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DOUGLAS P. EDMONDS ANSWERS DEATH CALL STRICKEN SATURDAY WITH APOPLEXY End. Cause Without Warning, While Mr. Edmonds Was In Apparent Usual Health—Cause of Manassas Loss of Representative Citizen. (By R. W. MERCHANT) Douglas P. Edmonds, 52 years old, one of the best known business men of Prince William county, was stricken with apoplexy, as a result of acute indigestion, at his home, near Greenwich, at an early hour on Saturday morning, and died two hours later without regaining consciousness. Dr. J. C. Meredith, coroner, viewed the body and without an inquest gave a certificate of death in accordance with the facts stated. Mr. Edmonds was in Gainesville on business in the afternoon, preceding his death, and expressed himself to friends as feeling in his usual good health. He arose Saturday morning at his usual hour and after partaking of an unusually hearty breakfast, went to the barn to care for his stock and was found unconscious a short time later. His tragic death came as a shock to his sisters, who shared his home, and to his two brothers, one in West Virginia and the other in Missouri, whom he has not seen for years, as well as his neighbors and his many warm friends throughout the county. REPRESENTATIVE CITIZEN Mr. Edmonds was in Manassas a few days before his death and was elected a member of the board of directors of the Prince William Hospital Corporation. He was regarded as a man of sound business judgment and his hearty co-operation in the hospital movement was looked upon with marked favor by the proposed association. He was a director of the Prince William Horse Show association. MANY ATTEND FUNERAL Mr. Edmonds was a widower, his wife, who was a Miss Fitzhugh, of Baltimore, having died some years since. His funeral took place from his late residence on Sunday afternoon, Rev. M. Cook, pastor of Greenwich Presbyterian church, officiating, and interment was in Greenwich Presbyterian churchyard. The deceased was survived by his friends, Dr. J. C. Meredith, of Manassas, and Messrs. James Dublin, John Reid, W. M. Washington, and Bert and Oscar Ellis, of near Greenwich. The three sorrowing sisters, Miss Hattie Edmonds, of Washington, and Misses Annie and Ella Edmonds, of near Greenwich, have the deepest sympathy of all in their sad and sudden bereavement of a brother's care and a brother's love. DEATH DEEPLY MOURNED When the last sad rites of placing the floral tributes upon the grave had been performed by those who laid the remains of Douglas Edmonds to rest in the quiet cemetery, of the church in which he had worshipped for many years, the thoughts uppermost in their minds were that they had lost a noble-hearted and genial friend, his heart-broken sisters as affectionate and devoted brother and the community a worthy and valued citizen. Plans and specifications for a new hall today were sent by the architect to bidders and the contract probably will be awarded within a week. The excavating was finished yesterday and work has been started on the foundation.	ANNOUNCE PLANS FOR COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES BEGIN FRIDAY, MAY 27 Open With Reception of Junior Class by Dr. H. U. Roop—Commencement Exercises Will Be Held June 1. Departure from school life into life's school will mark commencement week for graduates from Eastern College with elaborate ceremonies to begin Friday night, May 27, with a reception of the senior class by President H. U. Roop, and closing Wednesday morning, June 1, when the young men and young women are presented with diplomas. COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES The exercises for the tenth annual commencement of Eastern College, will be held in the college chapel Wednesday morning, June 1, at 10 o'clock. The principal speaker has not yet been chosen. Dr. H. U. Roop will address the graduates when he presents the diplomas. Honorations will be delivered by Miss Carrie E. Bonner, Waterbury, Conn.; Miss Louise Mather, Manassas, and R. L. Corkran, Baltimore. Diplomas in the A. B. degree will be presented to Miss Estelle Laws, Bayard, Va.; Sibley Kelsington, N. J.; Harold Sowers, Stonebridge, Va.; J. J. McGivney, Brooklyn, N. Y.; G. E. Sparrow, Scranton, Pa.; Miss Carrie E. Bonner, Waterbury, Conn.; Miss Louise Mather, Manassas; R. L. Corkran, Baltimore. Miss Eva L. Horne, Portsmouth, N. H., and Miss Louise Mather, Manassas, will receive teachers' diplomas from the piano department. Hubert White, Winston, Va., and G. W. Norman, Purcellville, Va., are among those receiving certificates from the commercial department. The president's reception to the senior class on Friday night, May 27, will be followed Saturday night, May 28, by a vocal, instrumental and elocutionary recital by students of the music and expression department. BACCALAUREATE SERMON The Baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by Dr. H. U. Roop on Sunday morning, May 29, at 10:30 o'clock, and in the evening Judge C. E. Nicol will deliver the annual address to the graduates of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C.	WIDE INTEREST IN MUSICAL FESTIVAL ELABORATE PRODUCTION AT EASTERN Noted Artists Will Appear With Amplest Chorus—Contemporary Appraisement of Eastern Opera Company Here Next Season. Manassas will celebrate the May musical festival Saturday at Eastern College—a carnival of song ushering in an annual series of elaborate musical productions. Town, county and college are uniting in making the initial production a splendid success, a foundation for future presentations which will make Manassas a recognized musical center. Never before in Manassas has so elaborate a production been offered, and for artistic worth it has attained a metropolitan standard. With an augmented chorus noted artists are to appear making this initial event worthy of wide recognition in musical circles and establishing a basis for future events here under the direction of Eastern College Glee and Choral society. The great interest manifested in the festival has encouraged Mrs. Frances Gordon to contemplate plans for the appearance of a noted opera company in Manassas next year. A reception will be held in honor of the visiting musicians at Ladies' Hall in the afternoon, and a concert will be given by the Manassas band. FLAWLESS TECHNIQUE Miss Ethel Tosier's art has created wide comment, and among many fine press notices she has received the following from the Washington Post: "Miss Ethel Tosier excelled at the piano with Liszt's 'Gnomes'." "Miss Tosier plays with artistic ease; her technique is flawless, and her interpretation correct. She entered with Weber's 'Perpetual Motion,' a most difficult piece, which she played with éclat. Mrs. Mabel Owen Beard sang Gluck's contralto solo 'Aria' from 'Orpheus.' Her voice is sweet and of power and expression, and with proper attention will, no doubt, develop in a highly satisfactory manner. She responded with Lawson's 'Summer Evening.'" BEAUTIFUL VOICE Recognition of Mr. Richard P. Backing is given by The Musical Courier, on December 22, in the following complimentary terms: "The Washington Choral Society, under direction of Heinrich Hammer, gave its first concert of the season Wednesday night in the D. A. R. hall before a large and enthusiastic audience. Mr. Richard Backing's singing should place him in the front rank of local singers. He has a voice of much beauty and sings with an ease which shows careful training, not only in tone production, but in breath control. He was easily the favorite of the evening. It is hoped that more will be heard from this young tenor during the coming year."	