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## Mecklenburg Fair Opened Auspiciously

The First Day of the Fair a Great Success. All Expectations Met in Crowd and Amusements. The Floral Hall a Place of Beauty and Crowded.

Mr. Morrison the Speaker of the Day. Makes Splendid Speech, Reviewing Past Achievements and Forecasting Great Future of Charlotte and Mecklenburg

The first day of Mecklenburg's big county fair was a success.

Immediately upon the arrival of the parade at the grounds, the crowd was assembled in the floral hall to hear the orator of the day, Mr. Cameron Morrison.

He said:

Mr. Morrison's Speech.

"Welcome visitors to the city in behalf of the management of the fair and the people of the county. I don't see why the great crowd of people who went to the Raleigh fair didn't come here where they could see something. The exhibits are a great credit to the county and would not, in reality, be a discredit to the state fair. People of Mecklenburg county have done well in many important lines of business since the war. The exhibits displayed in this fair show something of our great triumph in agriculture, commerce, mechanics and other fields of useful endeavor.

The people of the whole South have done well in business during the last few years. The history of mankind on this earth does not contain a story of material upbuilding and wealth accumulated comparable with that of the people of the Southern States since the war."

He referred to the inability of the people of the South to devote themselves to business affairs from the time when the slavery question commenced to be agitated in the North until incompetent voters were excluded from the ballot box in the South; that the political difficulties in the South excited the best thought of the best people of the South and caused interest in politics to dominate and well might exclude at times interest in business; that we are now rid of all those governmental troubles and ready to go into business in dead earnest. He read figures from an article of the editor of the Manufacturers' Record showing the great development along many lines in the South from 1880 to 1905.

From this article it was shown that from 1880 to 1905 the South increased its number of cotton spindles from 667,000 to 9,265,000, and the consumption of cotton in these mills was from 225,900 bales to 2,163,900 bales; and claimed that one-half of the increase was in Mecklenburg and within a radius of 100 miles around it. "It is impossible to estimate the effect of the leadership of Charlotte brains, money and enterprise in bringing about this great manufacturing activity in this section of the country.

"Our manufacturers here helped to organize and carry forward the success of many of the mills in the surrounding counties and evidences of their daring enterprise were felt from Rutherfordton to Montgomery." He read from a table prepared by the Manufacturers' Record making a comparison of the South in 1905 to the rest of the country in 1880, just 25 years before, showing the South now to be stronger in many important respects than the whole country was in 1880, and claimed that North Carolina people have done their part in making this glorious record in business.

He declared that the farmers of North Carolina had nobly performed their part in this great record that our people with land not so fertile as land in some of the Southern States but because of superior skill, seasons and freedom from pests, and insects surpassed all other States of the union and that meant of the world in the production of cotton per acre planted. In 20 years we were only surpassed for a short time by Indian Territory, but not by any State. The number of our cotton mills lead all the other Southern States. We achieved all this, notwithstanding we are just out of passion and politics and down to business.

"We have just settled the negro question to our satisfaction, thrown away all political intolerance and passion and we are going into business for the first time in dead earnest; we have reaffirmed the ancient judgment of our people that the greatest industry of the world is that of growing raw cotton and we have further learned that the second greatest industry in the world is the manufacturing that raw cotton; we know we grow three-fourths of all the raw cotton on earth

## Two Men Horribly Killed at Gold Hill Mine by Explosion

Terrific Explosion of Dynamite in Gold Hill Copper Mine Results in Death of Two Miners—Buried Beneath Debris

Special to The News. Salisbury, N. C., October 16.—In a terrific explosion of dynamite in the Gold Hill copper mine at Gold Hill, near here, last night, at ten o'clock two miners, Burgess Cox and Will Frazier were killed instantly, their bodies being terribly mutilated and left buried in the debris.

There were fifteen other miners in the mine at the time of the explosion but none of them were injured. Cox and Frazier had prepared dynamite to make a blast and the explosion occurred before they expected it and before they were able to get a safe distance away. The signal for the setting off of the fuse by electricity was given too early and the tragedy was the result.

Cox has a family and both men live at Gold Hill. Their bodies were not taken from the debris until three o'clock this morning.

Mr. Walter George Newman is the president of the mine, it being one of the largest copper mines in this section.

