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PRINCE WILLIAM HERO RESCUES FROM DEATH

SAVES ONE FROM WATERY GRAVE

Then Joseph Sisson Recovers Body of Washington Broker From Potomac River—Tragic End of Merry Outing.

Late Saturday evening, Maurice H. Joice, a well-to-do stock broker of Washington, in company with a boy friend and his engineer, Hall, boarded the motor boat, Quantic, of which Mr. Joice was part owner, bent on a pleasure trip to his clubhouse near Potomac City, in this county. A stop was made at Alexandria where Frank Hamilton, of that city was taken aboard, and the party glided down the beautiful Potomac full of pleasurable expectations.

At the mouth of Quantico creek the party went ashore in a row boat and proceeded to their place of destination with little thought of the tragic fate that the treacherous current of the creek which sweeps with great rapidity into the bosom of the majestic Potomac, had in store for the central figure of the jovial pleasure-seekers.

START ON FATAL TRIP

After spending an hour or so, in song and jest, at the cozy resort, the cheerful quartet started on their return trip to the National Capital. Owing, it is said, to the turbulent appearance of the waters, Mr. Joice, the boy and the engineer, started to row to the launch, with the intention of returning for Mr. Hamilton who awaited them at the club house.

When midway between the shore and the motor boat they encountered a heavy sea which swamped the little craft and its occupants were thrown out into an angry, sweeping current. Engineer Hall who is a good swimmer, braved the turbulent waters and reached the shore in safety. Mr. Joice, unable to cope with the strong current, and through the darkness deprived of the assistance which his engineer, otherwise, may have rendered him, went to his death, while his youthful chum was born on the crest of the angry waves fighting manfully for his life.

THRILLING RESCUE

In his desperate struggle to (Continued on next page.)

SINK DRILLS FOR EARTH'S TREASURE

PENN-VIR READY FOR OPERATIONS

Start Within Two Weeks on Nokesville Field—Indications Point to Discoveries—Employer Noted Expert.

Within two weeks, the first drill will penetrate the Nokesville field in search of treasure of oil, gas and coal, and if indications lead to logical conclusions, discoveries will be made fulfilling all expectations of stockholders of the Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Company.

EMPLOY NOTED EXPERT

The field work will be under the direction of A. J. Greit, a noted mining engineer, who specializes in oil and gas. Directors of the Penn-Vir Company at a meeting yesterday appointed him construction engineer and superintendent of field work. The opinion of this authority on oil and gas carries weight as it is based upon scientific deductions, careful examinations and exhaustive analyses. Penn-Vir stockholders are to be congratulated upon securing his services. Mr. Greit was graduated with high honors from Freiburg University, Germany, in 1886, and has won distinction worthy his famous Alma Mater.

FINDS GAS IN FIELD

The presence of live gas already has been discovered by Mr. Greit in the Penn-Vir field at Nokesville, evidencing the existence there of a body of oil. He is most enthusiastic over the prospects, and declares that in his opinion the property is highly valuable.

GREAT VALUE TO COUNTY

Discoveries indicated on the Penn-Vir property will be most potent factors in advancing interests of Prince William and surrounding counties. They will develop resources which will attract industries, making for greater prosperity. Every citizen will be benefitted, and those who invest in stock have a fair chance of reaping great returns.

Material has been ordered and is beginning to arrive for Voorhees hall, the new building to be erected at a cost of \$30,000, on Eastern College campus. The contractors, I. C. Abbott and B. C. Cornwell, expect to begin work within ten days.

LOVING TRIBUTE TO CONFEDERATE SOLDIER DEAD

HONOR MEMORY OF SOUTHERN HEROES WITH BEAUTIFUL CEREMONIES AT COURT HOUSE—DRAINING RAIN AND DARK SKIES DO NOT CHILL LOYALTY OF GRATEFUL PEOPLE—FINE PROGRAM—SPECIAL ADDRESS BY DR. W. F. DUNAWAY, OF LANCASTER COUNTY.

By R. W. MERCHANT

Braving the discomforts of mud and a chilling rain, a large assembly was at the Court House, Friday, to commemorate the heroes who fell upon the battlefields of Bull Run and Manassas and who rest beneath the shaft erected to their memory within the sound of the musketry which marked the first great struggle of the war between the states.

The memorial exercises were under the auspices of the Ladies' Memorial Association and The United Daughters of the Confederacy, and the program was prepared with the view of rendering the occasion one of the most beautiful and impressive tributes to the memory of the Confederate dead within the history of these praiseworthy Associations.

Owing to the heavy rain, which fell during the whole of the afternoon, the strewing of flowers upon the graves by the male and female pupils of the different schools, according to program, was performed by the male students, in the absence of further ceremony, at the close of the main exercises.

Dr. W. F. Dunaway, of Lancaster county, who followed Lee and Jackson through many hard-fought battles, was the orator of the day, and Westwood Hutchinson, a member of the gallant Thirty-ninth Virginia Infantry and courier for General Lomax, was master of ceremonies.

