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## THE HAND THAT ROCKS THE CRADLE IS THE HAND THAT RULES THE WORLD

No One is Disposed to Dispute This Well-Known Saying  
These Days

Do Not Forget That You Have Just Five Days More in  
Which to Work for the Five Dollar Gold Pieces--  
These Extra Prizes are for Yearly Subscriptions--  
Three Go to District No. 1, and Three to District No. 2--Now is the Time to Get Up and Hustle--Be One of  
the Ones to Get One of These Gold Pieces Saturday  
Night.

Word received from all quarters indicates that Saturday will be a day of excitement among the workers in The Robesonian's great contest. Some three babies living in Lumberton are bound to win a five dollar gold piece each and the same number in district No. 2 will be awarded a five dollar gold piece each.

The gold will be awarded to the babies who bring in the largest number of yearly subscriptions. This little special race for these gold pieces has nothing to do with the large prizes, except that you get 9,000 votes with every yearly subscription that you turn in the contest office to help towards winning the large prizes. This is just a little extra spending money for the mothers of our contestants.

You have five days left when you get this paper in which to work for these special prizes for your baby, and a little extra effort, a little close application, may turn defeat to victory. Are you going to allow someone else to seize the honor or are you going to see to it that your darling is the winner not only of one of the special prizes, but one of the large prizes on the last night? The habit of winning is a good one to fall into, for habits usually stick. Thus it is if you win one of these special prizes and others which may possibly be offered as the contest progresses, who knows but in the end you may win the first grand prize and be the envied of all others in this race. Be a winner at all hazards. It is worth repeating that all the world loves a winner, but is impatient with a loser and has absolutely no time for a quitter.

Wouldn't it be nice to deposit \$50.00 to the credit of your little one on March 23, 1912? Why, that money placed at interest will flourish like a green bay tree and when your baby reaches manhood or womanhood there would be a nice little nest egg waiting.

There is nothing that succeeds like success and if you are successful in winning one of these special prizes it will be sure to give your friends more confidence in you and they will undoubtedly be more willing to help you if they think you have a chance to win one of the large prizes.

According to the interest shown by the parents in the campaign of their babies, so will your friends show interest and give their help. If you carry on an earnest, active campaign, you will find your friends only too willing to aid in every way they can. If you only show a placid sort of interest, if you are only luke-warm in your support of your own baby, how can you expect your friends to be interested?

Let your friends see that you are trying and that you are going to win, and they will admire your pluck and help you all they can. Just think of the happiness it will be to have your little chum carry off first honors. Do not delay about having the baby's picture taken. This is a very important matter.

### Almost Lost His Life.

S. A. Stid, of Mason, Mich., will never forget his terrible exposure to a merciless storm. "It gave me a dreadful cold," he writes, "that caused severe pains in my chest, so it was hard for me to breathe. A neighbor gave me several doses of Dr. King's New Discovery which brought great relief. The doctor said I was on the verge of pneumonia, but to continue with the Discovery. I did so and two bottles completely cured me." Use only this quick, safe, reliable medicine for coughs, colds, or any throat or lung trouble. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by all druggists.

### LUMBER BRIDGE LOCALS.

Roads Improving--New Saw-Mill--Church Services--Personal Mention.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Lumber Bridge, Feb. 2--The roads are in a much better condition than they have been for the past few weeks.

Messrs. J. A. Clifton and R. J. Graham have constructed a new saw-mill near town.

Quite a number of residents of this town attended the play at the opera house in Fayetteville Monday night, and reported a jolly good time.

Mr. V. Y. Conley has resigned his position as depot agent and he and his family will leave in a few days to make their future home in Georgia. Mr. Ham will arrive Saturday as his successor.

Regular services will be conducted at the First Baptist church Sunday and Sunday night by the new pastor.

Mr. Hector McLean and family will move to their farm in a few days near town.

The faculty of the State high school here attended the teachers institute in Lumberton last Saturday. Mrs. C. P. McGowan and little daughter, Ruby, spent Saturday in Fayetteville shopping. Prof. Jones attended the Sunday school institute in Red Springs Thursday night. Mrs. L. S. Shaw spent Tuesday in St. Paul as the guest of her sister Mrs. James Johnson. Mrs. S. J. Thomason spent Monday near Parkton visiting old friends.

The regular prayer-meeting services were held this week as usual, at the Presbyterian church Wednesday night and at the Baptist church Thursday night.

Busy Bees.

