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FRANK GOODING DIES SUDDENLY

WHILE RIDING ALONG ROAD IN BUGGY No One With Him Put His Little Daughter.

Mr. Frank Gooding, familiarly known as "Doc," of Chisquapin township, Jones county, died suddenly Saturday afternoon while in his buggy going from his home to Mr. Dal Wooten's store. Mr. Gooding and his little daughter were driving along the road, when his head suddenly fell over on his breast as if he was asleep. His little girl shook him saying: "Look up papa, you can't fool me, I know you ain't asleep," and in shaking him caused him to get off his balance and fall from the buggy. He was stone dead, and had been so probably for several minutes. The cause of his death is supposed to have been heart failure. Mr. Gooding was about 50 years old and had been married the second time. He was buried yesterday afternoon in Jones county.

JINGLES AND JESTS.

A Kiss In the Dark.
Today I asked of Madge, the winsome sprite,
To whom I'm pledged by grace of love's old story,
"Were you not rather startled when, last night,
I caught you in the dark conservatory
And kissed you?" The effect of her reply
I'll leave for you to glimpse, then draw the curtain.
"Well, no, not startled," came her answer shy.
"I thought 'twas you—but wasn't certain!"
—Brooklyn Life.

Burning Verses.
"I wouldn't care if that poet would bring
in a hundred poems a day," said the country editor.
"He knows how to write 'em, does he?" asked the office boy.
"He certainly does," replied the editor.
"He brings them in written on shingles."—Indianapolis Sun.

The Use of the Prepositio.
In addressing his class on the use of the parts of speech, way a college professor considerable merriment at his pence:
"Gentlemen," he said, "a prepositio is a bad word to end a sentence with."
—New York Times.

They Knew Him Not.
The ancient cat sits on the fence
And sings of other days;
His thousand children roam the earth
And wend their devious ways.
His throat is sore, his voice is cracked,
And sad is his "meow."
Not one of all his prosperous sons
Will recognize him now.
—Puck.

Not Taking Chances.
Young Man—The wife I am looking for
must be young and pretty.
Coy Maiden—Do you think you will
have to look very far?
Young Man—Confound it, I can't
look at all! I'm dreadfully nearsighted,
and I've left my glasses at home.
—Chelsea Gazette.

Not Entirely Wasted.
"Marla," said Mr. Henpeck, "you'll
never know how I appreciated your
kindness to me when you thought I
was going to die."
"Well," she replied, "I'm glad to
know that my kindness wasn't entirely
wasted after all."
—Chicago Record-Herald.

Violet and Lavender.
Violet and lavender are reckoned
among the most important of the many
perfume remedies, and both are particularly
soothing for the nerves.

Free
Examination
For
Hawkes'
Glasses

—AT—
Temple-Marston's
Drug Store

TRIED FOR ATTEMPTED RAPE.

Warrant Withdrawn After Court Hears Testimony.

John Swing, boss carder at the Cotton mill, was arrested yesterday morning on a warrant charging him with attempted rape on the persons of Ina and Lena Nunn, who live in East Kinston, and lodged in jail to await a preliminary trial before a justice of the peace, which was held before Justices Cox and Lewis this morning.

After hearing the testimony of the witnesses, prosecutors withdrew the warrant, with the understanding that Swing pay all the cost in the case. A summary of the evidence follows:

Lena Nunn, eleven years old, testified that Swing visited their house several times, and that he went Saturday night, and began to pull at her and fool with her; that she got up and left the room and went to her room and got into bed, that he came in the room and tried to get her to get out of the bed and spell some words for him, that she refused, and he pulled at her, trying to pull her out of bed, and that she holed and her brother-in-law, Luther Craft, came and had Swing leave the room, and ordered him to leave the house, but that he didn't go right away.

Ina Nunn swore that Swing came to the house and asked her for some water, and she gave him the dipper to get some water, and after getting some water, he asked her to kiss him and she refused, whereupon he caught hold of her and tried to throw her down, and that he used ugly language to her; that she ordered him from the house, but he would not go. She said that she and her little sister and brother and mother, who was sick, were all that were in the house at the time.

Luther Craft testified that he saw Swing pulling at Lena while she was in the bed, and that he believed that Swing was trying to do her harm; that he ordered him to leave the house and that he finally left.

Swing made a statement disclaiming any intention of attempting anything criminal, and said that he was drinking and that he did try to get the girls to kiss him, but that was all.
The counsel for both sides after hearing the evidence and consulting, took his view of the matter, and so the warrant was withdrawn.

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JUST BEFORE THE ELECTION

SIMMONS CLAIMS OVER 50,000

Majority in State And all The Congressmen.

