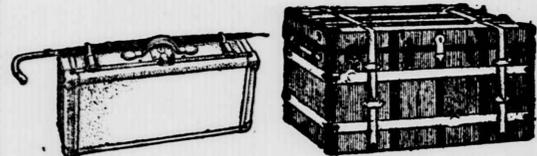


# The Palais Royal

## Yes, Before You Leave Town!

Many of our regular patrons are growling—saying that we wait until they leave town and then reduce prices. It shall not be so this year—as yesterday's (Sunday) Star and as this evening's announcement testify.

### \$3.98 Instead of \$5.



Standard Five-dollar Suit Cases and Trunks are here at only \$3.98. See below for descriptions of them and others of the many you find in this Basement Store.

- Suit Cases, solid leather, brown and russet. These are the standard \$5.00 suit cases... **\$3.98**
- Suit Cases, solid leather, steel frame, linen lining, with shirt fold and two leather straps. Standard price, \$6.00... **\$4.65**
- Cowhide Suit Cases, made on steel frame, hand-sewed, three brass hinges, best grade brass lock and catches; extra quality French linen lining, with shirt fold. Standard price, \$7.50... **\$6.98**
- English Oxford Club Bags of finest quality cowhide leather; covered frame, best brass lock and side catches; leather lined. Standard price, \$10.00... **\$8.75**
- Trunks, 3-ply German veneer, bound with fiber, heavy brass trimmings, linen lining, two straps and hat box; two heavy leather straps. Standard price, \$13.75... **\$13.75**
- Steamer Trunks, covered with black enamelled cloth, strengthened with three center bands, brass lock and trimmings; linen lined; all riveted. Standard price, \$12.00... **\$9.75**
- Real Grain Leather Club Bags, extra deep, hand-sewed, leather-covered frames, leather lining, brass lock and catches. Standard price, \$15.00... **\$6.95**
- Dress Trunks, 40-inch size, canvas covered; strongly made, with iron bottom and best brass lock; tray and hat box. Standard price, \$7.00... **\$5.98**
- Traveling Trunks, canvas-covered, iron bound, with two center bands; iron bottom, brass lock and heavy bolts; tray and hat box. Standard price, \$4.50 to \$5.50... **\$3.98**
- Bureau Trunks, canvas covered, fiber bound, three center bands, brass trimmings; riveted, heavy bolts; best Excelsior lock; three drawers, with several compartments; cloth lined throughout. Standard price, \$25.00... **\$19.50**
- Dress Trunks, 40-inch size, covered with heavy canvas, bound with solid leather, brass trimmed, four trays and hat box; linen lined throughout. Standard price, \$20.00... **\$17.50**

### Two \$20 Trunks, \$14.50. They Are Slightly Shopworn.

No more marks on them than an immaculate trunk is apt to get between your home and the depot. One is 42, the other 44 inch size. Both have burglar-proof rivets, fastened on the inside. Both have extra heavy iron corners and the best brass locks. Lined throughout with the best linen and fitted with two trays and hat box. \$14.50 instead of \$20.00—allowing you \$5.50 for a few outside scratches.

- Marvel Trunks. Traveling Trunks, canvas covered; strongly made, with iron bottom, brass lock and trimmings; linen lined; look like \$5 trunks... **\$1.79**
- Steamer Trunks. Also a marvel—made to look like the standard \$5 trunk. Note the iron bottom, brass lock and trimmings; safety bolts and lock... **\$1.98**

### Tourists' \$1 Trunk Straps, 79c.

It's easily tightened by the lever process—then a snap goes the lock and the adjustment is done. With you holding the key, it's a safer strap than any yet produced. Standard price is \$1.00. For sale here at 79c.

## This Geisha Fan, 5c.

Think of a Silk Fan, hand-painted, coming all the way from Japan, paying a tariff tax and retailing here at 5c! Folding Fans, too.

### \$1 to \$3 Jet Combs, 44c.

Drummer's samples, each in a box. Some are very elaborate specimens of back combs.

## It's to Be Only 25c.

The daintiest Summer Kimono or Nightgale—all sizes will be here tomorrow morning, at 25c for choice.

### French Chemise, 98c.

Daintily hand-embroidered and hand-made throughout. 98c is half of the actual value.

### Corsets, 59c to \$3.29.

Drummer's samples of \$1 to \$5.50 Corsets at only 59c, \$1.29 and \$3.29. Note that the slim, medium and very full forms can be fitted and that rarely good bargains are assured.

