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## BISHOP TAYLOR DEAD.

Bishop William Taylor, perhaps the greatest of all missionary bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church, died Sunday at his home in Palo Alto, California. He was 81 years of age.

Bishop Taylor was an example of the strenuous life. His experiences in Africa, of which he was elected missionary bishop in 1884, would have disheartened many a younger man. Several of these journeys were made after he had reached the age of 70.

He was born May 2, 1821, in the vicinity of the Rockbridge Baths, Rockbridge county, and was a son of Rev. Stuart Taylor, a local Methodist preacher of reputation in that day. He soon decided upon the ministry as his calling, and when 21 years old was licensed to preach. He came into the Baltimore Conference in 1843 on probation. He was the only survivor of the class of 13 which was admitted to the Conference at that session.

Bishop Taylor is survived by one sister, Mrs. George W. Milder of near Denmark, and one brother, Rev. Andrew Taylor of Pennsylvania. Mrs. Thomas M. Kirkpatrick of near Murat, another sister, died a few years ago. His last visit was made to his old home in Rockbridge about five years ago.

In 1848 he became pastor of the North Baltimore Station, but in 1849 he began a journey to the gold fields of California. In a sailing vessel he carried the framework of a small church among his effects.

For seven years the young minister preached in the streets to the miners and was very successful. Returning East, he engaged in evangelistic work and was again remarkably successful. Next he went to Australia, to Tasmania and to Ceylon.

To South Africa was the next tour made, and a visit to India resulted in the establishment of two conferences. So great was his power that he could accomplish in a few months what ordinary mission workers would have taken years to do. In 1884 he was made a delegate from India to the General Conference. With a wave of enthusiasm he was elected missionary bishop of Africa, and he immediately entered upon his duties. His ambitious hope was to span the Continent with a band of mission stations.

When Bishop Taylor took charge there were no missions of the kind in Africa. In Liberia work was being done among the civilized natives, but to the uncivilized he devoted his efforts. Languages and dialects had to be learned, but this was not the only obstacle to overcome. Friendships with kings and chiefs were to be won, and in this the new bishop was also successful. He gained not only courtesy from hostility, but by winning them over as allies obtained tracts of land for schools and stations.

The principal method used by Bishop Taylor to permanently influence the heathen was through children. Children under 5 years were taken into the schools, taught spiritually and mentally and sent forth to unfold the truth to their people.

A characteristic that attracted wide attention was his habit of sleeping on a stone pillow. A hollow stone, which fit his head comfortably, was always carried, or when left behind a request was made by the Bishop for a book or something equally as hard. Sleeping in a room with every window raised, even in zero weather, is said by a Baltimore minister to have been another habit.

A life well spent, full of years and honors, is the tribute we lay upon his grave.

## APPOINTMENT HELD UP.

From information we have, the nomination of McClung Patton as postmaster of Lexington, has as yet failed of confirmation by the Senate. Some one has whispered into the ears of the Virginia Senators that Mr. Patton is not a resident of Lexington and not a patron of the office. Mr. Patton has the inside track if politics is considered and count for anything. On the other hand Mr. Ackerly had perhaps a stronger petition if the people of the town of Lexington, including Democrats who signed his petition, count for anything.

The editors of THE GAZETTE feel kindly toward both gentlemen. It is not our say, but will doff our hat to the winning man. We were of the opinion that the interests of the people would be best served by the retention of the incumbent. In a town like Lexington, with about 500 students, it certainly would take a business man to conduct the postoffice satisfactorily, and no one will say but urbanity and business tact have been characteristic of Mr. Ackerly's administration. Mr. Patton might prove equally as efficient.

It is rumored around on the street and told by the curbstone statesmen that neither one will get it, in fact it is stated that President Roosevelt has withdrawn his nomination, but this cannot be learned from any reliable source. A dark horse is spoken of in the person of W. Harry Agnor or Hon. John M. Quisenberry, but neither of these gentlemen is an announced candidate.

