

LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

As intimated in last week's report, Governor Stuart on Saturday sent a rousing message to the Legislature urging primary election reforms. Being the first of its kind since the Montague regime, it was distinctly refreshing and made some of the sleepy ones rub their eyes. Senator Holt and some of the others who helped emasculate the Byrd bill last session have come forward, with a committee bill which actually marks an advance, though containing a few feeble spots. Tuesday the matter comes up in the Senate and it is more than likely that most of the Governor's suggestions will be accepted.

Last week's report did not go amiss in predicting that the Governor would sign the Enabling Act, which he did within a few hours after receiving the elaborate brief of Senator Early against it. There is still a lot of talk about its constitutionality and any one can take a guess on that subject, but the Court of Appeals, as the saying is, will have the last word. At least, there should be some way of finding out at once whether or not the bill was properly passed.

The Senate spent practically the whole of last week upon the appropriation bill. As usual, there was a tug of war among the different interests and institutions over the available funds. The fight, however, raged around the effort to increase the appropriation for the common schools. Senator Mann strove for an increase of \$150,000 and failed. Senator Featherston struck out for an \$85,000 increase and got it, making a total of \$600,000. The Senators who voted against the increase were Buchanan, Echols, Edmondson, Fletcher, Hart, Holt, Lesner, Moncure, Paul, Rinehart, Thornton, Walker, Wendenburg and West. The House will start to work upon their appropriation bill in a few days and after a week's struggle will turn out a very different bill from that which passed the Senate. Then there will be a wrangle in conference and a compromise bill will be agreed upon.

The rolling stock bill which passed the House Thursday strips the home cities of the railroads of the last remnant of their advantage, thus ending the long fight in a manner pleasing to the counties and also, it is rumored, to the railroads which make a substantial saving by being taxed according to the county rates. The Senate will concur.

The House has passed the Stiphenson anti-gambling bill, which is a pretty drastic measure. It is not likely to find favor with the Senate, which has put to sleep other bills of the kind at other sessions.

The House could not get the Senate to agree to investigate the Soldiers' Homes, and thereupon started out to look into the matter themselves. The Senate has concurred in the resolution asking Congress to purchase Monticello.

On Tuesday the House committee on elections reported against the woman's suffrage resolution, as was predicted two weeks ago. Liquor legislation is still being urged. A bill has passed the House designed to prevent the shipment of intoxicants to students in colleges and a very strict anti-jug measure has been introduced in the Senate.

Delegate Land has had the committee discharged from the consideration of the vice measure, similar to the Kenyon bill recently passed by Congress. In the Senate, Senator Featherston tried to have a vice commission established but it was voted down.

The House finance committee has favorably reported bill to exempt physicians from the payment of license taxes, and it begins to look as though this reform had some chance of passage. Senator Drewry failed to get the Senate committee on privileges and elections discharged from the consideration of his bill to prevent the corrupt payment of poll taxes. This committee has several times killed such measures.

The West free bill, amended half to death, is utterly unable to move but all meritorious bills will be in a like situation in a couple of weeks when two or three objections will prevent their being considered. One ninety-day session would be worth as much to the people as six sessions of only sixty days each.

One of the biggest fights ahead will be over the proposed tax commission. Business men generally and many of the conservative members of the Legislature desire a commission of five named by the Governor. However, the predominant sentiment among the members seem to be for a large commission of members only. Perhaps there may be a harmonizing of the two ideas with a commission of, say, fifteen members plus five outside experts named by the Governor. Anyway, it is doubtful whether the special session of only thirty days can accomplish a general revision of our tax system.

The current week will witness the convocation of progressive democrats, who will meet Friday pursuant to the call issued by Attorney-General Pollard. Senator Owen will speak Friday night and Secretary of State W. J. Brvan on Saturday night. The latter's theme will be "Progressive Democracy." Earlier in the day he will address the Legislature, and will naturally be the object of much attention while in Richmond.

The progressive democrats declare their program to be formulaic and not factional, and insist that they are merely trying to bring Virginia into line with her more progressive sister states.

TO SPREAD FARMING GOSPEL

Congress has before it a bill providing means by which the experts of the agricultural schools can go forth and tell the farmers face to face that which the experts have been telling in the written word. The idea is to make the work of the schools a little more practical, to spread the gospel of good farming a little more directly, to show by example just how much good meat there is in these things which the scientists have been setting down in books.

