

SEED CORN PROCLAMATION

The Governor of Virginia Makes Important Proclamations to Farmers.

WHEREAS, the production of corn in sufficient quantities means plenty of cattle and hogs, and plenty of cattle means plenty of grass and hay and a considerable increase of improved lands; and

WHEREAS, good crops of corn must largely depend upon the seed used; and

WHEREAS, by experiments published in circular ninety-five, issued by the Seed Laboratory of the United States Department of Agriculture, the average germination of Virginia corn is greater than in any other State in the Union; and

WHEREAS, the time is approaching for the selection of seed for the next two years, as it is always desirable to have seed for one year ahead:

Now, therefore, I, William Hodges Mann, Governor of Virginia, do earnestly request the farmers of the State to thoroughly inform themselves upon this most important matter, and while the corn is in the field to select seed for the next two years, and if crops permit, for sale to their less fortunate neighbors and to people in other States.

I suggest that corn selected for seed be taken from stalks eight or ten feet high, free from smut or disease, bearing two or more ears about four feet from the ground. The selected stalks should be marked and left in the field, until the corn is dry, then shucked and put in a dry place protected from rats and mice.

During the winter, from the corn marked in the field, the seed corn should be carefully selected; the ideal ear is nearly cylindrical in shape, tapering only slightly from butt to tip; the butt should be abrupt, the rows of corn should be straight and compact, commencing close to the shank and extending clear over the end of the cob to the tip.

These suggestions are made because frequent experiments have demonstrated that good seed corn very largely increases the yield.

Given under my hand and the Lesser Seal of the Commonwealth at Richmond, this third day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twelve, and in the one hundred and thirty-seventh year of the Commonwealth.

WM. HODGES MANN, By the Governor

B. O. JAMES, Secretary of the Commonwealth

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Sept. 1st—Flower and Bulb Catalogue Free

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THE ORCHARD AND CEDARS

How the Cedar Rust on Apples is Ruining Orchards—Expert Testimony.

H. S. Reed, State Plant Pathologist—The cedar rust has been unusually severe on apples in Virginia this season, owing to climatic conditions which have favored the disease.

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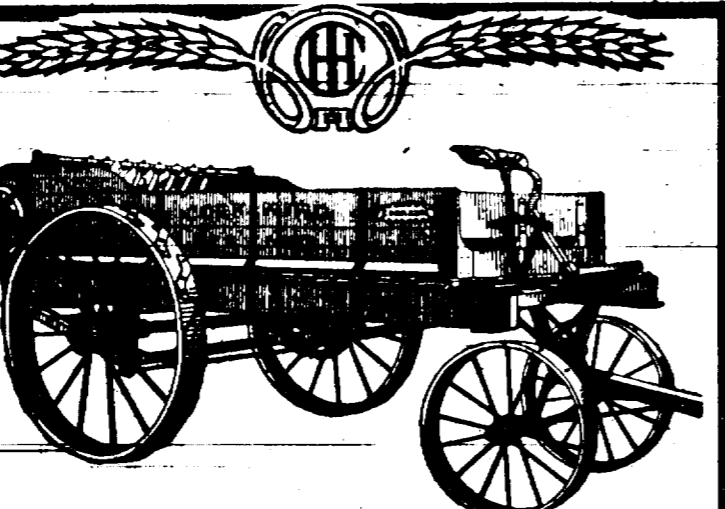
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The Manassas Journal

SUICIDE OF MR. E. R. FORD

A Former Business Man of This Place Takes His Life in Alexandria County.

The body of Mr. E. R. Ford, a resident of Washington, was found Wednesday morning near the tracks of the Great Falls Railway, in the vicinity of Mackey station.

Mr. Ford was lying on his left side with his hands folded across his chest. The revolver was about two feet away, indicating that he had oiled down the hill after firing the fatal shot.

Mr. Ford was fifty-four years old, and for many years was engaged in the lunch room business at Seventh and F streets, northwest. About a year ago he sold out his lunch room and three months ago he opened a grocery store at Twenty-first and M streets, northwest.