## 79c to \$2.88.

### \$2 to \$10 Parasols.

Now's the time when the makers are willing to almost give away their samples and remaining stocks. That's why you now find \$2 to \$10 Parasols here at 79c, \$1.98 and \$2.88 for choice. Be early—and rarest of bargains are promised.



## Four New Bargains Here Tomorrow.

- No. 2 Fancy Wash Ribbons and Satin Taffeta Ribbons, in pink, blue and white. Sold in ten (10) yard pieces at only... **25c**
- 7-inch Heavy Sash Ribbons of moire, fancy moire with satin stripes and embossed designs, in pink, blue and white. The values... **59c**
- No. 2 Ribbons and Satin Taffeta Ribbons, in pink, blue, cream and navy. Used for the large hat bows. 50c quality for only... **35c**

## \$1 Dresses, 69c.

Wash Dresses, of white and colors. Note the pretty trimmings of lace, embroidery and pique. Sizes 4 to 14 years. All at 69c.

### \$1.08 for \$2.98 Garments.

The Sunday-wear White Dresses and the Light-weight Cloth and Pongee Coats and Reifers, button and emblem trimmed, at \$1.98 instead of \$2.98. Are in all sizes up to 14 years.

### Vacation Teddy Bears.

The best imported "Marguerite" make—\$1.10 for \$1.98 size; \$2.50 for \$3.75 size; \$3.89 for \$5 size.

Note—Close Promptly at 5:30.

# The Palais Royal,

A. LISNER. G AND ELEVENTH STREETS.

## ALEXANDRIA AFFAIRS

### Blue Laws Send People Out of Town Sunday.

#### QUIET DAY IN ALL WALKS

#### New Sensation for the Drug Stores and Clerks.

#### NEW BOND SUBSCRIPTIONS

#### Alleged Gambling Ark Has Thriving Opening Business—Family Reconciliation.

Special Correspondence of The Star.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., June 22, 1908. The blue laws were strictly enforced in this city yesterday, and only two merchants had the audacity to break them. One was a grocer and the other a druggist. It will go down in history that Alexandria yesterday spent the quietest day ever known before.

During the early morning hours newspapers were delivered to regular customers and merchants sent out meat and ice which had been ordered the day before. By 10 o'clock the merchants had closed their respective places of business, and those who did not attend churches soon left the city, and the effect of the blue laws became apparent. Druggists waited in vain for customers. For a while it was reported that prescriptions came in powerfully slow. The soda water boy and the Sunday clerk had a day off and were glad. In disgust many of the druggists closed for a portion of the day. Those who remained open were beset by strangers for the purchase of soda and cigars. A loud wall went up from those who happened to be so unfortunate as to be here yesterday when they learned that they could not even purchase a cigar or secure a glass of soda, and they, too, soon left the city. Some of the druggists kept a bountiful supply of ice water on hand, and in this way alleviated the thirst of would-be customers.

#### Law Made Ridiculous.

The law was made as ridiculous as possible when about 1 o'clock in the afternoon the police got busy and closed up the stands and bootlocks. Many unfortunate citizens who had fallen to provide themselves with tobacco and reading matter, in the shape of Sunday papers and magazines, left for Washington, where they made their purchases, and in most instances remained in the city. W. D. Hudson was charged in the police court with dispensing soda water at his drug store. Policeman Arrington was the complainant in the case. He told the court that he had notified Mr. Hudson about the Sunday closing law, and the latter replied that he did not propose to close. The accused pleaded guilty and was fined \$2. He was represented by Attorney Howard W. Smith.

The other that of Stewart Simpson. Policeman Talbot appeared against the accused, with two small colored gamblers as witnesses. One of the witnesses testified that he purchased 3 cents worth of cakes. Mr. Simpson was also fined \$2 for having entered a plea of guilty. Up to the present time none of the merchants, so far as can be learned, contemplated testing the validity of the law, although it is rumored that efforts will be made to have the city ordinance repealed at a meeting of the city council, which will be held tomorrow night. The law is said to have been brought up in the board of aldermen.

#### New Issue of Bonds

Of the new issue of bonds, amounting to \$745,000, the sum of \$245,000 has already been taken, they being exchanged for old ones of the 1879 issue, which mature July 1 next, and which bear interest at the rate of 3.65. The bonds of the new issue bear interest at the rate of 4 per cent. City Auditor E. F. Price has received \$210,000 for the exchange of \$210,000 of the old for new ones. The bonds exchanged have been in a West Virginia family for several generations, and the owners now reside in Baltimore. The bonds exchanged thus far have been taken as follows: \$100,000; \$200,000; Washington, D. C., \$34,500; Pennsylvania, \$11,000; Virginia, outside of this city, \$15,500; New York, \$1,000; West Virginia, \$2,100.

