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ST. EDITH SCENE OF BRILLIANT GRADUATION

MARKS CLOSE OF SCHOOL YEAR

Miss Grace M. Horgan, of Fairfax, Va., victor in Award Gold and Silver Honors and Premiums.

Miss Grace M. Horgan, of Fairfax, was valedictorian at the commencement exercises last night at St. Edith Academy, near Bristow.

Brilliant with beauty and intellect, notable Commencement exercises last night marked the close of the school year at St. Edith Academy for Girls, near Bristow. Never was a prettier scene presented than when the young girls, dressed in white, marched into the auditorium to their places on the stage. The program, attesting high scholarship, was splendid evidence of the achievement of each department of the institution. The address was delivered by the Right Reverend Father Julius, O. S. B., of St. Joseph Institute. A porch party amid decorations of gaily colored, brightly burning Japanese lanterns, was the diversion closing the ceremonies. There never was a finer Commencement in Prince William county.

HONORS

Jeweled rosary, gold crosses, gold rings, gold class pins, silver trinkets for utility and ornament, and then the diplomas so difficult to earn but proudest of school day possessions, were awarded for excellence in scholarship. The awards were:

Jeweled rosary to Miss Anna Hughes, special award for application.

Second academic. Gold class ring to Miss Margaret Horgan. Music. Gold honor to Miss Mildred Brady.

Conduct. Gold honor to Miss Anna Kuhn.

Plain sewing. Silver thimble to Miss Grace Bliley.

Fourth primary. Class Honor to Miss Lena Johnson.

Third primary. Class honor to Miss Mary Horgan.

Christian doctrine. Honor to Miss Bernice Martin.

First primary. Class honor, silver, to Miss Madeline Callahan.

Third intermediate. Class honor, silver, to Miss Margaret Neal.

Christian doctrine. Silver honor, to Miss Elsie Bail.

Second intermediate class. Gold honor to Miss Anna Kuhn.

Pennmanship. Premiums to Miss Theresa Bliley, Miss Mary Humphrey and Miss Mary Welscher.

French. Premiums to Miss Gertrude Hickey and Miss Katherine Sickling.

Letter writing. Premiums to Miss Theresa Bliley and Miss Mary Horgan.

Music, sixth grade. Premium to Miss Gertrude Hickey.

Music, fourth grade. Premium to Miss Grace Bliley.

Music, third grade. Premium to Miss Gertrude Rabbitt.

PROGRAM FEATURES

Among the features of the program were:

Welcome song by school.

Piano duet—Miss Margaret Carley and Miss Mary Gude.

Piano Selection—"Moonlight Dance"—Sextette: Miss Margaret Neal, Miss Grace Bliley, Miss Mary Humphrey, Miss Ethel Simpson, Miss Hazel Ashton, Miss Maguene Callahan.

Chorus by Juniors.

Reading—"Sir Launfal"—Miss Gertrude Hickey.

Piano selection—Miss Theresa Bliley.

RIFLE GRIM RELIC OF DEATH TRAP

MEMENTO OF BUCKLAND RACES

Reheats Spectacular and Desperate Conflict—Boys Find Weapon Where Left By Dying Soldier.

Grim relic of a trap of death, an old Spencer cavalry rifle was found buried in the mud of the old factory dam at Buckland last week by Wallace and Leslie Sanders. Spectacular and desperate in the extreme, almost without parallel in the Civil War, although but a minor engagement was the battle of Buckland Races in the summer of 1863. Panic-stricken Federal soldiers retreating from a Confederate charge, leaped from a precipice to death in the waters thirty feet below. The old rifle was found where it had fallen from the hands of a dying Federal soldier forty-eight years ago. The weapon is intact except the hammer and trigger which have been eaten away by rust. The stock of the gun is petrified.

BUCKLAND RACES

Memories of Buckland Races are revived by the finding of the old rifle. The engagement derived its name from the running retreat of the Yankees. Kilpatrick's men occupied the Colonel Tyler farm, while Fitz-Lee and his Confederate soldiers were stationed on the R. B. Lee farm, backed by Stewart's reinforcements concealed in the woods south of the pike between Buckland and New Baltimore.

Fitz-Lee made a feint of retreating and went as far as Chestnut Fork on Warrenton Pike. Then he turned and engaged Kilpatrick's men, and Stewart charging the flank drove the Yankees through the timber and over the precipice. Many men and horses were killed at the base of the cliff in the waters of the dam.

Others met death in the ford Mill Race, where Stewart's and Fitz-Lee's sharpshooters mowed them down. A tree in the line of fire was felled by bullets and face of the cliff beyond was encrusted with lead. Details of this story were told THE DEMOCRAT by Dr. T. G. Brown, of Buckland, as he heard them from witnesses of the battle.

Dr. H. Russell, of Anderson, S. C., author of the Reunion of the Blue and Gray on the Bull Run battlefield, writes that he will be in Manassas July 20 and 21 to witness the great Peace Jubilee which he inaugurated. He will be the guest of Frank Reynolds.

The entertainment to be given by Manassas Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, on the lawn at the corner of Main and Church streets, is postponed from Tuesday, June 27, to Friday, June 30, on account of the illness of a member. Ice cream, candy and cake will be served. The entertainment should be liberally patronized as the proceeds will be devoted to a worthy cause.

Duet—Miss Katherine Minson and Miss Marion Rock.

Essay—"Call of Goodness"—Miss Catherine Sickling.

Quartet—"Il Trovatore"—Miss Gertrude Hickey, Miss Loretta Cooper, Miss Constance Brady, and Miss Elizabeth Boehling.

Essay—"Time and Its Employment"—Miss Margaret Horgan.

Piano selection—"Whispering Winds"—Miss Mildred Brady.

Chorus—"Distant Chimes"—Seniors.

Goodby Chorus.

HORSE SHOW ELECTS OFFICIALS FOR YEAR

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING TODAY

Re-Elect Incumbent Officers—Increase Membership of Board of Directors from Twenty-five to Thirty.