Mr. Ford was in business here about twenty years ago, and is widely known in Northern Virginia. He was a kinsman of Colonel Willard and of Mr. C. Vernon Ford, commonwealth's attorney of Fairfax.

DAVIS MAY ENTER RACE

A Loudoun Farmer Urged by Friends to Enter gubernatorial Primary.

Friends of Westmoreland Davis, of Leesburg, are, according to report, thinking of proposing his name to the voters of Virginia as a possible candidate for governor.

Mr. Davis is president of the Virginia State Farmers' Institute, and a large part of his support would naturally come from the farming interests.

To a large extent, Mr. Davis's forte is organizing the farmers to get what they want in the way of legislation.

The Loudoun Mirror, discussing the possibility of his candidacy, says he is "one of the best equipped men in our State to give Virginia a most efficient and capable executive."

ROBBERY ON SOUTHERN

Passengers Not Molested—Registered Mail Bags Rifled of Their Contents.

Memphis, Tenn., Sept. 17.—The Memphis train on the Southern Railway, east bound, was held up and robbed at Stevenson, Alabama, early today.

Four mail clerks were tied and gagged by the bandits. They were pulled from the emergency cord and covered with mail sacks, while the robbers leisurely looted the registered pouches.

The robbers did not attempt to enter the express or passenger cars. After the mail car looting, they mounted horses and nearby, and escaped into the mountains. Posse are in pursuit.

MAY TRY FLOPPING STUNT

Well Known Young Alexandria Will Enter Eighth District Congressional Race.

Room "B" 631 Pen. Ave., N. W., Washington, D. C., Sept. 12, 12. Robert S. Barrett, Esq., President "Alex. Gazette," Alexandria, Va.

Dear Sir:—Writer was approached this a. m., about "running for Congress" by a Virginian who is not only a preacher of the Gospel, but a printer by trade in this city.

He advised me that he will stump the district in my behalf and is confident of victory.

Success of Tomato Club

Miss Ella Agnew, State Demonstration Agent for the tomato canning clubs, was in town Wednesday to look over the work of the Princes William clubs.

THE MILITARY ORGANIZED SOMETHING HIGH CLASS

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At the last meeting of the young men interested in the organization of a military company, under the auspices of the state troops, actual work was begun with the following officers and enrollment:

L. W. Kasehagen, captain; R. E. Herrell, 1st lieutenant; H. P. Davis, 2nd lieutenant; J. R. B. Davis, Henry Johnson, Benj. Johnson, Jr., George Adamson, Harry Cornell, Wm. Cather, Albert May, Douglas Merchant, John Akers, Ollie Lynch, C. M. Hopkins, W. A. Buck, C. M. Merchant, Barbour Lipscomb, Jesse Crosby, W. W. Garrison, Wheatley Johnson, C. D. Fately, W. P. Weir, Fred Prescott, Frank May, Francis Lewis, Jesse Greg, Comfort Rice, T. H. Ligon, Jr., Carroll Ligon, Gordon Moran, J. G. Lunsford, Robt. Leachman, Jennings Davis, Robt. Adamson and Carlyle Buck.

The entertainment to be given here next Monday night is not only an exhibition of something new on the stage, but something of interest and of a high class. The wonderful vocal performances of Mr. Corwin show what a good voice can be trained to do. He is a mimic of sounds, high, low, coarse, sweet and shrill.

Proposed Amendments to the State Constitution at November Election

Virginia voters will, at the coming November election, ratify or reject the polls two proposed amendments to the Constitution.

Washington, Sept. 12.—Work is being rushed at the Government Printing Office today on the blank forms which are to be sent to newspapers and other periodicals throughout the country within the next week for the filing of sworn statements of the average circulation of their editions with the local postmaster and the Post-office Department at Washington.

A feature of the new law, which is expected to cause some protest, is that newspapers and other periodicals must mark "all reading matter" editorial or otherwise for which compensation is received, must be marked plainly "Advertisement," spelled out in full. Heavy fine is provided for nonconformity with this section.

Cartier Declines Nomination

Ray W. Carter, of Orange, who was nominated as the regular republican candidate for Congress in the Eighth District at Alexandria recently, has notified the Congressional Committee that he cannot accept the nomination, owing to private matters.

