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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

## BIG VIRGINIA CORN SHOW

Will be Held in Lynchburg January 6th and 7th—Many Prizes Offered.

Of interest and importance to every farmer in Virginia is the program of the Annual Convention and Corn Show of the Virginia Corn Growers' Association, which is to be held in the Lynchburg Auditorium, on Jan. 6 and 7; it contains a very attractive list of prizes offered in the different classes to those who will make exhibits. Many corn growers from all over the state will participate in this event, which promises to be largely attended.

### PARTIAL LIST OF PRIZES OFFERED

- Class No. 1.  
Ten Ears White Corn, Northern District.  
1st prize: 1,000 pounds premium corn special fertilizer. Donated by Richmond Guano Co., Richmond.  
2d prize: \$10 in gold. Donated by Thornhill Wagon Co., Lynchburg.  
3d prize: 1 bushel Alfalfa seed. Donated by W. A. Miller & Sons, Lynchburg.
- Southwest District.  
1st prize: 1,000 pounds grand prize corn grower fertilizer. Donated by Pocahontas Guano Co., Lynchburg.  
2d prize: \$10 in gold. Donated by Thornhill Wagon Co.  
3d prize: 1 bushel Alfalfa seed. Donated by Farmers' Seed and Supply Co., Lynchburg.
- Southeast District.  
1st prize: 1,000 pounds champion corn, wheat and grass fertilizer. Donated by Virginia Chemical Co.  
2d prize: \$10 in gold. Donated by Thornhill Wagon Co.  
3d prize: 1 bushel Red Clover seed. Donated by Lynchburg Seed Co.
- Class No. 2.  
Ten Ears Yellow Corn, Northern District.  
1st prize: Two-horse McWane Boltless Plow. Donated by Lynchburg Foundry Co.  
2d prize: Pair \$7 shoes. Donated by Smith-Briscoe Shoe Co., Lynchburg.
- Southwest District.  
1st prize: Two-horse McWane Boltless Plow. Donated by Lynchburg Foundry Co.  
2d prize: Pair \$7 shoes. Donated by Smith-Briscoe Shoe Co.
- Southeast District.  
1st prize: Two-horse McWane Boltless Plow. Donated by Lynchburg Foundry Co.  
2d prize: Pair \$7 shoes. Donated by Smith-Briscoe Shoe Co.
- Class No. 3.  
Best Single Ear, either White or Yellow.  
This will be picked from all the corn exhibited in each district, or special entries may be made for these if desired.  
Northern District.  
Prize: \$18 suit of clothes. Donated by Shearer Bros., Lynchburg.
- Southwest District.  
Prize: \$18 suit of big "C" clothes. Donated by Cheatham Clothing Co., Lynchburg.
- Southeast District.  
Prize: \$18 suit of clothes. Donated by Wills-Camp Camp Co., Lynchburg.
- Class No. 4.  
Ten Ears Popcorn, Any Variety.  
Prize: \$4 sweater. Donated by Adkins Hardware Co., Lynchburg.
- Sweepstakes Prizes.  
Best Ten Ears of Corn at the Show.  
Silver cup. Donated by The F. S. Royster Guano Co., Norfolk. To be competed for annually until won three times by one

## NEW RAILWAY PRESIDENT

Fairfax Harrison, of Fauquier County, Named as Head of Southern.

Fairfax Harrison, formerly vice-president of the Southern Railway Company, and for the last three years president of the Chicago, Indianapolis and Louisville railway company, of which the Southern is part owner, was today elected president of the Southern Railway Company to succeed the late William Wilson Finley, a special meeting of the board of directors being held for the purpose of filling the vacancy caused by Mr. Finley's death. Mr. Harrison is a Virginian, his home being at Belvoir, Va. He is peculiarly identified with the South, as his father was private secretary to Jefferson Davis, white president of the Confederate States, and all his railroad experience has been with the Southern and its associated lines. Mr. Harrison was born in 1869 and was graduated from Yale with the A. B. degree in 1890, and from Columbia with the A. M. degree in 1891. He was admitted to the bar in New York in 1892 and continued the practice of law in that city until 1896, when he entered the service of the Southern Railway in the legal department as solicitor. In 1903 he was made assistant to the president, and in 1906 became vice-president, which position he held until 1910 when he resigned on being elected president of the Chicago, Indianapolis and Louisville. He, however, continued as a director of the Southern Railway so that his service with the parent company has been uninterrupted.

Mr. Harrison was one of Mr. Finley's closest and most trusted advisors and is thoroughly in sympathy with the policies which made Mr. Finley's administration so successful both for the Southern Railway Company and the territory served by its lines. Though Mr. Harrison entered the service of the Southern in the legal department, his experience has not been confined to that branch of the service. He has given much study to financial, traffic and operating problems and is intimately acquainted with conditions on the Southern Railway and throughout the section which it traverses. As president of the Chicago, Indianapolis and Louisville, he was actively in charge of the operation of the railway, so that he comes to the Southern Railway prepared by practical experience as well as the most detailed knowledge of the details of its affairs to take up the duties of chief executive. Mr. Harrison today was also elected president of the Alabama Great Southern Railroad, the Mobile and Ohio Railroad and Virginia and Southwestern Railway. Resolutions deploring the death of Mr. Finley and paying a high tribute for his work for the railways he headed and the territory they served were adopted by the board of directors of the Southern Railway, the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, the Alabama Great Southern Railroad and the Virginia and Southwestern Railway. These resolutions will be printed throughout the South. Immediately following his election, President Harrison gave out the following statement:

"I am in entire accord and sympathy with the policies of my lamented friend, Mr. Finley, under whom I have worked for 17 years. I hope to continue to build the Southern as he built it by promoting and enhancing its usefulness to and its cordial relations with the people of the South. I count on the support of the entire present working organization of the Southern, rank and file. Having grown up in the service with most of them, I know how to value them and I am proud to believe that they are my friends."

## BIDDERS GALORE THROUGH CONNER'S HALL

Lowest Figures Aggregate Fifty-five Thousand Dollars for Water, Sewerage and Disposal Plant

Talk is rife. The one topic in Manassas is the great question of the proposed public utilities. At 7:30 Wednesday evening, the councilmen, engineer, bidders, "followers" and citizens assembled in Conner's Opera House to open the bids received. The bidders numbered upward of thirty, and the "followers", representatives of manufacturers of engines, pipes, valves and every other device encountered in construction, were more numerous than the seekers of the contract.

On the broad stage was placed a long table around which were seated Mr. N. Wilson Davis, the engineer in charge, Mr. G. Raymond Ratcliffe, town clerk, and the nine councilmen, Messrs. Albert Speiden, C. E. Nash, R. S. Hynson, C. R. C. Johnson, W. M. Wheeler, D. H. Prescott, T. F. Coleman, E. R. Conner and E. A. Brand.