Incumbent officers were re-elected and membership of the board of directors was increased from twenty-five to thirty at a meeting of stockholders of the Prince William Horse Show Company this morning. The additional directors are C. L. Keyser, W. B. Bullock, Mitchell Harrison, J. C. Colvin and Major Jas. R. Purcell. J. P. Leachman succeeds the late D. P. Edmonds. J. O. Judick and C. J. Sharpe were elected directors upon resignation of W. C. M. Dodge and R. M. Pettit. Other members of the board of directors were re-elected.

OFFICERS

The following officers were re-elected: President, N. T. DePauw; first vice-president, W. A. Buckley; second vice president, John W. Prescott; third vice-president, James Birkett; treasurer, G. R. Ratcliffe; manager, D. J. Arrington; secretary, Thos. H. Lion; assistant secretary, James E. Nelson; superintendent, C. J. Meetze.

DIRECTORS

Following are the directors: N. T. DePauw, W. A. Buckley, John W. Prescott, James Birkett, R. H. Davis, J. P. Leachman, R. C. Harrison, M. Washington, John U. Detrick, D. J. Arrington, C. A. Heiniken, Jas. E. Herrell, Melvin C. Hagan, J. O. Judick, E. R. Conner, H. W. Herring, W. F. Hade, C. J. Meetze, A. O. Portner, E. H. Goodwin, Col. Edmund Berkeley, F. V. Portner, C. J. Sharpe, W. N. Lipscomb, H. T. Davies, C. J. Keyser, W. B. Bullock, Mitchell Harrison, J. C. Colvin, Maj. J. R. Purcell.

APPOINT S. T. HALL TOWN SERGEANT

GOOD SELECTION FOR POSITION

Appointment Effective—Funding Acceptance of Sergeant Willman—Will Doubtless Be Made Permanent.

The town council last Friday night appointed S. T. Hall town sergeant of Manassas, pending acceptance of the resignation of Sergeant J. W. Willcoxon, who relinquishes the duty on account of ill health. In the event the resignation is accepted by the council, Mr. Hall will doubtless receive permanent appointment at the regular meeting of the council Monday evening, June 26.

The resignation of Sergeant Willcoxon is regretted by citizens, who appreciate his faithful services and excellent results in maintaining order in the community. Mr. Hall, however, is qualified for the position, and a better selection could not be made. He will be a worthy successor to Sergeant Willcoxon.

"A Square Deal"

Mayor W. Hill Brown, who was elected by the council to fill the unexpired term of Mr. C. A. Sinclair, resigned, was the Democratic nominee and some surprise is expressed that he did not have a "square deal" by the democratic voters of Manassas. Should there be a voting of the democratic ticket this fall, those who engaged in the same tactics in the municipal election on Tuesday, have tied their hands and sealed their lips in the way of protest.—The Journal, June 14, 1911.

Peevishly, like a spotted child after a deserved spanking, The Journal cries for "a square deal," complaining because Democratic voters dared stand for their rights. The Journal is but the echo of the political ring, poor leeches all of them, and not a bit game. It was the voters eliminated from the primary because of lack of proper and sufficient notice, who did not get a square deal until they took matters in their own hands. Republican tendencies long suspected as existing in the political gang are exposed in the threat to bolt the Democratic ticket this fall.

COURT ADJOURNS TO MONDAY, JULY 10

THREE CASES WILL BE HEARD

Trial of H. C. Keys on Monday, July 10—Eastern College and Hopkins Company Case Set for Thursday, July 13.

The circuit court Saturday adjourned to Monday, July 10, for trial of H. C. Key, charged with criminal assault. The trial of Eastern College and the Hopkins Company indicted by special grand jury on a charge of maintaining an unsanitary sewer is set for Thursday, July 13.

Following are decisions of the court: Gill vs. King. H. T. Davies appointed guardian ad litem for infant defendants, and order of reference.

Brown & Hooff vs. Wine. Demurrer overruled and leave granted to amend bill.

Bell's adm'r. vs. Bell's heirs. Report of commissioner confirmed and Robert A. Hutchinson, commissioner, directed to pay out funds in his hands.

CHANCERY

Nicol ex'or. vs Metzger et. al. Report of commissioner confirmed and order to distribute funds.

King vs. King. Injunction dissolved by consent of plaintiff's counsel at cost of defendant.

Cornwell vs. Cornwell. Report of Commissioner C. A. Sinclair confirmed and Master Commissioner Bryan Gordon directed to distribute funds.

Hickey & Waters vs. Wright. Receiver R. R. Buckley directed to pay 70 per cent. dividends on claims thus far presented of funds in hand.

Catoe vs. Leary. Cause referred to Master Commissioner Bryan Gordon.

Second National Bank of Culpeper vs. Martin L. Welfley. Motion for a receiver overruled and cause referred to John A. Nicol, special commissioner.

Hill vs. Cowherd. Removed to the circuit court of Culpeper county.

Coleman vs. Coleman's ex'or. Transferred from Orange county circuit court.

The intersection of Main and Center Streets presents a scene of building activity that evidences the progress of Manassas. The foundation will be finished and work will be started this week on the superstructure of the handsome new building for the National Bank of Manassas. The old building on the site is being moved in the rear to make room for the fine new hotel being erected by R. S. Hynson. Part of the foundation is finished. Work is progressing rapidly on the substantial building being erected by Ira Reid.

Soldiers from the War College in Washington, visited the Manassas battlefield last week.

PLAN NEW BRIDGE OVER WOLF RUN SHOALS

VIEW PROPOSED SITE JULY 10

Prince William Supervisors Will Confer With Fairfax County Committee on Joint Ownership of Structure.

A bridge owned equally by Prince William and Fairfax counties is to be erected over Occoquan Run at Wolf Run Shoals if present negotiations are completed. The county supervisors Saturday appointed H. F. Lynn, J. P. Manuel and J. F. Gulick to confer with Fairfax county commissioners at Wolf Run Shoals on Monday, July 10.

The commonwealth's attorney was notified to communicate with the owner of Occoquan mill in regard to a fishway over the falls at the dam.

FOR NOKESVILLE ROAD

One thousand dollars for use on the Nokesville road was ordered paid by the county treasurer out of the permanent road fund to J. P. Manuel.