Judge J. B. T. Thornton, introducing Dr. Dunaway, paid a high tribute to his valor on the field of battle and referred to the hardships he endured for the cause he believed to be right.

Dr. Dunaway's address was full of tender pathos, breathing the spirit of eulogy of the Confederate soldiers who, half clad and half dead, struggled through four years of privation and want in defense of their beloved Southland. Looking back through the vista of nearly a half century the speaker's memory was vivid as he recited many thrilling incidents to show the devotion of the Confederate soldiers to the cause which they espoused and the noble Christian character of Lee and Jackson, who led them through many des-

START CAMPAIGN FOR HOSPITAL FUND

RECEIVE CHARTER WITHIN WEEK

Five Fine Sites in View—Solicitation of Funds Begins—Immediate Future Subscription Guarantees Benefits.

With five fine sites in view for the proposed hospital, an active campaign for funds to erect the buildings probably will be started within a week, immediately upon receipt of the charter by the Prince William Corporation.

The old Prince William Hotel property at Eastern College, under most reasonable terms. Plans proposed would combine a College infirmary with a County hospital, reducing cost of maintenance.

By the Manassas Real Estate Company, a site 100x200 feet on Peabody street, immediately northwest of the Wehrich residence, commanding a magnificent view from an eminence and remote from dust and noise.

One acre by John Tillett adjoining his residence property on Fairview avenue. A most liberal offer with no conditions attached.

Two lots by Judge C. E. Nicol on Grant avenue, under condition that the institution be named the Ida Nicol Memorial Hospital. In view of the fact that a larger site may be required, Judge Nicol offers one acre on South Main street under the same conditions.

According to conservative estimates, approximately \$7,000 will be required to build a modern hospital and equip it with twenty beds. Funds are to be raised by subscription and all citizens of Prince William county will be asked to contribute. Each donor will be credited with amount of donation on board and nursing for himself, herself or dependent family member should accommodations be needed.

From the list of qualified voters, in the county of Prince William, for the year of 1910, furnished by County treasurer, Herrell, there appears 1,384 white and 171 colored voters. This is a falling off of sixteen white and an increase of fourteen colored electors from the qualified list of 1909.

HARRIS MURDER TRIAL

DRAMA OPENS MONDAY

SENSATIONAL TRAGEDY REVIEW

Slayer of Associate Editor of Warrenton Virginia Will Face New Trial in Prince William Circuit Court.

The curtain will rise Monday on the last act of a thrilling melodrama when, facing the bar of justice in the Prince William circuit court, J. D. Harris, of Warrenton, slayer of W. A. Thompson, associate editor of The Warrenton Virginian, will plead self defense as the motive for the tragedy.

No drama ever written strikes a deeper tragic note, or holds more compelling human interest than this story of the fatal conflict about a year ago in the streets of Warrenton. Newspapers have reviewed the sensational episode time and again, and it has been on the lips of the people of Fauquier and surrounding counties almost constantly since that fatal day, until now it is as fresh in their minds as though it were but yesterday.

Intense feeling prevails in Fauquier county, with sentiment divided between friends of the principals in the tragedy. Hundreds are coming to Manassas to witness the dramatic court room scene, to hear repeated the thrilling details that led to the shooting. More than eighty witnesses have been summoned.

Sentenced to a term in the penitentiary in the Fauquier circuit court, on verdict of murder in the second degree, Harris was granted a new trial with verdict set aside by the court of appeals, and a change of venue taken to the Prince William circuit court. Political differences, it is said, started the trouble between Thompson and Harris. Further it is alleged that Thompson had assaulted Harris, and on the day of the tragedy had been violently abusive.

As we go to press the case of the Commonwealth against Thorpe for the killing of Carter is being tried in the Circuit Court, Judge J. B. T. Thornton presiding. The accused is represented by Hon. C. E. Nicol and Thos. H. Lion, and the State by Commonwealth's Attorney Davies.

GUY ALLEN ESCAPES INJURY IN WRECK

SWITCH DERAILS TRAIN

Clark Slightly Bruised When Norfolk and Western Limited Runs Into Field Near Potomac River.

Guy Allen, mail clerk, of Manassas, was slightly bruised but otherwise uninjured, when the Washington-Chattanooga limited on the Norfolk and Western, was derailed Sunday night, while running at the rate of a mile a minute, as it took a split switch at Seven miles between near Roanoke.

The entire train, with the exception of the engine and tender, derailed and ran sixty feet into the open space away from the track. Only the smoothness of the ground saved the train from its hundreds of passengers. Cars were left in a tangled mass, all stood erect excepting the passenger mail and express cars, which were partly overturned. Every person on the train was more or less shaken, but the train was not seriously damaged. In charge of some passengers, the train was made up, and travelers proceeded on their way. The train due to Manassas from the Southern Railway, arriving at 5:50, did not arrive until 3:30 in the afternoon.

