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DR. ROOP AND GUESTS FACE DEATH IN FLOOD CLOSE CALL IN YOUNG'S BRANCH Mrs. Roop Caught in Capsizing Carriage—Hair Entangled in Wire Fence Makes Rescue Difficult—Miraculous Escape. Death in the flood waters of Young's Branch, near Groveton, eight miles from Manassas, was the tragic fate threatening Dr. H. U. Roop, president of Eastern College, his wife and little daughter and their guests, the dread end of a happy day's outing, when they attempted to ford the swollen stream after the torrential rains late Sunday afternoon. When Dr. Roop struggled to rescue his wife from a capsized vehicle both were swept down the channel by the strong current, and when it appeared that they were doomed to perish they touched an elevation in the branch bed and as though by a miracle plunged through the resisting waters to the banks of the stream. The others had then reached points of safety. None was injured beyond slight cuts and minor bruises. One of the horses, a valuable animal, was drowned. The other escaped after a terrific struggle. The party comprised: Dr. and Mrs. H. U. Roop and their little daughter, Margaret; Mrs. E. B. Kephart, of Pittsburg, Pa., mother of Mrs. Roop, widow of the late Bishop Kephart; Dwight L. Johns, of Pittsburg, Pa., nephew of Mrs. E. B. Kephart. MAROONED IN FLOOD With no thought of danger, they had driven into the turbulent stream, trusting to information that it was passable, given by a pedestrian whom they met in the road. But the branch, usually ankle deep, had risen when flood water from the high land poured into the channel, changing it almost instantly from a shallow brook into a dangerous, tumultuous torrent running seven feet high. The horses, unable to proceed, stopped in the middle of the stream and were swept aside by the force of the strong current, but held their footing and as yet were not frantic with fear. Conditions which doubtless saved the lives of the occupants of the carriage. Marooned, with water rushing through the vehicle, the victims, although thoroughly frightened, maintained composure, and with rare presence of mind in the face of danger, sought escape from the stream. NOT UNTIL HER LITTLE DAUGHTER AND AGED MOTHER HAD BEEN CARRIED FROM THE STREAM BY DR. ROOP AND MR. JOHNS, WOULD MRS. ROOP PERMIT AN EFFORT TO BE DIRECTED TOWARD HER RESCUE, DURING THAT SHE WOULD REMAIN IN THE CARRIAGE UNTIL SHE KNEW THEY WERE SAFE. WITH GREAT DIFFICULTY THE CHILD AND MRS. KEPHART WERE SWUNG THROUGH THE SWIFT CURRENT, THREATENING TO ENVELOPE THEM AND THEIR RESCUERS. IT WAS ONLY BY THE MOST HEROIC EFFORTS THAT THEY WERE FINALLY CARRIED IN SAFETY UP THE BANKS. CARRIAGE CAPSIZES New and greater peril now confronted Mrs. Roop, when the current gained velocity, striking the carriage with such force as to overturn and sweep it completely, before the terrified gaze of the little daughter, Margaret, the aged mother, the husband, and the	FIRE DESTROYS WINE RESIDENCE AT BRENTSVILLE LOSS ABOUT \$4,000 Blaze Starts at Midnight Saturday From Defective Plug—Brentsville Library Lost in Flames. The residence of Dr. R. E. Wine, in Brentsville, together with the greater portion of his household effects, clothing and provisions was totally destroyed by fire Saturday night about twelve o'clock. Dr. Wine attended lodge, at Aden, the night of the fire and returned home about eleven o'clock. He noticed nothing unusual about the premises nor did he smell any smoke. Chifton Bear, who was returning to his home from Manassas discovered the flames and aroused the family, and with the aid of citizens of the community succeeded in saving a small portion of the furniture and clothing of the family. STARTS IN FLUE The fire originated in the kitchen department, and is attributed to a defective flue. Dr. Wine's loss, as far as he can ascertain, is between \$3,000 and \$4,000 with an insurance of \$2,000 in the Home Fire Insurance Company, represented by Thos. H. Lion, of Manassas. The Brentsville public library, consisting of about 400 volumes was kept in the Wine building and was totally destroyed. The burned building was formerly the old Prince William Hotel conducted by Jos. B. Reid, when Brentsville was the county seat, and was the place of entertainment, during court sessions of some of the most noted attorneys and politicians of the State. MYSTERY SHROUDS SUICIDE The body of Mrs. Rosa E. Garrett, who ended her life in her room at 432 K street, N. W. in Washington, on last Friday, by inhaling gas, was taken to her former home, in Catletts, Fauquier county, on Saturday for interment. Mrs. Garrett was twenty-three years old and was formerly Miss Shanholtz. She separated from her husband about three years ago and for several months has been making her home in Washington. Those with whom Mrs. Garrett has been living in Washington can give no reason for the woman's suicide, nor can any motive be accounted for by those residing at her girlhood home. TWO TO ONE AGAINST BONDS AT NOON 45 VOTES CAST OUT OF 108 Conservative Estimate Is That the Bond Issue Will Fail By a Vote of Approximately 2 to 1. Up to noon today in the special election to vote on the proposed issue of \$30,000 worth of bonds to establish a water system, 45 votes were cast out of a qualified list of 105. Conservative estimates are that the bond issue will fail by a two to one vote. ANNOUNCE MARRIAGE Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Eva Webster, daughter of Mrs. J. T. Webster, of Boston, to Charles Maurice Hopkins, of Manassas. The ceremony will be performed Wednesday, afternoon, June 1, at 2:15 o'clock in Epiphany Episcopal church, Washington. Miss Webster is a former student of Eastern College. Mr. Hopkins is a manager of the Hopkins candy factory.	FUTURE GREATS TO ENTER LIFE'S BATTLE COMMENCEMENT AT EASTERN Commencement Begins Tomorrow Night—Confer Degrees Wednesday Morning—Address by Rev. Dr. Huckel. With the annual reception by President H. U. Roop to the senior class commencement week will open at Eastern College tomorrow night. The public is invited to all the exercises beginning Saturday night. The art exhibit will be held in the library rooms Monday afternoon from 1 to 5 o'clock. PROGRAM Following is the program: Friday, 8 p. m.—President's Reception to Senior Class. Saturday, 7:45 p. m.—Recital by Music and Expression Departments. Sunday, 10:45 a. m.—Baccalaureate Sermon in College Chapel by Pres. H. U. Roop, Ph. D., L. L. D. 8:45 p. m.—Campus Devotional Service. 8 p. m.—Annual Address before Christian Associations. Monday, 10 a. m.—Washington Irving Literary Society Anniversary. 2 p. m.—Jeffersonian Literary Society Anniversary. 7:45 p. m.—Concert by School of Music. Tuesday, 9:45 a. m.—Final Chapel Exercises. 10 a. m.—Marshall Literary Society Anniversary. 2 p. m.—Class-Day Exercises. 7:30 p. m.—Prize Oratorical Contest. 9 p. m.—Alumni Reunion and Banquet. Wednesday, 10:15 a. m.—Commencement Exercises, Honorary Orations by Miss G. E. Bonner, R. L. Corkran and Miss Louise Mather. Commencement Address by the Rev. Dr. Oliver Huckel. Address to Class. Presentation of Diplomas and Conferring of Degrees by President Roop. The public is most cordially invited to all the exercises of the week beginning with Saturday evening. MANASSAS PLAYS BUCKBALL SATURDAY The Manassas base ball team will play Buckball on the Buckball grounds Saturday afternoon. Following is the line-up: Manassas: B. N. Merchant, first base or catcher; Allensworth, center field; D. Merchant, first base; Garrison, left field; Brecken, short stop; Waters, third base; Adamson, short stop; White, pitcher; Pi-berty, right field; Hall, Rector. Buckball: Shimpson, catcher; Sog, pitcher. Gooksey, first base; M. Lynch, second base; Kincheloe, third base; Cray, right field; H. Evans, center field; L. Evans, left field; Kincheloe, short stop. ful homes is the finished product of this great curse to our land." The speaker held her audience spell-bound by her graphic presentations of the dangers surrounding the homes in "wet" districts and in dramatic tones urged an unceasing warfare in homes and through the ballot box, against the common enemy to mankind. "A government," said Mrs. Sparks, "that will not protect an infant in its cradle serves disintegration, and a community that does not stand for civic righteousness, God will not permit to prosper."	FIRE OF PATRIOTISM IN ELOQUENT WORDS BURNING ADDRESS BY MRS. SPARKS National Lecturer and Organizer of W. C. T. U. Thrills Large Audience at Baptist Church. By R. W. MERCHANT With the zeal of patriotism swelling her bosom, and a sense of responsibility resting on her, Mrs. Mae Pauline Sparks, National lecturer and organizer of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union delivered her temperance message to a large audience in the Baptist church last night. Mrs. Sparks began by saying that although she had spent the most of her life in the state of New Jersey, her native home was Virginia, and that her voice was then raised against the great evil of intemperance in the dear old county of Prince William which gave her birth. "As I look into the intelligent faces before me," said Mrs. Sparks, "I know it will need no great argument to convince you that the question of intemperance is one of the greatest problems of the age. It will need the united efforts of the church and State to loosen the fangs of this poisonous reptile which has taken hold of the body politic and wrap its subtle form around the best interests of our dear homes and loved ones." Mrs. Sparks emphasized the fact the American home was the center of civilization and that the American flag was the symbol of our National liberty, and yet the same flag that floated over the council chambers, and the Capitol of this great country, proclaiming liberty to the world, floats over many a bar-room where the rights of home are ignored and the liberty of our manhood enthralled. "I thank God," said Mrs. Sparks, "that the cause which I espouse knows no North, no South, no East, no West, and that our earnest effort to drive the great evil of intemperance from our land and protect our homes from dire distress, it is necessary to form a cordon of hearts and hands bent on an unceasing warfare against this common foe." Mrs. Sparks contrasted the obligation taken by the members of the first temperance organization, over a century ago, when the exceptions of abstaining from intoxicating drinks, included Christmas, the Fourth of July and "sheep-shearing time," with the pledge which now makes no distinction either as to occasions or prohibitive percentage. She expressed confidence in Virginia as the gate-way to temperance in the beautiful Southland, based upon the assurance that a state which had furnished a Washington and a Lee in her galaxy of statesmen could, and would through the ballot-box, lead the temperance army of sister states to victory. Mrs. Sparks' beautiful and touching analogies of danger signals employed on land and sea by State and Nation, were in vivid contrast with those permitted by legislation, in violation of the sacred rights of those who were not and suffer most. She followed the various business interests of the country, save the liquor traffic, through their many stages of progress showing a benefit throughout from raw material to the finished product. "In the liquor traffic," said she, "our boys is the raw material and drunkards and the destruction of happy and peace-	FINE PROGRAM AT HEBRON SEMINARY COMMENCEMENT AT NOKESVILLE Week of Ceremony—Presentation of Nicol and Carlin Gold Medals, Thursday, June 2. Commencement week at Hebron Seminary, Nokesville, will open tomorrow in the College chapel with exercises by the Nicol Literary Society. The annual sermon will be delivered Sunday by Elder W. D. Keller, Washington. A musical program will be given Monday night, May 30. Programs for other events of the week follow: ALUMNI PROGRAM June 1, 7:30 p. m. Address of Welcome.....Vernie Flory Words from the Field.....G. W. Beaman Advantages of an Alumni Association.....E. S. Hood Shall We Organize an Association?.....G. M. Caplin Music.....G. P. Bushor Address.....Dr. I. M. P. Taylor General Remarks..... Music..... Collection..... Officers: G. M. Caplin, W. F. Hale, John Walker and James Bette. BIBLE PROGRAM Tuesday, May 31, 7:30 p. m. Moderator Elder W. G. Early Song Services.....J. A. Hooker Devotional Exercises..... Music.....Frank Garber Dedication.....D. H. Miller Recitation.....E. W. Miller Prayer.....B. M. Ryan Song..... Address: "The Divine Supremacy of the Christian Religion".....J. E. Hough Choir.....E. A. Nodrow Officers—E. W. Fisher, Chairman; Wm. Beaman, W. R. Free, Jr., J. F. Herring. COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM Thursday, June 2, 9 a. m. Music.....Haynes G. Martin Dedication.....E. W. Miller Dedication.....E. W. Miller Music—Solo.....Pearle Shaffer Dedication.....E. R. Child Oration.....E. E. Beaman Oration—Valedictory.....E. A. Nodrow Presentation of Nicol and Carlin Gold Medals.....Judge J. R. T. Thornton Music..... Annual Address.....Prof. J. A. Garber General Remarks..... Collection for Library..... Music..... Officers—C. P. Jones, Chairman; J. F. Hale, H. G. Weston, J. G. Snyder.	WRECK AT CHASM BRINK INJURES 22 BAGGAGEMAN AT POINT OF DEATH Misunderstanding of Signals Sends New York-New Orleans Limited on Southern into Ditch Near Catletts. (By R. W. MERCHANT) Twenty-two passengers were slightly injured in the wreck at 5 o'clock Monday afternoon of extra No. 1216, running as delayed section of passenger train No. 38 known as the New York and New Orleans limited, near Cedar Run bridge, between Calverton and Catletts, three-hundred yards north of the 45th mile post. The engine, baggage car and smoker, and four parlor coaches were derailed within less than two hundred feet of the bridge. HITS GAP IN TRACK The wreck was the result, so far as ascertained, of a misunderstanding of danger signals, which the section foreman claims to have given the engineer of the wrecked train. The section force was engaged in repairing the track and had removed one rail a few moments before the wrecked train was sighted. The section foreman claims that torpedoes were placed on the track at regulation distance, and that his flagman was sent back in accordance with the rules. ENGINEER STICKS TO POST Conductor Tolbert and Engineer Ponton say they heard no torpedo explosions and the engineer states that the flagman had his flag furled under his arm when his train, running at fifty miles an hour, shot past him. This statement is corroborated by the fireman. Ponton, the brave engineer, stood nobly to his post, preventing his train from being wrecked on Cedar Run bridge and hurling the passengers to death in a swollen and seething stream forty feet below. ON BRINK OF CHASM The engine parted from the train scarcely fifty feet from the bridge, and was brought to a stop on the structure about midway of the stream. Had the train gone the length of two coaches further the tragic result would have appalled the stoutest hearts and the loss of life would have included not only the man at the throttle who averted an imminent tragedy, but at least a large majority of his human freight. TRANS UP TRACK The track, for a distance of 200 yards was plowed up and the wheels of the trucks of the derailed coaches were buried to the axles. Broken cross ties, bent rails and twisted rods were much in evidence, and the hand truck of the section force lay a complete wreck, in front of the engine. In some mysterious manner one of the rails pierced the tender of the engine and another, bent in the shape of a horse shoe, lay within a short distance of the bridge. DEMOCRAT REPRESENTATIVE AMONG FIRST ON SCENE When THE DEMOCRAT's representative, after walking from Calverton, a distance of two and one-half miles, reached the scene of the wreck, the injured female passengers were lying on cushions by the road-side in a state of nervous collapse, their attendants mindful of their sufferings and physicians from Warrenton and near-by villages were on hand to aid them. The rescuees were summoned to convey such of the injured
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DEMOCRAT ads bring results.

**DR. ROOP AND GUESTS
FACE DEATH IN FLOOD**

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relative, Mr. Johns. With the first shock of the impact, Mrs. Roop, recognizing the fearful danger, grasped supports in the top of the vehicle to prevent being pinioned beneath it in the bottom of the stream.

When the flood waters closed over his wife in the carriage, Dr. Roop was in the stream on the way to rescue. With a desperate effort he succeeded in extricating her, and then they were picked up by the swift current and swept down the branch.

HELD FAST IN FENCE BY HAIR

Below the scene of the accident a barbed wire fence spans the branch, and in the barbs Mrs. Roop's hair became entangled, and it was then that they faced the moment of greatest danger. Although an inexperienced swimmer, Dr. Roop managed to release his wife from the wire trap, but not until both narrowly escaped being caught and held under the water by the lower strand of barbs. When all but exhausted they floated through the fence and down the stream a distance of sixty feet, where they struck high ground in the bed of the branch and with a great effort succeeded in reaching the bank.

HORSE DROWNS

Tearing through the barbed wire fence, battling furiously with the flood, the team plunged down stream the moment Dr. and Mrs. Roop emerged safely. One of the horses broke loose and swam to shore when its struggling companion went down to death. The team was hired from J. A. Morgan's livery.

With no thought but of gratitude for their deliverance, the victims of this thrilling flood experience, exhausted and dripping wet, walked to the home of J. F. Dogan who brought them home after providing them with dry apparel. The accident occurred at 5:30 p. m., and they arrived in Manassas shortly before 11 p. m.

They had left in the morning to view to Bull Run battlefield, and returning by way of the Stone House had gone on to Wellington and were hastening homeward when they attempted to ford Young's Branch, near the Leachman property.

