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LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

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BRIEF LOCALS.

On and after the first of January next the publication day of this paper will be Thursday.

W. R. Talley, of Crimora, was kicked in the face by a horse last week, and painfully hurt.

An estray cow is advertised in today's paper. Color red, short horns turned down. A reward will be paid for her recovery by J. C. Morton, Staunton, Va.

At a meeting of the council of Basic City last week, Dr. R. S. Griffith was elected mayor to fill the unexpired term occasioned by the death of Robert. W. Allen.

The Staunton Grocers held a meeting last Wednesday evening and passed resolutions protesting against the existing freight service and rates over the Valley road.

Our Spring Hill correspondent mentions the death of Clem H. Arehart, which will be heard with sadness wherever Mr. Arehart was known. He was an excellent citizen, and his loss will be deeply felt.

W. A. Cline, of Middle River, was assaulted by two young men in this city on last Friday. Jas Hamilton and Ernest Layton were the offending parties. Mr. Cline's head was badly cut. The Police Judge fined Hamilton $50, and Layton $25.

Judge Edmondson last week commenced paying the seventh dividend of the Bank of Lexington. This makes 67½ per cent., and it is thought that depositors will get another small apportionment, but when it is impossible to say, as it is wrapped up in chancery suits.

A person calling himself R. Dandridge, has been swindling our Staunton people out of board and other bills. He left for parts unknown last week. He has since been captured in Winchester and returned at this point, to be tried on various charges.

The citizens of Roneeverte, at the approaching municipal election, will vote upon a proposition to issue bonds of the town to the amount of $5,000 for the purpose of building a town hall. Said bonds to run 30 years, and not to bear interest in excess of 8 per cent.

The Stonewall Band on last Wednesday afternoon rendered some very sweet and appropriate music at the grave of their deceased president, Jas. A. Armentrout, in Thornrose cemetery The dirge was composed by T. M. Turner of this city, and named the J. A. Armentrout Funeral March.

Business cards, wedding invitations, visiting cards, printed at this office in the neatest and most attractive style.

Mr. Montgomery Beverley Corse and Miss Elise Vivian Semmes were united in marriage in the Grace Memorial Episcopal church Lexington, at 8 o'clock last Wednesday evening. The wedding was a very brilliant affair and the large church was filled to overflowing long before the time set for the ceremony.

The Christmas soiree will be given tonight at the Mary Baldwin Seminary at 7:30 p. m., by Prof. Eisenberg's class, assisted by the Seminary Glee Club. An interesting programme of music is assured. Among the familiar names of those who will participate are Misses Eugenia Bumgardner, Nettie Du Bose, Katherine Yost, Elsie Hamilton, Emma Brew and Abbie McFarland.

We learn that Jas. H. Renick, Esq., of Falling Spring, has had another attack of paralysis accompanied by complications that render his condition serious. His son, Harry E., is also seriously sick. Mr. Renick's daughters, Mrs. E. D. Withrow, of Pulaski county. Va., and Mrs. Clarence Dickson, of Monroe county, are with him.

Capt. S. C. Burdett, of Charleston, and Miss Mollie Cunningham, of our town, daughter of James M. Cunningham, Esq., were married here at her father's home, at 8 p. m., on Monday, the 14th inst., and left that night for the groom's home in the Capital city. There were no cards and none but the immediate relatives and friends of the bride present. Capt. Burdett has for many years taken an active interest in politics and, it is thought by many, will be the next U. S. Attorney for the District of Virginia. Independent.

Grover Cleveland Sent to the Poor House.

Officers of the law, no matter how humble and insignificant, in the course of their life in office, are called upon to do some act that causes their names to live when they are gone. The act that will perpetuate the name of Joseph Jones, as Overseer of the Poor, for Monterey district, was performed by him last Monday, it being no less than the sending of Grover Cleveland to the poor farm. After we take our breath, it would be as well to state that he is not the Grover Cleveland, who hangs about Washington when he's not duck-hunting, but a namesake of his who may some day do him credit. Grover Cleveland Wooddell, a youth of four or five years, a sister younger than himself, and her mother came to Mr. James Rider's a couple of weeks ago in a destitute condition, and, in the absence of Mr. Rider, his wife took them in. After obtaining lodging for the night they refused to leave and could not be prevailed upon to do so, until Mr. Rider came home and made complaint to the authorities. As they were residents of Randolph county, W. Va., Mr. Jones thought the best disposition that could be made of the case was to send them to the Randolph county poor farm, and they were accordingly removed there by deputy-sheriff Edward Arbogast.—Highland Recorder.

