

ROOSEVELT TAKES A HOPEFUL VIEW

He Thinks the Czar Will Decide for Peace

WHY WITTE IS HALTING

He Is Cautious About Offending Enemies in the Rear—It Is Believed That the Czar Will Give in After a Play to the Galleries—Nothing Definite as to the Situation

Oyster Bay, Aug. 23.—The belief here is that President Roosevelt is still entertaining some hope of peace. The delay in the negotiations at Portsmouth is construed here as the best sign that the president's endeavors to prevent the failure of the conference are having their proper effect. An impression prevails here that a long code message is being received at the executive offices from Ambassador Meyer, who is reported to have had an audience with the czar today. Whether that be true or not, it is still at all events fairly certain that before long the president is sure to hear from the czar either through our ambassador or through the envoys, and the belief is that the intelligence will be favorable. The president, it is believed, has never abandoned the hope that the czar of Russia, who is personally opposed to war, would not pass this chance of concluding a peace treaty, and so prevent further bloodshed, for which the czar is known to have a horror. The foundation of The Hague tribunal was due wholly to the czar's endeavors. One reason, it is supposed, that the peace negotiations at Portsmouth have been so halting in the past, is that M. Witte is senior envoy, and M. Witte is well known to be on the side of peace even now, though he reiterates the "not one kopek" statement. But M. Witte has enemies at home, and when he was chosen senior envoy he determined that if he makes peace it will be by direct orders from the czar, so his enemies could not in any way accuse him of working to Russian disadvantage. The president, it is believed, hopes that after a sufficient amount of preliminary fencing at Portsmouth the czar will take some decisive steps to empower M. Witte to end matters and conclude a treaty. Whether the president intends to make any further move in the direction of peace is extremely doubtful. The president, it is believed, has done all that he could properly do in that direction. The rest now lies with the czar and his advisers, and the president, it is thought, hopes for the best. He is still in communication with Portsmouth.

THE REIGN OF LAW

A Great Crowd at Chautauqua Hears Folk of Missouri

Chautauqua, N. Y., Aug. 23.—An audience nearly as large as greeted President Roosevelt a week ago assembled at the amphitheatre here this evening to listen to Governor Joseph W. Folk of St. Louis, who was scheduled to speak on the reign of law. Governor Folk made a characteristic address, the keynote of which was that officials should enforce the law without regard to public sentiment, and these sentiments were warmly applauded by the audience. After defining the difference between the hoodler and grafter—the one as he who takes money contrary to law, and the other as he who takes money inside the law—Governor Folk continued: "People can find a remedy for all the evils from which they suffer in the enforcement of the law. Enforcement of the law can cure every governmental wrong."

Answering the argument that the rigid enforcement of law and exposure of corruption was detrimental to the financial interests of the city or state, Governor Folk asserted that there could be no greater mistake. To sustain this contention, he said that during the last three years of law enforcement in Missouri immigration to that state had increased 256 per cent.—more than in any other three years in the state's history. Real estate had advanced 20 per cent. Everywhere the population was increasing and property advancing in value. Continuing, he said:

"Such is the increase in population and in wealth that the revenues of the state are becoming greater than the economic needs of the government. And by the time the next legislature meets I shall be justified in recommending further reduction of the tax rate."

Governor Folk also asserted that the enforcing of the wine, rum, gambling and dram shops statutes in St. Louis, Kansas City and St. Joseph had enhanced the value of real estate in those cities. The governor left at 6:40 for St. Louis.

Rev. Thaddeus L. Troy's Will

Durham, N. C., Aug. 23.—Special. The will of the late Rev. Thaddeus L. Troy, for a number of years city missionary for Durham, has been probated before Clerk of Court C. B. Green. In the will he gives all his property, real and personal, to his

wife for life, then to go to his son, Thaddeus S. Troy, and to be inherited by his children. The deceased owned personal property worth some fifteen hundred or two thousand dollars and three hundred acres of land.

In the will the deceased provided that if, at the time of the death of his wife his son, Thaddeus S. Troy, was a dissipated man, then he should not inherit one cent, but the property must go direct to his children, if he have any. In the event that he should so conduct himself as to forfeit all claim to the property and he have no children then the property is to be divided as follows: \$100 each for two nieces, Miss Marjorie Long and Miss Nannie Lee Troy; \$500 to Bethany Methodist church, in Liberty township, Randolph county, to be invested and the interest applied in taking care of the cemetery, and the remainder to go to the Methodist orphanage at Raleigh.