As lending interest to the appointment it may be stated that Ex-Congressman Yost and Congressman Flood are interested in the retention of Mr. Ackerly.

## County Correspondence.

### Wilson's Springs.

Gazette Correspondence.  
May 20.—According to promise I will send a few jottings from this ancient and famous resort. The health producing water was never niter within my knowledge of it than now, though there seems to be in the minds of some, better prepared to judge than myself, that there is some danger in the near future of the spring being entirely destroyed by the river, which is making continuous inroads upon it. The little island that has stood as a safeguard for many centuries, seems, of late, to be gradually yielding to the power of floods that so often sweep over it, and will not be able to withstand many such as the one early in March last. The elder wood, with its mat of roots that has heretofore held the rocks in place, is letting loose and this dome and the rocks bared they will be hurled down stream by rapid currents until, possibly, the river may cut out its chief channel where the spring now is. Should this ever occur it will be a sad day to many when they know that Wilson's Spring is a thing of the past.

I am seriously impressed with one fact since coming here. During the little while that has elapsed since my last stay here seven of my most intimate old friends nearby have passed over the river to the land beyond.

Our aged hostess here is a wonderfully well preserved woman, both in body and mind, for one of her years. She is the oldest of a family of 12 children. All the rest of whom have preceded her to the grave.

I make occasional trips to the Baths and have talked with friends and am glad to say that many express themselves as being highly pleased with THE GAZETTE in its present shape. A lot of sample copies followed by a little canvassing, I doubt not, would result in many new subscribers at and near by that office.

Wheat, between this place and my home, twelve miles distant, can't possibly yield more than half a crop. This takes in some of the best wheat producing lands in the county. A great deal of complaint as to the coming up of corn, and all kinds of fruits, excepting berries, are almost a total failure. All kinds of grass beyond redemption. Consequently the outlook for hay is very bad.

There is a general lamentation, over the probability, of Dr. H. A. White leaving us. It is to be hoped, however, that he may yet decide to remain in his present position.

A light shower on yesterday afternoon served to lay the dust on this river road, which was simply terrible before.

The commission appointed by the Court to divide the Foutz property met on yesterday, but did not reach a conclusion. They will hold an adjourned meeting later on.

### Buena Vista.

Gazette Correspondence.

May 21.—The remains of Captain J. W. Talley, who died at Arvon, Va., were brought here yesterday for interment. The Masonic Lodge and the Junior Order of Mechanics, together with quite a crowd of citizens, met the train, and went to the cemetery. The burial services were conducted by Revs. Dr. Lacy and Thompson of the Presbyterian church.

Mrs. Maggie Carver, daughter of Ex-Mayor J. M. Hinkle, who has been very ill with appendicitis in Baltimore, is reported to be somewhat better. Mr. Hinkle was called home from Bedford county this week. Mrs. Carver's mother is with her in Baltimore.

The musical recital given by the graduates of the Southern Seminary was most entertaining occasion. The young ladies acquitted themselves admirably. A crowded and delighted auditorium was in attendance.

Mrs. Howard M. Hoge, State President of the W. C. T. U., accompanied by her husband, is expected to arrive to-day (Wednesday). She will address the public at the Methodist church to-night in the interest of her work.

Rev. J. E. Armstrong, D. D., presiding elder of the Roanoke District, held his first quarterly meeting at this place on the 16th and 18th inst. He expressed himself as being very much pleased with the outlook generally in church affairs, in our city, and especially so of the College.

The Southern Conference of the Lutheran Synod of Virginia, began its session in the Lutheran church at 8 o'clock Tuesday, with a sermon by Rev. G. A. Riser of Mt. Sidney, Va.

The Strouse meeting at the opera house seems not to be creating any special sensation—doubtless much to the disappointment of its promoters. It is complimentary to any people not to be carried away by such self-constituted, self-invited movements.