## 49 TERRORISTS CAPTURED.

Police Discovered Headquarters of Band of Terrorists and Captured 49 of the Members.

By Associated Press. Warsaw, Russia, Oct. 16.—The police discovered the headquarters of an elaborately organized band of terrorists and captured 49 members of the band who are charged with having committed many murders and robberies.

It is alleged that the band originally delivered the proceeds of their crimes to local Socialists organization, but, becoming dissatisfied with the payment received, subsequently carried on a business of their own account.

## TO ATTACK VATICAN

To Bring Charge of Conspiracy to Overthrow Republic.

By Associated Press. Rome, Oct. 16.—The Osservatore Romano, publishes a semi-official article saying the French cabinet is preparing to attack the Vatican at the re-opening of the Chambers by accusing it of engaging in conspiracy with monarchists to overthrow the Republic.

Alleged Peonage.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., Oct. 16.—The cases of alleged peonage in the region south of Tampa, Fla., were brought to the attention of President Roosevelt yesterday by Miss Emma Stirling, an agent of the State of the Florida Humane Society. Miss Stirling had already brought the matter to the attention of the Department of Justice, which is now looking into the charges.

Supreme Court Decision.

Columbus, Ohio, Oct. 16.—The Supreme Court decided that the Drake investigating committee to probe the municipal affairs of Cincinnati is illegal.

## SEIZED REVOLVER AND SHOT HUSBAND

In the Presence of her Children Woman Fires two Shots at Husband in Self Defense, Killing Him Instantly. He was Jealous.

By Associated Press. Chicago, Oct. 16.—In the presence of her daughter and a party of children, Mrs. Sarah Alcopa shot and killed her husband, John L. Alcopa, early today at his home.

The shots were fired to save her own life. Alcopa was chasing her around the house with a butcher's knife and she ran into her bedroom, took a revolver from the dresser and fired two shots, one striking the man in the left temple and the other in the lung.

He died instantly.

Alcopa was a cigar maker, 39 years old. His wife is 39 and there are two children.

Jealousy of John Minerne, a roomer at the house, is said to have caused the shooting. Mrs. Alcopa was arrested.

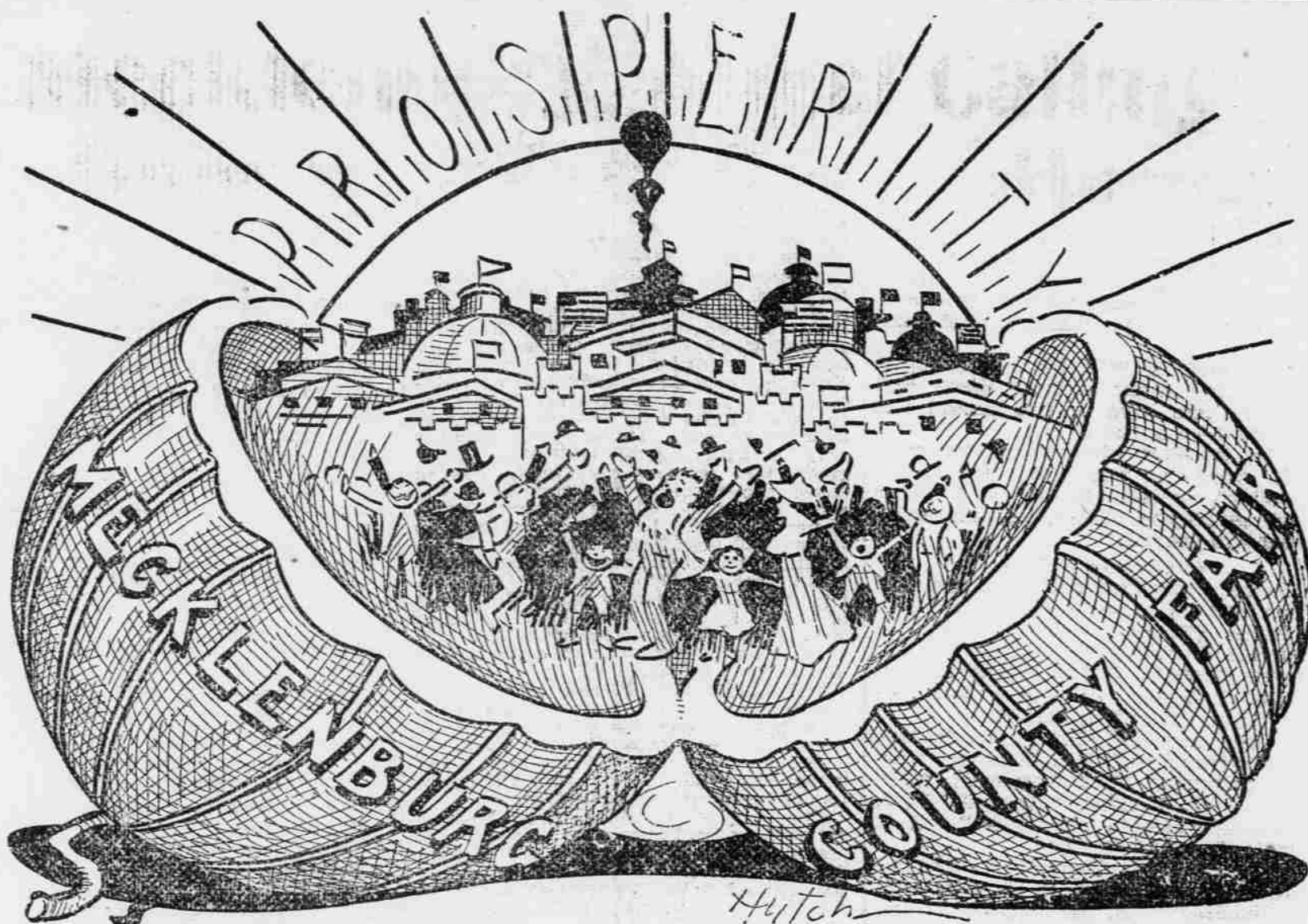
## COMPANIES MERGED.

