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There are a total of 250 autos in the city of Charlotte and the city tax list shows that they represent an amount invested between \$300,000 and \$400,000.

We notice a statement that a California man gave a life guard a dime for saving his life, and the guard gave him a nickle in change, which was about right.

What has Congress done with the legislation providing for the election of Senators by a vote of the people? Are they afraid to pass such an amendment to the constitution?

Judge George W. Ward, who held our courts last spring a year ago, continues in poor health and has been in a hospital at Tarboro for several weeks receiving treatment.

For quite a while we could watch the papers every morning for a sensation of some kind from Durham, but recently the scene has shifted to Wilmington. The recent happening from that seaport town a move to recall the mayor and councilmen. The city is under the commission form of government and the outcome of this recall is watched with a great deal of interest.

The reciprocity bill passed the U. S. Senate Saturday by a vote of 53 to 27, three democrats, Simmons, Bailey and Clark, voting against the treaty. The Canadian Parliament has not yet acted on the agreement, but it will do so at an early date. We hope the leaders of the democratic party have not made a mistake in supporting reciprocity. Time alone will tell whether it was the right course to follow.

"BACK HOME" MOVEMENT.

Great Meeting to be Held in Charlotte September 12, 1911.

Charlotte, N. C., July 25.—A meeting of all boards of trade and commercial organizations in North Carolina will be invited by The Greater Charlotte Club to meet in this city September 12, for the purpose of specially urging the "back home" movement to all former residents of North Carolina. The editors of newspapers and other progressive men of the State will be invited, together with officials of the State department of agriculture and the Governor of the State.

The results of the "back home" movement, which was inaugurated last year in Tennessee, have shown that many thousands of Southern people now in the west and northwest are now responding to the "back home" call, and that an even greater number who went west from the north and middle west in quest of cheap, good land, are attracted to the South by the fact of the return movement of its own people. At the Charlotte meeting steps will be taken to ascertain the names and addresses of all who ever left North Carolina, and to put literature into their hands which they will be proud to show other people.

The secretary of the "back home" association, W. D. Roberts, will be present at the meeting here and tell how the movement was started and has grown until it has come into national prominence.

W. T. CORWITH, Cor.

Hamlet Town Items.

Hamlet Town, July 25.—Mr. H. I. Beck, of this place, left this a. m. to spend a few days in Thomasville.

Misses Florence and Lucy Hamlet will leave today for Wake Forest to spend a few days with friends and relatives there.

The Misses Hamlets attended a lawn party at Mrs. Williams at White Rock. They report a fine time.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Hamlet went to Littleton on business and pleasure Friday.

Messrs. Porter, Ware and Shearin visited our town yesterday.

Mr. G. C. Edwards, of Seaboard, was a visitor at Mr. B. C. Hamlet's Saturday.

The "mostly" subject nowadays with our friends we meet is "hookworm." How is that subject with you Scotland Neck people?

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NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Menition Made of Many Important News Items About the Capital City.

Special Correspondence.

Washington, D. C., July 22.—It is now predicted that the charges against Dr. Wiley, Chief of the Bureau of Chemistry, will prove a boomerang and the recoil will be upon the impure drug and food interests, which have systematically sought to hinder his administration of the pure food and drug laws and seek his dismissal. The Remsen Board will likely be abolished (appointed to examine into and review into Dr. Wiley's findings) as it has been found that its creation was illegal and appointed without authority of law, according to an opinion of an assistant Attorney-General, which opinion was suppressed because it was seen that it would place Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture, and former President Roosevelt in a bad hole, especially as the board had expended \$100,000 in investigating benzoate of soda. Solicitor George P. McCabe, of the Department of Agriculture, wrote an opinion sustaining Secretary Wilson, that the Remsen Board was legal, and this opinion was promulgated as that of the Attorney-General, the opinion of the Assistant Attorney-General declaring the board illegal being suppressed. The committee will get at the bottom eventually and some people high in authority will feel mighty uncomfortable. A great deal of fuss has been raised over the salary of \$1,600 of Dr. H. H. Rusby paid by Dr. Wiley, but the Remsen Board, in existence three years and a half, has cost the Government several hundred thousand dollars, and has made two decisions in that time—one reversing Dr. Wiley on benzoate of soda and the other sustaining him on saccharin. This board drew \$86,793 in salaries from March 1, 1908, to December 31, 1909. It is composed of five members.