Enjoying freedom from molestation on the part of the authorities, the alleged gambling ark anchored in the Potomac below the city, was thrown open yesterday and it is said that the proprietors of the establishment, which was closed for several years, is said to have been in full blast, and it is said that it was with trouble that the officers got away and the ark. The electric trolleys conveyed many from Washington to the ark. The crowd who remained for the last train looked to be all in downy slumber. A large bunch carried away a "roll" their facial expression was not indicative of it.

#### Up to Fairfax County

Whether or not the authorities of Fairfax county contemplate taking action against the promoters of the enterprise is not known. It is said that should action be taken it would come under the jurisdiction of the above-mentioned authorities.

Lillian P. Wright, twenty-four years of age, wife of George E. Wright, a traveling salesman, who resides at 230 North 13th street, Philadelphia, and who is alleged to have deserted her husband about June 1 last and left the Quaker city with another man, was located about 5 o'clock yesterday morning by Policemen Robb and Garver and Pendleton. She was taken to a house on Henry street between Oronoco and Belmont streets. The woman, after considerable persuasion, accompanied the policemen to the police station for her husband's band. Mr. and Mrs. Wright were carried into Chief Good's room by Lieut. Smith. A little while later a reconciliation was effected and the couple subsequently departed for Philadelphia.

In the circuit court for Alexandria county today, Judge E. J. Thornton presiding, a grand jury returned indictments against James Smith and Frank foliounious, both colored, charged with carrying a dangerous weapon. The indictment against each of the accused entered a plea of guilty, and the court sentenced each to serve a term of sixty days in the county jail.

Up to the present time City Auditor E. F. Price has issued 260 dog licenses. Last year about 744 licenses were issued. It is said that the first-named number compares favorably to the number issued last year. After June 30 next all persons owning or harboring dogs without having secured the required license, which is \$1.50, will be subject to a fine of from \$1 to \$5.

#### In the Police Court

In the police court today, in the case of Joseph Davis, colored, charged with assaulting and beating Lucy Sheppard, also colored, was continued until tomorrow morning, and two witnesses summoned for the prosecution who failed to appear were ordered to be arrested for contempt of court.

A fine of \$5 was imposed on Edward Sinclair, charged with disorderly conduct and fighting, and Buck Kraus, charged with a similar offense, forfeited \$5 collateral.

Charles Sullivan, the thirteen-year-old son of Mr. Charles Sullivan, who resides on North Columbus street, was severely injured by a vicious dog, which was dressed by Dr. Powell. This morning the canine was shot by the police.

The Richmond Howitzer is expected to reach here at noon tomorrow. They will be entertained at Lee Camp Hill.

Miss Mary W. Griffith of the Plains, Farquhar county, Va., is visiting relatives in this city. Mr. J. P. Preston and Mr. M. Saunders were elected deacons of that church. Mr. Ross Beckham, a former resident of this city, but now of Chicago, was in this city today. Mr. Beckham will leave for England Wednesday next.

## PARKER, BRIDGET & CO., "Ninth and the Avenue."

Store will close at 5 o'clock Wednesday on account of the Parker, Bridget & Co.'s Employes' Relief Association Excursion on the "Jamestown."

## Extraordinary sale of men's negligé shirts



### The highest grade negligé shirts, which sold at \$1.50, \$2, \$2.50 and \$3, at \$1.00

We have "culled out" all the broken lots and odd sizes of men's negligé shirts and placed them on center tables—at a dollar each—which constitutes the most sensational shirt offering ever made.

Every Shirt in the sale is from our regular stock—made up for us—and having all the attributes of Parker-Bridget wearables. We mention this because we would have you know that these Shirts are not a maker's "tag-ends" or garments made up for "special sales."

The lot embraces Negligé Shirts of high grade white and colored madras; in coat and regular style; in pleated and plain bosoms—and while there is every size from 14 to 18 there is not every size in every pattern. Included in this sale are our celebrated White "Linenette" Shirts, with pleated and plain bosoms, and attached cuffs—the best \$1.50 shirt to be had.

One dollar each instead of \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00.

Head-foot Outfitters. *Parker, Bridget & Co.* Pa. Ave. and Ninth St.

