

## FLY AND IMPURE MILK TO BLAME

They Were Main Factors in Spread of Typhoid Here in 1909, Dr. Patterson Says.

### HOW IT WAS DETERMINED

Situation Was so Bad Aid of State Health Department Was Asked For.

The use of impure milk and the housefly were the principal contributing factors in the typhoid epidemic in this city in 1909 according to a paper read yesterday by Dr. Joseph F. Patterson, City Physician, before the Seaboard Medical Association.

In referring to the extent of the epidemic, Dr. Patterson said that at one time it was spreading so rapidly that the State Board of Health had to be called on to assist the local health department in investigating the mode of infection and to adopt means of suppressing the same.

The case of typhoid considered the beginning of the epidemic was found on January 10, 1909. By the latter part of July there had been more than fifty cases, by far the greater proportion of them among white people of the well-to-do class.

All possible sources of infection were investigated and finally the trouble was sifted down to a single dairy and to the fly. Dr. Patterson said:

"At one dairy it was found that the water supply was polluted. Upon investigation it was found that this dairy supplied milk to most of the ill typhoid cases; that the bottles were returned without being washed, they were carried to the dairy and washed in a sink, the drain pipe from this sink opened on the ground about forty feet from the surface well from which the water supply of the dairy was obtained. This well drained the surface upon which the sink opened, and in this manner became infected. The water from this well, without being boiled, was used for the final washing of the bottles. That this dairy was a factor in the transmission of the disease was recognized as an undoubted fact."

"To support the belief that the fly was the source of the infection in the early cases, there were the following strong points:

"The gradual increase in the early cases, and the length of time between succeeding cases.

"The gradual increase in the early cases in foci, most of these cases being in four foci.

"The first case in the foci was on April 1. On April 20 a case developed two doors below; on May 14 a case developed five doors from the one on April 1; on May 26 a case developed diagonally across the street on the corner, on the 15 a case in a house just across the street from the case on April 20; on June 5 a case two doors above that on May 15; on June 26 a case two doors above that on May 26; on July 1 two cases in the same residence as that of May 26. In each focus of infection it was found that some of the causes were improperly disposing of excretions. In several instances they, without being properly disinfected, were thrown out into the open—an ideal opportunity for the fly to obtain the germ and transmit it to neighboring households.

"After investigating all probable sources of infection, it was decided that the outbreak in the early cases was due to the fly; and later in the outbreak, during May, the milk of the dairy became an added source of infection."

## Program at the Athens Today.

Dumas' wonderful story, "The Count of Monte Cristo" will be shown today at matinee and at night. The subject has been carefully and elaborately produced in three reel subject (3,000 feet of film) at a cost of twenty thousand dollars by the Selig Co. the makers of "Cinderella" "The Coming of Columbus," and "The Two Orphans." "The Count of Monte Cristo" is one of the most powerful and picturesque romances ever penned, and it is a privilege for any body to see this wonderful story told on a screen. The Musical Wotjes will appear again today. Matinee daily at 3:45; show at night starts at 7:30 o'clock. No advance in prices.

### Other Papers.

Among the other interesting and instructive papers read during the day were "The Underlying Factors in the Liquor Habit" by Dr. Cyrus Thompson of Jacksonville, "Prostitution as a Product of Civilization" by Dr. Frank Hancock of Norfolk, and "Acute Infection of Bones" by Dr. Kirkland Ruffin of Norfolk. Papers were also read and discussed by Dr. W. B. D. McNider of Chapel Hill, Dr. Robert C. Bryan of Richmond, Dr. Southgate Leigh of Norfolk, Dr. R. N. Duffy of this city and Dr. R. L. Williams of Norfolk. Each paper after being read was discussed by one or more of the members.

At the close of the business session yesterday afternoon the President of the Association, Dr. N. M. Gibbs of this city, announced that the time for the election of officers and the selection of a place for the next annual meeting had arrived. Several towns in Virginia and North Carolina and Virginia wanted this meeting but after much discussion it was decided to hold the next annual meeting at Norfolk in December, 1913. There are a number of the members of the association residing in that city and they promised to royally entertain the visitors upon their visit there.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Dr. J. E. Rawls of Suffolk, Va.