WORKS SMOOTH CASE

The public is warned against a woman, who is accused of working a confidence game under representation that she is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and engaged in active solicitation for that organization. According to The Alexandria Gazette, "She sought the acquaintance of an Alexandria lady who is prominent in the association, and from the latter secured a letter recommending her to other members of the D. A. R. The woman, with the letter in her possession forged another missive, and subsequently calling upon a number of citizens solicited contributions of five dollars from each for the purpose, she said, of publishing a book giving the history of the organization, names of members, etc. In most cases she received the sums asked, and later suddenly disappeared. Her whereabouts at present are unknown to her contributors."

ECLIPSE ADDED ATTRACTION

An eclipse of the moon Monday night was an added attraction to the spectacular display in the heavens with the comet. The moon entered the earth's shadow at 10:46 p. m. The total eclipse began at 12:09 a. m. The middle of the eclipse was 12:34 a. m. The total eclipse ended at 1 a. m., and the eclipse ended at 2:22 a. m. The fact that the moon was visible after it passed into the earth's shadow, is due to the bending of the light through the earth's atmosphere.

**WRECK AT CHASM
BRINK INJURES 22**

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to walk, to passenger train No. 29, on the opposite side of the bridge, where they were put aboard and taken back to Washington.

According to a statement issued by the chief clerk of the offices of the Southern, in Washington, at a late hour Monday night, all passengers including the injured, arrived there at 9:30 o'clock, and such as desired continued their journey South.

LIST OF INJURED

The injured are: Baggage-master Tolbert, Southern division, crushed by falling trunks; recovery doubtful.

Mrs. Edwin B. H. Tower, New York, injured about neck and head and suffering from nervous shock.

W. Warren Tower, Manager Federal Sign System, New Orleans, returning sick to his home in New York with his mother, thrown from one side of the state room to the other, head bruised and shoulder dislocated.

Mrs. Henry Mackauer, New York, injured about head and shoulders.

Chas. Hartman Jr., and B. A. Jenkins, U. S. Geological Survey, Washington, D. C., slightly bruised about the body.

Capt. Samuel D. Buck, secretary Credit Men's Association, of Baltimore, scalp wound and left leg injured below the knee.

Hardy M. Edwards, Buffalo, legs bruised.

H. G. Ashley, Mobile, side injured.

Mrs. A. L. Shuller, Honesdale, side injured and suffering from nervous shock.

Herbert A. Whiting, Boston, leg bruised.

Jas. Clark, New York, legs badly abraded. Chas. F. Smith, Buffalo, knee bruised.

Mrs. S. C. Farnandis, Seattle Wash., head and jaw injured.

J. P. Dimick, Montgomery, Ala., bruised and leg sprained.

Mrs. G. E. Melius, Bridgeport, Conn., injured in chest and limbs abraded.

S. F. Miller, Baltimore, right foot injured.

Miss Marietta Walsh, New York, head and shoulders bruised.

Mrs. W. F. McAvoy, Baltimore, shoulder bruised and suffering from shock.

R. C. Hill, Buffalo, arm injured.

Mrs. I. N. Vonlan, New York, limbs injured.

A. M. Dummer, Baltimore, knee bruised.

MANY FROM CONVENTION

The majority of the male passengers on board the ill-fated train were members of the Credit Men's association, of Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York, who were returning from a convention of the Association held in New Orleans last week. The train encountered a freight wreck at Montgomery, Ala., and had to pursue its journey by Birmingham and Atlanta, causing a delay of several hours.

STRICKEN WITH TERROR

B. A. Jenkins, of the U. S. Geological Survey of Washington, in giving his experience in the impending calamity, says: "I was in the observation car with several ladies, when the train left the track, and instantly all were thrown with violence to the floor. Several of the ladies fainted while the rest screamed loudly for help mingled with prayers. I did what I could to reassure the hysterical and to restore those who had lost consciousness through fright. After much difficulty experienced in getting the doors of the coach open on account of their being blocked with seats and cushions, summoned help and removed the thoroughly frightened and injured women to the open air, and provided the injured with cushions and pillows on a grassy plot beside the tracks. I shall never forget my experience in this wreck and trust I shall never experience another such."

The greater number of the injured passengers were riding in next to the rear coach, which tumbled over on its side, and their experience was one of extreme terror and wild confusion mingled with the screams of the women and the groans of the injured.

Engine 1216, which draw the ill-fated train to the very jaws of death, was the same that killed the engineer Hughby Murhny in Washington, sometime since,

when it turned over on him, and is known as one of the best in the service of the company. Shortly after the wreck occurred every public highway leading to it was lined with curious spectators hurrying to the scene of destruction, and soon a large enquiring crowd was mingling with the passengers offering their services in caring for the injured and in the transferring of their baggage to the relief train.

CROSS OF HONOR

Any Confederate Veteran desiring a cross of honor can procure the same by applying to the undersigned, who will furnish him with a blank certificate of eligibility which must be properly filled out and signed by two members of a camp of United Confederate Veterans. Veterans are urged to send in their applications at once. The crosses will be bestowed June 3. Mrs. ALBERT SPEIDEN, Pres.

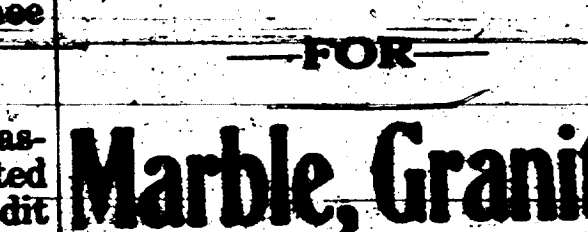
**WONDERFUL DOINGS
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Creating Much Excitement in That Section.

There is much excitement at Harrisonburg these days over a new discovery that is curing scores of people who have suffered for years with some chronic trouble. Many who had lost hope of ever seeing another well day have recovered health in a short while, and hundreds of people are crowding into that city from all the surrounding country to get some of the health-promoting juice. Many are telling of wonderful cures it has made. It seems that the discovery is principally composed of roots; therefore it is called Root Juice. An old lady who had suffered for twenty years with rheumatism and was unable to walk, after taking the juice a short while was restored to perfect health and can now get around as well as any one of her age. Nearly every one who suffers with stomach, liver and kidney troubles, say that a few doses of the medicine relieves them of every painful symptom. After taking it a few weeks they say that they are positively cured. Numbers of people are writing to the scientist from all parts of the country and inviting him to appoint a local druggist to demonstrate the great health promoting Juice in their towns. The great remedy is now at the Prince William Pharmacy here in Manassas.

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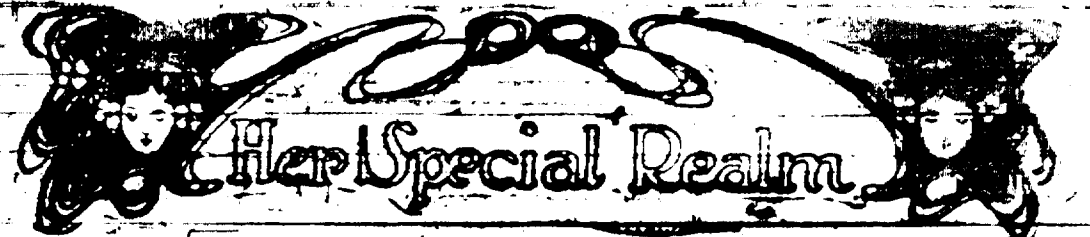
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The Visitor.

Something Really Fine Had Been Accomplished in the Teacher's Day's Work.

(W. A. Ross in Cleveland Plain Dealer.)

The little teacher was tired and discouraged. The schoolroom seemed unusually empty, the pupils unusually listless.

The little teacher wished she could go away somewhere and forget all these dreary duties. She thought of the pleasant places where other teachers went during vacation time, places where the little teacher did not go because there were claims upon her time and her money that she could not disregard.

Things didn't seem well distributed in this world.

The little teacher looked through the nearest window, although there was nothing to see save roofs and chimneys, and when she looked back again there was a misty curtain before her eyes.

"Smily," said the little teacher to herself, and winked back the tears and frowned at the restless boys and girls.

Was school teaching a high mission, she wondered, and was she the one to carry it out?

The little teacher had asked herself this question before—many times. She had tried so hard to throw herself into the work, to interest the scholars, to hold their friendship. But it seemed to her that they quite forgot her as soon as they passed over the threshold of the room.

The little teacher was sensitive—no doubt of it—foolishly sensitive, she told herself.

Sometimes she would overhear fragments of conversation that could not be regarded as intentionally unkind, and yet the words hurt her.

"There is my old teacher," she had once overheard a young woman say in a shrill whisper that the rumble of the street car could not drown. "She must have been teaching for ages."

The little teacher wasn't especially sensitive regarding her age. There were ways of finding it out, if curious people were so disposed, but she was quite sure she didn't look her years, and that was a very consolation. Yet such remarks as she overheard in the air—and there were other remarks, many of them that were quite as thoughtless—rankled in her gentle heart. If her scholars would remember her with kindly thoughts and make themselves known to her when they met in after years, it would be a great satisfaction. But of all the boys and girls who had come from her room in her twenty years' experience the number that seemed to know her afterward was very, very small, and she really couldn't recall that one of that little regiment of knowledge seekers had ever mentioned any special debt of gratitude he or she owed the teacher—and yet she had labored so hard with some of them.

The little teacher took herself resolutely by the throat, so to speak.

"What do you expect?" she demanded of herself. "It's the way of the world. You can't change it. The selfishness that's bound up in the heart of a child is expanded in the man and woman. You do our duty, draw your pay—and that's the end of it. Don't expect sentiment. It's out of place. You're just a little cog in the big wheel. Grind away."

For a moment she had quite forgotten her charges. Now the vigorous knocking of a door drew her attention.

"Teacher," said the stout boy who wed the arm, "somebody has by the door-knocking. Shall I make it open?"

The little teacher nodded.

"Yes, Fritzie. Go quietly."

The stout boy clattered to the door with every eye in the room following him.

The little teacher sighed. She hoped it wasn't a complaining parent. She didn't feel in a humor for a wordy combat.

The stout boy opened the door, looked out into the hall, stepped from the threshold and closed the door behind him.

"Teacher, this thin-faced girl in the front row. If it's Eldora's mother can we laugh?"

"Certainly not," said the little teacher sharply. "Attend to your work. It is very impolite to laugh at visitors."

The thin-faced girl was ready for an argument.

"But she is so funny, teacher—and maybe Eldora wouldn't like it when she don't laugh."

"On this sophisticated reasoning the little teacher made no answer because she was so busy watching the stout boy who had followed her.

"To excuse me, teacher," said the

stout boy; he had not of a shureness she was by da right room."

The lady came forward, a lady or 30, perhaps, a handsome lady and very becomingly and yet plainly gowned.

She smiled upon the little teacher and put out her hand.

"I am quite sure now," she said. "Then she turned to look for the stout boy, but he had slipped into his seat. 'Ah, there he is,' she merrily cried. 'Thank you,' she added. Then she turned to the little teacher. 'Isn't he a funny dear?'"

The little teacher had risen and was looking inquiringly at the visitor.

"Won't you be seated," she said, and gave her the chair that stood beside the desk.

The visitor murmured her thanks as she looked about the room.

"I am trying to make it seem familiar," she said. She looked back at the teacher. "I don't dare to stare at you," she added. "And it isn't necessary—because you have changed very little."

The teacher smiled at this.

"Then you have taught in this building?"

"No, no," she answered.

The thin-faced girl in the front row looked up eagerly.

"Please, teacher," she hurriedly suggested, "maybe the lady substituted."

The lady's laugh was pleasant to hear.

"No, little dear," she said. "I neither taught nor substituted. I was a scholar here and I sat in the third chair in the front row—right here."

She suddenly rose and ran lightly to the seat she had pointed out. "Will you let me sit in it again, my dear?" she asked the wondering girl before her. "Thank you." She slipped into the seat and sat up demurely—and all the children laughed. "I have only to shut my eyes," she said, "and then open them suddenly and the scene all comes back to me." She made a wistful face. "If you please, teacher, my mother is coming to school to see you 'cause somebody stuck a thistle-burr in my hair and it took me an hour to comb it out—'an' I know the boy who done it, but won't never, never tell on him."

How the children laughed and even the little teacher smiled—and then quickly held up her hand.

"The lady ain't no snitcher," the stout boy admiringly announced.

"Fritzie," the little teacher sharply admonished.

The lady hurried back to the platform.

"You must pardon my exuberance," she said, "but I'm so happy to find myself in the old room. I know I'm behaving in a way that is very destructive to discipline, but I'm sure my friends here—my new comrades—will not take advantage of it. Will you, dear?"

The stout boy arose with surprising quickness.

"Smily not, lady," he cried. Then he swung around and looked over the school. "She is a fine lady," he said in an almost threatening tone, "an' no snitcher!"

The lady beamed on the stout boy.

"A charming compliment," she said. Then she looked back at the teacher. "Won't you let me have my way here for just a little while?"

"I'll be naughty—I learned to be good right here in this room. Will it interfere so much with the studies if I tell the scholars a little story?"

"A story! a story!" cried the eager listeners.

The teacher looked at her watch.

"In twenty minutes we have recess," she smilingly said. "Will twenty minutes be enough?"

"Oh, yes," cried the lady. "I'm sure it will be quite enough." She suddenly laughed. "You don't remember, do you you?"

"No," replied the little teacher. "If you were my pupil it was a long time ago."

"Twenty years ago, dear teacher," said the lady softly. "And now for my little story."

She stepped to the front.

"Please, lady, is it a really an' true story?"

"Yes," replied the lady smiling brightly. "It is really true. You wouldn't like to have it untrue, would you?"

The thin-faced girl looked doubtful.

"Those other kinds are also pretty fine," she said.

"But this is a true one and I hope you'll like it," said the lady still smiling. "It is a story about this very room and about your teacher here. When I was a girl like you girls and sat in that chair—or one much like it—I am afraid I was a lazy girl at times—and the times were many. I was lazy about my studies and lazy about my music."

The stout boy nodded understandingly.

"We have de same kind now," he oracularly remarked.

"I am afraid so," laughed the lady. "The teacher did her best to keep me up in my studies, but she could not praise me because I did nothing to deserve praise. I would have liked a little praise now and then, but I was too lazy to earn it."

The eager eyes of the thin-faced girl twinkled responsively.

"Eldora Brown is like it, too," she said. "It is a wonder sometimes that she will pass, isn't it teacher?"

The little teacher held up her hand.

"Please, lady," she said. "No doubt I was saved by my teacher—as several of you are sure to be. But now I am coming to something that happened—something that made a very great difference to me. It was just a little song—a song that we sang in those days in the old room here. I sang it with the class one day and afterward the teacher—this teacher, yours and mine—said to me, 'Margaret, I want you to sing a little while after school.' I have something to say to you. So I stayed and when we were quite alone she said, 'Now sing the sailor song for me.' I wasn't afraid of her, not a bit. So I sang the little song twenty years ago—now I'm going to sing it again. She made me the piano and let her fingers ripple along the keys. Then she sang the simple song. She sang it in a low voice that was full of bubbling tenderness, a glad voice that shook with deep longing, then thrilled with mild exultation. And the room was very still when she let the last trembling throbb die away.

"Look at teacher," I whispered the thin-faced girl. "She is making a cry."

The lady faced them again.

"And when I had finished the little song," she went on with the story, "the teacher said, 'Margaret, you have a beautiful voice and you might be a

singer if you would only try.' That was the first time the teacher had praised me. I liked it very much. 'I will practice,' I said. 'I will try to be a fine singer—and you will tell me when I do well.' So she kissed me and sent me home—and I told my mother that I wanted to be a fine singer. And my mother was glad. She taught me all she could and hired a master for me and sometimes I would stay after school and sing for our teacher here—and when she praised me, as she often did, I was very happy. So I persevered and I tried hard and all the time our teacher helped me with her kindly words. She turned suddenly. 'Do you remember this?' she asked the little teacher.

"I remember," the little teacher softly answered.

The lady smilingly nodded.

"And then my mother took me to New York. I said goodby to my teacher—I was very sorry to go—and my last words were, 'I will be a fine singer.' Then came years of hard study abroad across the wide ocean—and I sang better and better and one night it was at the great opera house in Paris—they called me back. And what do you think I sang? The little school song—and as I sang it I saw this room again and my teacher smiling down at me. And once I sang it where the German emperor listened and once at the great theater at Milan, where the Italian king said to me, 'I like your English song very much.' And every time I sang it I thought of the old room and the little teacher. You like to know this, don't you? You like to know how much the little song helped me and how much the good teacher helped me. And you will like to know, too, that I have a little boy who is now with his father in New York, a little boy who loves the school song, and who can sing it very sweetly." She paused and looked around with glistening eyes. "Do you like the story?"

"Yes, yes," they cried.

"It is of a fine kind," said the thin-faced girl. "It is even so good as stories of the kind that are not of the truest. It made the teacher to cry and sooner again to laugh."

The stout boy waved his arm.

"Please, lady," he said, "sing you no folk songs to sing?"

The lady laughed and went to the piano.