## WORRY ABOUT PERRY CARSON

### FRIENDS REGARD HIS OFFICIAL POSITION IN JEOPARDY.

#### Thought He Was Slated for Head of Watch Force, New Municipal Building.

The chief topic of conversation at the District building today was the announcement by the Commissioners that J. J. Strain, a former soldier and a member of the Army and Navy Union, has been selected as chief of the watch at the new Municipal building. The announcement was a surprise to the many friends of Perry Carson.

For eight years Carson has held the position of head janitor at the present home of the District government, and his supporters never doubted that he would be placed at the head of the watch at the new building. They took it as a matter of course that he would be appointed by the Commissioners.

When the Commissioners presented their estimates to Congress for appropriations to pay the running expenses of the new building they asked for \$720 a year for the head of the watch. When the appropriation bill passed the salary was increased to \$100 a month, and when the Commissioners made inquiry they learned it is said, that some of Carson's friends, taking for granted that he was to be appointed and thinking the salary given one of the lowest in the city, brought pressure to bear to have it increased.

#### Offer of Subordinate Place.

The head of the watch will have under his command ten able bodied, neatly uniformed and well disciplined individuals as watchmen, who will be paid at the rate of \$900 per annum. The Commissioners say it is likely Carson will make his debut as an officeholder under the present form of government August 19, 1908, as an inspector of streets and alleys at \$2 a day. He resigned in 1886 and four years later was appointed sanitary inspector at \$4 a day. A few months later he was given a salary of \$1,200, and three years later he again resigned. He was appointed head janitor in 1900.

#### Salaries of British Postal Employees.

The average salaries paid to the employees of the British post office may be estimated on the basis of those disbursed in Nottingham, an ordinary midland town of about 250,000 inhabitants. The city postmaster receives \$3,620; the assistant postmaster from \$1,752 to \$2,188; two superintendents from \$1,411 to \$1,703 each; nine assistants from \$925 to \$1,363 each; twenty overseers, \$770 to \$870 each; the inspector in charge, \$925 to \$1,188; the inspector of mail carriers, \$754 to \$900; and five assistants, \$584 to \$730. All being as follows: One hundred and eight sorting clerks and telegraphists, from \$750 to \$14 each; 280 mail carriers, not exceeding \$5.11 each. In the smaller cities of the Nottingham district postal employees of the same class receive slightly lower wages than Nottingham.

#### Gunpowder Discovered by Druids.

Frederick Rossin in July Nautilus. Another Druidic discovery was undoubtedly used to impress the multitude, and was apparently never applied to any practical purpose. This was some form of explosive power, the thunder of which could be heard during the performance of their mystic rite in his description of a wood near Marseille, written while the Druids still exercised their power in southern France, writes: "There is a report that the grove is often shaken and strangely moved, and that dreadful sounds are heard from its caverns, and that it is sometimes in a blaze without being consumed." These phenomena were clearly the result of an explosive of some kind, most probably something closely akin to gunpowder. The Celtic word Drullnach signifies "the flame of the

## ROCKVILLE AND VICINITY.

### General and Personal News of Montgomery County, Md.

Special Correspondence of The Star.

ROCKVILLE, Md., June 22, 1908.

According to the estimate of the state highway commission it will cost more than \$40,000 to build the proposed pike from Kensington to Chevy Chase, a distance of three and a quarter miles. The law directing the construction of this road provides for a bond issue of \$8,500. The Chevy Chase Land Company has agreed to contribute \$4,000 and the state and county will appropriate \$12,500. As there is but \$25,000 in sight, the plans, which provide for a sixteen-foot highway, will probably be modified and a twelve-foot road, the width of the usual Shoenaker pike, constructed.

John J. Higgins, town clerk and treasurer, has submitted his annual statement of the receipts and expenditures of the town of Rockville for the year ended May 1, 1908. The total receipts were \$9,907.81, the principal items being as follows: Taxes, \$4,922.67; water rents, \$1,223.33; road tax, \$101.73; dog taxes, \$94; corporation fines, \$196.50; tapping water main, \$12; sale of sand, \$3.60.