GRAND JURIES TO WORK

Assessments for Income Tax Will be Inquired into Throughout State.

The following letter has been sent out by State Auditor C. Lee Moore: Commonwealth of Virginia, Office of the Auditor of Public Accounts, Richmond, Va., Sept. 10, 1912.

Dear Sir:—I am engaged in the preparation of data, which I believe will be of great service to the courts and grand juries in making the examination of the personal property books for the year 1912, made out by the Commissioners of the Revenue for the several counties and cities of the Commonwealth.

Very truly yours, C. LEE MOORE, Auditor Public Accounts.

DEATH OF MRS. MUDDIMAN

After a Lingered Illness of Many Months Mrs. Geo. W. Muddiman Passes Away.

Mrs. George W. Muddiman died on Tuesday night last, after a long illness, as the result of a paralytic stroke, a few years ago. At first, it was hoped she would rally from the attack, but slowly her general health became impaired, and she suffered a gradual decline until the end.

She was a devout and useful member of the Presbyterian church and always ready for any call of charity or religion.

Her funeral services were held yesterday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Clark conducting the services. Her remains were laid to rest in the Manassas cemetery.

She is survived by her husband and one son, Mr. S. W. Muddiman, of Chase City, Va.; Mrs. A. N. Muddiman, of Roanoke, and Mrs. W. R. Wilson, of Kenova, W. Va. One daughter, Mrs. Annie Shirley, wife of Mr. E. S. Shirley, died suddenly last summer almost before the orange flowers had faded.

It is the good fortune of but few to leave behind such kindly remembrance as is the lot of the departed.

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"THE BUSY CORNER" 8th St. and Pa. Ave. Washington, D. C.

New Fall Fashions and New Dress Fabrics and Trimmings

Do You Know that CHARMEUSE is one of the most talked about New Fall Silks? A beautiful soft silk, 40 inches wide—in dress and evening colors.

Of Course, You Want to Know About New Fall Dress Goods

Subdued colorings at present seem to have the floor, and rough weaves rather than smooth, with the exception of Broadcloths. Fashion authorities are prophesying Broadcloths, and our fall lines embrace everything in the latest colorings, 50 and 54 inch widths, that sell from \$1.50 to \$3.50 a yard.

Novelties in Trimmings is the Prophecy for Fall

BIDS WANTED

Sealed bids will be received by the Manassas School Board on 12 o'clock noon, Saturday, September 22, 1912, for the erection of a training school building on the Manassas Agricultural School. Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of C. E. Bush in Manassas. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. 9-13-12. D. J. ABBINGTON, Clerk.

FRUIT JARS!

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DIAGONALS

are beautiful in the new rich two-tone effects, as well as plain colorings and wide-widths especially in evidence. These are all 44 to 54 inches wide, and are offered here at a yard.

RATINE

is not going to be crowded out, in spite of the fact that it was popular this spring—the new developments in all dress goods. New colorings are Wilhelmina blue, Hunter's green, tobacco brown, snuff, taupe, gray, ruby, cardinal, and black. This is a 44-inch fabric, and the range of price is from \$2.25 to \$3.50 a Yard.

WHIP CORDS

in two-tone and plain effects come up close in popular favor with the diagonal. These are 44 inches wide also, and sell from \$1.50 to \$2.50 a Yard.

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A NATURAL ICE MINE

Rev. O. G. Hutchison Tells About a Wonderful Freak of Nature in Pennsylvania.

Some people think that miracles never were or will be. Others admit that miracles were but think the days of such are passed and gone.

Just think of ice being naturally formed in the good old summer time, and the hotter the weather the more ice is formed.

This sounds like a fairy tale, does it not? Yet in Sweden valley, Potter county, Pa., about four miles south of Coudersport, is such a place.

About fifteen years ago some prospectors in looking for silver, found a place that looked promising to them. They went to digging but instead of finding silver they found ice; this too in the month of August.

The workmen not knowing how deep the underneath cave and fearing this rock might collapse at any time, quit work in fear and trembling.

The ice area is not covered by this shaft but is about thirty rods long by from three to seven rods wide.