RIVAL ATHLETES STRIVE FOR HONORS STELLAR EVENTS ON ROUND FIELD Great Interest Maintained in Track and Field Meet of Northern Virginia High Schools To Be Held Saturday—Round Field Grounds. When the starter's gun sounds the signal for the century runners to dash down the cinder path on Round field next Saturday afternoon the field and track meet of the Northern Virginia high schools will open, with athletes trained to the minute contesting for the honors. The events will begin promptly at 1:30 p. m. Great interest, particularly throughout Prince William county, is manifested in the meet, and with fair weather Round field will be the scene of the largest assemblage ever gathered there to witness an athletic contest. MANASSAS ENTRIES STRONG In Aray and Lightner Manassas has a team that is expected to make opponents do some record running to beat them out at the tape. They will have charge of the sprints and past performances indicate that they can carry off the honors. In weights R. C. Haydon and Wallace Sanders will make a strong showing. Manassas will be represented in distance events by a capable trio, M. E. Lynch, R. C. Haydon and J. B. Johnson. The broad jump will be taken care of by R. W. Aray and M. E. Lynch, while in the high jump the High School will enter a coming star in Harry Sanders. In the high hurdles and pole vault, W. J. Adamson and P. J. Haydon will show the spectators a few stunts worthy of emulation. R. W. Aray and Hubert Moon are looked upon to take care of all corners in the low hurdles. Allen Merchant and P. S. Haydon make up the quarter miles and experience has shown that they will make good. Against this team The Plains will enter a fast competition in F. Hulfish, H. Weaver, Vance Thompson, and Carl and Cecil Haddis. They are coming prepared to take some trophies back with them. In addition to the track meet in the afternoon, a game of basketball will be played in the forenoon at 11 o'clock between girls of the Manassas High School and the Floris High School, from near Herndon.	ENDURANCE RUNNERS IN MANASSAS TODAY ANTO TEXT RICHMOND TO WASHINGTON Forty Cars With One Hundred Enthusiastic Motorists on Virginia Endurance Run—Round Field Grounds. One hundred motorists in forty touring cars are scheduled to arrive in Manassas today on the Virginia endurance run from Richmond to Washington. The contest is a result of the good road movement, and will do much to accelerate highway improvements throughout the State. ON WAY TO WASHINGTON The pilot car and officials left Richmond yesterday morning at 5:30 o'clock, with other cars departing at minute intervals. The run into Manassas will be through Culpeper, Brandy, Elkwood, Remington-Midland, Calverton and Catlett. Proceeding to Washington the run will be by the way of Centerville, Fairfax, Annandale, Arlington and over the long bridge into the city. NOTIFY SUPERVISOR GULICK Allen Potts, managing editor of The Richmond Times Dispatch, has addressed the following communication to J. F. Gulick of the board of supervisors of Prince William county: "Dear Sir—We will pass through your district on the Virginia endurance run on May 5, 6 and 7. As this run has been arranged in the interest of the good road movement, I trust it will be agreeable to do all in your power to have the roads in first class condition. There will probably be 100 people in the party and this will be an excellent opportunity to show the good road improvement to the people of the State."	MANASSAS WINS COUNTY BANNER GRADED SCHOOLS TRACK MEET SUCCESS Haymarket Captures Gainesville District Banner—While Manassas Wins County Title for One Room Schools. Two hundred enthusiastic spectators, cheering on their favorites with school yells and deafening shouts, lined the cinder path on Round field Saturday afternoon when athletes from the graded schools of Prince William county contested for supremacy. The track was fast and ideal weather prevailed, making the meet successful, even beyond the hopes of its promoters. KEEN RIVALRY Keen rivalry existed between schools with each event a contest worthy the name. Particularly was this true of the high jump in the 95-pound class when after Cundiff Williams and Robert Newman had each reached 4 feet 8 inches, they made three ineffectual attempts to break the tie by touching another inch. In the open weight high jump, Carter Green, Bradley, and Robert Newman, Manassas, tied for second honor. Roswell Round made a last sprint, when he covered 70 yards in 8 1/2 seconds. Manassas with 33 points won the county banner; Haymarket with 15 points won the Gainesville district banner. Bradley with 14 points against Cannon's Branch with 9 points, won the Manassas district banner for one room schools. RESULTS OF MEET Following are the results of the meet: 440-yard dash: First, Gustav Peters, Haymarket, 1:00 2/5; second, Burr Button, Manassas, third, Carl Green, Bradley. High jump, First, 80 pounds, Willis Meets, Cannon's Branch, 4 feet 10 inches; second, Robert Leachman, Manassas, 3 feet 8 inches. Broad jump, 115 pounds: First, Roswell Round, Manassas, 15 feet 8 inches; second, Cundiff Williams, Manassas, 14 feet 10 inches; third, Raymond Green, Bradley, 13 feet 11 inches. 100-yard dash: First, Francis Lewis, Manassas, 13-1/5 seconds; second, Kenneth Howard, Manassas; third, Raymond Green, Bradley. One-half mile race: Roswell Round, Manassas, 2:28; second, Norville Wheeler, Manassas; third, Cundiff Williams, Manassas. High jump, 115 pounds: First, Robert Newman, Manassas, 4 feet 11 inches; second, Raymond Green, Bradley, 3 feet 11 inches. High jump, unlimited: First, Gustav Peters, Haymarket, 4 feet 5 inches; second, Carter Green, Bradley, and Robert Newman, Manassas, tie, 4 feet 5 inches. Broad jump, unlimited: First, Francis Lewis, Manassas, 14 feet 5 inches; second, Carter Green, Bradley, 13 feet 6 inches; Kenneth Howard, Manassas, 12 feet 11 inches. 30-yard dash, 90 pounds: First, Robert Leachman, Manassas, 3 seconds; second, Maurice Harrell, Manassas; third, Carl Kincheloe, Manassas. High jump, 95 pounds: First, Robert Newman and Cundiff Williams, Manassas, tie, 4 feet 3 inches; second, Willis Meets, Cannon's Branch, 3 feet 10 inches. Broad jump, 80 pounds: First, Maurice Harrell, Manassas, 12 feet 5 inches; second, Robert Leachman, Manassas, and Willis Meets, Cannon's Branch, tie, 11 feet 5 inches. 70-yard dash, 115 pounds: First, Roswell Round, Manassas, 3 1/5 seconds; second, Raymond Green, Bradley. Broad jump, 95 pounds: First, Cundiff Williams, Manassas, 13 feet 10 inches; second, Arthur Leff, Manassas, 10 feet 3 inches; third, Burr Button, Manassas, 13 feet. 200-yard dash: First, Gustav Peters, Haymarket, 32 seconds; second, Norville Wheeler, Manassas. 60-yard dash, 95 pounds: First, Arthur Leff, Manassas, 3 1/5 seconds; second, Cundiff Williams, Manassas; third, William Leachman, Cannon's Branch. Relay race, 200 yards, between third and fourth grades, Manassas, won by Francis Merchant, Clarence B. Carl Kincheloe, Philip Sanders. Third grade team—Roy Rexrode, James Rastwiste, Floyd Bryant, Thornton Garwell.
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RECTOR BIDS PARISH FAREWELL
Eloquent Sermon by Rev. Robinson

