ITEMS FROM THE STATE CAPITAL

Much Speculation Over The Senatorship -- Happenings Around Huntersville-- The State News

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 30.—Mr. Robert Bell of Reidsville, who has been the stenographer for Senator F. M. Simmons, has resigned his position and will accept a similar position with Mr. James H. Pou. Mr. Thomas Bragg Hart, of this city, has been appointed by Senator Simmons to succeed Mr. Bell.

A report was current this morning that Mr. F. B. Arendell would succeed D. A. Watts as Senator Simmons' private secretary, since Mr. Watts has been elected to the Legislature, but the Times learns from the best authority that this has not been done.

There is beginning to be more and more speculation now over the senatorship. The candidates now in the field are Lock Craig of Buncombe, Lee S. Overman of Rowan, C. B. Watson of Forsyth, J. S. Carr of Durham, S. B. Alexander of Mecklenburg and Judge A. A. Hoke of Lincoln. There are all kinds of reports afloat about dark horses coming in and in these rumors he frequently hears Mr. James H. Pou mentioned by some of his many admirers. The most astute politicians here are of the opinion, it seems, that the speakership is not any candidate's race by a long shot.

The speakership is not discussed so much as the senatorship. The candidates are W. C. Newland, S. M. Gattis, T. S. Ails and Geo. L. Morton, while other names are often mentioned.

A summons is issued in a suit brought by W. C. Brewer and C. E. Gill, of Wake Forest, trading as the firm of W. C. Brewer and Company, against the Seaboard Air Line railway. This suit is to recover damages for the cotton burned on the platform at Wake Forest a few weeks ago. It is claimed that a spark from an engine set fire to the cotton. About 100 bales were destroyed.

The marriage of Miss Maude T. Dinwiddie, daughter of Dr. James Dinwiddie and Dr. J. D. Croom, of Maxton, was solemnized by Rev. Dr. Wm Black at Peace Institute this morning. Miss Laura Newsom of Raleigh, and Mr. Maurice J. O'Neill, of Henderson, were married here yesterday.

The city school superintendents will meet here January 22nd.

RULES AGAINST DRUGGISTS.

Certain Drinks Can Contain Fermented Jucies of Small Fruit Without Paying Liquor License.

The following is a copy of a ruling of the Commissioners of Internal Revenue, of which Collector Duncan has been notified and requests published for the information of all persons interested:

(Internal Revenue Circular No. 636.)

Treasury Department,
Office of Com. of Int. Revenue,
Washington, D. C., Dec. 15, 1902.

To Collectors of Internal Revenue and Revenue Agents:

In examination of facts in cases which this office has recently had under consideration leads to the conclusion that a more stringent ruling is demanded in regard to the sale by druggists and others of beverages called "claret soda," and other drinks sold at soda fountains containing small proportions of distilled spirits or wine or compounds thereof.

Each collector is, therefore, directed to give immediate notice to druggists, confectioners, and other persons concerned in his district, that on and after January 1, 1903, the special tax of a retail liquor dealer is required to be paid by every person who sells or offers for sale any soda water drinks or other beverages to which is added distilled spirits or wine of the fermented juice of small fruits or any compound thereof.

That part of ruling No. 223 in Treasury Decisions, 1900, (Vol. 3, p. 310), in which it is held that "where an alcoholic flavoring sirup is used for drinking into a glass of soda water in quantity so small as to merely give flavor to the water, the special tax of a liquor dealer is not required to be paid for the sale of such beverage," is hereby revoked, as well as any other ruling heretofore made contrary to the present ruling.

Collectors are directed to furnish a copy of this circular to the proprietor or manager of every drug store, confectionery, or other place where liquors or beverages of this character are to be sold, and to see that on and after January 1, 1903, all persons disregarding the instructions herein contained are reported to this office.

J. W. YERKES,
Commissioner.

Do You Know What You Are Taking when you take Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic because the formula is plainly printed on every bottle showing that it is simply iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. No Cure—No Pay. 50c.

THE CLEANSING AND HEALING CURE FOR CATARRH is Ely's Cream Balm. Easy and pleasant to use. Contains no injurious drug. It is quickly absorbed. Gives relief at once. It opens and cleanses the Nasal Passages. Allays Inflammation. Heals and Protects the Membrane. Restores the Senses of Taste and Smell. Large Size, 50 cents. Druggists, or by mail; Trial Size, 10 cents, by mail.