She sang a plaintive German song and then an Italian ballad, and then she sang the school song again—and her exquisite voice charmed the restless children into wondering silence. Then she sang forward quavering.

"Dear teacher," she said. "It is time for me to say goodby to you and the dear old room. Bless you for all your goodness and helpfulness." She caught the little teacher's hands and kissed her. "Goodby—goodby, dear—goodby, old room!"

And she was gone.

But she had left a card in the teacher's hand. The teacher looked down at it.

It bore the name of one of the world's famous singers.

The little teacher looked at it through a mist of tears.

Then she put it to her lips.

WOMAN ARCHAEOLOGISTS

Mrs. Nuttall to Uncover Ruins on Sacrifices Island.

Mrs. Zella Nuttall, the archaeologist, left last night for Vera Cruz on the train to the Isla de Sacrificios. This island, some miles from the shore, off the coast of Vera Cruz, is but one mile and a half long by about one-eighth of a mile wide, and its sole vegetation consists of two coconut palms. On this dot in the ocean Mrs. Nuttall will reside for some weeks in furtherance of a scientific mission which she has been asked to undertake by the Mexican Government.

As a casual visit which she made not long ago to the island Mrs. Nuttall discovered a fragment of an old wall, and upon uncovering it saw that its surface was covered with mural paintings done in red on a white ground. Broad steps were also discovered, backed in the sand, and indications that the buildings extended further.

This and Mrs. Nuttall immediately reported to the Government, who showed their interest in the discovery by asking her to continue the investigations under her own personal supervision and by allowing her a small grant toward defraying the necessary expenses of labor. So Mrs. Nuttall, on account of the interest which she feels in all matters pertaining to Mexican archaeology, consented to remain on the island until the ruins have been completely laid bare or until it is proved that the fragments already discovered are the only remains of what originally was doubtless a large temple.

The only buildings on the island are a lighthouse and a hazzaretto, the latter, however, being unoccupied, and in the detached portion of which formerly the doctor's quarters, Mrs. Nuttall will live, attended by one maid and a cook. Laborers will be secured from the mainland and it is hoped that by next week work will be under way. —Mexican Herald.

Humbled.

There are times when even the wisest and most studious man is compelled to feel how little his share in the vast store of human knowledge must be.

"Yes," replied the man who is at the desk, "but that may be any time I ask questions of the information clerk at a railway station." —Washington Star.

THE FARMER'S WIFE

Bird-like she's up at day-dawn's blush,
In summer's heat or winter's snows,
Her veins with healthful blood afire,
Her breath of balsam, her cheeks a rose,
In eyes the blindest eyes on earth
Are sparkles of a homely mirth,
A flash of merriment in the brief collapse;
Mark to sound of wedded lips
And words of tender warmth that stave
From out the husband's grumbling spirit
Of well he knows how vain is life,
Unswayed by the farmer's wife.

But lo! the height of pure delight
Comes with the evening's stainless joys,
When by the hearthstone spaces bright
Blend the glad tones of girls and boys,
Their voices rise in gleeful swells,
Their laughter rings like elfin bells,
Till with a lack 'twixt smile and frown
The mother lays her infant down,
And at her arm unfolds her hand,
There's silence 'mid the jovial band,
Demure, arch humor's smother in
The clear curves of her dimpled chin,
Ah! galleous creature, hale and good,
And fount of wholesome benevolence,
Far from the world's unshowered strife!
God's blessings on the farmer's wife!

To dance in proud parental halls
Of lavish wiles and jeweled dress,
On whom, perchance, an infant smiles
(For barren off your loveliness!)
Then hitherward those languid arms
And for a moment's space be wise,
Your sister 'mid the country day

—Paul Hamilton Hayes.

Beautiful China At Baltimore.

There is a good deal of beautiful china at Baltimore, one of the most interesting exhibits in the city. The service, which is maintained with scenes of Highland life and sport by Lansdowne. This is placed in a cabinet in the blue drawing room, the windows of which command a most beautiful view, says Woman's Life. The late Queen Victoria was one of Lansdowne's warmest admirers and purchased many of his works.

Woman Lawyer Hts. Aid.

Suffragettes are rejoicing here over the appointment of Mrs. Clara S. Folts as Deputy District Attorney, which followed their petition at Los Angeles, Cal. They made the point that a woman lawyer was much better fitted than a man to handle such cases of women and children as the District Attorney's office has to deal with.

So far as is known here she is the first woman in the country to receive such an appointment. She has been active not only in the cause of women but in other fields. The California prison parole system is due to her efforts. —New York World.

Would Protect Home Plans.

Why not copyright homes? This is the question asked now by architects who point out that authors may copyright their works and inventors get protection for the product of their brains. Architects ask why their designs for homes should not be protected by law. Of course an architect's drawings may be copyrighted, but any person may adopt a design and reproduce it in brick and mortar and the inventor has no remedy. "As a modern architectural design," says one architect, "is so frequently based on an old work, it is not the simplest thing in the world to copyright modern architecture. No one expects to copyright Doric columns, the dormer window and such things, but it is possible to copyright the arrangements of those features and to prevent other architects from copying in a general way the plans of a handsome house." —New York Press.

A Pleasing Perfume.

Some women are very fond of perfuming their clothes, so that they will wear a delightful aroma about wherever they go. Violets, saffrons, or powders are the smartest, and indeed, there are people who say any other perfume is vulgar. But a recent effort of lotions may be liked and found useful for the perfuming of gloves and slippers, which should be sponged inside with it. Take of extract of ambergris two drops only, and of spirits of wine one ounce, or to make a more plentiful supply, proceed in this proportion and the result will be found to be a decidedly pleasing and lasting aroma.

A fragrant perfume for putting up into little bags to lay among linen or dresses is made by taking one ounce each of cloves, caraway seeds, nutmeg, mace, and long pepper, and tincture of benzoin, and adding as much Florentine orris-root as will equal all the other ingredients put together. Grind the whole to a fine powder, and put into muslin bags.

A Home-Made Flower.

Here is pretty work for the lover of fine stitches, not embroidery, but ordinary sewing of the fancy work type.

The large velvet flower for the side of the new straw hat is now made on round cabochon lines.

Cut out about five petals, rose-shaped petals prettily, suggestive of the wide open briar rose, but very much larger. Cut them from that darkest shade of blue velvet known as corbuse blue. Before forming them into a rose (just as you would make up a paper flower) bind each petal with blue-white satin, cut one and one-half inches wide, sewed against the right side by hand, turned over and faced against the wrong side.

When this rose is supplied with a puff of dark blue satin as a center, on which has been worked some yellow French knots with embroidery silk, it may take its place without shame upon the large high-top hat, which will require very little other decoration. —Boston Post.

How to Keep Young.

A well known woman in society held forth the other day on the subject of health, eternal youth and so on. She gave some practical advice and the pith of it is as follows:

"The secret of youth and health is rest, plain living and exercise. Let nothing keep you out of bed after eleven. Never walk less than one mile in the day. Eat no breakfast and at luncheon or dinner choose out plain dishes. Do not drink or eat, but always have a glass of very hot water the last thing at night. Above all, never worry." —Woman's Life.

Your Interests.

Instead of a lengthy embroidering process on the stocking inset, lace is substituted as an inset.

This work is usually done on the back of the white stocking, and the lace chosen to set is in a diamond shaped piece—a very elongated and narrow diamond.

The long strip of insertion, or all-over lace, is basted upon the inset just where it will show above the slipper. A diamond shape is then outlined with white thread, and over this is worked a solid band of over-and-over stitch in floss to match the stocking, and about an eighth of an inch wide.

This done, the remaining space of the lace, outside of the diamond, are cut away and then the stocking is turned and that part of it beneath the diamond of lace is clipped carefully out.

If your work is well done, stocking and lace will not pull apart.

This is a lacy rafter from the regulation embroidery and will prove beautiful for your friend, the bride. —Boston Post.

Warning Children.

There was a time when dotting parents totally overlooked the fact that a babyish name was appropriate only about five years, while a dignified one was likely to be needed something like 50 years. "Minnie" and "Jessie" and "Lulus" were common—so common that a reaction was bound to set in. Now the more dignified the name the prouder the parents.

There was a very exclusive exhibition in New York several years ago of life-size portraits of children of very wealthy families, given for the benefit of an orphan's home, and the names in the catalogue were a fair indication of what is still at the present day considered the correct and proper thing in the naming of infants of this progressive age.

The most popular name, evidently, is Dorothy, for out of 178 girls-babies, 14 bore the title of Dorothy. Next in favor was Marjorie. Ruth wasn't in the race for popularity, as only three infants were so named in the returns. Helen or Helene came next in favor. Katherine held its own, and Mary and Marie were even with Marguerite and Elizabeth. Such names as Beatrice, Josephine, Anita, Eleanor, Alice, Madeline, Florence, and Rachel were twice represented, but aside from that—the widest variety figured. Where two or more children in a family were represented in the catalogue, it looked as if there had been an attempt to select names in harmony.

In one family there were Muriel, Dorothy, Marion and Marjorie, a happy combination. The most distinctive trio possibly were Honor, Gillian and Rufus Barr. If that family doesn't turn out well, then there is nothing in the effect of a name. Dorena was one of the oddest names; Berene another. There were two Bettys, one dear Peggy, and a Mollie from one of the most fashionable families—McCall's Magnolia.

Fashion Notes.

Steel ornaments are very much used.

Raffia is used for many hats.

Contrasts of color are again the thing.

Tansore and satin tailored costumes replace velvet.

Rich embroidery is much in evidence this season.

The tiff-train is a distinctive feature of many dresses.

In foulards pin-and-polka dots and big-dots-appeal.

White hats are worn with the most elegant lingerie gowns.

The drummy colored blouses is enjoying a revival this season.

This is essentially a silk season with foulards to the front.

Down and rings are much employed in the new Edward designs.

The pretty fluffy jabots are prominent in the spring lookover.

On Louis XII coats, one sees three pocket-flaps one above the other.

Tailor-made gowns of silk will be more in evidence than ever before.

Tulle has come back to us again, soft and supple, with a satiny sheen.

Blondest frocks of white tulle are decidedly smart for the small daughter.

Much self-trimming is used in blouses, corsets, shirtings and the like.

Brilliant satin or foulard linings replace those of self-color for coats and wraps.

Vivid touches of orange and Chanticleer-red are in evidence on black gowns.

SPITZER DRIVEN BY CONSCIENCE

Convicted Sugar Weigher Testifies With Pardon in Pocket.

SENSATION SPURNS IN N. Y. TRIAL. Dramatic Moment in the Court-Room in New York When The First Witness For The Government Shows A Pardon From The President—Story Of The Secret Springs in the Sugar Scales And The Warning Signal Lighter—A Mysterious Phone.

New York (Special).—Oliver Spitzer, a man whose conscience hurt him, came back to New York like a spectre from the grave, and with a pardon from the President in his pocket, gave testimony at the trial of Charles H. Keene, secretary-treasurer of the American Sugar Refining Company, and with the authorities, is charged with conspiring to defraud the government in under-weights of sugar imports.

Spitzer's story on the stand did not directly connect Keene with the frauds, but his confession resulted in one new arrest, James O. Brzeninski, formerly an employe of the Treasury Department and now a private detective, was locked in the Tombs, charged with perjury. Spitzer confessed that he attempted to bribe Brzeninski to conceal the frauds and the latter is alleged to have denied this before a federal grand jury. This apparent conflict brought about Brzeninski's arrest.

Spitzer told an amazing story on the stand under direct examination and hurried from the court to the federal grand jury room. This led to the rumor that his full confession would result in another batch of indictments. He was not cross-examined by the defense because of the peculiar situation created by his sudden appearance as a government witness. Two of the defense's lawyers had previously appeared for Spitzer when he was defendant and for ethical reasons could not now examine him. No promise of pardon brought about Spitzer's confession, say the federal authorities. His conscience merely hurt him, it was explained, but realizing the importance of his testimony and the legal obstacles likely to bar him as a convict, action was taken to restore him to citizenship.

Bag Of Lead Used First. Spitzer went back to the year 1894 and 1895, when he said an investigation he made developed the fact that the checkers were altering the weights on raw sugar by placing small bags of lead on the beams of the scales, causing the record weights to drop below the actual often as much as 40 pounds on each draft. In addition, Spitzer said, it was also the practice to stuff paper underneath the floors of the scales for the same purpose. He stated that when Deputy Surveyor of Customs Vail took notice these devices were abandoned and the use of the steel cores carrying instead was begun and continued.

Spitzer demonstrated in court the use of the bags of lead. He walked over to the sample scale in use of the government exhibits in the case, and indicated on the beam the place where the bag was suspended. The jury and the defendants and everybody in the court room followed his demonstration with the closest attention. Testifying regarding the use of the wire spring which superseded the bag of lead, Spitzer said that two styles of springs were used, a heavy one first and then a spring considerably lighter in weight. Spitzer's testimony regarding the weight lessening device of the newspaper underneath the scale was an absolutely new development and the jury drank in his every word. He listened to Spitzer's testimony with tense interest.

SOCIETY MAN TO PRISON

Convicted At Cleveland Of Attempt At Blackmail

Cleveland, O. (Special).—Harry Morris, the young society man who was convicted of attempted blackmail, left here in custody for Fort Leavenworth, Kan., where he will begin the two-year sentence to which he has been condemned. Morris had been granted a stay of execution, but he waived this, preferring to begin his punishment at once. Mrs. D. O. Carroll, the widow of a wealthy clubman, was the complainant in the case. Morris was convicted of having sent her letters demanding \$2,000 on pain of having her house burned and her two children kidnapped.

Grandson Of Paul Revere Dead

Morrislow, N. J. (Special).—Augustus L. Bevere, the great-grandson of Paul Revere and said to have been the last direct descendant of the Revolutionary hero, died in his home here. Mr. Bevere was 52 years old and was the son of Gen. Joseph Bevere. He was never married.

Boys Played Suicide

Pittsburg, Pa. (Special).—Joseph Klein, 14 years old, was fatally shot and John Allen, aged 17, who admits having shot his companion, and another boy, who witnessed the shooting, declare that the three were playing suicide. Allen has placed the revolver at Klein's head, instructing him how to commit suicide, when the weapon was accidentally discharged. The bullet passed through Klein's head back of the

A DARING ROBBERY IN PENNSY DEPOT

Three Packages, Containing \$32,024.24, Stolen.

Station Agent At Oil City, Pa., Sees Only 200 Feet Away From Office Where The Money Was When The Theft Was Perpetrated—Detectives Believe It Is The Work Of Only One Man.

Oil City, Pa. (Special).—Three packages of money containing \$32,024.24 were stolen from the Pennsylvania depot here at 3:30 A. M. Willie John J. Turby, the station agent, was loading baggage onto a Buffalo-bound train. The money was being shipped by the Adams Express Company, Philadelphia. The railroad detectives investigating the robbery are of the opinion that the theft was the work of one man unaided, who knew that the money was in the depot and who knew just where it was located.

The Pennsylvania Railroad pay car arrived in Oil City late and turned over to the day station agent three packages wrapped in manila paper containing \$32,024.24, which were received for in the name of the Adams Express Company. The money was consigned to the treasurer's office of the Pennsylvania Railroad in Philadelphia. The packages proved to be too bulky for storage in the small depot safe and Night Agent Truby placed them under a sack behind the ticket counter, covering them carefully. There was no one in the depot at the time. At 3:30 A. M., a Buffalo-bound Pennsylvania train pulled into the station and Truby stepped onto the platform. The door is swinging in the station platform lamp that the office door was not closed. Hurrying back he ran into the office and immediately discovered that the three packages of money were missing. "Something lousy has happened," he exclaimed, "I have a hunch that the attention of five policemen, who were within a block of the place. A hurried search of the train and vicinity of the station was made with no result."

COLLEGE GIRL AS FLEECER

Worked With Convict And Defrauded Dressmakers

Boston (Special).—Headquarters inspectors are trailing a young woman known as a Radcliffe graduate and admitted to be such by her cousin, Frederick Roland, a former State prison convict, sentenced to 21 months in the House of Correction. The woman is the daughter of wealthy parents, well dressed and spends money liberally. She, assisted by the convict, fleeced fashionable dressmakers, milliners and other tradesmen of more than \$1,000 worth of goods.

TOWN WIPED OFF THE MAP

Several Families Reported From Oklahoma Storm

Pauls Valley, Okla. (Special).—Mayville, a small town 15 miles northwest of here was wiped off the map by a tornado, and several persons were killed, according to meagre reports. The town of McCarty, near Mayville, was nearly all swept away, and three persons there were killed. All wires are down. One of the heaviest hailstorms in the history of this region swept over a stretch of country near here in places obliterating all signs of vegetation.

Newfoundland Print Paper

New York (Special).—The first shipment of wood pulp and print paper ever exported from Newfoundland to the United States was received in New York. The importation came in under the new tariff act. The consignment consisted of 940 bales of wood pulp and 1,677 rolls of paper and came on board the Klara.

