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## SUPERVISORS DENY FAIR COMPETITION

**VEGE DOWN PETITION OF THE DEMOCRAT**  
Three Favor Square Deal While Three Would Oppose It—Refuse to Recall for Bids to Contract for County Printing.

Three members of the board of county supervisors, Chairman J. P. Manuel, J. L. Dawson and J. L. Keys, flatly refused Monday at the February session, to place the award of the county printing under conditions which made the bidding a travesty.

Opposed to such oligarchic action, and favoring a square deal, were Supervisors J. F. Gulick, J. T. Syncox and J. W. George, who openly branded as unjust disclosures which give one bidder an unfair advantage over another. They had courage of their convictions and voted to reopen bidding. They voted to recall an unjust award, to rebid each bid as a testament of trust, and as such to protect it fully against proposals not yet submitted. The motion was lost on the vote, which acts negatively in halting to recall action.

David J. Arrington was appointed to have walkway constructed from the court house gate to connect with walk leading to the schoolhouse lot. The work is to be made of cinders. The proposed change of road at Spriggs Ford was ordered rescinded, it appearing that it would be of no advantage to the traveling public.

E. H. Moser and others appeared with petition to open a road on the north side Chapman's Run. No objections being made the road was ordered established, and J. L. Keys was appointed commissioner to open the highway. Hugh Jennings was awarded \$24 damages and K. Zeigak \$3 damages.

James Cooper, J. B. Johnson and L. Molair were appointed viewers to open road from the new Brentville road to the bridge road.

L. E. Merchant, R. S. Abel, F. Abel, J. M. Amidon and L. Brewer were appointed viewers of the proposed road from Charles Dean's to James Amidon's store. A change was ordered made in the road from Independent Hill to Bellefair Mills.

**RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.**  
A statement of receipts and expenditures for the year ended July 1, 1909, contained the following items:

**EXPENDITURES.**  
Salaries of officers and members of the board of supervisors \$2,011.58  
Ordinary repairs, repairing bridges, land damages and repairing road machinery 2,890.19

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## COLONEL HUGHITT, BORN

One of the last of a fading type of printer-journalists who, in the days of hand composition in the cities, used to compose news stories as they set them in type, Colonel E. J. Hughtitt, nephew of Marvin Hughtitt, president of the Chicago and Northwestern railroad, is in town. During the early winter he was employed as compositor on THE DEMOCRAT and made many friends in Manassas.

In the course of his picturesque career, Colonel Hughtitt, like his prototype, the memorable Colonel Bushy, has traveled the length and breadth of the country, and is familiar with every newspaper and printing plant of any consequence in all that vast expanse. The call of the road, of running brooks of country lanes fragrant with spring, and above all the lure of adventure has stirred his spirit of wanderlust until there is nothing else for him to do but obey. So Colonel Hughtitt is in town on his way. He is a man of excellent education, splendid qualifications and is highly respected by all with whom he comes in contact.

## COUNCIL ACTS ON CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS

**APPOINTS COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE**  
Report To Be Made On Adviseability of Election for Bond Issues of Sewer, Water, Light and Power Facilities.

Definite action on the plans to secure adequate water, light and sewer facilities for Manassas was taken Monday night by the Town Council when a committee comprising C. E. Nash, A. Spieden and O. E. Newman was appointed to investigate the propositions and submit a report at the next regular meeting or at a called meeting of the council. The specific investigation of the committee is to be into the adviseability of calling a special election to vote upon the issuance of bonds for the improvements or of selling the franchise.

The session was characterized by the spirit of progressiveness which has given Manassas the proud title of "the best town of its size in the State," and its action marks the actual start toward securing needed civic improvements. The initiative of the Business League in presenting the proposition, the strong favor with which it was received by citizens, and now the action of the Town Council in officially submitting the propositions to the people, for their expression on the most effective method of procedure, now virtually assures the improvements in the immediate future.

The text of the resolution adopted by the Council appointing the committee and vesting it with authority for investigation into the propositions, is as follows:

Resolved That O. E. Newman, A. Spieden and C. E. Nash be appointed a committee to investigate and report at the next regular meeting or a called meeting of the Council, the adviseability of asking for a new election to vote on the question of issuing bonds for light and water and sewerage improvements, or if in the opinion of the said committee it is advisable to sell franchise for said improvements or either or any of them, the committee shall so report.

Protest resulted in action being deferred on a petition of F. A. Cockrell for a permit to erect a warehouse on Liberty avenue.

Mrs. H. D. Wenrich was granted a permit to erect a small structure on Liberty avenue.

**ORDER BILLS PAID.**  
Brown & Hood, supplies \$173.80  
W. C. Bridwell, lighting lamps and cleaning hall 28.70  
J. W. Wilcox, sergeant salary 30.00  
J. I. Randall, painting and equipping fire truck 30.00  
Meyer & Weidie, Chicago, pig tags and postage 2.08  
W. F. Rector, repairing pump 7.00  
Standard Oil Co., oil 1.00  
Standard Oil Co., oil 1.00  
S. W. Muddiman, interest on town warrant 4.00  
National Bank of Manassas, on receipt assessment 24.24

## PLANS SANITARIUM FOR MANASSAS

A physician, who does not care to have his name in connection with the matter made known at present, has in contemplation the establishment of a Sanitarium in Manassas. This is a step in the right direction to preclude the necessity of sending patients from this and neighboring counties to city institutions for treatment. There is no doubt that the people of this section of the country would hail with acclaim the advent of an institution of this kind in close proximity to their homes where their patients could be treated by a skillful medical faculty as in city institutions, and at much less expense.

There is now a case being treated in town, with every indication of success, which had been emphatically counseled for foreign hospital treatment.

## SO THE PEOPLE MAY KNOW

**FAIR competition was crushed, favoritism was upheld and an honest effort of a Prince William county business enterprise to maintain its rights was rendered powerless, when the board of county supervisors last Monday voted down a petition of The Virginia Publishing Company for THE DEMOCRAT, asking that bids be recalled on the contract awarded for the county printing at the January session under most unfair conditions.**

A more conspicuous example of political preference overshadowing justice, ignoring plain duty and influencing a report to petty, spiteful methods, would be difficult to imagine. Plainly speaking this adverse action was a testament of the disapproval of three county supervisors of A NEWSPAPER THAT DARES TELL THE TRUTH WITHOUT FEAR OR FAVOR. Those three supervisors are Chairman J. P. Manuel, J. L. Keys and Lindsay Dawson. With absolutely no interest in the matter other than that justice prevail, J. E. Gulick, J. T. George and J. T. Syncox voted that the contract be re-opened to bids. This they did upon their own initiative and without the faintest hint of solicitation from representatives of The Virginia Publishing Company. The vote was a tie, which acts in the negative on halting to rescind action.

Simply to remain true to their ideals of principle and honor, to proclaim against an injustice to THE DEMOCRAT as a recognized Prince William county institution and themselves as citizens of the community, the editors and managers of this newspaper petitioned the board. They merely asked that The Virginia Publishing Company be given a square deal. They pointed out the fact that nothing could be more unfair than to accept a bid from one's competitor after one's proposal had been uttered aloud, actually made public, as was the case when The Journal's representative submitted a bid of \$40, a suspicious reduction of \$12 from The Journal's bid last year, which was then only cut down to \$100, after The Journal held out for two months in a desperate effort to squeeze the last cent possible from the county. The bid of THE DEMOCRAT on the county printing for the present year was \$50. By a remarkable coincidence shortly after the bid of THE DEMOCRAT had been opened and made public The Journal submitted a bid of precisely \$10 less and was awarded the contract. Against unjust procedure the editors and managers of THE DEMOCRAT last Monday protested to the board of supervisors and asked merely for an opportunity to bid as the county printing under fair conditions. "Would not you have done the same?" The financial consideration involved in the contract is inconsequential, as the bona fide value of county supervisor's proceedings warrants their publication without compensation. At any rate the advent of THE DEMOCRAT has resulted in saving the county a considerable sum on its printing bills.

When a representative of The Virginia Publishing Company appeared with a petition the board was in session. When the document was placed in possession of Chairman J. P. Manuel he insolently tossed it aside without a glance. And it was he who, at the close of the January session, is reputed to have declared that the circumstances of the award were not what they should have been. What influence was brought to bear upon him? And right here is a reminder for certain members of the board of supervisors—it is the people's money, not their own private funds they are disbursing, and to permit personal feeling to thwart legitimate business is to prove recreant to duty. J. P. Manuel ignored the petition on the table before him, even after his attention had been repeatedly called to it.

"I don't like your criticisms of the board," he growled at an editor and manager of THE DEMOCRAT, and then lighting his pipe, began to fumble a mass of bills. It was almost noon when Chairman J. P. Manuel rather reluctantly granted the representative of THE DEMOCRAT permission to read the petition. Then he lolled about in his chair in an attitude of amused tolerance, but his pipe was tightly clenched in his teeth and nervously his fingers kept up an incessant tapping on the table. When the petition was read, Chairman J. P. Manuel attempted to lose it in a deluge of other business. Only after persistent effort was he driven to recognize it. Before a motion was made he declared in emphatic terms that he was opposed to again placing the contract open to bids. After a motion by Supervisor Gulick had been seconded by Supervisor Syncox, Chairman Manuel, again manifested his disapproval, and again endeavored to soothe his displeasure by puffing determinedly at his pipe. After much delay occasioned by Chairman Manuel, the board voted upon the motion and it was lost. **THREE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY SUPERVISORS DECLARED THEMSELVES IN FAVOR OF MAINTAINING A PRINTING MONOPOLY THAT HAS BEEN BLEEDING THE COUNTY.**

The Virginia Publishing Company is a responsible enterprise, capable of fulfilling its contracts, and to the everlasting despair of The Journal, THE DEMOCRAT has come to stay. Despite underhand attacks by members of the political ring, THE DEMOCRAT is establishing a great record for a newly-founded newspaper enterprise. As a matter of fact, the more desperately they work against it, the more popular THE DEMOCRAT becomes with the people. With this, its thirteenth issue—a significantly ominous number by the way—THE DEMOCRAT, has enlisted 900 bona fide subscribers, more than 300 in Manassas, a most remarkable record. Our subscription book is open to inspection and we, the editors and managers, will back our declarations with sworn statement before a notary public. It is evidence of appreciation of THE DEMOCRAT by the people of Prince William county.

Members of the political ring are reporting to every method that cunning and trickery can devise to accomplish the downfall of this newspaper. It is really ludicrous. For example, one sympathizer with the political ring has openly threatened to shoot down the editors and managers and horsewhip a staff writer. Another goes about doing all in his power to injure us. Some of them have threatened a boycott against merchants who would or do advertise in THE DEMOCRAT. They have even boasted that they "will put THE DEMOCRAT out of business within six months of its initial number." Really, it is amazing.

## TWO BREAK JAIL WITH STOVE POKER

**FATHER RETURNS SON SEEKING REFUGE**  
Bloodhounds Trail Fugitives Toward Bull Run Mountains After Thrilling Midnight Escape—One Shot at Large.

Robert L. McInteer, who was indicted at the December term of the court for attempt to kill his brother, Hampton McInteer, at his home in Dumfries, broke jail between midnight and day yesterday morning, taking with him a negro youth by the name of Reilly, charged with feloniously entering Wood & Son's store at Greenwich a short time since. Sheriff Rorabaugh with a posse and bloodhounds went in pursuit of the fugitives, the trail of the dogs leading in the direction of the Bull Run mountains. The trail was followed about two miles from town when the dogs became confused and the pursuit abandoned. This morning the father of the Reilly youth, much to the elder Reilly's credit, delivered to the jailer his wayward son who had sought refuge from justice in his father's home.

Reilly says that he was asleep when McInteer awoke him after the means of escape had been effected and counseled him to accompany him to freedom. He says, further, that he went immediately to his home, near Greenwich, and that McInteer made off in the direction of Bristow for the purpose of boarding a freight train.

McInteer, who bears the reputation of being a desperate character, has served two terms in the state penitentiary, his last term having been shortened upon petition for good behavior. The escape from jail was made by removing the mortar and brick by means of a stove poker.

## SPEAK AT ALEXANDRIA MEETING

Representing the Prince William county schools, Miss Lena Taylor will speak on "Nature Study," and Miss Lulu Metz will talk on "Domestic Science," at the educational meeting of the Eighth Congressional district to be held in Alexandria, March 24, 25 and 26. They were delegated Saturday at a meeting of the Prince William County Teachers' association.

The session was well attended and much enthusiasm manifested. Miss Emily Johnson gave an interesting talk on "How to Teach Percentage," while Miss Lena Taylor spoke on "Nature Study." Prof. Barton outlined the work of the Boys' Clubs. The first two chapters of "Bagley's Class Room Management," and "Shore's School Hygiene," used in the reading course, will be discussed at the next meeting of the association, Saturday, April 2.

## MOTHER AND BABE IN ONE GRAVE

Mother and babe were laid to rest in one grave in the cemetery at Woodstock, the pathetic sequel of a tragic visitation of scarlet fever in the home of I. V. Marston, formerly of Manassas. Mrs. Marston expired Wednesday, February 23, and a few hours later the three-months old child died. The two remaining children are dangerously ill of the dread malady.

Cyrus Waring, of near Limpspring, who has been quite ill from an attack of pneumonia, was reported somewhat better yesterday by his attending physician, Dr. J. C. Meredith.

## MEMORY'S TRYST IN SILENT CITY

**HISTORIC CHURCHYARD OF ST. PAUL'S**  
Reminiscences Flow Over Sacred Walls of Ancient Cemetery in Haymarket. Hallowed Soil Shows Many Long Remembered.

(By R. W. MERCHANT)  
On Saturday last I stood for the first time within the sacred walls of the ancient and historical St. Paul's church, of Haymarket. Occupying a situation upon an eminence on the western slope of the town and with the cemetery in its rear, the sacred edifice, with its towering spire, seems to stand as a sentinel at the gateway to the silent city of the dead. Upon imposing monuments and marble slabs, in the confines of the hallowed church plot, are inscribed the names of those who were once active and prominent in the affairs of church and state.

## MEMORIAL SHAFTS

Among those I noted are many whom I knew in life and others by renown. On the northern approach to the churchyard and within the shadow of the church building, stands a 15-foot monument, of spotless white, with massive pedestal, to the sacred memory of the Lees. In the rear of the building, exposed to the rays of the setting sun, is a unique rustic stone upon which is carved the emblem of "The Woodman of the World," and which was planted by fraternal hearts and hands to the memory of Herbert Hutton Herrell, son of Capt. Jas. E. Herrell, county treasurer, of this county.

## OLD CHURCHYARD EPITAPHES

Among other inscriptions noted were to the memory of departed members of the families of Clarkson, Hufish, Peters, Berklev, Heineken, Crewe, Sanders, Haydon, Davis, Weir, Carter, Foote, Latham, Given and Jordan. The only gravestone with military insignia, I noted, was that of Lieut. Thomas H. Waddell, of the second regiment of the second Louisiana brigade, who died from a mortal wound received in the second battle of Manassas, August 30, 1862. On the Southern exposure of the burial plot, and towering to the height of the eaves of the church building is a shaft, under which repose the ashes of J. W. D. Jordan, who in his day, was a prominent figure in the affairs of the Community, and one of the town's most honored citizens. Through a courtesy of C. A. Heineken, Jr., sexton of the church, I was shown through the historical structure. The soft sunlight, through the stained glass memorial windows with their biblical emblems and hallowed memories, shed a fitting gleam upon the sacred desk and empty pews.

## IN ANCIENT SANCTUARY

The organ, which, for years, has aided in chanting the church services, and the Bell which has called the congregations, for at least half a century, to worship, were mute, in their respective offices, as I stood with bared head and in silent reverberation before the altar which has been the scene of many auspicious celebrations, and the laying-on of hands.

This now sacred structure of Colonial brick, was once the county's "Temple of justice" before the abolishment of the District court system, and the proceedings there were then in extreme contrast to the solemn and reverential occasions of the present. The pleadings for life and property, and the adjustments of various infringements of the law before the temporary court, and the judicial sentences of death for violent crime within the walls of this sacred institution, have all been changed to a place of Divine worship before a Judge who knows the secrets of all hearts, and whose judgement is never in error.

**SUPERVISORS DENY FAIR COMPETITION**

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Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes 'Work on roads, Manassas District', 'Work on roads, Gainesville district', etc.

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**ESTIMATE EXPENSE.** Estimates of the amounts required to conduct county affairs for the present year were submitted as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes 'Officers' allowance', 'Support of poor', 'Court-house and clerk's office', etc.

**ORDER ACCOUNTS PAID.**

The following accounts were allowed and ordered paid:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes 'F. C. Rorabaugh, supplies for jail', 'W. E. Lipscomb, making statement of receipts and expenditures to July 1, 1909', etc.

**YOUNGEST TELEGRAPHER ON SYSTEM**

Edward Lewis Beale, son of E. Beale of Haymarket, although only twelve years old, assisting his father, who is station agent, with the agency and telegraphic duties of the office. Not only does this extremely youthful assistant make out freight and express way-bills but assists in handling and delivering freight and express matter and attends largely to the telegraphic and phone business of the office.

**SIDE-TALKS WITH GIRLS.**

BY AUNTIE MARY MONEY

**TRAVEL AND BOOKS.**

Well, dear, dear, dear girls, here is your old Auntie, back home again from a trip abroad, a visit to strange foreign lands "from Alpha to Omaha," as the immortal William expresses it so sentimentally in one of his great plays, either "A Midsummer Night's Dream," or "Belinda, the Beautiful Sewing Machine Girl." I've quite forgotten which. I have set foot in Oskaloosa, Wis., and Kalamazoo, Mich., and even penetrated the wilds of Oskaloosa, Iowa, and live to tell the story. It must be that I bear a charmed life, for as Uncle Slush used to say, as he looked at me with a pained expression: "Misty, you need never fear any more bothering you." I have often wondered what he meant, for I have found that his words were true.

**SHUN THE COOK BOOK WHAT-EVER YOU DO. MARRY A MAN WHO HAS THE MONEY.**

Much annoyance may be spared in the selection of books by reading the last chapter first. Another advantage against that number which happens in the thrilling scenes you know it will come out all right or all wrong. Avoid a story which ends with "the autumn wind sighing mournfully over two lonely graves in the wilderness." Take the one which has for its denouement a scene in which "the golden June sunshine streams through the stained-glass windows of the cathedral in benediction upon the happy couple before the altar."

**MARKS NEW ERA**

My dear, I have just reviewed the very latest contributions to literature. "The Poisoned Gum Drop," reveals the subtlety of the human mind, when latent criminal tendencies are aroused by unrequited love. That the villain in the story should have chosen a pretty pink gum drop as the chalice for the lethal draught impresses me as a sublime example of literary craftsmanship. Had not the message passed to stick a wad of gum under a chair, the handsome hero never would have arisen upon the scene in time to pluck the fatal gum drop from her pearly teeth. "The Peanut Girl's Revenge" is a story of human passion, of tribulation swift and terrible. A poor, pale, proud and pretty prairie girl, of peasant lineage with a halo of romance the scion of a patrician family who once upon a time gave her six cents for a nickel's worth of gumballs, telling her, as he patted her shapely little head to keep the change.

**MEETING OF WOODBINE W. C. T. U.**

Woodbine Woman's Christian Temperance Union met Thursday, Feb. 17, at the home of Mrs. Mary M. Hill. There were five active and one honorary member present. The meeting was called to order and opened by reading part of the sixteenth chapter of Acts, by the president. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Ida Hayes, followed by singing "Jesus Loves Me." Mrs. Lola Smith presiding at the organ. The president then read the "Declaration of Principles," and as we had no meeting in January the reading of state or appeal letters was in order. A letter from our state secretary was read by the secretary. Mrs. Retzer read a letter from Mrs. Emily Round on "Red Letter Days," and Miss Daisy Cornwall read a letter from Mrs. B. K. Eird, state secretary, in reference to the Miss Willard memorial services. All these letters had reference to Red Letter days and petition work, were commented upon at some length, and it was decided that while we were anxious to have a public meeting in honor of Miss Willard's birthday anniversary was could not arrange for one at this time nor until the condition of the roads were improved. For this reason, also, it is impossible for us to do the petition work and make it necessary to leave it to more fortunately situated unions. The second communication from Mrs. Eird was introduced by Miss Lizzie Smith, L. T. L. superintendent, and thoroughly discussed. Four subscriptions to The Crusader Monthly were received and this very important branch of our work placed in the hands of Miss Lizzie Smith and Mrs. M. M. Hill. A letter from Mrs. Arthur Leach, state superintendent of evangelistic work, was read asking that we take up that department. Mrs. Hill proposed Miss Ida Keyes' name for membership. She was also named for superintendent of the new department and also accepted by voice and vote. We then adjourned by singing "Please Won't You Yote It Out," and the temperance Doxology amid much rejoicing over our new member, new department and new life.