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CATARRH

COLD IN HEAD

MANY RELIABLE WITNESSES

Prove That Old Cases of Chronic Catarrh can be Cured.

A Medicine That Will Cure Cases of Catarrh of Long Standing Deserves a Very High Place in the Annals of Medical Discovery.

Such a Medicine is Peruna.

THOUSANDS of testimonials are pouring in every day of old cases of chronic catarrh that have resisted all treatment for years, being promptly and permanently cured by Peruna.

These reports do not all come from obscure places, signed by obscure people. A large proportion of these letters are written by men and women prominent in business and professional circles and many of them well known from ocean to ocean.

Colonel John Franklin Waters occupies a prominent position among the leading trial lawyers of Chicago. He has probably obtained more verdicts against corporations in suits for personal injuries than any man of his age in the United States, and during his practice of over fifteen years he has not lost a single case in the Supreme Courts of Illinois and Missouri. He is a hard worker and has the energy of four men.

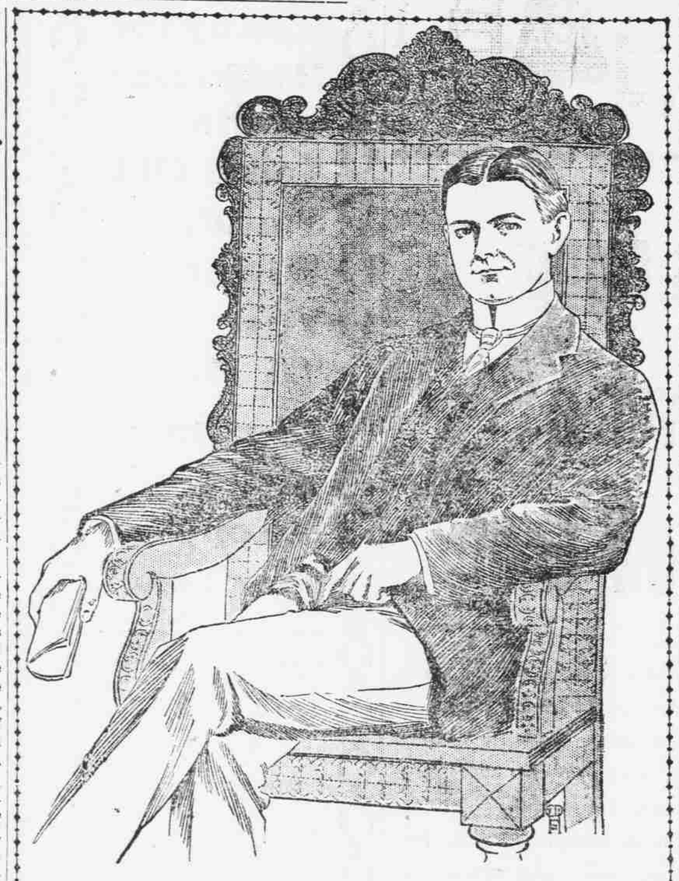
For a number of years he had been afflicted with chronic catarrh and having recently been thoroughly cured of his old affection, an interview was obtained with him by one of our reporters in which he gave the following statement to the public:

CHICAGO, ILL., Aug. 6, 1900.
The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, O.:

Gentlemen---"It gives me great pleasure to testify to the merits of such a worthy remedy for catarrh as your Peruna. I had suffered for a number of years from this very disagreeable disease and had tried many so-called remedies, but until I used Peruna none had the desired effect. I feel that I am perfectly cured and can cheerfully recommend Peruna to any one suffering from catarrh."

JOHN F. WATERS,
120 E. Randolph St., Chicago, Ill.

Another case equally well-known in Chicago, is reported through a letter from a veteran Railroad man.



COLONEL JOHN FRANKLIN WATERS, OF CHICAGO.

J. H. Lyons.

Captain John H. Lyons, of Chicago, passenger agent for various railroad companies for the past twenty-four years, connected with the Postoffice Department for six years, the Police Department for six years, and at present connected with the Grand Trunk railroad, had a similar case. He is a veteran soldier and a prominent member of G. A. R. Camp No. 102.

Captain John H. Lyons, 1612 Prairie Ave., Chicago, Ill., writes:

"For twenty years I suffered with chronic catarrh but thanks to Peruna I am now entirely cured.