### Three-Year Old Boy Drowned in a Ditch.

The 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Cassius Willis, of Ten Mile, was drowned in a ditch yesterday afternoon about 1 o'clock. The child was out with three other small children some distance from the house playing and was crossing over a ditch, in which was 4 feet of water, on a plank when the little fellow fell off head foremost. The other three children ran to the house and informed the parents at once, but by the time Mr. Willis reached the place the child had floated down the ditch some 35 or 40 feet and was dead. The parents did all they could and Dr. T. L. Northrop was sent for at once, but all was in vain. The child showed no signs of life after being removed from the ditch.

### Dr. R. M. Norment's 83d Birthday.

A constant stream of callers at the home of Dr. R. M. Norment, Sixth street, in the afternoon Thursday, his 83d birthday, gave him to understand in some measure the high regard in which he is held by the people of his home town. Ladies called from 3 to 4 and gentlemen from 4 to 5. This manner of remembering the grand old gentleman, who has been confined to his home for the greater part of the past year, was planned, as mentioned in Thursday's Robesonian, as a surprise; and it was a most pleasant surprise. Almost every caller brought a present and it looked to those who were among the last like the presents might number as many as the years of his life. It was a happy day for Dr. Norment, and his friends, whose name is legion, hope that he will be spared to enjoy many more such days.

### FAIRMONT NEWS LETTER

New Preacher--Church Services--Preacher's Family Pounded--Telephone Service--Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Fairmont, Feb. 2--All the teachers of the graded school attended the county teachers association last week. Miss Ruth Jones of Mooresville arrived last week to assist her father in his school work.

Rev. Mr. Lattimer of Orangeburg Presbyterian has accepted a circle of churches near here and in town and arrived Thursday to take charge of his work. He and his family are gladly welcomed and we hope they may be pleased with their new home.

Miss Newby of Sanford visited her friend Mrs. S. T. Moyle a few days last week. Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Carter and little Miss Frances left for Laurinburg last Saturday, to the great regret of their many friends. Miss Maggie Brown of Philadelphia is the welcome guest of her aunt Mrs. Fannie Brown for a few days this week. Miss Pauline Jones of South Carolina is the guest of her aunt Mrs. Kittie Mitchell.

The Young People's Missionary Society held its usual quarterly social meeting at the K. of P. hall Thursday night and had an enjoyable evening.

Rev. A. McCullen of Rockingham preached to a large congregation at the Methodist church last Sunday morning, it being the occasion of the first quarterly meeting for the year of Robeson circuit. This fine sermon was greatly appreciated by our people. The business meeting on Saturday was well attended and the good dinner served picnic fashion on the church grounds was much enjoyed.

The congregation and friends of Rev. S. T. Moyle and family gave them a nice pounding last week, which was much appreciated by the faithful pastor.

Friends of Mr. P. B. Thompson and family are glad to have them back in Fairmont.

We are promised much improvement in our telephone service at once, and are trying to keep our patience. The service is already better as a result of recent complaint and the new switch-board promised will be a great advantage.

Mr. Walter Andrews, who was taken to the Highsmith sanatorium at Fayetteville last week, is improving some, but is quite sick yet.

### Milling and Electric Plant at St. Paul Burned--Another Grist Mill Will be Started This Week.

There was a bad fire at St. Paul Saturday night when Mr. Opie Odum's milling and electric plant was destroyed. The fire was discovered about 9 o'clock. It started on the second floor in cotton and is supposed to have been started by rats with matches. Mr. Odum and several others were at the mill when the fire was discovered. The plant consisted of two grist mills, two cotton gins, an electric dynamo and quite a lot of machinery, all of which was destroyed. The total loss is estimated at not less than \$5,000, with \$1,000 insurance. The machinery was all run by water power and the dynamo burned furnished the current for lighting the village. The plant has been in operation only about two months. The plant was owned by Messrs. Opie Odum and S. B. Rozier, Jr. It is understood that the work of rebuilding will be started at once. The grist mill had more work than it could do and in order to accommodate the large number to people who will be inconvenienced by its loss the W. D. Johnson Lumber Co. will put in a grist this week.

### An Epidemic of Coughing

Is sweeping over the town. Old and young alike are affected, and the strain is particularly hard on little children and elderly people. Foley's Honey and Tar Compound is a quick, safe, reliable cure for all coughs and colds. Contains no opiates. J. D. McMillan & Son.

### A RAILROAD FIGHT.

Seaboard Gets Left in Trying to Prevent Competition at Lumberton Cotton Mills--V. & C. S. Takes up Seaboard Track and Replaces it With Its Own and Gives Both Roads Same Rights--V. & C. S. Has Deed From Owners of Property and Seaboard Had Year's Notice.