**CLUB FELLOWSHIP K. K. K.**

Considerable complaint is now being made concerning the obstruction to the passage of fish up the streams of Broad and Bull runs on account of insufficient fishladder facilities at Occoquan mill-dam. It is pointed out that several years ago a fish ladder was constructed, at the dam mentioned, but proved inadequate to requirements or to the expectations of parties along the streams affected by its failure.

No doubt should the owner of the dam be requested to put in a fish ladder, to conform with the law, that the request would be promptly granted. Section 2105 of the Code of 1904, requires a suitable fish ladder to be provided at the expense of the owner of any dam or other obstruction to the passage of fish up and down the streams, and imposes a fine of \$5 for each day's failure to comply with the law after reasonable notice.

When BLOODINE RHEUMATIC LINIMENT has cured so many cases of Rheumatism, why does one suffer with this terrible affliction, it will cure all pain instantly, see and see a bottle.

**SNAP SHOTS**

Almost every woman has her neighbors.

A woman hates to leave a place first, for fear of what the other women are going to say about her.

A sleepy chaperone is pretty good company.

Broken hearts are often mended without even leaving a scar.

More often is said in an exchange of glances than in hours of some parlor conversations.

The difference between a man of the world and an unsophisticated youth is that one has seen life as it really is and wishes that he hadn't, and the other hasn't and wishes that he had.

To become engaged does not always mean that one is taken.

Before they are through with it, most eloping couples are as glad to get back home as they were to leave.

**MARKS NEW ERA**

Tuesday marked a new era in the history of Eastern College, of Manassas, when the dedicatory exercises of the new \$30,000 Young Men's Dormitory and Recitation Building took place. Some prominent speakers appeared in the afternoon, among them being congressman Jones, of Virginia, and the United States Commissioner of Education.

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**Hammond Dairy Feed**

Wherever Hammond Dairy Feed has been sold for any length of time, 90 per cent of the largest and best dairies are using it.

**Why is this?**

Because they get more and better milk for less money. Dealers do not buy this feed from the manufacturers to please them, neither do the farmers and dairymen buy it from the dealers to please the dealers.

**Why is this?**

It is because they get results. You can take a sack of chaff and add a shovel of cotton seed meal and have the per cent of protein, but you would have a great balanced ration, wouldn't you?

**WHITE LOAF FLOUR** is all to the good.

**OUR MEAL** is in a class to itself. Our sales prove this to us conclusively.

**WHITE ROSE FLOUR**

Try our new brand. Fine as silk for Biscuits, Pastry, etc., and comes cheaper.

**HAMMOND HORSE FEED**

Sells like hot cakes. Try us on all goods before ordering.

**SEED OATS**

Our Seed Oats come up when you plant them. See a box of them in our office.

**CARLOAD OF HAMMOND**

will be in Manassas in a few days. It is a mortgage lifter.

**C. J. MEETZE,**  
Wholesale and Retail Manufacturer and Dealer.  
**BRISTOW, VA.**



**HEAR WHAT IS BEING SAID**

everywhere about the superior quality of the harness we make. Every horse owner admits ours to be the most satisfactory harness from every standpoint. We use none but the best materials, and employ none but the best workmen. And our prices are always moderate.

**W. C. Austin**

**See Me!**

I am on my way to Hall's Cheap Furniture House

Where you can get everything from a Living Room Chair to a Dining Room Chair, Parlor Chair, and Bed Room Chair, Rockers, Kitchen Chairs, Children's Chairs and Bedding Chairs, and second hand furniture, Stoves and Cooks, Washboards, Crockery, China, Glass, and many other goods, at very low prices.

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**S. T. HALL**  
NEW FURNITURE STORE Center Street

**SPECIAL SALE WHILE THEY LAST**

Stewart's \$12.50 Flexible Shaft Hand Power Horse Clipping Machines . . \$5

Stewart's \$12.50 Universal Joint Hand Power Sheep Shearing Machines . . \$5

These Machines are Standard Goods and the Best on the Market

**R. H. DAVIS & CO.,**  
"The Pop-Men's Store" BRISTOW, VA.

**Photos**

**The Satisfactory Kind**

**The Choicest Bakery Wares**

**Geo. M. Jameson**

**Chas. E. Fisher**

**Fine Coffee**

**GROCERIES**  
Feed and Provisions

**A. H. Harrell,**  
Successor to E. H. Fowell & Co.

**Garden Seeds!**

The largest line ever displayed in the county, comprising the productions of four of the largest and most reliable seed houses in America. **Seed Potatoes Our Specialty.**

**J. H. BURKE & CO.**

I sit on a cloud in the sunshine, just over the changing scene. Watching the sun roll upward, from Autumn to Springtime green. And I see with my eagle vision, and I note with my keen-tipped pen, The things that go on below me on the battlefield of men.

### An Awkward Situation.

Ambition to get leading parts induced me to throw up a good position in the North of England to join a manager starting at Salisbury. The business turned out disastrous, the theatre closing in a fortnight. I, an utter stranger to the place, with a wife and babe, was taken in, and could hardly stir for days. But for a good-hearted landlady, I do not know what would have become of us.

One morning, however, over a melancholy pipe in the grassy hollow below Old Sarum, a ray of hope dawned upon me. In my anxiety and depression one old acquaintance had altogether slipped my memory. This was a Mr. Atherton, an art dealer of Bond Street. He first knew me when I had become assistant to a well known engraver, and watched my progress with great interest. I wrote telling him the whole story of my misfortune. A prompt reply followed.

On again hearing from the art dealer I wrote to Lord Mountfalcon asking permission to visit his picture gallery. By next post I had the most courteous of replies, according to my request. One thing puzzled me, the handwriting of the note seemed to be the nobleman's was familiar to me. Where I had before seen it I could not recollect. Next morning I went over to Merivale. Shrewton Court situated in a spacious park, commands many picturesque objects. One is a graceful Ionic temple, half hidden in a mass of fir and white pines. So much did it strike my fancy that I left the gateway to return there again. It was prevented, however, by a singular incident. As I approached a young girl in white bounded down the marble steps. Her melancholy, yet beautiful face, and sunny tresses decked with pansies and lilies, might have been Apollo's. To my perplexity she advanced and courtesied three times. Directly afterward a matronly woman ran out of the building. She quietly took the girl by the hand and led her away.

The Shrewton collection would be famous if only for its Florentine and Venetian masterpieces. While absorbed before them a light footfall behind crossed me. I turned and saw Lord Mountfalcon. His open, handsome face would have been an excellent introduction anywhere. He said, "I have seen you before; was it not Charles Surface at Exeter?" From that time Lord Mountfalcon's talk glided into matters of pictorial art, in which he was evidently an enthusiast. Half an hour passed and the lordship remarked:

"I knew full well, Heaven knows, but what could I do?" "I have no property of Lord Mountfalcon," I said, "and Mr. Crakenhorpe knows that perfectly well."

"Disprove his charge, then by producing your pocket contents," was the answer. "I can have no more delay. At this time I have to be off to Salisbury for a constable." Surveying the whole situation, I answered: "Allow me a private interview, Lord Mountfalcon, and I can give you such an explanation that must remove all suspicion."

"What the nobleman's answer might have been I know not. At that moment a wild, knocking cry came from the garden. "What is that?" exclaimed Lord Mountfalcon, anxiously. "I know that sound," I replied. In an instant he had quitted the gallery. Soon confused voices, intermingled with the angry tones of the master of the mansion arose in the corridor. Something unusual had taken place. In a few minutes Lord Mountfalcon, strangely pale, entered and laid the missing miniature on the table. He said to me, with extended hand:

"I deeply regret we have caused you so much anxiety. Hear my explanation. A piece of mine, unfortunately of weak intellect, gained admission in some inexplicable manner to the gallery. The noise you heard doubtless came from her entrance or departure. A gardener observed her unattended and following the young lady saw her cast something into the rosary. It was the portrait taken from the table where you had deposited it. I deeply regret you should have been placed in such an awkward situation."

"I bowed and prepared to depart. Lord Mountfalcon would not hear of it, stating he wished to see me in private. "By the way," he added to Crakenhorpe, "it is a mystery to me how Lady Hester could have obtained entrance here. By means of that lock door she is surely cut off from the side of the mansion. Has the door been unlocked since my progress?" "I have no knowledge of it," faltered the keeper, turning pale.

this fac-simile of the miniature you asserted I had in my pocket?" "Yes." "Who painted it?" "Mr. Moule."

Mrs. Howe's Candidate. Mrs. Howe's candidate would be largely responsible for the election of George H. Fall as mayor of Malden, Mass. During the campaign one of Mr. Fall's opponents wrote a letter saying that though Mr. Fall had served in the legislature he had done nothing to attract attention. Mrs. Howe sent an immediate answer reminding the voters that it was Mr. Fall who introduced and carried through the legislation the bill making mothers equal guardians of their minor children with fathers. Mr. Fall and his wife are both lawyers and their eldest daughter recently distinguished herself in the Boston University Law School, New York Sun.

Virginia Suffragette. Mrs. Benjamin B. Valentine has just been elected president of the newly organized suffrage club of Richmond, Va. The club may be said to have bounded into existence almost in one night. The women of Richmond had always shown themselves violently opposed to giving the ballot to women. One prominent woman made a break by proposing such a club and within a few days the organization was formed and women of all classes applied for membership. Among the women who are leading in the movement are Mrs. Beverly B. Munford, Mrs. Charles V. Meredith, Mrs. Mary Johnston and Miss Glasgow. New York Sun.

Giving of Photos Cheaply. Artistic photographs would seem costly enough in themselves, but they must be framed in a style suitable to that of the photograph. Therefore to present a copy of your picture, framed to every one of your friends means the heading up of a big bill. Miss Blanche Oshlack has been giving to intimate friends charming photographs of herself, finished in the soft gray tones and framed with broad, flat frames of gray silver. The monogram of the giver was on one side, the monogram of the recipient on the other. A few fashionable women have their photographs framed in platinum; but even Mrs. Newby Rich balks at the cost of such a luxury when she is going to give away many pictures. New York Press.

Charming Bouquets. The most charming bouquets of small flowers set in trills of blond lace and arranged in quaint designs have been sent from Philadelphia to some fortunate debutantes. As large as a breakfast plate in diameter, and of pyramidal shape, they have a cluster of rose buds at the top, a row of white violets below, a star in pink sweet peas next, then violets again, a stem of green leaves and the lace valance. A paper cone forms the holder and streamers dangle from it. These bouquets are an echo of the Japanese bouquets that graced each place at the White House formal dinners under President Pierce in 1853. These had wonderful cape ruffles of lace paper, and for this season no other flower was in favor. New York Tribune.

# SCORE OF PEOPLE KILLED BY AN AVALANCHE INDICTMENTS PASSED AGAINST BEEF BARONS COLONEL ROOSEVELT'S BIG HUNT IS OVER THE JAPANESE ARE AGAIN AGITATED MURDERED THE TIBETAN MONKS TO BE THE BIGGEST WARSHIP AFLOAT

## Idaho Town Buried Under Snow Slide

**CANYON FILLED TO DEPTH OF 45 FEET.**

Only a few bodies have been recovered so far. And the others are buried under sixty feet of snow—cast-iron bedpost serves a woman, while her husband is mangled almost beyond recognition.

Spokane, Wash. (Special).—Reports from Burke, Idaho, indicate that the snowslide is not as bad as first appeared. The number of known dead now total 24.

At noon but four bodies had been recovered at Burke, the victims being A. D. Pritchett, Richard Shepherd and the children of Mr. and Mrs. George Neuman, both of their parents being reported injured.

James Rogers, a boy, is known to have been killed. Whether other bodies are hidden under the 60 feet of snow cannot be determined as yet.

"My husband! Where is he?" cried Mrs. Parsons, wife of the superintendent of the Standard mine, when rescuers pulled her out of a mangled mass of twisted iron bed rails under 40 feet of snow at Mace. Only a cast-iron bedpost saved her from death. Her husband was mangled almost beyond recognition.

To the 19 who perished in the avalanche at Mace and Burke and are added three more who died in a similar disaster, when the camp of the Carbonate Hill Mining Company, at Mullen, Idaho, was destroyed, and two killed at Dorsey, Idaho.

The rescuers have dug frantically for many hours. Every available man and boy has been pressed into service. Mace is situated on a creek and the main body of the town is on the opposite side of the town. The main body of the town, which is situated on the top of a mountain, is situated on a steep slope with terrific force, rushed up the opposite mountain side. The canyon is filled to a depth of 45 feet. The damage to Mace was done by a fragment of the main slide, which carried a construction train from the track as it plunged into the ravine. As it rolled up the other side it demolished the houses in its path and stopped a snowdrift beyond the Pascoe home. The boarding-house of the Standard Mine, where 300 miners were sleeping, was missed by 120 feet.

Among the last to be taken out of the snow alive at Mace was Mrs. George Hooper, an old woman who lived on the outskirts of the town. She was buried 13 feet under the snow and it took four hours to extricate her. She had suffered from the cold, but was not seriously injured.

Burke is buried 50 feet under the snow and earth. The slide is 3,000 feet long and six the widest.

## 74 ESCAPE FROM MINE

**Explosion May, However, Cause One Man's Death.**

Central City, Ky. (Special).—An explosion of gas in the mine of the Iron Mountain Coal Company, three miles from this place, probably fatal, but burned Warren Gibbs, a miner, but 74 men, who, with Gibbs, comprised the shift, escaped with slight bruises.

The men went underground at the usual hour and were proceeding to their rooms, when Gibbs, who was leading the way with it, it is said, an uncovered lamp, hit a pocket of gas. An explosion followed in which Gibbs was fearfully burned. The other men retreated, hastily, but forced their way into the workings and rescued their comrades.

Meantime the woodwork in the mine caught fire, but the men managed to reach the surface in safety. The mine is still burning.

## Woman's Husband Accused

**Had Had \$10,000 and Is Held As Counterfeiter.**

Valdosta, Ga. (Special).—J. R. Dodge, a dentist at Valdosta, Ga., was ordered held under bond of \$4,000 on charges implicating him in a counterfeiting scheme. At the preliminary hearing before United States Commissioner Powell, it was ascertained that Dodge had on him when arrested, ten specimens of counterfeit money.

Dr. E. E. Dodge, a brother, and also a dentist, was arrested, but the warrant against him was dismissed.

## Mining Engineer Killed

**Hazleton, Pa. (Special).**—As the result of a peculiar dynamic explosion at the Mack Mountain Colliery of the Lehigh Valley Coal Company two men were killed and several others were badly injured. Frank Devoer, of Freeport, Pa., head of the engineering corps of the coal company in this district, was instantly killed, and Joseph Grath, a laborer, died afterward in a hospital.

## Dr. Cook Goes To Argentina

**Anzès, Chile (Special).**—Dr. Frederick A. Cook and his wife left here for the Argentine Republic. Their exact destination is not known.

## National Packing Company, The Swifts, Armour, Morrice, And Hammonds Must Stand Trial—Wealthy Packers Liable To Fine And Imprisonment—Competed To Go Before Jury Or Oppose Extrajudicial Fight Centers On Control Of Beef And Poultry Supply Through Cold Storage Plants Near New York.

**THE BEEF TRUST**

Earnings:

Armour & Co.	\$260,000,000
Swift & Co.	275,000,000
Morris & Co.	115,000,000
National Packing Co.	150,000,000

The following companies are controlled by the National Packing Company:

G. H. Hammond Co.	\$3,900,000
Hammond Pack Co.	1,750,000
Anglo-American Provisions Co., Ill.	250,000
Anglo-American Ref. Co., Ill.	200,000
Fowler Pkg. Ass'n, Kan.	700,000
Kan. City Ref. Co.	150,000
Co. Kan. Ref. Co., Ill.	500,000
United Provisions Co., N. Y.	300,000
St. Louis Dressed Beef and Pro. Co., Mo.	1,250,000
Hutchinson Pkg. Co., Kan.	150,000
National Car Line, N. J.	100,000
Prov. Dealer's Dispatch Co., Ill.	320,000
Continental Pkg. Co., Ill.	500,000

New York (Special).—Indictments charging conspiracy to raise prices on foodstuffs contrary to the public good, against all the officials and directors of the National Packing Company, the so-called Beef Trust, were presented to Judge Swayne, in the Supreme Court of Hudson County, N. J., in Jersey City. The indictments embrace the six great packing companies and 21 packers, several of them multimillionaires, socially and industrially prominent, were indicted by a grand jury in Hudson County, N. J., charged with conspiracy in limiting the supply of meat and poultry.

The indictment is drawn under the law of New Jersey, which provides, upon conviction, a maximum penalty of three years in the penitentiary or \$1,000 fine, or both. The offense is extraditable, which means that practically all the meat barons of this country must either successfully resist extradition or come to Jersey City for trial.

Pierre Garven, the prosecutor of Hudson County, announced that he would forthwith notify the defendants of their indictment, and would be ready to force extradition in each and every case where the individual concerned is not willing to face trial voluntarily. None, he says, will be spared.

The defendants, as named, are as follows:

Corporations: The National Packing Company, Armour & Co., Swift & Co., Morris & Co., Hammond & Co. Individuals: G. H. Hammond, Louis F. Swift, Edward F. Swift, Charles H. Swift, Edward Morris, Ira N. Morris, Arthur Meeker, Edward Tilden, L. A. Carlton, Thomas E. Wilson, Thomas J. Conners, F. A. Fowler, L. H. Heyman, Jas. B. Bathgate, Jr., George J. Edwards, Fred. E. Cooper, D. E. Hartwell, Henry B. Darlington, A. A. Fuller, Lester O. Patterson.

The indictment, which bundles in its arrangement of the men named, also refers to "divers others" as being responsible. These latter, however, are not specified. The foregoing list of names, it will be seen, represents the very backbone of the great packing industry of this country, containing, as it does, two Armours, three Swifts, and two Morris, all for the most part residents of Chicago, together with less important figures in the packing world.

**Packer's Flight Stopped.**

Oklahoma City, Okla. (Special).—Louis Paulhan, aviator, who was under contract to make aeroplane flights in Oklahoma City, received a telegram saying that the Wright Brothers had obtained an injunction in the federal court in New York preventing Paulhan from making further exhibitions. Paulhan said he would make no more flights until the case was cleared up.

## To Lay Aspeck Cable

**New York (Special).**—George O. Ward, vice president and general manager of the Commercial Cable Company, announced that, in view of the public demand for increased cable service, the Commercial Cable Company will proceed at once to lay an additional trans-Atlantic cable. This will be the sixth cable which the Commercial Cable Company will own between Europe and America, and will greatly increase the trans-Atlantic cable service.

## 10,000 Jewelry Robbery

**Roston, Mass. (Special).**—A jewelry robbery with the loss placed at \$10,000 was reported to the police by Samuel D. Ullian, who recently purchased the store from Jacob A. Decker, at 1177 Washington Street. Ullian stated that when he entered his store he found that someone had broken a rear window, pushed up two planks in the door and had robbed the safe of much of its contents.

## Jewish Agricultural Experiment Station

**Albany, N. Y. (Special).**—The Jewish Agricultural Experiment Station, with principal office in New York, was incorporated to establish and support agricultural experiment stations in Palestine and other countries.

It is also to promote the advancement of agriculture in arid regions throughout the world.

## Raise Pay Telegraphers

**Baltimore, Md. (Special).**—An increase of 10 per cent in salaries has been granted by the Western Maryland Railroad to telegraphers. More than 300 operators will be affected by the advance, which was announced here. No action has yet been taken by the Western Maryland concerning the demands of its trainmen for higher wages.