Senator J. W. Bailey, of Texas, addressed the Senate Thursday afternoon in opposition to Canadian Reciprocity. He charged that the President was guilty of inconsistency in saying in his Indianapolis speech that the market for home products was made in Liverpool England, and shortly afterward saying that the control exercised to keep prices up was caused by the tendency of the country people to rush to the cities and manufacturing centers. He asserted that the farm laborer toiled longer hours for less pay than his city brother and had fewer comforts of life. He declared the bill was drawn in the interest of the "city folks," and in derogation of the rights of the farmer. Senator Bailey is a profound constitutional lawyer, and can make a specious argument, but in this case he is away off as the Canadian Reciprocity bill will not hurt the farmer to any appreciable extent for a year or two and after that period will prove to be decidedly beneficial to him and the people at large.

An event of national importance occurred at the Bull Run Battlefield yesterday when several hundred veterans of the Union army and several hundred veterans of the Confederate army clasped hands and showed by their greetings that the war was over and the hatchet buried forever. Thousands viewed the scene and were thrilled at this exhibition of friendship which the old soldiers have or one another, and a mighty shout went up at the spectacle. The first battle was fought fifty years ago to the day and hour when the fraternal greetings were given. Among the speakers were Col. Edmund Berkeley, of the Eighth Virginia; Gen. John C. Gilliam, of the G. A. R.; Gen. George W. Gordon, of the U. C. V.; Representative Carlin, of Alexandria, Va. The President made a magnificent address and was applauded loudly and long. Others also addressed the veterans, among them being the Governor of Virginia. Col. Robert Thompson, of New York, presented all the old veterans present with memorial badges made for the occasion. The presentation was made under a canopy composed of Stars and Stripes and Stars and Bars entwined together. A stir was created and voices grew husky, tears were dropped and eyes dimmed, and a thrill went through the spectators when forty-eight young ladies dressed in white sang the Manassas jubilee anthem—these forty-eight young ladies typified the forty-eight States. It is proposed to make a National Park of Bull Run battlefield and it should be done. There is no animosity in the hearts of the old soldiers for their former opponents and such scenes as yesterday but accentuate the fact they have laid down their arms forever and the only time they will ever be willing to take them up again is when a foreign foe attempts to invade our country. Truly it was an inspiring sight to see these old, feeble, battle-scarred heroes of a hundred fights greet one another in hearty handshake and

pleasant smile on the field where they once met in grim war; thus showing to all posterity that the war is indeed over and they have nothing but love and friendship for each other.

Attorney-General Wickersham says that the big combinations, like the Standard Oil and Tobacco Trust, are going to be split up into a number of distinct parts without connection or monopoly power. The decisions of the Supreme Court will prevent the formation of any large monopolistic companies, and those pessimists who are doubtful about the restraint combinations in restraint of trade will be badly fooled. Criticisms seeking to minimize the value of the Supreme Court decisions come largely from those who would like to embarrass the Administration with a general assault on all business, which would compel every business man to turn to the other party for relief.

The Senate passed the Reciprocity bill with Canada to-day without amendment by a vote of 53 to 27. It becomes a law upon the President's signature, the Senate bill being the measure that passed the House of Representatives. The measure can not become a law until after next Wednesday as the House had adjourned when it passed the Senate, and the rules require engrossment of the bill on parchment while the originating body is in session, and the House had adjourned until next Wednesday: The Democratic Senators voting against the bill were Bailey, of Texas; Clark, of Arkansas; and Simmons, of North Carolina. Senator Overman voted for the bill. Before the vote was taken in the Senate Senator Simmons offered two amendments, both of which were defeated, they were to put fresh meats and meat products on the free list in the bill, and flour and cereal products also on the reciprocity free list.

OBSERVER.

BUMPER CROPS IN THE STATE.

Prospective Reports to Raleigh Paper Are Quite Encouraging.