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Gilmore's Mill.

Gazette Correspondence.  
May 21.—Mrs. Robert Campbell received a sad telegram Monday morning informing her of the death of her brother, Mr. J. W. Wriggle, a prominent citizen of Long Glade, Va.

Mrs. J. B. Waskey who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hatcher, returned to her home in Clifton Forge Sunday.

Mr. C. A. Seal and son, Robert, are visiting friends and relatives in Long Glade, Va.

Mrs. W. H. Chiles returned from visiting relatives in Roanoke, Va., Sunday.

On account of sickness Rev. Mr. Morris of Buchanan, was unable to fill his appointment here Sunday.

Mr. S. J. McDaniel is preparing to ship a car of walnut lumber for export to Hanburg, Germany.

Captain Chiles returned Monday from visiting relatives near Pedlar Mills, Va.

Mrs. Joseph Kennedy of Lexington, Va., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. M. W. Barger, of our vicinity.

Miss Bessie Barger has returned home after attending school the past session in Lexington.

Refreshing rains once more to delight the hearts of our farmers fell here Monday.

JIM SWITZER.

### Lower Kerr's Creek.

Gazette Correspondence.  
May 22.—Rev. James McCown has returned home from attending Presbytery at Mossy Creek church in Augusta county.

Miss Susie McCorkle from near Lexington, is visiting Miss Irene Morrison during the week.

Mr. Clarence Obenshain is at home from Richmond, where he has been studying medicine the past session in the University College of Medicine.

Mr. Sandy Paxton and family are visiting his mother near Fairfield.

Misses Laura and Bessie Clemmer, from Buffalo, and their teacher, Miss Cosby, were visiting in this neighborhood recently.

Jack Huffman (colored) had the great misfortune to have his stable, wagon shed and wagon, hen house, smoke house and meat, burned down while trying to destroy caterpillars with straw and fire.

Everything is needing rain badly.

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### Springfield.

Gazette Correspondence.  
May 20.—Mrs. Bessie McLean and daughter, Mary, of Durango, Colorado, and Miss Sidney Long are spending the summer here with Rev. G. A. Long.

Mr. James McClelland, who has been in Iron Gate for sometime is on a visit to his home here.

Mrs. Maria Worthington of Winchester, and Mrs. Liza Spindle of Denver, Colorado, are the guests of their sister, Mrs. S. W. Arnold.

Mrs. S. W. Arnold returned last week from Winchester where she had her eyes operated on, and we are glad to state that the operation was successful.

"Cover Blossom."

### Jacob Bumgardner Dead.

Saturday morning information was received here of the death of Jacob Bumgardner, the night previous at Allentown, Pa. It came as quite a shock to his friends here and in Staunton. For nearly a year his home has been in Pennsylvania where he was superintendent of a gas company.

Mr. Bumgardner was born near Green ville 55 years ago, and was a son of the late Lewis Bumgardner, and a brother of Captain James Bumgardner of Staunton.

During the boom period of Buena Vista, he in connection with William H. Bailey, owned and edited the Buena Vista Advocate, which assumed a front rank in journalism. He was a prominent Free Mason and in caputular Masonry had no peer as authority on the "work". He has served as Grand High Priest and Grand Lecturer in Royal Arch Masonry for several successive terms. A representative of the Grand Lodge of Ancient York Masons attended his funeral at Allentown, Tuesday.

Besides his wife and three little sons, Mr. Bumgardner is survived by his brother and two sisters, Capt. James Bumgardner of Staunton, Mrs. M. T. McClure of Spotswood, and Mrs. J. F. Tannehill, who lives near Staunton.

## Condensed News.

The 17 year locust has appeared at Evansville, Ind.

Gen. Eppa Hunton has sold his residence in Warrenton to Mrs. Sarah Hoge for \$10,000.

The wheat belt of Southern Kansas has had great downpours of rain this and last week.