On account of the fact that the Seaboard Air Line Ry. Co. would not give the Virginia & Carolina So. Ry. Co. free access to a track to the coal shoot of the Lumberton cotton mill in East Lumberton, and acting under authority of the court and also by permission of the owner of the property, the latter road Saturday tore away about 100 feet of Seaboard track, replaced it with its own track and connected this track with the Seaboard sidetrack, giving the Seaboard the same right it had before with the exception of the right to keep the V. & C. S. out. Saturday night about 7:30 o'clock General Supt. J. P. Russell, of the V. & C. S. discovered a work crew of the Seaboard near the cotton mill, and being apprehensive that they would interfere with the work done by the V. & C. S., Mr. Russell and Mr. A. W. McLean, president of the road, and Mr. H. B. Jennings, manager of the Lumberton Cotton Mills Co., owner of the property, forbade the Seaboard to go upon the property except in the usual course of business, and Mayor Edwards of East Lumberton was asked to protect the property. Mayor Edwards placed guards at the track to keep the Seaboard people from interfering with the work that had been done, and the track is still being guarded.

Some time ago the V. & C. S. condemned a crossing over the Seaboard, by permission of court, to go into the Lumberton cotton mill. The crossing was constructed and a sidetrack was being built, but there was not room to build two tracks to the coal shoot between the mill boiler room and the shoot, so the V. & C. S. proposed to the Seaboard to use its (the Seaboard's) track, giving free access to both roads, with the understanding that the V. & C. S. should pay half the cost of construction of the track and half the cost of maintenance. The Seaboard refused. The mill authorities wanted both roads to have free access to the mill so as to give free competition and prevent delay caused by the Seaboard in failing to shift cars promptly. When the Seaboard refused its proposition the V. & C. S. proposed to the cotton mill to build a track on the coal shoot and permit the Seaboard to use it. The mill accepted this proposition with the condition that the Seaboard should have same rights to use the track as the V. & C. S. The Seaboard track was not on its right-of-way but on the land of the cotton mill company. When the V. & C. S. took up the Seaboard track and replaced it with its own it was acting under a deed from the mill company. The V. & C. S. connected the Seaboard to this new track by proper switch at its own expense and the Seaboard now has the same right to use the track as it has had heretofore, except that it has not the right to keep the V. & C. S. out and prevent competition.

The tracks laid Saturday by the V. & C. S. were laid exactly where plans which were filed in a condemnation suit heretofore brought by the V. & C. S. indicated they would be laid, and the Seaboard has had notice ever since the suit was filed about a year ago that it was the purpose of the V. & C. S. to build a siding at that point. It was for that purpose that the clerk of the superior court, and Judge Cook, on appeal, permitted the V. & C. S. to put in its crossing.

The whole matter hinged upon the refusal of the Seaboard to allow the V. & C. S. to use its track--where two tracks could not be laid--in order to give free competition. The Seaboard has exactly the same access to the

track as it had before, with the exception that it has not the right to keep the other road out. The V. & C. S. is largely financed by local capital. Its president, Mr. A. W. McLean, is also vice president of the Lumberton Cotton Mills Co., and naturally the mill wants this road to have at least the same chance at business that the Seaboard has. Both roads now have exactly the same right to the track that the Seaboard alone has had heretofore, and the Seaboard no longer has the right to prevent competition and cause delays by failing to shift cars promptly.

### BARNESVILLE BUDGET.

Rains Delay Farm Work--Cotton in the Fields--Bad Roads--Personal and Social.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Barnesville, Jan. 31.--Farmers are taking a long vacation on account of the weather. The land seems to stay wet and the people are complaining at the bad weather. We should be content with our lot and say nothing, but thank our Maker that it is not worse.

Miss Hannah Floyd of Barnesville is spending this week at and around Fairmont. Messrs. D. Floyd and R. R. Barnes visited in the Bloomingdale section Sunday p. m.

Rev. Mr. Bridgers preached a good sermon at the Baptist church Sunday.

Mr. J. B. Williams of Fair Bluff spent a while with his mother-in-law, Mrs. M. H. Floyd, Monday. Mrs. Gaston Lewis of Fairmont spent Sunday with her sister Mrs. C. G. Floyd.

Mr. R. R. Barnes has a lot of cotton in the field yet. We would be glad if Mr. Barnes could get the Campbell cotton picker down here and make a demonstration for lower Robeson. Mr. J. W. Barnes also has a few bales of cotton in the field.

Our public roads are almost impassable and we see nothing being done to them. We seem to be about a century behind the other sections. I think we will have to have a road-working or stay at home.

Mr. Bell Robeson is somewhat under the weather. Mr. L. C. Floyd and Mr. J. L. Flowers were visitors on the island near Boardman Sunday p. m.

People seem slow about hauling fertilizer this year.

Mr. K. M. Barnes gave a fruit supper at his father's home, Mr. R. R. Barnes', Tuesday night which was enjoyed by all present.