Without doubt there is a tremendous amount of lore stored away in the records and libraries and brains of the agricultural colleges which does not get to the folk who can benefit by it. Life is too short, there is too much to do, there are too many ideas bobbing up from day to day, there is too much go-aheadness in the human mind, for experts, once they have made discoveries or developed a system or improved upon something or other, to spend all their days in harping upon and distributing one set of facts. They write about them and then go on with other work. "Perhaps the facts are made use of, perhaps they are not. The trouble is that the form of distributing wisdom is defective." It is a hit-or-miss game.

The bill in Congress ought to pass. It is the best thing in the way of agricultural improvement which has been suggested for several years. If you have any interest in farming, it would help things to urge your congressman to give this measure his vote.

COUNTRY IS PROSPEROUS

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and Secretary of the Agriculture Huston, who have been on a tour of the whole country for several weeks, visiting the large cities in each section and holding hearings therein for the purpose of ascertaining the most desirable points at which to establish the New Government Reserve Banks, returned to Washington last week. They bring the most optimistic reports in regard to the industrial condition of the country, Secretary McAdoo states that he was amazed at the vigorous prosperity which he found nearly everywhere. Business had slowed down very much when the new currency law became a reality on December 23, but since then business has been going forward with leaps and bounds. While the new currency banks are not in operation yet, still the new law contained a provision that any bank which was short of money could deposit its securities at once with the United States Treasury and secure funds with which to meet the demands of its customers for loans. This provision to a large extent practically put the new Currency Law into operation at once as far as financial relief is concerned, and that is why it has had such a beneficial effect on the business of the country.

PARAGRAPHS

Some people get religion every time they get sick. Where there is a will there is generally a way to break it. Many a widow doesn't really feel as black as she is dressed. Many a parvenue has the best of everything except manners. Knocking at the other fellow is a mighty poor way of boosting your own name.

The fuzzy taste the next morning is apt to make a fellow feel down in the mouth. One suffragist says men ought to be abolished. Yes; but then who would make the bed for the sweat peas?

"Chinese damned the tangos two thousand years before the Christian era." And see where they are now.

The man with patches on the seat of his trousers isn't so apt to borrow money as the well-dressed man who owes his tailor.

The less a man does the more fuss he makes. A hen with one chicken does more scratching than if she had a family of fifteen.

Abe Martin says: No matter how hard times git the wages of sin are alius liberal-ah'-'on' th' dot. Politics makes strange bed-fellows.

An Ohio man complains that his wife left him thirteen times. But he seems to overlook the bright side of the story—that she came back twelve times.

"A Pennsylvania woman wants a divorce because her husband makes her draw a plow." She ought to have it; drawing a plow is not a feminist movement.

Booze is full of imagination. Some men will stand in front of a bar mirror and console themselves with the thought that they look a little better after every drink.

There are 2,273,603 illiterate males of 21 years and over in the United States. "Would it be an insult to the intelligence of this vast army to say that women ought to be given the ballot?"

"No babies; no ballots." That, in substance, is the proposition a Canadian anti-suffragist is advocating. Has Canada no Rosalie Joneses who are willing to get their feet wet for the cause?

Rage increases the amount of sugar in one's body, says a Harvard professor. In spite of the professor's opinion, becoming enraged is unthinkable as a popular method of keeping sweet.

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After an illness of about four weeks, Miss Josephine Larkin passed away at the home of her niece, Mrs. C. M. Larkin... We are ready to announce three prizes for the best yield of corn... The farmer of Prince William County will have the opportunity of competing for several valuable prizes... "That Compulsory Education in Virginia is Necessary for the Efficiency of Public Schools..."

The business men of Manassas are asked to assist us in this work by offering small prizes... The rules are as follows: 1. In connection with the demonstration work in Prince William county... 2. Any farmer or farmer boy residing in said county...

Mr. W. H. Howe, a young man connected with the signal corps of the Southern Railway, was struck by train No. 35 yesterday and received injuries from which he died shortly after... Mr. W. D. Zinn, of Phillips, Va., gave a very interesting address on the care of the soil...

Mr. James Wyckoff, formerly of Manassas, died last Friday morning at Providence Hospital in Washington, at the age of seventy-five years... Mr. Gustav Peters, who made quite a record hunting big game and killing a bear in the wilderness of West Virginia last year...