BUILD BRIDGE

On a bid of \$130 G. P. Calvert was awarded the contract for construction of abutments to a bridge to be built across Neabeco creek, near Minnieville.

OPEN ROAD

J. P. Smith and others presented a petition for the opening of a road in the Gainesville district. From the county road between Waterfall and Woolsey the proposed highway would run through the lands of George Mayhugh, J. P. Smith, R. B. Gossom, Robert Lee, G. A. Gossom, F. O. Gossom, W. L. Houser and T. O. Latham to the corner of Robert Landown's property. J. W. George, J. F. Adams, H. F. Lynn, and James E. Pickett were appointed commissioners to view the site of the proposed road and report to the supervisors.

AWARD CONTRACT

James E. Pickett was awarded the contract to open a road across the Owen property in the Gainesville district. J. W. George was appointed commissioner of the work.

CHANGE ROAD

Summons were ordered to landowners in the application of S. C. Harley to change the road leading from Rixlew to the Cannon Branch school house. It is proposed that the road instead of continuing across the branch and through the school house lot as at present, be changed so that it will continue on the east or Godfrey side of Cannon Branch to intersect with the Millford road at a point just above the new bridge. This would give persons traveling from the direction of Rixlew an opportunity to cross the stream over the new bridge.

INSPECT POOR HOUSE

J. P. Manuel and J. L. Keys were appointed to inspect the poor house.

HIRE STEAM DRILL

The sum of \$4.50 received for hire of steam drill was transferred to D. J. Arrington, treasurer, to be placed to the credit of the permanent road fund.

PAY BILLS

The following bills were allowed and ordered paid.

R. B. Gossom, register	1.00
Bennett & Blaine, wood for court house	1.00
E. M. Cornwell, jail	1.00
Henry Spitzer, Brentsville road district	11.50
J. A. Moore, Brentsville road district	11.50
J. E. Wright, Brentsville road district	11.50
Mark Thomas, register	5.00
H. E. Thomas, clerk's office	5.00
F. C. Rorabaugh, posting voting lists	2.25
J. B. Evans, special road tax	2.00
M. A. Rollins, special road tax	1.75
R. C. Oster, special road tax	1.75

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CIVIC IMPROVEMENT LEAGUE FOR MANASSAS

BETTER CONDITIONS FOR TOWN

Immediate Aim to Oil Streets and Prevent Dust—Improve Sanitation—Secure Water Works and Electric Lights.

Hope is at last held out that the dust nuisance will be abated in Manassas by billing the streets. The relief will be given through the Civic Improvement League, in process of organization.

Abatement of the dust nuisance by sprinkling the streets with oil, is the relief promised by organization of the Civic Improvement League of Manassas. The improvement is one of the first to be undertaken by the League.

R. C. Stearns, of Richmond, has been secured to deliver an address at a called meeting of citizens for the purpose of organizing the Civic Improvement League.

The date of the meeting and of Mr Stearns' address will be announced next week in THE DEMOCRAT, and citizens of Manassas, especially the ladies, are urged to attend.

AIMS OF LEAGUE

The aims of the League will be: to improve the schools and the town library; to improve the condition of the streets; more facilities for improving and maintaining sanitary conditions in the town; improvement of the railway station; parking the court house grounds; securing ground for a town park; co-operation with the Daughters of the Confederacy for improving the cemetery and for other work; assistance in securing water works and electric lights. The immediate aim is to have the streets oiled for the prevention of dust through the summer.

WIDESPREAD MOVEMENT

Widespread is the movement throughout the State for the organization of civic improvement leagues and wonderful is their influence for betterment of town conditions.

Manassas is a thriving, growing town, already of considerable note because of her history and traditions, good schools, fine railroad facilities, and other numerous advantages.

The spirit of civic enterprise is evidenced in the Business League which has accomplished much for the commercial development of the town. The plan of the Civic Improvement League will be to co-operate with the Business League to improve and beautify the town.

With a Civic Improvement League composed of public-spirited men and women of the town, a powerful agency will be formed for the betterment of the community.

Prince William County farmers are discussing plans to organize an alfalfa club. A number of clubs have been organized throughout the State, and the farmers plant one acre each and study it, improving methods from time to time as they learn more about it and as the needs of the different sorts of soil and the climatic conditions demand.

Thus, if the first crop is a failure because of inexperience, the loss is slight. Most of these club people will plant larger acreage next year.

Brilliant summer weather prevails after a season of refreshing rain. Early morning showers the past week have tempered the heat of the day.

CURRENT EVENTS

Worthless except as junk, the old monitor Puritan, which was sunk in Hampton Roads, will be sold to the highest bidder.

King George's imperial crown and the new crown which has been designed for Queen Mary for the coronation are being exhibited by Garrard, the crown jeweler. The value of the crown is \$75,000.

Eighty years of age and still enjoying college life, Mrs. Amy D. Winship, of Racine, Wis., will enter the University of Wisconsin next fall as the only octogenarian, co-ed in the United States, and probably in the world.

Postmaster General Hitchcock has signed an order that on and after July 1, owners of third and fourth class registered mail which is lost en route will be recompensed for the value of the package, provided that its valuation does not exceed \$25.

J. E. Bannon, station agent at Nehawka, Neb., received by express a package of currency amounting to \$2,000 for a local bank. He laid the package aside and it fell into a waste basket, with other paper. Another employe of the office took the basket outside and burned the contents.

The Crop Reporter of the Department of Agriculture giving conditions of crops June 1, says the wheat harvest of British India, the initial one of the northern hemisphere, has surpassed all previous records, being officially estimated at 369 million bushels, nine millions bushels above the previous high record of 1904.

To preserve the credit of the State of Tennessee, bankers are preparing to subscribe \$180,000 to meet the semi-annual interest on State bonds. The State treasury has sufficient money to meet this amount, but Comptroller Drebelt asserts that he has no authority to do so because of a deadlock of the Legislature and the absence of a quorum to authorize appropriations.

According to the latest official estimates, each one of us should have 15 cents more to jingle in our pockets this month than last. The Treasury Department estimates there is now a little more than \$3,227,000,000 in circulation in the United States. Since the taking of the census it is estimated the population of the United States has increased to 93,844,000. The computations of the experts show each citizen on the average should have \$34.70.

