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## P. D. Gold, Jr., Honored.

Reidsville, N. C., Sept. 23.—Admiring friends here are rejoicing tonight over the election today of P. D. Gold, Jr., vice-president of the Jefferson Life Insurance Company, as president of the American Life Company, which is based at Pittsburgh. The election in session at Reidsville. The honor to Mr. Gold is declared to be one of the biggest that ever came to a Reidsville life insurance man, and he is now, at 35 years of age, ranked, however, by a phenomenally successful, though brief, business ca-

## A PIERCE NIGHT ALARM

The horse, starting cough of a child, suddenly attacked by croup. When it was Lewis Chamblin, of Reidsville, O. (R. No. 2) for his four children were greatly subjected to croup, "sometimes in severe cases," he wrote, "we were afraid they would die, but since we proved that certain remedy Dr. King's Cough Remedy is, we have no fear of it for croup and for croup, or any other throat or lung trouble. It is thousands of others. So may Asthma, Hay Fever, La Grippe, Whooping Cough, Hemorrhages by being sold by Allen's and Brittain's drug stores.

## DR. B. P. MEWBORN, OPTOMETRIST

Examined free and glasses fitted at reasonable prices. Satisfaction guaranteed. If not satisfied, eyes re-examined and any change made free within six months if necessary. If you have any trouble with your eyes, or need any change in the way of glasses, meet me in my office in Kernodle building, on Saturday. Office hours 9 to 11 a. m., to 6 p. m. Reidsville, N. C. Res. phone 65-L.

## Watkin's Lumber Yard.

ROUGH and DRESSED LUMBER, Windows, Blinds, Mouldings, Shingles, Laths, Lime, Cement, Plaster, Mantels, Columns, Balusters, Rubber Roofing, Frames, Etc.

Office and house Phones on same line as 303 L. House 203 L-3 rings.

## FOR SALE.

## Saw Mill and Fixtures.

I will sell at public auction on Tuesday, Oct. 3, 1911, at 2 o'clock, p. m., on the premises of J. W. Jones, near Nance's, about 10 miles North of Reidsville, a Saw Mill and fixtures and a 15 horse Power Steam Engine and Boiler.

## Eugene Irvin, Receiver Acme Canning Company.

Reidsville, N. C.

## Senator Overman's Views.

Salisbury, Sept. 22.—Senator Lee S. Overman, when seen at home tonight by The Observer correspondent and asked for an interview regarding the defeat of reciprocity by the Canadian people, said, "I am not much surprised at the result. The defeat of the Canadian reciprocity was not caused so much by the fear that it would materially affect the price of commodities but from the fear of annexation as claimed by the speakers who opposed the measure.

"I favor reciprocity and free trade with Canada. There is no more reason for a tariff between the United States and Canada than there is between North Carolina and Pennsylvania. I believe in a free exchange of trade between these two countries. It would benefit both countries.

"The Canadian people were frightened into believing that the price of commodities would be lowered, while the opposers of the bill in the United States claimed it would lower the price of our products. In the great wheat sections of Canada the farmers voted almost solidly against the measure, under the impression that it would lower the prices, which would not have been true.

"Reciprocity which was negotiated with Canada by Franklin Pierce in 1854, then President of the United States continued until 1866 and produced good results while in existence.

"I fear the failure of reciprocity in Canada will increase the friction which exists between the two countries. The only way out of it all is a reduction of the tariff all along the line, tear down the tariff wall and give us a freer exchange of trade in the markets of the world, Canada as well as all the other countries.

"The Canadian people are our kind of people, and are our neighbors. I myself prefer to see reciprocity or the mutual exchange of products, which will bring about the best of relations between the United States and Canada. This means now that reciprocity is dead for a long time to come.

"While the Democrats supported it because it was in line with their policy enunciated years ago, and believed it was for the mutual welfare of both countries, Mr. Taft claimed it was his policy, hoping thereby it would help him in his election. Now this defeat and his veto of all the tariff bills have knocked the props from under him and it seems to me his defeat is inevitable.