Raleigh, July 22.—Special reports from every section of North Carolina procured by the Raleigh morning paper as to the crop conditions indicate that this State is practically assured bumper crops of corn and cotton and grains, while the outlook for tobacco is rather discouraging. The increase in the corn yield is sure to be something immense and is due largely to the special campaign that the State department of agriculture has carried on for several years for better cultivation and proper seed selection. The "prize acres" and the demonstration tracts that the co-operation of the farmers and the State department and the national agricultural department of agriculture have extended into every part of the State have a very great and steadily extending influence in farming methods and management generally.

Palmyra News.

Palmyra, N. C., July 24.—Miss Sallie Baker returned home Friday accompanied by Miss Lula Brewer, of Raleigh.

Misses Blanche and Ethel Everett returned home Friday. Miss Selma Guiford has returned to Rocky Mount, after spending some time with her aunt, Mrs. E. R. Aulson.

Mr. C. A. Harrison, who has been with Baker & Roberson for two years, has resigned. Mr. T. T. Chesson, of Plymouth, will take his place. The many friends of Mr. Harrison regret to see him leave, but they welcome Mr. Chesson, who comes highly recommended.

The Methodist church is about completed. Mr. W. R. Roberson will leave August 1st for Norfolk to enter Davis-Wagner Business College.

Women as Well as Men are Made Miserable by Kidney and Bladder Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and lessens ambition; beauty, vigor and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kidneys are out of order or diseased.

Kidney trouble has become so prevalent that it is not uncommon for a child to be born afflicted with weak kidneys. If the child urinates too often, if the urine scalds the flesh, or if, when the child reaches an age when it should be able to control the passage, it is yet afflicted with bed-wetting, depend upon it, the cause of the difficulty is kidney trouble, and the first step should be towards the treatment of these important organs. This unpleasant trouble is due to a diseased condition of the kidneys and bladder and not to a habit as most people suppose.

Women as well as men are made miserable with kidney and bladder trouble, and both need the same great remedy. The mild and the immediate effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It is sold by druggists, in fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles. You may have a sample bottle by mail free, also a pamphlet telling all about Swamp-Root. Home of Swamp-Root, including many of the thousands of testimonial letters received from sufferers who found Swamp-Root to be just the remedy needed. In writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure and mention this paper. Do not make any mistake, but remember the name, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

RECIPROCIITY BILL PASSED.

Adopted by The United States Senate by Overwhelming Majority.

Washington, July 22.—The Senate at 1:40 o'clock this afternoon passed the Canadian reciprocity bill by a vote of 53 to 27. The Senate cleared the way for the overwhelming passage of the bill by defeating amendment after amendment by decisive votes. The measure cannot become a law until next Wednesday, as the House adjourned to-day until then. The bill must be returned to the House for engrossment before it can be signed by the President. An amendment by Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, putting fresh meats and meats and meat products on the free list was defeated 16 to 64; Senator Simmons then offered an amendment placing flour and cereal products on the free list. This was defeated by a vote of 17 to 63.

The Senate's passage of the Canadian reciprocity bill in precisely the same form it emerged from the House brings to an end President Taft's long fight for the ratification of the pact. The Senate overwhelmingly favored the measure. During the debate which led to to-day's final action party lines were swept away and a vigorous fight was waged to saddle the measure with riders that the friends of the measure claimed would mean defeat of the whole proposition.

Wanted Name to Fit.