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With the assistance of the State School District has provided a thorough course of instruction in Agriculture, Domestic Science and Manual Training, for the purpose, in addition to the pupils of the High School, as well as some incidental instruction in the same branches for the primary and secondary grades.

The citizens of Manassas have contributed toward the school and other purposes, in addition to the taxes levied for the school, about \$4,000, in subscriptions and otherwise. In addition to this the School District has also been furnished by the farmers of this Congressional District in regular Farmers' Institutes, held monthly under the management of the Director of the Agricultural High School, for 7 to 12 days' instruction in the principles of Agriculture, Domestic Science and Manual Training. The citizens of Manassas have contributed toward the school and other purposes, in addition to the taxes levied for the school, about \$4,000, in subscriptions and otherwise. In addition to this the School District has also been furnished by the farmers of this Congressional District in regular Farmers' Institutes, held monthly under the management of the Director of the Agricultural High School, for 7 to 12 days' instruction in the principles of Agriculture, Domestic Science and Manual Training.

The number of pupils in the High School Grades in 1907 was less than 30. Now the number is about 90, and the total enrollment in High School, Grammar School and Primary Grades, is fully 400. Whenever pupils have come to Manassas from outside and have been found not prepared for the High School Grade, they have been admitted free in the other grades of the school. It has been found best to preserve an intimate relation between all of the grades named, so that practically speaking, the High School, the Grammar Schools and the Primary Grades are conducted as one institution. The effort has been made to give instruction to children in the primary and grammar grades in the laws of nature, the general principles of growth in animal and vegetable life and in primary agriculture, also in sewing and Domestic Science; in order that the children when they enter the High School can be suitably prepared for the instruction therein. In addition to the above, the County School Board of Prince William County and private contributors have for the past two years made provision for instruction throughout the County in Boys' Corn Clubs and Girls' Canning Clubs, which have been carried on under the general superintendence of the school authorities and the instructors in the Agricultural High School. The Board of Supervisors of Prince William County have for the coming year appropriated \$300, in addition to the above for a continuation of demonstration work.

The undersigned has not been connected officially with the Manassas Agricultural High School for the last two years, but he has been an interested observer. He believes that a proper development of the ten State Agricultural Schools would do for Virginia in the next twenty years what a similar system has done for Wisconsin and Minnesota in the past twenty years. If he was a member of the General Assembly, he would vote for an annual appropriation of \$5,000, for maintenance, and for a special appropriation of \$2,500, for the coming year for necessary buildings and other extension equipment. He would also provision work throughout the bounds, either by the State College of Agriculture or the Department of Public Instruction. The lack of Agricultural High School not only since 1912, but continuously from the year 1908 to the present time. The School Board of Manassas District has regularly sent the Director of the said School to any point in the Eighth Congressional District where his services as a lecturer, or adviser in Agricultural matters has been asked for, at the expense of the public funds, but without any increase of pay to the Director.

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Mon., Mar. 16, 1914

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TERMS—Sums of \$10 and under cash. Over that amount a credit of six months will be given, purchaser to give negotiable interest bearing note with approved security, payable at the National Bank of Manassas, Va.

Sale will begin 8:30 A. M. If raining, sale will be the next fair day.