Mr. Juan A. Pizzini, the editor of the Catholic Visitor, died at Richmond Monday, aged about 73 years.

Clarence Broeden, aged 12 years, was burned to death at Shenandoah, Va., Sunday night by the explosion of a kerosene lamp.

Virginia political leaders are seeking to advance the claims of certain prominent men for places on the Corporations Commission.

Rev. Carter Helm Jones of Louisville, Ky., has been selected to preach the baccalaureate sermon at the coming commencement at the University of Virginia.

Three hundred men were entombed by an explosion in Thistle Mine, at Coal Creek, Tenn., Monday morning and it is said that all of them have perished.

The town of Goliad, Texas was swept away by a tornado Sunday. From 50 to 100 people were killed. All of Texas was storm-swept that day by high winds.

Hon. Harry L. Maynard, congressman from the Norfolk district, has introduced a bill providing for pensions to civil employees in navy yards injured while in the discharge of their duties.

The National Mining and Milling Company has been organized at Pittsburg, Pa., with a capital of \$150,000, for the purpose of developing the mineral wealth of Warren county, Virginia.

Pearisburg, Giles county, reports that an earthquake of considerable severity was felt there Saturday night, about 11 o'clock. It was accompanied by rumblings which lasted some time.

Rev. W. A. Donald, a well known Methodist minister, died recently in Baltimore of an abscess of the brain. For some time he was pastor of the churches at Fairfield and at Rockbridge Baths.

The Fairview White Sulphur Springs property, including the farm and adjoining spring, and containing in all about 200 acres, was sold last week to Henry L. Smith of Smithfield, W. Va. for \$8,000.

The board of directors of the Western State Hospital has elected Dr. Alexander T. Nelson, a young physician of Rapidan, Va., pharmacist and assistant physician to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. W. H. Yeakley.

In the Circuit Court at Staunton Tuesday the jury in the case of F. W. Fortune's administration against the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company for \$10,000 damages for the killing of Fortune the jury brought in a verdict for the defendant.

The time for congressional candidates to submit their names to the Democratic committees in the Ninth and Tenth districts has expired, and no one having opposed Messrs. Rhea and Flood, they will be declared the nominees of the party in their respective districts.

The weather has been extremely dry in Berkeley county, West Virginia, for the past six weeks and the crops will be cut short. The wheat crop cannot yield more than five bushels to the acre and the hay will be very light. The fruit crop promises to be fairly good, but not as heavy as last year.

A large number of the members of the Alabama Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy are desirous of having permanently preserved "the first Confederate White House". The house in Montgomery in which Jefferson Davis resided in 1861, before the Confederate capital was transferred to Richmond.

Bishop Francis M. Whittle fell at his residence in Richmond, Monday, and broke his hip. Bishop Whittle is nearly 80 years old and has been in bad health for some time. On Friday last he turned the work of bishop over to his coadjutor Bishop R. A. Gibson, owing to his age and delicate health. Grave fears are felt for Bishop Whittle's recovery.

Robert Short, a railroad bridge builder and Haden Peters, a rural free delivery mail carrier, were killed by lightning Monday evening at Wertz 20 miles south of Roanoke. The men sought shelter in the depot, where they lost their lives. Their eyelashes, beards and hair were burned off and the soles of their shoes were torn from their feet. Both men left families.

Just as Rev. William M. Milburn, the blind chaplain of the Senate, was entering the Capitol on the Senate side, shortly before noon, Tuesday, a wagon drove through the court, and one of the wheels passed over the right foot of the blind man, who was not aware of his danger. His toes were badly crushed and he suffered much from the shock. He was taken to the Emergency Hospital for treatment.

Professor Rhodes Massie died in Lewisburg, W. Va., on the 14th. He was a well-known educator, having been at one time assistant professor at Washington and Lee University, and had conducted several high schools in Virginia and North Carolina. He was buried at Waynesboro, funeral conducted by Rev. Dr. Matthew Hale Houston.