Railroad Companies Merged and Capital Greatly Increased.

By Associated Press. Norfolk, Va., Oct. 16.—The Norfolk and Southern and the Virginia and Carolina Coast Railways was merged by the stockholders and the capital increased from two to three million dollars.

Suffolk, Va., is made the northern terminus and Columbia, N. C., the southern terminus.

Farmico, the Oriental and Western sold to the Atlantic and North Carolina, and the John L. Roper Lumber Co. were brought into consolidation.



Giant Pumpkin of Mecklenburg Prosperity is Opened at the Fair Grounds Today.

## 10,000 Lives Lost in Sea

As Result of Terrific Typhoon Which Visited Hong Kong Sept. 20th and Lasted Two Hours, 10,000 Lives were Blotted Out Entirely.

Steamer, Which Escaped Brings Fearful Story of Unprecedented Disaster. Most of Victims were Chinese. Many Ships Destroyed. The Damage is Immense.

By Associated Press. Victoria, B. C., Oct. 16.—Ten thousand lives were blotted out, 17 steamers and sailing vessels were wrecked or badly damaged, over 1,000 junks swamped, turned over or battered to pieces against the stone walls of the Praya, 80 per cent of lighters, launches, yachts, houseboats and small native crafts were entirely destroyed, many wharves wrecked and many damaged, as the result of the typhoon lasting but two hours at Hong Kong on Sept. 18, according to advice brought by the steamer Empress of Japan, one of the few vessels to escape the disaster, which arrived yesterday.

The Kowloon sustained the heaviest loss, but all sections of the Hong Kong and Hinterland suffered.

There were 24 Europeans among the killed. The others were Chinese, mostly and junk population.

On the approach of the typhoon the junks hurried for shelter, colliding with each other, cutting down yachts, houseboats, etc., striving through the driving rain to reach Causeway Bay.

Thousands soon were thrown into the sea, lashed to a fury, with the waves 20 and 30 feet high.

The wind blew the junks around and sent them swirling and twisting to be dashed to pieces against the Praya, where hundreds of junks and sampans were dashed to matchwood and the mangled bodies of the crews scattered against the stone walls with in sight of those on shore powerless to lend them aid.

The storm ceased as quickly as it began. The sun shone then on the scenes of unparalleled destruction on Hong Kong. This typhoon exceeded all others experienced there in its severity.

## A PROTEST ADOPTED.

Protest Against Panama Canal Commission Adopted by New Orleans Progressive Union.