FARMERS MAY HAVE BENEFIT OF SPRAYER

AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL OFFER

Will Change Only Actual Cost of Use in Orchard—Test on Cherry Tree Illustrates Real Saving.

The Agricultural High School has purchased a barrel sprayer similar to the one used by the Horticultural Society of Virginia in its spraying demonstration in Round's orchard, a short time since. Prof. H. F. Button, director of the school, announces that farmers may have the benefit of the sprayer by paying the actual cost of its use in their orchards.

During the demonstration of the Horticultural Society is the his orchard, Mr. Round had one of his cherry trees sprayed the fruit of which, previous to this year, had rotted before coming to maturity. Prof. Button gave this tree a second spraying with the result that this year the fruit matured nicely with scarcely any rot. Mr. Round brought a branch from this tree laden with beautiful red-ripe fruit as evidence of the importance of spraying.

BIG PREPARATIONS FOR FIRST BANQUET

PLAN BRILLIANT EVENT AT ADEN

Aden Council No. 208, Order of Fraternal Americans Arrange for Celebration Next Saturday Night.

Elaborate preparations are being made for the banquet and special meeting to be held by Aden Council No. 208, Order of Fraternal Americans, in the hall at Aden, next Saturday night, June 11, at 7:30 o'clock. An interesting program will be given and a tempting spread served. It is planned to make this event memorable in the annals of the Council.

P. M. Boley will be master of ceremonies, and Dr. R. E. Wine will introduce the speakers. E. L. S. Bouton, of Vienna, will speak on "Country Councils." An invitation has been extended to State Secretary James R. Mansfield, of Alexandria, to speak on "The Order in Virginia." Dr. R. E. Wine will present "The History of Aden Council." The committee on arrangements consists of Dr. R. E. Wine, J. L. Brown and J. P. Kerlin.

INDELIBLE PENCIL POISON KILLS BABE

DEATH BY MYSTERIOUS DEATH

Depositing Pictures Fatal in Salva County With Lead, According to Diagnosis of Death of Little Girl's Mother.

The funeral services of little Lula Rice, youngest daughter of W. M. Rice, who died Friday morning, took place from Grace M. E. church, Saturday afternoon, and interment was in the Manassas cemetery. The tragic death of little Lula, the pet of the household, has caused a harrowing sadness to fall upon a happy home, and fill the hearts of devoted parents with grief that only time can assuage.

That the innocent and affectionate prattle of this interesting little girl should be brought to a termination in the mysteries which surround her brief illness, intensifies the grief of her loved ones and makes her loss the harder to bear. Among the conjectures, as to the child's death, the one based upon a logical diagnosis, is that the little one was poisoned from frequent saliva contact with an indelible pencil as she amused herself in drawing pictures or indulged in childish letter-writing unconscious of the tragic fate that awaited her.

ELECT DELEGATES TO CONVENTION

REPUBLICANS HOLD MASS MEETING

Name Six from Prince William County to Attend District Convention in Alexandria, June 20.

Republicans of Prince William county held a mass meeting in M. I. C. hall Monday afternoon and elected the following delegates to the Eighth Congressional District convention to be held in Alexandria, June 20, to nominate a republican candidate for Congress: E. K. Mitchell, J. H. Dodge, Dr. D. C. Cline, Dr. R. E. Wine, Eugene Keyser, S. W. Burdage.

The incumbent county committee was re-elected as follows: H. P. Dodge, Manassas, chairman; A. H. Green, Aden; Wallace Wood, Greenwich; J. L. Keys, Independent Hill; R. C. Hammill, Woodbridge; M. F. Davis, Hoadly; Dr. D. C. Cline, Dumfries; J. R. Fick, Potomac; S. W. Burdage, Manassas; E. Keyser, Thoroughfare; Cecil Smith, Nokesville; Dr. R. E. Wine, Brentsville.

Read THE DEMOCRAT for the news.

COURT GRADUATES WITH HIGH HONORS

GETS DIPLOMA FROM LAW SCHOOL

Former Resident of Manassas President of Post Graduate Class of Georgetown University, Washington.

John Joseph Cowhig, of Fauquier county, a former resident of Manassas, was in the post-graduate class, and its president, at the thirty-ninth annual commencement of the law department of Georgetown University, at Chase's Theatre, in Washington, on Monday evening. The opening address and the conferring of degrees was by the Rev. Joseph Himmel, S. J., president of the University; the address to the graduates by the Hon. Charles Nagle, Secretary of Commerce and Labor, and the awarding of prizes by the Hon. Seth Shepard, LL. D., Chief Justice of the Court of Appeals. The many warm friends of Mr. Cowhig, in this community, will take pleasure in extending to him their hearty congratulations upon his highest ambition—a full-fledged lawyer—and honor in the not distant future, to have the pleasure of hearing him on the bar of the Prince William circuit court, and to see his able preparation of his cases.