First Vice-President—Dr. H. D. Walker of Elizabeth City.

Second Vice-President—Dr. B. R. Kennon of Norfolk, Va.

Third Vice-President—Dr. Jousha Tayloe of Washington, N. C.

Fourth Vice-President—Dr. G. K. Vanderslice of Phoebus, Va.

Treasurer—Dr. Israel Brown of Norfolk, Va.

Secretary—Dr. Clarence Porter Jones of Newport News, Va.

Orator—Dr. Joseph L. Spruill of Columbia, N. C.

Following the election of officers the Association extended a vote of thanks to the New Bern Chamber of Commerce, the citizens in general and to C. D. Bradham for the many courtesies shown the visitors while in the city and to the local newspapers for the publicity which had been given the Association during its meeting in the city.

### Served With Luncheon.

At the close of the meeting held at the court house last night the visitors adjourned to the Elks' Temple where a Dutch Luncheon was tendered them by the Chamber of Commerce. This proved to be one of the most enjoyable occasions of the week. There were a large number of the members of the Chamber of Commerce present to welcome the visitors and the hour or two spent there was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

A number of the doctors returned home last evening on the midnight train and the remaining physicians will return home today.

This was the first time that this association has held a meeting in New Bern and the city was glad to have them within its borders and judging from the favorable comment of the visiting doctors they were well pleased with their visit to "the mother town of the Old North State."

### HAS \$30,000 OVERCOAT

Identity of the Giver Would Be Surprise Says Owner.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Representative Jefferson M. Levy, of New York, who owns "Monticello," the Virginia home of Jefferson, and a lot of other things of historic and intrinsic value, has a \$30,000 overcoat.

The coat is of sable, and Mr. Levy has promised to appear in it when the thermometer drops to a proper degree. The members of the New York delegation are waiting anxiously for the drop.

Mr. Levy admitted that he had the coat, that it is worth \$30,000 and that it is about the finest piece of sable in existence. When asked whether he had bought the garment or whether it was a present from a friend, Mr. Levy replied, coyly:

"Ah, that is the question. If you only knew from whom I got the coat you would be surprised."

Whether the coat was a gift from J. P. Morgan, one of Mr. Levy's constituents; the Sultan of Turkey or the Duke of Sutherland, two gentlemen in whose acquaintance Mr. Levy revels, is a much mooted question.

### SUPREME COURT OPINIONS.

The following opinions from this session were handed down Thursday by the Supreme Court:

Building and Loan vs. Blalock, from Crazen, reversed.

Fountain vs. Lumber Company, from Oslow, no error.

## COURT RULES FOR THE ASSOCIATION

New Bern Building and Loan Wins Out in Case Against Mr. Blalock.

### ALL STOCKHOLDERS LIABLE

Must Help Pay The Losses as Well as Share in The Profits

The decision of the Supreme Court in the case of the New Bern Building and Loan Association against R. B. Blalock and wife which was handed down at Raleigh Wednesday has settled a dispute of several years standing in which many people of this city as well as all members of building and loan associations in the State are interested.

The New Bern Building and Loan Association which has been doing business for about thirty years suffered a loss of several thousand dollars about four years ago. The directors of the association upon the discovery of the loss had the books of the association carefully examined and the extent of the loss accurately ascertained. Then it was decided that instead of calling upon each stockholder to make good his proportionate part of the loss immediately that the deficiency would be collected from each member by requiring him to pay two additional monthly payments on each share of stock held by him and which two payments equalled his proportionate part of the loss.

Mr. Blalock alleging that he had paid into the association by monthly payments sufficient money to equal the amount which he had borrowed from the association with interest at the legal rate on said sum for the time which he had the money declined to pay the extra payments assessed against him as his proportionate part of the loss and demanded that his note and the deed of trust which he had executed to secure his debt be cancelled and surrendered to him. He claimed that the two extra payments would be in violation of the usury laws of the State.