Came Three Years' Splendid Service at Trinity Church, Manassas, and St. Anne's Memorial Church, Nokesville.

After nearly three years service as rector of Trinity Episcopal Church of Manassas, and of St. Anne's Memorial Chapel, Nokesville, Rev. Leslie Robinson bade the congregations of these churches an affectional farewell in a sermon preached in Trinity Church in the morning and in St. Anne's Memorial Church in the afternoon on Sunday.

Without the selection of a text and without any verbiage of formality, Mr. Robinson expressed his regrets in severing his connection with these churches, and recounted the many kindnesses and considerations which had been shown him by his congregations and members.

FAREWELL WORDS
 He spoke feelingly of his high appreciation of the regrets expressed to him personally, and through others, that his resignation, based upon a sacred duty, as he had conceived it, had been handed in. "It is a great responsibility to be the leader of a church," said Mr. Robinson, "and when I recall the many noble Christian characters in the congregations I have been serving, I cannot but feel that I have not measured up to the duties and responsibilities which devolved upon me. In my ministerial relations with my church membership I have endeavored to show absolute social impartiality, and only in one instance was I found fault with, in this particular, through unmerited judgment."

REGRET DEPARTURE
 "I am not leaving you because you have not responded nobly to my requests, both on account of the Church and my own personal necessities, but because I feel that the interest of the churches with which I am severing my connection, as well as my own demand, the steps which I have taken." The large congregation at Trinity church, together with the great number of communicants who partook of the Holy Communion, for the last time from their beloved rector, evidenced the high esteem in which he is held and marked the regrets felt at his departure from among them.

The Rev. Robinson and family leave tomorrow night for his new pastorate at Cisson, Albemarle county. He will preach his first sermon there next Sunday.

HONOR CONFERENCE VETERANS

The reunion of the United Confederate Veterans, held in Mobile, Ala., three days, was a complete social and financial success, according to Lieutenant E. D. Merchant, of Manassas, sole representative from Prince William county. About 30,000 were in attendance at the reunion, 8,000 of whom were soldiers of "the lost cause."

"The Immortal Six Hundred," of which Lieut. Merchant is a member, was more largely represented than at any previous reunion twenty-two of the survivors being present. The sponsor for this organization was Miss Morgan, of Richmond, and the maid of honor, Miss Grayson, daughter of Captain D. C. Grayson, of Washington, both of whom marched in the parade as aides to the color bearer.

The camp assembled April 27 and passed in review on the closing day. A royal good time was accorded the old soldiers, the officers and officials of Mobile mingling with each other toward their comfort and enjoyment. The sponsors and maids of honor of the various military organizations were banquetted by the city of Mobile at an elaborate social function and the veterans by the U. D. C., of the city of Mobile. The reunion program closed with a Mardi Gras, and Little Rock, Ark., was named as next place of meeting.

FACTS IN FEW LINES

The number of emigrants from the way last year was 25,188.

There are in Atlantic Ocean fishing boats 15,000.

A strip of land one-half inch wide and sixty-five feet long has just been sold in New York city.

In Wood Green, England, there is living a woman 106 years of age who can read without glasses.

During the last fiscal year 3,117,001, 685 fishes and fish eggs were distributed by the bureau of fisheries.

Homes for breeding purposes are still admitted free of duty into the United States under the new tariff.

A big Pennsylvania anthracite mining company is turning its accumulations of rock dust for years into briquets.

An international congress will be held at Stockholm this year in an endeavor to obtain a fair estimate of the iron supply of the world.

Great trouble is experienced in obtaining domestic servants in any part of South Australia. The wages offered are up to £1 5s. a week.

Experts who have examined the recently discovered deposit of mica-graphic stone in Greece declare that at least 35,000,000 cubic feet of the choicest quality flags are in sight.

Denmark was in line with other nations last year in showing heavier public expenditures than receipts. The deficit was \$4,085,000. For 1900-10 the deficit is estimated at \$10,000,000.

The proposal is once more made that the Bank of England shall issue one pound notes, and among financiers there is likely to arise keen controversy as to the probable effects of such an issue.

The latest German mineral discoveries are located in Alsace, close to the French boundary, and the potassium deposits there will probably extend across into France, as has been the case with the salt wells.

From an insignificant island with a few thousand inhabitants, devoting themselves almost exclusively to fishing, Newfoundland is waking up and becoming an important mining, lumbering and papermaking section.

Although pardoned after serving fifteen years in the Atlanta penitentiary, Thomas Taylor declined to leave the prison. He had been in charge of the prison drug store, and, no successor being available, he has now been tried to remain on salary.

In some English coal mines the men want payment for their time going from the mine entrance to where they work, often a long distance. Instead of granting this several mine owners are constructing underground electric railways to transport the miners.

London seems to have possessed a roller skating rink over three-quarters of a century ago, for in 1823 mention can be found of the invention of a skate "for rendering the amusement independent of frost," which was being "practically exhibited at the old tennis court in Windmill street."

The smallest building used for business purposes in the Los Angeles downtown district is at West Sixth street and Central place. It has a frontage of two feet and nine inches and a depth of thirty feet. Twenty others in the vicinity are in the building is occupied as a shoe shop.

It is estimated that by the middle of the present year the population of greater London will number 7,500,000 people, of whom 4,878,000 will dwell within the county of London proper and 2,627,000 outside. Upon a conservative estimate an annual addition of 100,000 may be expected to this population.

Although Henry VIII at the London institution a short time ago would not allow any insect to be larger than that of "instinct." Lord Albery sees no reason to alter the conclusions at which he arrived thirty years ago after many careful experiments. He still believes that these insects have "the gift of reason."

There is now living near Manchester, England, a family of eight sisters and a brother whose combined ages are 607 years. The members of the family, named Susan, Mrs. Caroline, seventy-seven; Jane, seventy-four; Margaret, seventy-two; Ann, sixty-nine; Robert, sixty-seven; Betsy, sixty-five; Alice, sixty-three; Emma, sixty-one; Sarah, fifty-nine.

A part of the historic palace of the Duke is being made ready for the Duke of the Abruzzi, who has been appointed director general of the Third naval division, with headquarters at Venice. The Venice newspapers extend to him a welcome as the defender of the "Queen of the Sea," made worthy by his own exploits to rank with the Venetian naval heroes.

So voluminous a report was made by a congressional committee upon a new gas that the president pathetically said: "I should want a new lease of life to read this through. Why can't an investigating committee show a grain of common sense? If I send a man to buy a horse for me I expect him to tell me that horse's points, not how many hairs he has in his tail."

What is said to be the biggest crawfish ever caught was captured on the Elie Kraa reef, sixty miles off the Mexican coast, by Captain R. L. Edmondson of the schooner *Hiawatha* G. Martin. The crawfish weighs eleven and one-half pounds, its body is five and one-half inches wide, the spread of the tail is nine inches, and the distance between the tips of the legs when spread out is thirty inches. The fish is thought to be about forty-five years old.

Where They Ought to Be.
 "I wonder," said the wild looking man, with the multiplied whiskers. "You wonder what?" asked the stout looking man with the concentrated eyebrows.

"If the man who figured out the length of a week was referred to as a 'weeking,'" said the boob. "They also called the man who discovered ink an 'inkling.'"

Whereupon the driver from the asylum backed his wagon up and the pair were dumped in.—St. Louis Star.

A Victim of Draconian Law.
 Father John has caught Patrick stealing—I thought you knew better than to commit a theft. You know how the law punishes people for small offenses. Patrick—How about you, father, when you stole mother's beef? You never got punished for that. Father—I got a very severe punishment, my son. I got penal servitude for life.—London Tit-Bits.

Just Like a Man.
 Mr. Radley—How manful she is, Miss Bright—Isn't she, though?—Mr. Radley—Yes, and the funny part of it is she thinks people admire her for being so. She doesn't seem to see that people are merely laughing at her. Miss Bright—Yes, she's manful even to that extent.—Catholic Standard and Times.