Special Sale of Ladies Jackets and Capes.

For the next 30 days Messrs. Denny & Bro. will offer at special sale, a handsome line of ladies Jackets and Capes. Call early and get your choice before the assortment is broken.

For the Holidays.

The Chesapeake & Ohio Railway will sell holiday tickets to any point on its line on December 22, 23, 24, 25, 30, 31 and January 1, at greatly reduced rates. These tickets are good until January 4. For information as to rates, and so forth, apply to Jas. Ker, Jr., ticket agent, Staunton.

A CHILD ENJOYS

The pleasant flavor, gentle action and soothing effect of Syrup of Figs, when in need of a laxative, and if the father and mother be costive or bilious, the most gratifying results follow its use; so that it is the best family remedy known and every family should have a bottle.

Personal.

Miss Condon, of Baltimore, is visiting in the Middlebrook neighborhood.

J. Lewis Bumgardner is out again after a fortnight in the house with rheumatism.

J. E. Cooke, editor of the Waynesboro Herald, was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Dennis Brown has returned after a visit to friends in Richmond.

John Keeton of Basic City has been adjudged insane, and removed to the W. S. Hospital.

Ashby E. Wilberger and Miss Ida J. Painter will be married near Mt. Sidney on tomorrow.

Dr. John H. Thomas of Vesuvius, will locate in Greenville for the practice of medicine.

S. H. and C. V. Parkins of Fort Defiance, are selling in the city some of the finest celery we have ever seen grown in the county.

Kent Harrison, son of Hon. Geo. M. Harrison of the Supreme Court, is at home from his school at Blacksburg for the holidays.

Mrs. Carter Harrison is at home at the Hotel Frederick, after a visit of a fortnight to her relations in Lexington.

John Young. of Baltimore, is visiting his mother, Mrs. F. M. Young, on Frederick street.

Miss Belle Kilby and Miss Lucy Cooke have gone to Roanoke on a visit to Miss Kilby's mother.

Ned Valz, Frazier Bell and Erskine Miller, of the Episcopal High School, have returned home for the holidays.

Jack Cooke, Taylor Blackford and other of our Staunton boys are taking holiday at home.

Wm. Cupp and D. J. Hanger, of Sangersville neighborhood each lost a valuable horses last week.

Miss Charlotte Ranson entertained the Friday Night Whist Club very delightfully at her home, Okenwold on last Friday night.

Norris Robinson, colored, who is accused of maliciously shooting at another J. W. Shover, near Greenville, was caught on Saturday and locked up.

A young man named Ashby killed a large wild cat near Churchville last Saturday. The animal weighed about 100 lbs and measured 5 feet length.

Miss Nettie Baker, daughter of Mr. Geo. P. Baker, has returned from an absence in Pennsylvania to spend the holidays with her parents.

Miss Helen Hutchinson, who has been at school in Roanoke, and her brother, who is a cadet at Blacksburg, are at home for the holidays.

Mrs. Beverley Eskridge and little son, Marmaduke, arrived in the city Saturday evening, and are the guests of Mrs. M. E. Cootes, on Church street.

Mrs. W. A. Bratton, nee Miss Berry Colonne, who is well known here, passed through the city on her way to Waynesboro. She now resides at Marlinton, W. Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Glasgow, Wm. A. Glasgow and Miss Glasgow, of Lexington, were in the city last week. They attended the Ranson-Glasgow wedding.

Maj. Jas. N. Stubbs and Addison Maupin, Esq., were in the city Monday attending the meeting of the Executive Committee of the D., D. & B. Institution.

Mr. E. G. Pendleton, of Augusta Springs, with his family, have gone to Florida to spend the winter on his fine pine apple plantation at Palm Beach.

Mr. Edward S. Patteson, who is in business at Newport News, with the miners and shippers steamboat line is at Pond Gap his old home with his family for the holidays.

Miss Maggie Cross, of West Augusta, has gone to Dr. Kellam's Hospital, at Hinton, W. Va., to be treated for cancer of the breast. Her sister, Miss Ninnie Cross, accompanied her.

Sam'l Dawson, colored, porter for the Jas. Clark Distilling Co. in this city, had a horse to slip and fall on him on the street near the Virginia Hotel last week, breaking his leg.