Alameda county, California, has a tax association that interests itself in and studies problems of the cost of local government in all forms of its activity.

The cause of this ice forming in the hot weather is the fumes from platinum. Geologists, who have examined the mine, say that platinum is in the cavern beneath the hollow sounding rock.

Last summer the owner of this mine took out seven tons of ice for his own use. He has taken out quite a bit this summer though how much I do not know.

On opening up this shaft there was found in it a birch tree which had been petrified. It showed every branch, twig, knot and leaf. To get it out it had to be blasted to pieces.

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there until the platinum is all extracted. This will be a long time in the future as no one is working it for platinum.

O. GREY HUTCHISON.

ALL FOR HIMSELF.

In Theodore Roosevelt as a candidate for the presidency we have a unique figure. He did it all himself.

There was a prejudice against a third term. He swept it away. William H. Taft was his friend and protege. He cut Taft's political throat.

He called it to meet in national convention. He gave it its name. He prepared its temporary and permanent organization. He told it what it "stood for" in a speech of 20,000 words.

It is with himself, therefore, that we are to reckon hereafter. It is the desperate greed and the fertile resource of himself that must now be matters of public concern.

Shall the answer be left to himself? New York World.

THE COSTLY RECALL.

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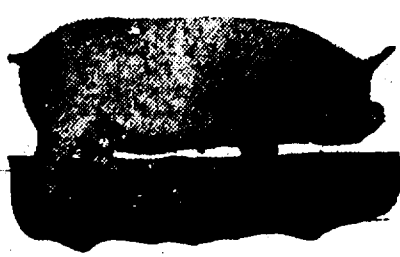
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SENSIBLE CARE OF BROOD SOWS.

In the selection of gilts for breeding purposes it is necessary to consider stamina with other points, writes R. L. Dean in the National Stockman.



Yorkshire hogs have been raised on my farm now for over twelve years, writes W. Huggins of Minnesota in American Agriculturist.

After the sows are mated there is the problem of their care. For the late summer litters this matter is not a problem, as the sows take care of themselves largely in the pastures and keep in good flesh with a small amount of grain.

The good cow judge can generally tell the difference between cows of high and low productive capacity, but very few judges, if any, can always tell by type or conformation the cow producing 300 pounds of butter fat from the one producing 200 pounds.

Prevalence of rats or mice in a stable sometimes causes horses shied there to kick at night. Get rid of the cause and the kicking will cease.

The Forty Pound Cow. The long expected forty pound cow has arrived. The cow is owned in New Jersey and produced in seven days 602.3 pounds of milk, 22.5 pounds of butter fat and 41.875 pounds of butter.

The Horse's Teeth. A serious thing that is very much overlooked is the horse's teeth. A bad tooth will hurt a horse as bad as some lameness.

The Stumbling Horse. A stumbling habit may be caused by poor shoeing, or it may be caused by ligament or careless hitching.

A Stable Hint. Every stable should have a small bottle of carbolic ready to put a few drops into water to bathe a scratch or cut.

THE SWINEHERD.

Feed pigs upon slops from the kitchen in which washing powder has been used to wash the dishes.

Ground oats, wheat bran and a little oilmeal, together with some alfalfa or clover hay, will keep the brood sows from becoming feverish.

Let the pigs grunt, but never let them squeal. When a pig squeals it means discomfort of some kind.

Be sure the food is laxative enough in character to keep the hogs in good health. Constipation may be fatal to a sow when her pigs are born.

Encourage the pigs to exercise by putting the feed some little distance from the sleeping quarters if it cannot be done in any other manner.

A record should be kept when sows are bred, and they should be separated from the other hogs a week or two before due to farrow.

FARM LABOR SAVING.

Benefits That Come From High Producing Dairy Cattle. There is plenty of work on the farm. There is, in fact, too much. No farmer is anxious or willing to do work which does not count for some profit or progress.

For Coughing Pigs. Cough in young pigs not nursing may be due to lung worms (strongylus paradousus), and there is no cure, but well fed pigs generally manage to withstand the ill effects of the worms.