The total expenses were \$7,781.58, the principal items being: Interest on bonded indebtedness, \$12.00; redemption of bonds, \$1,000; work on streets and sidewalks, \$49.35; work at power house and supplies, \$507.63; ballist, \$50.65; engineer, \$675; clerk, \$200; scavenger, \$480; Superintendent of the city, \$142.75; premium on insurance policy, \$35; extension of water main, \$180.67; printing and advertising, \$79; attorney's fees, \$50; William Murphy, Emory Long, Mamie Conway, Veryl Walton, Frances Shank, Alice Stone, Ethel Shepherd, May Shank, Janet Williams, Marguerite Campbell, Lizzie Murphy, Hattie Torney, Helen Lacey, Marie C. Carter, Mabel Gillett, Annie Jones, Mabel Nash, Nellie Ball, Beatrice Satterfield, Taylor, Josephine Marshall, Stella White, Ada Bobbitt, Elsie England, Esther England, Eva Barrett, Rosa Simpson, Edith Crawford, Fannie Carter, Lola D., thirteen acres and residence, \$3,350 to G. O. B. Cissell of Wheaton, nine acres, \$1,975; to Richard Anderson of Kensington, thirty and one-half acres, \$2,430; to Mr. Carolin Brown of Cloppers, twenty and one-half acres, \$2,225; to James Williams of Washington, five acres, house and blacksmith shop, \$1,650.

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#### The Field of Friendship.

Joel Chandler Harris, in Home Magazine. The field of friendship is a wide one, and all our neighbors, both near and far, should be candidates for admission there. The appearance of cold esteem, the passing of a frown, the empty of everything save a chill formation, are the worst enemies that do their utmost to master us. It is only through this belief that we shall bring ourselves in contact with some of the finest issues of life and come to understand the unity and harmonious existence. Nevertheless, it is well to bear in mind the important fact that man is not our only friend and neighbor. Neither is our investigation necessary to the discovery that all things about us are capable of inviting neighborliness and dispensing it to those who are wise enough to take advantage of the hospitality that is constantly proffered. The towering trees (though they do not seem to tower as high as they do when we are young), the humble creeping vines, the delicate flowers that spring up in a night, casual and ravishing, the whole movement of nature in her vigorous and insistent moods, belong to neighborliness in the most significant and satisfactory sense. It is something that need not depend entirely on man for companionship—though beyond all doubt the best of his kind are to be treasured in whatever relation or condition they are found.

## CHILDREN'S DAY EXERCISES.

### Special Services Held in Churches of Anacostia.

Children's day was observed last evening in the Anacostia Methodist Episcopal Church.

There were decorations of flags and flowers. The program of songs, recitations, dialogues and special exercises was under the supervision of Arthur B. Sutt, superintendent of the Sunday school. Rev. Joseph A. Jeffers, the pastor of the church, and Supt. Sutt made remarks.

A feature was the recognition by the Sunday school of its members who have advanced the past year in their classes in the public schools. Bibles were presented to Miss Bessie Pyles, graduate of the normal school; Misses Virgie Stone, Elsie England, Emma Butler and Ruby Cranford, graduates of the high school, while Misses Esther England, Jeanette Hardy, Josephine Marshall and Veryl Walton advanced from the graded schools to the high school. Mrs. W. H. Sutt, pastor, Testaments. Rev. Mr. Jeffers, the pastor, made the presentations.

Children taking part in the exercises were: Cora Scudder, Westly McDonald, Jerome Dorman, Freddie Butler, Ruth Linger, Royce Martin, Vesta Carter, Nellie Jones, Elsie England, Mammie Conway, Florence Gibbons, Marjory Butler, Marjory Hairs, Addie Harrison, Edith Scaggs, Lillie Reid, Paul Kearns, Norman Murphy, Leonard Hardy, Emory Long, Mamie Conway, Veryl Walton, Frances Shank, Alice Stone, Ethel Shepherd, May Shank, Janet Williams, Marguerite Campbell, Lizzie Murphy, Hattie Torney, Helen Lacey, Marie C. Carter, Mabel Gillett, Annie Jones, Mabel Nash, Nellie Ball, Beatrice Satterfield, Taylor, Josephine Marshall, Stella White, Ada Bobbitt, Elsie England, Esther England, Eva Barrett, Rosa Simpson, Edith Crawford, Fannie Carter, Lola D., thirteen acres and residence, \$3,350 to G. O. B. Cissell of Wheaton, nine acres, \$1,975; to Richard Anderson of Kensington, thirty and one-half acres, \$2,430; to Mr. Carolin Brown of Cloppers, twenty and one-half acres, \$2,225; to James Williams of Washington, five acres, house and blacksmith shop, \$1,650.

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The exercises began with prayer, offered by Beoni Milstead, Marcellus Baderger and Miss Catherine Bowman.

The exercises of the primary department followed.