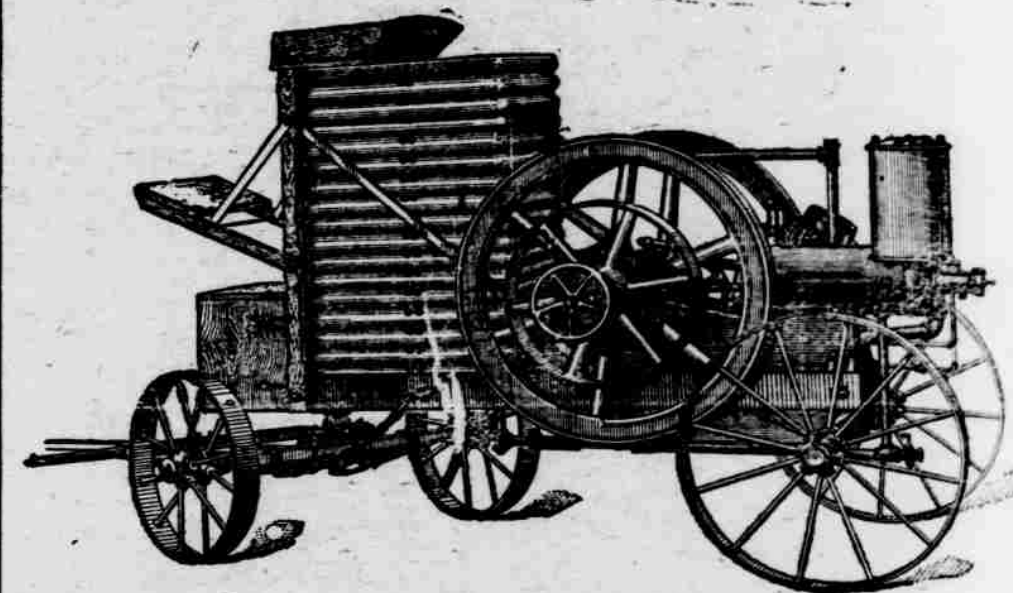
"Mamma," said a small miss, "I don't think Nellie is a suitable name for my dollie."

"Why not?" queried her mother. "Cause she's so loose jointed," answered the little one. "I think I'd better call her Lucy."

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Taking in consideration the One Hundred Dollars in Gold FREE, the One Thousand Extra Tickets to the FIRST TEN trading Ten Dollars each, and the BIG REDUCTION IN PRICES we are offering at this Special Sale, this is one of the Greatest Opportunities ever given to the people of this section to do their summer trading.

We intend immediate and complete clearances of all our Summer Goods, and special tables have been made up and price cards in plain figures telling the reduced prices, have been put up for the ready convenience of our customers who will crowd our store. Everything will be so plain that a body can wait on themselves.

Don't Ask Us to Charge Goods at These Prices.

- 6c Colored Lawn, sale price 3 1/2.
- 10c, 12 1/2c and 15c Colored Lawn, sale price 6 1/2c.
- 27-inch India Linen, 12 1/2c value, sale price 8 1/2c.
- 10c Checked Muslin, sale price 5c.
- 10c and 12c Checked Muslin, for dresses, sale price 7c.
- Our entire stock Light Percales, value 10c, 12 1/2c and 15c, sale price 8 1/2c.
- All Dark Percales at cost.
- Dress Gingham, while they last, sale price 8c.
- Best grades of Light Calico, sale price 4 1/2c.
- Dark Calico, sale price 5c.
- Ladies' Slippers at cost and less than cost.
- Yard wide unbleached Domestic, value 10c, sale price 6 1/2c.
- Yard wide Heavy Colored Suit Linen, value 50c, sale price 21c.
- Embroideries cut to the quick.
- All Light Woolen Goods at a sacrifice.
- Entire stock Val. Laces, sale price 4c.

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12 1/2c Yard Wide ANDROSCOGGIN 7 1/2c BLEACHING, Sale Price only 7 1/2c.

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- 50c Matting Rugs, sale price 37 1/2c.
- Men's Straw Hats at cost and less.
- Men's \$15.00 Mohair Suits, sale price \$7.50.
- Men's \$12.50 Mohair Suits, sale price \$6.25.
- Men's \$8.00 Linen Suits, sale price \$4.00.
- Big line Pants.
- Boys' Suits at cost and less.
- Men's Oxfords, \$4.00 and \$4.50 values, sale price \$3.03.
- Men's Oxfords, \$3.50 and \$3.75 values, sale price \$2.48.
- Peter Hill 50c Underwear, sale price 42c.
- Two pairs 25c Sox for 25c.
- Four pairs 12 1/2c Sox for 25c.
- One \$1.00 Shirt for 82c.
- All 50c Dress Shirts, sale price 39c.
- Big line Trunks and Suit Cases \$1.50. Suit Cases, sale price 79c.

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