Mr. Clifton, the former manager of Mr. E. G. Pendleton at Augusta Springs. was painfully bitten in the hand by a hunting dog of Mr. Pendleton's last week, and Dr. A. Lee Patteson, out of abundant caution cauterized the wound.

Misses Madge, Minnie, Ella and Nancy Tate, four of the five daughters of the late Dr. Tate of Greenville, have decided to go to Welch, W. Va., to live with their brother, Dr. Walter L. Tate. The home circle having been broken up.—Argus.

Miss Annie Fletcher, of this city, who has been for some weeks in Philadelphia, had the misfortune to slip and fall on a frozen side walk in that city, on last Friday, dislocating and fracturing her thigh. She is now at the Hahneman Hospital, and has suffered a great deal.

Hon. Chas. P. Jones, State Senator from Highland, was in the city yesterday on his way to his home at Monterey, after a weeks' visit to his brother, Dr. Jones in Harrisonburg. He is much improved in health by his trip. Mrs. Jones was with him. His sons, one of whom is in business in Richmond and the other a student at Randolph Macon, went home with him for the holidays.

GLASGOW-RANSON.

Emmanuel Episcopal church was thronged on last Wednesday evening at 9 o'clock, when Miss Maria Washington Ranson, daughter of Captain Thomas D. Ranson, was married to Mr. Joseph Anderson Glasgow, Commonwealth's-Attorney of Staunton. The wedding was the most brilliant of the season. The bride entered the church leaning on her father's arm, and wore an elegant wedding-dress of white satin duchess en traine, and carried a bouquet. Her sister, Miss Charlotte Ranson, maid of honor, wore a becoming pink satin creation, and carried pink roses.

The bridesmaids were clad in white organdie and were: Miss Woods, of Charlottesville; Miss Fannie McGuire, of Richmond; Miss Annie Gay, of Richmond; Miss Nannie McCormick, of Berryville; Miss Janet Bell, and Miss Fannie Harrison, of Staunton. Mr. William A. Glasgow, of Roanoke, was the groom's best man, Rev. Robert C. Jett was the officiating clergyman.

Mr. Blackburn Smith, of Berryville; Mr. George T. Dunlop, Jr., of Washington; Mr. B. Miller McCue, Mr. Murray Hilleary, Mr. J. Baldwin Ranson, the bride's brother, and Dr. H. R. Morrison were the ushers.

After the church-ceremony, a reception was had at Oakenwold, the home of Capt. Thos. D. Ranson, and at 2 o'clock Mr. and Mrs. Glasgow left on the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad for a journey north.

A Letter from Mr. Bryan.

The following letter has been received by a citizen of Staunton from our late presidential candidate. It is short, but contains a volume of meaning and is characteristic of the man. The manuscript will be preserved as a souvenir:

LINCOLN, NEB., Dec. 4, 1896.

Dear Sir:—I am in receipt of your favor of November 4th, and your kind words and generous expressions of good will are very pleasing at this time. It is gratifying to know that the silver forces throughout the country are undismayed and ready to renew the fight for financial independence.

I am confident that the gold standard will disappoint those who expect it to restore permanent and general prosperity, and experience will teach those who have refused to listen to argument. The American people will yet demand and secure an American financial policy.

Yours truly, W. J. BRYAN.

Church News.

A congregational meeting was held it the Second Presbyterian church last Sunday after the morning service. Mr. S. Brown Allen was elected a trustee in place of Mr. J. Fred Effinger, resigned, and the following additional deacons were elected, Capt. A. H. Fultz, Frank T. Holt, T. Walter Davis and W. A. Higgs.

The Basic City Presbyterian church having lost all of its elders by removal and death, Rev. Drs. A. R. Cooke, E. M. Snook and Elder J. A. Fiehburne, have been appointed a commission to hold a meeting of the congregation for the purpose of electing officers and to ordain them.

Rev. C. H. Dobbs, Jr., has resigned the pastorate of McDowell and Williamsville churches, in Highland, and the churches are cited to appear before Presbytery at an adjourned meeting to be held in Staunton, January 5, to show cause, if any they have, why his resignation should not be accepted. He wishes to accept a call to a field in Fayetteville Presbytery, N. C.