William S. Pfaff, of Hempstead Avenue, Lyabrook, L. I., picked a strawberry in his garden yesterday, he and his wife say, that was six and one-quarter inches around the middle. The giant strawberry was grown on an ordinary vine, and no other berries on that or other vines in the garden showed signs of abnormal growth. Please see the berry, half at lunchroom and the remainder after dinner. He has the hull and is prepared to show it to donors. He says the fruit was sweet and had an excellent flavor.

Four hundred and forty-one square feet of strawberry shortcake furnished the piece of resistance at the Sunday dinner for inmates of the Massillon Ohio State Hospital. The bakers at the institution assert the cake is the biggest one on record. It was twenty-one feet square, and made up of two layers, for which several hundred pounds of flour were required, and between those 500 quarts of berries, picked in the hospital gardens, were placed. Seven men were required to convey this great delicacy to the dining room tables, where 1,800 patients disposed of it, with fifty gallons of milk.

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Wheat cutting in Southern Indiana was begun last week. The hot weather of the past two weeks has matured the grain very rapidly. From present indications the wheat yield will be larger than last year.

Governor Dix of New York has signed a bill prohibiting the admission of boys under 16 years of age to pool and billiard rooms or public bowling alleys in the State. Another bill approved by him provides for the licensing of all moving picture operators.

Physicians of Manchester, Conn., have organized a medical and surgical trust and arranged a scale of prices. The price for amputation of one toe or finger is \$10, \$5 for each finger or toe additional. It will cost \$5 more to have twins than babies one at a time.

Mrs. Alfred Brown, wife of the chief of the Osage Indian tribe, and the first woman who ever ran for a public office in Hominy, Ok., was defeated by Oscar Petty for election to the School Board by forty-four plurality. The women of Hominy conducted a campaign in favor of Mrs. Brown and turned out for her on election day. Her candidacy was at the suggestion of the Mothers' Club.

For the second time in forty-eight hours a woman collapsed Sunday in the streets of New York. This time the victim died. She said she was Rosie Desso, aged fifty-seven, homeless and friendless. She had slept in doorways and parks for a year, she says, and with her last breath she told a policeman who knelt over her that food had not passed her lips for so long that she had forgotten the date and had all but forgotten the taste.

The Senate Finance Committee ordered the Canadian reciprocity agreement reported without recommendation. Prior to taking this action, the committee nullified the print paper and wood pulp section. This means that President Taft's paramount demand, in furtherance of which he called the special session of Congress, is denied a direct endorsement in a committee controlled by his party. It is probable that about six weeks of oratory will be indulged in before the measure comes to a vote.

The body of John Dairick, proprietor of a bathhouse, was found in Lake Washington at Seattle, Wash., held down by a large sum of money in a belt about his waist. He had fallen into the water and the coin carried him down.

President Taft, in his candidacy for the presidential nomination in 1912, will receive the unqualified endorsement of former President Roosevelt. This is the best political news Taft has received in many months, and it comes to him in a manner that leaves no doubt as to its authenticity. The information that Roosevelt under no circumstance will allow his name to be presented to the Republican National Convention, was conveyed to the White House several days ago.

That Roosevelt feels the Taft administration should be continued was brought out partly as the result of a cordial greeting between the two men at the Cardinal Gibbons jubilee in Baltimore.

A UNIQUE FROCK. In this little frock we have something very much out of the ordinary. It is cut with the seamless shoulder, and the sleeves in full length, ending in a band at the wrist.

In the front of the dress, and also in the back there is a broad box pleat formed by a tuck at each side, thus forming the center of the dress to ward the shoulder.

The closing is placed at the left of the front plait. The neck is finished with a turnover collar, but a band which may be substituted and detachable collar worn. The belt is like many may be of leather instead of being of the dress material.

This style is suitable for costume, chaise, gingham, percale and batiste. The pattern (5410) is cut in sizes 2 to 8 years. Medium size requires 2 1/2 yards of 36 inch material.

To procure this pattern send 10 cents to "The Fashion Department" of "The Sewing Machine" and address plainly, and be sure to give size and number of pattern.

While Ray Von Meter, a farmer, was driving across the Baltimore & Ohio tracks near Martinsburg, W. Va., his buggy was hit by a train and the horse was killed.

The buggy with Van Meter in it was picked up on the pilot and carried two miles. Van Meter in the meantime crawled along the footboard into the cab and informed Engineer Kayser of the accident, demanding that the train be stopped and the splinters of his buggy be removed from the pilot. When this had been accomplished Van Meter sarcastically asked whether he would be arrested for stalling a ride. He was hit slightly injured.

Attorney General Dawson, of Kansas, has notified five members of the Council at Huncowell, Kas., that they must co-operate with the woman Mayor of the town, Mrs. Ella Williams, and that "no more trifling would be tolerated." "I notified the Councilmen that the joke had gone far enough," said the attorney general. Councilmen may be compelled to attend the official Council meetings and transact the city's business through a writ of mandamus. They may be ousted from office for failure to perform their duties, or they may be tried for dereliction in office, which would subject them to a fine of \$1,000 and a year in jail.

