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## S. A. L. CONSOLIDATION FURTHERED BY R. AND G. STOCKHOLDERS

### Ryan Opposition Again Makes Protest and Are Defeated by a Vote of 14,967 to 18

#### CONTINENTAL TRUST COMPANY OF BALTIMORE, GETS \$5,000,000 R. & G. MORTGAGE

#### Resolution Approving the Williams Consolidation Plans Adopted ---Judge Cross States Progress Made---The 18 Opposition Shares are Held by Thos. F. Ryan, John H. Winder, W. L. Marbury and D. L. Groner

At the offices of the Seaboard Air Line on North Halifax street the stockholders of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad Company met this morning, and after hearing the report of the President and Directors, authorized the officers of the Company to consummate their plans of consolidation and to issue bonds, after properly recording the mortgage of \$5,000,000. Among those present were: President John Skelton Williams, Vice-President and General Manager H. S. Johns, Treasurer Shurpe, Secretary J. M. Sherwood, Judge Leigh R. Watts, Ex-President Hoffman, of Baltimore; Captain J. H. Day, Mr. R. T. Gray, Mr. J. B. Batcher, Mr. W. C. Stronach, Col. Renshaw Cameron; the opposition was represented by Messrs. R. O. Burton, W. H. Page, Jr., D. L. Groner and I. V. McGilone. Col. Renshaw Cameron acted as chairman of the meeting and Mr. J. M. Sherwood as secretary.

Messrs. R. T. Gray and Charles E. Johnson, as committee on proxies, reported that there were represented 14,965 shares out of a total of 15,000.

**RESOLUTIONS MADE.**  
Secretary Sherman then read the report of President Williams and the Board of Directors, which recited the facts of progress made by the road and which outlined the contemplated scheme of consolidation. The report was offered for action of the stockholders and Attorney F. Ryan, representing the latter side of the consolidation, moved that the report be tabled. This motion was voted down. The report was adopted.

**OPPOSITION MAKE DEMANDS.**  
Mr. Page, representing the opposition, then presented to the meeting a formal demand for protest, which was signed by the following:  
Thomas F. Ryan by attorneys R. O. Burton, Wm. H. Page, Sr., D. L. Groner and W. L. Marbury.  
John H. Winder by I. V. McGilone.  
W. L. Marbury by I. V. McGilone.  
D. L. Groner in person.

This demand was addressed to the officers, directors and stockholders of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad Company, and the following were the demands succinctly stated:  
1. Demand that they be allowed to examine the stock lists, ascertain the various stockholders and their shares of stock.  
2. Examine and make a copy of the by-laws.  
3. That the officers take action to rescind and cancel the alleged sale of 1,828 shares of stock sold from the treasury February 5th, 1890, and the stock restored to the company.

4. That the officers and directors rescind the alleged sale of stock bonds of other companies February 7, 1890, and the stock and bonds be restored to the control of the company.  
5. That proceedings be taken by the directors and officers of this company to rescind arrangements looking to the consolidation of the stock and property of this company, or which may be intended to lead ultimately to the consolidation of this company or any roads controlled by it with the Georgia and Alabama Railway or the Florida Central Peninsular Railroad Company.

6. That all papers and proceedings relative to the sale of these securities be laid before the stockholders.  
7. Demand that no action be taken by this company which may be construed as an acceptance of any part or as exercising any of the powers claimed to be conferred by a certain act of the Legislature of Virginia passed on or about January 12, 1900, relative to the Richmond, Petersburg and Carolina Railroad Company.

**RECE-TOWNSON FEUD**  
Texas Rangers Trying to Preserve Order Among Hostile Factions  
Austin, Texas, Jan. 17.—State Rangers at Columbus and Bastrop have arrested about twenty leaders in the Reeves-Townsend feud, and are trying to prevent another such outbreak as took place at Bastrop Monday, resulting in the killing of Arthur Buford. Detachments of Rangers, which arrived at Columbus this morning, have spent the day disarming feudists. This feud has resulted in the killing of nine men in the last eight years.

**NEW CORPORATION.**  
Articles of agreement were today filed by J. D. Smith, E. H. Ashby and J. M. Patterson, all of Mount Airy, for the incorporation of The Granite Mercantile Company, of Mount Airy, capital stock \$3,000.

**NEW YORK COITTON.**  
New York, Jan. 17.—Cotton: Jan. 17: 37; Feb. 73; March 73; April 73.

## BRITISH VICTORIES COME DEAR

### War Office Refuses to Devulge the Dispatches

#### FIERCE BATTLE ALONG THE TUGELAS RIVER

#### Censor Suppresses Nearly All Dispatches—Boers Attacked Gen. French But Were Driven Back—British Still Kept in Suspense.