A letter from Rev. H. P. Hawkins written from Stanley Pool, South Africa, stated that he would soon leave for Luebo. Mr. Hawkins has conducted the difficult transport work at Lukungo for the past two years for the Presbyterian Foreign Mission Board. It is perhaps the most desolate, lonely and trying work that any missionary has had to do; and the manner in which he has conducted it deserves special recognition and appreciation.

Rev. C. W. Trawick of Monterey, Highland, has accepted the call recently tendered him by the Presbyterian church of Buena Vista.

Next Wednesday, 30th, inst., the Sunday school of the Second Presbyterian church will have its Christmas entertainment. There will be an address by Rev. J. E Booker of Hebron, some fine chorus singing, recitations, and last a distribution of candy bags, etc., by Santa Claus.

The Methodist Sunday school of this city will give an interesting programme of Christmas exercises in Columbian Hall next Thursday. 31st inst.

SPRING HILL.

Mrs. Catharine Wine. and son, William, who have been sick with fever, are convalescent.

S. G. Stover, of Spring Creek, Va., spent a few days last week at his sisters, Mrs. J. T. Ewing, of our town.

Rev. A. N. Lambert, who has been on a charge near Richmond, Va., for the past year. will spend the winter at his father's, A. Lambert of our town.

S. C. Neff, Jr., who runs a hay press has up to this time baled about 2,000 tons of hay and has between 50 and 100 tons to bale yet. This is a very large amount considering the low price of hay in the markets.

The public school at this place will close on Wednesday until after the holidays days, N. Z. Wheeler is the principal, with Miss Edith Hiner, assistant.

Mrs. J. W. Wriggle, of our town, left on the 21st inst. for Little Rock, Arkansas, where she has gone to visit her daughter, Mrs. F. B. Yates, wife of Prof. F. B. Yates, Principal of the D. and D. Institute at that place.

Mrs. J. W. Sheets, who has been very poorly for some weeks, is able to be up again.

Andrew Sheets and wife, who live near Mt. Pisgah church, are very low with fever, with no hopes of their recovery.

Our community was made to feel sad on Thursday last to hear of the death of Clem H. Earhart, who died at his home near Sangersville on the 16th, aged 50 years. Mr. Earhart was commissioner of roads in North River district, and also one of the mail contractors between Sangersville and Staunton. In the death of this officer this district loses one of the best and safest men that has ever handled the district fund. The funeral took place on Friday at 11 o'clock at Mossy Creek church, and the services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. Mr. Paul. This sad gathering of relatives and friends is said to have been one of the largest that has ever assembled on any similar occasion at this place, the road men who worked the roads under him, with a few exceptions, attended in a body.

How to Keep Ice.

As the ice season is here and no doubt many weople are like myself, have no regular ice house, and the old way of burrowing in the ground to make an ice house is a thing of the past, or at least it ought to be, as it keeps much better on top of the ground. The only secret in keeping ice is keep the air and water from it. I lived nine years in the west and there they keep it in old sheds and rail pens. Now for two years I have kept ice in a little shed 8 feet square and 8 feet high, built by a boy 15 years old, in one day, and it kept all right. Now I will give my plan. Select a piece of land little sloying to the north so that there will be fall enough for the water to drain away, take some old boards and place them flat on the ground close together and then put 4 or 5 inches of sawdust on the boards build up your ice on the sawdust just as you would build a stone wall, only breaking enough in small pieces to fill up the crevices. After you have built your ice block 6 or 8 feet high set posts around the ice one foot from it, nail boards around the posts, then fill between the planks and ice with sawdust, tramping it in as tight as you can get it, be sure you leave no holes for the air to get in, put 18 inches of sawdust on the top cover with some plank to keep the rain out, and you will have an ice house that will keep just as well as one that would cost you a hundred dollars. If you have no plank build a rail pen around it stuff the cracks with straw to hold the sawdust and you will be all right.

A shed 8 feet square and 8 feet high will hold 6 or 8 loads; 12 feet square will hold more than double that amount.

Annex, Va. C. T. H.

Endeavor Convention at Broadway.

A convention of the Christian Endeavor Societies of the Staunton District of the Virginia Christian Endeavor Union, will be held at Broadway, Rockingham county, on Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 29th and 30th. Among those who have promised to be present and deliver addresses are Rev. Dr. A. R. Cocke of Waynesboro, Rev. J. T. Wightman of Lexington, Rev. J. M. Wells of Staunton, Rev. W. L. Wolfinger of Mt. Crawford, R. E. Hutton and Dr. James Lewis Howe of Lexington. A number of other speakers are also expected to be present.