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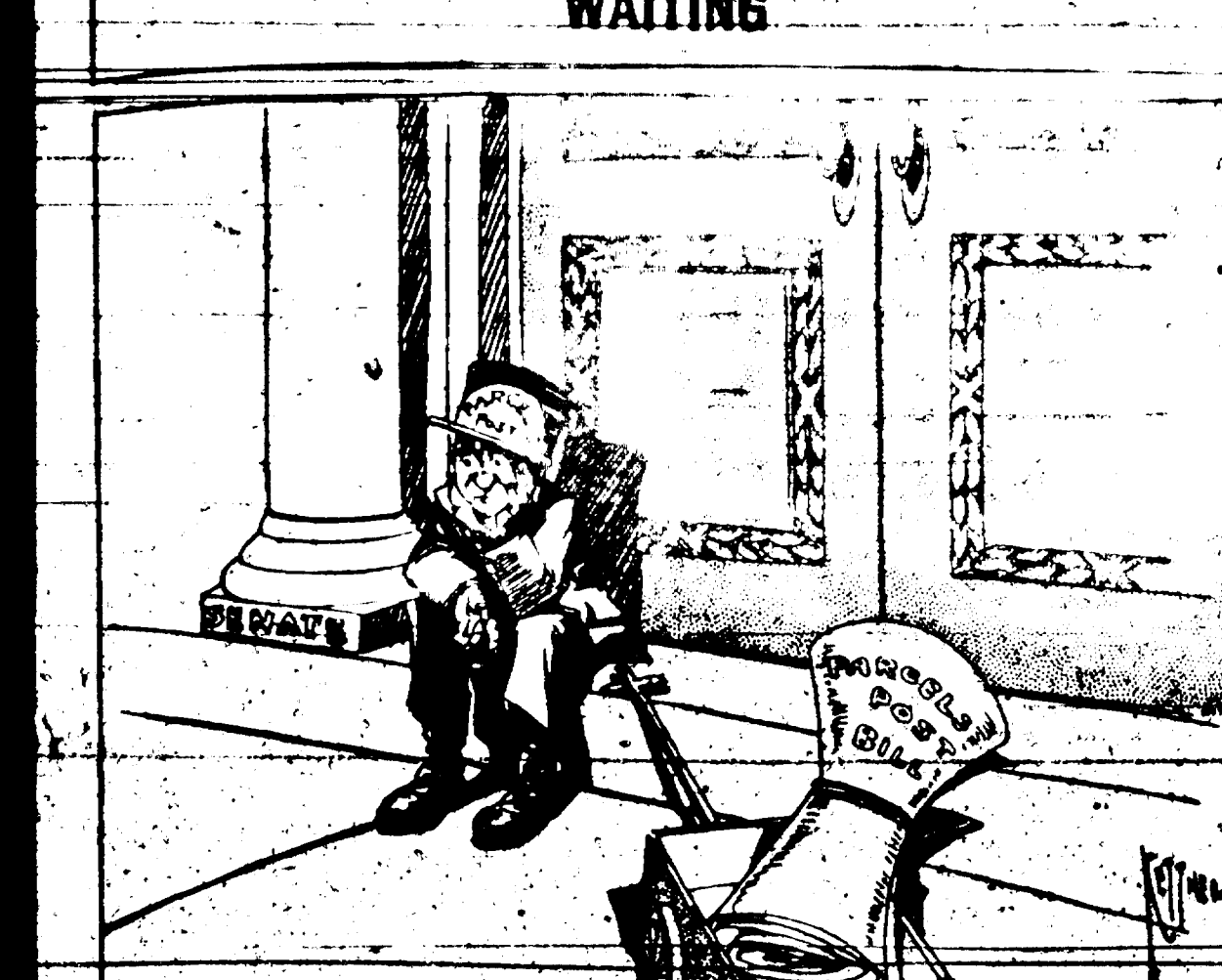
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VIRGINIA NEWS Matrimony threatens to disrupt the school system of Portsmouth. Five teachers are to be married this month, and it is whispered that marital announcements of two more are imminent.

The factory and mills of the Rappahannock Woolen Mills Company at Laurel Mills, Rappahannock county, burned early Monday morning, the fire being of unknown origin. The loss is \$10,000, partly covered by insurance.

In the election of Warrenton for mayor and seven councilmen the following were elected: Mayor, Lucien Keith; recorder, A. B. Bartenstein, and councilmen, Edward Carter, Henry I. Button, William A. Garner, Daniel P. Wood, Morton G. Douglas, R. W. Hillary and O. B. Calahan.

State Highway Commissioner Wilson has returned to Richmond from a visit to Culpeper, Amherst and Orange counties. Orange and Culpeper counties are expending the proceeds of bond issues and Amherst which has just concluded with a bond issue of \$80,000 is having surveys made for roads to be built out of a bond issue for \$135,000 voted in January.

George N. Garvin, a well-known grain dealer of Boyce, Clarke county, who bought large quantities of wheat at the highest market prices during the fall and winter, has about 75,000 bushels stored in his elevator at that place, and he stated a day or two ago that he feared he would lose heavily in view of the fact that the price continues to decline.

The trustees of the Front Royal Milling Company have sold by order of the court, the large flour mill at that place to C. G. Proctor, a practical miller, of Mount Crawford, Va., for \$15,000, which is said to be about half its actual value. He intends to reopen the mill. It is stated in this connection that efforts will be made again to indict Manager Wilbur Welby, of the defunct company, on the charge of misappropriation of funds.

Mumford's 'Virginia's Attitude Toward Slavery and Secession' has been adopted for use as a text book in connection with history study in the first grade high schools. At the last meeting of the State Board of Education a committee was appointed to ascertain if a school edition of the book could be obtained at \$1 per copy. The committee has perfected the arrangement and the school edition will be published. Mr. Mumford's book has been highly commended for its true historic facts and its genuine Southern tone, and the State board is of the opinion that no better text book on the subject could be found for use in the public schools of Virginia.

Dyspepsia is our national ailment. Buckle Blood Bitters is the national cure for it. It stimulates the stomach, membranes, promotes flow of digestive juices, purifies the blood, builds you up.

With a view to ascertain the political policy which each of the four United States senatorial candidates intend pursuing with regard to the prohibition question, the Virginia Antislavery League, on May 22, sent out a letter with identical questions to Messrs. W. A. Jones, Claude Swanson, Carter Glass and Thos. S. Martin. The questions asked were to the attitude of those gentlemen on the liquor question as private citizens and on liquor questions that have come up in Congress, and whether they would advocate or oppose the Miller-Curtis Mill, or its equivalent, and the Barthold bill, or its equivalent. All four candidates replied that they had opposed the liquor traffic, both as citizens and as members of Congress, and that they would support the Miller-Curtis measure and oppose the Barthold bill.