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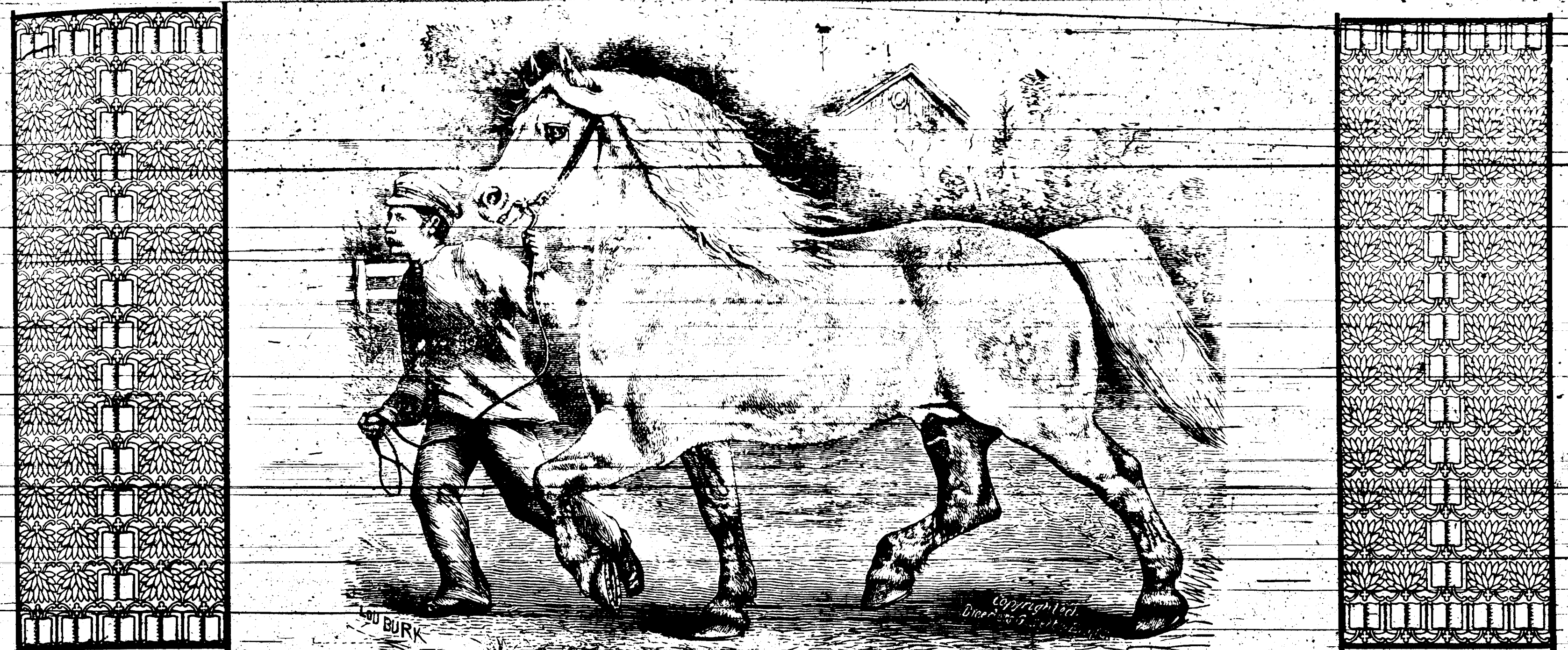
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EXHIBIT AT OLD MANASSAS

The following article was taken from the American Sheep Breeder and was contributed by Mrs. E. D. Clark, the subject of which is the unique exhibit held by women's clubs, as auxiliaries of the Western Virginia Farmer's Institute, in Manassas, recently.

Believing that anything in relation to wool and mohair will be of interest to your readers, I thought to tell them about a little exhibit of wool products which I recently made at historic Old Manassas, where the different women's clubs—as auxiliaries of the Western Virginia Farmer's Institute—exhibited many and various things pertaining to home arts and economics. Being one of the judges, I have opportunity now whereof I speak when I would have been a creditable exhibit at any state fair.

Departed from the beaten path because I wanted to demonstrate one way of getting around the tariff on wool and to engage the sheep and Angora boys in this broken section of the world. A placard stated that neighbors heared the same kind of sheep (the dogs have at this time reduced both to a nineteen). One sent wool to a commission man, giving six dollars in return, other sent his to the Leaks and Wooten Mills, who paid the wooler the wool up on returning a pack of blankets—which at retail would cost dollars—also twenty-two and yards of cloth.

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VIROLOGICAL HORSE SHOW DATES

The Virginia Horse Show Association has recently announced the schedule for the coming season which opens in May and continues with shows at various places during the summer. The performances will be held at the following places on the following dates:

Keewick, May 15.
Leesburg, June 3 and 4.
Upperville, June 10 and 11.
Culpeper, July 3 and 4.
Front Royal, July 22 and 23.
Manassas, July 29 and 30.
Orange, August 5 and 6.
Charlottesville, August 12 and 13.
Warrenton, August 19 and 20.
Berryville, August 25, 26 and 27.

Joel M. Cockran, of Charlottesville, was elected president; Powell Page, of Berryville; vice president; Blair Johnson, of Warrenton, secretary and treasury, at a recent meeting held in Washington.

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