During the convention there will be a meeting of the State Executive Committee, at which the time and place of meeting of the next State convention will be decided.

The Staunton District of the State Christian Endeavor Union comprises the Valley counties from Botetourt, together with the counties just east of the Blue Ridge. It contains the largest number of Societies of any of the districts in the State, and it is expected that there will be a large attendance of endeavorers and their friends at the Broadway convention.

Two Brothers Dead.

Mr. John W. Goodloe, formerly treasurer of Nelson county, suffered a stroke of paralysis on Sunday last, which proved fatal on Monday. His older brother, A. M., died on Tuesday, aged 74 years. Both were prominent citizens of the Afton section, and leading Republicans.

LAUREL HILL.

A very interesting protracted meeting has been in paogress at the Laurel Hill Baptist church for the past three weeks. About twenty persons have professed conversion, and quite a number will be baptized next Sunday.

Sudden Death of Mrs. M. L. Wood.

The community was greatly shocked yesterday morning to hear of the sudden and distressing death of Mrs. Wood, the beloved wife of Rev. M. L. Wood, pastor of the Staunton Baptist church, which occurred between 9 and 10 o'clock, at the Baptist parsonage on East Frederick street.

The deceased was Miss Bessie Hogue, of Richmond, aged 30 years. She leaves a husband, an afflicted father confined to his chair with paralysis, and three small children to mourn her untimely death.

Deceased was a lady of most loveable character, and during her short residence in this city, made many friends and greatly endeared herself to her congregation.

At the time of going to press, the funeral arrangements had not been arranged but it is likely that the body will be taken to Richmond for burial.

Death of Mrs. Heydenreich.

Mrs. Frances Heydenreich, of this place, died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Dr. Oliver, at Ellington, near Roanoke, on the 15th. She was on a visit to her daughter when she was taken sick. Her age was 56 yrs. She was a native of Germany, and married F. O. Heydenreich in this place, soon after reaching this country in 1859. She leaves four children, Mrs. Bertha Oliver, Oscar, residing in New Mexico, P. H., who recently located in Rochester, New York, and for a number of years a merchant of Staunton, and Robert, the youngest son, who resided with his mother in Staunton. She was an aunt of Mrs. Peary, wife of the Arctic explorer of that name.

Her body reached the city Wednesday evening by the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad, and was conveyed to her late residence on West Frederick street, where the funeral took place at 2:30 on Thursday. The services were conducted by Rev. A. M. Fraser, pastor of the First Presbyterian church.

Pocahontas County Items.

Thursday afternoon, at 1 o'clock, Dec. 3d, Mr. Jacob Sharp, near Edray, departed this life, aged 75 years. 10 months and 24 days. He was a widely known citizen, and greatly esteemed for his many good traits of character. The past two years he was a great sufferer from a complication of diseases, attended with much suffering and extreme emaciation. He had acquired an immense landed estate by his industry and economy. His wife was Elizabeth McNeel of the Levels, a sister of the late Col. Paul McNeel, and a granddaughter of the pioneer John McNeel Their married life extended over 52 years.—Pocahontas Times.

Jacob Adkison, an old citizen of Pocahontas, is dead.

Adam Kerr and aged and respected citizen of the county died on the 10th inst, at his home near Green Bank, of cancer which had attacked his knee.

An effort is being made to obtain a pardon for Chas. Slavin who killed Ham Collins a year or more ago.

Skipped by the Light of the Moon.

Messrs. J. R. Paris and Cyrus Creigh have just returned from a canvassing tour in Southwest, Va., in the interest of the Old Dominion Building and Loan Co. They both had a very narrow escape in the big fire, which recently destroyed the business part of the town of Floyd Court House. They were asleep in the hotel and were aroused about midnight by the cry of fire to find their room thick with smoke. They did not tarry but seizing their valises in one hand and their clothing in the other got out of the building with some difficulty, and crossing to the opposite side of the street completed their toilet by the light of the moon and the burning hotel. They saw 15 or 20 other houses consumed before the fire was gotten under control.

The gentlemen lost only their umbrellas and some other small articles.

Married To-day.

The marriage of Miss Mamie Anderson and J. Mc. Witt, of Nelly's Ford, Nelson county. will be celebrated at the home of the bride's parents on West Mhin street, to-day at 9:30 o'clock. Miss Anderson is a very popular young lady and has many friends in the city. Mr. Witt is well known in Staunton, having attended the Staunton Business College, and has many friends here. He is now in business at Nelly's Ford.

