

THE CONSUL WHO WAS NOT DEAD.

Collier's Weekly. It is not alone on the chessboard of international politics that Secretary of State John Hay displays his diplomacy.

Not long ago a well known Western Representative in Congress was chosen United States Senator. He immediately began to figure what was really due him from the Government in the way of patronage.

Straitway with true Senatorial dignity he summoned four of his henchmen. He promised them choice berths in the consular service.

"Good-morning," replied the author of "Little Breaches."

"Now, Mr. Secretary," continued the Senator, "I've been examining the consular list and I find that my great commonwealth is not adequately represented there."

"For instance?" suggested Hay.

"Well, here's Stuttgart. It's a good post, well, and desirable all around. I would like that appointment made first."

"Certainly. Wait a moment. I'll look into it. And Secretary Hay pressed a button. Send for the appointment clerk," he ordered.

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"But, Mr. Secretary, we have no such report—no advice, even to indicate that he had been ill."

"Surely, sir." Hay turned to the Senator. "Senator," he said, "there's some mistake. You must have been misinformed."

"The consul at Stuttgart is still alive. There was a backward glance. The Secretary stood grim and sombre.

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Terminated with an ugly cut on the leg of J. B. Orner, Franklin Grove, Ill. It developed a stubborn ulcer yielding to doctors and remedies for four years.

RAEFORD NOTES.

Miss Eola Harris is visiting relatives near Fayetteville this week. There was a coroner in town last week—a new thing for Raeford.

A certain one of our prosperous young men is making arrangements for having a home built. Somebody thinks that something is going to happen.

The new school building is going up very rapidly. It is about three and one half times as large as the old one.

Mr. C. B. Rhodes and family, of Darlington, S. C., have moved into the house on Rock-Island-avenue recently vacated by N. N. Auman.

Dr. McLean, of Godwin, N. C., was in town a few days last week visiting his sister, Miss Mary, who is at school here.

The Epworthian Literary Society of R. I. debated last Friday night on the subject, That: Better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all.

Rev. J. F. Owen will fill his appointment at Collier Chapel Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. H. L. Drayton and Mrs. H. H. Drayton, of Mingo, N. C., spent some time with relatives and friends here recently.

Mr. L. M. Byrd, of Dunn, N. C., was in this neighborhood this week.

Mr. B. L. Tew, of Dunn, is visiting relatives here.

Rev. Mr. Yarborough is preaching here this week.

Mr. W. G. Drayton and wife and daughters, Messrs. Minnie and Rosa, and Mrs. J. W. Wilkins, of this place, attended the dedication service at Godwin the second Sunday.

Mr. D. C. Culbreth, of Kinston, was in the neighborhood recently.

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RALEIGH LETTER. Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 16, 1903. Within a year from this date a new governor of North Carolina, and other State executive and judicial and legislative officers and county officials will be elected.

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LETTER FROM BEAVER DAM.

Beaver Dam, Nov. 14, 1903. After an absence of several weeks we appear again to let the rest of the world know that far away Beaver Dam is still "in the land of the living," and doing very well during persimmon time and eating hating with the boys gone "possum hunting."

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WHAT CONCERNS MAY DO.

Forecast of the House and Senate this Week. Baltimore Sun. The bill making effective the Cuban reciprocity convention reported by the Ways and Means Committee will be taken up in the House tomorrow and disposed of Tuesday.

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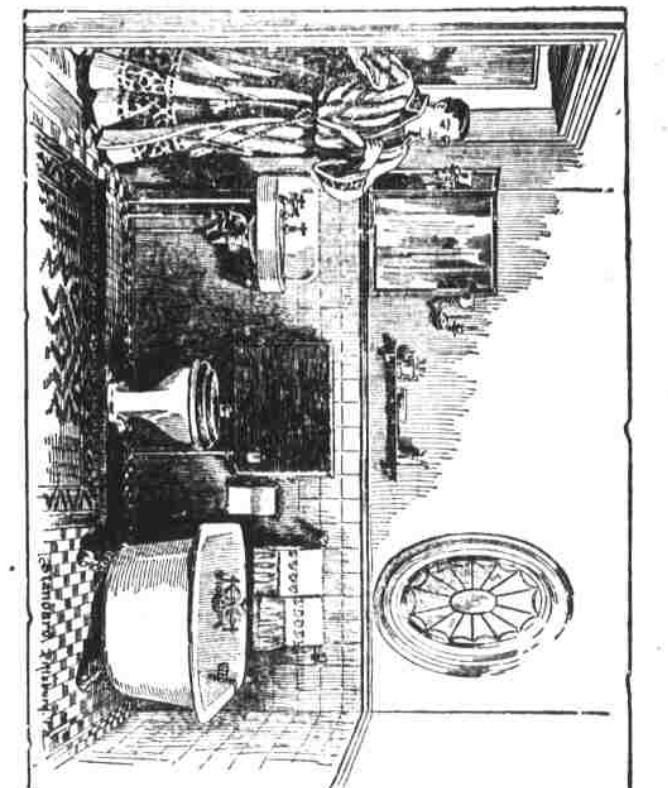
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