By Associated Press. New Orleans, La., Oct. 16.—A protest against the decision of the Panama Canal Commission for half rates on canal supplies exclusively from New York and San Francisco, was adopted last night by the directors of the New Orleans Progressive Union, which protests vigorously against such, as being discriminatory and seriously detrimental to the interests of the Port of New Orleans and the whole Mississippi valley.

Seize Twelve Bombs.

By Associated Press. Voronezh, Russia, Oct. 16.—The police seized twelve bombs found in the possession of a peasant belonging to the village of Pesski, the centre of the Agrarian disorders in this vicinity last summer.

## BIG TIME FOR PYTHIANS.

Pythian Convention in Full Blast—Thousands See the Parade.

By Associated Press. New Orleans, Oct. 16.—The Pythian Convention is in full swing proceeding simultaneously in the several departments. The business sessions occupied the morning hours while the afternoon was given over to a general parade of the uniform rank. Several thousand visitors came into the city to watch the Pythians march. It is estimated that with the late arrivals this morning about 4,000 uniformed men would be in line.

The evening hours set for the first contest of the convention, that of the companies of uniform rank for the best exemplification of the ritual.

Following a drizzle of rain during the first night in camp, more wet weather is promised for today. Nevertheless, the Pythians in their town of tents at the City Park race track, made light of weather conditions, placing their tables, many of which were supplied by their own mess cooks, under the shelter of sheds and the grand stand and inviting their ladies to these picturesque meals.

## A GIGANTIC PURCHASE.

Properties of Georgia Coal and Iron Company Sold—Consideration \$2,800,000.

By Associated Press. Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 16.—The official announcement was made here of the purchase of the properties of the Georgia Coal and Iron Company by the Southern Steel Company, the consideration being in the neighborhood of \$2,800,000.

The property acquired consists of a 200-ton iron furnace at Rising Fawn Ga., 57,800 acres of mineral lands in Nevada, coal, 30 coke ovens and several coal and ore mines.

Rising Fawn was the principal seat of operations of the Georgia Coal and Iron Company. The properties will be consolidated with those of the Southern Steel Company, which recently absorbed the Lacey-Bueck Iron Company and the Chattanooga Coal and Iron Company.

## FOUR INJURED FROM EXPLOSION OF AUTO

Automobile Running at High Speed Struck Trolley Pole and Exploded, Enveloping Four Occupants in Flames. Two May Die.

By Associated Press. Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 16.—An automobile running at a high rate of speed on Detroit avenue struck a trolley pole at Kenilworth avenue in Lakewood, suburb, early today and exploded.

Every one of the four occupants of the car were injured and two may die.

According to the man driving the machine, something went wrong with the machinery. The car suddenly swerved from the roadway and struck a pole. The collision and the explosion seemed to be simultaneous.

The 15 gallons of gasoline in the reservoir of the machine let go with a roar and enveloped all four of the persons in flames.

## RUN OVER BY TRAIN

Messrs. Frank Irwin and Will Mahew Narrowly Escape Death—Irwin Badly Hurt—Horse Killed.

Special to The News. Davidson, Oct. 16.—Mr. Frank Irwin, of Mooresville, was run over last night by train No. 24, from Charlotte to Statesville, at the crossing below Cornelius. He was driving in a buggy with Mr. Will Mahew, and tried to cross the track ahead of the train. Mahew jumped and escaped, but the horse was killed, and Irwin was thrown many feet away. His right hip was broken and badly crushed, and he received two gashes in his head. He seemed to be under the influence of whiskey, for he recklessly tried to cross in front of the train while his sober companion jumped. The engineer stopped the train as soon as possible, and he was placed in the baggage car and brought here to the hospital. It is not yet known if his injuries will prove fatal, as he has only been partially examined. He was totally unconscious when brought here, but Dr. J. P. Munroe said his pulse was good and he was probably not fatally injured.

The football team returned last night from Athens, Ga., where they defeated the University of Georgia Saturday by the score of 15 to 0. They were met by an enthusiastic bunch of students, and were driven up on the campus, to the noise of drums, pans, etc., where a big bonfire was built and speeches made.

## MR. JONES' FUNERAL.

Will Be Buried Thursday at 2 P. M.—Died in Day Coach.

By Associated Press. Chattanooga, Tenn., Oct. 16.—The body of Rev. Sam Jones, who died on a train en route from Oklahoma to Little Rock, passed through Chattanooga today.