SALE OF BERKSHIRES

Bids Were Too Low to Suit Vanderbilt's Agent

Asheville, N. C., Aug. 23.—Special. The auction sale of Berkshire pigs on the Biltmore estate was well attended this afternoon as was the sale of Jersey cattle yesterday. The bidding was not, however, characterized by that spirit and vim which prevailed yesterday, which led to some deprecatory remarks both on the part of Mr. Weston and Auctioneer Bailey. After the eighteenth sale Mr. Weston stepped forward and complained that the interest in the sale was not sufficiently manifest and Auctioneer Bailey warned those present that a lack of interest would work an injury to the stock breeding industry in this country, as Mr. Vanderbilt might discontinue the importation of such stock if buyers did not purchase at prices commensurate with the value of the animals.

At last year's sale the Berkshires averaged \$229, while this afternoon after the sale of nineteen head it was found that the average was only \$59 a head. After this announcement and the further statement by Mr. Weston that the sale would be called off if the bidding was not more satisfactory, the crowd came forward with more promptness and liberality. The highest bid was \$120, made by A. M. Latharp of Washington.

AMERICAN TAKEN IN

Confidence Game Worked Successfully on a Visitor in Berlin

Berlin, Aug. 23.—J. B. Roth, an American who was stopping with his father-in-law, a Mr. Odell, at the Hotel Bristol, strolled on Sunday at the Frederics Strasse and encountered three strangers. He visited saloons in their company and afterward went in a cab with them to Schoenholz, North Berlin. The coachman, becoming suspicious, stopped at a restaurant, the landlord of which conveyed Roth to the Hotel Bristol. Meanwhile the strangers had disappeared, taking Roth's money, amounting to several thousand dollars, and his jewelry. Roth and his father left Berlin Monday. Today the landlord went to a jeweler's to appraise two rings the American had left for an unpaid bill, and met two of the trio who had robbed Roth. He caused their arrest. One was wearing Roth's scarf pin. The other was carrying his cane. Both confessed the robbery. The third man has not been caught. Presumably he has Roth's check book, watch, money and jewels.

BAR ASSOCIATION

Opening of the Annual Meeting at Narragansett Pier

Narragansett Pier, R. I., Aug. 23. Prominent lawyers from all sections of the United States gathered here to attend the opening sessions today of the twentieth annual meeting of the American Bar Association. Included in the number were Justices White and Brown of the United States supreme court and many professors of various law schools connected with the great American universities. The conferences will continue through tomorrow and Friday. As the first feature of today's session the president of the association, Henry St. George Tucker of Lexington, Va., delivered his address, paying especial attention to the most noteworthy changes in statute law on points of general interest made by congress and in the various state legislatures during the past year. This address was followed by the nomination and election of members and the presentation of departmental reports.

DEATHS IN FORSYTH

An Aged Minister and a Young Lawyer Pass Away

Winston-Salem, N. C., Aug. 23.—Special.—Rev. Virgil A. Wilson died suddenly this morning of heart failure at his home in Pfafftown at the age of about 72 years. He was educated at Nazareth Hall, Pa., and the University of Michigan, and after a thorough course of preparation commenced the practice of law, but at an early age gave up his profession and entered the ministry, attaching himself to the Christian church, wherein he labored with great zeal and success until stricken with disease ten or twelve years ago. Mr. Wilson was a man of deep piety, profound learning and as a speaker had few equals in North Carolina. W. O. Cox, a young lawyer here, died this afternoon after three weeks' illness with typhoid fever.

Tokio, Aug. 23.—The Russian torpedo boat destroyer Shty, sunk in the harbor at Port Arthur during the siege, has been refloated.

HOPE OF PEACE IS ON THE WANE

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Baron Rosen, who, of course, transmitted the president's suggestions to St. Petersburg. How it was received there may be gathered from the instructions telegraphed to the Russian envoys at Portsmouth by the czar's direction to decline to recede from their refusal to grant the indemnity and territorial cession demands of the Japanese.