### Court Convenes Tomorrow.

The two-weeks' term of criminal court scheduled to begin this morning will not convene until tomorrow morning on account of the failure of Judge R. B. Peebles to arrive. Judge Peebles has been sick for several weeks and he notified Sheriff McNeill from his home at Jackson Saturday that he would not be able to reach Lumberton until tonight.

The local cotton market today is ranging from 9 1/2 to 10 cents, and continues to get a little stronger almost every day.

Manager Wishart expects to show some exceptionally good pictures at the Pastime theater Wednesday and Friday nights this week. Wednesday night he will put on "From the Bottom of the Sea," in two parts--two reels--and Friday night "Hands Across the Sea," also in two parts. These are said to be exceptionally fine.

Mr. F. J. Thomas and two little daughters, Elizabeth and Frances, left yesterday for Lilesville. Mr. Thomas will leave the children at Lilesville with their grandparents and will go on to Linville Falls, at which place Mrs. Thomas, with the children, expects to join him in a week or so and where they will spend some time for Mr. Thomas' health.

### A Warning Against Wet Feet

Wet and chilled feet usually affect the mucous membrane of the nose, throat and lungs, and la grippe, bronchitis or pneumonia may result. Watch carefully, particularly the children, and for the racking stubborn coughs give Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. It soothes the inflamed membranes, and heals the cough quickly. Take no substitute. J. D. McMillan & Son.

### LOCAL BRIEFS

Mr. C. M. Fuller left Friday for St. Louis to purchase mules for his sales stables. He expects to return Friday.

Friday was a clear day, the ground hog saw his shadow, and so it is written that there will be forty more days of winter upon the earth.

There will be a box supper at Tabernacle church, Howellsville, Friday night. The proceeds will be used for improvements in the school at this place. Everybody is cordially invited.

Mr. Preston B. Kinlaw, of Howellsville, and Miss Ila Crysell, of Wilkes county, were married on the 25 ult. at the home of the bride's parents. They spent Tuesday night in town, guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kinlaw, brother and sister-in-law of the groom.

Mr. Owen Ward, of route 2 from Fairmont, was in town Saturday and says that he killed 10 hogs Monday that totaled 2,213 pounds of pork, and just a few weeks prior to this killing he smoke-housed 9 other pigs that made 1,096 pounds. Mr. Ward says he is a strong believer in living at home.

In his letter of the 2d from Washington to the Charlotte Observer H. E. C. Bryant gives the claims for North Carolina covered by the omnibus bill which the court of claims has passed upon and approved and which he says looks like will be paid, and among them is a claim of the trustees of the Presbyterian church of Lumber Bridge for \$1,800.

Prof. J. McCombie Murray, who has been teaching at Maxton for some time and who has also been teaching a class of grown people here, began Friday afternoon teaching a class in elocution and singing at the graded school after school hours. On this first day he had a class of 23, besides three private pupils. He will teach this class Tuesday and Friday afternoons.

Dr. A. C. Tebeau, osteopath, returned Friday night from Rocky Mount, where he had been for about three weeks. Dr. Tebeau has been located in Lumberton for some time but he is now contemplating locating in Rocky Mount, Raleigh or Charlotte. He may decide, however, to remain in Lumberton, and he has many friends here who trust that that will be his decision.

Fayetteville Index: Mr. J. D. McArthur, who has been doing a merchantile business at McMillan, on the V. & C. S. railroad, between Hope Mills and St. Paul, has failed. He operated a big farm the past year, in addition to his merchantile business. It is understood that his assets were found to be far in excess of his liabilities. The low price of cotton and bad collections are said to have caused the failure.

Mr. Jno. T. Singletary, who resigned his position with Sheriff McNeill to return to his farm on route 3 from Lumberton the first of the year, was in town Saturday. He has just gotten out after a case of smallpox and his family are now quarantined. Mr. Singletary says he thought at first he had merely a bilious attack and worked right on through the recent snow before he found out what was the matter with him. It did not hurt him any worse than a bad cold, he says, which is no doubt due to the fact that he was vaccinated some time ago, though it was thought that it did not "take."

Lumberton's new brass band, in which there are 20 performers, gave its initial performance Friday evening about 7:30 o'clock in front of the Pastime theater. This band has just been organized and it parted the atmosphere on this first appearance with some of the best music any brass band with only a few weeks' practice ever made. A large crowd gathered to hear and the motion picture show was packed as soon as the band ceased to play. No more will Lumberton have to send afar after a brass band to make music when there is a special occasion. On the contrary, it will be able to furnish a band that will do credit to any occasion whenever any other towns want brass-band music and will put up the price.