SIGNS IN SKY TELL END OF WORLD

FULFILLMENT, SAY ADVENTURISTS
Read in Heavens Dawn of Revolution—
Portentous Omens of Century Point
to Last Generation.

Declaring that the present generation is living in a period of fulfillment, the following sermon was delivered by Seventh Day Adventists in their tent on West Center street:

"The Pharisees of old could discern the natural things, but they were unable to discern the signs of the times. The Son of God, then in the midst of them, they did not know. Yet they had a sign given in the book of Isaiah, of His first coming to the world. And it was fulfilled before their eyes. And yet, they saw no sign.

OUR DANGER

"There is much danger today of overlooking the Prophecies that point out the hour when we should look out for the second coming of Christ. Signs are natural sights to our eyes. Physicians watch their patients to discern in them the signs of disease. Business men have sign boards in front of their places to indicate what is on the inside. The country roads have sign boards to point out the way to town. Will not God have sign boards in the Scripture to point out the road to heaven, and show when we are on the last mile of the way?"

STRESS ON SIGNS

"From the beginning God has laid much stress upon signs. The sun, moon and stars were, and are yet, signs of a Creator's love to us. The rainbow is a sign of the covenant with Noah, that God would not again destroy the world by a flood. And we might multiply text on this line. About 800 years before Christ were pictured signs in the sun, moon and stars that will precede the second coming of Christ.

"The Savior from the Mount of Olives reviewed these signs in the sun, moon and stars for the disciple had asked Him, 'What shall be the sign of Thy coming, and of the end of the world.' Passing down the stream of time to the signs that would precede His coming we find that 'this generation shall not pass, till all be fulfilled.' In other words the people who see the signs in the sun, moon and stars are to see the Lord's coming.

THE SIGNS

"Have these signs been fulfilled or do we look for them to come? In Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, page 1604, under dark day records, appears the following:

"On the night of the 18th of October, so called on account of the remarkable darkness on that day extending over all New England. In some places, persons could not see to read common print in the open air for several hours together. Birds sang their evening song, disappeared and became silent; Yowls went to roost, cattle sought the barnyard, and candles were lighted in the houses. The obscuration began about ten o'clock in the morning and continued till the middle of the next night, but with differences of degree and duration in different places. For several days previous, the wind had been variable, but chiefly from the southwest and northeast. The true cause of this remarkable phenomenon is not known."

"The moon was turned into blood the following night. Where could God put signs where all could see them plainer than in the sun, moon and stars. It was upon the morning of November 13, 1833, that the greatest display of shooting stars the world has ever seen, took place. And it is from this last sign that we are to begin the last generation, as we could not see them as signs until we saw the final one.

"While this has gone down on the pages of history, there are men living today who saw the falling stars in 1833. But from that time to 1910 are 77 years which plainly shows us that we are living well along in the last generation. Then the natural conclusion is, the Lord will soon come as he said, 'This generation shall not pass until all things be fulfilled.' Shall we not take heed by the signs of the times and prepare to meet our God in peace?"

OTHER SIGNS
"And the time will fail to tell of the signs in the political world, the signs in the commercial world, and the signs in the church itself. As our time is gone, we shall invite you to study with us and close with this thought—While we can not know the day or the hour, we can know the generation in which He will come, and there will be some one looking for Him when He comes."

PRINCE WILLIAM HERO RESCUES

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reach the shore he was rescued by Joseph Sisson, of Quantico, who went to his aid at his own peril just as the lad was going down for the last time. A little later Mr. Sisson recovered the body of Mr. Jones a few hundred yards below where the unfortunate broker went down to a watery grave.

"The Quantico," which bore the pleasure party on its mission of frolic, was formerly the motor boat, "George Washington," which was one of the prizes awarded at the recent fair given in Armory Hall, Alexandria, for the benefit of Alexandria-Washington Masonic Lodge.

Old Time English Campaign Arts.
Purely from the picturesque point of view one may regret the bands and banners which used to help to enliven old time elections. Take the first contests of two great men: Disraeli and Gladstone. Disraeli in a four horse carriage and was met a mile outside the town by bands, banners and a crowd, with whom he made a triumphal entry. "The candidate kissed his hand or blew kisses to all the females who were at the windows."
And this is a description of Gladstone's first campaign at Newark by one who took part in it: "We started on the canvass at 8 in the morning and worked at it for about nine hours with a great crowd, band and flags and innumerable glasses of beer and wine all jumbled together; then a dinner of thirty or forty with speeches and songs until say 10 o'clock; then we always played a rubber of whist, and about 12 or 11 I got to bed and not to sleep."—London Times.

Different.
"Visitor—I saw your husband in the crowd downtown today. In fact, he was so close that I could have touched him."
Hostess—That's strange. At home he is so close that nobody can touch him!—Pack.