Elisha Bell. who formerly lived at Long Glade, in this county, brother of Dr. Sam'l H. Bell, Hendren V. and Wm. E. Bell, who now reside there, was killed in Stafford county about two weeks ago, by the kick of a horse. He was a member of Carpenter's battery and was desperately wounded during the war, was a brave soldier, and was a member of that family of Bells of this county which furnished so many gallant Confedeate soldiers.

His wife, who is a daughter of Martin Koiner of Indianapolis, Ill., has been stricken with paralysis since her husband's death and now lies critically ill.

The following marriage licenses have been issued by County Clerk William A. Burnett:

Miss Effie D. Burkholder, of Greenville, and Augustus T. Holland, of Charlottesville. The wedding took place near Greenville on last Wednesday.

Miss Luella E. Stump and Charles A. Wanger, both of Fishersville, were married Wednesday evening.

Kenney P. Cool and Mollie C. Miller, of Sangersville, were married Wednesday by Rev. Abraham Thomas.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

At a recent meeting of "Our Temperance Union"—Circle No. 3 at the residence of Mr. J. A. Fauver, near this city, the following resolutions of respect were adopted. The late Mr. Coyner is well and favorably known both in the county and this city.

Whereas, God in His never erring wisdom has seen best to remove from our midst our beloved brother and co-worker, Egbert R. Coyner.

Resolved, 1st. That while we mourn his loss and sincerely regret that he should be taken from us at a time when his example and good deeds were most useful to us, and while our hearts are sad at the thought that he will meet with us no more on earth, we trustingly submit to the will of our Heavenly Father, "who doeth all things well."

2nd. That we recognize in him many excellent qualities of mind and heart which made him an example in all the relations of life.

3rd. That we are in this dispensation of providence called upon to mourn an irreparable loss.

4th. That we extend our sympathies to the bereaved family, the sorrowing mother, the beloved sisters and brother. May the God of all grace bring comfort and peace to their sorrowing hearts and may his pure loving spirit guide them safe into the realm of bliss that is now his eternal home.

5th. That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the family, be published in the papers of Staunton, and be recorded in the minutes of Our Temperance Union Circle No. 3.

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Highland News.

Mrs. Brown, of Hinton, *nee* Miss Maude Campbell, died on the 10th inst.

W. A. Cunningham, of Monterey, has gained an important suit in the West Va. Supreme Court. When stopping at a hotel in W. Va. some time ago, he had several hundred dollars taken from his pocket. He sued the landlady and was awarded judgment. She appealed and lost her case.

A child of N. B. Woods of the Blue Grass neighborhood, died of diphtheria last week, making the fourth death from that disease in the neighborhood.

The wife of the Rev. Jas. A. McCauley at one time president of Dickinson College, who died on the 11th inst., was a Miss Lightner of Highland county.

Illness of Hon. John R. Tucker.

Hon. John R. Tucker has been quite ill at his residence in Lexington for a week or two, but was not in a condition to alarm his friends until last Thursday, when he suffered an attack of heart failure. He has however, recovered to a great degree and his physicians are new very hopeful of his entire recovery.

Executive Committee Meets.

The Executive Committee of the D., D. & B. Institution met on Monday afternoon, with all the members present. The routine work was gone over and the vacancy in the shoe shop was filled by the election of W. C. Jones of Petersburg, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Amos Holler. Mr. Jones is a former pupil, and whilst he is deaf he artic ulates. He is said to be a man of excellent capabilities, and will begin his work Jan. 1st.

Christmas Holiday Rates.

On account of the approaching Christmas holidays, the Southern Railway announces that tickets will be sold at reduced rates to all points on its line within a radius of 300 miles. Tickets for the general public on sale Dec. 22d to 25th and Dec. 30th to Jan. 1st, with final limit Jan. 4th, 1897, and for students at the various schools tickets will be on sale in addition to above dates from Dec. 16th to 25th.

Staunton Markets.

SPECTATOR OFFICE.
STAUNTON, VA., Dec. 22, 1896.

Country Produce.