The Thing That Puzzled the Patient.
 "You may be thankful for your excellent constitution. It has pulled you through many a spell of sickness." "But, doctor, if I have such a blameworthy constitution why am I always getting sick?"—Chicago Tribune.

Chilly Complaint.
 Claire—Kitty is awfully angry with Jack. He threw a kiss at her. Lotta—Why did that make her angry? Claire—Oh, she says there are some things that ought to be delivered in person.—Lippincott's.

Funny to Her.
 "Is he really a humorist?" "He certainly is," replied the sweet young thing. "He actually asked me to marry him."



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AUTOGRAPH LETTER OF PRESIDENT JEFFERSON DAVIS.

Written July 25, 1861, Touching "Secession as a Right and Remedy."

The letter of President Davis which touches upon the vital issue of 1861-5, and was written in answer to an inquiry made by one who was called at that time to answer questions by the senior students in Roanoke College in regard to national questions under the Constitution.

Autograph letter from Jefferson Davis to a young man, dated July 1861. The letter is handwritten and discusses the issue of secession as a right and remedy.

THE NAMELESS GRAVE BY WINIFRED LAURENS

With us in the South, Memorial Day is an even more pathetic anniversary than in the North. Owing to difference of latitude and climate, too, it is observed, in most of the States, earlier in the spring. In Georgia it is observed on April 26th, instead of May 30th.

Such as ours. I think it was on the day before Memorial Day, 1875, that as we prepared our floral tributes for the cemetery, my mother stole quietly away from the group on the piazza, and taking a handful of blossoms, bent her steps to that solitary little mound under the magnolias.

house. My mother put us children in the parlor and hastily looked the door; but the windows stood open wide, and with childish curiosity had toddled forward and stood under the high ash, watching the horses. One of the cavaliers crossed the piazza, and before I could run away, he caught me up and kissed me!

A NEW MEMORIAL TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONFEDERACY. Jefferson Davis is here portrayed in an emotional scene, with one hand resting on the open book of history. The statue is by Edward Valentine, and was dedicated recently in Richmond.

Who can our visitor possibly be? was the thought in all our minds, for living friends were now few. A lady in mourning stepped down, with an air of uncertainty, and came to the grave.

MISS WINNIE DAVIS. The stranger seated herself, and after a pause, spoke again: "I do indeed hope that the question I am obliged to ask will stir up unpleasant memories of a past which we who have suffered desire of all things to forget."

TO A DRUMMER BOY

BY R. W. BRIZZARD, LOUISVILLE, KY. The zephyrs blow in fair Cave Hill. And gentle zephyrs blow Where sleep the bravest of our race.

My mother, greatly touched, could hardly summon heart to tell her, but Aunt Lena interposed. "Have you reason to think that your son carried a plain silver watch, marked inside the case with the initials J. W.?" she asked.

Too much affected to reply, my mother rose silently and brought forth those sad mementoes of the terrible past; and then we turned away instinctively from a grief too sacred for the eyes of strangers. A little later, just as the sun was setting, my sister and I led the way to the little mound under the magnolias.

A VIEW OF ARLINGTON ON THE POTOMAC. An old Spotswoodman was wakened by her minister to take snuff to keep herself awake during the sermon. She answered briskly, "Why didn't you put the snuff in the sermon, mon?"

The Place For It. An old Spotswoodman was wakened by her minister to take snuff to keep herself awake during the sermon. She answered briskly, "Why didn't you put the snuff in the sermon, mon?"

Germany is freely imitating American patterns in the manufacture of farm implements and machinery. Such American harvesters still predominate.

BY R. W. BRIZZARD, LOUISVILLE, KY. The zephyrs blow in fair Cave Hill. And gentle zephyrs blow Where sleep the bravest of our race.

Many deep-wrought inscriptions there On serried grave stones gleamed; But of them all none held my eye. Nor to my fancy seemed So fraught with love's tender tribute.

After all, it is at Arlington, on the Potomac, that the present-day visitor is most vividly reminded of General Lee and the life he loved so well. This beautiful estate—now a national cemetery, where 18,000 Union and Confederate soldiers are buried—is located opposite the city of Washington, and it was here, as has been explained.

Recipes. Chicken Cocquette.—Chop cold chicken very fine and add 1-4 the quantity of mashed potatoes that have been properly seasoned.

Chocolate Cookies.—One-half cup butter, 1 cup sugar, 1 egg well beaten, salt, 2 ounces chocolate melted, 2-3 scant cups flour, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 1-4 cup milk.

Goldenrod Toast.—Lard finely cut, mix the white chopped, the yolks pressed through a fine sieve and seasoned with 1-4 teaspoonful of salt.



Even when the coffee has been mixed with cream or milk, stains may be removed by rubbing the spots with pure glycerine.

Handkerchiefs which have become discolored through careless washing, may be whitened by dissolving some soda in warm water and leaving them to soak in the solution all night.

Frames of Brass. Have you a photograph frame that has long held a favorite photograph? Has its beauty waned or your taste changed, while your heart still holds true to the face it encloses?

To give the precious note of individuality that we all desire, a monogram could be added in one corner, and when once mounted and the familiar face installed you have a new ornament that will be a long-time pleasure.

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OCCOQUAN NOTES.

HAYMARKET NEWS.

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MONEY-SAVING TIPS

FLOUR IS CHEAP

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Waverly Family The Best Family Flour on the Market

Barrel in wood \$6.50 In sacks \$6.25

150 Barrels Marvel 'Best on Earth' It has no rival.

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The Sucrene Dairy Feed has Class! It Brings Best Results!

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Buy your Seed Oats of Us--We have the Best

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AT THE

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Will sacrifice remainder of our stock of Eating and Seed Potatoes at

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OYSTER SHELLS Per 100-pound Sack 60c

Do you know, shippers, that we are netting you better prices for BUTTER, EGGS AND POULTRY here at Manassas than you are getting in Washington, Baltimore, etc.?

Eastern Provision Co. Manassas, Virginia

The barge Polesky is still loading ties. Our town is waking up with summer activity. Miss Lillian Hammill spent...

Wilbur Latham visited Haymarket last Friday. Mrs. M. Magaw is visiting in Washington this week. Capt. J. E. Herrell, of Manassas, was in town last Friday.

Chas. Walters' new residence near town is about finished. Al King, founder of the King suburb, is building himself a fine residence and has it nearly under roof.

FARMERS, READ THIS. I pay from one to two cents a dozen for eggs in cash than any other in Manassas. Bring your eggs to me and get more money than you can get anywhere else.

Why worry with the broom and dust cloth when the Vacuum Cleaner will do the work effectively, with no dust and less labor. Agents wanted. For demonstration call on C. M. HOPKINS, General Agent, Manassas, Va.

OCCASIONAL STOCKHOLDERS' NOTICE. There will be an annual meeting of the stockholders of the Gaither Corporation, Inc., held in the town of...

FOR SALE. One second hand fire-proof Carey safe in excellent condition. Apply at this office.

The Lacking Stroke. Do you think it would improve my style? Inquired the variety man who had got into the crew through favoritism.

Just received at Hall's Furniture Store a full stock of Cril and Gracie mattresses; also for single and double beds.