Accepted, numbered and placed on the table, the bids were read to the assemblage by Chairman Johnson of the special committee, and tabulated by the clerk and engineer, Messrs. Ratcliffe and Davis.

Under water and sewerage there were sixteen bidders. There were four bids for the sewerage plant and two for water alone. Those for the electric lighting system are yet unopened.

The lowest bid for the water, sewerage and disposal plant, collectively, ranges around fifty-eight thousand, four hundred dollars. Taking the lowest figures from the collective bids, the estimate runs down to about fifty-five thousand, leaving twenty-five thousand dollars for the electric lighting plant.

The engineer and committee have been rushed the past few days assorting and tabulating the bids which will again be presented for action. To date, the committee has arrived at no decision, but the assortment will be brought before the council in session tonight.

## NEW HIGH SCHOOL SOCIETY INVITATIONS ISSUED SOON

Resolution at Lynchburg for Formation of Literary and Debating Society.

All interested in the time-honored art of debating, will be glad to know of a resolution adopted by the Conference of Colleges and Secondary Schools in the State Teachers' Conference held last week in Lynchburg.

The resolution provided for the formation of an inter-school literary and debating society under the auspices of the University of Virginia, all high schools and private preparatory schools being eligible for membership. Each school joining the organization will have a preliminary debate with another school. The winning teams in these preliminary contests will then be sent to a state championship debate to be held each spring at the University. The organization will be in charge of the debating societies of the university, who will provide material if necessary and also assign the subject for the final contest. Both boys and girls are eligible.

While the plan may be altered in some of its details, it is likely to be far reaching in its results, for the universality or oversight will tend both dignity and permanence, and such an organization may easily become of great service to the work of the schools.

By forming emphasis to the invaluable art of clear and convincing expression—invaluable not only along professional lines, but just as much in the great modern world of business.

## MAKE SOILS PRODUCTIVE

How Winter Helps Soil—Mechanical and Chemical Action—Fall Labor.

Now, that winter is at hand, what is the soil doing? It is common to say, that it is resting. Just the reverse is true. All outdoor life is resting, but the soil is being worked harder than at any other season. Freezing, thawing, leaching, action of carbonic acid, weathering, the forces of mechanical and chemical action are most active now.

### HOW WINTER UNAIDED HELPS SOIL

A soil tilled, but unfertilized and planted with the same crop, which needs the average of soil foods and does no other harm settles down to bearing a certain average crop too small to be profitable, but still it bears. For instance, the wheat plot planted at the great English Experimental Farm for fifty years, has yielded between ten and twelve bushels since it was "exhausted." As each crop takes off its regular amount of mineral plant foods, how can it do it? Because a soil can hardly ever be exhausted absolutely. It can only be deprived by plants of those foods in the growing season that are soluble. We may call it digestible. The mechanical and chemical activity of winter makes a new but moderate amount of those soluble, that is to say digestible for plants for the next growing season. In an "Exhausted" soil, as you see, winter weather alone does not do it in paying quantities. Nature cares nothing for what pays man.

### MECHANICAL AND CHEMICAL ACTION.

How do the elemental forces of winter work? The simple ones, we call them physical, crack up the soil particles finer and let the water and the acid of the air get at the stuff inside. The mysterious forces, we call them chemical, change the indigestible into the digestible. If you want to know how chemical forces work, smell a bottle of ammonia, put some lye or other caustic on your skin, drink sharp vinegar or swallow a pinch of pepper. If you would recall how chemical forces act, mildly but usefully remember how soap cleans the hands and a dose of salts helps the system. Now, what must the farmer do in the fall and in the open days of winter? Why, help nature do the work she is so stingy about in order to raise her results, that is to say making mineral plant foods soluble or digestible to a point where the crop of the coming season will pay.

### FALL LABOR HELPS NATURE'S MECHANICAL ACTION.

The necessity and advantage of one half of this work the farmer must understand perfectly. Always does accordingly. With fall plowing, breaking clods, draining and such work, he helps frost and weather to get in their work of breaking down and dissolving out. These are the plain, understandable forces. They are made better by work.

Robert M. Teates, aged 65 years, died Sunday at his home in Bealeton. He was a native of Pennsylvania but had made his residence in Bealeton for a number of years. Surviving are ten children, including Mr. J. W. Teates, of Manassas, who is employed by the Southern Railway. The funeral services were held at Bealeton Tuesday afternoon. The officiating ministers were Rev. Mr. Bivins of the Methodist Episcopal church at Remington, Rev. Mr. Harper of the Bealeton Presbyterian church, and Rev. E. A. Roads, of Grace M. E. Church, South, Manassas.

## GETS GOVERNMENT O. K.

Government Surveyors Verify Lines Run Out by Washington for Lord Fairfax.

Government surveyors, who have just been checking up some of the lines reputed to have been run by George Washington in his days of chain and compass work, have found them good.

About 1751, according to tradition, George Washington, then 19 years old, ran out for Lord Thomas Fairfax the line between what was then to be Augusta and Frederick counties, Virginia, this being only a part of a great deal of surveying which he is said to have been engaged upon at that time. These two counties were separated from what was then Orange county, and the grant to Lord Fairfax was supposed to extend westward to the ocean. Subsequently these large tracts were further subdivided, so that the "Fairfax line," as it is generally known, runs now between Rockingham and Shenandoah counties, with the original Augusta and Frederick counties to South and North, respectively.

In the organic act for the formation of two counties or "parishes" as they were then called, it was required that the line should be a straight one from the head spring of Hedgman river, one of the sources of the Rappahannock, to the head spring of the Potomac.

Since it was required that the line should be straight it was first necessary to get the approximate course by building large bonfires on the intervening high points. Then starting from the top of the Massanutten mountains, the line was run straight away over intervening mountains and rivers toward the northwest.

### THE FAIRFAX STONE.

Away off across a part of what is now West Virginia there is a large rock known to-day as the Fairfax Stone. It is the monument which marks the southwest corner of Garrett county, Md., the southeast corner of Preston county, W. Va., and prominent points in the boundaries in two other West Virginia counties. A line from Orange court-house, coinciding with the Shenandoah and Rockingham county line, passes through this Fairfax Stone, which gives the name to a nearby station, Fairfax, on the Western Maryland railroad. It has been assumed that, in running this line, a high peak northwest of Orange court-house was the starting point, and that from here it was possible to see a distant peak in the North mountain range over the top of the intervening Massanutten mountain.