The association admitted that Mr. Blalock had paid sufficient money to equal the amount he had borrowed with interest on the sum but claimed that as a stockholder and incorporator in the association he had been entitled to the benefits and by law he was liable for losses of the association; that all members occupied the same relative position as to debts, losses and profits of the association, and that each member, whether a borrower or a non-borrower participates in the earnings of the association and must assist in bearing its losses, or as the Supreme Court said in an opinion in another case: "And as the defendant is one of the incorporators and entitled to her part of the profits of the concern, if any had been made, equity says that she must bear her part of the losses as other stockholders have to do. Were she not liable, the whole equitable settlement of the concern would be destroyed. She got in the same boat with the other stockholders, and as it sank she has to take her chances of escape with the others."

The controversy was submitted by agreement to the decision of Judge Whedbee upon a statement of facts last April by R. A. Nunn, attorney for the association, and Messrs. Guilan & Guilan, attorneys for Mr. Blalock, and Judge Whedbee decided that inasmuch as the defendant had paid to the plaintiff association a sum of more than sufficient to pay off the principal sum borrowed and interest on the same, that the note and deed of trust should be satisfied and cancelled and so ordered. From the judgment of Judge Whedbee the plaintiff association appealed to the Supreme Court for the reason that the defendant by such judgment escaped liability as a stockholder for his part of the loss sustained by the association. The case was argued in the Supreme Court several months ago but the decision was delayed until Wednesday when an opinion was rendered reversing the judgment of Judge Whedbee. This decision makes each and every stockholder in a building and loan association, whether a borrower or non-borrower, share in the profits and losses of the association, pro rata.

The association has grown materially since the loss mentioned was sustained and is now regarded as one of the most substantial associations in the state. It is said that it is operated with as little expense as any such association anywhere.

Washington would not object to an inauguration every few months.

## CHURCH GREATEST FORCE FOR GOOD

Ministers Point Out Its Strong Points and Also Its Short Comings.

### A HOME MISSION SERVICE

Christianity, Has Got to Get Out and Meet Real Need, Speakers Maintain.

That the church is the greatest force for the uplift of humanity was contended by speakers at the First Baptist church last night, the services being a continuation of the program of a week in emphasis of the cause of Home Missions. Both speakers, Rev. J. B. Hurley and Rev. I. W. Rodgers, had the same subject—"The Church as a Religious Force". The committee of arrangements had intended to assign a different subject to Rev. Mr. Rodgers, but a mistake was made in notifying him and he prepared his address on the same subject given Mr. Hurley. As the subject was conceded to be a very live one, the committee decided that the mistake that had been made was not at all to be regretted.

The first speaker was Rev. Mr. Rodgers. He declared that there was no force under the sun equal to that of the Christian religion. The church is at the bottom of every moral reform he declared. Picturing America as a great Christian nation, he asserted that as goes America so goes the world. The growth of the church was cited by the speaker as an evidence of its wonderful power as a religious force.

Rev. Mr. Hurley while maintaining that the church is the greatest religious force also declared with equal emphasis that it is not measuring up to its opportunities. He pointed out a number of particulars in which he said it fell short of its duty.

"It is lacking in a spirit of democracy for one thing," he said. Many of the fraternal orders are more shot through with a spirit of real brotherliness than the church often is. People don't want to be worked for, he declared, they want to be worked with.

"Rich folks' churches, featuring lofty preaching, vast architectural accomplishment and stained glass windows while the poor people had to worship in some shack of a place were condemned as not at all in keeping with the spirit of Christianity.

"The relation of the leading men in churches to their employes was a matter of great moment, Mr. Hurley insisted. When our stewards or deacons employ great numbers of people at starvation wages those people are not going to pay any respect to the religion which those employers profess to have.

"The necessity of Christians making sacrifices was stressed by the speaker. There has got to be suffering before results will be attained, he said.

The speaker gave it as his opinion that denominational lines are fading out. He did not yield to any one in loyalty to the Methodist church, he said, but he loved a Baptist Christian or a Presbyterian Christian or any other kind of Christian so long as he was really a Christian just as much as he did a Methodist Christian. If denominations aimed only to build up a great ecclesiastical organization they were engaged at small business he thought. Christians needed to work above all things for the coming of the Kingdom.