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

Penn-Vir Coal, Oil & Gas Co.

What it is Doing in Promoting Developments in Virginia

J. W. Latham, President, Culpeper, Va.
G. Raymond Hutchins, Vice-President, Manassas, Va.
O. C. Hutchins, Treasurer, Manassas, Va.
A. B. Hiden, Secretary, Manassas, Va.

F. A. Key Smith, Gen. Counsel, 1244 N. York Ave., N. W., Room 505, Washington, D.C.
W. E. Tuller, General Manager, Manassas, Va.
DIRECTORS—J. W. Latham, A. B. Hiden, O. C. Hutchins, F. A. Key Smith, W. E. Tuller,
G. Raymond Hutchins, Ralph C. Layton.

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 unwisely, 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.

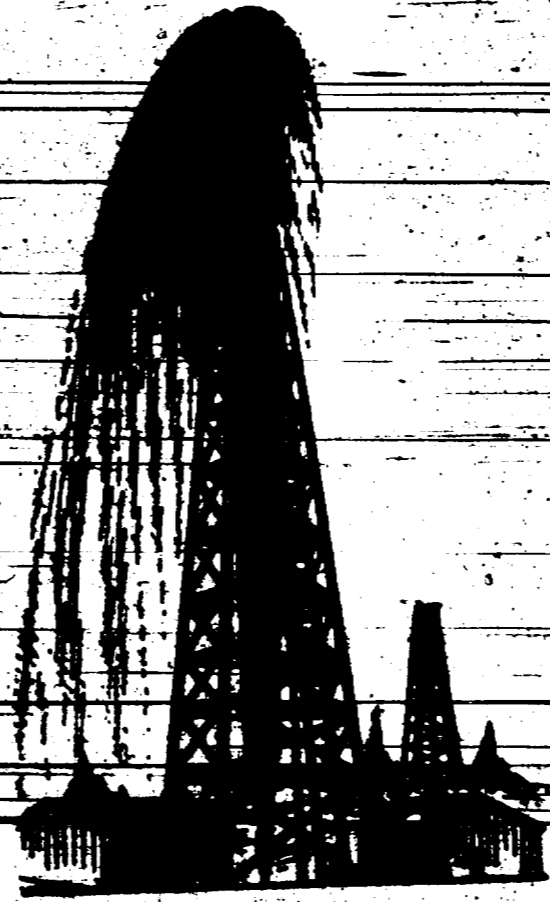
The officers are promoting the interests of the Company's stockholders in a conservative, yet in the most approved and efficient manner possible.

Lastly—Let me say to every Virginian and especially to the citizens of Prince William, 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 decision 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 in any 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 and really 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 prize-worthy 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 the 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 24,000 acres of land under lease. This land was leased under the direction of Prof. P. J. Fishback, of Bradford, Penn., an eminent, practical and expert Geologist in field work, who also is 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 many foreign countries—men of experience. The Company has placed 20,000 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 in two equal installments of thirty and thirty days from date of subscription. The stock is non-assessable. 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 8,500 acres of land. 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 \$225 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 getting either oil or gas in that locality, as all indications pointing to 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, it was found that the well began to flow at the rate of eight 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 next 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; thereafter, 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 oil-producing companies in the neighborhood of 20 miles from the water on the Potomac and about 30 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.

The Oil of Virginia, is of a Grade Bringing \$1.53 Per Barrel—the Product Indicated in Our Field is of Same Quality

The Derrick is now finished and all Machinery is in place.

J. M. SULLIVAN
SUPERINTENDENT OF CONSTRUCTION

Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Co.,
Home Office: Box 71, Manassas, Virginia

OFFICE: The Peoples National Bank Building. Correspondence Solicited.

SUBSCRIPTION BLANK

I do hereby subscribe for _____ Shares
of the Capital Stock of the Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Co., for which
I agree to pay the sum of \$_____ in cash, and the balance in
two equal installments of 30 and 60 days.

_____ day of _____ 191_____

Sig. _____

Fill this in and forward
to P. O. Box 71, Manassas,
Va.

P. O.

State _____

Wet By 10 Votes. Danville... closed saloon... voted back the open saloon...

For many miles, north and south Danville is surrounded by dry territory... the city promises to be a shipping point...

The victory for the "wets" is attributed by many to the great music meeting held at the Academy of Music...

C. & O. To Float Bonds. Richmond... The stockholders of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway...

Lynchburg Better. Lynchburg... The spring cleaning from a municipal standpoint...

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Merchant To Take Pasteur Cure. Staunton... William H. Payne, the Central Avenue merchant...

Near Death Near Luray. Luray... A perilous jump with almost fatal consequences is the result of Onvor snapper's signing...

Battle Field Commission Meets. Petersburg... The Pennsylvania Battle Field Commission held at the New Orleans Hotel...

No More Whipping In The "Pen." Richmond... Superintendent J. B. Wood, of the Virginia Penitentiary...

Falls For \$20,000; Baltimore In It. Lynchburg... James Paul, until recently a prominent confectioner...

Postoffice Building. Richmond... Inspector Beck issued a permit to the United States to erect a \$718,000 postoffice building...

Preacher's Stables And Barns Burn. Petersburg... The stables and barns of Rev. Mr. Grant, pastor of the Methodist Church...

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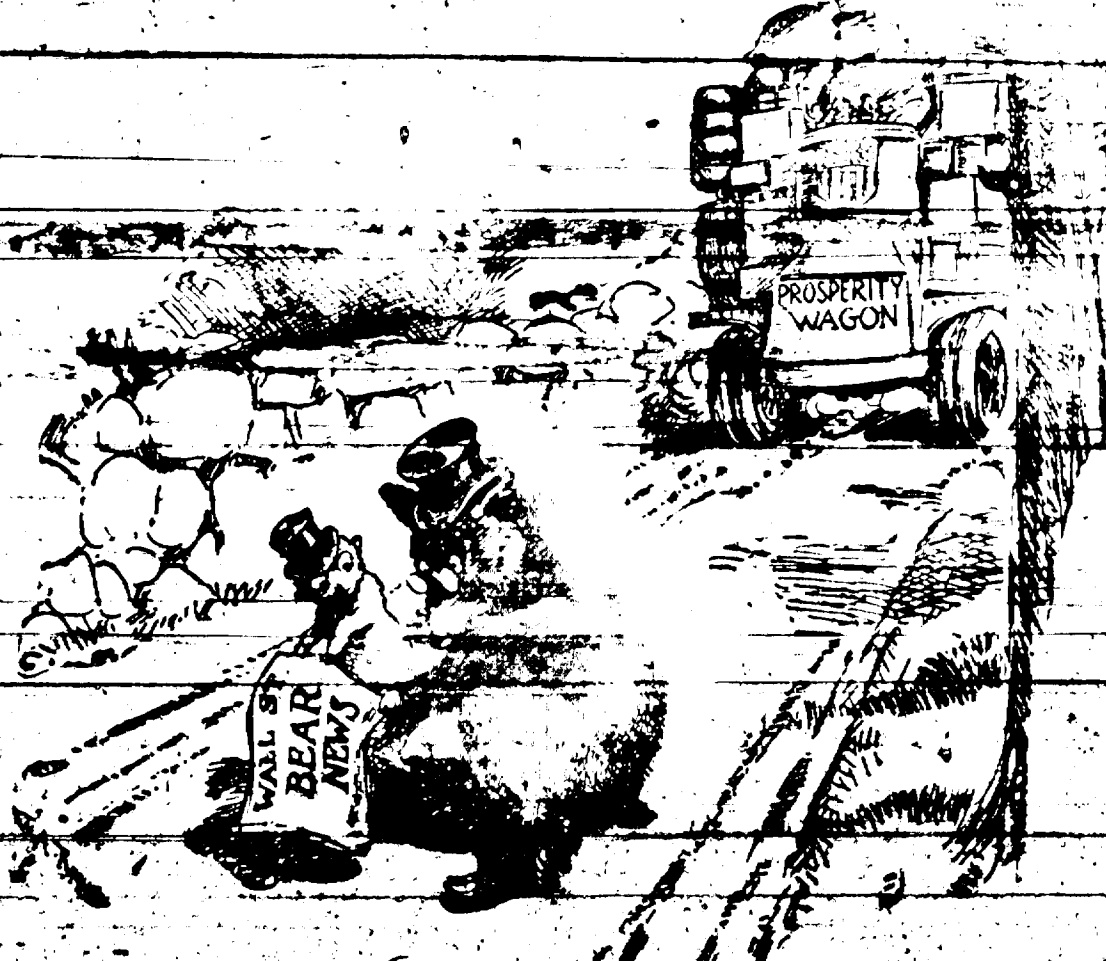
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Cartoon by W. A. Rogers, in the New York Herald.