Inspectors of the State Health Department have been engaged during the last week in checking up the results of the campaign against hookworm disease in Isle of Wight, Nansemond and Southampton counties, and have filed very encouraging reports of conditions with the State Department of Health. Profiting by the work previously done in these counties by the inspectors, local authorities have waged an earnest fight for improved sanitary arrangements. Hundreds of cases of hookworm disease have been treated, and there has been a marked improvement in the health of the counties. Other inspectors of the Health Department are working in new fields, and report that public interest in the war on the so-called 'American murderer' is increasing daily. A most important indication of the progress is furnished by the number of specimens sent to the State Laboratory for examination. The number has doubled in the last month, and is still increasing. The State authorities are daily more confident that the campaign against hookworm will result in its ultimate eradication from Virginia.

There is one medicine that every family should be provided with and especially during the summer months, Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It is almost certain to be needed. It costs but a quarter of a cent a dose, and without fail for sale by all dealers.

New and Improved Train Service Effective May 29, 1911, Southern Railway will inaugurate new and improved train service between Warrenton, Richmond, Orange, Gordonsville and Blomond, in connection with Chesapeake and Ohio Railway on the following schedule: Leave Warrenton (daily) 5:40 a. m. Leave Richmond 9:00 a. m. Leave Orange 11:30 a. m. Leave Gordonsville 1:00 p. m. Leave Blomond 2:45 p. m. Arrive Richmond 9:50 a. m. Arrive Warrenton 12:15 p. m. Arrive Orange 3:30 p. m. Arrive Gordonsville 5:00 p. m. Arrive Blomond 6:45 p. m. This train is operated solid between Warrenton and Gordonsville. Passengers on Southern Railway train No. 9 arriving at Orange at 10:45 a. m. can connect at that point with Chesapeake and Ohio train leaving Orange 11:15 a. m. arrive Gordonsville 11:35 a. m. arrive Richmond 2:45 p. m. Passengers on Chesapeake and Ohio train leaving Gordonsville 10:51 a. m. arrive Orange 11:05 a. m. can connect at that point with Southern Railway train No. 10 leaving Orange 11:25 a. m. for Washington and intermediate points. Passengers on Chesapeake and Ohio train leaving Washington 10:15 a. m. arrive Orange 11:05 a. m. can connect at that point with Chesapeake and Ohio train leaving Orange 11:15 a. m. arrive Richmond 2:45 p. m. Passengers on Chesapeake and Ohio train leaving Richmond 10:15 a. m. arrive Orange 11:05 a. m. can connect at that point with Chesapeake and Ohio train leaving Orange 11:15 a. m. arrive Richmond 2:45 p. m. Passengers on Chesapeake and Ohio train leaving Orange 11:15 a. m. arrive Richmond 2:45 p. m. Passengers on Chesapeake and Ohio train leaving Richmond 2:45 p. m. arrive Orange 11:05 a. m. can connect at that point with Chesapeake and Ohio train leaving Orange 11:15 a. m. arrive Richmond 2:45 p. m. 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TOPICS OF THE TOWN

Mrs. C. E. Nicol is visiting in Leesburg. Mrs. John Wilson is visiting in Washington. G. M. Ratcliffe, of Dumfries, is in town today. C. L. Lynn, of Catharpin, was in town yesterday.

A dancing picnic will be held at Chilton on July 1. H. C. Ryckman has returned from a trip to Colonial Beach. Miss Julia Goodloe, of Gordonsville, is a guest of Mrs. W. A. Newman.

Miss Ruth Noonan, of Pittsburg, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. E. Lynch. Mrs. Elizabeth Hickerson, of Inlet, is a guest at the home of G. W. Hixson.

JOHN BELL DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS. FUNERAL SUNDAY AT BRADLEY. End Came Friday Night at Old Bell Homestead Near Sinclair's Mill—Cause of Death.

National Banks Are the safest Places to bank, for the UNITED STATES LAWS, as well as most rigid GOVERNMENT SUPERVISION. This is a fact, not hot air.

Potato Bugs Arsenate of Lead is taking the place of Paris Green almost entirely for a vegetable spray. It is just as deadly to insects, does not burn the foliage and stays on better.

PRINCE WILLIAM PHARMACY MANASSAS, VA. Prescriptions? That's our business. SEE The Mutual Real Estate Company, over the Peoples' National Bank in Manassas, Va., or write them for the best bargains in Stock, Property, Farms, Coal Lands, Town Lots, Poultry Ranches, etc.

THE HOUSE THAT GIVES YOU BEST RESULTS Quick Sales; Prompt Returns; Prompt Returns of Empties. CROVO & PRICE, WHOLESALE COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

EVANS & HENSLEY BUCKHALL, VA. Offer these Special Bargains: Guaranteed Flour \$5.15 per barrel. Best Fat Meat, 1c lb.

The Manassas Ice Co. Pure Artificial Ice and Distilled Water. Ice Delivered Daily, except Sunday, to Your Door. By purchasing Coupon Book you save 5 per cent. Terms cash or coupon upon delivery.

PLAN NEW BRIDGE OVER WOLF RUN SHOALS. Continued from first page. Cecil Lynch is visiting friends in the community. Carter White, of Fall Pass, Tex., is visiting his home here.

MAYMARKET NEWS. Cecil Lynch is visiting friends in the community. Carter White, of Fall Pass, Tex., is visiting his home here. Mrs. Printz and daughter Dorothy, of Lynchburg, are at Belle Haven for a visit.

OCCOQUAN. Within the shadow of the National Capital, wonderful are the possibilities of the thriving hamlet of Occoquan, now entering the greatest period of progress and prosperity in its history. Adequate railroad facilities alone are lacking to give added impetus to the enterprise new man-

It Would Wait Long. This work of helping the world forward happily does not wait to be done by perfect men.—George Eliot. Mad Inside Information. "Shouldn't be surprised to hear at any time that our friend, after having long talk of Job and his troubles, 'what became of Job's patients? Did they get better or did they all die of the job?'"

The Commercial Motorette. PRICE, \$475. Handsome Passenger Conveyance—Light Delivery Car. Convertible in five minutes. The merchandise carrier can be removed and you have a handsome passenger conveyance—speed 25 miles an hour.

The Birmingham Stock Farm. W. B. BULLOCK, Proprietor. Importer and Breeder of Percheron, Belgian, Shire Coach and Hackney Stallions. Satisfaction Guaranteed or Your Money Back.