In this connection, it is fair to explain that the president did not submit any specific proposal to the czar's envoys. M. Witte is authority for this statement, which confirms the views that, however anxious the president may be to see the negotiations bear fruit, he had been alive to the proprieties that a neutral chief of state must observe in dealing with a subject that does not actually concern any nation other than Russia and Japan. The president's proposal was a tender of good offices, and in subsequent communications he has backed up his original offer to do his utmost to bring the belligerent governments together. He has by no means given up hope of accomplishing the end which he has in mind, for today he was in constant communication by telegraph with Assistant Secretary H. H. D. Pierce of the state department, his representative here, who is the medium of transmission between the president and the Russian envoys. There have been statements that the president sent no messages to M. Witte, but to Baron Rosen. These, however, are erroneous. Baron Rosen was sent for expressly to receive a communication intended for M. Witte, and he did receive it and deliver it to his fellow plenipotentiary.

The Japanese representatives are greatly disappointed over the attitude which the Russians assumed when the compromise proposal of Japan was presented at the conference today. Mr. Takahira said in private conversation tonight that the outlook was pessimistic as Russia would not abandon her opposition to the payment of indemnity and Japan would not make peace unless she received remuneration for war expenses.

There were two brief sessions of the envoys today. The stated reason for these meetings was to compare and sign the protocols of the sessions held heretofore, and when the plenipotentiaries assembled their secretaries had the necessary papers drawn and ready for signatures.

The comparison of four of the seven protocols, each of which was in duplicate, one in French and the other in the English language, was completed and the documents signed, while the remaining three were held over for subsequent consideration.

There has been much confusion in the minds of those not participants in the conferences as to these protocols and their importance. This was cleared up today by the explanation of one of those having knowledge of the facts. It appears that each protocol is merely a resume of one day's proceedings. The agreements or disagreements of the conferences are set forth mainly for the purpose of record, and there is no actual binding effect upon the signatories. The protocols are really minutes of the meetings. It would be seen from this that the perfection of the protocols was merely a matter of form that has no important bearing on the conference.

Between now and Saturday, when the negotiators will assemble again, they will be in constant communication with Tokio and St. Petersburg. In those three days the failure of the Portsmouth conference will be in the balance. It is for the powers that be at the Japanese and Russian capitals to say whether the war shall continue or be brought to an end. Some insight into the Russian attitude has been given by the order of the czar to M. Witte and Baron Rosen that they must not abandon their stand against the payment of indemnity and the cession of territory. Both sides, it is plain, are playing for time, each anxious to avoid a break, and hoping, almost against hope, that the other will be the first to recede.

Russian Attitude Unchanged

London, Aug. 24.—The Standard correspondent at St. Petersburg telegraphs as follows:

"Attention was today directed to the fact that while President Roosevelt exchanged notes with Baron Rosen he made no proposals. It is denied that the postponement of the conference was due to Witte's expectation of an answer to an important telegram. Witte and the foreign office have maintained a constant exchange of messages, for the foreign office has been able to answer all questions at once. There is nothing to indicate that the government has changed its attitude. It is even whispered that the war party, headed by Grand Duke Nicholas, is insisting on protracting the war at all costs."

MARTIN'S BIG MAJORITY

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Iiams, has run well all over the state. Ellyson has defeated Cabell, though in this city, where both candidates live, Cabell has walked away with the bulk of the vote for lieutenant-governor.

Eggleston, for superintendent of public instruction, will have apparently about thirty thousand majority.

Picnic of Cabarrus Farmers

Concord, N. C., Aug. 23.—Special. The second annual picnic of Cabarrus farmers, held today at Spring Hill farm, two miles west of Concord, was the largest gathering of people ever in the county. There were nearly two thousand school children in floats in a prize contest. Audited: Dixon, John S. Cunningham and H. M. Oates were speakers.

FIGHT ON FEVER STILL GOING ON

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victims will bring such suit and action as that indicated. "There is already existing a strong sentiment for the enactment by congress of a national quarantine law suppressing such laws in the respective states, and the action of your state in preventing people from passing through Alabama tends greatly to the development of such sentiment.

"I can not agree with you at all in the opinion you express that the health department of your state is right in determining and declaring that a person shall not return through Alabama to Louisiana. In my judgment, with great respect and deference for your own opinion, this is the most unreasonable and untenable quarantine regulation yet established anywhere."