Prepaid His Funeral

San Francisco (Special).—In view of thousands of persons, Nicholas Lichankis leaped 300 feet to his death from the eighteenth floor of the Chas. Sorenson Building at Third and Market Streets. His body was crushed into a shapeless mass on the pavement. On his person was found an undertaking receipt for \$75 in payment for his funeral expenses.

Victim Of "Third Degree"

Chicago. (Special).—Stephan Zakac, 24 years old, who, after 53 hours of almost continuous questioning, during which, it is said, he was not permitted to sleep, confessed to the murder of a postman, committed suicide. The alleged slayer hanged himself with a handkerchief on his own.

Will Not Wed Jay Gould

London (Special).—Miss Beatrice Van Branner, who was reported by cable from Paris, about two weeks ago, to be on the eve of an engagement to marry Jay Gould, second son of George Gould, denied that such an arrangement existed.

ODDS AND ENDS

Philippine tobacco flour is now on the market. Norway imports over \$1,000,000 worth of fruit annually. In the world's production of paper Germany's yearly output stands second only to that of the United States. Gutta serena is a poor conductor of electricity, for which reason it is most successfully used for the insulation of electric cables and other electric conductors. Precision causes negative electrification.

THE MAIN-TENT OF BIG CIRCUS BURNED

15,000 in Stampede From the Barnum & Bailey Show.

WOMEN FAINT AND ARE TRAMPLED ON IN STAMPEDE FROM FIRE JUST AS SHOW WAS ABOUT TO OPEN—CRY THAT THE WILD BEASTS WERE LOOSE ADDED TO TERROR—GREAT SPREAD OF CANVASS LICKED UP IN A JIFFY AND BIG POLES FALL—ONE WOMAN DYING FROM SHOCK.

Schenectady, N. Y. (Special).—Barnum and Bailey's "Big Top," the main-tent of the circus, caught fire here from a cigar stump and burned like an overturned hot-air balloon. Fifteen thousand people, who filled the seats to overflowing, fled out like school children at drill. It was an admirable display of discipline and order. Manager Bailey, in commenting on the conduct of the crowd, said: "I consider the attitude of the people something marvellous. In all my experience of circus life I have never seen anything like it. At least 10,000 of the crowd were women and children, and they all fled out like veteran soldiers. Well, perhaps, a few of the women did faint, and perhaps a few of the children whimpered, but they were taken care of by the others; the crowd never lost its head. There was no danger for one moment of a stampede."

The management attributes the fire to the obstinacy of a careless smoker. "Employes who saw him carry a lighted cigar to his seat in the top tier, close to the canvass walls, warned him that he must not smoke. Instead of throwing the cigar away they believe he hid it behind his back and in so doing brushed the burning end against the canvass. In any event the fire started in his neighborhood and was soon out of control."

Spectators first smell the smoke and, quickly discovering the fire, began to beat it with their coats. The fire soon reached above their heads and the next effort to conquer it came from the circus employes, who began tearing out huge patches of canvass. Their efforts met with no better success, for the fire, eating upward and so worked its way to the topmost peak. Energetic men and cool women in the crowd, aided by employes, had already assumed direction of the audience, and orderly files were soon moving steadily from the exits.

When a woman fainted of a child shrieked in terror, shouts of "Rescue" rose and strong arms were instantly ready for support. Not a soul was hurt nor an animal injured. The damage is estimated at \$10,000. Excitement Here. Pittsburg (Special).—Five thousand persons saw Oscar Leroy, of Percy, Okla., fall 2,000 feet or more through the air at Ellswood, Pa., near here, and escape with a broken leg.

Leroy, who is an aeronaut attached to a circus, had made a balloon ascension and when he cut loose his parachute, which was soaked with the rain of the last 48 hours, it failed to open until the aeronaut had almost reached the ground. An hour later, while the circus performance was in progress the grandstand section of seats collapsed, carrying down women and children. The tent also fell over the struggling people, but though many were thrown into hysterics none sustained serious injury. The fire department and people of the community, with canvas men and other circus employes, rescued those buried beneath the water soaked canopy.

Kills His Rescuer

Lakeville, Mass. (Special).—Two lives were lost in Lake Assawampsett when John J. Gallagher, a Boston telegraph operator, went down, carrying with him in a frenzied death grip, Adam Bopp, a Middleboro shoe-maker, who was trying to save him. Bopp was 19 years old. Gallagher, who was slightly crippled, was out alone in a rowboat, when suddenly he shouted loudly for help and jumped overboard.

\$11,000 Game From Army Safe

Washington, D. C. (Special).—Because \$11,000 mysteriously disappeared from an army safe at Fort Gibson, Alaska, coincident with the disappearance of a private soldier, who was not yet been apprehended, Gen. George F. Cooke, who was recently retired from the twenty-second infantry, will probably have to face a court-martial trial, for charges will be laid of negligence in guarding the money.

Paper Strike Settled

New York (Special).—All the striking employes of the International Paper Company will return to work Monday morning, under the terms of an agreement entered into between officers of the company and the officers of the Paper Makers and Paper Workers' Union.

Ecuador Agrees To Mediation

Washington (Special).—The success of Secretary Knox's plan to mediate in the dispute between Peru and Ecuador is assured, both countries having notified the State Department of their hearty acceptance of the offer.

Electricity Kills Trainmen

St. Louis, Mo. (Special).—Two trainmen were killed and their bodies cremated by 22,000 volts of electricity when a Peoria sleeper on the Illinois Traction system collided with an electric freight train near Levesque, Ill. The passengers in the sleeper escaped, with minor injuries. Overhead electric wires fell on the cars in the freight train and set fire to the wreckage. The men killed were caught in the wreckage.

GAURUS' BARRACKS BLOWN UP BY DYNAMITE

Families of Some Officers Wiped Out of Existence.

OVER ONE HUNDRED MEN KILLED.

The List Of Injured Probably As Large As The Death Roll—Two Explosions At The Same Moment Completely Destroys The Building—Not Yet Known Whether It Was An Accident Or The Deed Of Conspirators—Searching The Ruins For Survivors.

Havana.—Two almost simultaneous explosions of dynamite supposed to consist of 3,000 pounds completely demolished the Rural Guard barracks in city of Pinar del Rio. Fully 100 persons were killed and nearly as many wounded. Most of the dead were rural guards, but the entire families of several of the officers of the rural guard, it is reported, were killed also, as well as several employes of the public works department and residents of the city, on which fell a deluge of masonry and debris from the blown-up building. It is not known yet whether the explosion was the result of an accident or was due to an act of conspirators, but the former hypothesis is considered the more probable.

Two Terrific Explosions. The barracks was a massive building of Spanish construction, and occupied an eminence in the outskirts of the city to the north. During the late intervention it was the headquarters of Colonel Parker's regiment, the Eleventh Cavalry. Adjacent to the barracks was a long row of officers' quarters. Recently the barracks was occupied by the public works department and four troops of rural cavalry. In consequence of the alarm over race disturbances the government ordered all deposits of dynamite in the vicinity in the possession of contractors for road construction and other public works, to be removed to the barracks for safe keeping. The work of removing the dynamite from the barracks for shipment to the government magazines in Havana was begun by employes of the public works department, assisted by rural guards.

They were engaged in loading cases of the dynamite on wagons when a terrific explosion occurred, instantly followed by another, blowing the central court in which the work was going on with dead and wounds. The whole massive barracks building was destroyed, the adjacent row of officers' quarters was demolished, and the whole northern section of the city was deluged with a torrent of fragments of masonry. The explosion occurred at five o'clock, a few minutes before the men would have quit work, and it is generally believed that the first resulted from the accident of a fall of a box of dynamite, which was being lifted on a wagon. It is impossible, however, to determine absolutely the cause for the explosion that all the immediate vicinity was blown to fragments. It is believed that the majority of the wounded are residents of the town, as practically all within the barracks were instantly killed or buried in the ruins.

According to reports received here the mangled remains of victims were found in the streets of the city a mile from the scene of the explosion. There is great anxiety in Havana owing to the fact that a large number of the rural garrison at Pinar del Rio recently were sent from this city, where their families reside.

AMERICAN FORCE LANDS

100 U. S. Bluejackets Are On Ground At Bluefields.

Bluefields, Nicaragua. (Special).—The United States gunboats Dubuque and Paducah landed 100 bluejackets here to protect American interests in Bluefields and to prevent fighting within the town limits. The American force is prepared for any emergency, having taken ashore several field guns and rapid-firers. This is the first occasion that it has been deemed advisable to send bluejackets ashore from the American warships on Nicaraguan territory. Landing parties were held in readiness on the America ships when they sensuously set up many experiments and the provisional government opposed each other several months ago, but it was not necessary to send the men ashore.

WANTED GIRLS WITH HOSE

Ohio School Superintendent Held For The Grand Jury. Sandusky, Ohio (Special).—Superintendent C. V. Snyder of the Berlin Heights public schools, was held for the action of the grand jury by George Willinger, justice of the peace, on a charge of assault and battery, based on the whipping of two girl pupils.

American Sailor Stabbed

Toulon (Special).—Sailer Adams, of the United States cruiser New York, is in the hospital ward of his vessel as the result of stab wounds he received in a fight in the "Red Light district" with a French engineer named Mancel, of the warship Michellet. Mancel is under arrest. Adams' injuries are serious.

Bond of \$1,000 Was Given

It was shown at the hearing that Professor Snyder had whipped Mabel Ferber, 14 years old, and Marie Elson 16 years old, with a piece of half-inch hose about two feet long, which he kept on hand for making out punishment when, in his opinion, the occasion demanded it. Village Ovens By Fire. Saratoga Lake, N. Y. (Special).—The village of Fawcett was swept by fire. The damage is estimated at \$100,000.

WASHINGTON BY TELEGRAPH

The naval bill, carrying appropriations aggregating approximately \$14,000,000, in which provision is made for two Dreadnought battleships, was passed by the Senate. The House passed the bill, with more than the bill as reported by the House. The proposed appropriation of the \$250,000 to pay the expenses of President Taft, was stricken from the Sundry Civil bill in the House on the point of order by Mr. Fitzgerald, of New York. The Department of Justice is investigating the high price of lumber, with the view of determining whether the so-called Lumber Trust can be reached under the Anti-Trust Law. No new irrigation projects will be started by the government within the next 10 years said Director Newell, of the reclamation. President Taft next week will visit New York, Bryn-Mawr, Ada, O., Detroit, Jackson and Monroe, Mich. Before the Senate Committee hearing arguments on the bill for a department of health, Arthur E. Holden, an official of the Federation of Labor, denounced the Bethlehem Steel Company's mills as human slaughter-houses. Dr. J. S. Fulton, with other medical men, appeared before the Senate Committee in favor of the proposed department of health. The Senate Committee favorably reported the House bill requiring wireless apparatus on ocean-going vessels. Representative Longworth, in a speech in the House defending the tariff law, advocated a tariff board. Domicio De Gama has been slated to become Brazilian ambassador to the United States. The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations reported to the Senate a bill extending to the United States consular districts of China the pharmacy laws of this country, which aims at the suppression of opium traffic. Herman Sielcken, a New York coffee importer, told the House Ship Subsidy Investigating Committee that the middleman's profit on coffee in 16 cents a pound. Speaker Sergio Osmena, of the Philippine Assembly, cabled to Delegate Quezon declaring that the Filipino desire for independence remains unalterable. The naval appropriation bill was recommended to the Committee on Naval Affairs by the Senate for amendment. President Taft dealt with emphasis the story that he spoke in terms of opprobrium of the insurgent senators. John A. Kasson, former United States minister to Austria and Germany, died in Washington. The Navy Year Book shows that the United States ranks second to Great Britain in the total displacement of its warships. Kerby, the stenographer, and Assistant Attorney General Lawler testified before the Senate committee investigating the Ballinger charges, and some lively tiffs occurred. The Bureau of Labor has begun a study of industrial education in the United States. The War Department estimates that it will cost half a million to raise the wreck of the Maine in Havana harbor. The citizens of New Orleans are making a strong bid for the expedition to mark the opening of the Panama Canal.

THE KING'S FUNERAL

15,000 Persons Faint or Drop Exhausted in Crowds. NINE MONARCHS FOLLOW THE DEAD. A Wonderful Scene Of Pictorial Solemnity In The Chapel Royal Of The Historic Castle—Greatest Array Of Floral Tributes Ever Seen. Procession In London Passes Between Line Of 30,000 Troops And Police Keeping Back The Surging Masses Of People.

A WORLD'S TRIBUTE. In every city in England, in Canada, in all the European capitals, in Japan and in Washington and other American cities memorial services were held. Nearly 3,000,000 people in the crush and jam in London to see the procession. Hundreds of women fainted in the oppressive heat in the crowds. The ambulance corps rendered aid to over 6,000 persons and 15,000 were injured and overcome in the crush. Thirty thousand troops and 5,000 police lined the route and kept back the crowds. Emperor William, King George and half a dozen other ruling monarchs and other royalties rode horseback in the cortege. Colonel Roosevelt rode in a carriage with Foreign Minister Plösch of France. The Archbishop of Canterbury, assisted by the Archbishop of York and several bishops, conducted the services in Windsor. King Edward's remains now lie in the crypt of St. George's Chapel Royal, Windsor.

London (Special).—King Edward VII, passed into history amid scenes of homage such as no man has ever before received from his subjects. His remains now rest in St. George's chapel at Windsor Castle, where the bones of Edward IV., the sixth and eighth Henry, Charles I., the third and fourth George and William IV. are entombed. Death was never closed in a people more sublime; dignity in grief never received expression more stately, more exalted. Rulers of more than a dozen nations have assembled in such numbers to do honor to one of the great and among them all, and yet nothing in the stupendous spectacle has been so imposing as the spectators themselves. Englishmen had failed to realize that their king was almost an old man. The first shock of his death aroused a sentiment of keen resentment against fate. The fortnight's interval since his death has served to bring into truer realization that some of personal love and loyalty which during later years has been unanimous among his people. It was this abiding universal emotion which gained expression today in such a tribute as finds no parallel in human records.

Empire In Mourning. Throughout the British Empire the day was observed as one of mourning. Business was suspended generally and memorial services held. Similar services were held in all European capitals. The Emperor and Empress of Russia attended the English Church at St. Petersburg, as did Premier Stolypin and the members of the Duma; and other European monarchs and rulers who were not present at the funeral paid similar tributes at their homes. It is estimated that nearly 3,000,000 people saw the funeral procession or tried to see it. Thirty thousand troops and 5,000 police kept back the surging, struggling masses of people. Every window and point of vantage along the route of the procession were filled with spectators, among whom were a number of American. Following a night of thunderstorms the day was sweltering hot and men as well as women in the vast crowd suffered. Thousands fainted or collapsed.

Record-breaking Crops in Texas. Austin, Tex. (Special).—Carload shipments of peaches and watermelons to Northern markets from this point were begun. The peach crop is a bumper one. This year's wheat crop in Texas is estimated at 13,000,000 bushels and the oat crop at 13,000,000 bushels. Grain men say that this year's crops in Texas will be the largest ever known.

Bomb Throwing in Spain. Barcelona.—The bomb outrages which accompanied the Ferrer agitation here ceased with Ferrer's execution until Thursday. There was an awful bang in the Paseo de Gracia opposite the British consulate which alarmed the neighborhood. Fragments showed that a large bomb had exploded. Much damage was done, but nobody was hurt.

Volcano Rumbles Again

Guadalupe, Mexico (Special).—Loud subterranean noises in the vicinity of the Colima volcano are causing much alarm among the people of that section. These rumblings and detonations have been general for some days. It is feared that they portend a violent eruption of the volcano.

No Pictures In Pants

Wellesley, Mass. (Special).—In accordance with a new faculty edict no photographs of Wellesley College students who take part in college plays in men's costumes may be made. So far as is possible, the faculty will attempt to have all existing photographs cut off at the waist. The edict was taken because of the recent publication of the pictures of two Wellesley girls in full men's regalia trousers and all.

WRIGHT MACHINE IMPROVED

Army Man Makes A Change In Placing Raddlers. San Antonio (Special).—Lieut. R. D. Foulis has been experimenting with the army's Wright aeroplane at Fort Sam Houston, placing the engine in a new position. The machine was increased about ten miles an hour by the change.

SUPERVISORS HOLD ROUTINE SESSION

\$770 FOR LUMBER ON POOR FARM

County Treasurer Research Report On Road Bridge Authorizing Payment of Bills.

Routine business was transacted at a meeting of the board of county supervisors last Saturday. The treasurer presented his report showing total receipts of \$7,347.33 and expenditures amounting to \$7,156.18 to May 21. Amounts carried forward on report February 26, were receipts, \$4,047.53 and expenditures, \$6,180.34.

J. S. Evans, superintendent of roads, was ordered to repair bridge over Hammit's mill race on the Evans road.

Report of viewers of application to open road from Charles Dunn's to James Amidon's was returned, ordered filed and summons awarded against proprietors.

It was ordered that Balch Dobson be allowed \$2 a month until further orders.