Judging Dairy Cattle. The good cow judge can generally tell the difference between cows of high and low productive capacity, but very few judges, if any, can always tell by type or conformation the cow producing 300 pounds of butter fat from the one producing 200 pounds.

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OF LOCAL INTEREST

Some People We Know, and We Will Profit by Hearing About Them.

This is a purely local event. It took place in Manassas. Not in some faraway place. You are asked to investigate it. Asked to believe a citizen's word; To confirm a citizen's statement.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other. 9-20-12

STATEMENT

Of the Financial Condition of the Bank of Manassas, located at Manassas, in the County of Prince William, State of Virginia, at the close of business Sept. 4, 1912, made to the State Corporation Commission.

Table with columns: RESOURCES, LIABILITIES. Includes items like Loans and Discounts, Capital stock paid in, etc.

I, J. P. MANUEL, President, do solemnly swear that the above is a true statement of the financial condition of the Bank of Manassas, located at Manassas, in the County of Prince William, State of Virginia, at the close of business on the 4th day of Sept., 1912, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF PRINCE WILLIAM. Sworn to and subscribed before me by J. P. Manuel, President, this 14th day of Sept., 1912.

STATEMENT

Of the Financial Condition of The Bank of Occoquan, Inc., located at Occoquan, in the County of Prince William, State of Virginia, at the close of business Sept. 4, 1912, made to the State Corporation Commission.

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I, J. H. WOODSON, Cashier, do solemnly swear that the above is a true statement of the financial condition of The Bank of Occoquan, Inc., located at Occoquan, in the County of Prince William, State of Virginia, at the close of business on the 4th day of Sept., 1912, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1912.

THE SCHOOLS AGAIN.

The school teacher is again abroad in the land, holding sway over the minds and bodies of the coming man and woman, the boy and girl of our households.

The importance of this work is so universally recognized that it seems almost unnecessary to point it out. But there are some things in connection with our schools that all should bear in mind.

Not only are patience and forbearance needed in the school-room, but they are needed in our homes. We are differently constituted. Men hold not only different views but sometimes opposite views, and all may be honest. Moreover, it is not always easy to determine absolutely just what is best. In fact, one man may hold one view, and another an entirely different view, and both views may be practical and of value. So we must be tolerant with those who have the work in hand—both teacher and school officials.

Never under any circumstances condemn without positive knowledge to sustain your contention. A mere difference of opinion or belief is hardly ever sufficient ground for opposition. There are, indeed, very few school teachers or school officials who start out to do a wrong thing. The fact that it would not be a wise thing to do, would deter them, even if there were no higher motives. Life is made up of compromises. Not that it is right to compromise with the wrong, but differences do not by any means imply wrong.

And in any event and in every event it is well to know first the other point of view.

The suicide in Baltimore this week of Geo. C. Morrison is not the only note against the racing-gambling business. There is no excuse for it any where under the sun. It holds no place in the business world nor in the substantial affairs of life. No man can possibly claim that it has made him a better father or son or a better husband or a better business man. Nor is it even really clean sport. It is outlawed by the State and ostracized by the best people everywhere.

Really now, it was clever in Mr. Stuart Olivier, Mr. Munsey's general manager of the Baltimore News, to tell us what a bully fellow Mr. Munsey is and what a big thing for New York that New York deal is. The public is always interested in "gushes" over the boss. We presume Mr. Munsey can find a way to express his appreciation.

It will be interesting, indeed, when the Eighth Virginia Congressional District elects a socialist to Congress. A man must be hard-pressed for pasture who makes such a foolish race.

CANDIDATE BROOKES, the socialist man for Congress from this district, says "Down with the oppressor and up with the down-trodden." Please, which are we all any way?

A candidate—t-t-t-1.

DEFENSE OF VIRGINIANS

Thomas Nelson Page Ably Defends Martin, Jones, Flood, Lamb and Others.