## The Expedition Has Now Sailed For Khartoum.

**500 SPECIMENS HAVE BEEN SECURED.**

Shooting Of The Giant Elephants Considered The Greatest Achievement Of The Expedition—A General Summing Up Of The Fruits Of The Expedition—Many Thousands Of Birds—The Colonel Will Now Begin His Literary Work.

Gondokoro, Sudan, on the Upper Nile (Special).—Colonel Roosevelt and others of his immediate party sailed Monday on the steamer Dali for Khartoum, where they expect to arrive on March 15. With their departure the African scientific expedition under the auspices of the Smithsonian Institute of Washington and led by the former president of the United States was, for all practical purposes, brought to a close. Colonel Roosevelt considers that the killing of the giant elephants in his recent excursion along the upper reaches of the Nile was a fitting ending of a marvellously successful trip. The results generally from the standpoint of the hunter and the scientist have exceeded all expectations.

Colonel Roosevelt and his son Kermit have killed some 500 specimens of large mammals. The bag includes the following: Seventeen huns, 11 elephants, 10 buffaloes, 10 black rhinoceroses, 9 white rhinoceroses, 3 hippopotami, 3 giraffes, 3 leopards, 7 cheetahs, 3 giant elands, 3 sabres, 1 sitatunga and 2 bongos.

All these were killed in the interest of science and the specimens will be disposed of accordingly, the greater number going to the Smithsonian Institute. Mr. Roosevelt will retain not more than six trophies for himself.

From the point of importance the most highly prized game may be rated as follows:

First, the giant eland, the first complete specimen of which has ever been taken from the country; second, the white rhinoceros; third, the bongos, the first to be stalked and killed by a white man; and, fourth, the sitatunga, a species of antelope.

The naturalists secured a remarkable collection, comprising many thousands of birds and other mammals. The results to this date have been most gratifying, and science will be enriched by several new species and an enormous number of the smaller mammals of Africa. The same taken and the collections made constitute a world's record for a similar period of hunting and scientific research in Africa, and the American museums will receive the greatest collections of African fauna in existence. All agree that too much praise cannot be accorded to R. J. Cunningham, the Englishman whose management of the expedition was as nearly perfect as could be conceived.

## Colonel Roosevelt Will Now Devote His Time To Writing, Including The Preparation Of The Addresses Which He Is To Deliver In Europe.

## NEW TRIUMPH FOR EDISON

**Storage Battery Cars Cross The City Of New York.**

New York, (Special).—Thomas A. Edison flashed another brilliant invention on the world when the first street car using his new storage battery in practical operation traveled in place of the antiquated horse cars back and forth across Manhattan island on Twenty-eighth and Twenty-ninth streets. Though it had been known for nearly a year that Mr. Edison, after many years of endeavor, had perfected an improved storage battery for surface car use, this public trial was the first demonstration that his invention could make money. In fact, he not only proved that a street car company using the Edison storage battery could make more money than it could make with horse cars or trolley cars.

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## ALASKA'S HIDDEN WEALTH

**Washington, D. C. (Special).**—A graphic picture of Alaska with her millions in gold lying hidden beneath hundreds of feet of brown earth was drawn by Delegate James Wickerman in a statement before the House Committee on Territories in support of a bill for the revision of the Alaska Mining Law. He told of the lack of the pioneer prospector and of his pathetic failures; the crudeness and the inadequacy of the mining laws in that territory and of the frequent resort to the rifle and pistol, even the occasional summary punishment of "violators" by the rougher code of the hangman's noose.

## Two Killed in Wreck

**Deaver, Colo. (Special).**—Two persons were killed, two perhaps fatally injured, and twenty others hurt in a collision of a Union Pacific passenger train and a street car in Deaver. The locomotive of the passenger train, which was running at high speed, struck the front of the street car, hurrying it across the tracks. The motorman and a woman passenger were killed. It is feared the body of the injured may die.

## Reports From America Cause a Gloomy Feeling.

**Secretary That Mr. Shaw Was Simply Arguing For Ship Subsidy And General Bill For Increased Appropriations For The Army—Not The Slightest Likelihood Of Any Trouble With Japan.**

Tokio, (Special).—Special dispatches to the newspapers from the United States report a recrudescence of the anti-Japanese movement at San Francisco. All of the local papers feature the speech of Leslie M. Shaw, former secretary of the Treasury, in which he is reported as having said that war between the United States and Japan was inevitable. The speech has caused a most gloomy impression among Japanese and foreign dignitaries alike. The special agent, Major General J. Franklin Bell as arriving and that war between the two countries was likely to break out at any moment. The press and the public are unable to understand the reason for these violent utterances.

Editorially the papers repudiate the suggestion that Japan is seeking the control of the Pacific, and declare that American competition will be welcomed.

San Francisco (Special).—While there has been nothing in the nature of a renewed anti-Japanese movement in this city or state, the special dispatches from San Francisco mentioned as having been received in Tokyo are believed to have been inspired by a resolution adopted by the Labor Council advising all unions "not to unionize or permit their work in houses where oriental labor is employed."

The adoption of the resolution followed a discussion on a proposition to boycott saloons where Chinese and Japanese help is employed, and the action was designed to extend the scope of the movement to embrace all houses employing orientals.

The Anti-Trust League is endeavoring to secure assurances that Asia ties will not be employed by the Panama-Pacific Exposition directors.

## Washington, D. C. (Special).

Major General Bell, Chief of staff, was shown the dispatch from Tokyo going to him via wireless, or certain special correspondents to the effect that war between America and Japan was likely to break out at any moment. In the presence of Secretary of War Dickinson, who gave his approval of the statement, General Bell declared emphatically that he had never suggested such a declaration, and that there was absolutely no justification for it.

"There is not the slightest likelihood of any trouble with Japan any more than with any other country with which we have amicable relations of friendship."

This statement was made by Secretary Knox when copies of the press dispatches from Tokyo, indicating some considerable discussion of reported utterances of Mr. Shaw, former Secretary of the Treasury, and of General Bell, and referring to alleged anti-Japanese expressions in San Francisco. The Secretary of State expressed great surprise that notice should be taken of such trifles.

## Mr. Shaw's Speech Was Obviously Nothing But An Argument For Ship Subsidy, And What General Bell Said Made No Reference To Trouble In The Far East And Was Quite Evidently An Ordinary Argument For Increased Appropriations For The Army.

As for the San Francisco report everywhere knows that our immigration arrangements with Japan in working entirely satisfactory. If, in spite of this, agitators will talk, no serious-minded person should be disturbed."

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President Taft sent a special message to Congress urging legislation for the improvement of the personnel of the Navy and restoring the Meyer bill.

## Senator Heyburn introduced a bill to stop the practice of securing commissions by "third-degree" methods.

General Gordon, the picturesque senator from Mississippi, delivered his farewell address to the Senate. The House Naval Committee adopted a resolution calling upon the Secretary of Commerce and Labor for reports on the discovery of the North Pole.

The McCumber bill to provide for second homestead entries was ordered favorably reported by the Senate Committee on Public Lands.

The hearings in the Missouri River case before the Supreme Court have been advanced from October to April 4 next.

## The President withdrew his nominations of Alfred C. Cowe, William H. Hunt, James F. Smith, O. M. Barnes and Marion Devries to be judges of the court of customs appeal.

J. W. Sawyer, of the Baltimore Chamber of Commerce, was one of the speakers at the meeting before the House Committee on Agriculture on the Anti-Opium bill.

The House Naval Committee voted to give the Meyer naval reorganization plan a year's trial.

Senator Dewey read Washington's Farewell Address to the Senate.

## Stockton, Cal. (Special).—Within a few yards of the spot where he was over and killed a man, Charlemagne E. Albert Phillips, a Southern Pacific engineer, who during 30 years of service had run over and killed 18 men and one woman, was crushed to death in a collision.

## Seventeen Prisoners Escape

**Hot Springs, Ark. (Special).**—A coalition of grand larceny, escaped from the county prison here, at the same time releasing 16 other prisoners. Cooks believed to have left the city in an automobile. A posse has tracked up the crew.

## Earthquake Shocks In Nebraska

**Columbus, Neb. (Special).**—Two earthquake shocks occurred here at 4 A. M. Windows were rattled and houses shook enough to awaken nearly all the inhabitants. No damage is reported.

## Chinese Soldiers Also Rob The Charities.

**Chinese Military Commander Then Ordered 2,500 Troops Into Lhasa, Where The Lama's Followers Enrolled At The "Golden Soldiers" Tricked To Oppose Them, But Were Shot Down Without Mercy—The Flight Of Dalai Lama.**

Darjiling, British India (Special).—The circumstances surrounding the flight from Lhasa of the now deposed Dalai Lama, the nominal head of the Tibetan government, are as follows:

The Dalai Lama, following his wide wanderings, arrived at Lhasa in December with authority from Peking to take over the government from the provisional governors who were appointed following the invasion of the Holy City in 1904 by Col. Sir Francis Edward Younghusband at the head of a British column when Great Britain secured from Tibet certain concessions in the matter of trade and in that of the foreign returns of the country. The Dalai Lama was installed at the palace and monastery of Potala amid popular demonstrations. The ruler, who was again given civil power along with his office at the head of the Lamaist hierarchy, pardoned all the Tibetans who had given aid to Colonel Younghusband and all went well for the first month.

The Dalai Lama protested to the Chinese Amban in charge of the military affairs, because of the excesses of the Chinese troops on the Sze-Chuen frontier, where they were sacking the monasteries and killing the monks. This protest served to stir up the whole question of the status of Tibet. The Amban declared that it was a Chinese province and said that he would deal with the rebels on the frontier as he pleased him to do. Other questions of authority arose, and finally the Amban ordered into Lhasa, 2,500 Chinese troops, who were encamped at the outskirts of the capital.

A few companies composed of the Dalai Lama's followers were hastily enrolled under the name of "golden soldiers." They opposed the Chinese troops, but being insignificantly armed, were shot down with much bloodshed. Meantime the Dalai Lama with three of his ministers and 60 retainers fled through a gate at the rear of the palace enclosure and were fired upon as they escaped the city.

The Dalai Lama does not intend to appeal to the Indian government, his motive in coming to India being to present his case to Western Tibet, where he would be perfectly safe, being because this way offers the shortest route to Peking, where he can personally lay his grievances before the Chinese throne. The Tibetans generally resent the treatment of the Dalai Lama, and as they have other grudges against the Chinese, the Chinese officials at isolated posts are in great danger of being massacred.

## Secretary Meyer Outlines An Ambitious Plan.

**It Would Place The United States In Possession Of A Monster Fighting Machine That Would Put The Present Dreadnaughts Of The World In The Shade—To Be Equipped With 14-inch Guns—The Naval Program.**

Washington, D. C. (Special).—The building of a world record-breaking battleship of no less than 32,000 tons displacement at a cost of approximately \$18,000,000, and the making of the United States the leading naval power of the world are planned by Secretary of the Navy Meyer.

This was what Secretary Meyer said to have told the members of the House Naval Committee was his ultimate plan and what he would urge Congress to authorize next year. The members of the committee stated that the Secretary's radical plans for naval advancement were favorably received by the committee.

At the session of the committee even the stenographer was barred, and the Secretary discussed freely with the members his plans for the Navy. He said that it was his purpose that the United States should not follow in the wake of any other nation in naval advancement, but that in essential particulars it should take the lead. The Secretary did not refer in this instance particularly to naval strength in number of ships or armament, but to various features of improvement of the efficiency of ships and guns.

## Big 14-inch Guns.

The giant battleships which Secretary Meyer wants the United States to build waits until next year only because the naval appropriations bill has not yet been completed and the department desires to know the result of the experiments now being planned for the armament of the giant Dreadnaught. Tentatively, it is planned to arm this great battleship with a battery of fourteen 14-inch guns of the latest type.

The Secretary said his plans for the enlargement of all the dry docks of the country are outlined to the committee some weeks ago and made in contemplation of the great enlargement of the battleships and he wanted the docks built to accommodate ships of greater size. The committee has already endorsed the Secretary's plan for dock enlargement and the Naval Appropriation Bill is expected to carry the several million dollars necessary for that purpose.

It was tentatively agreed by the committee that the naval increase this year, based on the Secretary's recommendations, shall be as follows:

Two 37,000-ton battleships, equipped with either 12 or 14-inch guns. One repair ship. Two colliers. Five submarines.

## Fleet Submarines.

The submarines are for the Pacific Coast and are the first of a fleet of those vessels which will be provided within the next few years. The plan to place 10 additional submarines on the Pacific Coast next year was favorably considered. The Pacific Coast congressional delegation, which told the committee some weeks ago that the western coast against foreign men-of-war, appealed strongly to the members, and the submarine fleet has been decided upon.

## RAISED \$100 A MINUTE

**Revels to Y. M. C. A. Fund For Over Half a Million.**

Cleveland, O. (Special).—When the millionaire, newspaper, doctor, jurymen and merchants who have been combing the town for a \$500,000 building fund for the Young Men's Christian Association would by their campaign they had \$575,518.66—the money was raised at the rate of \$130 a minute. The Y. M. C. A. committee announced that they will rely on to wipe out an \$85,000 debt on the Young Men's Christian Association building.

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## Secretary Meyer Outlines An Ambitious Plan.

**It Would Place The United States In Possession Of A Monster Fighting Machine That Would Put The Present Dreadnaughts Of The World In The Shade—To Be Equipped With 14-inch Guns—The Naval Program.**

Washington, D. C. (Special).—The building of a world record-breaking battleship of no less than 32,000 tons displacement at a cost of approximately \$18,000,000, and the making of the United States the leading naval power of the world are planned by Secretary of the Navy Meyer.

This was what Secretary Meyer said to have told the members of the House Naval Committee was his ultimate plan and what he would urge Congress to authorize next year. The members of the committee stated that the Secretary's radical plans for naval advancement were favorably received by the committee.

At the session of the committee even the stenographer was barred, and the Secretary discussed freely with the members his plans for the Navy. He said that it was his purpose that the United States should not follow in the wake of any other nation in naval advancement, but that in essential particulars it should take the lead. The Secretary did not refer in this instance particularly to naval strength in number of ships or armament, but to various features of improvement of the efficiency of ships and guns.

## Big 14-inch Guns.

The giant battleships which Secretary Meyer wants the United States to build waits until next year only because the naval appropriations bill has not yet been completed and the department desires to know the result of the experiments now being planned for the armament of the giant Dreadnaught. Tentatively, it is planned to arm this great battleship with a battery of fourteen 14-inch guns of the latest type.

The Secretary said his plans for the enlargement of all the dry docks of the country are outlined to the committee some weeks ago and made in contemplation of the great enlargement of the battleships and he wanted the docks built to accommodate ships of greater size. The committee has already endorsed the Secretary's plan for dock enlargement and the Naval Appropriation Bill is expected to carry the several million dollars necessary for that purpose.

It was tentatively agreed by the committee that the naval increase this year, based on the Secretary's recommendations, shall be as follows:

Two 37,000-ton battleships, equipped with either 12 or 14-inch guns. One repair ship. Two colliers. Five submarines.

## Fleet Submarines.

The submarines are for the Pacific Coast and are the first of a fleet of those vessels which will be provided within the next few years. The plan to place 10 additional submarines on the Pacific Coast next year was favorably considered. The Pacific Coast congressional delegation, which told the committee some weeks ago that the western coast against foreign men-of-war, appealed strongly to the members, and the submarine fleet has been decided upon.

## RAISED \$100 A MINUTE

**Revels to Y. M. C. A. Fund For Over Half a Million.**

Cleveland, O. (Special).—When the millionaire, newspaper, doctor, jurymen and merchants who have been combing the town for a \$500,000 building fund for the Young Men's Christian Association would by their campaign they had \$575,518.66—the money was raised at the rate of \$130 a minute. The Y. M. C. A. committee announced that they will rely on to wipe out an \$85,000 debt on the Young Men's Christian Association building.

## Killed 10 in 80 Years

**Stockton, Cal. (Special).**—Within a few yards of the spot where he was over and killed a man, Charlemagne E. Albert Phillips, a Southern Pacific engineer, who during 30 years of service had run over and killed 18 men and one woman, was crushed to death in a collision.

## Earthquake Shocks In Nebraska

**Columbus, Neb. (Special).**—Two earthquake shocks occurred here at 4 A. M. Windows were rattled and houses shook enough to awaken nearly all the inhabitants. No damage is reported.

Mrs. Cyrus H. K. Curtis Dead. Philadelphia, Pa. (Special).—Mrs. Cyrus H. K. Curtis, wife of the head of the Curtis Publishing Company and the first editor of the Ladies Home Journal, died at her home in Wyncoke, a suburb. Death was due to heart disease. She was 58 years of age. Mrs. Curtis became editor of the Ladies Home Journal when that publication was started in 1883. She retired from the editorship six years later.

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# EASTERN COLLEGE DEPARTMENT

Conducted by the Y. W. C. A.

## ENCOURAGES PENN-VIR ENTERPRISE

The following self-explanatory letter has been received for publication.

Manchester, Va., Feb. 27.  
Editors THE DEMOCRAT, Manassas, Va.

I have seen a copy of THE MANASSAS DEMOCRAT and have noticed the advertisement of the Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Co.

As I feel deeply interested in such matters and happen to know something of that company I take it upon myself to give the citizens of your town and surrounding vicinities an encouraging word.

I have traveled in Ohio, West Virginia and Pennsylvania as well as the northern part of Virginia and want to say that the indications in your section are more favorable for oil and gas than for coal. There is a belt of land running right into the northern portion of Virginia from the north and northwest which is known by others to possess good qualities. You are living, if you but knew it, on one of the richest soils of our land, and I want to urge upon you to try and impress the people of Manassas and a little southwest of Manassas to subscribe for stock of this company while they have an opportunity to do so, for the company will soon show what they are made of and what the earth contains below the surface.

I want to state that I know the secretary of the company, Mr. A. B. Riden, of Penn., to be an excellent business man and perfectly fair in all his dealings with companies whom he has furnished railroad ties and other lumber. As to the rest of the officers of the company I don't think Mr. Riden would enter into business with them unless they were men of honor and character.

I notice in the advertisement of the company that they have as superintendent of construction Mr. J. M. Sullivan; this man understands his business, not only in Ohio where he has spent some years on the oil fields, but wherever he may be.

Mr. Garrison, I want you to know that I have not been casked by a single person to write this letter, but do so on my own free will and accord; not an officer of the company knows anything of it whatever. I hope many will read and become stockholders of the Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Co. for they will never regret investing ten dollars and receiving one hundred or more.

Wishing the Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Co. and stockholders unbounded success, I am,  
Yours, respectfully,  
A FRIEND

## DRAMATIC CLUB FINDS MUCH TALENT

### STUDENTS MANIFEST GREAT ENTHUSIASM

Two Plays in Progress—Rehearsals in Progress for Presentation of "Mrs. Briggs of the Poultry Yard" on March 18.

The Dramatic Club has awakened much talent among the students. Since its organization the students have shown much enthusiasm. When a cast is to be chosen many offer their services. Too much credit and praise cannot be given Miss Shylock, who has been made director of the club. The Booster's Club of Blackville has been given and two more plays are under headway.

### REHEARSE NEW PLAY

On March 18, "Mrs. Briggs of the Poultry Yard," a play full of humor, taken from "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," will be presented in the College chapel. Daily rehearsals are now in progress and by the date of presentation, each part will be perfected. The club has another play entitled "Mr. Bob" to be given in the near future.

As there is no theatre in Manassas each student and friend of the College should appreciate the work of this club, and not forget to be present at each play, well worth the small charge for admission.

## ASSOCIATIONS MEET TO UNITE PRAYER

### HOLD IMPRESSIVE SERVICE IN LADIES HALL

Students Involve Diverse Meetings—Upper Different Countries and Various Branches of Education—Dr. Rogers Ministerial Service.

Last Sunday evening a joint meeting of the Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. was held in the Ladies hall. The object of this meeting was to pray for the students of the world. Dr. Rogers was leader, and several students offered prayer for different countries and various branches of education. Dr. Rogers made a short but most impressive talk on prayer.