Mrs. Jones, who, with her two daughters, accompanies the body, says she report sent out that Mr. Jones died in a sleeping car berth is erroneous.

He died in the day coach which he occupied as he complained of not feeling well and wished to sit up. On account of the public interest all over the South, Mrs. Jones and her daughters have changed the date for the funeral from tomorrow afternoon until Thursday at 2 p. m.

The body will lie in state at their Cartersville home.

## CASE OF STANDARD OIL.

Both Defense and Prosecution Rest Case—Argument Begun.

By Associated Press. Findlay, Ohio, Oct. 16.—Both the State and defense rested their case in the trial here against the Standard Oil Company of Ohio for alleged conspiracy against trade at 9:45 o'clock. The argument of counsel will follow.

Wedding in Military Circles.

Washington, D. C., October 16.—St. Thomas's church was the scene at noon today of a wedding of interest in military circles. The bride was Miss Anna Brock Aspinwall and the bridegroom, Lieutenant Blanchard Conly, of the 3rd Regiment of Cavalry. The ceremony was performed by the bride's father. Brother officers of the bridegroom in full dress uniform acted as ushers.

## Railroad Men.

Atlantic City, N. J., October 16.—The American Association of General Passenger and Ticket Agents, representing all the leading railroads of the United States, Canada and Mexico, began its 51st annual meeting here today.

## Death Angel Calling Mrs. Davis Home

Wadesboro Lynching Case Now Being Considered

Case of State vs. Anson County Lynchers Now Under Consideration—The Point at Issue—State Fair Opens Brilliantly.

Special to The News.

Raleigh, Oct. 16.—The noted Wadesboro lynching case State vs. Zeke Lewis for participating in the lynching of J. V. Johnson, May 28, last, came up for argument on appeal to the Supreme Court today, Walter Clark, Jr., appearing for the State instead of Attorney-General Gilmer, who is detained out of the city.

The principal question at issue is "Does the fact that Chap. 461 and 1893 of the code were split up into sections so as to be put under proper headings in revised distroy the meaning of the sections?"

The North Wilkesboro Hardware Co. was chartered at a capital of \$50,000 authorized and \$11,000 subscribed by L. E. Davis, A. L. Combs and others; also the Imperial Mattress Co. of Washington, N. C., at a \$30,000 capital by W. E. Jones and others.

Deputy Sheriff J. T. Hutchins is here from Forsythe to deliver eight convicts to the penitentiary.

The Forty-ninth annual State Fair formally opened today at noon by Governor Glenn, who congratulated the State on the great industrial prosperity. He declared the exhibits in the fair were superb demonstrating that the development was great. The crowd today is the largest in the history of the fair at the opening.

## SPEAKING IN CABARRUS.

Hackett's Appointments—He is Close After Blackburn—Other Speakings.

Special to The News. Concord, Oct. 16.—Mr. Richard N. Hackett, the Democratic candidate for Congress, will speak in Concord on the night of the 18th, Thursday night, speaking at the court house. Mr. Hackett will be in Cabarrus county this week, speaking at Mt. Pleasant and in No. 19 township at Bethel. Failing to get his opponent, Mr. Blackburn, to meet him, Mr. Hackett is pretty close about Mr. Blackburn in Cabarrus. Mr. Blackburn is at Mt. Pleasant today and at Bethel tonight.

Mr. Hurllocker was 84 years of age and is survived by a husband and four children, one son and three daughters. She was a member of St. John's E. L. Church and the remains were interred today.

The Hackett clubs in this city have grown nicely and will be out in force to hear the next representative in Congress from the Eighth speak.

Ex-Governor Aycock will be here Saturday, the 20th, and another strong speaker will be Mr. L. C. Caldwell on the 25th.

Mrs. John Hurllocker, of No. 8 township, died Sunday evening at 6 o'clock. Mrs. Hurllocker was 84 years of age and is survived by a husband and four children, one son and three daughters. She was a member of St. John's E. L. Church and the remains were interred today.

## BUSY PREPARING FOR A HOLY WAR

Native Uprising in Morocco and Algeria Growing in Imminence. Military Authorities Apprehensive Definite Plans for Holy War are Being Arranged.

By Associated Press. Paris, Oct. 16.—The imminence of the formidable native rising in Morocco and Algeria is growing. French military authorities in Algeria are in a state of apprehension. The commander of troops in the district of Ain-Sefra has cabled to the minister of war, saying that preparations among the Moors for a holy war are proceeding energetically.