The First in His Line.
"It was Atlas, wasn't it, pa, who held up the world?"
"Yes, my son."
"Then he must have been the first holdup man, wasn't he?"—Chicago Record-Herald.

Humorous Hint.
"Oh, I forgot to tell you to bring down my scissors, too," said the spoiled wife. "They're on the table in the bedroom. Won't you get them for me?"
"See here," complained the indignant husband. "I'm tired of waiting on you in this way."
"Are you, dear? Well, just be patient, and I'll let you wait on me in some other way."—Catholic Standard and Times.

A Man's Pay For Her.
Mrs. Kelly—Are ye takin' much stock in this attempt that a lot of the wimmen are makin' to get a vote for us, Mrs. Rafferty? Mrs. Rafferty—I ain't botherin' me head about such things. I'm satisfied to let Dinny and the boys do all the restin' for my family. But I do think that a woman should get man's pay. Mrs. Kelly—Well, I can assure you, Mrs. Rafferty, that I get one man's pay or know the reason why every Saturday night.—National Monthly.

Wouldn't You?
"I'm going back up April 10, marked a man to his wife."
"Well, let it rain!" responded the lady amiably.
"Certainly, my dear. There's really just what I needed to do."
What will you take?—Mrs. B. I don't want it, but if I had it I would take BLOODING COUGH CHECKER, a 2c bottle will cure you.

Color Cures.
Dr. Ponsa, director of the lunatic asylum at Alessandria, Italy, has cured many of his insane patients by confining them in rooms of some uniform color. Patients suffering from acute melancholia were especially cheerful after confinement in a red room. But some forms of life are adversely affected by certain colors. It has been observed, for instance, that flies and other insects do not flourish or are killed outright by the light which comes through blue glass or blue gasses.

Tantalum.
Tantalum, regarded as a rare metal, is becoming cheaper and is being tried for razors and surgical instruments. It seems to be superior to fine steel. A thread of tantalum, almost too fine to be seen by the naked eye, supports great weight; also makes fine filament for incandescence lamps, and is much economical than carbon.

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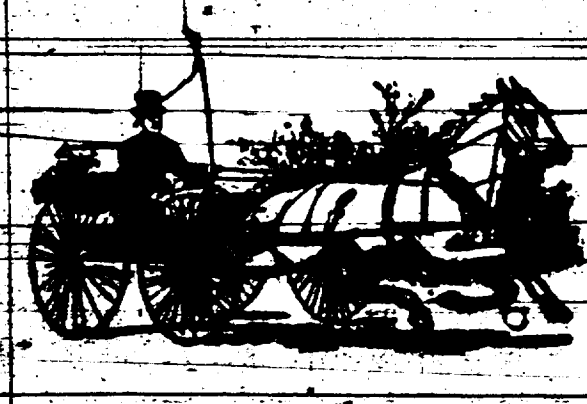
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the amateur who have been brought against him. He has fitted up a place where these matches take place...

Had No Funeral Service. Harrisonburg.—According to an old family custom, Mrs. Ada Taylor, 62 years old, who died in Bridge-water, Rockingham County...

The Plotters.

A Frame-up to Teach Robert Brown That Boxing Wasn't His Strong Hold.

(W. R. Rose in Cleveland Plain Dealer.)

The lady looked up as the maid entered the hall. She was a handsome lady of middle age, a lady of noticeable appearance, a lady who matched well with the beautiful apartment.

she replied. "He is twenty-five and his own master. I can only plead with him." She paused a moment.

"That's kind of you, ma'am," he said, "very kind. But, maybe, you don't quite understand who an 'what I am. I surely ain't the kind to give advice. I'm a street boy, ma'am, a knockabout of the gutter."

It was good boxing, very good boxing. Acting entirely on the defensive, the boy met the onslaughts of the confident Bobbie in a clever way...

Polioing in Nelson. Lynchburg.—A warrant has been issued in Nelson County for the arrest of John Moore, who is accused of poisoning Frank Howl...

Books For This New Library. Fredericksburg.—Directors of the Wallace Memorial Library of the city have purchased the private library of the Hon. Alexander Q. Holladay...

OUR WASTED WILD WEALTH.

The chance for some sort of conservation of our natural resources. We may save some of our natural resources, but these others are gone beyond recall.

When Bobbie came to himself with a little groan—he was supported in a chair by Tommy White and the boy was looking down at him.

Fredericksburg.—Miss Mattie D. Quinn, daughter of Captain S. J. Quinn, of this city, graduated at George Washington Hospital in Washington, June 2...

Hit Wife With Ax. Norfolk.—After striking his wife on the head with an ax in a sanatorium, of which he was caretaker, Edward Thompson, a negro, cut his own throat with a razor.

"Let me hear first what it is you want, ma'am. I'm not lookin' for dollars just at present. Things have been comin' my way pretty strong, ma'am, as maybe you heard. Anyway, I'm not sellin' any chances to oblige a real lady."