Raleigh, November 1.—Democratic State chairman Simmons was interviewed today regarding the election prospect, and said: "In the legislature there will be only about 30 votes not Democratic. We will elect all our congressmen. We will carry the State from 50,000 to 60,000 majority. The whites registered better than expected. Full reports are not yet in from over half the counties. I have partial reports from nearly all. The negro vote will not be much over 8,000. The negroes as a rule did not ask for registration. There is a larger registration of negroes here in Wake and in Alamance than in any other counties. The negroes resent the way in which Senator Pritchard treated them. Hence they did not seek to register."

National Democratic Committeeman Josephus Daniels was present when these inquiries were made of the chairman, and his views were also asked. He said, "Mr. Simmons' figures are, I am sure, very correct. We will have 100 of the 120 members of the lower house, and we will have 45 of the 50 senators. We will carry the State by not less than 50,000 majority, and if there is a big vote we will carry it by a yet larger majority. We will elect all the Congressmen."

President Hunting.
President Roosevelt and a small party of friends and secret service guards went to Congressman Rixey's farm, near Brandy, Va., last week to spend several weeks shooting quail and turkeys. This farm is in the very heart of the historic battlefield of Bull Run.

A. T. Company to Build at Norfolk.
Norfolk, Va., Oct. 31.—The American Tobacco company will build a large plant here. It will have a capacity for 2,000 girl operatives and 2,000 colored stemmers. The plant will consist of three brick buildings, four stories high, of mill construction, at a cost of \$125,000. There will be a cigar factory, where the new machines for cigar making will be employed, with a stemmery and a large warehouse. The work will begin within two weeks and be finished in ninety days.

Here Again! Here Again!

GRAND AUCTION SALE!

Mr. C. Bailey, Jeweler, has just received
\$15,000 Stock

of high class
**Watches, Diamonds,
Jewelry and Silverware,**
which will be offered for sale to
the highest and best bidder.

This stock is from the well known and reliable
Jewelers and Pawnbrokers, J. B. Bennett & Co.,
Norfolk, Va., and comprise the finest selection of
high class jewelry ever offered. A grand opportunity
for parties desiring anything in the jewelry line.

Every article sold under a full guarantee as
represented.

Sales daily, 3:30 p. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Watch for the Special
Sale for Ladies.

C. BAILEY, Jeweler

MIL DAVE RAUH, of Norfolk, Va., Auctioneer.



The alliance of Russia and Turkey from this distance resembles an American Thanksgiving day celebration.—Minneapolis Journal.

HUMOR OF THE HOUR

The Gratitude of the Helped.
Her husband's brother had through his own efforts become very rich.

"Now," he said, "I will do something for her and the children. I am under no obligation to them, but they are poor, and I feel that it will be no more than right for me to help them."

Therefore he bought a comfortable home for them and gave her the deed. Then he took her to the furniture stores, and they selected carpets, beds, chairs and other things that were necessary to make them comfortable, and he paid for them, after which he went about his own affairs rejoicing.

She sat in her new home, with her hands clasped in her lap and a sad look on her face.

"What is the trouble?" her neighbor asked.

"I was thinking of the selfishness and meanness of some people," she sorrowfully replied. "Think of all the money he has, yet he is too stingy, too narrow minded, to even give us a piano!"—Chicago Record-Herald.

Science.
"Wasn't it a terrifying experience," asked his friend, "when you lost your foothold and went sliding down the mountains?"

"It was exciting, but extremely interesting," said the college professor. "I could not help noticing all the way down with what absolute accuracy I was following along the line of least resistance."—Chicago Tribune.

Men Make the Laws.
"There's no law against a person making a fool of himself," growled old man Rohrer.

"The men make all of the laws, do they not?" mildly asked Mrs. Rohrer.

"Of course."
"I see," she mused. "Men never like to hamper themselves."—Indianapolis News.

The Rejection.

The Fortune Hunter.
Whenever he spoke
He heaved a sigh;
"Engagement's broke,
And so am I."
—Washington Star.

Divorce Is Easy.
"Ethel, dear, how could you marry an actor?"
"But, mamma, it won't be long."
—Life.

Truthful Maid.
"Where are you going, my pretty maid?"
"I really don't know, sir," she said.
"But you steer the auto, my pretty maid."
"That's why I don't know, sir," she said.
—Chicago News.

Restitution Easy.
Speak gently, in a soothing tone,
You'll find unless you do
The girl who runs the telephone
Will make life hard for you.
—Washington Star.

With No Apologies to Whittier.
Of all sad words of tongue or pen,
The saddest are these, "An empty bin!"
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The Wise Virgins.
Their lamps were trimmed and burning;
So we learn from ancient songs,
They kept them that way, doubtless,
Just to heat their curling tongs.
—Chicago News.

It stirs the blood in an old man's heart
And it makes his pulses fly
To catch the thrill of a happy voice
And the light of a pleasant eye.
—Wills.

Friend after Friend Becomes.
Who hath not lost a friend?
There is no union here of heart
That finds not here an end.
—Montgomery.

Separation Needed.
"Hamfrite declares that he is wedded to his art."
"Well, it's a wonder a long suffering public doesn't appeal to the divorce court."—Baltimore Herald.