Washington, of course, used a simple compass, and his line could not be expected to check absolutely, with that obtained by the government surveyors who have retraced his survey, using high-power transits and all the refined and accurate methods which modern instruments allow. Nevertheless, the line was run so carefully in the first place that but little variation has been found in it. Even without instruments it is possible to distinguish the course of the line with surprising distinctness. From the top of Middle Mountain in the Massanutten range, the Shenandoah-Rockingham or Fairfax line can be readily followed by means of the boundary fences dating from earliest days, and by the blocks of timber, alternately cleared away or left standing, which come up from either county and stop at the boundary.

# CLOSING OUT SALE

Having decided to discontinue the mercantile business, we offer our entire stock of General Merchandise at cost beginning Saturday, Nov. 29th, and continuing until all goods are disposed of. Stock consists of following:

- Dry Goods, Notions, Shoes, Millinery, Gloves, Neckwear, Hosiery, Underwear, Handkerchiefs, Ribbons, Velvets, Ladies' Coats, Waists, Skirts, Children's and Misses' Coats.
- Ladies', Misses' and Children's Underwear, Men's Underwear and Work Shirts
- Blankets, Comforts, Rugs, Rubber Shoes and Arctics, Standard Sewing Machines, Glassware, Lamps, Groceries, &c., &c.

STORE FIXTURES—National Cash Register, 160-Account McCaskey Register, Fire-proof Safe, 4 Glass Counter Cases, 3 Show Cases, 4 Pair Scales, 2 Enterprise Coffee Mills, 4 Enterprise Molasses Pumps, Anderson Galvanized Oil Tank and Measure Pump, 5 Wood Counters, 3 Tables, &c.

### EVERYTHING MUST BE SOLD BY JANUARY 1, 1914

**REAL ESTATE.**—We also offer our store and dwelling, corner Centre and West streets, for sale; the store-room is 25x60 with annex 20x20, 12 ft. ceiling, and fronts on both streets. Dwelling has 10 large rooms, 12 ft. ceiling; all newly papered and in good repair; large double porch in front; fine shade and water.

**LOTS.**—Will also sell following lots and improved building sites: 2 lots on Portner Avenue, between West street and Grant Avenue, 62½x185 ft.; 2 lots on West street, 50x230 ft.; building site on West street, 260 ft. front on West street and 230 ft. deep, to 16-foot alley in rear. This lot is improved by new barn, artesian well 115 ft. deep, fine soft water; also small fruits, orchard and shade trees.

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exhibitor. Won in 1912 by H. M. Luttrell, Delaplane, Va.

Best Single Ear of Corn at the Show.

Silver cup. Donated by T. W. Wood & Sons' Seed Co., Richmond.

Class No. 5.

Peck of Wheat.

Prize: Crofut & Knapp hat.

Donated by Robinson, Graves & Pettyjohn, Lynchburg.

Class No. 6.

Peck of Oats.

Prize: Imperial hat. Donated by Harry S. Hirsh & Bro., Lynchburg.

Class No. 7.

Best Bundle of Alfalfa, Ten Pounds or Over.

Prize: Scheibel hat. Donated by S. H. Franklin, Lynchburg.

Class No. 8.

Sheaf of Timothy.

Prize: Stetson hat. Donated by G. A. Coleman Co., Lynchburg.

Class No. 9.

Sheaf of Wheat.

Prize: \$5 pair Craddock French made shoes. Donated by the Bell Shoe Co., Lynchburg.

Class No. 10.

Sheaf of Oats.

Prize: Rockefellers hat. Donated by Leftwich, LeGrand & Watts, Lynchburg.

All sheep exhibits must be at least 4 inches in diameter measured below the head.

### CARD OF THANKS.

For kindly ministrations of neighbor and friend and for every tender sympathy shown us in our great bereavement, we thank you.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. D. Brandt, Dorothy Constance Brandt

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squares in a checkerboard. Then if one turns to the southeast the same demarkations are plain across the valley of the south fork of the Shenandoah, cutting straight through the present Page county, which is made of land formerly in Shenandoah county belonging to the Fairfax grant, and partly from land formerly in Rockingham. Thus, as far as the eye can see in either direction, this old line shows plainly.

The Washington compass, now to be seen at the U. S. National Museum in the city named for its owner, is presumed to be the same one used in running this line more than 160 years ago.

WASHINGTON'S SURVEY MARKS

The Fairfax Stone stands as a permanent monument. In addition there are, throughout that section of the country, various other records of these Washington surveys. For example, a large white oak which stands at the corner of a farm about 1 1/2 miles from Lost City, Hardy county, W. Va., was according to a prominent man of that section of the country, marked by Washington.

Survey blazes cut into trees and since grown over have been cut away, and a count of the annual layers of growth over the old wounds, shows them to have been made at the time Washington was surveying. One strange thing about these blazes is that they are several feet higher than those put on trees by woodsmen of to-day. This fact has given rise to a sort of superstition that Washington, known to have been very tall, was actually a giant.

Other authorities have said that Washington did much of his work on horseback, and made his blazes with a long-handled ax from the saddle.

The town of Whitepost, Clarke county, Va., takes its name from a post presumed to have been set by Washington as one of his survey marks. The post, formerly exposed, is now covered by a projecting rock which shields it from the weather and from the despoiling hand of the vandal tourist.

WHY THE LINE IS RETRACED.

The reason that this old Washington survey line is being retraced is because the Federal Government is purchasing lands in this neighborhood in connection with the new Appalachian forests which are being acquired at the headwaters of navigable streams under the terms of the Weeks law, designed to protect these water-sheds from the evils of deforestation. The government requires a clear title before the land can be paid for. In making sure of the titles it is necessary, in many cases, to go back to original royal grants or to colonial records, and to have recourse to resurveyers before the facts of ownership can be indisputably established.

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### FAIRVIEW ENTERTAINMENT

Thanksgiving Program Beautifully Rendered by Pupils of Fairview School.

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There was an enjoyable and profitable entertainment given by Fairview school Wednesday, Nov. 26, beginning at 7:30 p. m., and lasting until after midnight. Receipts were over \$45, for the benefit of a library and other improvements. The following program was beautifully rendered.

Our popular teacher, Mrs. Nannie E. Davis, having each child well trained:

Song, "America," by the pupils; opening address, Master Hunter Payne; Thanksgiving class, several small children; recitation, "Landing of the Pilgrim Fathers," Miss Mattie Payne; recitation, a Cheer Up song, Master Ernest Hodges; recitation, Miss Gladys Mills; recitation, "The Farmer's Wife, Present and Past," Misses Grace Maxwell and Aline Davis; recitation, "Could You Guess?" Master Alvie Maxfield; "When I Grow Big," Miss Mildred Mills; "When I Get Big," Master Leslie Fairfax; "The Cow and the Milking Machine," Master Alton Mills; recitation, Miss Hattie West; "The Old Black Hen," Miss Mamie West; "When Grandma Loses Her Specs," Miss Stella Hlavsa; "Autumn Dethroned," Miss Ruby Maxfield; recitation, Miss Rosie Hedges; "Song of Autumn," Miss Catherine Sandaal; "Story of Thanksgiving," Miss Helen Sandaat; dialogue, "Story of Thanksgiving," several children; "Only One Mother," Miss Anna West; "Thanksgiving Day," Miss Aline Davis; "Me and Spot," Master Clyde Pettit; recitation, Miss Ruby Davis; closing address, Master Ernest Davis.