The treasurer was ordered to pay W. T. C. Rodgers, \$130.39 out of the permanent road fund for work in March, and \$638.16 for work in April on the Haymarket road.

Lumber on the poor house tract was sold to John R. Fick for \$770. The check was received and ordered turned over to treasurer.

ORDER PAYMENT OF BILLS
The following accounts were allowed and ordered paid:

R. H. Keys, poor claim	\$36 00
J. P. Smith and others, expense of inquest, D. Carter	10 50
D. A. Landis, Brentsville road district	23 37
E. K. Eford, blanks clerk's office	3 25
Everett-Waddy Company, blanks for clerk's office	7 95
A. J. Miller, Manassas road district	6 00
L. P. Maphis, Manassas road district	19 50
Charles Beavers, Manassas road district	7 25
C. S. Henford, Manassas road district	10 00
C. D. Shirley, Manassas road district	15 95
L. A. Thomason, Manassas road district	10 50
H. M. Daniels, Manassas road district	7 00
J. E. Bradford, Manassas road district	7 75
J. I. Randall, repairing road machine	14 20
J. S. Evans, Manassas road district	17 00
Dr. J. M. Lewis, health board	1 95
W. L. Rector, repairing jail cells	4 00
Henry Norris, work at court house	1 50
E. M. Cornwell, clothes for prisoners	1 75
Primer William Pharmacy, medicine	3 50
W. E. Mountjoy, poor claim	6 00
G. A. Gosson, poor claim	16 00
W. C. Latham, Gainesville road district	45 85
E. Berkeley, Gainesville road district	25 00
Robert George, Gainesville road district	34 25
J. W. George, freight on road roller	35 31
W. T. Thomason, Manassas road district	23 75
Mark Thomas, registrar	3 00
Dr. F. W. Hornbaker, services	5 00
R. N. Dewey, poor claims	12 00
R. K. Fairfax, Occoquan road district	5 00
J. H. Wright, Brentsville road district	20 00
H. H. Arnold, registrar	3 00
T. Sullivan, registrar	3 00
James Russell, Coles road district	1 00
J. L. Keys, commissioner opening road	2 00
J. L. Keys, inspecting poor house	5 00
R. W. Lewis, superintendent of poor	56 06
A. F. Gallahan, Coles road district	9 00
W. W. Lynn, poor claim	18 00
A. Carney, opening road	30 00
C. Barber, Brentsville road district	21 48
C. Barber, lumber for bridge	4 30
F. Harnsberger, Brentsville road district	16 50
T. C. Cooksey, Brentsville road district	19 00
Y. Roseberry, Brentsville road district	70 65
Fred Hutchinson, services	21 34
C. Whitmer, Manassas road district	31 75
W. George, services rendered on opening road	2 00
A. Carter, Manassas road district	4 00

INCREASES CAPITAL STOCK TO \$75,000

HOPKINS COMPANY WIDENS FIELD

Manassas Enterprise Will Report and Place Printed in Every State Between Atlantic and the Mississippi.

Stockholders of the Hopkins company at a meeting Saturday voted to increase the capital stock of the company from \$50,000 to \$75,000. The company was shown to be in excellent condition by the statement of the secretary with sales far exceeding those of any period in its history. The plant is now being operated at less expense than ever before, notwithstanding the greater volume of business.

EXTENDS FIELD
The company plans to extend its sales field westward, by placing Hopkins confections in every state between the Seaboard and Mississippi river. The high standard of Hopkins confections is creating a wide and growing demand, a most substantial evidence of their popularity. With extension of the sales field, the capacity of the plant is to be increased.

ADVERTISE MANASSAS
Manassas receives much valuable advertising through Hopkins confections. The beautiful art papers and the artistic cartons such bear the inscription "Manassas, Va.," making this town known as the home of the finest confections manufactured.

ENTERTAINMENT FOR BUCKHALL BAND
An entertainment will be given at the Buckhall school house next Saturday night for the benefit of the Buckhall band. The proceeds will be used toward buying a tuba. The band, which was organized early last winter, is making fine progress. Following is the instrumentation: First cornet, Philip Payne; second cornet, Randall Smallwood; solo cornet, Adam Young; first trombone, Wilson Payne; second trombone, Elmer Bennett; alto, Charley Whitmer and Edmond Farguhar; baritone, Morgan Hensley; kettle drum, William Smallwood; bass drum, Herman Evans.

EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE
Dr. R. E. Wine desires through THE DEMOCRAT to extend his gratitude to his friends and neighbors who rendered valuable aid in saving a portion of his clothing and household effects, and for their care of himself and family in their homeless condition by his recent loss by fire.

D. L. Wright, Brentsville road district	9 40
C. W. Baker, Coles road district	4 25
C. W. Baker, bridge work	8 50
R. E. Carter, Manassas road district	12 50
John W. Kidwell, repairing road tools	1 75
John M. Horton, superintendent of roads	15 00
Charles Dunn, repairing bridge	5 50
Charles Dunn, repairing road tools	20 55
Charles Dunn, Dumfries road district	70 00
O. E. Clarke, lumber for county bridge	10 80
J. T. Syncox, commissioner on timber and inspection of poor house	5 00
Good Roads Machinery Company, machine	23 13
J. P. Manuel, supervisor	4 88
J. F. Galich, supervisor	4 00
J. W. George, supervisor	5 20
J. L. Keys, supervisor	5 00
J. L. Dawson, supervisor	5 00
J. T. Syncox, supervisor	5 00
E. N. Marsteller, Brentsville road district	13 27
W. B. Lynn, surveying road	8 50
Aaron Halterman, Brentsville road district	30 00
Spittle Bros., Brentsville road district	43 80
William Dodd, Brentsville road district	22 50
J. Cockrell, Brentsville road district	10 00
John Moore, Brentsville road district	12 50

DRAMATIC CEREMONY AT INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

PROGRAM OF HIGH EXCELLENCE

Impressive ceremonies tonight will mark the presentation of Industries for Boys, a dramatic feature of Commencement exercises at the Manassas Industrial School for Colored Youth.

The commencement sermon was delivered by the Rev. M. D. Williams last Sunday to the First Baptist church.

LAY CORNERSTONE
The closing of commencement week will be made notable by the laying of the cornerstones of the new Trades building next Monday, May 30. The building will occupy the site now marked by a school sign.

The building will be constructed of pressed brick and cut stone and be not less than two nor more than four stories high. Trades will be taught with machinery and tools under competent instructors. It is toward the erection of this building that Andrew Carnegie has given \$15,000. Addresses are to be delivered by Oswald Garrison Villard, of The New York Times; Roscoe Conkling Bruce, assistant superintendent of public schools for the District of Columbia; and Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, of New York City.

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM
Following is the program for commencement exercises: Tonight at 8 p. m.: Dramatic Presentation of Industries for Boys and Agriculture. Addresses by the Rev. L. L. Marshall of Culpeper, and the Rev. M. B. Strother of Gainesville.

Friday, May 27, 8 p. m.: Dramatic Presentation of Industries for Girls—Declamation Contest. Addresses by the Rev. I. M. Champ of Warrenton, and the Rev. S. P. Fisher, Lincoln.

Saturday, May 28, 8 p. m.: Recitation by the Faculty to Alumni and Class of 1910. Address by Roscoe Conkling Bruce, Assistant Superintendent of Public Schools for the District of Columbia. Henry Conway, Manassas, presiding.

Monday, May 30: Forenoon Meeting of Manassas Industrial School Association and of the Board of Directors—11 a. m., Alumni Business Meeting—1 p. m., Commencement Exercises, Oswald Garrison Villard, President of the Board of Directors, Presiding. Address by Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, of New York City.

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TOPICS OF THE TOWN

J. E. Dunnington, of Baltimore, was in town Monday. Mrs. L. L. Lohr, of Woodstock, is visiting Mrs. W. A. Clem. W. Smallwood is building an addition to his residence in Buck-hall. Eli T. Kidwell and Miss Nellie Kerns, of Fairfax, were in town Friday.

Piercy M. Smith, of Richmond, was the guest of Jas. F. Gulick on Sunday.

Frank Bushong is here from the Shenandoah Valley, visiting his father, M. J. Bushong.

Catholic Institute defeated Kristow by an 8 to 6 score on the Institute grounds Saturday.

Mrs. Ella Weedon and son, LaRue, returned Saturday to Baltimore, after a visit with relatives here.

A marriage license was issued last Saturday to Roy R. Pote and Miss Birdie M. Nelson, both of Prince William county.

W. W. Butler, Mayor of Haymarket, and H. W. Dodge, former secretary of the Penn-Vir Co., were in town yesterday.

W. N. Lipcomb left Monday for Spartanburg, S. C., to officiate as a judge at a horse show. He was accompanied by Mrs. Lipcomb.

Dr. W. F. Fowell Merchant is in Richmond this week attending a meeting of Southern railway surgeons. He is accompanied by Mrs. Merchant.

J. I. Randall, chief of the fire department, will represent Manassas at the Firemen's convention to be held in Alexandria, August 24, 25 and 26.

W. J. Shelton, of Washington, formerly of Manassas, was in town Saturday. He is employed as traveling salesman in Virginia for a dry goods and notions firm.

Joseph Wheaton placed a fine cluster of cherries on display at THE DEMOCRAT office Saturday. His crop this year is excellent, with trees laden with fine quality of fruit.

Mrs. Ella Brown, of North Hampton, Mass., is visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Wheaton, near Canova. This is Mrs. Brown's first visit to Virginia.

Mrs. Annie Conner and her niece, Miss Mary Hogan, stopped off here this week enroute to their home in Massachusetts, to visit Mrs. Conner's brothers, D. H. and John W. Prescott.

Miss Effie Adamson, nurse in the Peninsula General Hospital, Salisbury, Md., daughter of W. J. Adamson, underwent a successful operation for appendicitis at the hospital Saturday night.

The Plains High School girls basket ball team defeated the Manassas High School team by a score of 14 to 7 on the Plains grounds last Saturday. The Plains royally entertained their visitors after the game.

A basket filled with luscious berries, presented to THE DEMOCRAT force Saturday by Capt. C. Farquhar, of Rosemont farm, Buckhall. The berries were of unusually fine quality, and the remembrance is appreciated.

During the storm, on Sunday afternoon, the barn of R. P. Harnsberger, near Aden, was struck by lightning and entirely destroyed together with a quantity of provender, harness, etc. The loss is estimated at \$400, which is partly covered by insurance.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Griffith and little daughter, Eleanor, accompanied by Miss Bertha Griffith, returned Monday from Atlanta where they witnessed the unveiling of the monument erected to the memory of the late Samuel Spencer former president of the Southern railway company, by the voluntary contributions of the employees of the Company.

The city council will meet in regular session next Monday night.

A regular business meeting of the fire department was held tonight.

A heavy rain fell Sunday, benefiting crops, but spoiling many holiday outings.

The Manassas High School baseball team will play The Plains on Friday at The Plains.

By a 13 to 3 score, Rock Hill college defeated Eastern at Elliott City Md., last Saturday.

Work was started this week on the brick oven room addition to the building occupied by Bell Bros. bakery.

Bright, clear, warm weather Tuesday brought many farmers to town for shopping, belated by inclement weather.

Some of the finest and largest strawberries shown in Manassas this season, were grown on the property of Mrs. A. Grossman.

A Mothers meeting will be held in the rooms of the W. C. T. U., tomorrow, Friday at 8:00 p. m. Everyone, especially mothers, invited.

The Eastern College base ball team left yesterday on the Northern tour, games with Fordham university, Delaware College and Swathmore university.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church gave a socially enjoyable and financially successful lawn festival at the residence of Mrs. C. L. Hynson last Friday night.

J. Owen Lynch, of Alexandria, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lynch of Culpeper, and Miss Noonan, of Pittsburg were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Pope on Sunday.

The ladies of Antioch Baptist church will hold an ice cream and strawberry festival in the churchyard at Antioch, on Saturday, May 28, from 3 o'clock in the afternoon until 10 o'clock in the evening.

S. A. Lane, A. R. Lane and C. Swindorf, of Winnebago, Minn., are visiting J. A. Hill and R. R. Hayes. They are looking over the country and may decide to locate here. Edwin Smith, of New York, is also a guest of J. Hill.

Southern freight trains No. 271 and 274 which have been running between Strasburg and Harrisburg, are now running through to Manassas and Alexandria to relieve the freight congestion. The passenger coaches are detached at Linden.

Officials of the Southern railroad passed through Manassas in a special train Saturday, enroute to Atlanta, Ga., to dedicate a monument to the late Samuel Spencer, president of the Southern, who was killed in the fall of 1904.

The postoffice and banks will observe National Memorial day, as a legal holiday on Monday, May 30. The banks will remain closed. The general delivery and registry department of the postoffice will be open from 9 a. m. to 12 m., and from 5:30 to 6 p. m. There will be no rural mail delivery.

Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Iden, accompanied by their son, Dr. John Iden left here on train No. 29 Tuesday afternoon in response to a telegram announcing the extreme illness in Baldwin, Miss., of Mrs. Pauline Ballard, eldest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Iden. A telegram received by Dr. B. F. Iden Jr., yesterday morning dated at Salisbury, N. C., stated that Mrs. Ballard's condition was slightly improved.

Major J. Ogden Murray, author of "The Immortal Six Hundred" was a Manassas visitor on Tuesday and yesterday. The Major's genial nature and wonderful recollections and vivid recitals war renders him an interesting and welcome visitor wherever he goes, especially at the office of THE DEMOCRAT which he never fails to include in his round of social calls when in Manassas.

Miss Ada Arrington, of lower Fauquier, visited Mrs. J. D. Arrington last week.

The exterior of the Wagener building on Battle street is to be repainted next week.

A car loaded with barrel staves jumped the track at Nokesville yesterday and rolled down the bank.

Miss Bertha Holland, of Baltimore, is here on account of the illness of her aunt, Miss Anna Holland.

The young ladies of the Baptist church gave an enjoyable festival in the Conner building last Monday night.

Bryan Gordon and R. W. Merchant, were in attendance upon the Fauquier circuit court in Warrenton on Monday.

Officials of the Southern are planning the installation of a passenger train between Harrisonburg and Strasburg.

Wm. H. Parker, president of the town of Otego, N. Y., accompanied by his wife are the guests of George C. Round this week.

Winfield and Fowell Athey, have bought building lots in Greater Heights, a residential district near Washington, for an investment.

George D. Baker, of Manassas, has passed an examination before the Board of Examiners of Embalmers and has received his diploma and license.

The High School boys will give a local field meet on Round field, Thursday afternoon, June 9. The prizes will be awarded at the commencement exercises.

The engine on a southbound Southern freight jumped the track at Nokesville shortly before 11 o'clock Tuesday night delaying traffic about two hours.

T. S. Athey administrator of the estate of his father, the late W. S. Athey, will dispose of the property at Lloyd C. Brawner's place, near Dumfries, tomorrow.

L. Selis, of Washington, will on or about June 1, open up a line of shoes and gents furnishing goods in the Conner building. Mr. Selis will move his family to Manassas next week.

Manassas Chapter United Daughters of the Confederacy will hold their regular meeting in their room in the M. I. C. building next Wednesday afternoon at 8 o'clock. A full attendance is requested.

H. D. Armstrong, representative of The Horseless Age, a motor publication of New York City, was in town yesterday. He is a newspaper man of wide experience, and was formerly city editor of The Roanoke Times.

Edward A. Brand has bought two lots on the east side of Grant avenue opposite Dr. W. D. Sperry. C. A. Sinclair has bought two lots in the rear of his property in Sudley road. Both sales were made by the Manassas Real Estate company.

Messrs. Waters, Wright and Hickey, Hynson & Co., Crigler & Gampfer, Hibbs & Giddings, West & Co; and all the millinery stores of Manassas, have signed an agreement to close their respective places of business at 6 o'clock p. m. from June 1 to September 15.

J. B. C. Taylor has resigned as editor of The Journal and is succeeded by W. H. Moran, who formerly had charge of that paper. Under direction of Mr. Taylor as editor and manager, The Journal made its best record as a newspaper. He has taken a position in the state news department of The Baltimore Sun. He is a promising young newspaper man and will make good in the metropolitan field.

Pulp Wood

I am paying highest cash prices for Poplar, Sycamore and Gum Pulp Wood, delivered on cars at Manassas, Clifton, Bristow or Wellington. D. J. ARRINGTON, Manassas, Va.

The Great Pitner Gasolene Light that has been installed in

Hall's Furniture Store

Nights up every nook and corner thus affording purchaser the same satisfaction of selecting their goods by night as by day. The great display of seasonable goods, such as **Mattings, Floor Rugs, Mattresses, Door and Window Screens, Mops with handles, Croquet Sets**, and many other household needs on the eve of house cleaning, and which HALL is offering at such tempting prices should command attention, and the placing of orders with him. The "Wonder of the Age" Can Opener, which removes the tops of glass jars with ease and safety, should be in every home. **New and Second Hand Furniture** at prices that cannot fail to please. Samples of Upholstering Goods on hand from which quick orders can be supplied. Remember, I have everything needed in my store at the **Lowest Possible Prices**. Pictures framed while you wait. Give your dollars their full purchasing power by bringing them to

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The Peoples National Bank OF MANASSAS, VA.