Flour—patent	$5.50@5.75
family 1st	5.00@5.25
New process	4.80@5.00
New process, extra	$4.00@4.25
New wheat	99c
Feathers	50c
Lard	5a6c
Oats—shelled	15@16
New Potatoes-Irish	25a35
Rye	32a35
Tallow	4c
Vinegar—pure apple	16c
Wool—unwashed	15c
Apples green per bushel	30a42
New BACON—country cured.	
Hams	11a12½
Shoulders	7½c
Sides	7½
Beeswax	11
Butter	12
Corn	33a35
Cornmeal	45@48
Eggs	16 to 1

Groceries, Etc.

BACON—country, sec coun ry pro uce.	
Western, canvas hams	10@12
long clear sides	5c
" short clear sides	5c
" bellies	5½c
Candles—adamantine	10c
paraffine wax	25
Cheese	10½@14
Coal Oil	9@12
Coffee—Rio	12@18
Laguayra	19@23
Java	26@28½
Mocha	32@33
Cotton Yarns—¥ bunch	82
Fish—Mackerel	$12 00@20 00
Fuse, ¥ 1,000 feet	$2.50@$7 00
Lard, western—Tierces, bbs., tubs	5@c6
Molasses—Syrups	12@40

BALTIMORE LIVE STOCK MARKET.
December 17, 1896.

Beef Cattle.—There has been a moderate run of beeves this week, but the large majority of offerings consisted of medium and very common cattle, with a smaller offering of the tops. The market has not been active, and values range at about the same as last week. Prices of Beef Cattle this week ranged as follows:—

Best	$4 20@4 50
Generally rated first quality	3 80@4 00
Medium or good fair quality	3 10@3 30
Ordinary thin Steers, Oxen and Cows	1 50@2 50

Of the cattle received 1144 came from Virginia.

Sheep and Lambs.—The receipts are about 1000 head less than the number last week, but there were among them too many common sheep and lambs, the common stuff not being wanted. Prices of sheep are a small fraction higher—say ⅛c—and lambs about ¼c. Sheep sell at 1½a3¼c per lb, and extra a shade higher.

Swine.—There is no change to record different from the prices on Monday. Trade is slow.

Fresh Cows.—There is an over-supply and trade is dull. Prices range at $15a40 per head, with a few extra at $45 per head.

Calves.—Veals are dull and unchanged since Monday, and sell at 3a5c per lb

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE FARMERS' AND MERCHANTS' BANK STAUNTON, VA. will be held at their Banking House, in Staunton, Va., on Thursday, January 14th, 1897, at noon.

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PARNASSUS.

Mr. W. B. Todd, of Mt. Solon, will board the train at Staunton, the 26th for Washington, and will also visit relatives in Baltimore and Philadelphia.

Mr. J. H. Silling is building a furniture store.

Mr. Frank Harlan has built a first class ice house.

Miss Lula Mohler of Charleston, W. Va., so well known in this country, and who was so popular in the Mt. Solon circle, was married last week.

Mr. R. E. Borum has returned from a trip to Nottoway county.

Miss Mary Hess Silling, a pupil at the Fort Defiance Seminary, will arrive at her home on the 24th.

Mr. Lewis McClung, of McDowell, Highland county, and his little son passed through our village on the 18th, en route to their home.

Mr. Reuben Bryan of this community, is very ill.

The meeting is still in progress at Parnassus church.

At "The Oaks," the pretty residence of Mr. A. A. Crawford, on Tuesday morning, the 22nd, by the Rev. Mr. Paul, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Charles Brenaman and Miss Lena Gladwell. This popular couple left immediately for the *conventional* bridal tour.

Master Roller Rig'l, a student of Parnassus Academy, has gone to Richmond to spend the holidays with his uncle, Mr. Luther Whitmore.

Mrs. Fisher, so well known in this community, where she lived quite a number of years, died of cancer, at her home in Bridgewater on the 8th inst. She was the widow of the late John Fisher, who died two years ago at the same place, and the grandmother of Messrs. Charlie and Fred and Misses Edith and Hattie Hiner, of Stover.

Mrs. Ellen Staubus Phillips of Mt. Solon community, is seriously ill at this writing with quinsy. She is a sister of Mr. Lewis Staubus, of Reeseville, Ohio.

A little child of Mr. John S. Myers, who lives on North River, died of diphtheria on the 13th.

Mr. James P. Floyd, of Staunton, whose father, Mr. William Floyd lives in this community, will visit relatives in this community next week.

Mr. Will Silling, of Bridgewater, is a guest at the home of his father-in-law, Mr. Washington Reeves, of Stover.

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