After the close of the program

the neckties and refreshments were sold and several contests entered into, among them being the "prettiest girl contest," in which Misses Anna West and Ruby Davis were the leading ladies; the former being the winner was awarded an appropriate prize.

We highly appreciate the kindness of every one who helped us in our effort for a library.

ONE INTERESTED.

### STRENGTH FOR OLD PEOPLE

Old people, to overcome the weakening, debilitating effects of increasing old age, often make a very sad mistake in using so-called "remedies" that contain alcohol and dangerous or habit-forming drugs. Often this stuff, because it livenes and brightens them up a little just after taking a dose, leads them to imagine that it is doing them good, when it isn't. Remedies that rely for their sale on such deceit, do harm, because of false excitement of the nerves and heart leaves them worse than they were before.

Rexall Olive Oil Emulsion is a real medicine—a splendid body and strength-builder, especially good for old people, because it furnishes to the system ingredients necessary to rebuild wasted tissues, strengthen the nerves, give new energy and a younger and livelier feeling to the body.

It doesn't contain a drop of alcohol nor any dangerous drug. It may not make you feel better after the first dose, nor perhaps for several days. But if you don't feel much better and stronger before you have taken a quarter as much as much as you have of other medicines that didn't help you, we will gladly give you back your money.

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directly or indirectly, will be published at the rate of Twenty-five Cents an  
inch.

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### PUBLIC CONSCIENCE.

By this heading is meant a conscience concern-  
ing the public good; a conscience that would no  
sooner cheat a corporation than a person; that  
would no sooner steal a dollar's worth of railway  
travel by riding a second time on an uncollected  
ticket than a dollar's worth of goods from a sin-  
gle merchant; that would no sooner violate the  
moral rights of a community than the property  
rights of an individual; that values the moral inter-  
ests of the community immeasurably above any  
commercial consideration, and that recognizes each  
one's personal responsibility for public conditions.  
Such a conscience is absolutely essential to the  
welfare of any community.

Of course, public sentiment is simply the sum of  
individual sentiments. So of endorsing or de-  
nouncing a public man, of fostering or opposing a  
public measure or enterprise. And each individ-  
ual is responsible, to the extent of his ability, not  
only for the sentiment of the community at large—  
whether it be for the support or for the neglect of  
the right; whether it be for the encouragement  
or for the discouragement of the wrong—but also  
for the results of these respective attitudes.

Every community is responsible, not only to its  
own members, but also to the members of other  
communities, for its attitude to all its public men,  
measures and institutions. If a worthy enterprise  
is sustained by public sentiment it will succeed,  
and every person favoring it is a factor in its suc-  
cess; if it is not thus sustained it will fail, and  
every one neglecting it is responsible for its fail-  
ure. If an unworthy enterprise is sustained by  
public sentiment, it will succeed; and every person  
favoring it is responsible for its inevitable dam-  
age; if it is not thus sustained it cannot succeed,  
and every one opposing it is a public benefactor.

If a good man conducting a public enterprise is  
endorsed by the people he is thus furnished the  
means of becoming a public benefactor; if a cor-  
rupt man is in like manner endorsed, he is thus  
furnished the means of imposing on the general  
public, and every one endorsing him is responsible  
for the harm that he is sure to do. And every  
community should recognize the fact that foster-  
ing and patronizing a dangerous man is assuming  
the responsibility for all the imposition that he is  
thus enabled to practice on the people of other  
communities.

Much denunciation is hurled against a "kicker,"  
and rightly so. But let it be understood that the  
real kicker in any community is the one that seeks  
the lower at the sacrifice of the higher; that he  
not only fails to stand for the better things, but  
even seeks to undermine the one one that does  
thus stand. That is a corrupt public conscience  
that does not sacredly guard and unflinchingly  
foster the higher interests of the public; that for  
the sake of commercial gain, will receive a stranger  
into delicate and influential relationships without  
even inquiring into his character and reputation,  
and then if he should actually prove unfit for his  
station and unworthy of confidence, will still sup-  
press facts unfavorable to him, and at the same  
time give wide publicity without contradiction to  
favorable statements that are known to be false.

What estimate is a man placing upon elevating  
influences, purifying principles and ennobling ex-  
amples, when, for the sake of attracting a few  
dollars, he is willing to demoralize the community?  
Can any real prosperity ever be secured by some  
promising integrity? Will suppressing truth and  
fostering falsehood bring substantial good to a  
people?

The "central subject" of the present session of  
Congress is to be that of the trusts. He would  
not unload the Sherman Anti-Trust law. He would  
keep that, but supplement it and clarify it. He  
dismisses this important matter with a mere refer-  
ence because he intends to consider it in a special  
message later on. This means that he will handle  
the matter himself.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

AND through it all Sulzer hasn't turned a hair.  
Surely he hasn't read the newspaper accounts.

### HATS OFF TO MANASSAS!

The town of Manassas is receiving congratula-  
tions on the continued success of the movement  
for a greater Manassas. At the joint meeting of  
the council and citizens on Wednesday, it was  
clearly demonstrated that the proposed water,  
sewerage and electric lighting systems will come  
safely under the stipulated \$75,000 of the bond  
issue. Silence reigns where once was broad talk  
of the inadequacy of the amount.

As yet, only the bids submitted for the water  
and sewer systems have been read, but from a  
general knowledge of the subject it is safe to make  
the above assertion.

Some of the bids were high. This was not un-  
expected. At the same time it is well to consider  
the fact that the lowest bids, individually, for the  
two systems, leave ample provision for the  
electric lighting plant and above this a surplus for  
incidentals.

This is an encouraging outlook and a decided re-  
lief to the persons in charge who have been con-  
tinually harassed by the doubts which arise in the  
minds of the less sanguine element of the local  
population.

It is now only a matter of time before the work  
is in full swing. In six months' time much will  
have taken place. Manassas will be numbered  
among the rising towns of the state in everything  
that stands for community uplift and universal  
progress.

In the matter of schools and public organizations  
Manassas has long been a leading factor. Now,  
in the interest of public health, service, conveni-  
ence and prosperity the town begins to grow.

Public spirit waxes strong and public spirit is a  
powerful factor. Get together, citizens! One big,  
concentrated, cooperative effort will sweep us  
along before we realize the force with which we  
are driven to the goal.

We are growing and in the right direction.  
Hats off to Manassas.

