Miss Laura Underwood and Mr. John Underwood, of Fayetteville, and Miss Annie Louise Hutchison, Mr. W. L. Ward, of Charlotte, and Mr. E. L. Thomas, of Greensboro. The party caught about 100 of the best brim, "pigs," black fish, trout, Spanish mackerel—and it is even said that a toad fish was landed on the side, but this was not shown in the official report. The catch weighed approximately 150 pounds and was considered a very fine one.

A large excursion from Charlotte, consisting of over 300 people, arrived at the beach on Wednesday last, returning to the Queen City on Friday morning. The party spent several days in enjoying to the fullest the pleasures afforded on the beach and in Wilmington. What with the Firemen's Tournament, the Red Men's pow-wow and other social and athletic events, and the historic Cape Fear Lumina, and the many attractions offered at the beach, and perhaps with some of our friends who hail from prohibition territory, a little something on the side, we believe that all spent a most enjoyable visit. Wilmington and Wrightsville always welcome visitors from our progressive sister city, and we trust that we may see many of them here this summer.

The Edwards House and Ladder Company, of Oxford, consisting of about twenty members who came down to participate in the recent fire tournament, made their headquarters in one of the large cottages recently erected on the beach, bringing their own servants with them. The members of the company entertained a number of friends during their stay here, and speak most pleasantly of their visit to Wrightsville.

Friends of Mr. George Hall, of the staff of the Evening Times, of Raleigh, formerly a resident of Charlotte, were pleased to see him on the beach during the past week, where he spent several days and received a hearty welcome from all who know him here.

It is understood that the Seaboard Air Line Railway will run several excursions from Charlotte to the beach during the summer, and Mr. James Ker, Jr., passenger representative of the railway, located at Charlotte, Ala., has arranged for the Seaboard Air Line Railway will be prepared to handle large crowds most reasonably and in great comfort. As information to our readers, it may be well to call attention to the attractive studio of Mr. J. W. Buck, which is situated just south of Lumina. Mr. Buck has several splendid ocean scenes, and also an alrship scene, all of which are very realistic. His rates are reasonable, and his local reputation alone assures him of a large patronage during the summer. Mr. Buck makes splendid group pictures, having taken photographs of all the members of the North Carolina Manufacturers' Association, as well as other meetings of importance here this summer, while his individual photographs are all that could be desired.

MR. SIMMONS IN CONGRESS

MUCH ESTEEMED BY SENATORS.

He Has Remained Perseveringly in His Seat and Taken an Active Part in the Proceedings and Has Rendered Able and Conspicuous Service on Various Committees as Well as Upon the Floor of the Senate.—The Estimate Which a Fellow Senator Gives Mr. Simmons is a High One.—Not a Howling Partisan as Some People of the State Would Have Him Appear to Be.

There seems to be some disposition in some quarters to draw in Senator Simmons and make him appear a howling partisan in the present new-fangled plan of holding primaries for the office of Governor. Some disposition—not much—because there is a prevailing right smart evidence that a good deal of old-fashioned conservatism is remaining with the people. Witness the Mecklenburg election. In fact, it would not take a prophet to tell that this is a better year for will do better than last year will be, and not near so good as last year was. It takes a good deal more courage to stand up against all the wild talk that has laden the air this year than it will next and it will not be a bad idea for people to stamp in their memories the date of the convention of a lot of professional leaders, if for nothing else just to keep the record straight. If Senator Simmons had taken any such part as alleged while he was chairman of the State committee, I would have been indelible. Record puts him in a rather another light, as he or his other self was persistently in his seat in the Senate and took part day after day in its proceedings and was there even in the small hours of the night during a silly filibuster in which a radical Republican and another Democratic Senator to further his peculiar purposes and their undoing. This all seems so unlike Senator Simmons, who is the plainest sort of a plain North Carolinian "sorter set in his ways" of thinking and acting and not violently addicted to the habit of asking permission therefor—all this seems so unlike him that the writer who it is just as well to say is under no sort of political obligation to him, took it upon himself in the interest of a clean deal to ask of a very distinguished Senator whom he met on a railroad train what his estimate of the North Carolina Senator was. So cordial and so unqualified was the answer that he jotted it down and it is sent you to let you and your readers know how other people look at one of our foremost public men—one who is never tired of serving them and who seldom tires them by telling them how much he serves them and how grateful they ought to be for it.

Unassuming and unheralded, F. M. Simmons came to the United States Senate in 1901 to succeed Marion Butler, one of the products of that grotesque alliance of Republicans and Populists which for a period dominated the political affairs of North Carolina—a coalition of parties with basic principles as widely divergent as the poles, an unholy pact inspired purely by greed for political pelf. The sagacity, the energy and the genius for organization displayed by the new Senator as chairman of his State executive committee counted for much in the fight against this hateful domination, its final overthrow and the restoration of the State to its proper place in the ranks of the Democracy.