The meeting was opened with a short song service led by Dr. Rogers. Prayer was offered as follows:

"Universities and Colleges; Preachers and Teachers," Dr. Rogers; "The Officers of the World's Convention to be held in 1911 and the International Convention to be held next June in Scotland," Mr. Robertson; "Students of Turkey," S. C. Kels; "Students of Russia," C. L. Rudy; "Students of our High Schools," M. W. Marine; "Latin America and Philippines," Miss F. M. Louise; "China, Japan, Korea," Miss Louise Mather; "India and Persia," Miss Emma Hamner; "Africa," Mrs. Rogers; "Student Movement of England," Miss Fisher; "Students of Hungary," Miss Fisher; "Students of Eastern College," Mrs. Mather. The meeting closed with the hymn, "Glad to be a Christian."

## SHOULD NOT PASS SHIP SUBSIDY BILL

### DECISION AFTER AN INTERESTING DEBATE

Jeffersonian Literary Society Holds Interesting Session—Debate Concerns Maritime Preservation of Forests.

A very interesting meeting of the society was held Friday evening. President Robertson is the chair. Meeting was opened with the Chaplain's exercises, after which the program of the evening was rendered. Mr. M. W. Marine read from "The First View of the Heavens" by Mitchell. Mr. Clary was in charge of the "Query Box," followed by Mr. Norman with the Literary Chronicle. The floor was then given to the debaters, the subject being "Resolved, That Congress Should Pass the Ship Subsidy Bill." Messrs. Myers and Mabry being absent, the president appointed Rudy and Kels to defend the affirmative, against Sowers and Corkran for negative. The judges decided in favor of the negative. The program for tomorrow night follows: Reading—H. G. White Literary Chronicle—C. L. Rudy Essay—"Robert E. Lee," S. Thompson Debate—"Resolved, That the United States Government Should Preserve the Forests." Affirmative, S. C. Kels, H. S. White; Negative, F. H. Robertson.

## WASHINGTON IRVING SOCIETY

When College opened there were only five old members back. But soon a meeting was held and several new names were added to the roll. Since then the Society has been continually growing.

It is now doing the best work in its history. Each member has taken hold with determination to do her best, and each meeting shows careful preparation by those on the program. It has been decided to hold a public meeting on March 11, to which the citizens of Manassas and vicinity are cordially invited.

The present officers are: President, Miss Louise Mather; Vice President, Miss Ruth Young; Secretary, Miss Sarah O. Wheeler; Treasurer, Miss Anna Mather. The following program was given by the Washington Irving Literary Society Friday, Feb. 24:  
Piano solo—Miss Wheeler  
Questions—Miss Barbister  
Answers—Miss Marybury  
Paper—"Life of Washington Irving"—Miss Avery  
Short Story, a reading by Miss Anna Mather.  
Debate: Resolved, "That woman's suffrage is not beneficial to her uplift."  
Affirmative, Miss Young. Negative, Miss E. House.

## DEPARTMENT DEVOTED TO EASTERN

THE DEMOCRAT has been very kind in giving these columns for the interest of the College. They are not to be used to boast any one branch of the College, but to give each week that which is of interest to the institution and students in general. We hope each student and member of the faculty will find time to read them, and suggest anything they may see towards improvement. Any available article will be cheerfully received and published. This department will be read by 5,000 persons each week, and therefore will keep the College prominent before the public, which cannot but result in its good. We hope each branch of the College will become a weekly contributor to this work and help, boom "Old Eastern."

The regular weekly meeting of the Y. M. C. A. was held last Tuesday. M. W. Marine was leader and spoke on "The Royal Invitation," as found in the Eleventh chapter of St. Matthew's gospel.

Under auspices of the Y. M. C. A. a Bible class for young men has been conducted for some time. It meets Sunday at 8:45 a. m. in the Boys' dormitory. The characters of the Bible are being studied with much encouragement. The men students are earnestly requested to attend these meetings.

## WOMEN DOING FARM WORK

"A woman working regularly at outdoor farm work, even though she works on the home farm for her husband, son, or other relative and does not receive money for her services, should be reported as a 'farm laborer.' The enumerators are to distinguish, however, the women who work on the home farm from those who work away from home by writing either 'home farm,' or 'working out,' as the case may require. A woman who herself operates or runs a farm should be reported as 'farmer,' and not a 'farm laborer.' Children or even adults, attending school or college or any educational institution, and following no other employment, should be returned as having no occupation. But if any person in attending school or college and at the same time is regularly earning money at some gainful occupation, the enumerators are to return that occupation. In either case they must indicate the fact of school or college attendance."

Children who work for their parents at home merely on general household work or at odd times on other work are to be reported as having no occupation. But children who materially assist their parents in the performance of work other than household work should be reported as having the occupation in which they are so employed, even though they receive no wages. In the case of children who work for their own parents on a farm, that fact is to be entered as "home farm." But for children who work as farm laborers for others the enumerator's entry is to be "working out."

## ACCURATE CENSUS OF VITAL INTEREST

### BUREAU ISSUES CONCISE INSTRUCTIONS

Plans Full Representation for Population Census—Enumerators to be Careful.

Instructions issued by the census bureau for the thirteenth decennial census beginning April 15, will do much to facilitate the movement of the enumeration and obviate confusion. The information is of vital interest in that few, if any, population centers, have been wholly satisfied with the enumerations, many claiming them to be wholly inaccurate and not giving them the representation to which they are entitled. A perusal of the appended instructions issued by the department will be of value.

The "occupation" question in the United States census population schedule to be carried by the enumerators during the thirteenth decennial census beginning April 15 next, applies to everybody living in the United States on the date mentioned, which is the "Census Day," and all the population schedule questions relate to it only.

"In its printed instructions to enumerators the census bureau holds that the occupation followed by a child or a woman is just as important for census purposes as the occupation of a man. Therefore the enumerators are told never to take it for granted without inquiry that a woman or child old enough to work has no gainful occupation."

**REPORT GAINFUL OCCUPATIONS**

It is pointed out however,

that only gainful occupations are to be reported. By this is meant any employment, work, profession, or vocation by which the person working regularly earns money or its equivalent. The fact that a person has no gainful occupation is to be noted on the schedule. If a person is only temporarily unemployed on account of lack of work, or sickness, or other temporary reason, the occupation which that person usually follows is to be reported.

"If a person has two occupations, the enumerator must return only the more important one—that is, the one from which the person gets the more money. If that cannot be learned, then he is to return the one at which the person spends the more time. As an illustration, the enumerators are told to return a man as a 'farmer' if he gets most of his income from farming, although he may also follow the occupation of a clergyman or preacher; but they must return him as a 'clergyman' if he gets more of his income from that occupation."

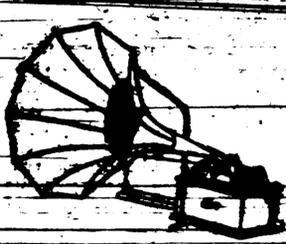
"In the case of a woman doing housework in her own home, without salary or wages, and having no other employment, the entry is to be that she has no occupation. But a woman working at housework for wages should be returned as 'housekeeper,' 'servant,' 'cook,' or 'chambermaid,' as the case may be, and the entry should state the place where she works as 'private family,' 'boarding house,' or 'boarding house.' Or if a woman, in addition to doing housework in her own home, regularly earns money by some other occupation, whether pursued in her own home or outside,

## A WONDERFUL RECOVERY

What Practically Eliminates the Danger of Death by Catarrh or Blurred Vision Which Originates with Catarrh.

Ninety-four per cent of all the diseases with which the human system is afflicted originate or turn into catarrh; securing himself of this fact, Dr. Barker gave the matter of catarrh his entire time and study, and after several years of most thorough research for a remedy which would positively cure catarrh in any form, he prepared a prescription which he used in his private practice without a single failure of any case of catarrh he treated. After a considerable amount of persuasion he consented to put the prescription up in convenient form, so that sufferers from this terrible disease could purchase the treatment at the nominal cost. The prescription will be found in most any drug store in the United States under the label bloodine. In a recent introduction, more than 20,000 bottles were sold in a single week.

I am so confident that bloodine will cure anybody afflicted with catarrh that I will gladly supply it to any patient on a positive guarantee to cure, or money will be cheerfully refunded as it is taken. If your druggist does not keep bloodine you can be supplied by The Bloodine Laboratories, Boston, Mass., at 50c a bottle, or six bottles for \$2.50.



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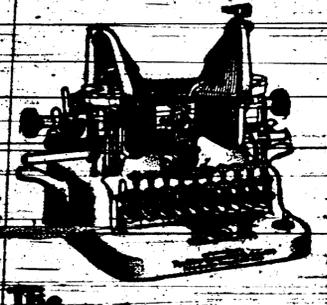
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TOPICS OF THE TOWN

THE D... Wellie Gore, of Orlean, was in town yesterday. Walter Scott is seriously ill of phoid pneumonia. Dr. S. S. Simpson, of Clarendon, was in town yesterday. Mrs. H. Lee Willis and daughter, Miss Helen, visited friends in Harrisonburg Saturday. A social dance was given by a number of young people in the gym building Tuesday night. The macadamized streets have been relieved of a thick coat of mud by a force of men working under direction of the street committee of the Town Council. Dr. Williams, of central Illinois, was in town Tuesday visiting George C. Round. He may decide to locate here, and contemplates founding a hospital. Mrs. D. E. Fair and little son, Ralph, have returned to their home in Alexandria after a week's visit to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Renoe, at Canova. Erin's golden harp, fragments of folk-songs, and clusters of shamrock are emblems on post-cards in the shape of St. Patrick's day, which falls on March 17. Mrs. T. C. Craven, and her little son, Arnold, have arrived here from Boston. Mr. Craven is engaged in business as a member of The Eastern Provision Company. R. B. Sprinkel, a former resident and hustling business man of Manassas, and who now conducts a prosperous green grocery business in Washington, was in town on business Friday. Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Nelson, of Charleston, West Va., were here several days last week visiting Mr. Nelson's parents, Capt. and Mrs. Nelson. They left Monday for a visit to Florida. A new crossing is to be laid this week connecting the cement walk with the board walk on North Main street. The improvement is needed as the crossing has been practically impassable. Frank Davis, who resided on Occoquan Run, in Fairfax county, near Headley, dropped dead at his home on Saturday of heart disease. Mr. Davis was formerly one of the board of supervisors of Fairfax county. John J. Flaughery, formerly of this county, and who for the past ten years has been connected with a business in Washington, is on an indefinite visit to his brother who is quite ill at his home near Edinboro. The rectory of St. Paul's church, Haymarket, has recently been painted and papered and the premises put in order for the coming of Easter of the Rev. Mr. Orinman who has been called from Berkeley Springs to the Haymarket parish. Walter N. Merchant, the veteran deliveryman of Manassas, narrowly escaped serious injury on Sunday morning. Mr. Merchant was leading one of his horses to water when the animal playfully kicked him inflicting a painful bruise upon his side and an abrasion upon his arm. Mrs. Bernard Trimmer, upon whom a delicate operation was performed by Dr. W. F. Merchant, assisted by Dr. W. A. Newman, on last Thursday, is rapidly convalescing. Mrs. Trimmer had been counseled to go to a hospital for treatment, and upon her protest the operation was performed at her home in this place. L. E. Merchant, of Dumfries, said his relatives and friends in Manassas a short visit this week. Mr. Merchant says, that whilst his town the next to the oldest in the state, does not put itself in the same class as the City of Manassas, it's citizens, even at this season of the year, do not have to stand on the street corners and hail a boat to get across the street.

A meeting of the Tri-District Teachers' association will be held at Dumfries, Saturday, March 12. Mrs. C. J. Cress, who formerly conducted a clothing establishment in Manassas, and who is now located in Warrenton, is here Saturday visiting friends. The students of the Manassas Industrial school will present a play entitled, "Some Scenes from the Union Station," tomorrow night. The proceeds are for the trades building. Miss Lena Akers, who is Miss Ida Lickie's efficient and polite assistant in the millinery business, and who has been in Baltimore for several days posting herself on styles and assisting in the purchasing of stock, returned home today. The school board of Prince William county, comprising the trustees of the various districts, will meet at the court-house, Monday morning, March 23, at 10 o'clock. The principal business is to estimate the amount of county and district levies for the school year. L. N. Blackwell of Remington, accompanied by Dudley McDonald of Loceta, Culpeper county, were in town Friday. Mr. Blackwell, who is well versed in agricultural matters was, for a lengthy period, manager of the Ben Lomond farm, the property of the late Congressman Rixey. Among the names sent in by Governor Mans to the Senate, for confirmation as members of the Board of trustees of the state normal and industrial school for women at Farmville, for the term of two years commencing March 14, 1910, is that of George C. Round of Manassas. Charles Keyser, of Haymarket, has just returned from a three weeks' visit to his brother, Captain R. Stover Keyser, commander of the Marine Guards, at the Pensacola, Fla., Navy Yard. Mr. Keyser's visit embraced the period of the annual carnival and he reports it a largely attended and pleasurable affair. E. T. Garber, of Nokesville, met with a painful accident on Tuesday which is likely to confine him to his home for several days. Mr. Garber was walking on a narrow board walk, when his natural courtesy prompted him to yield the walk-way to a lady, and in doing so he slipped severely spraining his ankle. E. R. Holbrook, who has held the position of deputy clerk of the Fairfax county court for the past fifteen years, has tendered his resignation and has accepted the deputy clerkship of the corporation court of Norfolk. Mr. Holbrook was once well known in Manassas where he engaged in the business of the distillery. L. W. Caldwell, one of the oldest residents of Winchester, eighty-seven years old, and who was, for thirty years editor of the "True Index" of Warrenton, died at his home in Warrenton Tuesday, after a long illness. Mr. Caldwell was a Confederate veteran and a Mason, and was buried with Masonic honors yesterday. Plunging into a landslide in White Cut the inbound passenger train on the Manassas branch narrowly escaped derailment yesterday morning. The terrible impact gave the passengers a severe shaking, but none were injured. The pilot and cylinders of the locomotive were bent, and the steps torn from the cars. The train arrived about thirty minutes late. The Manassas Illuminating Co., has just installed a new gas apparatus to take the place of the one which was wrecked a few days ago, and the business houses and residences, formerly supplied with acetylene gas by the company, have discarded the primitive methods which they have been using to light their premises for the last ten days, and the town has resumed its former cheerful appearance at night.

Mrs. R. L. Adamson, who has been on a week's visit to Baltimore for the purpose of arranging for her Spring stock of Millinery, and acquainting herself with the latest styles, returned to her home, in this place, last Saturday. Gloomy weather, dark threatening skies, drizzling, intermittent rains and veritable seas of mud are conditions only bearable because they are the harbingers of spring. The decided rise in temperature is the sole encouraging feature of the weather. George Larsen and his little son, Willett, of Cowart, Northumberland county, arrived here Monday on a week's visit to relatives and friends near Buckhall. Mr. Larsen formerly owned the Hettinger place, near town, and recently sold the same and removed to his present location. A gentleman from the Valley of Virginia, who was visiting in the neighborhood of Bristow, started home Friday, and missing the train at Bristow walked to Manassas in order that he might have time to hunt up THE DEMOCRAT office and place his name upon our subscription list, in time to catch his train home. C. C. Leachman, of Wellington, shipped to Nokesville yesterday a specimen of White Plymouth Rock Cockrell that would make the poultry raisers of Manassas green with envy. This beautiful bird is fully two feet tall and weighs eight pounds. This is one of over a dozen which Mr. Leachman has in his poultry yard. L. C. Lynn, of Milford, this county, was taken to the emergency hospital in Annapolis, Md., on Sunday for an operation for gall stone. A telegram to Mr. Lynn's brother-in-law, C. C. Leachman, of Wellington, late yesterday afternoon, stated that the operation had been performed and that Mr. Lynn was in a very critical condition. T. A. Metz, of Manassas, and Miss Minnie M. Lee, of Herndon, Fairfax county, were married, in Washington, on last Wednesday. The marriage of Mr. Metz came as a great surprise to his numerous friends who had not the most remote idea that he intended to exchange his apparently contented life of celibacy for the natural trend of matrimony and millinery bills, of that of a Benedict. The great length of time, which our hustling nurseryman has spent during the past year, in the Herndon neighborhood, is now, explained to his friends, that it was not all spent in the canvass and delivery of nursery stock. SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT SUCCESS The entertainment given in Nicol hall, on Friday night by the grammar grades and the normal class of the public school, for the benefit of the piano fund of the school, was fully up to the expectation of its management. The program consisted of Swedish Folk-lore games, plantation songs, a dialogue, and recitations concluding with scenes from Colonial life. "Curfew Shall Not Ring tonight," recited by Miss Ethel Bryant, "Sister's Beau," by Miss Viola Florence and George Allensworth, and "The Old Arm Chair" by Miss Edith Moran, were well rendered, and pleasant features of the entertainment. The recitation by Miss Bryant showed a remarkably retentive memory, and that of Miss Moran, a careful training in dramatic elocution. The songs which interspersed the program, were creditably rendered by the chorus class under the able direction of Mrs. B. T. Hodge. The dialogue, contrasting the colonial custom of 1776 with that of the higher educational usage of 1910, was rendered by Miss Maude Willis representing the former, and Miss Edith Moran the latter, evoked prolonged applause. "The Boston Tea Party," from scenes of Colonial life, came in for a liberal share of praise, as did, also, two solos, "Marguerite" and "The Nightingale," excellently rendered by Miss Ola Waters. The receipts netted approximately, \$15.

HOUSE PASSES ANNUITY BILL AUTHORITY TO LEVY TAX Payment of \$600 to Mr. and Mrs. Isaac P. Baldwin for Property Donated Eastern College - Population Family Local. The House of Delegates of the General Assembly Tuesday passed a bill introduced by the Honorable Thomas H. Llewellyn, delegate from Prince William county, authorizing the Town Council of Manassas to levy a tax for the payment of \$600 annuity to Mr. and Mrs. Isaac P. Baldwin, in return for property donated to Eastern college. The enactment of the bill by the Senate will place the proposition before the Town Council as the matter is purely local. The text of the bill is as follows: A BILL To authorize the town council of Manassas to pay an annuity to Isaac P. Baldwin and Wilma E. Baldwin, his wife, in consideration for donation of property for the benefit of said town and Eastern College. Whereas Isaac P. Baldwin and Wilma E. Baldwin, his wife, have conveyed certain real estate, worth not less than ten thousand dollars, in the town of Manassas, to Eastern College, a non-sectarian school of manual, industrial and technical training, located in Manassas, and conveyance being for the benefit of said Eastern College and town of Manassas, and being on condition that the couple of said town would pay to said Isaac P. Baldwin and Wilma E. Baldwin, an annuity of six hundred dollars, payable semi-annually, for and during their joint and natural lives, and upon the death of one of them, to the survivor for and during his or her natural life, and whereas the town council of Manassas has contracted to pay said annuity; now, therefore: I, the Speaker of the General Assembly of Virginia, that said contract to pay said annuity be and the same be, lawfully ratified and confirmed. That the town council of Manassas be and it is hereby authorized to make the necessary levy, and to pay said annuity of six hundred dollars to said Isaac P. Baldwin and Wilma E. Baldwin, for and during their joint and natural lives, and upon the death of one of them, to the survivor for and during his or her natural life, and during the term of said contract, and until the same shall be in force from its passage. Wherein, action of the town council, upon this bill is necessary, in order to ratify and confirm the same, and that the same shall be in force from its passage. DEATH OF CHAS. G. SLOAN Chas. G. Sloan, fifty-one years old, a prominent auctioneer, and well known business man of Washington, D. C., who was found dead in bed at his home 1735 Lamont street, Tuesday week, death having resulted from heart failure, was a son-in-law of the late Marcus Lattimer, of this county. His widow is first cousin of Messrs. E. W. and N. T. Weir, and of Mrs. P. P. Chapman, of Manassas. The funeral took place from the church of the Epiphany, the Rev. Charles D. Dudley, pastor of St. Andrews Episcopal church, officiating, and the interment was in the family burial lot at Edinboro, Md. Benjamin Mathias, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Mathias, of Manassas, and Miss Bessie Gardner, of Harrisonburg, were married Saturday, Feb. 26, in Washington. They will reside in Washington. In Naah's hardware store last night Walter Hibbs announced that he had engaged with the Nash Flying Machine Company to furnish oil and repair flying machines at this station on the air-line route from New York to New Orleans. When asked what kind of oil he would furnish he replied, "Only that made from buzzard wings." The questioner had no more to say. FOR SALE One second hand fire-proof Carey safe in excellent condition. Apply at this office. J. E. BEALE HAYMARKET, VA. Fresh Fish and Oysters Every Saturday Over 100 Suits Winter Clothing at Greatly Reduced Prices. Call and Get a Bargain. JARDENNIER SALE! MONDAY March 7 15 Per Cent Discount On Present Prices WAGENER'S

BANKING SERVICE Banks are becoming more and more the custodians of the funds of the people, of both large and small means. This is due to a wider appreciation of the value of banking service as its usefulness is extended and its methods become better known. In the case of The Peoples' National Bank The Best service is assured. Its officers aim in every way to protect the interests of its patrons, making use of every means of precaution. It's up-to-date system of accuracy, promptness and the same careful attention to large or small depositors. It is a safe bank. It is the bank for the people—rich and poor, men, women and children. If you have any banking business to transact, come to the big brick bank building on the corner. United States Depository. The Peoples National Bank OF MANASSAS, VA. DAIRYMEN We have just stocked a full line of the Dairy Association's cow remedies—Kow Cure, Bag Balm and Grange Garget Cure. When in need of any of these things come and see us. PRINCE WILLIAM PHARMACY Manassas, Va. N. B. Prescriptions? That's our business. Real Estate Bargains If you are planning to buy realty, you can save money by first inspecting our list of town and farm property. We have a most attractive and desirable list of farms and town lots, and can supply any demand in city property. We have many applicants for property which will meet requirements making it most desirable for intending sellers to list their property with us. Especially is this true of Prince William County. In case you have property to sell, write for blank, fill in description and return to us, and we will get satisfactory results for you. H. C. Bolding Manassas, Va. Nicol & Ransdell Phone Orders Promptly Filled Saunders' Market Center Street, Manassas, Va. Tender Steaks, juicy roasts—the very choicest the market affords—also always supplied our customers. Our selection is complete—just what you expect to find in a first class market. Deliveries made Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays Give Us a Trial Satisfaction Guaranteed ALL KINDS OF Concrete Work and Masonry PRICES REASONABLE AS CONSISTENT WITH FIRST CLASS WORK GEO. MUDDIMAN Office at Residence, North Center Street, Manassas, Va. Wanted to Buy Good Logs W. S. ATHEY I am also ready to do custom work in sawing and planing, and to manufacture flooring, siding and lumber from logs. Hauling of all kinds promptly done. Phone orders to residence and Payne & Polen's store, Manassas, Va. A. CONNER West Street, near depot Manassas, Va.