The Mississippi penitentiary board of control reports that the number of convicts in the state penitentiary is rapidly decreasing because of the convicts are expiring and they are being released from prison. As all the courts have adjourned on account of the quarantine no new convicts are coming in to take the places of those who leave.

The negro labor unions of the Federation of Labor, the largest colored labor body of the south, have decided not to parade on labor day, but to use the money that would be devoted to the parade to sanitary work and to care for the sick of their race. Among the yellow fever sick today is Dr. Max Landry, who had charge of the inspection service.

Lee's Severe Affliction

New Orleans, Aug. 2.—A special from Lee, in Lafourche parish, tonight gives the total number of persons there sick with yellow fever at one hundred and seventy, and with dengue two hundred and ten. There are from two to more cases of sickness in every family in the settlement.

Supposed Case in Illinois

Carmi, Ill., Aug. 23.—A negro from Shreveport, La., who is working with the construction gang on the Big Four Railway, has what is believed to be an unmistakable symptom of yellow fever. Early this morning he was found suffering madly in a camp near Brownsville.

Over 300 men are working on the construction gang, and if this proves to be yellow fever all in the camp have been exposed. The camp has been quarantined. The citizens near Brownsville and in this city are much excited and fears are entertained that the disease will become epidemic.

Libel Trial at Greensboro

Greensboro, N. C., Aug. 23.—Special. The taking of testimony was concluded this afternoon in the libel suit of W. H. Osborn vs. M. T. Leach and the Raleigh News and Observer. Judge Ward announced that he would allow eight hours for the argument of counsel. Eight attorneys appear in the case and it is expected that five or six speeches will be made, the case going to the jury tomorrow evening.

Col. Osborn's cross examination took place this morning and the plaintiff rested his case just before noon, when Fred L. Merritt was put on the stand by the defense. Hewas the reporter who interviewed Col. Leach and wrote the article which appeared in the News and Observer and which was responsible for the libel suit. After Mr. Merritt's testimony had been received a number of letters, etc., were introduced in evidence. Editor Josephus Daniels of the News and Observer took the stand for an hour or more.

Spencer Engineers Killed

Spencer, N. C., Aug. 23.—Special.—A telegram received here last night from G. R. Loyal, master mechanic of the Southern Railway shops at Knoxville, Tenn., brought the news that Engineer C. H. Hoover of Spencer was killed in a railroad wreck near Middleboro, Ky., yesterday afternoon. The particulars of the wreck cannot be learned, but it is presumed that the deceased met his death upon his engine. Mr. Hoover was a well known young man here and had been married only about six months. The remains were brought here tonight for interment.

The funeral of Engineer H. Bullock, who was killed by a runaway locomotive Monday night, was held at the late residence this afternoon. The exercises were conducted by the Masonic fraternity, of which the deceased was an honored member. He leaves a wife but no children. This makes two Spencer engineers who met death in wrecks who have been buried here this week.

Russian Governor Removed

St. Petersburg, Aug. 23.—Governor Sverbleff of the province of Courland has been relieved because of the recent disorders in the province. In twenty-six communes the population wrecked the government buildings and burned the barracks of coscripts which had been prepared for the mobilization which was to have been made in the Baltic provinces August 30. There was also a resumption of forest fires on a great scale. Timber of the value of millions of roubles was destroyed. Two-thirds of the land-owners in the province of Courland have taken refuge in Sweden or Germany.

The Plunger Rehearses

Oyster Bay, Aug. 23.—A private rehearsal of the submarine boat Plunger, whose evolutions the president is going to watch either Friday or Saturday, took place here today in the bay. Mrs. Roosevelt, Miss Ethel, Archie and Quentin witnessed the maneuvers from the Sylph's launch Dart. A group of launches and motor boats gathered around the end of the water where the evolutions were performed. She dived three times in about eighteen feet of water. Her evolutions for the

president will take place in the sound in about a hundred feet of water. "I don't know as yet," said Lieutenant Nelson, her commander, "just what the tests before the president will be. Our tests today were in the nature of experiments to see that everything is shipshape."

Mecklenburg Murder Trials

Charlotte, N. C., Aug. 23.—Special. Alvin Gabriel, colored; charged with the murder of Will Withers near Huntersville, this county, eighteen months ago, was acquitted in the superior court after a trial lasting all day. The homicide was committed at a negro society the night before Christmas. His plea was self-defense, which was sustained.