Not widely known at the inception of his senatorial service beyond the confines of his own State, Mr. Simmons has advanced steadily and deservedly in the esteem of his fellow Senators. Studious and thoughtful, given to earnest research, he is recognized as an able debater, presenting his views clearly and forcefully, commanding attention and carrying conviction where conviction is possible. His positive views upon public questions, reached after thorough investigation and mature consideration, adhere closely to those strict tenets of true Democracy, which make for the glory and strength of the party and

Sheer Lust of Cruelty as Well as Greed Doubtless a Motive in Such Cases as Mrs. Guinness'. New York Evening Post.

From this picture Hazlitt passed on to "the brilliant sun on the tawny meads or moss-covered cottages" and then to the "some topic of general and elegant literature." The friend with whom he attended the exhibition was deep in a volume of "The New Eloise." And Hazlitt pertinently asked the lady whether, if this, they will contend that a fondness for prize-fighting is incompatible with the cultivation of sentiment.

Perhaps an ever more striking illustration of the survival of savagery may be found in men's religious beliefs—say, in the conception of a god who is a cruel man endowed with omnipotence. Gray living in the days of us within a generation that a just and merciful Father, for his good pleasure, had doomed certain of the non-elect to the most hideous physical tortures for all eternity. It is a cruel man who is the god, that Herbert Spencer, in "The Data of Ethics," stated the theory quite nakedly: "the belief that the sight of suffering is pleasing to the gods." He added:

Derived from bloodthirsty ancestors, such gods are naturally conceived as gratified by the infliction of pain; when living they delighted in torturing other beings; and witness the torture in supposed religions, into which men are made to give them delight. The implied conceptions long survive. Some of our readers may recall the attacks upon Spencer, and even upon clergymen of orthodox faith, like the late Frederick William Farrar who doubted the doctrine of eternal torture. But the years are bringing to each of us a clearer recognition of the fact that the human and alive as we; that if you prick a Jew he bleeds, and if you poison him he dies; that He who made us also made the beast of the field and the bird of the air, and that He who made us will surely deal theirs their cry. Yet, though cruelty appears before the sensitiveness of a cultivated imagination which enables us to comprehend the feelings of others, men quickly relapse into their primitive savagery, and will not only to check them, revert into cave-men. Often, too, some fit of anger, some mental or physical disturbance, a drug or a drink which paralyzes the will and slips the leash from the passions will suddenly transform a restrained and gentle woman into a tigress. Every one can probably remember some terrible moment when the rage of the gorilla was named up in the mind of the man within us has almost broken the chains of custom and discipline, leads a fearful interest to the careers of a Mrs. Guinness or a Mrs. Rusworth, and makes us feel that the right relief. "But for the grace of God, there am I."

ROADS PASS DIVIDENDS.

Two Vanderbilt Lines Take Such Action, Surprising Wall Street.

New York Journal of Commerce, 26th.

The financial position of the Vanderbilt properties has been much discussed during the last twelve months by local bankers, more particularly by those directly connected with the system. The extraordinary expenditures in connection with the new terminal were absorbed a sum far in excess of original estimates, and the heavy net-back to earnings has involved a severe strain upon the road's credit.

The passage of the C. C. & St. L. dividend may occasion inconvenience to savings banks, as this Company's bonds have been available as legal investments, the common stock having regularly paid 4 per cent. per annum for more than five years. It was in March last that the 4 per cent. rate was disturbed, the dividend then having been cut to 1 per cent. semi-annual.

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YOU'RE TOO THIN.

Even Slight Catarrhal Derangements of the Stomach Produce Acid Fermentation of the Food. It's Stomach Catarrh. Some people are thin and always remain thin, from temperamental reasons. Probably in such cases nothing can be done to change this personal peculiarity. But there are a large number of people who get thin, or remain thin, who naturally would be plump and fleshy but for some digestive derangement. Thin people lack in adipose tissue. Adipose tissue is chiefly composed of fat. Fat is derived from the oily constituents of food. The fat-making foods are called by the physiologist, hydrocarbons. This class of foods are not digested in the stomach at all. They are digested in the duodenum, the division of the alimentary canal just below the stomach. The digestion of fat is mainly, if not wholly, the work of the pancreatic juice. This juice is of alkaline reaction, and is rendered inert by the addition of acid. A hyperacidity of the digestive fluids of the stomach passing down into the duodenum, destroys the pancreatic fluid for digestive purposes. Therefore, the fats are not digested or emulsified, and the system is deprived of its due proportion of oily constituents. Hence, the patient grows thin.

The beginning of the trouble is a catarrhal condition of the stomach which causes hyperacidity of the gastric juices. This hyperacidity is caused by fermentation of food in the stomach. When the food is taken into the stomach, if the process of digestion does not begin immediately, acid fermentation will take place. This creates a hyperacidity of the stomach juices which in their turn prevent the pancreatic digestion of the oils, and the emulsion results. A dose of Peruna before each meal hastens the stomach digestion. By hurrying digestion, Peruna prevents fermentation of the contents of the stomach, and the pancreatic juices thus preserved in its normal state. It then only remains for the patient to eat a sufficient amount of fat-forming foods, and the thinness disappears and plumpness takes its place.

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