HELP PUSH THINGS

(From The Evening Light, Saginaw, Mich.)
...a city there is no tomorrow...
...In this matter procrastination is not only the thief of time, but is the thief of opportunity...

EXPLOIT MANASSAS AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL

Communication Appears in Newspapers of Eighth Congressional District...
...The Manassas Agricultural High school and Normal training class are to be exploited...

TRACK MEET OF COUNTY STUDENTS

Athletic Competition on April 30 Under Direction of Miss Emily Johnson and Wheatley Johnson...
...Interest in athletics has been heightened in the Prince William county schools...

Are You Listening?

Sucrene
Remains without a Peer!
A Feed That Has Class!
Hear what our own State Department of Agriculture writes:
RICHMOND, VA., January 31, 1910.
Messrs. C. M. LARKIN & Co., Manassas, Va.
GENTLEMEN: We beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 29th inst., and note your request to be advised the analysis obtained by this Department for Sucrene Dairy Feed...

GREENWICH ECHOES

Mrs. Cockrill, though still indisposed, is somewhat better.
Miss Ella Reid is out again from a severe attack of the grip.
Will Davidga, Jr., has a mild case of scarlet fever in Washington.
Henry Hall, is in the neighborhood to day looking for high-bred horses.
Rev. A. B. Carrington had a bad attack on Sunday night, but is now much better.
Mr. and Mrs. Bud Herndon, spent a few days at their home near Aiden last week.
Chas. Mackwell and his cousin, T. E. Veeder, spent a few days at the Lawn, last week.
Miss Amelia House has returned home from Fairfax county where she has been visiting this winter.
Will Mackwell, and friends from the Episcopal High school, spent Sunday and Monday at the Lawn.
Mr. and Mrs. Keith Cooke, spent several days at the Manassas last week with his brother, Rev. Royal Cooke.
Albert Dulin has returned from Florida and is now at Broadhead and is accompanied by his friend, Jack McKeon.
Albert Dulin has for his house-guests Fielder Plummer, Fred Boltzman, Parter, and Spence, all of Washington, D. C.

We are sorry to say that Edward Flannery is very ill with pneumonia.
Mrs. Mary Williams left Tuesday morning to visit her daughter in Washington.
This has been a long winter, but, cheer up, the good old summer time is coming.
Frank Robertson has located near Manassas. His many friends wish to see him back.
Charlie Lynn and Welford Buck, of Bristow, spent Sunday with Shirley Leachman.
R. C. Buck, jr., left Monday for his home at Bristow. He will return in a few days and pack up his 'ducks' before leaving for Montana. BILL PRIFF.

INDEPENDENT HILL NOTES

R. R. Hayes paid a visit to the Hill on Saturday.
Wm Yates, came down from Woodstock for a visit with home folks.
L. H. Potter and wife, of Bristow, attended church here Sunday.
There was services in the Quantico Baptist church here Sunday.
A. M. Yates has shipped several car loads of lumber from here recently.
'How are the roads up your way?' is quite a common salutation these days. In a few years it will be 'How was the wind as you came down?'
Elder Wm. Smoot and wife, Mrs. Susie Hickson, and Mrs. Frank Seaman of Occoquan, were the guests of Mrs. T. I. Sullivan Saturday and Sunday.
Mr. Grafton and Bead Keys, of Dumfries, started to Manassas on Tuesday, but owing to one of their horses giving out when they reached here were compelled to return home.
Mrs. Stokes of Wellington, and Joe Stafford of near Manassas, two highly respected colored people, were married Saturday noon, by Elder W. Smoot, at the home of T. I. Sullivan.
Gordon W. Stokes is closing out his general merchandise stock, preparatory to engaging in some other line of business. We will all miss Gordon but wish him good luck in his undertakings.
Mrs. Robert H. Keys died Wednesday, after a lingering illness of the dread malady, consumption. She was conscious up to a few moments of her death, and spoke to those around her bedside and up to a week before had been around the house, for she would not give up while her strength lasted. Sallie Holmes was born near Faysman, Prince William county, and was married to Robert H. Keys, to which union were born three sons, Richard, Granville and Buddie, who with the husband and two brothers, Thomas Holmes of Canova and Clint Holmes of Aden, Va., also four sisters, Miss Ella Holmes, Mrs. Jennie Bridwell, Mrs. Bettie Bridwell, and Mrs. Nettie Crump, all from near Aden, are left to mourn the loss of a kind, faithful, and loving wife, mother and sister. Mrs. Keys was fifty-six years old.
A number of years ago she united with the Independent Hill Old School Baptist church, where the funeral took place Wednesday afternoon, and the remains laid to rest in the church-yard.
We shall sleep, but not forever, in the lone and silent grave;
Beneath the Lord that taketh,
Beneath the Lord that giveth,
We shall sleep, but not forever,
There will be a glorious dawn,
We shall meet to part, no never,
On that resurrection morn.,
In the bright, eternal city,
Death can never, never come;
In His own good time He'll call us,
From our rest, to Home, sweet home.

Editors MANASSAS DEMOCRAT:
I desire to say something through your columns to the teachers and patrons of the Eighth Congressional district.
The State of Virginia in 1906 authorized the establishment of The Manassas Agricultural school and the Normal Training class, and made appropriations to provide instruction in agriculture, domestic science and manual training.
The people of Manassas have provided the necessary buildings and land. Tuition is free for all pupils from the Eighth district. Those who desire further information can obtain it by addressing Prof. H. F. Burton, director of agriculture, Manassas, Va.
In connection with the school we hold a Farmers' Institute on the third Friday of every month from November to April inclusive, holding morning and afternoon sessions, conducted by the director, with the assistance of experts from the United States department of Agriculture. The meeting of March 18 will be of great interest and special invitation is given to all interested.

NORMAL TRAINING CLASS

The Normal Training class is conducted by Mrs. Mary S. Moffett in the same building with the model schools of every grade. A special feature will be a review class for teachers, and those who desire to become teachers, to make preparation for the spring examinations or for the coming year's work.
This class will begin March 1st and continue until June 3, 1910. Teachers may enter at any time, but will be expected to remain at least one month. The review course of study is parallel to that of the University Summer school and is given the same credit as Mrs. Moffett teacher both schools.
The books are those used in the public schools, also McKeever's Psychologic Method in Teaching and Dutton's School Management. All students in last year's training class passed creditable examinations and now are holding good positions as teachers.
The Normal Training class has good opportunities to observe the children's gardens, the agricultural experiments, plants and methods of teaching nature study, domestic science and manual training.
Applicants can address Mrs. Mary S. Moffett, supervising principal, of the undersigned, GEORGE C. ROYNN, Clerk of School Board, Manassas, Va.

AWARD BANNERS AND RIBBONS
Ribbons will be presented to individual point winners in the various events while a banner will be awarded to the school in each district winning the greatest number of points. A banner will be awarded to the school winning the county championship. In addition a banner will be given to the one-room school of Manassas district which makes the most points. First place in any event, except relay races, counts five points; second place three points and third place one point. In relay races first place counts ten points, second place six points and third place two points.
Entries are free, but all entries from each school must be handed in in a block and the list signed by the principal. All entries must be sent in by April 20, 1910.

LIST OF EVENTS

- Following is the list of events:
Fifty yard dash. (50 lbs.)
Running high jump. (50 lbs.)
Running broad jump. (50 lbs.)
Sixty yard dash. (55 lbs.)
Running high jump. (55 lbs.)
Running broad jump. (55 lbs.)
Seventy yard dash. (115 lbs.)
Running high jump. (115 lbs.)
Running broad jump. (115 lbs.)
One hundred yard dash. (Unlimited weight.)
Two hundred and twenty yard dash. (Unlimited weight.)
Four hundred and forty yard run. (Unlimited weight.)
One half mile run. (Unlimited weight.)
Running high jump. (Unlimited weight.)
Running broad jump. (Unlimited weight.)
Four hundred and sixty yard relay. (115 lbs.) four men.
Eight hundred and eighty yard relay. (Unlimited weight) four men.

DEATH OF CAPTAIN COFFIN

Capt. Thomas C. Coffin, a Confederate war veteran, died at the home of his brother-in-law, Dr. Jno. R. Wheat, 205 East Main street, Richmond, on Sunday. Capt. Coffin was born in Alexandria, and at the age of fifteen years entered the Confederate service as a member of the Sixth Virginia regiment, Mahone's regiment.
He served through the war and saw its close while only a youth was chosen a captain.
At the close of the war Capt. Coffin entered the Pullman service as a conductor on one of the Southern railroads and for faithful and efficient service was promoted to a position of trust in the company's offices in Jacksonville, Fla., which he held to the time of his death. Dr. John R. Wheat, brother-in-law of Capt. Coffin, is a native of Prince William county and a brother of the late J. F. Wheat, of Dumfries.

HAYMARKET NEWS

Henry Sand William H. Dodge, of Washington, spent Sunday at their home here.
Dr. W. R. Tulloss, who has been quite ill with acute indigestion, is much better.
Capt. and Mrs. W. B. Smithers, of Alexandria, spent Sunday with the latter's brother, J. P. Hulfish.
Mrs. Stuart Carter, who has been spending the winter with Mrs. Magaw, has moved back to her home.
Mrs. C. D. S. Clarkson, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Hugh Clarkson, in Laurel, Md., has returned home.
Miss Katie Pickett, who has been visiting her father in Springfield, returned to Washington Sunday night.
J. E. Beale was initiated as a member of the regular communication of Drinkard Lodge, Haymarket, on Monday night.
Mr. and Mrs. Manganese Bragg, who have been visiting Mr. Bragg's parents, left Sunday night for Roanoke, where they will make their future home.

WELLINGTON ITEMS

The stray cat has gone.
Edwied Beach is visiting friends at Fairfax.
Andrew Pringle was in Washington on business this week.
Henry Wilkins, the noted fur dealer, was in town Tuesday.
Mrs. J. T. Breen, who has been sick with grip, is convalescing.
Mr. Will Randle is a noted dancer. He can cut the 'bigon' wigg.
Mr. F. Akers, who resides near Aiden, was a visitor here last Thursday.
Mrs. A. H. Compton is in Alexandria visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Demane.

EMP ITEMS

Mrs. R. H. Keys, of Hayfield, continues very low.
Mrs. J. T. Tubbs and Harry Tubbs have been quite sick but are now better.
W. B. Lynn, who has been quite ill for several weeks, is somewhat better.
Howard's young son of James Luck, Jr., fell a few days ago and dislocated an arm.
Marshall Pearson has bought the Fred Tubbs place, containing six acres, of W. C. Lawler, for \$212.00.
Mrs. Lizzie Donohoe, who has been in Washington since December, returned to her home here last Saturday.
C. T. Still has sold his saw-mill, which has been idle for several years, also a quantity of lumber and standing timber, to Mr. Garrett, the lumberman. It is understood that the mill will be started up soon.

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Country Produce, Raw Furs, Skins, Game, Etc.
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For Tax On Incomes.

Richmond.—Without a dissenting vote and without argument, the House Committee on Federal Relations decided to report favorably the bill...

To Restore His Will.

Leesburg.—The original manuscript of the will of George Washington, which has been preserved since the probate...

The Baxter Labeled By U. S.

Norfolk.—The coasting schooner Malcolm Baxter, Jr., owned by Gen. Bayley of Perth Amboy, N. J., was attached here under a joint label...

Tyler Dwelling Burned.

Richmond.—The dwelling, out-house and country stores belonging to the late J. Fountain Tyler of Henrico County, were destroyed by flames...

Stallion Attacks Boy.

Staunton.—Frank Messick, aged 10 years, living at Mount Clinton in a serious condition...

Not until two young men had knocked the stallion almost senseless with an iron rod did the animal loosen his hold.

Shot By Detective.

Suffolk.—Hurricane Branch, the noted bloodhound detective, perhaps mortally wounded James Carpenter...

Restores Nine O'Clock Gun.

Norfolk.—After having remained silent a year, the ancient and honorable 9 o'clock gun, which nightly boomed the hour...

Dr. Hawthorne Dead.

Richmond.—Rev. J. B. Hawthorne, 73 years old, one of the most notable Baptist ministers in the South...

Three Die In Week.

Harrisonburg.—A combination of pneumonia and grip threatened to exterminate the Adam Berry family...

DEATHS IN VIRGINIA

Harrisonburg.—F. Newton Dinkle, 70 years old, is dead at Weyers Cave, Augusta County.

Harrisonburg.—News has been received here of the death near Hardin, Mo. of Mrs. Frank B. Summers, 53 years old...

Fredericksburg.—E. E. McAllister, a well-known resident of Spottsylvania County, dropped dead from heart disease...

Lynchburg.—Ajax M. Stratton, a resident of Arlington, Nelson County, died at the Home and Retreat...

Mrs. Jack Gets Her Divorce.

Winchester.—A decree was entered in the Circuit Court granting a partial divorce to Mrs. Octavia L. Jack, proprietress of the Hotel Evans...

Mr. Jack was formerly joint proprietor with the late Senator A. R. Unger, of West Virginia, of the noted Berkley Springs summer resort...

Woman Fatally Burned.

Harrisonburg.—While standing in front of an open fire, Mrs. Ella Wine, 36 years old, was fatally burned...

Changes On N. and W.

Roanoke.—It is announced here that Superintendent J. T. Carey, of the Shenandoah division of the Norfolk and Western...

Board of Trade For Suffolk.

Suffolk.—The Suffolk Board of Trade was organized, succeeding the old Business Men's Association...

Law Prevented Marriage.

Roanoke.—Dr. James E. Zippor, of New York, came to Roanoke and obtained a marriage license for himself and Miss Salina Riley...

Fleeds For Brother.

Richmond.—Mrs. Lula Lane, of Durham, N. C., accompanied by Mrs. Martha Bebbins, called on Governor Mann and begged for executive clemency for her wayward brother...

Petersburg.—The City Council awarded the contract for the paving of Market Street from High Street to Washington Street...

Lynchburg.—Rev. Joseph B. Dunn, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, of Suffolk, after a conference of the vestry...

Fredericksburg.—Workmen digging for a sewer in Princess Anne Street in this city, in front of St. George's Episcopal Church...



Cartoon by Robert Carter in the New York American.

MAN OF MYSTERY'S PAST DISCLOSED

MILLIONAIRE George D. Nelson Was Really George N. Dunn, Who, Hopelessly in Debt, Left Cheango Forks, N. Y., Society Man's Widow Left Him a Fortune.

KNELL TO HOPES OF A GREAT HOST OF WELSHMEN CLAIMING THE ESTATE AS RELATIVES

Springfield, Mass.—Disclosures years ago, when he delivered the horses here, and was employed by Bhas Vinton...

When Dunn arrived here he called himself George D. Nelson. As he grew in favor with Vinton and Mrs. Vinton, and finally inherited the Vinton estate...

Recently Nelson sent for his nephew, George G. Dunn, of Camden, Oneida County, N. Y., a traveling salesman for a Rochester company...

The man no longer known as George D. Nelson was the son of Nelson D. Nelson was born in 1845, on a farm in the town of Greene, Cheango County...

AMERICA A THIRSTY NATION

More Than a Billion Pounds of Coffee Consumed in 1909. Washington, D. C.—America must be a thirsty nation, judging from the imports of drinkables set forth in statistics of the Department of Commerce and Labor...

Bureau of Manufacturers Has Helped. Washington, D. C.—One thousand letters a month from business men of this country come to the "Foreign Opportunity" department of the Bureau of Manufacturers...

The Best Economy.

In starting your flock do not think it always economy to pay small prices. Better pay for good foundation stock than low for animals that will never after magnify your sense of the fitness of things...

Shrinking of Grain.

The shrinking of corn varies according to the condition of the grain when put into the crib. Cases have been known in which corn lost 20 percent from shrinkage...

That Water Supply.

A farmer will make the common mistake of neglecting to give the farm water system proper attention. Before the ground freezes, all pipe connections should be made...

Windmills, pumps, tanks and hydrants should be carefully inspected, and fully repaired. Some of these will need banking up to protect them from the severe freezing weather.

Bone Cutter Needed.

There is really only one reason why every farmer poultryman should not have a bone cutter. That is inability to secure a regular supply of fresh bones. But there are mighty few cases where this cannot be satisfactorily arranged...

Horses Digesting Feed.

A horseman of large observation in feeding horses says that if the horse has no other means to digest its food than the stomach it would be useless as far as a day's work is concerned...

Vitality in Milk.

Considerable discussion is going the rounds of the New England agricultural papers concerning the question of vitality in milk. The substance of the controversy is whether a cow puts vitality into her milk according to the vitality which she herself possesses.

Notes.

Beil every seventh sheep against dogs. Poor dogs are a curse to the sheep grower. No other kind of feed is better for ewes than clover. Do your best to have the dog law made more stringent.

birth, or live a life of weakness or worthlessness. The Holstein Register says: "Which of these two classes of cows may be counted the better source of milk for food for humans?"

Gape Worms—Millet as Feed. Mrs. A. E. G. gives her description of removing gape worms from a chick's throat.

Where does the gape worm come from, and how does it get in the chick's windpipe? It either crawls there or is hatched there.

It seems so strange to me to hear J. C. Chipp advising millet seed as a fine chick food. Millet seed in small quantities stimulates but I will not buy chick feed in which it is found in any quantity.

It is not because of its fattening quality but its power for causing kidney trouble, just as it does it fed in the grass or hay too largely to horses.

For an all-around grain feed mix take the blue ribbon. Omit the old wheat. They are a nuisance to the rest of the sheep family.

Every day count the sheep and know that they are all in the flock. If any are missing hunt them up. During cold weather it will be well to give the cow tempered water to drink.

Now and then a ration of wheat bran is good to keep the household regular. Sheep are apt to get constipated in cold weather. Give as much bran, clover hay as you can.

The care you give your sheep tells the story of the lambs you will get later. Neglect and poor feeding bring their harvest in scrawny poor lambs. You don't want any such.