John Wilson, convicted yesterday of the murder of Henry Maxwell, was sentenced this morning to six months on the roads. His counsel appealed to the supreme court, basing the appeal on a flaw in the indictment. The court will take up the third murder trial of the week tomorrow.

Fine Horses Burned to Death

Butler, Pa., Aug. 23.—Fifteen stables and five blooded horses were burned at the Butler fair grounds today. The horses are Zeezie, Ozette and Roy D., all the property of Trainer Demarest of Kingston, N. Y. Mammie M. of the same stable is so badly injured that she will die. A valuable road horse belonging to W. C. Laderer of Evans City, Pa., was also cremated. Two employes at the stable were slightly burned while trying to rescue the animals. The Demarest horses were all fancy trick animals and very valuable.

Whole Family Drowned

Maysville, Ky., Aug. 23.—News reached here today of the drowning of a man named Gales and his wife and five children in the river between Maysville and Dover.

Gales left here in a shanty boat, intending going south, and tied up for the night at a point below Ripley, on the Kentucky side. The rising river caused the boat to break loose and float to midstream. A tow boat coming up with employes struck the shanty boat, demolishing it. The whole family was drowned.

Died in a Train

Salisbury, N. C., Aug. 23.—Special. J. S. Pender, aged 55 years, was found dead in a passenger coach in the Southern Railway yards here late last night. When discovered it was thought the man was only asleep and a policeman attempted to awaken him, but there was no response to the stern hand of the officer. Coroner Dorsett summoned a jury and a verdict was found that death resulted from heart failure. Pender was a painter. He had just returned from Albemarle where he had been at work, and died on the homeward train. Up on reaching Salisbury the coach in which he was riding was placed on a sidetrack, and in the darkness his body was unobserved.

Rev. J. H. Totten Dead

Greensboro, N. C., Aug. 23.—Special. Rev. J. H. Totten, a venerable member of the North Carolina M. P. conference, died here this afternoon after a week's illness at the home of J. Willie Smith, where he had been residing. The burial will take place tomorrow at Kernersville, the home town of the deceased.

Sick Headache

"For several years my wife was troubled with what physicians called sick headache of a very severe character. She doctored with several eminent physicians and at great expense only to grow worse, until she was unable to do any kind of work. About a year ago she began taking Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, and today weighs more than she ever did before and is real well," says Geo. E. Wright of New London, New York. For sale by W. G. Thomas, Robert Simpson, Bobbitt-Wynne Drug Company.

Flendish Suffering

is often caused by sores, ulcers and cancers, that eat away your skin. Wm. Bedell of Flat Rock, Mich., says: "I have used Bucklen's Arnica Salve, for ulcers, sores and cancers. It is the best healing dressing I ever found." Soothes and heals cuts, burns and scalds. 25c at all druggists. Guaranteed.

RACES AT SARATOGA

Saratoga, N. Y., Aug. 23.—Results today: First race—Jessamine, 7 to 1, won; Belden, 3 to 5, second; Astral II, third. Second race—Conover, 9 to 5, won; Punctual, 1 to 1, second; Plous, third. Third race—Our Sister, 3 to 1, won; Ninnasquaw, 10 to 1, second; Yorkshire Lad, third. Fourth race—Tangie, 6 to 5, won; Jigger, 7 to 5, second; Ravana, third. Fifth race—Vanness, 15 to 1, won; Montecarlo, 8 to 5, second; The Cure, third. Sixth race—Shawana, 18 to 5, won; Right Royal, 2 to 1, second; Fonceasta, third.

Sunday Excursions to Morehead City and Beaufort via Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Commencing Sunday, August 28, 1905, the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad will not honor Sunday excursion tickets sold at the reduced Sunday rate, on any trains except train No. 1, leaving Goldsboro on Sunday at 7 a. m., and on train No. 2, returning leaving Morehead City at 5:50 p. m. the same day, without extra charge. Passengers presenting these tickets for passage on other Sunday trains will be charged twentyfive (25) cents extra by the conductor. This additional fare will also be charged passage on other Sunday trains other than trains Nos. 1 and 2 on Sundays at stations where there are no agents.