Gen. James G. Field died on Sunday at his country home, Bristlestein, in the north part of Albemarle county, near the Orange line. His body was taken to Culpeper where the funeral was held at two o'clock yesterday. General Field was born in Culpeper county in 1826. In 1848 he went to California, and two years later was elected one of the secretaries of the convention which framed the first constitution of that state. In the same year (1850) he returned to Virginia. He had an honorable record as a Confederate soldier. He had filled the office of attorney general of Virginia and was nominated for vice-president by the popular party with Win. Lee at the head.

Bishop Gibson's oldest son, a member of the Richmond bar, has a handsome gold watch made to order for the late Hon. A. H. B. Stuart, his distinguished grandfather, which watch has a unique history. When Mr. Monroe was an ambassador at the court of St. James our Staunton statesman, Hon. A. H. B. Stuart, requested Mr. Monroe to have an English watch built for him. As Mr. Monroe, afterwards president, explained in a letter to Mr. Stuart the watchmaker was permitted to believe that the timekeeper was for the Staunton statesman and so the gold watch worn today by Mr. Stuart Gibson, made for his grandfather, bears on its inner case the name of Mr. A. H. B. Stuart, who in Mr. Filmore's cabinet was one of the first secretaries of the interior under our government.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### PUBLIC SALE

## Real Estate

In pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Rockbridge County, Virginia, rendered on the 20th day of September, 1900, in the chancery cause of S. M. Dold's Representatives, vs. David Orblson's Devises, &c., we will sell at public auction, in Lexington, Virginia, in front of the Court House of said County, to the highest bidder, on

Friday, the 20th day of June, 1902,

at 12 o'clock M., the farm of which David Orblson died, seized, lying and being in Rockbridge county, Virginia, on North River, near the mouth of Kerr's Creek, except the part thereof that was assigned as dower to his widow. The land to be sold contains

109 1-2 ACRES,

is of good quality, being red lime stone land, and has on it a small dwelling house and barn.

We will also sell at the same time place and manner, the reversion of the widow's dower, containing 86 acres, on which is located the mansion house and other out-buildings.

Terms of Sale: One fourth of the purchase money cash, and the balance in three equal annual instalments, with interest from the day of sale, the purchaser executing bonds therefor with good personal security; or if the purchaser should elect to pay one third cash, personal security will be dispensed with—in either case the title to be retained as ultimate security.

G. D. LETCHER, Com'r.  
J. P. MOORE, Com'r.  
In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Rockbridge:  
S. M. Dold's Reps., Plaintiffs,  
against

David Orblson's Devises, Defendants,  
I, R. R. Witt, Clerk of the said Court, do certify that the bond required of the Special Commissioners by the decree rendered in said cause on the 20th day of September 1900, has been duly given. Given under my hand as Clerk of the said Court, this 22nd day of May, 1902.  
R. R. WITT, Clerk.

### Commissioners' Sale of

## Valuable Real Estate

### AND

## Hotel Property

### AT THE

## NATURAL BRIDGE, VA.

Pursuant to decrees of the Circuit Court of the United States, for the Western District of Virginia, rendered respectively on the 17th day of February, 1899, and the 10th day of December, 1901, in the chancery cause therein pending under the style of F. W. Breed vs. the Glasgow Investment Company, the undersigned commissioners will on the

26th day of June, 1902, at 12 M.

offer for sale at public auction, upon the premises, all the certain real estate, except as excepted below, situated on the east side of Cedar Creek, near Natural Bridge, Va., embracing about 1060 Acres, and known as the

### Natural Bridge

## Hotel Property,

with the buildings and improvements comprising the Hotel Appledore and The Pavilion, and the unfinished Hotel; and also the store, stables, shops, tenement houses, etc., and also the personal property mentioned below, which said decrees will be exhibited on the day of sale.