The Senator said he thought the time spent in Congress over the reciprocity bill was not lost; that the Democratic party had performed its duty and had kept its promises to the people to revise the tariff, reduce the expenses of running the government and lower the taxes.

## Ruffin Route 1.

Farmers are finishing up the tobacco curing. It is considered unusually good in this section.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Waynick, of Melver, visited their daughter, Mrs. E. C. Jones, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolphus Fitzgerald, of Hightowers, spent the week end with their sister, Mrs. Lester Jones, and with relatives at Ruffin.

Dr. Chas. Wharton, of Ruffin, was in our village Saturday.

Misses Bessie Rice and Pearl Pleasant spent the week visiting relatives in Stokesland, Va.

We visited today the beautiful old homestead of Mr. Ezekiel Orr. Here is still the old academy building in which Rev. John Pickard in 1819 founded a high school and who was also clerk of Beethsa church near by, and later was pastor of the church. Many interesting records of the school and church are seen. The premises are now occupied by Mrs. T. J. Rice and family will soon be vacated for the first time in its history. Those spacious halls and broad acres, with beautiful scenes of hills and valleys that was wont to echo the sound of happy voices, will be left with memory pictures of many distressing scenes both of sorrow and of joy.

Herman Carr, official dog catcher of the city of Denver, recently received his two thousandth bite. Following his custom, he appointed the wound with carbolic acid and pursued his work. "Dog bites ain't nothin'," he remarked cheerfully. "I'd a good deal rather have 'em than mosquito bites. There's nothin' to this hydrophobic business."

## Wood Pulp and Paper Clause Will Stand.

Washington, Sept. 22.—John Norris, chairman of the committee on paper of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, today issued a statement showing that the defeat in Canada of the reciprocity agreement has expanded the free zone for pulps and paper so as to include all of the favored nations. His statement follows: "Canada's rejection of reciprocity raises a question with respect to the favored nation treaties that is unique. Unlike the items contained in Section 1 of the reciprocity bill, the paper and pulp clause, which was Section 2, abolished the duty on Canadian pulps and paper subject only to a condition precedent that the pulps and paper must be made from unrestricted woods.

"Section 1 could not go into effect until Canada took reciprocal action but Section 2 became effective July 26, when the President signed the reciprocity bill. Canada's vote of rejection will make Section 1 effective but will not impair the pulp and paper section which cannot be nullified except by repealing act of the American Congress and such repeal is highly improbable.

"The importers of pulp and paper from Germany, Norway and Sweden claim that under the favored nations treaty the products of these countries are entitled to the treatment that Canada obtains when the pulp and paper are made from unrestricted woods and that the tariff on those articles is automatically abolished under like conditions. Treasury Department officials say no similar case has ever arisen in this country.

The opinion expressed at the State Department today was that no effort would be made to repeal the reciprocity act and although the duties therein provided will not become effective, the act itself will be permitted to remain on the statute books, constituting an ever open door to Canada and a constant reminder of the recognition of the United States of the merits of the principles of reciprocity with its neighbor.

It was suggested today that the only chance for the continuance of reciprocity as an open issue might be found in an attempt by Newfoundland to secure such a treaty or agreement with the United States. It has been known that the Newfoundlanders were only awaiting the disposition of the pact between the United States and Canada to open negotiations with Washington for a reciprocity agreement on their own account.

## Postoffice at Stoneville Robbed.

Greensboro, Sept. 25.—The postoffice at Stoneville, which is located in the store of Mr. T. P. Poole, a well known merchant of that place, was entered Saturday night and robbed of between \$700 and \$800 in cash and postage stamps. About one-half of the amount was stamps and the other half cash. News of the robbery was brought here by Mr. C. J. Tinsley, a well known traveling man, who spent the night in Stoneville. He and John Eggleston, a young man who clerks in the store, had gone 'possum hunting, getting back about 2 o'clock. When they reached the hotel Eggleston said he was going to the store to put up some chickens. Eggleston says when he reached the store he was covered by two pistols in the hands of men whom he could not recognize in the dark. When he arrived at the store the men were at work on the safe, and a few minutes after he arrived the explosion occurred. Nitro glycerine was used. After rifling the safe the robbers held their guns on Eggleston, made him walk out of town with them for a short distance, then told him to go his way. There is no clue, but the supposition is the men were professionals.—Special to News and Observer.