"It affords me much pleasure to make a statement in behalf of your meritorious remedy, Peruna. I have used same for catarrh and have found it to be all you claim for it. I had suffered for twenty years. I cheerfully recommend Peruna to anyone suffering from catarrh, as I believe that, as in my case, it will prove a sure cure."—Captain John H. Lyons.

Address The Peruna Medicine Co., of Columbus, Ohio, for instructive free literature on catarrh.

PRATICAL TEST IN NAVY YARDS

At Newport News and Brooklyn Work Begins at once on Battleships and Result Will Be Noted

Washington, Dec. 30.—Apropos of the arguments for and against the passage of the bill now pending in the Senate providing for an eight-hour work day upon all Government contracts, the opponents of the measure want to make a record of a race to be made within a short time between the Government and the Newport News Shipbuilding Company in the construction of battleships.

The Newport News company is soon to begin work on the battleship Louisiana. At the same time the Brooklyn Navy Yard will commence upon her sister ship, the Connecticut. In the private shipbuilding yard there is a 10-hour workday, while in the Government yard the men labor only eight hours. The Newport News company has agreed to complete its ship within 41 months. This work will be done under the 10-hour-day system. Those interested in the eight-hour bill, and especially its opponents, are interested to know if the same work can be accomplished in the Brooklyn Navy Yard under the eight-hour system.

It has been stated that the Government cannot construct its ships as rapidly as private contractors nor as cheaply, owing to the alleged restrictions which the labor men throw about Government work. On the other hand, it is declared that although the Government yards are handicapped by an eight-hour system, with 15 days' annual leave for their men, together with higher wages, nevertheless the employes of the Government yards can accomplish more in their eight-hours than can an equal number of men in private shipyards working 10 hours a day, the argument being based upon the ground that eight-hours is a proper workday and that men whose hours of labor are limited to that time by working more willingly and more cheerfully can accomplish more than equally good workmen required to labor 10-hours a day.

The keel of the Connecticut will be laid in the Brooklin Navy Yard within two months, and of the 3,000 employes of the yard an average of 400 will be kept constantly employed on this vessel until it is completed. The Newport News Shipbuilding Company will start about the same time on the Louisiana, on which, it is estimated, from 1,000 to 2,500 men will be placed at work according to the stages of progress.

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stimulate the TORPID LIVER, strengthen the digestive organs, regulate the bowels, and are unequaled as an

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In malarial districts their virtues are widely recognized, as they possess peculiar properties in freeing the system from that poison. Elegantly sugar coated.

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Smokers of the South know that these trade virtues exist in Piedmont Cigarettes. They know the tobacco used in them comes from the renowned Piedmont tobacco section of the South and they know its good quality is always the same. The reliability of Piedmont Cigarettes, therefore, is the real reason for their success.

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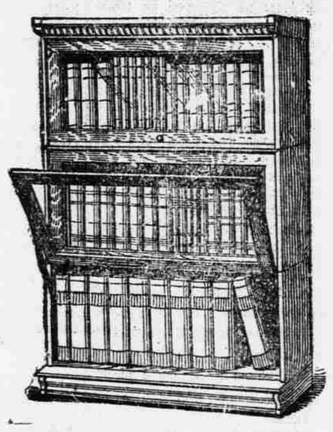

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PUBLIC OPINION

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State Happenings.

Moody Alleges Fraud.

ASHEVILLE.—Congressman Moody (Republican), in his notice of contest, served by officers on Congressman-elect Gudger, claims that he and not Gudger was elected to Congress. The notice avers that the State Board of Canvassers found that Gudger had received 12,700 votes and Moody 1,217, a majority of 183 over Gudger, and sets out the suffrage amendment and most of the election law. It then proceeds to specify the precincts in which it is claimed that illegal votes were cast for Mr. Gudger. It alleges that unlawful votes were cast and counted for Gudger in many precincts. The illegal votes are alleged to have been cast by voters who either had not paid their poll tax by the first day of May, 1902, or were non-residents of the precinct, county or State. It is alleged that the registration was performed in flagrant violation of law, and that qualified voters who would have voted for Moody were denied the right to register and vote. Then follows the sensational statement that the registration and poll books from some precincts have been lost, stolen or destroyed and the request that the precinct votes be not counted. Moody's claims would give him 175 majority.