### ADVERTISING.

Everybody knows the value of advertising from  
a business standpoint. The trade value is unques-  
tionable. Advertising is business. It is also a  
fact that advertising draws buyers and business  
men from other sections, gathering new customers  
for the business houses and new residents for the  
town.

The stranger looks for a wide-awake center, a  
temporary or permanent location for his little fam-  
ily world. The first move is toward communica-  
tion with a resident of the town, or with some one  
who is qualified to relate experiences or discuss  
the situation pro and con.

Following this the business view is foremost.  
What is the business outlook? From observation  
he attempts an estimate. Satisfied? No; his per-  
sonal evidence is unreliable, and it is important  
that he possess information more tangible than a  
guess.

The newspaper! Always between the lines you  
may read a business rating—that is, in advertising.  
Generally the size is significant and always may  
you rely on the regular man.

But can you judge the business interests of Ma-  
nassas and of Prince William by the county news-  
paper? Away with the supposition!

Awake, ye local merchants! Advertising is the  
herald of progress and the sign post of prosperity.  
Question the book of to-day: What is a back-num-  
ber? Quick comes the answer: The No-Ad-man.

One gets the impression that the anti-trust pro-  
gram the President will urge will not differ funda-  
mentally from the program all parties in Congress  
now have in mind. For the retention of the present law, and, through supple-  
mentary legislation deadly to private monopoly,  
the reduction in area of the debatable ground  
around it. This is obviously the temper of the  
hour. Competition is to have its last chance to  
vindicate itself as against big business, and upon  
the final result may turn the question of an eco-  
nomic revolution.—Springfield Republican (Ind.)

The President's expressed desire for further  
examination fundamentally of the trust question  
argues that the unabated eagerness of a contingent  
of the "trust-busters" to run their quarry to earth  
probably will not have been gratified when ad-  
journment day arrives.—Washington Post.

Do your Christmas shopping early is now an old-  
timer. Wake to the parcel post cry. Do your  
Christmas mailing early.

ONE good thing about a Mexican: He is not wor-  
ried to death by life-insurance agents.

# You Are Cordially Invited

To visit and inspect the new safe deposit box equip-  
ment just installed in our vault by the Invincible  
Metal Furniture Co., of Monroe, Wisconsin. We  
want you to make this place your banking home.  
Keep your most private papers and valuables in  
your own compartment of our vaults and feel as  
every patron should—that you are a part of this  
institution.

## The National Bank of Manassas

3 PER CENT PAID ON TIME DEPOSITS

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## 200,000 Cross Ties

White Oak, Red or Mixed Oak,  
Beech, Ash and Maple

WE PAY HIGHEST PRICE SPOT CASH AND  
BEST INSPECTION. SEE US BE-

FORE YOU SELL

## W.N. LIPSCOMB & CO.

# Xmas Goods!

Raisins, Currants, Mince Meats, and Citrus for the filler.  
Pillsbury Flour for the crust. I have reduced the price of  
Pillsbury's best for the next two weeks. In wood, per  
barrel, \$6.25; 8th and 10th, per bag, 40c and 80c. We  
carry the best and freshest line of Groceries that can be  
had and will take all kinds of country produce in exchange.

A full line of Feed—Oats, Hay, Bran, Middlings. Just received a carload  
of Oats and carload of Bran and Middlings, and will give those who have  
stock to feed low prices for cash. Will buy your live stock—Calves, Lambs,  
Hay and Cattle; will pay cash delivered at Manassas.

## Conner's Market

CONNER BUILDING

MANASSAS, VIRGINIA

BRIEF LOCAL NEWS

Rev. Dr. Herwin U. Roop will preach in the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

The Home Missionary Society of Grace M. E. church, will meet Thursday Dec. 11, at 3:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. L. B. Williams.

Says a Stafford subscriber, "Enclosed you will find one dollar to pay for my paper for 1913. I certainly do not want it to stop. Many thanks.

There will be services in Trinity Episcopal church, Manassas, next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, and at St. Ann's Nokesville, at 3 p. m.

Elder C. W. Vaughan, of Leesburg, will preach at Bethlehem Primitive Baptist church next Saturday morning at 11:30 o'clock and on Sunday at 11 a. m.

Those who have attended the Silver Medal Contests will be pleased to know that another Declamatory Contest will be held at Woodbine church on Friday night Dec. 12. Let everyone who can attend be there to enjoy it.

Mr. G. W. Brown and family, who have been living in the Bushong property on Fairview avenue, now owned by Mr. E. H. Hibbs, left this week to make their home in Charlottesville. Mr. Brown is a field agent for the Curtis Publishing Company, of Philadelphia.

Edward Lynch, a student at Catholic University, won the 880 yd. run at the Thanksgiving Day meet of the Cross Country Club of Baltimore. Mr. Lynch, who is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Lynch of Manassas, made splendid records on the track before his graduation from Manassas High School with the class 1910.

The Christmas service will be held at the Lutheran church at 7 p. m. on Friday, December 26. The program, entitled "Love's Offering," will be beautifully rendered by the children. This service is something new and promises to be the best they have given in many years. Come out and hear the children. All are welcome.

Mrs. Sara Jane Manuel died Tuesday morning at four o'clock at her home in Morrisville, having reached the advanced age of 86 years. The funeral was held at Morrisville Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. Manuel was a sister of Mrs. Basil Robertson, of Bristow. She is survived by seven children, four daughters and three sons.

Mr. Olin C. Jones, aged 25, only son of Dr. T. O. Jones, of Harrisonburg, died last Friday after three days' illness of brain trouble. Mr. Jones was levelman for the party under Mr. N. Wilson Davis which was engaged some weeks ago in making a set of profiles of the streets of Manassas on which the proposed sewers will run.

The weather was bad for produce shippers last week. The Aetna Butter Company, of which Mr. W. H. Cather controls the Manassas branch, lost about twenty-five barrels of turkeys. The heaviest individual loss was probably that of Mr. Earl Compton, a marketman of Neverlet, Fairfax county, eleven barrels of his turkeys being thrown away by inspectors.

Mr. Fred Snook, a member of the firm of Hornbaker & Snook, who have a sawmill near Sinclair's Mill, in the vicinity of Bristow, was caught in the belt of the machinery on Tuesday and his left leg broken. He was taken yesterday to Annapolis by Dr. B. F. Iden where it is probable the limb will be amputated. Had the machinery been in operation one second longer it is horrible to contemplate the result.

Misses Elsa and Dora Langy, of Bristow, were visitors on Monday. Miss Eleanor Lewis is a guest of Miss Fannie Dorsey at Paris, Fauquier county. Miss Evelyn Milnes left last week for a visit to friends in Alexandria and Washington.