OUR BATTLESHIPS ARE TO CRUISE IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

Voyage of the Splendid Atlantic Fleet is Planned Mainly to Give the Young American Jack Tars Who Star in a Chance to Get a Glimpse of Europe.

Table with columns: Vessel, Type, Tonnage, Speed, and men. Lists ships like Connecticut, Kansas, Louisiana, etc.

New York City—Confirmation of the announcement in The World that the battleship fleet will be sent on an extended foreign cruise...

Unique Phase of the Trip. Never before in the history of any navy has such a cruise been undertaken for such a purpose...

It is expected that the Missouri and the Wisconsin, these being the oldest vessels now attached to the fleet...

RAY STATE'S CHARITY LEVE. Nearly a Third of Its Population Got Some Benefit in the Past Year.

Boston, Mass.—That 913,401 persons, nearly one-third of the entire population of the State of Massachusetts...

These figures are derived from the returns of 518 of the 525 such corporations in the State...

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Conditions of business are irregular, but the volume of trade continues heavy. Certain unfavorable developments have apparently been exaggerated...

Business failures for the week ended with April 28 were 189, against 193 last week, 266 in the like week of 1909, 292 in 1908, 183 in 1907 and 130 in 1906.

Wholesale Markets. New York—Wheat—Spot weak; No. 2 red, 112c nominal c. i. r.; No. 1 Northern, 116 1/2 c. f. o. b. opening navigation.

Butter—Steady; receipts, 7,260 pkgs. Creamery specials, 30c @ 30 1/2c; extras, 29 1/2c; third to first, 25 @ 26; state dairy, common to first, 22 @ 23 1/2; process, 21 @ 22; factory, 20 @ 21; milk, 18 @ 19.

Eggs—Firm; receipts, 32,348 cases. State, Pennsylvania and nearby gathered, 22 @ 23 1/2; fresh gathered storage packed selections, 22 @ 23 1/2; do., regular packed extra first, 22; do., first, 20 1/2 @ 21 1/2.

Poultry—Alive strong; Western fowls, 20 1/2 c.; turkeys, 18 @ 19. Dressed irregular; chickens, 13 @ 14; fowls, 15 @ 20; turkeys, 17 @ 21.

Philadelphia—Wheat—Steady; contract grade April, 109 @ 111c. Corn—Steady; April and May, 61 1/2 @ 62c.

Butter—Firm; extra Western creamery, 32c; do., nearby prime, 31 1/2c. Eggs—Steady; Pennsylvania and other nearby fowls, f. o., 22c; do., current receipts in return cases, 21 at mark; Western fowls, f. o., 22 at mark; do., current receipts, 21 at mark.

Cheese—Firm; New York full cream, choice, old, 17 1/2 @ 17 3/4c; do., fair to good, old, 16 1/2 @ 17; do., choice, new, 14 1/2; do., fair to good, 13 @ 14.

Live Poultry—Unchanged. Dressed Poultry—Steady; fresh killed fowls, choice, 19 1/2c; do., fair to good, 18; old roosters, 15 1/2; roasting chickens, Western, 16 @ 21.

Baltimore—Wheat—No. 2 red, 108 1/2c; No. 3 red, 107 1/2c. The closing was quiet; No. 2 red spot, 107 1/2c nominal; May, 108 1/2c asked; July, 103 1/2c asked.

Corn—Spot, 61 1/2c; May, 61 1/2c; July, 64c. Oats—We quote, per bush: White, as to weight, No. 2, 48 1/2 @ 49 1/2c; No. 3, 47 @ 48; No. 4, 44 @ 45; mixed, No. 2, 47 @ 47 1/2; No. 3, 46 @ 46 1/2.

Care And Cause Of Deafness. Concerning some of the new capricious composers, Victor Herbert tells this story.

A doctor had a deaf patient, and advised him to go hear one of those new compositions and sit near the trombones.

The patient accepted this advice. He even bought two front row tickets and took the doctor with him.

Shrewd Trading. "I say you want a jollifier for the boots, take 30 cents?" "Yes."

An Awful Jolt. "I see you have a new automobile," said Wiggs, enviously.

Asking Too Much. The mother of little six-year-old Mary had told her a number of times not to hitch her sled to passing sleighs...

Comfort and New Strength. Await the person who discovers that a long train of coffee can be thrown off by using POSTUM.

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NEW SHORT STORIES PROGRAM FOR BIG HIGH SCHOOL FIELD MEET

The new the Ball. A golfer on a bright winter day on the links at Pinehurst, N. C., said after a game...



"Yes, it rolled into that little hole." The banker hides it from us, as you see. Well, over the bunker came a ball-trickled gaily over the green, and pop—it disappeared in the hole.

Depew's Great Speech. Senator Depew the other evening told a story on himself, and it has since had a good deal of vogue in the senate lobby.

When Titman and Hoar Clashed. They are reviving stories about Senator Titman and Senator Hoar. One of these anecdotes relate to the early days of the South Carolina's service in the senate, when he was...

Breathed Down. The late D. Ogden Mills, said a friend in San Francisco, "had in his younger days a keen sense of humor."

The program in detail for the track and field meet of the Virginia high schools to be held on Round field, Saturday afternoon, is as follows:

100-YARD DASH. 1 R. W. Arey, 2 F. Hulfish, 3 G. H. Lightner, 17 H. B. Lanett, 18 Hervey Simpson.

SHOT PUT. 4 R. C. Haydon, 5 Carl Heflin, 6 Wallace Sanders, 7 H. Weaver, 17 H. B. Lanett.

120-YARD HURDLES. 8 W. J. Adamson, 9 P. S. Haydon, 20 George Hoge.

1-MILE RUN. 5 Carl Heflin, 10 J. B. Johnson, jr, 11 M. E. Lynch, 12 Vance Thompson, 18 Hervey Simpson.