SUNLIGHT SYSTEM. THE LIGHT THAT NEVER FAILS—Half the Cost of Oil. No Half the Trouble—You Thaw More Light. Supplier of All Kinds in Stock.

MIDLAND Steam Roller Flour Mills. TO THE CONSUMER: Buy direct from manufacturer and save from 75c to \$1.00 on every barrel of Flour you use.

GLENARA MILLS. Marshall, Virginia. Manufacturer of the Finest Flour on the Market. If you want satisfaction try the following brands: PROSPERITY, High Patent "SILVER STAR" Fancy Patent "GOLDEN SHEAF" Family Flour.

Uncle Hiram's Experiment

By Lawrence Alfred Clay

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The old farm had been sold—the farm that Hiram Jackson and his bride had come to three days after their marriage. That was a long thirty years ago. Both husband and wife were now over fifty, gray-haired and bow-backed. There had been years and years of the hardest toil—sickness—debts—accidents; but man and wife had worked together and had conquered.

That evening, as they sat on the veranda and the sun went down there was a loneliness they had never felt before. Selling the farm was tearing their world up by the roots. For a long time they didn't speak. For a long time they didn't look at each other. In a week more the buyer was coming to take possession. The wife had these thoughts alone as the tears stood in her eyes. The husband had other thoughts mingled with them.

That day as he chatted with a neighbor the neighbor had said:

"Well, Uncle Hiram, I make out that you are fifty-three years old, and you have done a heap of hard work. I wouldn't take you for over forty, however. If you was to dye your hair, shave up and put on a good suit of clothes you'd pass for a spruce young widower out west, where you are going. Good wife you have got, but it's a pity you are married. You ought to have a chance to run around and see life."

Both laughed at the remarks, but they stuck with Uncle Hiram. He had told like a slave. He had never been twenty miles from the farm. He had never attended a circus. For at eight o'clock—up in the morning at five, plow, plant, reap—that was the daily routine. Then there was milking to be done, hogs to feed, wood to cut. He had gone through all this without complaint, but just now he was feeling the bitterness of it.

Uncle Hiram turned a bit to look at his wife. In his selfishness he gave her little credit. She had done her best. She had often taken the place of a man in the field. If age showed more on her than on him, if her hair was whiter, if she was more stooped, if her face carried more wrinkles, he should have felt more tender. But he didn't. His bitterness was all for himself. He had planned to go west and buy another farm. He must take the "old woman"



"You Ought to Have a Chance to Run Around and See Life."

with him to be a drag on him. Never until this evening had he thought his misshapen or heavily wrinkled of a neighbor, uttered halfhearted words bearing fruit.

That night Uncle Hiram scarcely closed his eyes in sleep. There was a change in him, and he realized it. He found himself planning things that he would have turned from at most in fear thirty hours before. Yes, he went at it deliberately and planned, and when the restless woman beside him asked if he were awake he deceived her. He didn't want her either to weep or chatter to disturb his planning. He was to go out west somewhere alone and make the purchase, and the wife was to come on. That is, they had planned it that way. It was the fear of travel that was keeping her awake that night.

In the next two weeks many people wondered what had come over Uncle Hiram. Of course, he would be a bit sad about leaving the old farm, but why his nervousness and irritability? Why he became so blunt with Aunt Jane? Why tell so many conflicting stories as to the locality he should head for?—those who had known the map, the longest criticized him most.

When he finally started away there seemed much pretense in the parting. The wife felt it, and was not taking any unprepared for what both took place. Uncle Hiram had been gone five days when a friend from the city placed a thousand dollars in his hands and told her that she would never see her husband again.

Uncle Hiram went west. He halted in a city for a week to get thickened up. When the barber and the clothes

man got through with him, no, even his wife of thirty years would have recognized him. Farm life and toll had been left behind. He wasn't a married man now, but a widower. So he told himself and tried hard to believe it. There was no accusing voice. He had left a thousand dollars behind for the "old woman." Some men wouldn't have left a dollar.

Uncle Hiram took another name, and in due time he arrived somewhere. He found people who did not hesitate to ask him why he made a fool of himself by dyeing his hair and whalers. Indeed, he was an object of suspicion and was arrested. When he arrived somewhere else he was taken for a man of sixty instead of fifty-three. "The tailor hadn't taken away that sloop, and he walked with loose knees, as all farmers do. Boys called after him on the street. In a place of amusement he saw a woman whom he thought he would like to make his wife. He was the dashing widower now. In the midst of his gazing and thinking the woman turned on him with:

"See here, you old hundred-year-old manikin, you quit your staring or I'll have you thrown out of here!"

Uncle Hiram was dyed and padded, but he was deceiving nobody. People offered to assist him up and down steps and over rough places, and now and then men appealed to him in regard to dates of sixty or seventy years ago. It was very often that children called grandpa, and he was cautioned that such and such weather was dangerous for an old man like him.

Uncle Hiram saw the elephant. He saw him literally and theoretically. He couldn't figure where he was better off for so doing. When he saw the animal literally, the mahout cautioned him against coming too near, as Behemoth seemed to have a spite against old men.

In one locality Uncle Hiram renewed his hair-dye and started in to court a widow. She stifled the dye and belted him an old-foot-and-a-half the door open for him to walk out. In no case was any one deceived. In most cases he was asked why his wife wasn't with him, or how it came that a man of his age was out in the essay west seeking a divorce. If he would go into business many inquiries would be made. If he tried to buy a farm he was asked when his wife was coming on. When he got rid of his dye and whalers he was no better off. His speech was the speech of a farmer who had got his education in the little country school-house.

Uncle Hiram had wandered about and spent fifteen hundred of his hard-earned dollars before awakening to the fact that he had made a fool of himself. What to do? As he asked himself the question a great longing came to him. He tried to drown it, but he couldn't. Then a feeling of remorse came. He had been a dog to abandon his wife. He'd let 'em and thought it all over, from the day they were wed. She wasn't so gray haired, but if she was what of it? She wasn't so stooped, but if she was, what of it? If her face were wrinkled, what of his?

Uncle Hiram did not spare himself. He administered kicks. He reviled the man. He shed tears. And how to mend matters? He had had a wife and home for thirty years. He was now an outlaw.