London, Jan. 17.—The war office has received news which has not yet been made public, concerning the battle now being fought on a distance of twenty-five miles along the Tugela river. There is every indication that the news is favorable to the British cause, but all the official reports from the front show that the victory is such it proves to be being fought at a terrible cost in English blood. The Boers are resisting desperately, and the length of the battle's front and the heavy firing, which can be heard at Pieter and Chieveley Camps, make it certain that the lists of dead and wounded will be appalling.

#### BOERS ATTACK GEN. FRENCH

London, Jan. 17.—The war office received from Lord Roberts a despatch, dated Cape Town January 16th, in the evening, stating:  
On January 16th the Boers made a determined attack on General Buller's position, which was held at New Zealand by the mounted rifles, and a detachment of the First York Lighters. The Boers were repulsed, having twenty killed. They wounded an estimated not less than forty. The attack was preceded by a long range fire from one gun. Otherwise the situation remains unchanged.

#### LETTERS DESPATCHED

London, Jan. 17.—The war office posts the following from General Buller, dated January 16th: One death from dysentery and one wounded in the reconnaissance. Although sent January 16th, the despatch is about in receipt of the heavy commanding along Tugela river January 15th. On that day it is reported from both Pieter and Chieveley.

#### CENSOR SUPPRESSES ALL DISPATCHES

Durban, Jan. 17.—General Buller has sent a number of long despatches to Lord Roberts, but the censor refuses to permit anything official sent except the large statement that Buller occupied strong positions yesterday. General Buller's report is taken to mean that he has not the Boers, that they have fallen back, and that the British are now on their way to the relief of Ladysmith.

#### NORTH CAROLINA ROUGH RIDER

Col. Rossbach, in an article in a late issue of Scribner's magazine, says that Rough Riders in the trenches "gives the following description of one of his men, a North Carolinian, from one of the mountain counties:  
"My sharpshooters felt very vindictively toward these guerrillas and showed them no quarter. (This in the neighborhood of San Juan hill in the siege of Santiago de Cuba). They started systematic attack to hunt them, and showed their savage and unscrupulous nature. They were often guilty of killing even while not one of my men was separated. Two of the men who did conspicuously good service in this were Troopers Goodwin and Proffitt, both of Arizona, but one a Californian and the other a North Carolinian. Proffitt might have stood as a type of the mountaineers described by John Fox and Miss Marjorie. He was a tall, slender, handsome man of remarkable strength, an excellent shot and a thoroughly good soldier. His father had been a Confederate officer, rising from ranks, and if the war had lasted long enough the son would have risen in the same manner. As it was I should have been glad to have given him a commission, exactly as I should have been glad to have given a number of others most of the colored regiment participated in an eloquent address, but it is stated that the general Andrew only got the length of—  
"Men of the gallant Forty-second," when his tongue seemed to cleave to the roof of his mouth.  
"Thrice did he fail to make progress, until, exasperated with himself, he suddenly exclaimed to the astonishment of the regiment: 'Men of the gallant Forty-second, right-about wheel!'"

## MR. J. D. DAVIS KILLED

### He Was a Locomotive Engineer Residing at Greenville

#### NO PARTICULARS [OF THE ACCIDENT]

#### Mr. Davis was a Native of This City and Formerly Worked at R. & G. Railroad Shops—Leaves a Wife and Child.

Mr. John W. Markham, of the Edwards and Broughton publishing company, today received a telegram from Greenville conveying the sad intelligence of the killing of his son-in-law, Mr. J. D. Davis, who was an engineer in the employ of the road running through that city. The message did not give particulars of the killing, but it is generally supposed that the fatality occurred in a railroad accident while he was performing his duties as engineer.

Mr. Davis was formerly of this city, while here being in the employ of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad. His mother, Mrs. Riddick Davis, resides in Raleigh on Park street. He had two brothers here, Messrs. Fred and John Davis, who have for several years been employed in this city. His two sisters, Mrs. A. E. Sears and Miss Mary Davis, who is a trained stenographer, both live in Raleigh.

The only further particulars given in the telegram state that the remains will leave Greenville tomorrow morning at six o'clock, accompanied by the bereaved widow and her young child. It is expected that the remains will reach Raleigh on the 3:30 train, and that the funeral will take place shortly after the arrival.

Mr. Davis was well known in Raleigh. He was a popular young man and was ever industrious and attentive to his duty. He married Miss Markham, daughter of Mr. John W. Markham, and they have for some time made their home in Greenville.

His family are well known people and number among their friends almost the entire population.  
The sympathy of the community goes out to the bereaved.  
The hour of the funeral will be announced in tomorrow morning's paper.