A FRIGHTENED HORSE,

Running like mad down the street dumping the occupants, or a hundred other accidents, are every day occurrences. It behooves everybody to have a reliable Salve handy and there's none as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Burns, Cuts, Sores, Eczema and Piles, disappear quickly under its soothing effect. 25c. at Burwell & Dunn Co.'s drug store.

Deadly Toy Pistol.

KINSTON.—Joshua Borden, 12-year-old son of E. W. Borden, colored, died yesterday about noon of blood poison caused by a bullet from a toy pistol.

On Christmas day several small colored boys were playing with a toy blank cartridge pistol. They had secured some 22 calibre cartridges, with which they loaded the pistol. Frank Cox, one of the boys accidentally shot Borden, the ball striking his left hand. The wound was dressed, but the ball could not be found. It was not then thought that the would was dangerous. Saturday night blood poison set in, and for about twelve hours the boy suffered intense agony until death relieved him.—Free Press.

Fall Broke His Neck.

SALISBURY.—News was received in Salisbury this morning of a fatal accident that occurred yesterday afternoon in Stanly county, near Gold Hill. John Summet, a 14 year old boy, had climbed a tree and was making his way out on a limb about 75 feet from the ground when the limb broke and he fell. The boy's neck was broken and he had ceased to breathe when a companion who was near by at the time of the accident reached him.—Sun.

Fire Did Much Damage.

ROCKY MOUNT.—Part of one block of the town, that in North Tarboro street, was discovered on fire about 3 a. m. today.

The origin of the fire is not known but is supposed to have started from an exploding kerosene lamp. The fire company was on hand promptly and but for their intelligent and heroic efforts much greater damage would have been done. The fire had gained such headway before discovered that it was difficult indeed to check. The brick stores of T. P. Braswell, D. D. Cuthrell, R. Jenkins, Wm. Robertson, worth approximately $12,000, were destroyed.

Following were the losers: Joyner & Rowland, general merchandise, $7,000; W. E. Parrish, bar, $4,000; G. Richard, $9,000; A. B. Jenkins, $7,000; T. L. Conyers, general merchant, $7,000; Dr. G. I., Wimberly, office, $100. All parties are partly protected by insurance.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Shock Killed Him.

WASHINGTON.—A white man who was engineer on the government dredging tug, Geo. W. Thom, fell overboard yesterday. The waters of Pamlico river was extremely cold and the shock killed him, despite heroic efforts to resuscitate him. The dead man leaves a family.

A message from the bedside of Lieutenant Blount tonight reports his condition such that he is expected to die at any moment. Blount was a lieutenant on the Dixie during the Spanish War and while an officer of the deck watch he contracted consumption. Blount was in charge of several prize captures and has a record for bravery. For nearly two years he has fought the dreaded diseases and his death, hourly expected, will be a blow in this city.

Many a woman bends a man's will during life and breaks it after his death.

In some business transactions the middleman soon becomes the headman.

Law a Dead Letter.

SALISBURY.—That part of the bird law of Rowan county which prohibits the sale of quail here is practically a dead letter. It has never been believed that this part of the bird law would stand if taken to the courts and those who are interested in their sale decided last year to take the matter to the Supreme Court if necessary to protect their rights. In consequence of this agreement birds have been sold this year by many dealers in Salisbury who will continue to sell them until the game season has expired.—Sun.

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Robert Ward, Maxey's, Ga., says: "I suffered from blood poison, my head, face and shoulders were one mass of corruption, aches in bones and joints, burning, itching, scabby skin, was all run down and discouraged, but Botanic Blood Balm cured me perfectly, healed all the sores and gave my skin the rich glow of health. Blood Balm put new life into my blood and new ambition into my brain." Geo. A. Williams, Roxbury, face covered with pimples, chronic sore on back of head, suppurating swelling on neck, eating ulcer on leg, bone pains, itching skin cured perfectly by Botanic Blood Balm—sores all healed. Botanic Blood Balm, cures all malignant blood troubles, such as eczema, scabs and scales, pimples, running sores, carbuncles, scrofula, etc. Especially advised for all obstinate cases that have reached the second or third stage. Druggists, $1. To prove it cures, sample of Blood Balm sent free and prepaid by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and free medical advice sent in sealed letter.

Morganton Rectory Burned.

MORGANTON.—The burning of the rectory of Grace church entails a net loss of $1,900 upon the church. The house was worth $2,500, and the insurance was only $600. It was occupied by the family of Archdeacon Hughson, who is in the North collecting money to establish mission schools in Western North Carolina.

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