There will be excepted out of and not sold with the above real estate, the Wingfield, Wheeler & Parsons tracts, and any residence lots and villa sites, with streets and alleys for the out-lot thereof, which may have been laid out on said real estate, and sold conformably, with the deed of trust executed on the 1st day of June, 1891, by the Glasgow Investment Co., to S. H. Letcher, Trustee.

There will also be sold, all the personal property on the premises which may be subject to the operation of the said deed of trust, embracing hotel furniture, china, cooking utensils, linen, bar furniture, vehicles, etc.

### Terms of Sale:

One-fourth cash, and the balance in three equal instalments payable in one, two, and three years respectively, for which the purchaser shall execute notes, bearing interest from day of sale, to be secured by deed of trust, upon the property, conveying and stamps to be at the cost of the purchaser.

GEORGE E. SIPE,  
GREENLEE D. LETCHER,  
Commissioners.

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ATTORNEY AT LAW,

LEXINGTON, VA.

Notary Public.

# SHIRT WAISTS.

Since our last advice we have received two large lots of Ladies' Shirt Waists, and we say without hesitation, they are the best we have ever shown. They range in price from 35c. to \$2.00. If you want to see the most stylish, up-to-date garments ever shown here, pay us a visit.

## Fans! Fans!

Hot weather is at last upon us, and everybody wants a Fan. We have fans for everybody, from 1 cent to 1 dollar each.

## The Queen Undergarments

Developed such a big sale that we have had to re-order them, and now have on the way our second shipment in thirty days.

## Parasols.

If you want a pretty parasol for little money, we have some of the best values we have ever shown. Children's, Misses', and Ladies'—25c. up to \$2.50 each. Hemstitched solid color Silk Parasols at \$2.00 each; heavy Black Silk, plain and hemstitched, \$2.25 to \$3.00. A special lot of Silk Sunshades, in Blue, Garnet, Green and Black, worth from \$3.00 to \$4.00 each; we offer at \$2.25. All strictly new goods.

## Slippers and Oxford Ties.

Ladies 4 Strap Sandals \$1.50.  
Kid Oxfords \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

All styles, all prices, to suit all people.

## Mattings.

We have a great line of Mattings, from 12½c. a yard upwards.

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## Corsets.

We have certain lines of Corsets, good shapes and fine quality, that we will discontinue the sale of. We are giving bargains in these to close out. Just as good as anything you can buy, and at less money.

## Parasols.

I have too many Sun Umbrellas, and want to reduce stock on them. The popular demand is for medium price goods. There are extra fine, gold handles, etc. I reduce price to move them out.

## Slippers.

This is the time for ladies to wear and to buy Slippers. No one in Lexington sells better, or more artistic ones, for the money than we do. All made to our order, and we hold the makers responsible for any defect. We want to make a customer of you, and will if you buy these.

## Men's Shirts.

In January I bought thirty-five dozen Men's Colored Shirts at a bargain. These sell at 50c. and \$1.00, and are much prettier styles, and better quality than you usually get for the money.

## Mattings.

I have no last year's Mattings to sell. Nothing but this season's Goods. All clean, fresh stock, and in good patterns. Never buy a Matting without first looking my stock over. It will pay you.

## J. McD. Adair.

### New Providence Academy Commencement.

We have received the programme of the annual commencement of New Providence Academy of which J. H. B. Jones is principal. The exercises will be held Thursday, May 29th, at eight p. m. at New Providence church. As a matter of interest we print it below.

Salutation—G. A. Wilson.  
Declamations—E. Gray East, W. Frank Moore, W. L. Engleman, Robert Bevely, J. G. Teaford.

Music—Miss Annie Turk, Miss Norville Jones, Miss Julia Lackey, Miss Steele Buchanan, Miss Angie Wade, Miss Nellie Wade, Miss Mary Steele Terry.

Debaters—W. M. Harper, W. H. Irvine, P. A.