Recitations were given by Margaret Johnson, Sydney Boswell, Gladys Cornish, Evelyn Robey, Margaret and Esther Jones, Elsie Sutt, Elizabeth Burch and Harold King. Songs were sung by Ethel Payne and Willard King.

The members of the Sunday school gave a number of songs. There were exercises by the boys and girls, illustrative of religious lessons. Mr. Milstead made an address, and Mr. Dent brought the exercises to a close with prayer.

#### On Knowing One's Self.

Joel Chandler Harris, in Home Magazine. And it so happens that when you come to know yourself you will likewise know all things about all men, the best there is to be known, as well as the worst; and though, in one sense, the knowledge you gain is not by any means refreshing, it is not at all depressing. You feel that you are at least armed against ignorance of your neighbors, and if you are much of a man your pride and conceit and the whole swarm of vanities that dance attendance on them will fall away from you like leaves from a tree in a storm. You will find yourself growing in the good will and esteem of your fellow-men. You will no longer wonder that sensitive Christians have worn hair shirts with a smiling face, or that they seek the solitude of the desert, fasting to the point of fainting, on bread and water—and that, in some quarters of the globe where tradition stands guard over the actions of men, there are flourishing societies of flagellants, men and women who know themselves so well that they take sad pleasure in the self-infliction of the result of a trivial disagreement. They complain, witness was badly beaten about the head and body.

## DEPARTMENT CLERK DROWNS

### ALFRED E. DAVIS IN SWIMMING NEAR BALTIMORE.

#### H. G. Seitz, His Companion, and a Washingtonian, Attempts Rescue and Nearly Loses Life.

While swimming in Colgate creek, near Baltimore, yesterday afternoon, Alfred Edward Davis, a clerk in the War Department, was drowned.

Davis entered a small boat with his friend, Horace G. Seitz of 3742 Holmead place, this city. After rowing to the middle of the stream he sprang overboard to take a swim.

Soon after entering the water he sank and was drowned before assistance could be rendered. It is believed he was seized with cramps.

#### War Department Clerk.

Mr. Davis was forty years of age, and resided at 729 18th street, where he boarded. He was a clerk in the office of the chief engineer of the War Department.

A member of the Washington Cricket Club, he had gone to the clubhouse of the Baltimore cricket team of the Sons of St. George to participate in a game. Near the end of the contest Davis withdrew, resigning his turn at the bat in favor of a teammate, James Quinn. He then went on the creek with Mr. Seitz.

In trying to save his companion, Mr. Seitz was himself nearly drowned. He was dragged from the water by a member of the Baltimore club.

#### Letters Found in Pocket.

Among letters found in his coat was one signed "Sister Florence," giving the address of 814 West Garfield street, Seattle, Wash. Another was from a brother, H. H. Davis, living at Colorado Springs.

A letter from Herbert S. Davis of the editorial department of the New York World, a cousin of the dead man, stated that his father, Rev. Charles Davis, a Baptist minister of England, would arrive in this country in July to succeed Dr. Minnitzer as pastor of a Baptist church in Boston. He stated further that it is possible that Alfred Davis could make arrangements for Rev. Mr. Davis to take the place of Dr. J. B. McIntire during the month of August.

The drowned man was a native of England, was a member of the Temple Baptist Church and a student at George Washington University.

#### More Time Given to Trials in England.

land. From the Law Journal.

Why do trials generally last longer than they did? That they have grown more protracted is among the many interesting and significant facts to be gathered from the new volume of Judicial Statistics. In 1906 the average number of actions tried by each King's bench judge was as low as 118; ten years earlier, in 1897, it was as high as 170. Lord Justice Vaughan Williams attributes the unwelcome result to the abolition of the "nice rules of pleading," which defined the issues to be tried and kept the speeches of counsel and the observations of judges within the strict limits of relevancy. The real explanation is to be found not in any increase in talkativeness, either on the bench or at the bar, but in the greater complexity of the cases which now come before the courts.

#### The Text Took Effect.

From Everbody's Magazine. Little Johnnie, aged six, had been to church and had displayed more than usual interest in the sermon, in which the origin of Eve had been dwelt on at some length. On his return from the services, there being company to dinner, he had also displayed a good deal of interest in the eating of the forbidden fruit and cakes. Some time afterward, being missed, he was found sitting quietly in a corner with his hands pressed tightly over his ribs and an expression of awful anxiety on his face.

"Why, what on earth is the matter?" asked the mother in alarm. "Mamma, I'm afraid I'm going to have a wife."