"Thank you," said the lady. She hesitated. "I am very willing to pay well for what I ask."

"That's bad," was the boy's comment. "Hard knocks makes a man fight harder."

square shoulders were rounded and his face wore an expression of mild lassitude.

Men Have Said of Women. Do not strike a woman, even with a power.—Hindoo Proverb.

Death Rather Than Face Court. Richmond.—Clarence E. Osborne, who endeavored to commit suicide as his cell at the Chesterfield County Jail, by opening an artery in his wrist...

The Central Argentine Railway Company is making an issue of 2,625,000 lb 4 per cent. debentures...

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Penn-Vir Coal, Oil & Gas Co.

What it is Doing in Promoting Developments in Virginia

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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 jeopardize 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 plans 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, 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 oil and gas mean anything to 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 sadly 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 23,900 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 instalments of thirty and sixty days from date of subscription. The stock is non-assessable. No certificate 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 sunk 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 8,500 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 venture, declaring that there was no possibility of getting either 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 others, the well began to flow in the sum 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 these 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.

As its products are the necessities of the world, the Penn-Vir Company will have a very great advantage over all other oil-producing sections of the United States—being in the neighborhood of 24 miles from tidewater on the Potomac and about 20 miles from Washington City.

Does not the Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Co. offer an unheard of opportunity for investment? We claim we do. Then, why not invest in it now? Not to-morrow, for its stock will go rapidly, and only a sufficient amount of stock will be sold to develop paying values. When the expected happens the stock-books will be closed.

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Breeding and Laying Houses. The question of housing is one much discussed and one on which a great many disagree.

Profitable Stock. We are daily coming in contact with the products of the dairy cow in one form or another, thus it is to the interest of the farmer to select his herd of cattle carefully...

Refuse to Pay, She Says. Mrs. Dora Montatore, the English suffragette who for three years refused to pay her taxes and had her goods sold by the sheriff in consequence, recommended similar methods to the New York Legislature...

The Best Ration for Hogs. In a recent bulletin the College of Agriculture of the University of Missouri has published the results of a number of swine feeding experiments, by E. B. Forbes.

Nurses Now Want Votes. The trained nurses are the latest body of professional women to join the suffrage movement. Dr. Mary Halton is taking the lead in getting them together.

Horse Distemper. It is known that a horse with distemper can communicate it to a healthy horse, and the germs are found in the discharges of the nostrils.

Legal to Hold Up Husband. A wife has a right to rob her husband, according to Judge Gemmill, of the Municipal Court, Chicago.

Young animals should not be brought in contact with those affected nor watered out of the same bucket, nor come in contact with any other property until it has been thoroughly disinfected.

Why Didn't you come to the dance the other night, Lieutenant-Colonel Schmidt? I believe you were afraid of all the girls you have been engaged to.



FROM A WOMAN'S VIEWPOINT

Puppy Love in Marriage. The hopelessness of it all in the marriage of extreme youth is that nine times out of ten love, which is the only thing that can possibly counteract poverty, proves in such cases to be a violent attack of the "puppy" variety, and soon develops into a condition to be relieved only by the divorce courts.

Don't carry my theory so far as to give each of the servants two days off between April 1 and the middle of May. By the way, such a plan helps one to hold one's servants through the next six months.

Ghost Skirts at English Levee. I hear through an official who was present at both occasions that the style of dress displayed on these occasions was for the most part astonishing. The younger ladies especially affected the quaintest of quite short skirts, off the ground all round and displaying in many cases wonderful shirings of gold or silver tissue or Morocco with high heels.

Virginia Sweet Pickle. Mix together two quarts each sliced cucumbers, onions and green tomatoes, two quarts butter beans that have been cooked 15 minutes, and two quarts chopped cabbage.

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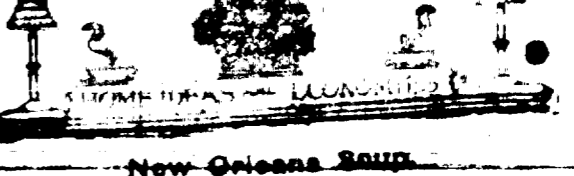
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New Orleans Soup

Add to two cupfuls fresh or canned tomatoes a teaspoonful of soda. Set over the fire and simmer gently while a quart of milk is set to boil in another vessel.

Sliced OH Pickle. Slice thin about 50 cucumbers, four inches in length, and one cupful salt and let stand over night. In the morning, rinse with cold water and drain thoroughly.

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Harriman's Will Made From Human Mind, but Out Magnate's Never. In President David's address at Stanford University, the subject of which was "The Wealth of Nations," reference was made to the lives of E. H. Harriman and other men whose success in drawing the lines of their own lives is not measured by what he does for himself, but rather by what he does for humanity.

Southwest Train Crews. The train crews of the Southwest, from sheer necessity, are making men able to take and appreciate a joke, says former Councilman J. C. Carran.