Back in the east was a sad-faced woman waiting. Aunt Jane had rented a little farm and was living all alone. The neighbors had commiserated with her, but to one and all she had said—

"Hiram will come back. I am waiting here for him. He will remember all that I did for him as a wife."

And one rainy night, in the wet shoes, with her knitting and her thoughts, she heard a step at the door. The one who knocked seemed that—

"Come in, Hiram!"

The door slowly opened and there stood Uncle Hiram, wet, bedraggled and forlorn.

"I was waiting for you," said the wife.

"Do you mean—mean—?"

She rose and gave him a kiss and then set a chair for him, and said she would have supper on the table in just a minute.

"But—but—"

"I told you you would come back. You saw the light in the window?"

French Jurist Defends Rate.

The dumb animal has often been tried and convicted with the proper legal formalities, even in England and as late as the nineteenth century. In this nineteenth century a cock has been tried, found guilty and hanged at the stake for the crime of laying an egg.

A correspondent reminded us of Chaucer, the eminent French jurist, who defended certain rats accused of destroying a barley crop and obtained a postponement on the ground that so many defendants could not be reached by a single summons.

Why the Mountain Stayed.

Mahomet was whistling and making variations to the mountain, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer. But the grim old mountain failed to come to him.

"Oh, you," he said, with a smile which poorly concealed his chagrin, "the rates at that mountain house were simply fierce. Guess I'll stay some this summer and save money."

Seems Out of Proportion.

With every exertion, the best of them can do but a moderate amount of good; but it seems in the power of the most contemptible individual to do incalculable mischief.—Irving.

REVIEW

Sunday School Lesson for June 25, 1911. Specially Arranged for This Paper.

GOLDEN TEXT—"What Doth the Lord Require of Thee, but to Do Justice, and to Love Mercy, and to Walk Humbly With Thy God."—Mic. 6:8.

Different forms of review are suited to classes of different ages and different degrees of development, so that a variety of methods is suggested below. Some of these plans may need to be united with others to fill out the session, and any other changes and adaptations of them may be made that seem best to the teacher.

The quarter's lessons have taken up six books of the Old Testament. There have been five lessons in Second Kings, two in Second Chronicles, two in Isaiah, and one each in Jonah, Micah and Hosea. Select six members of the class and have each write a three-minute essay on one of these books, telling about the general course of the lessons or lesson from that book and the teachings brought out therein. Let the class listen carefully to each essay, and at the close dictate a set of questions, which you have written beforehand, on the quarter's lessons as a whole, having the class write answers to the questions as they are read.

The teacher will write on slips of cardboard or heavy manila paper a series of questions on the lessons of the quarter, about five questions on each lesson. These questions will cover the principal facts of the lesson, and will be so framed that the answers can be very brief, yet adequate. Lay the slips of paper face down, on the class table or on a large book held in the lap, mix them up, and have the class draw them one at a time, in turn. The scholar that draws a question will read it aloud, and then answer it if he can, retaining the slip. If he does not answer correctly, or at all, the next on his list will try to answer it, and so on around the class. The scholar that answers it will hold the slip, and the scholar that holds the largest number at the end of the recitation is declared the victor in the little contest.

Announce this plan a week in advance, that the class may study for it. Take a series of lesson pictures. Obliterate the titles of the pictures, and fasten a bit of ribbon to each. Place the pictures in a box open at the end, and let the ribbon extend outside. The scholars will draw these pictures out one after the other, each scholar telling the class about the lesson to which his picture belongs, holding up the picture as he does so. After the pictures have been used once, if there is time they may be returned to the box and the exercise may be repeated. This form of review is especially adapted to the primary department.

The class will be divided, at least a week in advance, into two sides, each side with a leader. The slips will meet by themselves and each prepare a series of questions on all the lessons of the quarter. The teacher will meet with each side and make sure that the questions are fair ones, and clearly expressed. On review day the two sides will sit facing each other. One side, through its leader, will propose a question to the other side, which will answer if it can, speaking always through its leader, but always after consultation with the rest of its side. Then the second side will propose a question to the first side, and so on, alternating. If the question is wrong, the side that proposed the question scores a point. If partly wrong, half a point. The side that is defeated may be required to give a social, at the teacher's home, to the other side.

This review, which is especially suited to adult classes, consists of a series of essays or talks on the principal topics of the various lessons. As far as possible, the speakers will choose their topics or lessons, but the teacher will have a list ready for suggestion. The following list will be an aid:

- I.—The Healing Side of Religion. II.—Our Unseen Defenders. III.—Starting the Young in Their Lives. IV.—Our Care for God's House. V.—The Universality of Christianity. VI.—The Perils of Pride. VII.—Our Work for Our Country. VIII.—Temptation Work Needed Today. IX.—The Madman of Millerton. X.—God's Forgiveness, and How to Obtain It. XI.—Bible Methods That Succeed. XII.—The First Responder of Sin.

The Same Lord.

The Lord we have known as laying down his life for us is the same Lord we have to do with every day of our life, and all his dealings with us are on the same principles of grace. The great secret of growth is looking up to the Lord as gracious. How precious, how strengthening it is to know that Jesus is at this moment feeling and exercising the same love towards us as when he died on the cross for us.

Have a Purpose.

Live for something. Be good and leave behind you a monument of virtue that the storm of time can never destroy. Write your name in kindness, love and mercy on the hearts of thousands you come in contact with year by year; you will never be forgotten.

Trials of the Devil.

The devil is putting the butter on the right side of his bread when he gets a big stammer to speak the hypothesis in the church.

Southern Railway Began to Announce that Low Rate Round Trip Excursion Tickets will be in Effect for the Following Dates:

- Manassas Horse Show, Manassas, Va., July 26 and 27, 1911. Orange Horse Show, Orange, Va., August 2 and 3, 1911. Albemarle Horse Show, Charlottesville, Va., August 9 and 10, 1911. Front Royal Horse Show, Front Royal, Va., August 15 and 16, 1911. Warrenton Horse Show, Warrenton, Va., August 30 and 31, 1911. Consult agents or write L. S. Brown, General Agent, 706 19th Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C., for further particulars.

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