The devotional exercises for the evening were conducted by Rev. Dr. J. H. N. Summerell.

Tonight at 7:30 o'clock the last of the week night meetings of Home Missions Week will be held. It will be again at the First Baptist church. Rev. B. F. Huske will preside and will speak on the subject, "The Church as a Social Agency." Rev. J. B. Phillips will discuss the subject of Immigration. A large attendance is hoped for.

### YOUR ADDRESS WANTED.

The following persons won premiums from the Eastern Carolina Fair Association. Secretary Williams does not know their address, and they are notified to either call at the office at once or let him know their address and these vouchers will be mailed at once: A. Purifoy, Hancock & Eaton, Mrs. Smith, Veston E. Herring, Miss Fannie Howard, J. B. Tucker, Mrs. L. S. McKeel, Oscar Peterson, J. H. Stevenson, Mrs. L. M. Willis, W. A. Gaskins, Joe Stevenson, Mrs. J. A. Stevenson, W. D. Alfred, Mrs. S. T. Arthur, Mrs. B. F. Atkinson, Mrs. Vincent, Susie Daley, W. B. Griffith, Mrs. James C. Mehegan, L. H. White, Maggie Whitely, Mrs. W. H. Wallingford, and E. Shackley.

### BERGER PREDICTS PANIC

Claims "T. R." Got Hundreds Of Thousands Of Socialist Votes.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Victor L. Berger, the Socialist Representative, of Milwaukee, who will not return to the next Congress, issued a valedictory in which he reviewed political conditions, claimed that the Progressive campaign was made on a "semi-socialistic platform," and declared that Colonel Roosevelt polled hundreds of thousands of votes that should have gone to the Socialist ticket.

Representative Berger declared that there should be at least 50 Socialist members in Congress "to put ginger in the old parties."

"The Democratic party," said he "is reactionary because it is controlled by a coalition of the South and Tammany. The South is 30 years behind the North in economic development. It is just entering upon that riot of capitalist development through which the North has passed during the last 30 years. An industrial panic is due in about one year. That will mean Democratic hard times and soup kitchens. This time the panic will break up the solid South and cause riots and disturbances."

### BAR PUBLIC DANCES

Wealthy New York Women Aim to Protect Working Girls.

New York, Dec. 5.—Aiming to protect working girls, a committee of wealthy New York women will cooperate with the police in the supervision of holiday dances of a public or semi-public character during the Christmas and New Year season. The supervision will apply more particularly to masquerades, which the committee declares "are more likely to degenerate into unbridled orgies than other dances."

Members of the committee appointed as "observers," recently attended some masquerades in the uptown amusement district, and reported that there was a "shocking laxity in conduct." The committee will later ask the State Legislature for several amendments to the existing laws governing dance halls.

### INFANTS "SACRIFICED"

Miss Lathrop Declares Thousands Die Needlessly Every Year.

Cumberland, Md., Dec. 5.—The feature of the session of the Eighth Maryland Conference of Charities and Correction was the address of Miss Julia Lathrop, head of the Children's Bureau Department of Commerce and Labor, Washington, D. C., on the work of the bureau. Miss Lathrop dwelt on the necessity of a law requiring proper registration of births, saying:

"Maryland is supposed to have a very good birth registration law, but to be very careless about it." She praised Washington and New York as cities that carefully collected vital statistics, but said Baltimore, Chicago, New Orleans and San Francisco were regarded as especially indifferent. However, she declared, a new spirit prevailed in Baltimore, and there was a new eagerness to have the births registered. Miss Lathrop also spoke of infant mortality. Statistics, as nearly as can be computed, she said, show the death yearly of 300,000 babies that have not reached a year in age.

"But worse still," she said, "we are told that at least half of these babies die needlessly and only because we, as individuals, or as communities, neglect methods of cure which are well known."