Next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock the Baptists of Brentsville and vicinity will dedicate to the service of God their house of worship, which has been named the Hatcher Memorial Baptist church. The Rev. Dr. J. W. Cammack, of Richmond, will be present and preach the dedicatory sermon. The public is cordially invited to be present and take part in the services.

T. W. T. NOLAND, Pastor. Ben Lewis, a respected colored citizen, met a tragic death last Saturday morning at Rixlew, a milk station on the Southern railway, between Manassas and Wellington. While working on a lever car in his position of section hand, he saw an approaching freight. Jumping from the car he tried to pull it hastily from the track, but his clothing became entangled in the engine and his body was soon crushed beneath the wheels.

At the regular meeting of Manassas Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, on Wednesday, the chapter was greatly honored by the presentation of a beautiful flag. The card accompanying it reads: "This Texas flag is presented by the Bernard E. Bee Chapter, U. D. C., of San Antonio, Tex., to be placed as a marker of the spot at Manassas where Gen. B. E. Bee fell, on his birthday, May 8, and on Memorial Day."

The Pastors' Conference of the Potomac Baptist Association will meet in the Manassas Baptist church. The first session will open at 7:30 o'clock Monday evening, beginning again at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning. The public is extended a cordial invitation to attend the meeting, more especially the one beginning at 10 a. m. on Tuesday to hear Rev. G. W. Popkins, Rev. T. W. T. Noland, Rev. H. L. Swain, Rev. W. P. Watson and others.

There will be a meeting of the Occoquan District Teachers' Association next Saturday, Dec. 6, at Occoquan school, beginning at 10 a. m. All of the county teachers are cordially invited to attend, and those of nearby districts are urged to come and help to make it a success. Superintendent G. G. Tyler and Prof. Yarborough will be the speakers of the day. The teachers will be entertained free of charge.

Richard C. HAYDON, Vice-president. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will celebrate their State Red Letter Day on Sunday night, Dec. 14, at the Methodist Episcopal church, South. "Nation-wide Prohibition" and all the Manassas clergy will take part. This is a postponement from next Sunday night, Dec. 7. The latter date is the time appointed for the great national mass meeting in the interest of constitutional national prohibition which is now being pressed in Congress by Rep. Richmond P. Hobson and others.

Mr. M. E. Whip, a Go in inspector for the Southern Railway, was caught between two box cars Tuesday near Connellsville, Pa. Death was almost instantaneous. Mr. Whip was a resident of Manassas five years ago and many friends of the family will regret to learn of his tragic death. Surviving members of the family are his second wife who was Miss Belle Jerman, of Marshall, and four children, Verl, Fay, Freeman and Edgar, whose ages range from five years to about sixteen. The family home is at Marion Rock, near Connellsville, Pa. It will be remembered that the first Mrs. Whip died in Manassas just before the family moved to Pennsylvania.

ABOUT PEOPLE WE KNOW

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Miss Lelia Green, of Aden, was a guest this week of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hibbs, on Grant avenue.

Mr. Wilfred Costello has returned to Charleston, S. C., after spending some time with friends at Bristow.

Mr. Edward R. Kincheloe, of Portland, Ore. and Seattle, Wash., made a business trip to Manassas last Saturday.

Miss Baird, of Pocomoke City, Md., is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Myers in their home on Prescott avenue.

Mrs. J. J. Haley, of Alexandria, better known here as Miss Pearl Griffith, was a town visitor during the week.

Major James R. Purcell, of Gainesville, who has been quite ill, was one of the well-known town visitors during the week.

Mrs. G. Raymond Ratchiff and Miss Lillie M. Jones were in Washington on Thanksgiving Day to see "The Sunshine Girl."

Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Shoemaker, of Washington, were recent guests of Mrs. Shoemaker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Langlyer, at Bristow.

Miss Agnes Marston, of Woodstock, has been visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Clem, in their home on Fairview avenue.

Misses Maude and Nettie Studds, of Alexandria, were Thanksgiving guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Allen, in their home on Prescott avenue. Mrs. L. W. Kasehagen and little Jimmy returned Tuesday from Montvale where they have been guests for some time of Mrs. Kasehagen's mother, Mrs. Higginbotham.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton P. Jones, of Swetnam, the latter formerly Miss Millie Allen, of Nokesville, were guests last week of Mrs. Jones' brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Allen.

Miss Jennie Hamner, a daughter of the late Dr. J. Garland Hamner, former pastor of Manassas Presbyterian church, returned to her Baltimore home on Thursday, after spending a short time in Manassas among her friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Brown leave for New York on the ninety-third train to-night, sailing for London to-morrow at noon on the steamship President Lincoln of the Hamburg-American line. They expect to visit Rothamstead, the oldest experiment station in the world, and will spend a few days in Paris, going thence to Munich, Vienna, Budapest and several other cities along the Mediterranean and Adriatic. They expect to begin the return journey from a Mediterranean port about February 1st. Mr. Brown goes in the interest of the Southern Railway and a Chattanooga medicine company and will resume his present position of field agent for the Southern on his return.

Judge Louis C. Barley, of the corporation court of Alexandria, will act for Judge Thornton to-morrow in the case of Lipscomb vs. Spencer et als., a case in which Judge Thornton was formerly attorney. Judge Barley comes in reality to confirm the sale of the Sudley property and this sale will be confirmed to-morrow if no upset bid is put in.

The cases of Combs vs. Bates and Graves vs. Kerlin will be tried to-day.

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PRaise SERVICE SUNDAY

Mrs. Irwin, of Washington, Makes Eloquent Address - Interesting Program.

The praise service Sunday evening, in connection with the Ladies' Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church, was one of special interest. It was favored by the presence of Mrs. Irwin, of Washington, who is a prominent officer of the Central Society. Mrs. Irwin gave a most interesting address, reviewing the various mission fields of the Presbyterian church. The program: Opening hymn—"Come, Thou Almighty King."

Reading of Scriptures - Mrs. Hodge, John 3:14-17; Psalms 146 and 150; Matthew 28:19-20.

Prayer - Hon. C. J. Meetze. Solo - "Jesus and His Love" - Miss Betty Otto. Chorus by Choir.

A Short Paper - "The Measure of Love" - Mrs. Hodge. Solo - "He Leadeth Me" - Mrs. Roop.

Hymn - "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord."

Address - Mrs. Irwin, of Washington, Secretary Presbyterian Society and President of N. Y. Avenue Auxiliary - "Christ for America - Christ for the World."

Recitation and Chorus - "Our Little Sisters," "Oh! Send Them the Gospel" - Little Misses Elsie Rosenberger, Alverna Baker and Baulah Baker.

Collection in Aid of Society Funds.

Hymn - "From Greenland's Icy Mountains."

The Lord's Prayer.

THANKSGIVING AT M. I. S.