# The Lure of the Mask

By HAROLD MACGRATH

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It was entirely unnecessary. "It is agreed, then," continued La Signorina, "that tomorrow we depart for Florence as the Principessa di Montebianca." "I am sorry," said Jack Hillard, "but I cannot go. I have a very important matter to attend to."

Jack Hillard, a wealthy New York clubman, hears a mysterious voice singing in the night under his window. He inserts an advertisement in a personal column to find the singer, and receives a reply. He visits the mysterious singer, but she wears a mask. He falls desperately in love with her, but he has never seen her face. The unknown woman gives her name as Mrs. Amgot, which is assumed. They have dinner. She refuses to see him again. Hillard and Dan Merrihue decide to go to Italy. Merrihue loves Kitty Killigrew, a comic opera singer, who has gone to Italy. Hillard receives a black mask in an envelope. Hillard and Merrihue arrive in Italy and later dine with Mrs. Sanford, an American society woman, who tells Hillard considerable about the mysterious woman with whom he is in love. She is now posing as an opera singer in Kitty Killigrew's company. Kitty Killigrew and the mysterious lady of the mask are in Venice, having been stranded. Hillard and Merrihue go to Monte Carlo. Kitty and the lady of the mask also go to Monte Carlo. Hillard encounters a mysterious Italian with a scar. Kitty meets Hillard in the dark, but the lady of the mask flees. Kitty also disappears.

CHAPTER XIV—Continued. La Signorina raised her veil. From her girlish face she took a letter. "This letter is from a friend. I have always known her—any one of you ever heard of the Principessa di Montebianca?" Her audience leaned forward eagerly as she read the letter. "Dear Mr. Hillard, I have just read your advertisement in the personal column of the 'Lure of the Mask' and I am very glad to hear that you are in Italy. I have not been there since the death of my father. None of the usual ways removed till I occupy the villa legally. I have the garden and his wife have been very kind to me. I shall be glad to see you. I am, dear Mr. Hillard, your sincere friend, La Signorina di Montebianca."

"The question is, shall we accept your offer?" she refolded the letter. "This was the plan I had in mind when we went to Monte Carlo and a much better plan too." "Of course we shall accept it," said Merrihue. "But what's the matter with you, saying the princess to the neighbors?" suggested O'Mally, his eyes laughing. "It'll be the concealer, Maude the stewardess and Kitty your maid."

"Oh, you can be the highest private secretary and attend to the correspondence." The laughter which followed this suggestion did not join the moment La Signorina did not join the moment. "Mr. O'Mally makes a very good suggestion. It will be an adventure worth trying."

CHAPTER XV. THE AMBA PROBE. "I shall go as the princess. My highness commands me to be delightful." Jack looked at O'Mally, who looked at Merrihue, who looked at La Signorina. "Are you not lightning our trials by your own standards?" asked Merrihue. "Oh, if you like, I shall be as the princess."

From a position on the far side of the bridge, looking out of the press and just beyond the radiance of the lanterns, came a voice which had a soul in it—a voice which broke into song for the first time. It was thrilling—a voice before which the world bows down. The prima donna in the barge was clever; she recognized the tones. She, however, recognized that he was playing opposite, as they say, to a great singer. Hillard's heart beat fast. That voice! There could not be another like it. And she was here in Venice!

"Quick, Achille!" for the far gondola was heading for the Grand Canal. Merrihue understood now. "Follow!" commanded Hillard. "If you can come up alongside that gondola. Can you see the woman?" "It is 152, signor—Pompeo. It will be a race."

At each stroke Merrihue swung forward his body. The end of the race came sooner than any one expected. A police barge nosed round an end. By the time Pompeo was off again the female of the pursuing gondola scraped past Pompeo's blade. Pompeo called, and Achille answered. There was a war of words, figure of a dog, name of a pig, Achille was in the wrong, but 10 lire was 10 lire.

Hillard caught the gondola by the rail and clung. The race was over. "Signorina," said Pompeo, "nothing with me, shall I call the police?" "No, Pompeo," said Hillard, "I will speak to you alone, signor, in an escape."

"The way to the Campo Formoso was made without further incident. The gondolas became moored. Hillard jumped out and went to assist La Signorina, but she ignored his outstretched hand. "What is it you wish?" she asked. "One look at your face," he answered simply. She slowly removed the veil. Then, for the first time, he looked upon the face of this woman who had burdened his dreams. The face was not like any he had conjured. It seemed to him that Vecchio's—Paola Vecchio's—Barbara had stepped down from her frame—beauty, tranquil, flawless beauty. A minute passed. He was incapable of speech; he could only look. "Well," she said in the same expressionless tone. "Let us begin at the beginning."

"This is to be the end," she said. "Why do you permit me to see you with that memorable night?" "A regrettable impulse." "And why, after all, did you come to me?" "It is unanswerable. Truthfully, I do not know."

"Who is that man—the Italian with the scar?" "I will not answer that." "A lady! Grace of Mary, that is dreadful!" "Why do you say that?" "I am only quoting the man with the scar. Those were the words he said in regard to you."

"Perhaps he is right. Perhaps I am not a lady, perhaps I am not a princess. But she laughed. "Do not laugh like that. What you say or have been or might have been to me is nothing to me. Only what remains clear, and that is I love you."

CHAPTER XVI. KITTIE DROPS A BOMB. "What's the matter, Jack? Whenever you smile your eyes go out. You read a newspaper, you stare over the top of it. You leave your watch under the pillow and have to take back for it. You are absent-minded. Now, what's the matter?" Hillard sighed heavily. "There you go again!" laughed Merrihue. "You talk that high to everything you say. Hillard was human. He might be deeply in love, but this had not destroyed his healthy sense of humor, so he laughed at himself. "It's a curious business—the dinner."

linen and lace. But La Signorina each day inspected the seals and uttered solemn warnings. "They had now lived in the Villa Ariadne for two weeks, a careless, happy-go-lucky family. Today was warm and mellow. On the stone bench by the porter's lodge hard by the gate at the old Florentine and O'Mally. From some unknown source O'Mally had produced a concealer's hat and coat, a little moth-eaten, a little tarnished, but serviceable."

"Pietro," said O'Mally, "I've got an idea. If any tourists come today I propose to show them 'round the place." Pietro's eyes flashed angrily. "No, not mine, all mine!" "Oh, I am not going to rob you! I'll give you the tip. What I want is the fun of the thing."

"Pietro understood. That was different. If his excellency would pay over to him the receipts he could conduct the tourists as often as he pleased. The porter's bell rang loudly. "Tourists!" whispered O'Mally. He set his cap on straight and went to the gates. A party of five Americans stood outside—two men, two women and a girl.

"This is the Villa Ariadne?" asked one of the women. "It is," said O'Mally, touching his cap. "He speaks English!" cried the woman, turning joyfully to the others. "We wish to see the villa and the park." "The villa is now occupied, signorina," replied O'Mally, "but you are permitted to see the park and gardens."

"How much?" asked one of the men. "Cinquante," said O'Mally, then correcting himself, "for each person." "That's all right," said the man. "Why this is downright extortion!" declared the woman. "I object to the word extortion," said O'Mally. "But I don't know you."

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the mask, the veil, the mystery," went on Merrihue. "I tell you frankly, Jack, something's wrong, and we shall both live to find it out."

"But what, Merrihue, on an evening like this? Haven't I tried to figure it out till my brain aches? I haven't gone forward a single inch."

"What shall you do?" "Nothing. When we have seen Florence we'll drop down to Perugia and Rome, then up to the Italian Lakes, after that home, if you say."

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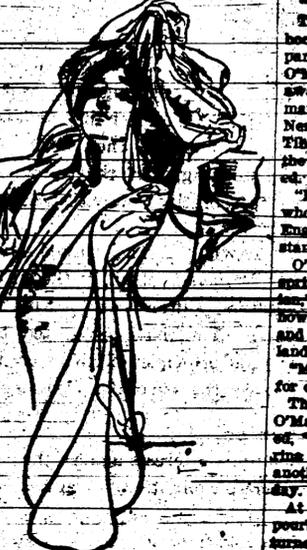
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MANASSAS, VA., THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 1910.

### Civic Improvements

WITH commendable promptness, within a month, to be precise, of that significant session of the Business League, when one hundred and fifty representative citizens of Manassas sounded without a discordant note, the slogan of progress by sealing with unanimous approval suggestions for needed civic improvements, the Town Council Monday night officially opened the way to adequate water, light and sewer facilities. A committee was appointed to investigate and report upon the advisability either of calling a special election on a proposition to issue bonds, or the alternative of selling the utility franchises. In other words, this committee is delegated to ascertain the expediency either of municipal or private ownership and control. Mark you, the civic improvement propositions virtually have emerged from the stage of uncertainty, and NOW IT BUT REMAINS TO DETERMINE THE MOST EFFECTIVE METHOD OF SECURING THEM.

Consequently all effort is being directed to attain that end—not in the remote future, but NOW. For citizens of Manassas are determined that no obstacle shall impede the progress of this town, and they are cognizant of the fact that the installation of adequate water, light and sewer facilities will remove a serious barrier. They not only feel but they KNOW that Manassas is destined to become a commercial and residential point of recognized importance. Now this enviable position is to be firmly established with the civic improvements. Ask any old citizen and he will inform you that the present era of progress surpasses even the most buoyant hopes of those identified with the formative epoch of the town's history. Ask any recent resident and he will tell you that his first impression of Manassas was of its apparent progress, a point of view which he finds wholly correct as he becomes familiar with the activities of the town. From such premises, but one conclusion can be formed, and that is that Manassas IS "the best town of its size in the State." It is most vividly manifested in the spirit of enterprise which has given impetus to the movement for civic improvements. Small wonder, then, that these improvements are virtually assured.

### Agricultural High School

GEORGE C. ROUND, clerk of the Manassas school district, never overlooks an opportunity to promote the interests of education, as there are few, if any, more diligent workers for the cause of enlightenment. Manassas may thank him in great measure for Eastern College and the Manassas Agricultural High School, as he was largely instrumental in securing these institutions for the town. He is prominently and actively identified with every movement calculated to improve educational methods. The unselfish devotion of Mr. Round to the cause of education commands admiration.

Now he is exploiting the Manassas Agricultural High School and Normal Training Class through medium of a signed communication in the columns of the newspapers in the Eighth Congressional District. He is informing school teachers and patrons of the wide activities of the institution and setting forth its advantages in a way that will surely prove of incalculable value. It is worthy of note that he remarks the utility of the Farmers' Institute, not neglecting to extend a general invitation to all interested persons to attend. In this connection it may be said that the Farmers' Institute makes the Agricultural High School realize to the widest extent the purposes for which it was founded. The influence of the institution is all its branches, under the supervision of Prof. H. F. Button, director of agriculture, is becoming more and more appreciable in the District. It is truly representative of our chief industry, and together with improving methods for agriculture is attaining a higher ideal in training young men and young women in useful vocations and wholesome pursuits.

### Baldwin Annuity

CITIZENS who have at heart the best interests of Manassas and Eastern College, were more than pleased Tuesday by the action of the House of Delegates in passing a bill introduced by the Honorable Thomas H. Lion, delegate from Prince William county, to authorize the Town Council of Manassas to pay an annuity of \$800 to Mr. and Mrs. Isaac P. Baldwin in consideration for donation of property for the institution, a direct benefit to the town. With the enactment of the measure by the Senate the Council will be empowered to make a levy not to exceed ten cents on each valuation of \$100 to pay the annuity. That opposition against the passage of the enabling act so far has failed in effect is indeed encouraging, and equally gratifying is the knowledge that a number of citizens who, it is claimed, signed the petition through a misinterpretation of the situation, demanded that their names be stricken from it. It is difficult to conceive the motives which motivated this opposition, for, in truth, it is a covert blow aimed at the College and the Town, as their interests are reciprocal. Legal technicalities, whether existing or not, cannot be presented in extenuation. Mr. and Mrs. Isaac P. Baldwin have executed their part of the contract in good faith and are entitled to their annuity.

Muddy! Muddier!! Muddiest!!!

THAT \$10 hog, the boast of the Chicago market, is not the only one.

SPRING fever is prevalent. But what's the use, when one is compelled to work.

THE first harbinger of spring has appeared. The parlor carpet is on the clothes line.

THE loan sharks are being harpooned in Washington, and little regret will be felt at their extermination.

PINCHOT now is called "the awakener of a nation." The raps he took at Ballinger would arouse almost anything.

THE contrast between the macadamized and dirt roads is enough to convince one of the value of civic improvements.

AN exchange asks: "Is married life the happiest?" It takes no slight degree of bravery to answer that question.

It is remarked that the snakes St. Patrick drove from the shores of Ireland may have escaped into some of the imported whiskey.

A MARKED improvement is being made in appearance and in sanitary conditions by the removal of the deep covering of mud from the macadamized streets.

It is reported that only four bills favored by Taft will be put through Congress. The "big stick," once a persuader in such emergencies, evidently is mislaid.

IN Paul Vibort's Parisian production of "The Stone Age," actors are to assume the part of stones. The representation undoubtedly will be natural to most players at some stage of their careers have had a rocky time of it.

INDICTMENTS are said to be certain against the National Packing company and ten subsidiary concerns as a result of the Federal grand jury inquiry into the affairs of the beef trust. The effectiveness of the probing can only be satisfactorily expressed to the public in lower prices.

THE casualty record may be reduced now that there are prospects of the enactment of a law requiring trains to come to a full stop at grade crossings. The House committee for courts of justice in the General Assembly has reported favorably on the Farrell bill, making such requirements. By amendment the State corporation commission is to be given control in specific cases.

ALL efforts of Philadelphia citizens to settle the street railway strikes have proven futile, the transit company serving notice upon them to "mind their own business." It would appear that violence in the streets, and the paralysis of commerce is the "business" in which the people are interested in stopping, and they probably will so prove it, the insolence of the corporation, notwithstanding.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT THOMAS LEWIS, of The United Mine Workers of America, and President Francis Feehan, of the Pittsburgh District Miners, have adjusted their differences and in the future promise to work harmoniously. They have recognized the value of united effort, the fundamental principle of their organizations. The disagreement arose over the use of black powder in mining.

STRONG opposition by the cold storage interests against the pure food bill has developed before the house committee on agriculture in the General Assembly. The bill requires food products, except in certain cases, which have been in cold storage, to be stamped with the date they were put in the warehouse. While there is no doubt that cold storage reduces the cost of living through the preservation of food, the most rigid supervision should be exercised. The opposition has taken the form of exception to various articles of food, which it is claimed, are not affected by changes of temperature. The point at issue is the length of time the products are kept in refrigeration.

THE action of the Prince William County Teachers' association in creating greater interest in athletics among the school children of the county, by introducing a wider competitive element, is worthy of more than passing attention. Indeed, it is of the most vital importance. A strong, healthy body is as necessary for success in life as a clear brain, as one cannot achieve the highest without full sympathetic response of the other. A lesson of one atrophies the other, a fact recognized in modern methods of teaching. The function of the school has become the development of the whole man—spiritual as well as physical. School patrons should encourage athletics as a necessary part of a child's training.

THAT physician who announces he has under advisement plans for establishing a sanitarium in Manassas is to be commended for his professional discernment and congratulated upon his business acumen. In the event that the proposition materializes, there is no doubt substantial assistance will be forthcoming from citizens, should it be required. Until the time is opportune, this physician declines to disclose his identity with the project, claiming most reasonably that premature publicity of details might have a tendency to confuse points he is endeavoring to establish clearly. Manassas, with salubrious climate, offers an ideal site for a restorative institution. Particularly is this true now that adequate water, sewer and light facilities are being favorably considered. The contemplated installation of such civic improvements no doubt influenced the inception of the sanitarium enterprise.

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ual drunkards. "Upon one occasion," she said, "A man under the influence of liquor, entered the hotel bar, and called for a drink and was promptly told 'Get out, or you will have Mrs. Sparks and the whole W. C. T. U. after me.'"

**ENCOURAGING EXAMPLES**  
"In the neighboring town of Glassboro, of 1,800 inhabitants," said Mrs. Sparks, "There was one saloon, and it took just twenty minutes to raise \$1,000 to close it up."

Mrs. Sparks states that in Bridgeport, the Temperance organizations number as follows: W. C. T. U., 125, Young People's W. C. T. U., 129, Loyal Temperance Legion, 189, aggregating nearly three-fourths of the town's population, and that, in the small state of New Jersey, with not one-fifth the territory of Virginia, there are 10,000 members. She spoke in the highest praise of the work being done by the women of the South, in the cause of temperance, and said that although she was born on Southern soil, in the County of Prince William, she knew no North, no South, no East, no West, in the great work in which she was engaged. She recalled an incident which occurred at the W. C. T. U. convention at Nashville, Tenn., a year or two ago, which showed that the North and the South were thoroughly united so far as the fraternal bonds of the W. C. T. U. were concerned.

**DEMONSTRATES WORK**

In demonstrating the work of the order, among the different classes, said Mrs. Sparks, "The head of the Confederate Veteran class brought upon the stage a number of veterans dressed in their uniforms of gray, and bearing aloft the Stars and Stripes which had been their target in many hard fought battles. Their appearance was the signal for an outburst of applause that shook the auditorium and which was again repeated when the members from the North called for 'Dixie,' and the Rebel Yell which had so often struck terror to their sires, in mortal combat. It was at this Convention that Mrs. Armour, of Georgia, raised the sum of \$10,000, for the W. C. T. U. fund, the largest sum raised at any previous Convention. Mrs. Hoge, president of the Virginia State organization, has made application to Mrs. Sparks to deliver a course of lectures in this State, in the near future, and the chances are she will respond favorably. Mrs. Sparks left here Monday night for Washington, where she has business, in the interest of her organization with members of Congress."

**TURN TRUCK INTO MUSEUM**

The express truck, at the passenger depot, Saturday, was converted into a veritable museum. The people were going and coming all the afternoon, to witness the curiosities in charge of the Southern Express company for transportation to their respective destinations. In a sectional crate were three coal black shoats, each weighing in the neighborhood of fifty pounds, and having hoofs identical with those of a mule. These rare swine were shipped from Indianapolis, Indiana, to G. Grigg's stock farm, at Markham, Fauquier county, and, according to Wm. Haydon, are known as "mule-foot" species. In another crate, consigned to William G. Ritter's poultry farm, at Mount Vernon, Va., and shipped by Barnes Bros. of Detroit, Michigan, were one male and two female pheasants of the English golden variety which came in for a large share of notice and admiration. The tail feathers of the handsome cock were fully two feet long, and the golden plumage upon its breast glistened beautifully in the sunlight. All these objects of local curiosity were put in the express at 10 o'clock, did a keen manifestation of interest. The largest gathering of spectators was witnessed by the speaker, as the train, in his round of freight collection, to the effect that the feet of the pheasants were similar to those of the swine.

**SNAP SHOTS**

Love in a cottage sometimes works out—all occupants.

Genius alone can forget hunger to admire a gorgeous sunset.

Twilight music hath charms, of which the greatest is often the player.

By no means are fortune tellers witches, but some of them are bewitching.

What some women mistake for symptoms of love are merely signs of biliousness.

The tempter's snare and a coquette is merely another version of the flame and the moth.

Matrimonial note: The demand for hammocks promises to be unusually heavy this summer.

Most men when inspired to forsake wine, women and song, compromise by sacrificing song.

A girl's criticisms of the one young man, are modified pre-occupations of what he may expect later on.

Most regretful married couples "if they had their lives to live over again," would simply repeat their experience.

When a man tells a woman he will commit suicide if she gives him up, it's time for the fool-kiss to get busy.

The rule of love, occasionally works in inverse ratio, as when a man tires of a woman her interest in him increases.

**PREFERS OLD-FASHIONED WAY**

Engineer H. C. Lynn, of Alexandria, who is one of the Southern Railway Company's most trusted and efficient employees, is responsible for the following story: "Some time ago, a fireman on one of the freight trains gave out at Burkes station and I received an order from superintendent to pick up a negro at Manassas, and put him off at Burks to take the place of the disabled fireman. I explained to the negro substitute, that as my train was not scheduled to stop at Burks, and as I was a little behind time, I should be compelled to land him by means of the mail-crane. The darkey protested, saying he would rather take his chance in jumping overboard, than explained to him that I could not allow him to jump to certain death on my train, and unless he consented to my way of delivering him at the station, I should take him on to Alexandria and report him to the Supt. By this time the negro was thoroughly frightened, when within a mile of the station and running at forty miles an hour I told him to get down on the lower step of the engine and, holding on with his left hand, swing as far out as possible in order that the crane should not miss him. He reluctantly obeyed with an aghast look and a trembling form. As my train came to a stop at the station and the scared sub-fireman jumped off he said to me, with a profound bow: 'I thank you, but I certainly do, for I didn't know how dat thing was gwine ter act.'"