Got A Flying Start. Here is an old anecdote, drawn up in new clothes and located in the liberal atmosphere of Cincinnati. Maybe you want to read it again.

Most Popular Joke. The most popular joke which has been published in any language, the history of the world is stated to be that which appeared in the secure corner of the Punch Almanac for 1845.

Why He Married Some Things. An Irish politician had just returned from a trip abroad. A man met him and inquired: "Did you have a fine time, Mr. O'Connell?"

To Be Kept In Mind. Harold I know that I'm worthy of you, darling. Fair One—Remember that, old, and my married life will be happy.—Jewish Ledger.

A Taste A Smell. And satisfaction to the mouthful.

Post Toastie advertisement with text: "There's pleasure in the package. A trial will find the fascinating flavour." and "Served right from the package with cream or milk sometimes fruit fresh stewed."

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HOSPITAL CAMPAIGN

CITIZENS of Prince William County should readily and liberally subscribe funds for the hospital proposed by the Prince William Corporation. No difficulty should be encountered in securing the required amount. The Hospital primarily is to be a Prince William institution. It will meet a need long felt in this County. Subscriptions to the Hospital fund are neither donations nor gifts. Rather they may be regarded as insurance, a form of guaranteed protection. Each subscription is an advance payment for services to its full extent. The interest that has marked the inception and progress of the enterprise indicates a realization of the hopes of its founders. But it is now up to the people of Prince William County to make the proposition a reality. Subscribe to the fund, readily, liberally.

MEMORIAL

NATURE wept on Memorial Day. Skies draped in sombre black storm clouds, a heavy gray mist enveloping the landscape like a winding sheet, a dismal, drizzling rain creeping down, and a chill wind sighing mournfully over soldier mounds in the Confederate Cemetery, gave a setting of sorrow to the commemoration of Southern heroes gone beyond. But typifying the Glory that lies beyond the dark gates of the Valley of the Shadow, the dawn of the Day of Promise after the Night of Gloom, the sun, radiantly rolled away the pall the following morning, and brilliant skies smiled benediction. Southern devotion to cherished memories, Southern pride in the achievements of her heroes, Southern loyalty to a native ideal, were never more beautifully exemplified than when in the storm the reverent carried fragrant tokens to the graves of their soldier dead.

THE GYPSY CREED

A VIRGINIA gypsy queen is dead, and all her regal possessions have been destroyed in accordance with an ancient custom of the nomadic tribes. Her costly tent, draped with richest silks, her gorgeous wagon, glittering with gold and sparkling with jewels, both have been cast into the fire, and reduced to a heap of dull gray ashes. Her fine horse has been chloroformed. Gypsies, in fact, most nomads, hold to the doctrine of extinction—a belief that personality does not survive death, and that immortality solely exists upon a wholly impersonal, purely spiritual plane. It is a doctrine of despair to novitiates, and is employed with dread symbolism by Ibsen in portraying Peer Gynt in conversation with the invisible, inevitable Buttonmaker. Wild, outcast, profligate Peer Gynt, a rogue with the soul of a poet, a vagabond with the imagination of an artist, wins the love of Solveig, a mere child, an innocent, trusting peasant girl. Under a mental spell he leaves her, not to return until both have grown old. When he is about to claim his happiness the Buttonmaker meets him at the cross-roads and claims his soul. With ghastly facetiousness the Buttonmaker explains his mission of molding over souls, as gold when worn and marred from an original type of beauty is altered into a new. The Buttonmaker typifies the gypsy belief. It is not wholly destitute of hope.

DRINK

The kiss of death!
A grinning death's-head behind the enticing siren mask.
The lethal caress, then the mocking shriek of diabolic joy as the victim falls over the brink into Inferno.
"Bacchante, goddess, I love you," cries the victim, as blindly he stumbles into the fatal embrace. "Your siren song thrills my soul with celestial music. Your amorous smiles fire my heart with desire of you. But to touch your lips and I win Life—Life intense, eternal."
The mask falls—tender, warm, fragrant lips turn dank, cold, repulsive, hideous doom stares from the ghastly eyeless sockets of Death. Oh! the horror of it all, when one views the Frankenstein one has constructed—the haunting Nemesis there is no escaping. Remorse, gnawing, torturing, killing; despair, hopeless, fearsome, forbidding; misery, wringing the heart; doom extinguishing the altar fires of hope in the sanctuary of the soul.
Shattered ideals, lost hopes, broken hearts, wrecked lives and ruined homes are terrible tolls exacted by the awful, burning craving for strong drink. Sacrifices of love, of sentiments of friendship and regard—these, too, are demanded that one may worship at the shrine of the Bacchante goddess. Knowing the awful price one still drinks. And what of the great things one had planned to do? What of promises of a bright career? What of the man one was meant to be—Is there after all, no hope?—Is there no anvil to drive afar this evil? Where is the simple faith of childhood, the brilliant hopes of youth? Have these, too, gone beyond recall? And yet one continues to drink.
Ere long the primrose path of dalliance fades to a drear, dull, dusty road. The bright lights are dimmed, the gay song ends in a tragic note. Then falls retribution, swift and terrible. But one remembers with cry of anguish, "Absalom, my son Absalom." To others, dreams of what might have been are swept by the dying winds of memory.