Negro Agricultural, Educational and Industrial Alliance of Northern Virginia Meets.

BY A. W. RICKS, Corresponding Secretary of Alliance.

Although the weather was almost forbidding all day long on Thursday, Nov. 29, the Negro Agricultural, Educational and Industrial Alliance of Northern Virginia held its 20th session at the Industrial School with an unusually large attendance and a splendid program.

The principal features of the Alliance program were the Thanksgiving sermon, by the Rev. R. P. Dawson, of Middleburg, Va., and an address by Mr. J. P. Pierce, a representative of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Rev. Dawson preached a very instructive and appropriate sermon, making much of the point of how grateful we as a race should be for the opportunities we enjoy in many respects.

Mr. Pierce stated that primarily his policy in advocating agriculture has not been to persuade people to go to farm nor even to urge those to remain there who did not have a special liking for the occupation, but that he sought rather to be a coworker and friend of the farmer, trying to induce the farmer to accept the superior and more productive methods. He pointed out that his theory was that if those who are engaged in farming will adopt the best ideas and do more intensive work, the result itself would be sufficient inducement both to hold those who are now farming as well as to draw others. He concluded by urging the farmers to strive harder to make their homes more attractive, to take a little more interest in the education of their children and thus be able to hold the youth at home.

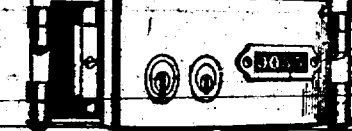
Some of the others who were present and took prominent part on the program were Mrs. A. S. Steele, founder and conductor of an orphan home for poor and destitute colored children, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Mr. C. D. Howe, member of board of trustees Manassas Industrial School; Mr. L. P. Hill, principal Cheyney Institute, Pa., and Mr. W. J. Decatur, principal Manassas Industrial School.

There was a football game between the teams of the Armstrong Manual Training School, of Washington, D. C., and the Manassas Industrial School, resulting in a score of 0 to 0.

Fortify Your Fertilizer POTASH. Did you see your fertilizer dealer and arrange to buy fertilizer containing at least as much Phosphoric Acid? That is the real kind that pays you and the dealer. If you did not, you should at once ask your dealer to carry Potash Salts so that you may increase the Potash in the ordinary brands. To increase the Potash 1 percent, add 40 pounds Muriate of Sulphate of Potash to a ton of goods. A 200-pound bag will increase the Potash of a ton 5 percent. Try it once and see how Potash Pays. We will sell any quantity from one 100 pound bag up. GERMAN KALI WORKS, Inc., 42 Broadway, New York



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THROUGH all the drizzling, snow, weather no overcoat at any price can remain smoother or fresher than yours with its Kirschbaum label. For all the shrink is gone before you buy it. The original London cold-water process takes care of that.

Kirschbaum Clothes are the only ones at their price which are guaranteed all-wool, London-shrunk, hand-tailored and sewn with silk thread. Come in and look them over.

Kirschbaum Clothes \$15 \$20 and \$25

HIBBS & GIDDINGS

GENTS' OUTFITTERS, MANASSAS, VA.

## The Manassas Schools

**M. H. S. DEBATING CLUB.**  
 Events crowd upon one another and the fall between the football and basketball season is highly appreciated by the faculty and students at Ruffner.

In all classes great interest has been aroused in the contemplated team-debating in inter-school contests, culminating in a great public contest before the two literary societies of the University of Virginia in joint session some time in April.

The M. H. S. debating club is ready to accept all challenges and enters the race with the determination of bearing off the trophy—a silver loving cup.

The students recall hopefully the recent victories of William Harlow and Roswell Round and Misses Marie Leachman and Evelyn Chapman of the junior class.

Miss Dorothy Hayden is determined to go to Charlottesville to combat for the normal class so the ambitious lads and lassies of the senior year must lay aside, for the nonce, their air of serious contemplation if they wish to enter the race.

**AT LYNCHBURG.**  
 What seemed to impress Mrs. Larkin most in her recent attendance upon the session of the Teachers' Conference in Lynchburg, was the strength of the organization and the effect of this united effort upon the public attitude towards the teaching profession.

As a tribute to the visitors, several wealthy matrons who had planned to leave town for the holidays, remained to entertain the crowd which exceeded the reports submitted to the committee on entertainment.

**MEDICAL INSPECTION.**  
 Drs. Merchant and Lewis completed their inspection of the school on Tuesday and as a result there have been several trips to specialists in Washington, and more are contemplated.

Misses Marion Burks and Muriel Arey are clothed in the dignity of spectacles and are trying hard not to look superior.

**FOOTBALL.**  
 The last game of the football season on Tuesday afternoon was a victory for the townsmen against M. H. S., the score being 9 to 6.

**LONGFELLOW EVENING.**  
 "Longfellow evening," so long heralded, was given with full brilliancy by the freshman class in Ruffner auditorium Thursday night. The following is the program:

Chorus—"The Bridge"—By Girls of Freshman Class.  
 "Our Most Popular American Poet"—An Appreciation—Miss Sallie Larkin.  
 Recitation—"The Arrow and the Song"—Miss Linda Todd.  
 Reading—"The Skeleton in Armor"—Miss Marion Burks.  
 Recitation—"Autumn"—Miss Mary Clark.  
 Reading—"The Wreck of the Hesperus"—Miss Edith Smith.  
 Recitation—"Endymion"—Miss Annie Laurie Swart.  
 Reading—"The Burial of the Minnik"—Mr. Willis Meetze.  
 Recitation—"It is Not Always May"—Miss Edith Smith.  
 Reading—"Sunrise on the Hills"—Miss Lola Kline.  
 Recitation—"The Children's Hour"—Miss Dorothy Johnson.  
 Reading—"Maidenhood"—Miss Hattie Merchant.  
 Chorus—Uplidee—Freshman Class.  
 Reading—"The Happiest Hand"—Miss Lola Conner.  
 Reading—"Excelsior"—Mr. Oliver Lynch.  
 Chorus—"Stars of the Summer Night"—Boys of Freshman Class.  
 Chorus—Freshman Class Song.  
 Class Yell.  
 Announcements were read by

**BENNETT GRAMMAR SCHOOL.**  
 The aftermath of Thanksgiving decorations and sand table in both primary and kindergarten early in the week.

Now, the little folks are turning their thoughts towards Santa Claus land, the country of heart's desire.

Miss Charlotte Smith was initiating her little ones into the mysteries of gold and silver chains for the wonderful tree, which happy children rejoice to see.

Miss Hattie Willcox was easy and ready with her sixty-odd pupils in a spelling lesson for two grades when the normals made an invasion on Tuesday.

Miss Grace Moran is saying little but we may expect surprises later on for big and little folks as we near the greatest festival of the whole round year.