HIGH JUMP. 13 Cecil Heflin, 14 Harry Sanders, 17 H. B. Lanett, 21 Raymond Brown.

440-YARD RUN. 9 P. S. Haydon, 15 Archibald Simpson.

BROAD JUMP. 1 R. W. Arey, 11 M. E. Lynch, 17 H. B. Lanett, 21 Raymond Brown.

220-YARD DASH. 1 R. W. Arey, 8 G. H. Lightner, 19 Archie Simpson, 20 George Hoge, 19 Archie Simpson.

HAMMER THROW. 4 R. C. Haydon, 6 Wallace Sanders, 17 H. B. Lanett.

POLE VAULT. 8 W. J. Adamson, 9 P. S. Haydon, 13 Cecil Heflin, 7 H. Weaver, 17 H. B. Lanett, 21 Raymond Brown.

HALE-MILE RUN. 4 R. C. Haydon, 2 F. Hulfish, 19 Archie Simpson.

220-YARD HURDLES. 1 R. W. Arey, 5 Carl Heflin, 13 Cecil Heflin, 16 Hubert Moon, 7 H. Weaver.

RELAY. 18 Hervey Simpson, 20 George Hoge, 17 H. B. Lanett, 21 Raymond Brown.

The Scorpion's Wonderful Ear. I have studied the habits of the scorpion for many years and have often noticed how very sensitive scorpions are to the most delicate musical or otherwise. Under the thorax the scorpion has two complex appendages, which are the antennae (pectinates). It is pretty well settled by physiologists and entomologists that in insects the antennae represent the organs of hearing. These delicate structures are easily affected by the vibrations of sound, and there can be no doubt whatever that they are also affected by sounds quite inaudible to the human ear.

Where Knowledge Was Bliss. A certain professor of biology who delivers lectures in one of the eastern colleges is not averse to a quiet diversion on the side, as instances in his wife's discovery.

First Justice to Wear Gown. "Few people, I venture to say, even in high official positions, know what justice first wore the gown in the supreme court of the United States," said an authority on the subject recently.

Dr. Wm. E. Barker Makes a Remarkable Statement After Traveling from the Atlantic to the Pacific. As he secured some of the most notable endorsements to his theory, he does not hesitate in saying that he will positively guarantee bloodine to cure stone in the bladder on any kidney or bladder trouble, no matter how long you have been suffering.

Hundreds of cases of hemorrhage of the bladder have been cured after treatment in some of the leading hospitals have failed to even relieve the patient. We are therefore confident that our theory of treating these cases with bloodine, is the only possible manner in which such a large percentage of cases can be cured.

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 Independent 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.

F. E. SAUNDERS. ANTISEPTIC SHAVING PARLOR. Buster Brown Hair Cuts. Come in and be made up-to-date. Dry Shampoos properly given. Excellent current investigation to read while you wait.

More particular than others. Nicest face lotions used. Opposite Grigler & Camper's. Postoffice next door. Quiet, well-ventilated room. Read Collier's Weekly. Singing down to stop falling hair. Tobby Bear hair cuts. U-R next. Very finest service. Westphal's tonic for the hair. Extra service. You can count on us to be here! Zealous workers.

The Democrat. Largest Circulation in Prince William County. I wish to state that I have invented a hand saw to be used with steam or gasoline. It has two handles so two men can turn the machine. It is a ball-bearing machine. I am prepared to furnish a machine of this kind at a very reasonable cost.

Attention, Farmers! We have a good stock of American Wire Field and Farm Fence, also Poultry Netting. Agent for American Wire Fence Company.

Wagner Block. W. C. WAGENER, Manassas, Va. Wanted! Cross-Ties for the Southern Railway. White Oak and Chestnut Oak, which I will pay cash for, delivery to be made in Lynch's lot. See us before you sell your ties.

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THE VAMPIRE

By LOUIS E. SLINGERLAND



IN a busy, prosperous town near a great city preys the Vampire, pernicious, pestifential, haunting men with fear of his attack, hovering over the community like a dread evil. Many a tale is related, by some in whispers, but by those who do not fear, aloud and in accusing tones that there are no mistaking, many a tale is related, I say, of the virulent visitation of the Vampire. The character is symbolical, and exists in all its mercilessness. The preying instinct, the uncompromising cruelty is delineated by Shakespeare in Shylock of the Merchant of Venice. The pound of flesh episode is so characteristic of a type, that even now, day by day, it is enacted with realism beyond the possibilities of mimic artistry. One whose unwilling steps lead to the shores of this Avernus may well abandon hope.

The Itching Palm has grasped and clutched in eager, insatiable greed, in cold, calculating mercenary desire, until the callouses have spread and penetrated into the interior, ossifying even that mysterious organ—the heart—emblematic of emotions of justice, of at least human sentiment. From such mechanical automatism leniency could no more be expected than tears from a stone image. It is fortunate that this abnormal type of commercialism is sporadic, as the menace now is alarming enough.

Give the Vampire the strangle-hold on a bunch of old bills and he will perform the modern miracle of squeezing blood from a turnip. He has methods of inspiring his victims to marvelous feats of financial ingenuity to save their hides, to say nothing of their reputation, which to him is something to be destroyed in the delinquency by force of circumstances. When the financial forceps have been removed and the last cent extracted, the victims themselves regard with amazement their agility in assisting a painful operation—an operation in which no anesthetic was used to alleviate their suffering. Between his twitching talons he would choke and he would crush the highest ambitions, so that by his sanguinary alchemy he can transmute the life-blood of hope into glittering gold. He would vandalize the sanctuary of hope, I say, for a handful of miserable coppers, a few paltry pennies. He has insulted good citizens, reputable business men, responsible people, with pre-emptory and unreasonable demands for payment of accounts entrusted to his zealous care. Before some of them could get the cash out of their pockets, he with a leering effort at magnanimity, would pronounce an ultimatum. He has terrorized women and threatened the helpless, until he has engendered bitter hatred against himself. This, perhaps, is the first real exposure of his methods. For his information, and doubtless the people will be delighted to know, more disclosures may follow.

Persons who are willing to pay, but cannot, are choice morsels for the Vampire. He loves to torture them ere the fatal bite is taken. Fellows who can pay but won't are swallowed at a gulp, with a smothered shriek their requiem. Leeches, termed loan-sharks, are pitifully grotesque in comparison with the Vampire. But he waxes prosperous at his nefarious practice so what does he care? Avaricious in the extreme, he actually poses as a community asset, concealing behind dangerous looking, but really harmless legal documents with which he stalks his prey, his real vindictiveness. He would rather drive a delinquent debtor to despair than to eat, and wring the last cent from some poor chap than to sleep. All this he does by nagging his victims with irritating legal procedure, and persistent and most unpleasant calls. He haunts one until one "thinks of him by day and dreams of him by night." You can desecrate him a mile off and by the time you get to the next corner, he, too, is there. He finally gets to be a disease, spreading alarm wherever he circulates. Perhaps the foregoing sidelights on his disposition and characteristics, may prove to him a dose of his own medicine. Let us hope its effect will be purgative.

But most contemptible of all, he permits personal prejudice to influence every action in his mean pursuit. Let him but believe that circumstances have thrust into his power, one opposed to him, one against whom he nurses a secret grudge; and he will go to any extreme that rascal can suggest or malice devise. Then there is no end to his petty persecutions. But there is a limit to the patience of an occasional person whom he marks as a victim.