## A Ni-Wreck Yesterday.

Southbound passenger train No. 7, which arrives here at 12:04 p. m., had a narrow escape from being wrecked near Sadler yesterday. The engineer failed to see a flag put out by the section foreman as a signal to slow down, with the result that the rear truck of the hindmost coach left the rails and bumped along on the cross-ties for a distance of fifty yards or more. Grips and suit cases were thrown from the racks and the frightened passengers expected to see the car turn over, so violent did it bump and jostle, but somehow the truck righted itself and no damage resulted to any one. Mr. Felix Miles was a passenger and admits that it looked equally like for a few moments.

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"Generally debilitated for years. Had sick headaches, lacked ambition, was worn-out and all run-down. Burdock Hood Bitters made me a well woman."—Mrs. Chas. Freitor, Mccoy, Conn.

## Simmons Would Be Chairman.

The following taken from a recent dispatch sent out from Washington is of interest to the voters of this State, says the Oxford Banner:

Should the Senate become Democratic in 1912, Senator F. M. Simmons, of North Carolina, will be chairman of the most powerful committee in the Senate, the Committee on Finance. This was made certain when the news was received here that Senator Joseph W. Bailey would not again be a candidate for the United States Senate.

With Bailey out, Mr. Simmons is now the ranking Democrat of the committee and upon the ground of seniority will be chairman. But seniority is not the only asset Senator Simmons has. He is considered one of the brightest, brainiest and fairest men in that august body and there is not the slightest doubt about the senior Senator landing the job, if the Senate has a majority in 1912, and everybody believes they will.

When tariff legislation is pending the chairman of the finance committee becomes the real leader of the Senate. With Simmons as chairman, no one doubts that North Carolina will get her share of appropriations and anything else that she is entitled to. One thing is sure, Simmons will certainly get the \$1,000,000 appropriations for good roads and a number of other bills now pending will receive favorable action.

"Senator Simmons is by long odds the best man for chairman of the Finance Committee," said a prominent statesman here in discussing Senator Bailey's withdrawal from the race. "I have worked with Simmons ever since he came to the Senate and have found him to be honest, fair and upright in every move undertaken. And we have found his advice in matters of great weight invaluable."—H. E. C. B.

## French Battleship Destroyed.

Toulon, France, Sept. 25.—The battleship *Liberte* was torn apart and destroyed by an explosion of her magazine today. Between 350 and 400 officers and men were killed. The battleship *Republique* was badly damaged and the battleships *Democrat* and *Vertie* also suffered severely from the masses of twisted iron and armor plate that were hurled upon their decks.

This is the greatest disaster that has ever fallen upon the French navy and in magnitude is almost without precedent in the annals of the world's fighting ships. The grief which prostrates the fleet and nation is made more intense by the memory of their event here, a notable display of France's naval greatness, in which the doomed ship was one of the finest figures.

The explosion, which wiped out one of France's newest and most powerful battleships, occurred at 5:53 o'clock in the morning. It was preceded by and was the result of an outbreak of fire. The flames spread rapidly in spite of all efforts to master them and reached the magazines before there was time to load them. The magazines exploded with tremendous violence, sowing death and destruction in every direction.

While the naval authorities estimated the killed at between 350 and 400, it is feared that this figure will be exceeded.

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## Mr. Hedley's Pastorate Closed.

Rev. William Hedley delivered his valedictory as pastor of the First Baptist church last Sunday. At the morning hour he addressed himself particularly to the church, and at the evening hour to the public in general. Both messages were up to the high standard of Mr. Hedley's reputation for virile preaching. He announced at the morning service that the church debt had been paid in full, which he said was a gratifying consummation of his pastorate. He asked for his successor, whoever he might be, the hearty co-operation and sympathy of the people.

The spacious auditorium was crowded at the night service to hear Mr. Hedley's final message. The Methodist and Presbyterian congregations joined their Baptist friends in the service. Pastor Hedley spoke appreciatively of the kindness he had met on every hand from the people of Reidsville. His relations with Reidsville's citizens in a business and social as well as religious way had been most cordial. He praised the excellent feeling subsisting between the various denominations and said it was his purpose to commend it to the people of his new home.