Report of the condition of The Peoples National Bank at Manassas, in the State of Virginia, at the close of business, March 29, 1910.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$173,516.46
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	641.46
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	80,000.00
U. S. bonds to secure U. S. deposits	1,000.00
Premiums on U. S. bonds	1,500.00
Bonds, securities, etc.	100.00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	18,400.00
Due from national banks and branches	2,704.35
Due from approved reserve agents	26,834.38
Checks and other cash items	128.00
Notes of other national banks	705.00
Practical paper currency, nickels and cents	388.45
Lawful money reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	\$2,451.55
Legal tender notes	1,725.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	1,500.00
Due from U. S. Treasurer	1,500.00
Total	\$362,734.18
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$50,000.00
Surplus fund	4,500.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	4,333.22
National bank notes outstanding	87,500.00
Due to other national banks	1,516.16
Dividends unpaid	15.00
Individual deposits subject to check	187,777.71
Demand certificates of deposit	65.00
Certified checks	1,871.43
United States deposits	1,500.00
Total	\$362,734.18

STATE OF VIRGINIA, ss: I, G. RAYMOND RATCLIFFE, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. G. RAYMOND RATCLIFFE, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of April, 1910. THOS. H. LION, Notary Public. Correct - Attest: J. W. SINGLETON, J. E. NELSON, A. A. HOOFF, Directors.

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Everything about our Soda Water apparatus is of the purest and cleanest. Our Ice Cream is perfectly pure—nothing artificial is in its composition. Ice made from distilled water.

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Geo. W. Leith, Manassas, Va.

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Authorized Capital, \$200,000, Divided into 200,000 Shares

Penn-Vir Coal, Oil & Gas Co.

What it is Doing in Promoting Developments in Virginia

President, J. W. Latham, Calverton, Va.
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 General Sales Agent, F. D. Gaskins, Warrenton, Va.

General Counsel, Theo. H. Lion, Manassas, Va.
 Associate Counsel, F. S. Key Smith, Room 545 Evans Bldg., Washington, D.C.

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The Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Company has placed in position at Nokesville, Va., the principal part of its machinery necessary to the beginning of active operation in drilling for coal, oil and gas. But it has been decided not to begin until the company has sufficient funds in its treasury to guarantee the sinking of more than one well. To begin with funds only to sink the one well would possibly jeopardise the whole undertaking to such an extent that there could be no further prospecting of its 24,000 acres held under lease, and thereby make the thousands of dollars invested in its stock absolutely worthless. Such a result would be deeply deplored by each and every stockholder and would be no test as to the fact of the presence or absence of oil, gas or coal. This stand has not been taken unadvisedly, but our largest and most business-like stockholders have been consulted and approve the plan for the securing of larger funds for deep and thorough exploration of the whole field. Our prospects are of the best and we should not treat them lightly.

While the Company is securing these necessary funds, it will continue the preparatory work of placing the balance of the machinery, fuel, etc., on the ground, so as not to delay the day of beginning active operations longer than is actually necessary.

The Company has bought a large part of its machinery and paid every dollar in cash, discounting all bills. It owes no debts and has a goodly sum in its treasury. Therefore, the officials feel justly proud of its financial condition.

Good reliable agents are being appointed in Washington and other cities to solicit the sale of our stock and are meeting with much encouragement. This has not been done until recently. Placing stock will be pushed as rapidly as possible and the prospects seem unusually bright.

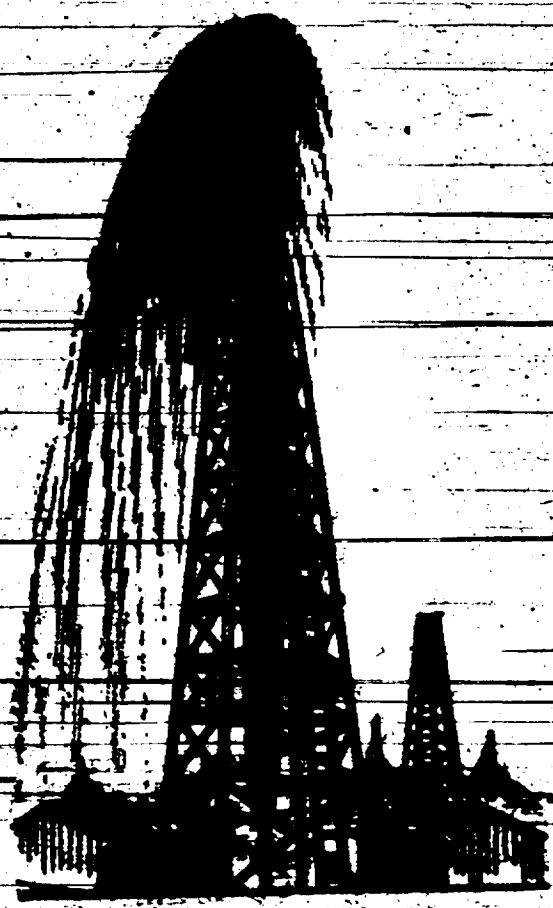
The officers are promoting the interests of the Company's stockholders in a conservative, yet in the most approved and efficient manner possible.

Lastly: Let me say to every Virginian and especially to the citizens of Prince William, Loudoun, Fauquier, Fairfax, Stafford, Culpeper, Spotsylvania, Louisa, Orange, Amhurst and other counties lying southwest of those mentioned and to the cities of Washington, Alexandria, Norfolk, Richmond, Lynchburg, Fredericksburg and Charlottesville, that this Company was organized purely for your benefit from the point of development. Therefore let me beg of each and every citizen that he make a business matter of considering this proposition: What it would mean to him individually, what to his county or city and lastly to his state. Will the production of coal, oil and gas, or either of them, do anything for him, his county or city? After considering these points act according to the dictates of a sane business man's interpretation of the matter.

This company needs your support. I am sure you do not wish to be a mossback. Then will you withhold your personal support both financially and by word of mouth? This company has no scheme to secure your money for other purposes than the development of your own interest, that which you cannot do for yourself single handedly. It does a strictly honest business of developing the whole state—the saddest needs it—the counties enumerated above especially.

Then be businesslike and don't be afraid, but be proud that you can and will have a hand in the proposed development. Don't delay acting in this matter a single day, but stretch forth your hand to help this great and praiseworthy effort to develop your own interest.

This opportunity will not come to you along this line again in a long lifetime if you do not act now. One failure is never followed by another effort under twenty years as a rule. Are you willing to wait so long before reaping the benefits so apparent to those able to judge and so sadly needed in the uplifting and rebuilding of your beloved state. We thank those most heartily who have stood so nobly by this company in its efforts for the general good to the common welfare.



READ CAREFULLY

Compare the holdings of the Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Company (holding 24,000 acres), with the holdings of other companies mentioned and you will readily see what the great possibilities of the Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Company will be.

It is necessary that the people in the vicinity of this particular proposition should subscribe for the stock of this company, as it is an absolute fact that in all new fields it has always been up to the local people to develop the first oil, as capitalists never go into undeveloped fields, but are ever ready to take hold of any and all things, when proven valuable.

This company has 23,800 acres of land under lease. This land was leased under the directions of Prof. P. J. Fishback, of Bradford, Penn., an eminent, practical and expert Geologist in field work, who also located the point at which the first well will be drilled. The actual work of sinking the wells will be under the personal supervision of Mr. J. M. Sullivan, an oil and gas expert of life long experience, hence the Company's entire undertaking will be under the management of men of known experience in the oil and gas fields, of not only this, but of many foreign countries—men of experience. The Company has placed 80,000 of its 200,000 shares of capital stock in its treasury for sale, consisting of preferred, guaranteeing 8 per cent accumulative annual dividend, to be paid out of the earnings of the company, and common, to which it will add in the future other stocks when found necessary. The company offers this stock at its par value, \$1.00 per share; but will not accept any subscription for less than five shares. All payments will be made one-half cash and balance in two equal installments of thirty and sixty days from date of subscription. The stock is non-assessable. No certificates will be issued until it is fully paid. As an illustration to the reader of the great profits accruing from the investments in new oil fields here is submitted below the last and newest development in the United States, the Bremen oil field, and some instances of the paying capacity of this field. The Bremen oil field was a wild cat proposition for fourteen years. The first wells were drilled by a man named J. E. Purvis, who sank his capital in the venture. Though at first unsuccessful, Purvis believed in his proposition, and finally succeeded in getting a few friends to raise enough money to promote a stock company called the Bremen Oil and Gas Company, holding 3,000 acres of leases. The first well drilled was a 60-barrel producer, and for fourteen successive wells he did not strike a single dry one. The Bremen company, after two years and two months, is selling fifty-five thousand dollars worth of oil per month; its stock, which originally sold at \$25 per share, now sells for \$625 per share, and none is on the market.

As another example: While the first well was being drilled at Lima, Ohio, the State Geologist called the people of the community in a mass meeting, lectured them and ridiculed the idea of any one taking stock in such a scheme, declaring that there was no possibility of finding oil or gas in that locality, as all indications necessary for their production were absent. (This geological talk has been the same in Texas, California, Oklahoma, Indiana and other fields that have been such heavy producers of oil.) Just while this meeting was in progress, he, and his wife, began to flow at the rate of eighty barrels of oil per day. The people left the lecturer and fled to the oil fields. Now this field is a large producing and refining one.

Recent geological examinations made by the Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Co., whose holdings are situated in Prince William and Fauquier counties, Virginia, led them to believe that in the not very distant future, as much may be said of Oil Production in Virginia as is now related of California, and more; because the oil is high grade. Hence, only enough stock will be sold at the present low prices to develop those promising holdings of the Company to the point of assurance, when the books will be closed; therefore, we would advise those who are disposed to invest not to defer the matter until it is too late to get in on the ground floor.

In transporting its products to the markets of the world, the Penn-Vir Company will have a very great advantage over all other producing sections of the United States—being in the neighborhood of 30 miles from tidewater on the Potomac and about 30 miles from Washington City.

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Weekly Review of Trade and Market Reports.

There Was A Limit. An Irish politician had just returned from a trip abroad. A friend met him and inquired: "Did you have a fine time, Mike?" "Of course I did."

The idiot. At the... table. Mr. ... said the man ... I ought to register a complaint against yesterday's ...

Libby's Food Products. Never Vary in Quality or Taste. Because the utmost care is taken by Libby's Chefs to select only the choicest materials and prepare them in the same careful manner every time...

Domestic. The mummified body Sidney... better known as Lord Douglas, an international forger and swindler, was sent from Asheville, N. C., to Washington for cremation.

Almost Registered It. General Jackson had won the battle of New Orleans. "Just as likely as not," he reflected, "it will turn out that I've committed a monumental blunder."

Charles W. Partridge, the Chicago merchant, has divided the income from \$2,000,000 worth of real estate among his four children.

A Package Mailed Free on Request of MUNYON'S PAW-PAW PILLS. The best stomach and Liver Pills known and a positive and speedy cure for Constipation, Indigestion, Jaundice, Biliousness, Sour Stomach, Headache, and all ailments arising from a disordered stomach or sluggish liver.

The trade movement, taking the country as a whole, continues large. That there is in all the markets—and particularly in the big case in the security market—much disappointment that the extravagant expectations at the beginning of the year are not being fulfilled is beyond question.

Financial circles in New York hear that the Washash Railroad is seeking an outlet at seaboard. A powerful negro wrecked a patrol wagon and routed four policemen of Chicago.

MUNYON'S PAW-PAW PILLS. The difference remember this—it may save your life. Cathartic, bird shot and cannon ball pills are spoon doses of cathartic medicine all depend on irritation of the bowels until they sweat enough to move.

Trade reports, except in the Northwest and on the North Pacific coast, are of little gain. Activity, and indeed in some lines, such as textile manufacturing, quiet or further curtailment is still the subject of discussion.

Col. Theodore Roosevelt has accepted the invitation of the National Society of Women's Suffrage to be the guest of honor at a luncheon to be given in New York on June 23.

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Wheat, including flour, exports from the United States and Canada for the week ended May 19 aggregate 2,918,065 bushels, against 2,933,538 last week and 2,338,394 this week last year.

Rev. Angelo Bolzetta, a Catholic priest at Williamsburg, N. J., had his head and face slashed with a razor in the hands of an Italian.

W. L. DOUGLAS SHOES. THE STANDARD FOR 30 YEARS. W. L. Douglas shoes are famous because they are the lowest priced, highest quality shoes made in the world.

Wheat—Spot irregular; No. 2 red, 114c nominal c. l. l.; No. 1 Northern, 118c nominal c. l. l. o. b. Option market—the wheat market was quiet and prices were lower early on the week.

BATTLE AXE SHOES. The frequency and the stringency of fines against young women and girls in New York cannot escape attention. Conditions revealed almost daily are shocking from every point of view.

The Pennsylvania Railroad took a lease for 99 years of the Pittsburgh, Youngstown and Ashtabula Railroad, at a meeting in Youngstown, O.

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In a running fight between a posse of citizens and a band of robbers who entered a bank in Wapakoneta, O., a member of the posse was shot.

WE BUY WOOL HIDES AND FURS. For all your skins and furs, we buy. We pay the highest prices for all kinds of skins and furs.

Corn—Steady; No. 2, 68 1/2 nominal elevator domestic basis; export No. 2, 69 nominal f. o. b. Option market was without transactions.

Woman's Wrongs. The frequency and the stringency of fines against young women and girls in New York cannot escape attention. Conditions revealed almost daily are shocking from every point of view.

Stephen Zacak, who confessed to murdering a policeman in Chicago, after 53 hours of continuous questioning, killed himself in his cell.

MOTHER GRAY'S SWEET POWDERS FOR CHILDREN. A Certain Cure for Eczema, Scabies, and other skin diseases. It is the best and most reliable remedy for all skin ailments.

Butter—Firm; extra Western creamery, 30c; do, nearby prints, 29c. Eggs—Firm; Pennsylvania and other nearby firms, free cases, 22c; at market, 40c current receipts, in return cases, 20c; at market, Western firms, free cases, 22c; at market, do, current receipts, free cases, 20c; at market.

The Chilean government has decided to accept a loan for \$13,000,000 from the Rothschilds, in London, for the reconstruction of that section in Valparaiso which was wrecked by the earthquake in 1906 and for railway improvement.

Lucky Dog. "Sir, I have no home," began the seedy-looking man, "and I have no money to pay, no rent, no coal bills, no worry over the rise in milk prices! Permit me to congratulate you."

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Commander Gilmer, of the United States garrison at Pinar del Rio, has served notice on General Irias, who is in command of the forces, that he will not permit a bombardment of the city of Bluefields, Nicaragua, and he has also notified General Estrada and General Madrid that he will not permit any armed conflict within the city.

Has Only One Kidney, But is Sound and Well. Mrs. L. Wick, 237 Dever Ave., Pittsfield, Mass., says: "I ran down in health until I had weighed 85 pounds. Finally a consultation of doctors was held. They decided I had a shrunken kidney and said it must be removed. I had the operation and came out of the hospital as stout as ever. At last I was my good for."

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GRAPE-NUTS does correct physical condition. Grape-Nuts is highly nutritious, partially pre-digested, and helps the organs of the stomach. It is rich in the phosphates that go to make up the gray matter of the brain and nerve centres. It is the Road to Well-being. There's a Reason!

A court-martial has been ordered at Manila to try Col. Robert F. Ames on charges of conduct unbecoming an officer and to the prejudice of military discipline.

Remember the name—Doan's. For sale by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Doan's Kidney Pills, Buffalo, N. Y.

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Answer This Question

When shown positive and reliable proof that a certain remedy had cured numerous cases of female ills, wouldn't any sensible woman conclude that the same remedy would also benefit her if suffering with the same trouble? Here are two letters which prove the efficiency of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.



Fitchville, Ohio. "My daughter was all run down, suffered from pains in her side, head and limbs, and could walk but a short distance at a time. She came very near having nervous prostration, had begun to cough a good deal, and seemed melancholy by spells. Since taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, Blood Purifier and Liver Pills she has improved so much that she feels and looks like another girl."

We will pay a handsome reward to any person who will prove to us that these letters are not genuine and truthful—or that either of these women were paid in any way for their testimonials, or that the letters are published without their permission, or that the original letter from each did not come to us entirely unsolicited.

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Will Anyone Believe This? The wife of a literary man of the Indiana school, who had taken up chicken raising as a side issue, was telling of the poor success that she had with a brood of 11 chickens. They seemed to be doing all right for a few days she said, and then one after another, they all died in the coop.

Rich embroidery is much in evidence this season. Constipation causes many serious diseases. It is thoroughly cured by Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Laxative. One's laxative, three for cathartics.