**INVENTS SAW**

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. This machine is something new, and will answer all purposes for which a saw can be used.

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A fine two-year-old Percheron stallion, weight about 900 lbs. For further information apply to

**REMINISCENCE OF C. W. COCKRELL**

The friends of Chas. W. Cockrell, formerly of Dumfries, this county, will doubtless be glad to learn that he is alive and well in Salmon City, Idaho. This information came with a marked copy of "The Lemhi Herald," of Salmon, to a member of THE DEMOCRAT staff this week. In the paper referred to, under the caption of "Twenty Years Ago," appears the names of Charles, Pearl and Ora Cockrell upon the roll of honor of "The Bridge" school. These are presumed to be the children of Chas. W. Cockrell, and if alive today, are no doubt married and with families.

Retrospection takes the writer back to school days spent in the old Court House, in Dumfries, with Charlie Cockrell as schoolmate. Many times have we joined in "locking the teacher out" when we thought we were entitled to a holiday and failed to get it in order that we might go swimming near the old canal, hunt terrapin eggs in the sand-banks along the stream tributary to the majestic Potomac, or goose and duck eggs in the stream which runs under the old stone arch which spans Main Street in Dumfries, the place of our joint captivity. Charlie, we are delighted to hear from you.

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## INTERESTING SESSION OF JEFFERSONIANS

**PROGRAM OF USUAL HIGH STANDARD**  
Lively Debate Upon Duty of Government to Preserve Forests Won By Supporters of the Negative—Great Interest in Society.

Last Friday evening The Jeffersonian Literary Society held a most interesting meeting. We are all glad to see the zeal and enthusiasm manifested by those on the program, which goes to show Jeffersonian aims for the highest. We do not want to blow the big horn, but you have only to visit the Society to realize that each man prepares his part to the best of his ability, having the love and interest of the Society at heart.

The program of the evening consisted of a reading by Howard G. White entitled, "The Evolution of the Best." "Literary Chronicle," by Clyde L. Rudy; essay "Robert E. Lee," by John A. Myers; debate, "Resolved, That the U.S. government should preserve the forests," affirmative, S. C. Kels, H. S. White; negative, Z. D. Robertson, J. A. Myers. The debaters spent much preparation and the evening goes delivered their arguments "from the shoulder." Judges gave a decision in favor of the negative. Following is the program for the evening:

**SONG SAYS WHEN THE SUN SETS**  
The base ball squad is taking advantage of the good weather by having daily practice. Every afternoon by 3:30, the men are out and work for several hours. Already much good material has developed, and the prospects are very winning team sure. Bats practice was started Saturday morning, and the squad was shut out again in the afternoon. Don't forget the opening game, March 28 with Maryland Agricultural College, and remember you save money by buying a season ticket, price \$2.50 for sixteen games.

**DON'T FORGET MRS. BRIGGS OF THE POULTRY YARD, MARCH 18.** Daily rehearsals are perfecting every part.

Monday, March 28 has been declared a holiday by the Faculty. But it is hoped that no students will leave the school, as work will be resumed on Tuesday as usual.

**HUMOR OF THE HOUR**  
Days Too Close Together.  
Angry Purchaser—Didn't you tell me that you had got as many as twelve eggs in one day from these eight hens you sold me?  
Exasperating Poultry Raiser—Yes, ma'am.  
Angry Purchaser—Then why is it that I'm never able to get more than two eggs from them and sometimes not that many in one day?  
Exasperating Poultry Raiser—I don't know, ma'am, unless it's because you look for eggs too often. Now, if you will look for them only once a week I feel quite positive that you will get just as many eggs in one day as I did.—Chicago News.

**Wise Moderation.**  
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## FIVE PROGRAM FOR FREE MUSIC RECITAL

**CORDIALLY INVITE PUBLIC TO ATTEND**  
Vocal and Piano Classes of Eastern College To Give Recital—Much Time and Care in Preparation of Numbers.

The vocal and piano classes conducted by Mrs. Gordon and Prof. Gorrell, respectively, will give a recital at the College chapel tonight. Much time and care has been given the program and all are assured a pleasant evening. There will be no charge for admission and it is hoped that our friends in Manassas will be with us at this time. Doors open at 7:30, recital begins at 8:00.

### PROGRAM

Sonata—Op. 85—Beethoven  
Miss Louise Crittenden.  
Three songs—Carrie Jacobs Bond  
Mrs. Marie Clark

Nocturne—Grieg  
Etude Melodique—Raff  
Miss Faith Chapman

(a) Du Stille Wasserross—Op. 18, No. 1—Alexander Von Flieitz  
(b) Cornish Lullaby—Heien Hood  
Miss Nellie Fetzer

Prelude—Chopin  
Warum—Sohumann  
Zuhilngerarsuchen—Sinding  
Mr. Dorland Gremer

The Dark Blue Eyes of Spring—Franz Ries  
Miss Stuart Hinson

Consolation—Liszt  
My Sweet Repose—Schubert  
Miss Louise Mather

Galateia—Jensen  
Schubert's—MacDowell  
Poem—Scott  
Miss Louise Mather

(b) Time's Garden—Grieg  
Miss Anna Mather

Romance from Concerto in D Minor—Mozart  
Miss Olivia Leachman  
Second Place—Prof. Gorrell

**FISHING PARTY**  
Last Saturday some one started a fish story and by noon a party was formed to visit Broad Run in hopes of making a big haul. After going three or four miles in the direction of the National Capitol the (line) were dropped in. The tide or something was wrong and we had poor luck. But still we had fish for supper.

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## OPEN SESSION IN COLLEGE CHAPEL

**MEETING OF WASHINGTON IRVING SOCIETY**  
Interesting Program at Last Weekly Session—Attractive Wives Lively Debate on Value of College Training.

The Washington Irving Literary Society will hold an open session on March 19 in the College chapel to which students and friends of the College are invited. The regular weekly meeting was held last Tuesday evening when the following program was rendered:

Vocal solo—Miss Louise Mather.  
Reading—Miss Detwiler.  
Literary Chronicle—Miss Estelle Laws.  
Essay—Miss Marbury.  
Debate—"Resolved, That Four Years of College Training is More Beneficial than Four Years of Travel." Affirmative, Miss Avery. Negative, Miss Harries. The judges decided in favor of the affirmative.

Some of the teachers were present at this meeting and Miss Shryock rendered two selections.

**GIRLS PLAY BASKET BALL**  
The young ladies are manifesting much interest in basket ball. Last Saturday the teams played out of doors the first time since last fall. As long as the good weather lasts all practice and games will be out of doors. Basket ball is the favorite sport among the women's Colleges, and is played all the year. We are glad to see the interest among our young ladies over the game.

**WELCOME VISITORS**  
It gives us great pleasure to welcome Miss Maggie Altman, of Washington, D. C., and Mr. J. S. Bowie, of Alexandria, Va., among our student body. We wish them a pleasant year's work and offer them our assistance in any way we can.

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**WE ARE GLAD TO HEAR THAT SIDNEY THOMPSON, WHO WAS OPERATED UPON AT HIS HOME IN WASHINGTON FOR NASAL TROUBLE IN MARCH, WILL SOON BE WITH US AGAIN.**

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No. 10—Daily through train, 11:51 a. m., will stop at Manassas on flag.  
No. 11—Daily except Sunday, 2:15 p. m., local from Washington to Warrenton.  
No. 12—Daily through train, 4:10 p. m., will stop at Manassas on flag to Washington and Alexandria (Charles) for passengers for points to which scheduled to stop.

**NORTHBOUND.**  
No. 13—Daily except Sunday, local from Warrenton to Washington, 6:14 a. m.  
No. 14—Daily through train between Manassas and Washington, 12:13 p. m.  
No. 15—Daily local, 2:40 p. m.  
No. 16—Daily through train between Manassas and Washington, 4:37 p. m.  
No. 17—Daily local train between Manassas and Washington, 6:15 p. m.  
No. 18—Daily through train between Manassas and Washington, 8:15 p. m.  
No. 19—Daily through train between Manassas and Washington, 10:15 p. m.  
No. 20—Daily through train between Manassas and Washington, 12:15 a. m.

**WESTBOUND.**  
No. 21—Daily local for Manassas and Alexandria, 1:30 p. m.  
No. 22—Daily local except Sunday, to Manassas only, 2:30 p. m.  
No. 23—Daily through train local to Manassas, 4:30 p. m.

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No. 4—Daily, 1:15 a. m., stops on signal for passengers at Manassas on the C. & O.

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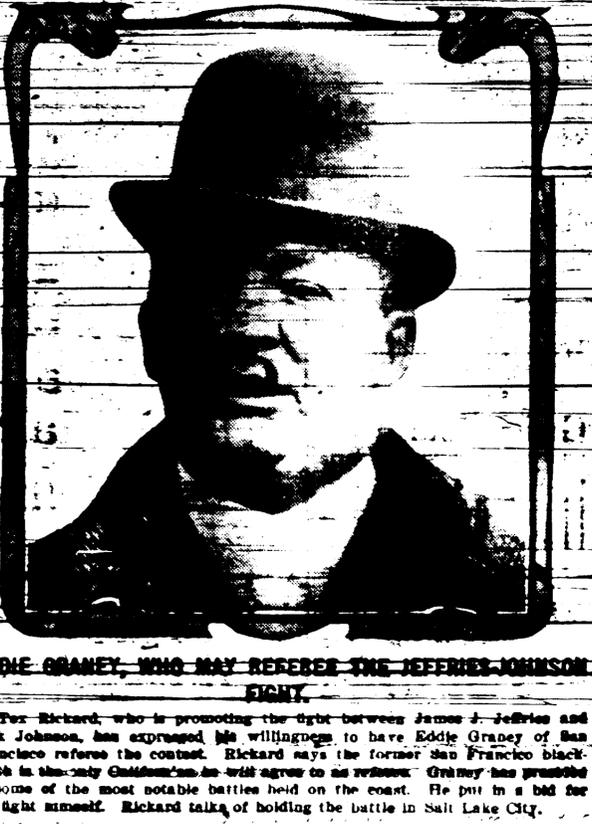
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It is necessary that the people in the vicinity of this particular proposition should subscribe for the stock of this company, as it is an absolute fact that in all new fields it has always been up to the local people to develop the field, as capitalists never go into undeveloped fields, but ever ready to take hold of any and all things when proven valuable. This company has 28,000 acres of land under lease. This land was leased under the direction of Prof. P. J. Flaback, of Bradford, Penn., an eminent geologist and expert geologist in field work, who also indicated the point at which the first well will be drilled. The actual work of sinking the wells will be under the personal supervision of Mr. J. M. Sullivan, an oil and gas expert of life long experience, hence the company's entire undertaking will be under the management of men of known experience in the oil and gas fields; of not only this, but of many foreign countries—men of experience. The company has placed 30,000 of its 200,000 shares of capital stock in the treasury for sale, consisting of preferred, guaranteeing 6 per cent cumulative annual dividend, to be paid out of the earnings of the company, and managed to which it will add in the future other stocks when found necessary. The company offers this stock at \$5.00 per share, \$1.00 per share, but will accept any subscription for less than five shares. All payments will be made one-half cash and balance in two equal installments of thirty and sixty days from date of subscription. The stock is non-assessable. No certificate will be issued until it is fully paid. As an illustration to the reader of the great profits resulting from the investments in new oil fields here is submitted below the list and names of developments 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. Throughout 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, having 8,600 acres of leases. The first well drilled was a 60-barrel producer, and for fourteen consecutive wells he did not strike a single drop. The Bremen company, after two years and two months, in sinking five thousand dollars worth of oil per month; its stock, which originally sold at \$5 per share, now sells for \$60 per share, and one is on the market.

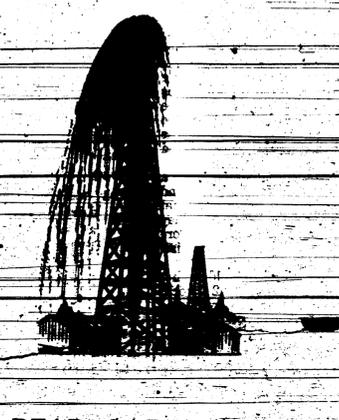
As another example: While the first well was being drilled at Lyons, Ohio, the Bremen Oil field, called the people of the community in a mass meeting, listened and voted the field of oil in such a manner, declaring that there was no possibility of getting oil in the field, as all indications necessary for their production were absent. (This geological talk has been the same in Texas, California, Oklahoma, Kansas, and other fields that have such heavy producers of oil.) While the first well was being drilled, he and his left, the well began to flow at the rate of five barrels of oil per day. The people led the lecturer and fled to the field. Now this field is a large producing and refining.

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 up, and only a sufficient amount of stock will be sold to develop paying values. When the expected happens the stock-books will be closed.

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**Compare the holdings of the Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Company, (holding 23,000 acres), with the holdings of the above companies mentioned and you will readily see what the great possibilities of the Penn-Vir Coal, Oil and Gas Company will be.**

You may think you can do better by waiting and buying stock after oil is struck. Study the table of California above and decide how many shares you could buy after development, in its good companies, and compare it with what you could have bought before development, and remember they were all "wild cat" properties at one time.

The following Table Shows How the Stock of Various California Oil Companies Has Advanced:

Company	Started at	Has been sold at
Central	\$7.10	\$1.50
Monte Cristo	.10	2.87 1/2
Ludlow	.15	5.00
Duclos	.25	2.00
Kerr	.25	8.75
Staring	.50	4.25
Waggoner	.50	4.50
Poole	.25	8.75
San Joaquin	.50	12.50
Kerr River	.50	21.50
New York	.50	200.00
Oil City	3.50	84.00
Pacific	3.00	150.00
Hanford	10.00	100.00
East	10.00	100.00
St. Lawrence	10.00	300.00
Krupnik	10.00	300.00
Hose	10.00	500.00

\$100 invested in New York Oil Company has since had a value of \$5,000.  
 \$100 invested in Hanford Oil Company has since had a value of \$4,000.  
 \$100 invested in Poole Oil Co., now has a value of \$6,250.  
 \$100 invested in San Joaquin Company has since had a value of \$6,250.

\$100 invested in Kerr River Co. has a value of \$5,500.  
 \$100 invested in Central Oil Company has since had a value of \$10,000.  
 \$100 invested in Alameda Oil Company has since had a value of \$20,000.  
 \$100 invested in Home Oil Company has since had a value of \$40,000.

Five wells at from 25 to 60 per barrel.  
 The foregoing articles were gleaned from official sources and data, less are not overdrawn. That the Petroleum Oil Industry is an exciting field for small investors will be readily admitted after reading this article.

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

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 sections of the United States—being in the neighborhood of 20 miles from the water on the Potomac and about 20 miles from Washington City.

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## COMMERCIAL

### Weekly Review of Trade and Market Reports.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review says: With a somewhat severe winter drawing to a close and with the subsidence of excitement in the market situation, the business and trade outlook for the coming season is promising. It is an easy matter, however, to pick flaws in the situation, certain aspects of which are unfavorable. Among these may be mentioned the decreasing volume of exports of the American country during the current fiscal year being the purchase of the American securities probably by heavy exports of gold.

Trade is still irregular, and development is rather backward in its condition. Weathered streams and flooded country roads are causing delay in the movement of the business all these things are an unfavorable factor. It is not, however, of the nature of a general depression, but a slow recovery, and it is believed that the ultimate consumer will be given better service than at present.

From our various sources of information we are advised that the situation in the South and Southwest is such that the spring-like weather has made a better business.

Business failures in the United States for the week ended March 3 were 154, against 254 last week, 219 in the like week of 1908, 287 in 1908, 172 in 1907 and 1771 in 1906.

**Wholesale Markets.**  
 New York—Wheat—Spot weak. 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Keep the feeding troughs tight and clean. Clean the pens every day. Use lime or some other good disinfectant well scattered around.

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An Everlasting Layer.

The increased interest in poultry lines both for profit and for show purposes has led to the introduction of several new breeds.

Rapid Growth in Chickens.

In forcing the growth of young chickens our experience has been that the best system of feeding is one composed of both hard food, such as seeds, cracked grain, etc., and a soft mixture also once a day.

Grow Clover in Rotation.

Clover does feed deeply. If land is well drained, more so than the roots of corn, grass, etc. And in addition to getting abundant nitrogen from the air, this clover will bring up potash from the subsoil and leave it stored in the large roots in the upper soil, and

Notes.

Keep the hens busy by scattering millet seed or cracked wheat in the litter. The active hen is the one that fills the egg basket. For a hen to sing and a cock to show gallantry are general signs of constitutional vigor. Soaking whole grain by pouring boiling water over it and allowing it to remain for twenty-four hours, will cause it to swell and prove an acceptable change for the fowls. If you are in the poultry business right it is not too early to begin planning for your breeding pens for the next season. Yard space, and runs should also be considered. Don't put a sick fowl in a coop with healthy ones, it matters not how slight, or what the disease may be. Read that again, comply with it and save yourself much time and money. Save the droppings; they are valuable for fertilizing purposes and will come in handy in the spring. Stock them in a dry place in boxes or barrels. There is no better fertilizer when properly used. The poultry house should have too few birds than too many in it during the winter. Crowding means disease, imperfect ventilation, lack of exercise, uneven distribution of food, feather eating, broken eggs and other losses. TREE STARTED FROM A STAKE. Steady Told of Big Cottonwood Grounds of Kansas Capitol. In an article concerning a large of cottonwood trees which stands near the east wing of the State House Mr. D. O. McCreey claimed that the tree sprung up from a seed and that after withstanding many battles with both the elements of nature and with man it had survived until it had grown into an exceedingly large and magnificent shade tree. Mr. W. H. Fernald of 521 Tylk street, who has lived in Topeka for forty-eight years, said there seems to be a mistake about the real origin of this product of the forest. At the time when the east wing of the State House was built Mr. Fernald was a small boy, and yet he says he remembers distinctly about the tree. At that time he earned his first money carrying water for the stone cutters who were working on the building. During that time he claims that the tree found its origin. In speaking of the cottonwood tree he said: "I remember distinctly the day I went to work for the first time in my life for wages. During the forenoon I cut down a big tree almost twelve or fourteen feet in diameter and from it I cut a post about fifteen feet long and six feet below the top it was used to hold a guy for a large wooden derrick which the stone for the building. It was wet weather at the time and within a week or so the tree started to grow. I kept on cutting and as the lumbered it took the form which was most all for it and grew into a tree. The peculiar shape it has assumed is due to the way in which it started. Probably one reason the tree was not removed while still in the form of a post is the stones which had been piled up while the building was being erected were not removed until several years after the post was set in the ground. Topeka Capital. Pretty Right. "Do you think with I. I. the people of this country bleed much more? "Some of them do, but the are some about getting the Philadelphia Ledger.

# The Lure of the Mask

By HAROLD MAC GRATH

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## SYNOPSIS

Jack Hillard, a wealthy New York playboy, hears a mysterious voice singing in the night under his window. He inserts an advertisement in a personal column to find the singer, and receives a reply. He visits the mysterious singer, but she wears a mask. He falls desperately in love with her, but he has not seen her face. The unknown woman gives her name as Miss Arletta, which is assumed. They have dinner. She refuses to see him again. Hillard and Dan Merrihew decide to go to Italy. Merrihew loves Kitty Killigrew, a comic opera singer, who has gone to Italy. Hillard receives a black envelope in a letter. Hillard and Merrihew arrive in Italy and later dine with Mrs. Sanford, an American society woman, who tells Hillard considerably about the mysterious woman with whom he is in love. She is now posing as an opera singer in Kitty Killigrew's company. Kitty Killigrew and the mysterious lady of the mask are in Venice, having been stranded. Hillard and Merrihew go to Monte Carlo. Kitty and the lady of the mask also go to Monte Carlo. Hillard encounters a mysterious Italian with a scar. Kitty meets Hillard in the dark, but the lady of the mask flees. Kitty also disappears.