SUICIDE

CLASPING the picture of a young man to her bosom and crying out to her baby sister that she was "tired of life," a sixteen-year-old girl in Washington made an unsuccessful attempt to end her grief by sending a bullet through her own heart. The girl, dangerously wounded, refuses to reveal the mystery of her romance, the only motive suspected in the tragedy. Even though she recovers, she doubtless never will release the secret locked fast in her heart, holding it there a prisoner, and, woman-like, loving it all the more dearly for the suffering it caused her. For the suicidal mania to seize a mere child, a girl of golden sixteen, may be diagnosed by alienists and neurologists, as a most shocking commentary on modern life. To the science specialist, a human being is merely an animated machine, marvelously constructed. But the romanticist analyzes the suicidal impulse in an entirely different light. To the romanticist, a human being is the personification of love. Ironical humorists invariably misanthropes, misogynists invariably, each sneer at unconventional manifestations of love. It is because they are calloused to suffering, therefore lost to Divine passion. And so they laugh, mockingly, sneeringly. I know a man whom the world regards as a cynic, a woman-hater. But this man at heart is a sentimentalist, of an extreme type—he worships as an angel a woman who came into his life, and he has reason to know that she loves him. He is a man of brilliant intellect, high attainments and exalted ideals—her equal in birth and social position. The woman has given him opportunities to declare his love, but, with breaking heart, he has ignored them, wounding her deeply, even as though he did not love her. In justice to himself, in justice to the woman, why did he spurn her then—then, mind you, for that man told me he still clings to hope? In justice to the woman, in justice to himself, the man did it because he is addicted to strong drink, and would rather sacrifice his heaven than risk bringing disgrace and suffering into the life of the woman he loves. You say that he loves drink better than the woman. Not so. Do you not know that alcoholism is a subtle disease curable only under the most powerful influence of the will, and then only after an apparently interminable period, and only after occasional relapses. And until he can appear before her as the man he was meant to be the man will not claim the woman—his by rights. The man told me this is true. But it is hell! It is living death! It is the stuff of which suicides are made.

One night, when his cross seemed more than he could bear, this man crept along silent, deserted paths down to a dark river bank. There was the bright flash of a revolver reflected in the eager, sinister stream, a form leaped from an overhanging bush, there was a brief struggle and the waiting waters were cheated of their prey. A friend had followed and rescued him from the brink of death. But here is where jeering critics of sentimentality may gaze upon a scene to excite their risibilities. The man took from his breast a tiny locket, opened it and broke down. It contained a faded rose and a single, just one, strand of a woman's golden hair. The man told his friend that the woman had pressed the rose to her lips, and then twined it in her hair. It fell at his feet, and he gained possession of the prize without discovery.

The man is regarded as a godless profligate by those who do not know him, and he has been cast off by his family for his wild ways, but he told his friend that every night he knelt in prayer imploring deliverance from his Nemesis, and that always as though in answer, he clasped a faded rose and a strand of golden hair, angel tokens beckoning him on to heaven.
That r a with his tragic heart story is being tried in the alembic of sorrow, transcending all commonplace, conventional tests of character. You say, he is pursuing the wrong course. Thousands of broken-hearted women will tell you he is right, even noble. But, you say, suicide is cowardice. You are wrong. It requires the highest type of courage. But the man making the fight will he win? Yes, he will win. How do I know? I am his friend.

PARAGRAPHS

HOPE is still held out that summer is really here.
PINCHOT contemplates a lecture tour. More trouble in sight.
A BANE Fourth is being planned for Atlantic City. Is it possible?
THE graduates now will have a chance to work out their theories when they strike a job.
FEDERAL officers report that stills are running in North Carolina. On the quiet, of course.
A NEW YORK woman, widow for the fourth time, has landed another husband. Practice makes perfect.
THE hottest day in seven years was reported yesterday in Oklahoma. They must have overlooked the Haskell-Cruce campaign.
THE deposed shah of Persia has taken up the study of medicine. Under the circumstances his practice doubtless will be limited.
A CHICAGO magistrate has ruled that it is legal for a woman to hold up her husband. On the grounds, probably, that custom makes the law.
WAS reference meant to the ministry in a news item that "an aerial lighthouse for the guidance of sky pilots is being erected in Germany?"
THE Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Company expects to begin field operations within two weeks. The success of this enterprise means much to Prince William County.
JAMES J. HILL, railroad king, declares that the public will suffer as the result of "federal tactics" in the rate cases. His statement meant as a warning might be construed a threat. Anyhow, the public is used to suffering at the instance of some railroads.

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