During his pastorate of four years in Reidsville Mr. Hedley has grown in usefulness and has won the hearts of the people. Following the pastorevangelist, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, his work has not suffered by comparison. He is a strong man in the pulpit and a lovable Christian gentleman in his daily walk and conversation. His new field at Ashland, Va., is to be congratulated on securing him as pastor. The better they know him the more they will esteem him.

## Surprise Party by Baptist Ladies.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Baptist church gave their long discussed Surprise Party at the home of Mrs. Will Williams, Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 20th, from three to six o'clock.

A delightful program of carefully prepared surprises was beautifully rendered. The note of humor ran through all the program, which gave to each one present many a hearty laugh. After the rendition of the program Dutch refreshments were served by Mesdames J. H. Mobley and H. L. Morrison, who wore Dutch peasant costumes. These refreshments consisted of Phesser-kochers, pickles, salted nuts, and nectar that was unanimously voted a beverage fit for the gods.

After serving refreshments, the next feature of the afternoon was the distribution of gifts. Each one present brought a simple hand-made article, which was delivered to a committee who rearranged the cards without opening the package so that the surprise might be complete both to giver and recipient. At the given signal each package was unwrapped and many beautiful and useful articles were displayed which will be cherished for many years to come as a souvenir of this happy occasion.

Then the society, as a body, presented to its beloved president, Mrs. M. A. White, a handsome brass jardiniere, the presentation speech being made by Mrs. Will Williams in her usual happy manner. A free-will offering was now taken up which amounted to \$10.10.

The enthusiasm became contagious and the ladies decided to raise the balance due on church debt before adjourning. A motion was made by which the society pledged itself to donate \$148.09, which with the free-will offering cancelled the debt.

All of the lower floor of the home was thrown en suite, and each member of the society voted Mrs. Williams a most charming hostess, and after a late hour very reluctantly said goodbye.

## A Double Emancipation.

"And when the victory shall be complete—when there shall be neither a slave nor a drunkard on the earth—how proud the title of that land which may truly claim to be the birth place and cradle of both those revolutions that shall have ended in that victory. How nobly distinguished that people who shall have planted and nurtured to maturity both the political and moral freedom of their species."—Abraham Lincoln.

Bilious? Feel heavy after dinner? Tongue coated? Bitter taste? Complexion sallow? Liver needs taking up. Doan's Regulets cure bilious attacks. 25 cents at any drug store.

## Why Women Are Excluded.

Among others who have tried to find out the real reason for the exclusion of the fair sex from this Craft was General Sherman, says a contemporary. That gallant Freemason seems to have unearthed some ancient records, in which it is narrated that Eve was the Junior Warden of the Eden Lodge, No. 1 in which capacity she allowed an expelling member of the Order to enter the Lodge, under the pretense of being a representative of the Grand Lodge. His evil counsel not only let the Lodge be called to refreshment before the work was half done, but led to irregularities, in the matter of regalia which it appeared had not previously been worn in that Lodge. The net result was that Adam and Eve were both expelled, and the Lodge placed in abeyance. Like a good brother, Adam made due submission and in proper time obtained grace whereas Eve showed a most unbecoming spirit and proceeded to raise Cain, and her permanent exclusion was then confirmed by the Grand Lodge. All this may or may not be true, but it has the merit of proving the case completely.—Masonic Voice-Review.

## FOR SALE.

My four-year-old mare. Color, dapple-sorrel; weight, twelve hundred pounds. She is a good brood mare. Will make an excellent draft horse, farm and family horse. She is not afraid of trains nor automobiles, and is safe for ladies to drive.

My reasons for selling her are: 1st. She is too heavy for a road horse, and 2nd, not fast enough. I would trade provided I can get a good road horse that is not afraid of trains, automobiles, etc., and otherwise gentle.

For further particulars call on me at my office on Saturdays in Kernodle building. Resident phone 5-L. DR. B. P. MEWBORN, Reidsville, N. C.

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