The benefit reported to be derived by farmers from their co-operative societies in continental countries, especially Denmark, has stimulated the formation of like societies in the United Kingdom.

It Makes Weak Women Strong. Sick Women Well. You can't afford to accept a cure for a substitute for this non-alcoholic medicine of LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND.

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Obnoxious Tramp Stopped Train. Lynchburg.—A tramp, who was riding on a freight train on the James River branch of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway, desiring to get off, turned the angle bar, pulling the emergency brake on the train. The stop was so sudden that the cocoon was smashed up and the conductor seriously injured.

Richmond Is Building. Richmond.—The total of \$100,775 was reached in the cost of buildings to be built here, in accordance with the permits granted at the inspectors' office. The largest one is that of the new school building on Hanover Street, \$19,900.

Alumni To Rebuild Hall. Richmond.—The alumni association of the University College of Medicine, which was recently burned, has assumed all responsibility for the raising of funds for the rebuilding of the institution.

Abingdon Bank Wall Falls. Bristol.—The building of the First National Bank of Abingdon, which was partially wrecked when the east wall fell. Upper stories are a wreck, while the room occupied by the Abingdon pharmacy had a narrow escape. Nobody was hurt. The wreck was due to an excavation which is being made for another building. Fifteen workmen left the excavation a few minutes before.

Ochre Works Bring \$23,000. Luray.—C. S. Connaught, a Pittsburg magnate, bought at a trustee's sale the property of the Page Ochre Corporation, near Stanleyton, this county, paying \$23,000. The property embraces perhaps the largest ochre concern in Virginia, and for many years was the chief source of employment to labor in the southern end of this county. For many years the ochre corporation was conducted by C. S. Spots, of Michigan, by whom the property was developed. The mined product, after being pulverized, is used in the preparation of paint.

Suffolk May Vote On Liquor. Suffolk.—Ament, the proposed local option election, Dr. Henry Wood Campbell, president of the Suffolk Citizens' League, said: "We are ready to join the vote in a petition asking for the election and then we will beat them out again. We are ready to throw down the gauntlet. The election cannot be held earlier than December 14, two years from the date of the next contest, when the 'dry' vote is set."

Killed Man; Goes Free. Lynchburg.—In a remote section of Halifax County, 40 miles from Lynchburg, Saturday night Claiborne Overby shot and killed Robert Wallace, a young man, who was in the party of six persons who attempted to enter Overby from his home. Overby has been exonerated of the murder by a coroner's jury, which met Sunday in a church at Crystall Hill, and he has not been arrested. The six men, who had been at a distillery a mile away, went to Overby's home and ordered him to leave, threatening to remain with Overby's daughters. Instead he went upstairs and secured a revolver. When he returned the men attacked him again and he killed Wallace, shooting him through the head.

For Murder In 1904. Bristol.—Chief of Police Caldwell has confirmed the news of the capture at Coeur d'Alene of G. M. Walk, a former Bristol policeman, who is wanted here for the murder of Hegston Childress, a fellow officer, February 7, 1903. The reward for Walk's capture is \$550, of which Governor Patterson offered \$300. Arrangements are being made to have Walk brought to Bristol at once. The murder, which he does not deny, has always been regarded as a cold-blooded affair. He shot Childress down while the two were engaged in conversation on the street at midnight.

Cashier Made Idle. Leesburg.—R. R. Ross, cashier of the Farmers and Merchants' Bank and Trust Company of Leesburg, committed suicide in the bedroom of his home in this place by shooting himself with a shotgun. The load entered his left side just over the heart, death resulting immediately. There is no cause to be assigned except temporary insanity. He was 35 years of age, the son of F. T. Ross, of the Trappe, near Upperville. His wife, Mrs. Wm. Lath, had several small children survive.

Values Legs At \$60,000. Petersburg.—The Hastings Court has been engaged in the trial of the suit of Charles M. Ambold, against the Atlantic Coast Line Railway Company, for \$60,000 damages for injuries. Ambold was in an automobile, driven by W. J. Rahilly, May 13, which collided with a locomotive on the defendant company's road and resulted in Ambold being thrown out and both legs cut off just below the knees. At the first trial, which resulted in a non-suit, on motion of the plaintiff, the damages asked were \$50,000, and the second suit was at once filed.

Newport News Act. Newport News.—Warrants charging violations of the Sherman Anti-Trust law have been sworn out here against 40 representatives of various insurance companies, all members of the Southeastern Underwriters' Association. The warrants were served at Hot Springs. The warrants were obtained by Commonwealth Attorney C. C. Berkeley. Attorney Berkeley claims the companies have conspired to unlawfully raise insurance rates in Newport News.

Back To War Of 1812. Richmond.—In the Supreme Court of Appeals, Bernard P. Green and John A. Parker, through administrators, secured a writ of error in their case against the Commonwealth, involving fees amounting to \$172,358.26. The case grew from an appeal from the Circuit Court of Richmond. The case is especially interesting owing to its ancient dating, as it goes back to the War of 1812, when Virginia advanced almost \$2,000,000 to the Federal Government. The plaintiffs claim they were appointed to collect the debt, in opposition to the judgment of the lower court. The petitioners claim the sum due the nation by the State accrued after their agency was created, and was not their fault. The case will be argued at the next term of the Supreme Court.

Newport News.—Tony Bostanlian, an Armenian who came here from Richmond and secured a position as a machinist at the shipyard, shot and killed himself on the river bluff above the city.

Lynchburg.—Jones & Adams have been awarded the contract for the new wholesale house for J. W. Ould & Co., at Ninth and Commerce Streets, at a cost of \$51,990.

Richmond.—Much interest is being taken by members of the City Council and citizens over the proposed establishment of a station here by the Continental Wireless Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Harrisonburg.—Work on the Rockingham Memorial Church was to have begun this month, but there has been a delay caused by a proposed change in the original plans. Dr. Miller, of the board of trustees, has been in Richmond to consult with architects and contractors. A lot adjoining the State Normal School has been chosen as a site for the hospital.

Chancellor Hates Auto. Cobham.—John Armstrong, Chancellor of New York, held up an autoist on the road at the point of a double-barreled shotgun and forced the man to assist in leading his horse past the machine. The Virginian drew his backshot-loaded gun and cried: "You'll pass over my dead body before you pass this car!" The motorist alighted and the horse shied and threw the cart and its occupants into the ditch, but neither was seriously hurt. Chancellor advocates the carrying of a shotgun, as well as a revolver, by all farmers, to be used in stopping motorists by shooting the tires.

Dismissed To Save Him. Richmond.—The inside reason for the dismissal of former Dairy Inspector Curtis was made public for the first time by health officers. According to them, the officer was dismissed from the service for the reason that they feared he would be dealt foul play, as he had received indications of such. Trap guns, ferocious dogs and dairy workmen were alleged to be conspiring against the former officer.

Suicide's Account Correct. Leesburg.—W. Preston Gibson, assistant cashier of the Atlantic Coast National Bank, Alexandria, has been elected cashier of the Merchants and Farmers' Banking and Trust Company of this place, to succeed the late R. R. Ross, who committed suicide. The accounts of the bank were found to be in perfect condition, and financial troubles cannot be assigned as the cause of the former cashier's suicide.

Put Match To Powder; 4 Victims. Lexington.—An explosion of a keg of powder at the home of James Kenney, colored, badly burned Kenney and three of his children, one child dying. Kenney brought the powder was injured by dampness and told his son to light a piece of fuse, which exploded and sparks fell into the keg of powder, blowing it to pieces.

Grafton.—A game of baseball at Richmond was brought to a sudden termination when D. F. Frye, first baseman of the Verbeet team, was hit in the head by a ball and made unconscious. The game was called and physicians worked for an hour with the injured player. Grafton.—Clyde Riffell, 27 years old, unmarried, of Point Pleasant, was instantly killed at Richmond, by being struck by a falling limb. He was woods foreman for the Cuthin Lumber Company. Fairmont.—Abraham Carlock, a miner employed at the Inter-States Mine, above Clarkburg, was struck on the head by a falling log while being transported to the mine. He is in this city. Petersburg.—The Stratford Hotel, incorporated, of Petersburg, has made an assignment to R. B. Wilcox, trustee, for the benefit of its creditors. It is understood that the liabilities will not exceed \$10,000. Richmond.—Fireman McDonald was badly injured, Engineer James O'Brien was slightly hurt and other teammen escaped death by jumping, when a freight crashed into the cars used in making up the "Cashonball" at the Norfolk and Western's yard here.

Lynchburg.—John P. Pettyjohn & Co. of this city, were awarded by contract for the new office for the Norfolk and Western shop in Roanoke. The building is to cost \$45,000.

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SUGGESTIONS FOR THE UP-TO-DATE AGRICULTURIST

Careful observations show that the time of milking is in large degree the time of milk-secretion. If a well-fed, highly developed dairy animal fails to give down her milk the source of the trouble may be sought among causes that tend to discomfort and nervous excitement.—Indiana Farmer.

Chickens and Incubators. The price which poultry and eggs now command is very conclusive of the value of the poultry business when it is intelligently followed. And in this business the incubator is as essential as the cream separator in its profitable dairying.

When not many years ago nine out of ten farms had never heard of an incubator, today the word is passing from farm to farm that the profits are larger, the work less onerous. The hatches more sure, and the hens are taking fewer holidays—laying more eggs; not all on account of the incubator, but primarily on account of the large amount of knowledge distributed with it. The farmer's wife is doing her share in the profit-making. She always has done it, but now she is gaining recognition as a partner in the business. This is having, it has had, its effect, and the result is, farmers are now posted on poultry profits, and those who have been operating incubators will go back to being incubators only when they return to the old custom of treading out the grain with oxen—only when they are prepared to put the cream separator on the shelf.

Poultrymen who are in the business commercially, whose living depends upon the profits, would as soon think of threshing the grain with an old-time mill, as they would of raising chickens or ducklings with hens or ducks. The thought would be absurd. Without the incubator they would have to go out of business. Before the introduction of incubators large commercial poultry plants were an impossibility. Mr. James Rankin gets the credit of putting the first lot of ducklings and springers on the market in considerable numbers, and making it pay. But James Rankin's only salvation was the invention of an incubator. Without it, his aid he found he could not make a business of raising poultry for market at a profit. In buying an incubator go about it the same way you would if you were buying any other agricultural implement. I might advise again and again, but I cannot give better advice than that. Think it over; and be as particular as you would in trading horses.

Mr. Editor: When you personally grow of poultry plants each using from 50 to 100 incubators; or plants hatching 40,000 ducklings in a single season; or fanners hatching their New York, Chicago, Boston winners in incubators, and raising them in brooders, there's not much left for me to say. It is not evidence of the utility of incubators that is wanted, or anyone can get that in any down-to-date incubator manufacturer's catalogue—evidence on the size of the poultry business, on the profits in the business, or the decadence of the "mother" hen (unless the hen that lays the eggs is the mother); and the coming-futo-her-own of the hen that never could be made to sit. That is all common knowledge. One thing is very certainly true and that is that there is big money in the poultry business when it is pursued properly.—E. H. M. in the Indiana Farmer.

Quality of wheat. Out of the state experiment stations gives the quality of the wheat in general use, laying much stress on the protein content of them, which is a very important one for human food. Fred Stewart of the Utah station, on this subject says: The crude protein analysis is of interest inasmuch as it gives the total protein in the grain and in the various wheat products. Further, this data shows the distribution of the nitrogen in the miller products. This fact when studied in connection with other analytic data is of considerable value of a wheat for milling purposes. The protein content of domestic wheat is given by Wiley as maximum 17.15 percent, minimum 7.11 percent, mean, 12.23 percent. Shepard gives 13.64 percent as the average protein content of durum wheats grown in South Dakota. Litch gives the protein content of wheat at 12.35 percent. Williams gives 12.94 as the average percent of protein of Ohio wheat for four years. The analysis of 24 samples of Blue Stem wheat grown in Washington, gave an average protein content of 11.79 percent, while the analysis of 7 samples of Turkey Red gave 11.45 percent. Shaw reports the protein content of 8 samples of the Turkey wheat grown in California, the average of which is 12.97 percent. Harper and Peters give 12.21 percent and 11.85 percent as the protein contents of Gold Coin and Turkey wheats, respectively, grown in Kentucky. Judged by these standards, all of our wheats are excellent, the protein content being very high.

Failure to Give Milk. How a cow can hold up her milk and refuse to give it down has been a matter of great doubt to many a milker. That a cow secretes the greater amount and the richer part of her milk after the act of milking has been in fact the way many men refuse to believe. The reason that a cow does not give the usual quantity of milk at milking time is because she has not secreted it, not because she is retaining the milk in her udder by a voluntary act. This failure to give the usual amount of milk is due to some abnormal condition or circumstance. The richness of the milk that is the amount of fat it contains may be lessened in a similar manner, when no decrease in the amount of milk is noticeable. The cow may be sick; she may be tired; she may have been frightened; she may have been displeased with her feed or surroundings, or of course by the milker.

If she has been beaten, she is probably nervous expecting a repetition of the act. With some cows a change of milkers is regarded with uneasiness and even hostility. There are many great or small causes that may detach a cow's nerves and thus influence her milk flow. Cows driven up from the pasture at a full run by man or dog give less milk after such treatment.

The presence of a strange person at the act of milking time has an unfavorable effect. The bawling of a cow creates a perceptible decrease in quantity and quality of milk.

Usually the good walker is the proper horse on the farm. A horse that is doing heavy pulling should never be checked heavily. Give a cold range rather than confinement to make a good horse out of him. In nearly all cases the natural curve of a horse's neck is better than the artificial position created by the check rein. A cow will give as much milk in a stable as in a barn, but the work of caring for her in a modern dairy barn is a pleasure while the saving of feed will go a long way toward paying the interest on the money invested in the building.

The most fruitful source of white scour in pigs is dirty sties. The first step in curing is to provide clean, dry bedding in a warm, secluded spot. Give small doses of castor oil to remove the food in the bowels which soothes the irritation and effect a cure. Whatever else maybe the cause of the high price of butter the dairymen are not to blame. They are trying to produce all they can and are doing their best to see that it reaches the "ultimate consumer" as pure milk as a mixture of lard, tallow and castor oil water.

As soon as snow covers the ground the rabbits will begin working in the young orchards, but their work is not of the kind that will bring good results to the farmer. Wrapping trees and lower limbs of the trees is absolutely necessary and unless better things are at hand old newspapers will do the bill quite well.

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Savory for Supper. Take a can of salmon or any other kind of fish, mix with 2 ounces of bread crumbs, 1 teaspoonful anchovy sauce, 1 ounce butter, pepper and salt to taste; add 1 beaten egg. Beat up well with a fork; grease well a pie dish, line with bread crumbs, pour in the mixture and cover with bread crumbs; place a few pieces of butter on top and bake until nicely browned.—Boston Post.

Potato Salad. Cut half a dozen boiled potatoes into thin slices; put into a salad bowl and pour on a dressing made from two tablespoons of vinegar, three tablespoons of olive oil, a scant teaspoon of finely minced parsley, one-half level teaspoon of salt and a scant spoon of pepper. Beat the dressing well before pouring it over the potato. Let stand half an hour before serving.—New York Telegram.

Maple Junket. Maple junket makes a dainty, wholesome dessert. Slightly sweeten and warm one quart of milk; flavor with one teaspoonful of maple flavoring. Dissolve one junket tablet in one tablespoonful of cold water, then add to the warm milk. Pour into glass serving dishes, and when firm, set in the ice box and chill. Chop one cupful of maple sugar and one-half cupful of blanched almonds together and when ready to serve the junket spread a layer on top of each dish.—Harper's Bazar.

German Potato Salad. Wash and boil six medium sized potatoes. When done drain off the water and peel while still hot. Season with salt, pepper and celery salt mixed with a little finely sliced onion. Beat one egg stiff, add to it two tablespoonsful of melted butter, then drop in gradually one-half cup spoonful of sugar. Pour this dressing over the potato, toss lightly, put in the salad bowl and garnish with parsley and sliced hard boiled eggs.—New York Telegram.

Cress and Tomato Salad. Lettuce seems to form the nest for about 80 out of 100 salads served at hotels, clubs and private tables. This is not because lettuce is so universally liked, but because to many persons it seems about the only thing suitable. Watercress is becoming a close second to lettuce and would be more generally appreciated if its merits were better known. The crisp green leaves offer as much contrast to the color of the ingredients of the salad itself as does lettuce, and it is really far more palatable. There is a puny gunny to the little leaves which is particularly pleasing when used with tomatoes. Chill some tomatoes, remove the pulp and mix with cress which has been cut in small pieces. Put the mixture in the tomato cups, cover the tops with mayonnaise and serve on a bed of cress.—Kansas Paddock-Teiford in the New York Telegram.