OAKLAND, VA., Sept. 12, 1912.
TO THE EDITOR OF THE NEWS LEADER:

SIR:—The currency given in your issue of the 10th instant to an attack in the New York World on what you are pleased to term "The Virginia Ring," has aroused in my mind a few reflections, which I wish to submit to you and your readers. And as what I have to say is somewhat in the nature of a challenge of facts, I would premise it by the statement that my closer friendships have long been with the opponents of the gentlemen whom you characterize as the "Virginia Ring." As to Mr. Thomas F. Ryan, I never met him but once, and that was casually on a train some dozen years ago; and I feel sure that neither of us would know the other by sight; and I may add that I have, as a humble private individual, always opposed with tongue and pen all trusts and all bosses and have stood for the principles of democracy, on which, I believe, our government was founded, and by which alone, I believe, it can be perpetuated. When to this is added the fact that wanting nothing, I have nothing to hope and nothing to fear from any party or any section of any party, I think I may claim to be a reasonably fair judge in matters relating to Virginia politics.

A long residence in Washington during the sessions of the congress has enabled me, as a Virginian, to witness with pride the steps by which Virginia's representatives in the congress have risen steadily to commanding positions in their respective bodies. I have in these years—and I was an ardent friend of General Fitzhugh Lee—seen Senator Martin rise by his character, his intellect and his wisdom, to become the recognized leader of the democratic minority in the senate, winning over by his moderation and his sagacity even those who most stoutly opposed him. I have seen Mr. Hay rise to become the head of the great military committee; Mr. Jones to become the head of the committee on insular affairs; Mr. Flood to become the head of the committee on territories; Captain Lamb to become the head of the committee on agriculture. And so on through the list of our able and experienced representatives. Even where I have not had the honor of their friendship, I have had pride in their achievements. As they have risen, I have seen Virginia approaching once more her old position at the head of the states. And this brings me to the reflection that in the old days the newspapers of Richmond supported the able men of that time, who gave Virginia her primacy and thereby possessed themselves a power in national politics, which has hardly any parallel now. The attitude of the Richmond press today appears to be with occasional shining exceptions one of persistent caviling with the democratic leaders, which not only their opponents in the state, but the rivals of Virginia outside her borders are quick to take advantage of. The letter of the World's correspondent, which you print, is an attack on a number of leading Virginians in congress; but, however masked, it is a deadlier attack on Virginia, for it seeks to show that Virginia is not behind her representatives in congress. Virginia is behind them, as has been proved again and again by decisive majorities over other gentlemen of distinguished ability and high character, and I am happy to believe that unless they were both able and clean they could not maintain their leadership for a single term. But being able, clean and

devoted sons of Virginia, it seems to me an unhappy augury for Virginia's future that the capital press, instead of upholding their hands, should devote so much of its power to what must inevitably tend to weaken their efforts in the national arena.

That article states correctly that the majority in the recent state convention wished to send to the Baltimore convention an uninstructed delegation, while the minority wished the delegation instructed for Mr. Wilson; the result was a compromise, by which nine and one-half votes were instructed for Wilson, while the majority, fourteen and one-half votes, were uninstructed. This was as it should have been where the delegates were divided. Certainly it does not bear out the construction that the democratic organization in Virginia is a boss-ridden machine.

The article then proceeds to relate a story on the authority, as reported, of some of "the Anti-Machine men," that a trick was perpetrated by Mr. "Hal" Flood, "at the behest of Mr. Thomas F. Ryan," whose name is placed at the head of the hyphenated "political machine" of Virginia, by which Mr. Thomas F. Ryan was elected a delegate to the Baltimore convention under the pseudonym of "Mr. Ryan," through some of the Wilson delegates supposing that it was Mr. Ryan's son, who was nominated. Were this so, it would not be saying much for the intelligence of "some of the Wilson delegates." But as a matter of fact, not only were the Wilson delegates among the cleverest and most experienced men in the state, but this stupid story was promptly refuted as soon as it was started, and it was shown on undoubted testimony that Mr. Thomas F. Ryan was elected a delegate quite as regularly as the other gentlemen in the delegation. I make so bold as to say, however, that a complete refutation of the silly story lies in the fact that Mr. Flood is not only "a man of brains," but is as incapable of such "a trick" as the highest "anti-machine man" in Virginia.

That Mr. Ryan is the head of a political machine in Virginia, as charged, is too ridiculous to be seriously discussed.