## CHAPTER XVI—Continued.

"Oh, I am calm! But I have been dreaming of this moment now!" The prince addressed Hillard. "You speak with an air that night in which you had no concern." "Are you quite sure?" "Yes, I am sure. And yet as I think over, as I reflect the woman, bent on the column, with a smile which was evil and insinuating. 'In Venice Carlo I was perfectly alone. Here it is Florence. Doubtless you will understand.' He struck out with his glove.

But they never touched Hillard's face. His hand caught the smallest's wrist and with a quick jerk brought him halfway across the table. The smallest cried faintly. Hillard spoke tensely: "Listen carefully, signor. I understand perfectly, but I shall fight no duel. It is an obsolete fashion. A blackguard I know you to be. If you have a quarrel with me again I promise to give you a whipping which will have lasting effect upon your future actions. If that will not serve I shall appeal to the police."

Through the crowd the ever present carabinieri shouldered their way. The smallest motioned them to stand back, which they did with a sign of respect. This sign gave Hillard some food for thought. His antagonist was evidently a personage of some importance.

"A figure of an American pug?" Hillard laughed.

"The bear was wild on the Italian's cheek. His companion held a restraining hand on his arm. He nodded, and



"I wanted you to give him a good stiff punch," said Merrihew. "We should have slept in the lockup overnight if I had. If our friend is left handed he'll be inconvenient for a day or two. I put some force into that grip. You see, Dan, the Italian will fight his duels. It would have been a fine joke if I had been fool enough to accept his challenge. He would have put daylight through me with that first stroke."

"Did you notice how respectful the carabinieri were?" "I set me thinking. Oh, I've a premonition that we haven't seen the last of this distinguished gentleman." After luncheon the next day they were returning the Via Tornabuoni when a young woman came out of a millinery shop. Immediately Hillard stepped to one side of her and Merrihew to the other.

"You cannot run away this time, Kitty Killigrew," cried Merrihew joyously.

The Villa Ariadne the wonderful villa in Donatello was situated by the sea. It was a masterpiece of Florentine architecture. Forming a part of the villa were such rooms as a library, a study, a billiard room, a dining room, a kitchen, a bathroom, a wardrobe, a linen closet, a broom closet, a trunk room, a laundry, a storeroom, a cellar, a garage, a stable, a carriage house, a coach house, a boot room, a hat room, a glove room, a shoe room, a shoe closet, a shoe rack, a shoe cabinet, a shoe chest, a shoe box, a shoe bag, a shoe brush, a shoe polish, a shoe cream, a shoe wax, a shoe oil, a shoe conditioner, a shoe preservative, a shoe protector, a shoe guard, a shoe cover, a shoe cap, a shoe insert, a shoe pad, a shoe cushion, a shoe insert, a shoe pad, a shoe cushion, a shoe insert, a shoe pad, a shoe cushion.

crumbling back, her chin lowered and her eyes thoughtful. Merrihew stole up from behind with all the grace of a cat. He put his hand over her eyes. She struggled for a brief moment, then yielded. "It is no puzzle at all," she declared. "I can smell horse, horse and again horse. Mr. Merrihew."

"Yes, I should have fetched along a sachet powder. I remember but one thing, Kitty, and that's you—He set down beside her. 'There's no doubt that I reckon of the animal. But the real question is, How much longer are you going to keep me dangling on the string? I've been coming up here for ten days now.'

"She had dressed expressly for this moment, but Merrihew was not going to be told so. "But am I to be blamed if, after having refused twice to marry you, you still persist?" Kitty assumed a judicial air.

"But you haven't refused me this time." "Because I wish to make it as easy as possible for you." Which of the two meanings she offered him was lost upon Merrihew.

"Come, let us be sensible for ten minutes." Merrihew laid his watch on the bench beside him. Kitty laughed rollickingly, for beneath her furbelows and ribbons and trinkets she was innocently happy and light of heart. Her letter had come. She was only waiting for the day of sailing.

Merrihew reached out and caught her hand. "Oh, I said let us be sensible for ten minutes," she demurred.

"Kitty, will you marry me?" "Could you take care of me?" "I'll work."

"Oh, if you were only rich!" "You don't mean that, Kitty?" "No," relenting. "I don't. But you better be."

"All right. This will be the marriage. Will you marry me? I will do all a man can do to make you happy. I love you with all my heart. I know. You're afraid. You've got that I am afraid, but not this time, Kitty, not this time. Will you?"

Then without further hesitance, he different to the future or the past, visions only of the vast happiness of the present. Kitty laid her hand in his. He would have drawn her into his arms had not they both seen O'Mally pushing through the box-hedge, followed by some belated tourists. Merrihew swore softly, and Kitty laughed.

On the terrace the tea table dangled the eye with its spotless linen, its blue cantos and its bundle of pink roses. Hillard extended his cup for a second filling. La Signorina vaguely wondered where Kitty was. She needed Kitty at this moment.

How inexplicable were the currents and cross-currents of life! She had met a thousand men handsomer, more brilliant. They had not awakened more than normal interest. And yet this man, quiet, humorous, ordinarily good looking, aroused in her heart discord and penetrated the barriers to the guarded sentiment. Why? Always this query.

She gathered up a handful of the roses and pressed them against her face, breathing deeply. "If I were a poet, which I am not," he paused irresolutely.

"You would extemporize on the beauty of the perspective," she supplemented. "How the?" "I was thinking of your hair," he interrupted. "I have never seen any thing quite like it."

She had recourse to the roses again. "You have not told me the real reason why you sang under my window that night." "Have I not? Well, then, there can be no harm in telling you that. I had just signed the contract to sing with the American Comic Opera company in Europe. I saw the world at my feet; for it would be false modesty to deny that I have a voice. More distinctions. The world is set at my feet," lightly.

"Will you answer a single question?" "I can make no promise." "Is there another man?" Silence, which grew and lengthened. "What do you mean?" she asked.

"In Venice you told me that there was a barrier. I ask now if this barrier be a man."

"Yes." "A wrinkle of pain passed over his heart. 'If you love him!'" "Love him! No, no! I had hoped you would not speak this. I told you your honor."

"Enough," said O'Mally laconically. He directed his next words to La Signorina.



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## INDIA'S PRECIOUS STONES.

Stones Explored. Tourmalines, rubies, sapphires, spinels, tourmalines, garnets, rock crystals and various sorts of amber and jadeite are the precious stones found on India's coral strand, says the Chicago Tribune. The ruby and jadeite are the only stones of considerable value produced. Large quantities of turquoise come from Birkim and Tibet.

That from the latter country being harder, darker blue and therefore more valuable. The importation of precious stones into India amounts annually to about \$4,900,000.

The diamond industry is limited and is carried on in southern India, the northern part of the Indian peninsula and in the central provinces. Ruby mining is carried on in upper Burma and, next to petroleum, is the most profitable of the mineral resources of the state, the value of the product being about \$900,000 annually.

One ruby of seventy-seven carats was taken out a few years ago and valued at \$133,330. Sapphires used to be mined in Kashmir, but the mines are now said to be exhausted. The yellow, white, blue and green varieties of sapphires are found in the ruby bearing gravels in Burma. The sapphire is found in considerable quantities in Burma.

Tourmaline stones of blue, green and black coloring are found in upper Burma. Garnets are mined in Jaipur. Rock crystal, cut for cheap jewelry, known as valeam diamonds, is found in Madras. Another quartz crystal, found in Kalabagh, is cheaper and used for necklaces. Chalcedonic silica is called bappul and embraces many forms of agate mined in the Deccan. Agates and carnelians are cut and prepared for markets in Bombay. They come mostly from Rajpootana. Large quantities are shipped to Europe and China.

Jadeite of beautiful green tints is found in upper Burma, and an inferior jade is found in other parts of India. The stone sells for \$50 to \$100 a hundredweight.

Gentilly. "Mamma, Mrs. Bedford must come of a very old and aristocratic family, doesn't she?" "I don't know anything about her family. Why do you ask?" "She always says 'kinsmen' instead of 'relatives,'" Chicago Record-Herald.

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George W. Dudley, the mailing director of the local office, dropped dead at his home...

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St. Louis.—Democratic ideals in the social life of America. As she said in the plump bluntness of Lady Laurier's face...

GOVERNMENT CONTROL FOR AERIAL TRAFFIC.

German Meteorologist Points Out the Necessity to Emperor William and Party.

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Some of them, but the tree was not removed while still in the form of a post in the stones which had been piled at it while the building was being erected...

# The Cure of the Mask

By HAROLD MAC GRATH

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## SYNOPSIS

Jack Hillard, a wealthy New York playman, hears a mysterious voice singing in the night under his window. He inserts an advertisement in a personal column to find the singer, and receives a reply. He visits the mysterious singer, but she wears a mask. He falls desperately in love with her, but she has not seen her face. The unknown woman gives her name as Mme. Hillard, which is assumed. They have dinner. She refuses to see him again. Hillard and Dan Merribew decide to go to Italy. Merribew loves Kitty Killigrew, a comic opera singer, who has gone to Italy. Hillard receives a black envelope in an envelope. Hillard and Merribew arrive in Italy and later dine with Sanford, an American society woman, who tells Hillard considerable about the mysterious woman with whom he is in love. She is now posing as an opera singer in Kitty Killigrew's company. Kitty Killigrew and the mysterious lady of the mask also go to Monte Carlo. Hillard encounters a mysterious Italian with a scar. Kitty meets Hillard in the dark, but the lady of the mask flees. Kitty also disappears.

## CHAPTER XVI—Continued.

"Oh, I am calm! But I have been dreaming of this moment. Now?" The woman addressed Hillard. Her eyes shined with an affair that night in which you had no concern. "Are you quite sure?" "Yes, I am sure. And yet as I think over, as I collect the woman, I feel on the whole, with a certain touch was evil and insinuating. In those Carlo I was practically alone. Here it is Florence. Doubtless you will understand." He struck out with his gloves.

But they never touched Hillard's head. His hand caught the assailant's wrist and with a quick jerk brought him halfway across the table. The Italian cried faintly. Hillard spoke tensely. "Listen carefully, signor. I understand perfectly, but I shall fight no duel. It is an obsolete fashion. A bodyguard I know you to be. If you ever address me again I promise to give you a whipping which will have a lasting effect upon your future actions. If that will not serve I shall appeal to the police."

Through the crowd the ever present saboteur shouldered their way. The saboteur motioned them to stand back which they did with a sign of respect. His sign gave Hillard some food for thought. His antagonist was evidently a percentage of some importance. "Figura of an American pig!" Hillard laughed.

His hand was held on the Italian's neck. His companion laid a restraining hand on his arm. He noticed, and the two made off. Merribew was for going back to the hotel. Hillard agreed.

crumbling back, her chin lowered and her eyes thoughtful. Merribew stole up from behind with all the grace of a practical joker. Then he pressed his fingers over her eyes. She struggled for a brief moment, then desisted. "It is no puzzle at all," she declared. "I can smell horse, horse and again horse, Mr. Merribew."

"Yes, I should have fetched along a sachet powder. I remember but one thing, Kitty, and that's you." He sat down beside her. "There's no doubt that I reek of the animal. But the real question is, how much longer are you going to keep me dangling on the string? I've been coming up here for ten days now."

"I have been thinking of you hair," he interrupted. "I have never seen any thing quite like it."

"I wanted you to give him a good whiff punch," said Merribew. "We should have slept in the lockup overnight if I had. If our friend is not hanged he'll be inconvenienced for a day or two. I put some force into that grip. You see, Dan, the Italian will fight his duels. It would have been a fine joke if I had been too tough to accept his challenge." He could have put daylight through me with his first stroke.



"Enough," said O'Mally, leaning back. He directed his next words toward the princess. "Only I desired to remain in the presence of your highness."

"How do you feel?" asked the doctor. "I am all right," said the princess. "I have been thinking of you hair," he interrupted. "I have never seen any thing quite like it."

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"Suppose we go and break the news to Worth," remarked Smith. O'Mally assented, stopping a moment in front of La Signorina.

"I forgot," apologized Briedy, La Signorina's di Monte Bianca gave Sonia Hilda Grosvenor full authority to act as her proxy in giving the ball. As for the invitation, she knew absolutely nothing about it.

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## CHAPTER XVII—MOVES TARGETS.

HILLARD passed the card to Merribew, who presented it to Kitty. Smith had already seen it. He waved it aside moodily. La Signorina's eyes roved at an effort to find some way out.

"It's a pretty kettle of fish," said O'Mally, rather pleased secretly in having created so dramatic a moment. "There's nothing for us to do but to clear out, bag and baggage."

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## Recommend Bond Issue

THE Manassas spirit never was more in evidence than at a special session of the Town Council last Monday night, when legislation clearing the way for installation of civic improvements was enacted upon adoption of a favorable report from a committee appointed to investigate the advisability of the water works and electric light propositions. The Business League, as a civic organization, and the Town Council, as municipal legislative body, have done their duty conscientiously and effectively. When the special election is ordered by Judge J. B. T. Thornton, of the circuit court, the water works proposition is squarely before the people—so far as municipal ownership is concerned. Then it shall be the duty of the registered qualified electors of Manassas to decide whether the Town shall be bonded in the amount of \$30,000 to establish an adequate water system, or whether ownership, control and operation of this vital public utility shall pass to an individual or private corporation. The electric light franchise is to be sold, while sewerage improvements are consequent to water facilities. It is understood that J. R. Hayden, of Omaha, Neb., stands ready to buy both the water and the electric light franchises.

The Council committee after careful examination recommends a bond issue to establish a water system, believing that the interests of the people will best be protected under municipal ownership, as this utility is most vital, with lighting facilities secondary. The action of the Town Council virtually assures the improvements, as in event the bond issue is voted down, the water franchise undoubtedly will be sold. It is understood that no difficulty will be encountered in disposing of the electric light. An adequate, thoroughly sanitary sewer system cannot be installed without water facilities.

## Hospital in Manassas

THE physicians of Manassas have materially advanced the plans of their contemporary practitioner for establishing a hospital in Manassas, by co-operating with him in the project. Ways and means of founding the institution are to be discussed at a conference with the physicians of Prince William County at the office of Dr. W. F. Merchant on March 19. Even aside from the humanitarian, which after all, is the widest point of view, a hospital in Manassas undoubtedly would prove a paying proposition. Strongly do the physicians back of the movement present the proposition in a declaration contained in announcement of the conference. "We are sending almost daily from the County, patients to Charlottesville, Washington and other places, because of inadequate facilities for treatment, both medical and surgical, which would be afforded at our doors by a small, up to date hospital."

Patients, as well as physicians, long have felt the need of an institution of this character here in Manassas for all Prince William county. Quite often the patient's condition is rendered more serious by the delay incident to removal to a remote hospital. Now are the discomforts of a long railroad journey before treatment or operation conducive to the best results. Manassas possesses the advantages of location, climate and natural facilities for a modern hospital. The success of the enterprise is assured.

## Desperate Effort Fails

DESPITE a final desperate effort by the opposition to defeat it, the bill authorizing the Town Council of Manassas to pay an annuity of \$600 to Mr. and Mrs. Isaac P. Baldwin in consideration for donation of property to Eastern College was reported favorably Monday by the Senate committee and its enactment is momentarily. It is true and not altogether surprising that after such tactics had failed to prevent the bill passing the House of Delegates, where it had been introduced by the Honorable Thomas H. Lion, delegate from Prince William county, they should be repeated before the Senate committee by a bitter opponent of the measure, who visited Richmond Monday for that specific purpose. Citizens of Manassas and friends of Eastern College, are to be congratulated that his plans, with those of his associates, have failed. What can be the motive lurking behind this subtle attack and sinister sentiment against Eastern College? Simply an attempt to evade payment of a trivial tax, according to reliable reports. It's time, gentlemen of the opposition, to eliminate such methods and line up with enthusiastic boosters for "A Greater Manassas."

## Many Homeseekers

As an indication of the steady influx of homeseekers to Prince William county, it is worth noting that three families from other sections of the State, came here this week to establish permanent residence. Now, this example, though in itself minute, is most important when viewed in the light of continuity, for by twos and more are homeseekers moving into Prince William county. When measured by weeks and months, the tiny tide spreads to surprising proportions. The forthcoming census should show a most substantial gain in the population of Manassas and Prince William county. Homeseekers are attracted to this town, not only by its productive soil, ideal climate, and commercial and educational advantages,

## Encouragement

MUCH encouragement to the editors and managers of THE DEMOCRAT in their demand for a square deal, and as opposed to political ring methods appears this week in correspondence from Independent Hill. Such expressions of appreciation are esteemed most highly, for it indeed is cheering to know and to feel that public sentiment is with us in our fight for justice. The message from Independent Hill is typical of appreciative expressions we are receiving from all sections of the County. We thank you.

Now that the cold weather is over it is no trouble at all to get the wood cut.

Who ever would have thought that Philadelphia would have any excitement?

A DAILY newspaper asks, "Is marriage a compromise?" Such cases are numerous.

It is rather a disagreeable reminder that the onion and ham-mock seasons open together.

AN improvement in the condition of the roads is not the least of the blessings conferred by spring.

THE cold wave drifted in this morning just as most people were getting accustomed to light under wear.

NO, that frightful noise is not from a riot up street. It is merely neighbors arguing the Easter bonnet problem.

HAS it finally come to this? German aviators fighting over air rights are asking government regulation of aerial navigation!

THERE will be no more snake stories from Danville, Ky. The town has gone dry with a vengeance, even private flasks being confiscated.

TOBACCO, it is feared, may be the next necessity made practically prohibitive by a rise in prices. However, an anti-tobacco crusade is unlikely.

AN exchange asks, "What is poetry?" Sometimes it is simply—this writer is too much a gentleman to express himself further upon the subject.

THE trip afoot of the three pedestrians, due today in Manassas enroute to Texas for a wager of \$1,000, may truly be classed as a big feat. And no pun is intended, either.

PEARY refuses to submit his North Pole data to Congress, declaring that he is under contract for magazine articles. At any rate the public has a right to be thankful for the respite.

ANOTHER case where the spirit was willing, but perhaps the flesh was weak is shown in New York where the valient anti-meat crusaders have returned to their juicy steaks and roasts, forgetting the boycott they launched two months ago.

WITHOUT the slightest exaggeration Manassas will have one of the most attractive of little theatres in the State when Conner's Hall is completed. It is hoped that Mr. Conner will carry out his contemplated plan of placing Manassas on the theatrical circuit. The venture undoubtedly would prove profitable.

THE death of Former United States Senator Thomas C. Platt, removes a remarkable figure from the field of American politics. For more than half a century, he was identified with the Republican party in the State of New York, and in his halcyon days was its dominant power. His political fall marked the passing of boss rule in New York.

THE House of Delegates has failed to ratify the Sixteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States—the income tax bill. Those familiar with the State archives, declare that an income tax bill lies buried there, not beyond hope of resurrection. That bill should be resuscitated. Incomes above the exemption point should be made to help bear the burden of taxation.

NATURALLY the interests of a railroad are identical to those of the territory it traverses—its source of revenue. This fact is recognized by the Southern railroad in the announcement of plans to give wider publicity to industrial and agricultural opportunities, thereby giving impetus to development. The value of such exploitation is beyond computation, but will be apparent in some degree to every citizen along the lines of the progressive Southern railroad.

SENATOR ROBERT TAYLOR, of Tennessee, struck a tender and responsive chord, when in an address before the Southern bazaar in Washington last Friday, he urged loyalty to the Stars and Stripes without forgetting the Stars and Bars of the Confederacy. Such eloquently patriotic expressions are worthy a true Southerner. How they contrast with the inane utterances of Heyburn, of Idaho, who persists in attacking Southern traditions, institutions and love of patriot sons.

WOMEN, naturally, are esthetes, and small wonder then that success invariably crowns their exercise of the ideal perceptive faculty. Now the women of Manassas are planning to improve the campus of Eastern College—to make it a worthy setting for the institution, an ornament to the Town. They will succeed in this most commendable enterprise. Theirs is a duty to give more clear the duty of those not active in the movement to give their assistance. They can do so in many ways, and profitably, by contributing a dollar or more. April 1st is the date for carrying out the plans.

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