Hints. A clean, dry sponge is the best thing to use in removing lint from woolen material. To fasten buttons on a wash waist or skirt, instead of sewing, pin from the back with a small safety pin. Some home laundresses use a bit of soap in the starch instead of wax to give a shine and keep the iron from sticking. Just before putting pie into the oven spread a little sweet cream over the top crust. It will come out brown and flaky. Rub the white spots made by wet or hot dishes on your polished tables with spirits of camphor. It will remove them. Soak old potatoes, after paring, in cold water for a couple of hours. They will be greatly improved besides being made whiter.

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Buy "BATTLE AXE" SHOES. Boys And The Farm. An old farmer's two sons were anxious to leave the farm and work out their destiny in the city. The farmer wanted to keep the boys on the farm. So he sent them to an agricultural college, one to learn plant breeding and general agriculture, and the other to take a course in animal husbandry. The result of this experiment was that each boy took a great fancy to his specialty and a great interest in the knowledge of it. The science of farming is very attractive. It lets one into a knowledge of the beautiful laws of nature, and gives a charm to all his work. This is the way to know out the drudgery of farm life and give one broad views. The agricultural college is today our greatest public institution. It takes much of the drudgery out of farm work by putting intelligence in it. The farmer is the real producer, the real benefactor in trade and commerce, and it is more desirable to encourage his development than that of any other class. There is no kindlier fortune for a boy than to get him interested in farm experience. He is pretty certain to attain to great worth.—Ohio State Journal.

Didn't Lose Her. A young girl was recently courted by a pretty girl. One afternoon, in the garden, she crept up on him enough to ask in a tremulous voice, "Are you a kiss?" "You are me for a kiss? Now, applied to the hand a kiss signifies respect. On the forehead it denotes friendship. Upon the lips it denotes all things, or nothing." She paused hesitantly, then went on: "You say since you wish it, kiss me. You can express yourself in one kiss. You mean?" The timid young man, red in confusion, pondered. "I mustn't lose her," he muttered, "I'll kiss her." "When the kiss was interchanged by a pretty whistle. It was a divinity, her red mouth pecked into the shape of a comb, her hair pulled down over her eyes, her forehead completely, and her hands were thrust up the wrists the pockets of her jacket!—Answer

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NAGGING NEVER INFLUENCES REFORM

WORK AND PRAYER ONLY MEANS PROBABLY START WITHIN WEEK

Williams, of Warrenton, Presents Excellent Paper Before Bi-County Convention of W. C. T. U.

Redemption of the fallen may be gained by prayer but never by nagging. This was the declaration of Mrs. W. W. Williams, of Warrenton, before the recent convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in Manassas.

Dear Sisters of the Bi-County of Prince William and Fauquier, I ask you to consider for a short time, "How can we extend interest in our beloved bi-county?"

AGITATE, EDUCATE, ORGANIZE As our beloved Miss Willard said, "We must agitate, educate and organize. We must go into the highways and hedges and bring them in. We must have for our foundation the love of Christ, faith in God and love of man."

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KNOCKS OUT HIGHWAYMEN

Waylaid by three colored highwaymen in the shadows of the Alexandria depot tunnel at a late hour Monday night, last week, William Bridwell, of Manassas, overpowered the trio with his bare fists and after he had given them a severe beating the fellows took to their heels.

CAMP MEETINGS

Camp meetings are being held every night in the tent on West Camp Ground by Seventh Day Adventists from Washington.

FRESH WORK FORWARD

We have much to encourage us by the faithful labors of our beloved President. One new Union has joined us since our last Convention and all we have to do is to push forward in our work with a strong faith in God and might what our hands had to do.

MEMBERSHIP FOR MISS MYRA PAYNE

TO AMERICAN WOMEN'S LEAGUE

At the last meeting of Manassas Chapter, U. D. C., a motion was made and unanimously carried, to take a membership in the American Woman's League in the name of Miss Myra B. Payne, each member of the U. D. C. to subscribe for or secure friend's subscription to one magazine, to make the \$52 in subscriptions.

MEMBERSHIP PRACTICALLY FREE The membership is practically free as each subscriber gets full value for her money in subscriptions and the Chapter as a whole will have free use of the fine Chapter House that the League will build for Prince William Chapter as soon as a suitable lot is secured.

MANY BENEFITS The member in whose name this membership stands will receive many personal benefits from the League, but the yearly income from this membership being in the Founder's Chapter, will go to the Manassas Chapter, U. D. C., to be used as its members see fit.

PREFERRED SUBSCRIPTIONS Subscriptions for the following are preferred: THE MANASSAS DEMOCRAT; Woman's National Daily, splendid daily for \$1; Woman's Magazine, three years for \$1; Woman's Forum, three years for \$1; Success Magazine and World Today, and Mother's Magazine. Only one dollar in subscriptions is required to be sent with your application, and one dollar a week, unless it is preferred to pay all sooner.

HIDES WHEEL TO BUFFALO

W. C. Wayland, of 510 East Clay Street, Richmond, until recently connected with The Richmond Evening Journal, left home on a motor cycle last Monday week for a pleasure trip to Buffalo, New York, at 12:30 p. m. His route was via Fredericksburg, Stafford C. H., Stafford Store, Garrisonville and Nokesville.

A Large Boulder Fell in front of a Passenger Train Going at Fifty Miles an Hour. AND IT WAS ALMOST MIRACULOUS THAT EVERY ONE OF THE TWO HUNDRED PASSENGERS WERE NOT CRUSHED TO DEATH.

When you read such startling headlines in the daily papers, did you ever stop to think how many lives are being crushed out daily by stones in the bladders of hundreds of human beings, because no remedy was ever known to medical science that would remove them until bloodline was discovered, and since bloodline has been found to be a specific for this terrible affliction, it has had the most phenomenal sale throughout the East and West of any remedy ever known. Thousands of bottles having been sold in a single day in many of the large cities.

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LEGAL NOTICES

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of Prince William County, pronounced on the Fourth Day of April, 1910, in the chancery cause of Melton, part trustee, vs. Trustee, et al., appointed, will offer for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder therefor, in front of The People's National Bank, in the Town of Manassas, on SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 1910, at 12 o'clock, M., that certain lot or parcel of land lying near the village of Brentsville, and adjoining the land of A. W. Sinclair, in said county, containing about one-half acre of land, and being the same upon which the late Wash Travers formerly resided. Located thereon is a dwelling and a well for fruit trees.

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By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of Prince William County, pronounced on the Fourth Day of April, 1910, in the chancery cause of Payne v. Payne et al., the undersigned Commissioner of Sale, therein appointed, will offer for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder therefor, in front of The People's National Bank, in the Town of Manassas, on SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 1910, at 12 o'clock, M., that certain lot or parcel of land, lying near the village of Brentsville, in Prince William County, containing about 1 1/2 acres of land; and being the same upon which the late Caroline Payne last resided. Located thereon is a small dwelling and a small quantity of fruit trees.

NOTICE

To T. A. Foster, if living, and if dead to the personal representative and heirs at law, if any, of the said T. A. Foster: You are hereby notified that after the expiration of this notice, I will take the necessary steps to obtain, from the clerk of the Circuit Court of Prince William County, a deed for a tract of land lying and being situate at Independence Hill, said county, and containing fifty acres as per plat and survey made by W. B. Lynn, county surveyor, recorded in the office of the said clerk. The said tract of land was purchased by me from the treasurer of said county for delinquent taxes for the year 1909. Respectfully, J. L. Keys

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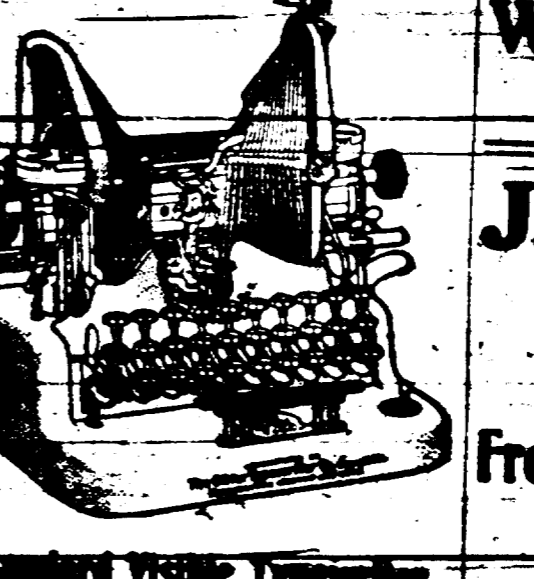
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GET BUSY

SEVERAL hours remain ere the polls close and if you have not voted in this special election, THERE IS STILL AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU TO DO YOUR PART TOWARD SECURING ADEQUATE WATER FACILITIES FOR MANASSAS. AT SUNDOWN—ABOUT SEVEN O'CLOCK—IT WILL BE TOO LATE FOR THE POLLS CLOSE THEN. YOU KNOW, AS WELL AS I, THAT THIS WATER PROPOSITION IS VITAL AND NOW THAT THERE IS NO CHANCE OF SELLING THE FRANCHISE, THE MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP PLAN—THE BEST WAY AFTER ALL—IS THE ONLY PRESENT HOPE.

You know that the main argument directed against this proposed issue of \$30,000 worth of water bonds is that it will increase taxes. But you know, too, BETTER FIRE PROTECTION, HIGHER PROPERTY VALUES AND INSTALLATION OF MODERN CONVENIENCES WILL MORE THAN OFFSET THE SLIGHT INCREASE IN TAXATION. YOU KNOW, TOO, THAT RIGHT NOW—NOT NEXT YEAR OR THE YEAR AFTER—IS THE TIME TO GET THIS WATER IMPROVEMENT STARTED. IN FACT, IT IS NOW BUT THE MATTER OF AN HOUR OR TWO AND IT IS UP TO YOU TO ACT.

Not until the last vote is cast, can one forecast the result. Conjecture does not count, the ballots tell the story. The late vote, the doubtful vote, the silent vote, has turned the tide to victory in many elections. EARLY THIS MORNING, BEFORE SUNRISE, THE OPPOSITION WAS ASTIR, WORKING TO DEFEAT THE BOND ISSUE. DO YOU WANT TO SEE THEM DOWN THE WATER WORKS PROPOSITION? YOU DO NOT? THEN MAKE HASTE AND VOTE FOR THE BONDS BEFORE THE POLLS CLOSE. A REPORT WAS IN CIRCULATION THIS MORNING THAT A BIDDER IS IN THE FIELD FOR THE FRANCHISE IN THE EVENT THE BONDS DO NOT CARRY. THAT STATEMENT IS NOT TRUE. UP TO THIS HOUR THERE IS NO BIDDER FOR THE FRANCHISE. THE WHOLE RESPONSIBILITY RESTS UPON THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS. IT IS UP TO THE PEOPLE NOW.

A GREAT DEAL CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED IN THE HOUR OR TWO THAT REMAINS. The election is not over until the polls close. IF YOU HAVE THE BEST INTERESTS OF MANASSAS AT HEART YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO STAY AWAY FROM THE POLLS—YOU CAN NOT AFFORD TO VOTE AGAINST THE BONDS. GET BUSY.

COMMENCEMENT

EAGER, expectant, confident, young men and young women at this Commencement season are bidding farewell to school halls and entering their life work. Their success will largely depend upon the strength and quality of their preparation, their ability to profit by the lessons of disappointment as well as to reap the best vest of fulfillment. The attitude of the commercial world changes instantly when a young man or young woman turns from patron to competitor. Competition in the professions, the arts and crafts has never been so keen. Efficiency is the test that determines whether a young man or young woman will climb to the top or descend to the status of the commonplace. Luck, it has been truly said, is but the ability to grasp and improve opportunities. Influence is worse than useless if one lacks efficiency, in that to fail under such conditions will lower pride. There is plenty of room at the top for the young men and the young women who can do things worth while. But the heights are not to be gained in a day, a week, a month or a year, not until the struggle has been long and weary, not until the climber has stumbled many times in the rough path, only to renew courage and with determination and with uplifted gaze to keep toiling onward and upward. The faint-hearted incompetent never comes within view of the glory of the summit.

The hardest part of the struggle, that is if one is thrown into the thick of it, is to keep one's ideals, to maintain one's standards of right and to hold fast. Then, too, one's illusions fade away, when one faces the stern realities of life. The conflict leaves scars, but it develops strength. In an age of utility there is no place for the weak in the field of action. The pace is so rapid that one must strike the gait or be left behind before the race is fairly begun. But at that one acquires but rudimentary training in school. The real knowledge comes in actual contact with the world, in the struggle for bread. An empty stomach is the strongest spur to action—in many it has aroused latent ambition and pointed the way to success when all other means had failed.

The game is exclusively one of the survival of the fittest by the ceaseless operation of the laws of selection and elimination. Each person possesses gifts peculiar to himself, which if developed will lead to success. Each person owes it to himself and the Divine plan of which he is a component part to develop his powers to their point of highest efficiency. Each person has work allotted him and to leave it undone or make it lacking is to fail in one's mission. All may be useful even though all may not be great.

NEW ORLEANS FOR EXPOSITION

NEW ORLEANS is making a most remarkable fight to secure the World's Panama Exposition and deserves to win. The Exposition while National in scope will be distinctively Southern in character. By rights it should be held at the central gateway to the South. The Exposition in New Orleans would be the means of attracting attention to the South, its unlimited resources, the splendid opportunities presented the investor and the unequalled advantages offered the homeseeker. Virginia and all other Southern States should support New Orleans in her effort to secure the Exposition.

ABSURD PRONOUNCEMENT

MRS. R. R. HUMPHREYS, an English novelist who is widely known as "Rita," severely criticizes American women, an arraignment with a tinge of jealousy clearly visible. She also finds fault with American men. The women, she says, are frivolous and the men lack culture. Then, too, she complains that there is no American home life. This may be true in America, as in England, in the circle in which she moves. Amid the surroundings and in the atmosphere of a fashionable hotel, little contributes to a correct estimate of real American life. As a matter of fact she did not come in contact with typical American men and women long enough, if at all, to be qualified to pass judgement. Her pronouncement is absurd.

NAGGING AND REFORM

IN an address before the recent Bi-County Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in Manassas, Mrs. W. W. Williams, of Warrenton, revealed a golden truth when she declared that "we can never nag any one into the Kingdom of our Lord but often we can pray them in." She might further have said that the apostate to be saved first must repent and then pray for himself. But she stated the main fact that forbearance, not fault-finding, is the power that attracts to salvation. A moral delinquent, conscious of his defection, naturally is supersensitive. His conscience smart from the wrong that he would justify. It is this inner conflict against right that strikes the discordant note. Nagging intensifies the strife, silencing any harmonious chord though touched ever so lightly. Reproval but results in humiliation, often for reformer as well as object and makes the effort all the more difficult. A person left with but the smallest shred of pride cannot submit to goading. It would cause immediate rejection of any accompanying influence though it made for good. In most cases the chance for redemption would be utterly destroyed. Human sympathy is the one effective force for uplift. It is the soul of prayer. None can resist its influence. It is wholly foreign to the nagging spirit. When exercised it awakens a desire to be worthy, a form of repentance. Then, and only then, prayer becomes effective, for an oblation without repentance is not prayer. It is sacrilege. Through prayer all things are possible, even reform. When a man begins to pray for himself, he has found the path that leads to salvation. "We can never nag any one into the Kingdom of the Lord, but often we can pray them in."

PARAGRAPHS

VOTE for the bonds.
FINANCIAL NOTE: Commencement gowns are in vogue.
IF you have not voted DO IT NOW. Vote for the bonds.
THE young man looking for a soft snap usually goes hard broke.
"All's well that ends well" but a modern water system is best.
THE butcher unable to collect complains loudest of the meat trust.
FOOD experts declare that "a meat diet makes a sunny temper." For whom?
LET us hope that the rain will not dampen interest in the municipal water proposition.
MAY all the hopes of Commencement week be realized and may dreams come true.
THE first sea-serpent of the season has been sighted off the Florida coast. Rye or bourbon?
A NEW YORKER skipped out with his mother-in-law. That family must have made a hit with him.
APPARENTLY there is "something rotten in Denmark." The king of Denmark has a political crisis.
A NEW JERSEY man dreamed he had been hit by the comet. He must have been drinking hard balls.
NEW JERSEY health officers are planning extermination of the mosquito, or rather mosquitoes. That has become a habit up there.
A SENSATIONAL pulpit orator in Chicago scored rich churchgoers. He probably waited until after the collection had been taken.
A LARGE quantity of cloves consigned to Cincinnati has been seized by Federal inspectors. In a breath domestic trouble is brewing there.
UNIQUE dinner calls are being exploited by those who have nothing else to do. The old fashioned "Come to yer eats" is good enough for the hungry.
THE Ballinger-Pinchot episode is drawing to a close, and the result of the inquiry which probably will be made known in July, is awaited with interest. Ballinger maintains that he is innocent, but will await the inquiry before resigning. At any rate either Ballinger or Pinchot must be vindicated.
THE highwayman up North who landed on his victim's corns, deserves the limit of the law, for "inflicting great mental and bodily anguish." In comparison a rap on the head with a club were a caress, or a slash with a knife a token of amity. But to trample on one's corns is to hurt one's feelings through and through.

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