Preferable.

Dusty Rhodes—Dey sent up Lazy Bones for ten years' hard work.
Weary Willie—Yes, but he got it commuted to a death sentence.—New York Herald.

An Unfortunate Habit.
The man who kicks because he must be ever active in affairs
Finds, when he has a grievance just, He has to quit, for no one cares.
—Washington Times.

New Arithmetic.
Teacher—How many make a million?
Johnny Smart—About one in a million, I guess, ma'am.—Judge.

Fashion Item.
Thought knowledge of feminine fashions and fads
Is more, I confess, than I've got,
A beau, I believe, in permanent style
It tied in a nuptial knot.
—New York Times.

A Frequent Fault.
"There's only one criticism I would make of your novel."
"What is that?"
"It isn't novel."—Chicago Post.

And Some Are Just Wind.
Some men are like the storms that break,
And some are like the gusts;
Some sweep us from the paths they take;
Some fill our eyes with dust.
—Chicago Record-Herald.

That's What Girls Delight to Hear.
She—Which is the longest day in the year?
He—The one when I don't see you.—Somerville Journal.

An Invitation.
Welcome, Mr. Winter;
Possum on de griddle,
Taters in de ashes white
En music in de fiddle!
—Atlanta Constitution.

Painless Dentistry.
"Did your dentist hurt you much?"
"Not this time; his charges were very reasonable."
—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

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OLD NORTH STATE NEWS AND GOSSIP

ODD AND INTERESTING HAPPENINGS.

The University of Virginia football team defeated Davidson college at Charlottesville Saturday by a score of 85 to 0.

Mr. B. A. C. Kernodle made affidavit at Burlington that J. Zeb Waller had attempted to bribe him with \$25 to support the Republicans to carry the election.

The Southern Bell Telephone company will soon begin putting its down town wires at Wilmington under ground. It will probably require three months to do the work.

Mr. John Hutchinson, for some time identified with the progress of Wilson, died Saturday morning. At one time he was connected with the National Bank at Wilson.

Ichabod Moore, charged with being a member of the Tuten gang of moonshiners in Beaufort county, was captured Saturday and lodged in jail at New Bern.

Mount Airy News: It is interesting to see the large quantity of beautiful granite blocks shipped daily by the Mount Airy quarries to all important cities in the country. We notice quite often that some of these stones weigh 20,000 pounds.

New Bern Journal: That the oyster industry is a lost industry so far as North Carolina is concerned, can be seen by an inspection of those State markets where a few years ago, this delicious sea product could be found in quantity and quality.

The University of North Carolina defeated the Virginia Military Institute playing football at Roanoke, Va., Saturday, by a score of 17 to 10, in two fast 25-minute halves. The V. M. I. had the heavier team. In the first half the score was 10 to 6 in favor of Virginia, but in the second half Carolina pulled out of the hole and won the victory.

State Superintendent Joyner says he finds from reports, the first of the kind ever made to his office, that no less than \$166,736 was raised by special tax for city and town graded schools this year. He is much gratified at this showing. He says that the amount raised for and expended on public education in this State this year is at least \$300,000 more than it was last year.

The Warsaw Tobacco company, of Warsaw, has been chartered with \$25,000 capital authorized, \$1,310 subscribed. The purpose is to establish a tobacco warehouse at Warsaw and encourage the culture of tobacco in that section. W. L. Hill, Dr. J. N. Johnson, C. E. Hussey, Thos. B. Pence, O. P. Middleton and H. L. Stevens are among the largest stockholders.

The North Carolina association of trained nurses was organized at Raleigh last week with 45 charter members. The following officers of the association were elected: Mrs. M. L. Wych, Raleigh, president; Mrs. Battle, Asheville, first vice-president; Miss Sturgeon, Raleigh, second vice-president; Miss Annie DeVane, Wake Forest, secretary; Miss Henderson, Raleigh, treasurer; and Miss Keith, of Asheville, chairman membership committee.

Be Ready.
When the train you wish to board comes roaring through—
Be ready;
Not a precious second will it wait while you
Wish to hurry back to see
If perhaps there still may be
Some little thing which you forgot to do—
Be ready.

When she sweetly looks at you and sighs
some day—
Be ready;
Some one else may hover near, prepared to say
The word that let her in fear
Hesitate to let her hear;
Love is often lost when it is turned
away—
Be ready.

Opportunity will some day ring your bell—
Be ready;
She will not inquire if you are ill or well;
She will not stand waiting there
While you hasten to prepare;
She must hurry to where anxious others
dwell—
Be ready.

A messenger will summon you some day—
Be ready;
He will not withdraw, implore him as you may;
He will not consent to wait
While you pray to God, too late,
To let you live to clear mistakes away—
Be ready.
—Chicago Record-Herald.

Lieutenant Van Schaick, who broke his wedding engagement to go with his regiment to the Philippines because he preferred war to matrimony, might possibly have had both by remaining at home.