#### MORNING MARRIAGE IN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

#### Miss Niemeier and Mr. Birdsong Plight Their Vows Today.

This morning at 10:30 o'clock in the session room of the First Presbyterian Church, Miss Annie Earle Niemeier was united in marriage to Mr. Edwin Gray Birdsong, in the presence of a large number of their friends, the Rev. Dr. Eugene Daniel performing the ceremony.  
The session room was beautifully decorated with evergreens and the improvised altar was of palms. Miss Sadie Duncan was at the organ and prior to the arrival of the wedding party received several appropriate selections, among them being "Because I Love You." The church was crowded to its fullest capacity long before the arrival of the bride and groom.

The bridesmaids, Dr. Harriet A. Rogers and Mr. Rawley Gilchrist, in the left aisle, and Mr. J. E. Niemeier, brother of the bride, and Mr. E. H. Carter, in the right aisle, led the bridal party to the altar. The bride, with her maid of honor, Miss Julia Stewart, of Lenoir, approached the altar from the left aisle and was met at the altar by the groom, with his best man, Mr. Miles R. Birdsong.

The simple, but beautiful ceremony at the Presbyterian church was here performed by Dr. Daniel, pastor of the church, and the bridal party left the church to the timely strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding march.  
Mr. and Mrs. Birdsong left on the Seaboard morning train for four to northern points of interest. At the train best wishes and much rice were showered upon them by admiring friends.

#### POPULISTS TO MEET

#### Committee Will Tomorrow Decide Time and Place for Convention.

Much interest is felt in the Populist State committee meeting here tomorrow evening at eight o'clock for the purpose of deciding the time and place for the next Populist State convention, and considering other matters, which may come before them.  
A Populist ex-chairman says the committee will discuss mainly the constitutional amendment, and that he does not believe it will take action for or against it, but will leave that matter entirely to the convention, which the committee will then call.  
George E. Boggs, committeeman from the Ninth district, declares in favor of the amendment. He has a lengthy communication in The Progressive Farmer of this week.

#### NOT FOR SALE

Lisbon, Jan. 17.—The Minister of Foreign Affairs declares that Portugal will not cede or lease any of her colonial possessions.

## GOVERNMENT FOR PHILIPPINES

### Philippine Commission Proposes a Governmental Plan

#### BUT THE INSURRECTION MUST FIRST BE QUELLED

#### The Commission Formulates a Scheme in Which the President Appoints a Governor and Also Provides for an Elective Assembly.

Washington, Jan. 17.—A definite line of policy is at last suggested for the Philippines. Here is the plan of government proposed for the Philippine Islands by the Philippine Commission, to be adopted after peace has been declared.

First, an American governor to be in control of the affairs of the entire archipelago, the said governor to be appointed by the President of the United States.

Second, an advisory council to the governor, said council to be composed of Americans and natives.

Third, a legislative assembly partly appointive and partly elective, whose acts shall be subject to the qualified veto of the Governor, and the absolute veto of the Congress of the United States.

Fourth, Governors to be appointed by the provinces, and the subdividing of the islands into small sections, over which Americans are stationed in cases of emergency.

#### COMMITTEE'S REPORTS AGAINST THE POLYGAMIST

#### Seven Committeemen Want Roberts Denied His Sea, Two Want Him Seated Then Expelled.

Washington, Jan. 17.—The Congressional committee appointed to investigate the rights of B. H. Roberts, elected Congressman from Utah, concluded their work today, and came to a unanimous finding of the facts, but a majority report of the committee, which will be signed by seven members, will favor the exclusion of Roberts from his seat, while the minority report, signed by two members, will favor sending Roberts, and then expelling him. The signers are Democratic, Democratic and Liberal Republican. Democrats Latham and Miers voted with the majority of the committee. The reports will be made to the House next Saturday.

#### DETAILS OF WAR CALLED FOR

#### Senate's Investigation of the War in the Philippines.

Washington, Jan. 17.—Senator Hoar's resolution calling for a detailed report of the conduct of the war in the Philippines passed the Senate today without a division. This afternoon the Senate is discussing Senator Hatch's resolution regarding the seizure of American flour by the British and Senator Davis stated that the negotiations were proceeding satisfactorily to this government.

Senator Aldrich made public the agreement to take a vote on the emergency bill on the 15th of February. He wished to make the debate for the night, but Senator Allen raised objection.

#### PETER DUNN DIED TODAY, AGED 98 YEARS

#### Probably the Oldest Man in the County—A Colored Man Respected by all.

This morning at six o'clock, in the home of his daughter, Susan Smith, at 118 South East street, Peter Dunn died, aged 98 years, 4 months and 2 days.  
Peter Dunn was probably the oldest man in Wake county. He was born December 14th, 1802, on the plantation of Mr. William Dunn, who has long since gone to his eternal reward. Peter was devoted to his master and his master's family. After the war closed and Peter found himself free from his master's control, he has been employed as a laborer in Raleigh. Since he found himself an absolute free man, he has always voted as an elector in a Democratic ticket. He has been a widower many years.  
His daughter, Susan Smith, is a trusted servant in the home of Rev. D. Edgar Daniel.