### "THE CLIMAX" COMING.

The Climax, a much discussed play with music the success of two seasons at Weber's and Daly's Theatres, New York, will be presented here on Tuesday, Dec. 10. Recently the magazines have reproduced scenes from this very unusual melody drama which give a practical and impressive demonstration of "auto" or "mental" suggestion by which people are sometimes made to do things contrary to their own desires. The play is from the pen of Edward Locke, author of "The Case of Becky" the new Belasco production in which Frances Starr is now appearing. A musical theme running throughout the piece, is the work of Joseph Carl Brill, composer of the incidents music for Charles Frohmans' new American production of Sara Bernhardt's feature plays.

### NEW MASTER MECHANIC.

It was learned yesterday that S. R. Matthis, who for several years has held the position as master mechanic at the local shops of the Norfolk Southern Railway Company, has tendered his resignation to take effect on December 10. J. T. Mallard has been appointed to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Matthis' resignation.

## FISHERMEN AGREE ON LEGISLATION

Association Gets Together on Bill To Be Presented to the General Assembly.

### TO MEET NEXT AT EDENTON

Association Is Royally Entertained By the City of Washington.

George N. Ives returned yesterday morning from Washington, N. C. where on the previous day he attended and presided over the second annual meeting of the North Carolina Fisheries Association.

Two business sessions were held at the City Hall during the day. The session was opened with a prayer by Rev. H. B. Searight, pastor of the First Presbyterian church. The address of welcome on behalf of the city was made by Mayor Collin H. Harding and was responded to by Mr. Ives.

One of the most important matters taken up and one which consumed the entire afternoon session was the drawing and adoption of a bill to be presented at the next meeting of the legislature regulating the fishing industry of the State. Mr. G. N. Ives was appointed on the committee who will present the bill. Just before the close of the last session E. R. Daniels of Dare county was elected president of the Association for the ensuing year to succeed Mr. Ives who has held that position for the past twelve months.

Wednesday night the visitors were tendered a reception at the Elks Club by the Washington Chamber of Commerce and the citizens of that town. This was attended by more than a hundred and fifty people and was a complete success in every way. Judge Bragaw presided over the banquet. The visitors were also invited to visit a performance at the local vaudeville theatre. This was also greatly enjoyed.

Mr. Ives said that the attendance at the meeting of delegates from this part of the State was comparatively small but from other sections there were many delegates present and much interest and enthusiasm was manifested in the meeting. The next meeting of the Association will be held at Edenton.

### FUND SLIL CLIMBS

Twenty Dollars Added To De Graf-fenried Account this Week.

Contributions amounting to about twenty dollars have been made this week to the De Graf-fenried Colony Monument Fund. The firm of Cooper Brothers, marble dealers, of Raleigh is now engaged in making a drawing of the proposed monument and as soon as it is completed it will be placed on exhibit in the city. A gentleman who is well versed in the early history of New Bern is now preparing an article giving a complete review of the work of De Graf-fenried and his colony. This will be published in the Journal during the next few days. In the meantime the work of soliciting contributions to the fund will continue and the assistance of the public will be welcomed.

### PARKER TO PRACTICE ALONE

Secures Office Formerly Occupied By Black.

New York, Dec. 5.—Cards were issued yesterday announcing that the law firm of Parker, Hatch & Sheehan had dissolved on November 30 and that Judge Edward W. Hatch and William F. Sheehan would remain at their offices, 14 Wall street, under the firm name of Hatch & Sheehan, while Judge Alton B. Parker would engage in court and general counsel work at 111 Broadway.

It was explained that Judge Parker had intended for sometime to engage in general counsel work by himself, but that the dissolution took place earlier than had been expected. This was because Judge Parker decided to take the office at 111 Broadway, of ex-Governor Frank S. Black, who is retiring from practice. Besides taking the office, Judge Parker has purchased the law library, of ex-Governor Black.

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

S. Coplon & Son—Building business by cementing friendship.

J. J. Baxter—Dress goods and coat suit sale.

J. M. Mitchell & Co.—The great ten day removal sale.

People's Bank—A strong directorate—Masonic Theatre—The Climax.

Hotel James—Now open.