**ITEMS FROM GREENWICH.**  
 Misses Carrie Lee and Helen Thornton spent Saturday shopping in Washington.  
 Miss Virginia Lee spent Sunday at her home, "The Hermitage."  
 Misses Mary Cockerille and Ella Reid and Messrs. J. F. Cockerille and J. W. Ellis spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel House, of Aldie.  
 The Civic and School Improvement League is having a concrete walk built from the school house to the road which will be a great improvement.  
 Misses Mary and Ethel Dahn and Messrs. Gordon Lightner and Hunton Washington were recent guests at "The Hollies."  
 We are glad to note that Mr. J. W. Cooke, who has been quite ill with pneumonia, is improving.  
 Misses Cora E. Mooney and Carrie H. Lee and Mr. Gordon Lightner attended the teachers' convention at Lynchburg.  
 Mr. G. H. Washington spent one day last week with Messrs. Harry and Frank Lee.  
 We are very sorry to note that Mr. John Ellis has been quite ill for the past week, but we hope by the time this goes to press he will be much better.  
 Miss Dorah Glasscock was a recent guest of Miss Mary Reid.  
 Mrs. Taylor Thornton and two daughters spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. Rodman, of Milford.  
 There will be a play at the schoolhouse Friday, Dec. 12. Admission 10 and 15 cents. Doors will open at 7:30 p. m. Refreshments will be served after the play. Come and see Dr. Curreal, the wonderful doctor who cures all diseases.

**HAPPY HOOLIGAN.**  
**EPISCOPAL BAZAAR.**  
 The annual bazaar, given last week by Trinity Church Guild, was a complete and decided success. The total receipts were \$204.76 and, deducting expenses, the clear gain amounted to \$143.64. The figures are official at this writing.

The dinner was beautifully served by the ladies of the Guild and younger members of the church. The delicious and bountiful menu including turkey, oysters and accompanying delicacies, was thoroughly enjoyed by the crowds that thronged the dining room from early in the middle of the day until the doors were regretfully closed late in the evening.

The fancy table was a marvel of art. The small articles and pretentious pieces of needlework and embroidery were viewed with appreciation by all, and the sales were numerous accordingly.

Mrs. J. J. Colas and her sister, Miss Rixey, are receiving congratulations upon the success of this department.

Miss Mamie Lipscomb made phenomenal sales at her candy table which was loaded with delicious confectionery until the rush of buyers invaded the booth. The decorations were in red and yellow, a pretty setting for the young ladies who made the sales.

**MRS. SAMUEL HALL DIES.**  
 Daughter of Alexander Wyant of Rockingham county, Passes Away in Her 54th Year.

Mrs. Victory Vastie Wyant Hall, wife of Samuel Hall, of Nokesville, departed this life Nov. 29 in the 54th year of her age.

She was the daughter of Alexander Wyant, of Rockingham county, who was killed in the battle of Chancellorsville in 1863. Her mother, one brother and one sister still live in Rockingham county.

She was the mother of four sons, George S., of Marlinton, W. Va.; A. K., of Marfa, Tex.; C. E., of Malven, Pa., and R. W. at home. There are six daughters, Mrs. E. B. Riddle, of Elkton, Va.; Mrs. J. V. Sneed, of Richmond, Va.; Misses V. C., Josie E., Addie M., and Bertha A., at home. The above named with many other friends are left to mourn.

The funeral was preached by Rev. A. S. Hammack, D. D., presiding elder of the U. B. church, assisted by the pastor, Rev. Jas. W. Brill. The body was laid to rest in the Valley View cemetery. The deceased was a member of the U. B. church and died in the faith. A wife, mother and friend has gone to rest. We weep but not as those who have no hope.

May the blessing of the good Lord be upon the sorrowing ones. J. W. B.

**REMEMBER?**  
 Do you remember the "Old Time Drill Night"? Can it be that you've forgotten one of the most popular days of the year in the calendar of yesterday? To refresh your memory and to spend an evening of unalloyed pleasure and genuine profit, put on your best and happiest smile and come to Connor's Opera House next Friday evening when some of the finest local talent will surprise and entertain you from the rise of the curtain to the last "good night."

Some of the students of the old Manassas Institute and a number of the students of the Manassas High School will unite in giving a thoroughly delightful program. In many cases, the original characters will take part.

Come one and all, for your own pleasure and for the pleasure of the participants who wish to add to a worthy high school fund.

Friday, December 12—remember the day!

**ITEMS FROM WATERFALL.**  
 Mr. and Mrs. William Garrett, who were married in Washington recently, have returned home after a trip to Baltimore and Annapolis.  
 Mrs. Sidney Clark, who has been visiting relatives in the neighborhood, has returned to her home at Indian Head, Md.  
 Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Smith spent the week-end with Mrs. Wesley White, of Washington.  
 Misses Sadie Howdershell, of Washington; Gertrude Smith, of Baltimore; and Mr. John Howdershell, of Alexandria, were houseguests at "Oakshade" for the Thanksgiving holidays.  
 Miss Mamie Bontz, who has been the guest of Miss Bessie Jacobs, has returned to her home in Alexandria.  
 Mr. and Mrs. John Garrett, of Fairfax, spent Thanksgiving at "Bell Haven."  
 Miss Mattie Matthew spent Thanksgiving at her home near Sudley.  
 Mrs. Lee Howdershell, of Hope S., was the guest of relatives at "Springfield" several days of last week.

The Mary Washington hospital, Fredericksburg, Va., desires pupil nurse. For application blanks write to Miss Laura B. Illick, Superintendent. 12-5-3t

# Christmas Suggestions

**IN SELECTING YOUR PRESENTS**  
 this year give your friends and loved ones something that will mean something to them. Our many departments are just bubbling over with beautiful things for the Yule-tide. Shop early and get the choice selections.

Nothing could be more appreciated than a suit. We are showing a beautiful line of Ladies' Suits and Coats in all the latest styles and weaves. We have priced them very low and the qualities are up to the standard. In the line of coats we are showing plushes, astrakans and fancy weaves. The prices make them very attractive.

Consider yourself! Wouldn't you like a beautiful rug to brighten up that room when they all come home? We have a beautiful stock of them from the small runner for the fire place to the big 9x12 druggott for the library. A hint to your husband should be sufficient.

And then Shoes! La France is the last word in "shoedom" when quality is considered. The children are well shod when they wear the smart "Walkin" shoe.

Lace Curtains are lasting and make a cozy room. We have a complete line of the plain net with linen lace trimmings. Also bordered scrims to make up.

Kid Gloves make tasty presents. The H. & P. glove is very desirable and we have a full range of colors.

Handkerchiefs.—Plain and fancy; boxes and baskets of them; beautiful sheer effects with smart edgings. Come in and look now!

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