#### FAIR TONIGHT

For Raleigh and vicinity: Fair to night; showers probably Thursday evening.  
The barometer has risen on the north Atlantic accompanied by a slight fall in temperature and generally cloudy weather throughout the east, but with very little precipitation anywhere. The slight barometric depression, yesterday central over Texas, has moved to the central Mississippi valley with rain this morning from Vicksburg to Chicago in very small amounts. The pressure is low in the extreme northwest with southerly winds.

## EMBALMING SCHOOL IN RALPHIGH

### Two Renound Embalmers to Meet Undertakers Here:

#### STATE LEGISLATION WILL BE ASKED FOR

#### The North Carolina Undertakers Association to Hold a Four Days Session Here Next April—Special Features.

The undertakers of North Carolina are preparing to hold a big meeting of the State association here in April. The programme for the session is now being arranged and the meeting will be the most interesting ever held by the association.

Augusta Robinson and Charles A. Remond, of New York, two of the most famous embalmers in America, will be here April 24, 25, 26 and 27, and conduct an embalming school. This school will embrace the theoretical and practical branches of the science of embalming. Undertakers will be provided for practical demonstration.

The association will also formulate a plan for procuring necessary legislation from the next general assembly. The association desires the enactment of a statute recently put in operation in Georgia, which requires a license from a State board before embalming can be practiced. This State board of examiners to be appointed by the Governor and will hold regular examinations for applicants for license in practice embalming.

A similar will be issued shortly in reference to the convention. One of the physicians of this city will be asked to deliver an address before the body. Prof. Henry Brown, of Charlotte, will also lecture to the association.  
The last meeting of the association was held in Raleigh two years ago last June.

#### A HANDSOME PRESENT.

Among the New Year's gifts that adorn the Times-Visitor office, a handsome picture arrived today from Messrs. Parsons and Ashe, Raleigh's up-to-date architects, and is most beautiful, and is thoroughly appreciated, coming as it does from such an enterprising firm.

The picture is an excellent executed water color painting of one of the many attractive residences designed by Parsons and Ashe, and like other specimens of their work it is pleasing to look upon. Through the exterior of the residence of which we have the painting, is all that could be desired, the interior appointments are indeed models of convenience, and demonstrate the ability of this firm which this year such credit throughout the State and to which we return thanks.

#### PORTS OPEN

Washington, Jan. 17.—General Outcault that Kable leaves for Hemp Ports tonight. This means the opening of those ports.

#### MARCHED BACK AGAIN.

Boise, Jan. 17.—Indiana representative in Missions telegraph that King Mendell, who recently started for the border with a large force, has returned home and disbanded his army.

#### KEEPING COOL WITHOUT ICE.

Reid Letter in Boston Transcript.  
Another peculiarity is that things keep cool without ice. It is made here, but is so high in price that very few buy it. An American company has with the assistance of experts in cool drinks, brought us first that to be used even without ice, but before very long he finds that he can, and not only that, he is surprised to see that the water, as we keep it, is quite good. We put it in what are called "monkey jugs." They are made of a perfectly porous earthenware body, a Rio de Janeiro and have a very odd shape, but they do keep the water most delightfully cool. They are not more beautiful as a cooler than any we are sure.

#### THE WILHELM KIRWEN OPERA CO.

The William Kirwen Opera Company will open their Monday night at the Academy of Music. It will be the return of a company that has a well established popularity, as they always give a first class concert. This season they will be just in time to give their first night with the favorites of last season, there will be new faces and new features. The Two Vagabonds, Wilbur's version of Remond has been selected for the opening concert next Monday evening and from the program for seats the indication are that the company will play to the limit of capacity. Miss Kirwen is said to have recently given over to the opera house reserved seats, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25 seats.

#### DEATH OF LITTLE LOUISE PERCY

At the home of Mr. H. Perry, No. 213 West street, last night at 7:45 o'clock, little Louise Percy, their second child, aged two years and eight months, died, after a brief illness. The cause was taken with Saturday evening with cold, but was not seriously ill until Monday. From that time she gradually grew worse, until death released her. Kind neighbors, skilled physicians and loving parents all did they could for her dear little sufferer. The funeral services will be conducted Thursday morning at 10 o'clock from the residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy have the sympathy of the community in their sorrow.  
Sole Trackled tonight at the Academy of Music.