PARAGRAPHS

In Christiania, Norway, Colonel Roosevelt and family, were given a royal reception in the fullest sense of the term. They were received as royal persons by King Haakon.

A DAILY newspaper gives a recipe for taking bad tastes from the tongue. Now if it will tell how to remove that tell-tale scent from the breath, it will win the everlasting gratitude of many.

THE Japanese are adepts in observing the amenities. Naturally, high representatives of the Mikado, now touring the United States, suggest great legs for America.

YES, Rudolph, in referring to any proposition in which you get the worst of it, it is quite correct to say, "I was handed a cabbage plant." The odium has been removed from lemons.

THE visiting autoists are gentlemen, and so will not say what they really think of Prince William county roads.

SPRING IMPORTANT FEATURE

Intelligent spraying is a most important feature in fruit growing, according to Professor Drinkard, who gave a spraying demonstration in Manassas last Monday, under auspices of the Virginia Horticultural society.

The demonstration in the orchard of George C. Round was witnessed by about 125 interested spectators.

"Not only must we apply the spray," said Prof. Drinkard, "but we must know what we are to spray for, whether fungus or caterpillar or scale. If there is no fruit on the tree we must spray to keep the foliage healthy in order to have fruit buds form for next year."

Leaf spot and all other diseases of the foliage as well as bitter-rot apple scab and soft rot may be controlled by the well known Bordeaux mixture which has the fault of russeting certain red apples and injuring the foliage of peaches and Japan plums.

For the stone fruits it is best to use the self-boiled lime and sulphur spray which is made by slaking eight pounds of lime and mixing the hot mass with eight pounds of flour of sulphur. The heat generated by the lime cooks the whole into a paste which is a specific for the rot of the peach, plum and cherry.

For application it is diluted with fifty gallons of water. This must not be confused with winter spray of lime and sulphur, which is twice as concentrated and is boiled for an hour. The winter spray is the best known remedy against the dreaded San Jose scale which kills four-fifths of all the trees set out.

MINING IN PENN-VA

Thorough development of the Nokesville field by drilling three wells instead of one as originally planned was the course suggested by stockholders of the Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas company at a meeting yesterday. The stockholders are confident that the resources of the field are unlimited and but require exhaustive exploration to place it among the leading producers. Work will be started when present plans are perfected.

ELECT OFFICERS

The incumbent board of directors was re-elected, giving the company the benefit of their experience with the enterprise. Six additional members were elected to the board. The following now constitute the board of directors:

F. S. Key Smith, O. C. Hutchinson, W. R. Talbot, G. Raymond Ratcliffe, A. D. Riden, J. W. Latham, Thos. H. Lion, J. E. Nelson, J. P. Manuel, F. D. Gaskins, E. K. Mitchell, Ralph C. Lupton and T. J. Fisher.

The following officers were elected: President, J. W. Latham; vice-president, G. Raymond Ratcliffe; secretary, A. D. Riden; treasurer, O. C. Hutchinson; general manager, W. R. Talbot; general sales agent, F. D. Gaskins; general counsel, Thos. H. Lion; associate counsel, F. S. Key Smith.

HONOR MEMORY OF SOLDIER-DEAD

Memory of the Confederate soldier dead will be honored with appropriate ceremony by Manassas Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, on Friday, June 3.

Preliminary plans for the observance were outlined yesterday at a meeting of the chapter.

The principal address is to be delivered by Dr. W. S. Dunaway, of Gloucester county; brief talks will be made by others and a poem and essay presented. Crosses of honor will be bestowed upon veterans.

Graves in the Confederate cemetery will be strewn with flowers by those who assemble at the court-house in the afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. At the close of this ceremonial the memorial exercises will be held at the court-house.

PROGRAM AT BRENTSVILLE SCHOOL

With a literary and musical program of high excellence the Brentsville school closed last Saturday night. The year has been successful under the direction of Miss S. L. Gurth, the teacher. From the entertainment about \$14 was realized for the Brentsville library. James Wright was master of ceremonies. The following program was rendered:

- Welcome..... Irene Shank
- Marse is in the Cold, Cold Ground..... Children
- The Ten Little Chickens..... Children
- A Small Boy..... Pete Woodyard
- Little Boox..... David Keys
- The Bird's Song..... Marie Stambul
- The Ten Little Children Who Went to School.....
- Keep A Going..... Harvey Woodyard
- Grandma's Lost Balance..... Minnie Keys
- May Queens..... Three Girls
- How Sally Helped..... Beasts Baker
- Tenting Tonight..... Song
- Illustrated Story..... Two Boys
- Arbor Day..... Irene Shank
- Welcome to Spring..... Tracie Spitzer
- What Baby Said..... Violet Keys
- My Angels..... Gladys Wise
- North, East, South, West..... Four Girls
- Our Report..... Eight Children
- Music..... Miss Cooper
- How the Quorum Began..... Two Girls
- Whistle a Bit..... Nettie Hensley
- Recitation..... Clyde Hedrick
- Joe Bragg..... Carl Schwartz
- Drill..... Twelve Girls
- Recitation..... Lillie Molair
- Birdie's Ball..... Viola Donovan
- The Church Organ..... Minnie Smith
- Virginia..... Song
- April Showers..... Six Children
- Banjo and Organ.....
- Charge of the Infantry..... Four Boys
- The Seven Days..... Seven Girls
- Johnny Sleeps Head..... Eugene Wine
- Spring Poetry..... Fred Shank
- Absence Makes the Heart Grow Tender..... Muriel Aray
- Arbor Day..... Dialogue
- Specialty Jim..... Minnie Smith
- Goodby, Sweet Day..... Song

ENTERTAIN AT CARDS

Misses Alice and Lillian Brand entertained at progressive five hundred Tuesday night. Eight tables were played. The ladies first prize, a cut glass dish, was won by Miss Elizabeth Herrell. G. Raymond Ratcliffe won the gentlemen's first prize, a stein. Consolation prizes went to Miss Mae Leachman and Harry P. Davis. Cut flowers were the decorations. Refreshments were served.

Among those present were: Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Newman, Mrs. Margaret Lewis, Dr. and Mrs. C. R. C. Johnson, Dr. and Mrs. Walter Bernhard, Mr. and Mrs. G. Raymond Ratcliffe, Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Fowell Merchant, Mrs. M. Johnson, Mrs. Fannie Brand, Mrs. J. S. Clark; Misses Stella and Claudia Waters, Miss Charlotte Smith, Misses Mae and Olivia Leachman, Misses Janie and Elizabeth Herrell; Miss Edith Bell, Mobile, Ala.; Messrs. John Hynson, Conway Taylor, J. P. Leachman Jr., O. D. Waters, R. L. Gaither, Harry P. Davis and Edward A. Brand.

CHILD DRINKS POISON

Playfully, little Dorothea Randall raised a bottle of iodine to her lips late Saturday afternoon and after drinking a portion of its contents, toddled across the floor and handed the bottle to her grandmother, Mrs. Kate Randall. The child has been violently ill, and although fears have been expressed for her life, it is now believed that she may recover. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Randall. Mrs. Randall had removed the bottle from a pantry shelf, and while she was not looking the child seized it and drank the poison. The prompt arrival of a physician undoubtedly saved her life.

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