R. E. L. BUNCH.

COTTON LEAK ARREST

F. A. Peckham Taken in Custody at Saratoga

Possibility of a Trip to Canada Fore-stalled—Peckham Was a New York Man Who Had Dealings With Holmes

Saratoga, N. Y., Aug. 23.—Frederick A. Peckham, a Grand Union Hotel guest, was arrested here on a bench warrant issued by Judge Claubaugh of the supreme court of the District of Columbia. He is under indictment for leakage in the cotton report of the department of agriculture and conspiring to defraud the United States government. Peckham was arraigned before United States Commissioner Davidson, who fixed upon tomorrow for his examination. He was held in \$2,000 bail and committed to jail.

Washington, Aug. 2.—The news of the arrest of F. A. Peckham of New York at Saratoga today on a charge of conspiracy in the cotton fraud cases created no surprise here. It has been known since yesterday that District Attorney Morgan H. Beach was waving the net around Peckham and others involved, and that the arrest was a matter of only a few days.

The statement was made here tonight that Peckham was arrested first because of information received here that there was a possibility that he might soon go to Canada. On receipt of this information, it is said, District Attorney Beach conferred with department of justice officials as to what course he should pursue, and he was told to use his own judgment in the matter. Accordingly Peckham was taken into custody on a warrant issued by Judge Claubaugh of the supreme court of the District of Columbia.

Peckham was one of the five men mentioned in the cotton leakage report, at the time E. S. Holmes, Jr., former assistant statistician, was dismissed in disgrace. The men were L. C. Van Riper, Moses Haas, F. A. Peckham, E. S. Holmes and Theodore Price, the latter the well known cotton speculator of New York. Van Riper is credited with causing the cotton investigation by giving information to the Southern Cotton Association relative to Holmes' operations. Haas is supposed to have acted as the go-between in getting the information from the official who betrayed his trust for the benefit of operators in the market, who used it to influence prices.

Other arrests will be made, but who are the persons against whom warrants have been issued it is impossible to learn. The authorities here are said to be fully advised as the whereabouts of Holmes, and that Haas is within reach of the authorities if he is needed.

Another Arrest Expected

New York, Aug. 23.—Prior to Frederick A. Peckham's arrest in Saratoga today District Attorney Beach came here from Washington and consulted for several hours with Assistant Attorney Wise, who has charge of the department attorney's office for the southern district of New York. Neither Beach nor Wise would tell what they discussed. It was taken for granted, however, that the topic was the cotton scandal, and Mr. Wise did not deny this.

"If I said what brought Mr. Beach here I might defeat the end of justice," Mr. Wise said. "We don't want any persons to light out before we can get them. I will say, though, that something may happen before the day is over."

It is understood that at least one more arrest will be made and that it will be made in this district. This belief is strengthened by the knowledge that Peckham has been connected with the leakages more as a go-between and agent than as a principal. When L. Van Riper, a cotton broker of this city, put in the hands of Richard Cheatham, secretary of the Southern Cotton Growers' Association, information which Mr. Cheatham forced upon the consideration of Secretary Wilson of the department of agriculture, it was stated that New York brokers were alleged to have profited from advance information and leakages in the cotton report gained through this intermediary. It was alleged, correspondence passed, and it was intimated that the indiscretion of this person in taking brokers into the secret and broadening the range of his operations led to the fraud disclosures.

This intermediary, it was also stated, became so convinced of the good faith of the persons who were accumulating evidence of the condition of affairs that he turned over to them as an evidence of his good faith, letters written by Holmes in which the latter, it was alleged, agreed to make the estimates of the June report much more favorable than the true crop condition warranted. The same agent, it was said, arranged an interview which took place in this city between Holmes and cotton brokers of this city. At this interview, it was said, Holmes and the intermediary discussed freely the operations with a certain broker in this city.

Death of Mrs. P. A. Dunn

Mrs. Eliza J. Dunn, wife of Mr. P. A. Dunn, died yesterday morning at her home near Neuse station in the eighty-third year of her age. She leaves, besides her husband, one daughter, Mrs. John J. Dunn of Neuse, and formerly lived in Raleigh. The funeral will take place at 3 o'clock this afternoon at the Forestville Baptist church. The deceased was a woman of lovely Christian character, a consistent member of the Baptist denomination during her long life.