It happened that I was a spectator at the late Baltimore convention and believing that Mr. Wilson was the strongest man the democracy could nominate, I did what little I could as a private individual to harmonize divergent views among friends of mine in the Virginia delegation and secure for him the full Virginia delegation. There was not one of them whom I saw who was not earnestly for the man who he believed would be the strongest before the people and the staunchest for the principles of democracy. That they did not agree with me did not lead me to think them dishonest in their preference. The best speech that I heard in the convention was Mr. Hal D. Flood's spirited and masterly reply to Mr. William J. Bryan's unprecedented demand that a duly elected and seated delegate from Virginia should withdraw from the convention. Other speeches were appropriate to the occasion; but this went to the basis at once of state's rights and of representative government. I was proud that day that "the sovereign state of Virginia" had a representative on that floor so able to defend her "sovereign rights."

It has been two generations since a man born in Virginia has held the presidency of the republic. We have one now leading the democracy, able, clean and courageous, whom we can elect if we all work together. The chief danger to the democracy has ever been want of union. If the democracy of Virginia spend all energies fighting among themselves as your copied letter would indicate, they will imperil the chance of victory and even though the victory be won, they will themselves have destroyed Virginia's chance to secure the position in the national council, which she once had and should have again.

Respectfully yours,
(Signed) THOS. NELSON PAGE.

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BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. Ernest S. Shirley is salesman with Mr. Jno. H. Burke. Dr. H. U. Roop preached in the Presbyterian church at Berryville, last Sunday. Miss Benson, of Maryland, has been elected to fill the vacancy in the Ruffner school.

A dwelling belonging to Elijah Brent, near Chantilly, was burned last Wednesday in the absence of the family. It was valued at \$500 and was insured with Mr. W. N. Lipscomb for \$250. There will be a three day union meeting held with the Primitive Baptist church here, beginning next Friday afternoon at 2:30 and continuing over Sunday. All are cordially invited to attend.

ABOUT PEOPLE WE KNOW Mrs. George Smith was a Washington visitor this week. Miss Evelyn Milnes spent Sunday with friends in Nokesville. Miss Bessie Myers, from Sterling, Va., is visiting Miss L. May Wenrich.

CANNING CLUBS EXHIBIT Prizes to be Awarded at Our Girls Fair to be Held Here Next Week. We append herewith a list of the prizes donated by public spirited citizens for the benefit of the Girls' Canning Clubs:

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A SATISFIED CUSTOMER OFFICE OF CLERK OF POTOMAC BAPTIST ASSOCIATION ALEXANDRIA, VA., Sept. 16, 1912. THE MANASSAS JOURNAL, MANASSAS, VIRGINIA. Gentlemen:—Pressure of business has prevented me, together with absence from the city, from acknowledging receipt of minutes of the last session of the Potomac Baptist Association, held at New Baltimore August 14th-16th, inclusive, which you completed for my Association; and I note, with much pleasure, that you published and distributed the minutes to the churches within TEN DAYS from the close of the Association.

cause of national defense. Lord Halsbury, for all his eighty-six years, is one of the strongest forces in his party; in his green old age his ardour for combat has rather deepened than decreased. Our greatest figure in literature is Mr. Thomas Hardy, who, at seventy-two, can yet produce poetry that will live.

A PRIZED LETTER Among the interesting wartime letters is the following (the original is now in the possession of Mr. R. B. Larkin, Lieut. Larkin was his uncle):

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Points for Mothers For Overanxious Mothers. If overanxious young mothers only knew what to do first in the case of fevers and colds which attack their babies many and many a doctor's bill would be saved. With the high cost of living now confronting us, that is almost to be considered. Children have fever very easily; consequently it has not so much significance as it has in the adult. But nevertheless, even a slight fever caused by a cold or a toothache, must be watched, or it may develop into a serious illness.

WINS INSURANCE SUIT. A jury in the circuit court for Alexandria, Judge J. B. T. Thornton presiding, Friday returned a verdict for \$5,000 for the plaintiff in the suit of Mrs. Jessie P. Board against the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. The amount awarded represents the face value of a policy held by the plaintiff's husband, B. Fleet Board, who was killed by a fall last spring.

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