Mouley Abou, a cousin of the Sultan of Morocco, has visited all the tribes and has induced them to cease their international quarrels and prepare to take the field in the middle of November.

A point for concentration has been chosen on the Wady Ghir, where arms are being collected.

Harry Thaw's Partner.

By Associated Press. New York, Oct. 16.—That another person may be indicted with Harry Thaw for the murder of Stanford White, was intimated by District Attorney Jerome today. Mr. Jerome indicated that an indictment might be issued during an argument before Recorder Gees to the right of the district attorney to issue further grand jury subpoenas in the case.

Mr. Duckworth Not so Well.

The condition today of Mr. H. D. Duckworth, who has been ill at his home in the western part of the city for several weeks, is reported not so good today as it has been heretofore.

Mrs. Jefferson Davis, Widow of the Great Chieftain of the Confederacy, is Now Unconscious and Sinking Rapidly. Death Expected Soon.

She is in Hotel in New York, Surrounded by Her Daughter and Friends. Pneumonia has Set in and Doctors Offer no Hope for her Recovery.

By Associated Press. New York, Oct. 16.—Mrs. Jefferson Davis, who has been ill of pneumonia at the Hotel Majestic was still alive early today, but her death, it is said, was not far off.

Mrs. Davis took a sudden change for the worse last night and her physicians said the end was only a question of hours. Her only surviving daughter, Mrs. J. Addison Hayes, and other relatives remained near her bedside throughout the night.

Mrs. Davis is 80 years old.

Mrs. Davis had made New York city her home for several years, but she spent the summer in the country, returning to the city in autumn to live, usually in the hotel.

Last winter while stopping at the hotel she was taken seriously ill as the result of a cold and owing to her age it was feared that she would not recover. After a week's illness, however, her health was restored.

On Saturday, Oct. 6, Mrs. Davis again caught a severe cold and her condition soon became serious. She was attended at her apartment in the Hotel Majestic by Dr. Robert L. Wylie and her daughter, Mrs. J. Addison Hayes was hurriedly summoned from Colorado Springs.

With her ability to resist disease greatly lessened because of her age, Mrs. Davis grew worse until pneumonia developed.

Sinking Rapidly. A clergyman who was hurriedly summoned to Mrs. Davis' room remained with her a short time and as he left the hotel he said she was unconscious and sinking rapidly.

Dr. Webb, who has been in constant attendance in the sickroom since last night, said the end was momentarily expected.

RECEPTION TO NEW PASTOR.

Elegant Affair Given by the Congregation of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Honor of Mr. Raynal, New Pastor.

A delightful reception was tendered last evening by the congregation of the St. Paul Presbyterian church in honor of their new pastor, Rev. C. E. Raynal who preached his first sermon last Sunday. The parlors of the church were decorated. During the course of the reception a large number of the members of the Second Presbyterian church called.

Refreshments were served under the direction of the Ladies Aid Society. The evening was delightfully spent and everybody seemed to enjoy the occasion.

Cotton Brings 11.30 on Streets.

The local cotton market today was 11.30 and the receipts were 128 bales at the above figures. For the same date last year the receipts were 57 bales, the best price being 9.67. This indicates that cotton today is close to 1.50 cents above the ruling price for the staple as sold on the streets a year ago.

Two Large Arc Lights.

In order to better light the large class rooms of the night school of the Y. M. C. A., two large gas arc lights were installed today.

The material equipment for a high grade school has been provided by the committee in charge of this important department of the association's work, and every effort will be made to make the school all that is hoped for it.

Killed by High Fall.

By Associated Press. Mobile, Ala., Oct. 16.—Major E. R. Quiblain, customs inspector, and well known throughout the South, fell from the United States barge office last night 20 feet to the wharf below, and sustained injuries that resulted in his death two hours later.

The Governor Spoke.

Special to The News. Salisbury, N. C., Oct. 16.—Governor Glenn delivered a speech here last night in the court house to a large crowd. The speech of the Governor was the best of the campaign so far, and the large crowd was carried away by the tone and eloquence of the speech.

Texas Postmasters.

Dallas, Texas, Oct. 16.—The Texas Postmasters' Association convened its 8th annual session at the Commercial Club in this city with a good attendance.