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FRIDA DECEMBER 7.

Mr. Kruger need expect no sympathy from any monarch, not even Wm. McKinley.

Congress imagines that the people have sent them to Washington to spend money. This will therefore be a wide open session.

Judging from the lobbyists already on hand in Washington, there are to be innumerable jobs, at some of which even the pension agent would hide his face in shame.

One of the echos of the election is a cut of 10 per cent in the wages of 6,000 workmen at Steelton. Thus far our predictions are true, and the workmen are now paying election expenses.

Mr. Teller in the Senate, Tuesday, in speaking of a bill to give the accused before a court martial a better opportunity to secure evidence, said that he had come to the conclusion that when a man was brought before a court martial he need not trouble himself making a defense, so if this was a bill calculated to give him a show he was for it. Mr. Teller, if he could live, would in a few years behold a condition where courts martial will be the chief courts of the land.

Our old friend Frank Dorsey, of Baltimore, has sent us a handsomely bound copy of the new charter of Baltimore. The frontispiece is a steel plate engraving of the city's mayor, Thomas G. Hayes. Having our gaze so rivited on the visage of the mayor we have not examined the charter sufficiently to ascertain whether there are provisions for keeping the city Republican, but this may not be necessary since they enjoy there a new order of Republican, a triple plated, gold washed, so called Democrat, who occupies usually the highest seat in the Republican synagogue, and who is in the habit of shouting "I am as good a Democrat as I ever was," (which is no lie). And who leads in everything calculated to advance Republicanism and destry Democracy.

THE DEATH OF THE REPUBLIC.

The delays caused in getting our army in shape for the Spanish war are urged as one of the principal reasons why we should have on hands ready at all times an army of about 100,000 men. We declared war on Spain, not Spain on us. We need have been in no hurry, we could have had until now to get our army in shape. Spain would still have been in the same relative position to us she was when we began our war on her. She would never have landed a soldier nor tried to land a soldier on our soil. Cuba and Porto Rico would not have slipped away from our grasp while we were getting ready. As for the Philippines it would have been best for us had they disappeared from our view and never been seen again. To be ready for trouble, this seems to be the principal argument in favor of this costly national appendage. Does anybody presume we will be "jumped on" by any of the great powers when we are asleep? if so, no person of sense has ventured to assert it. For much of the time since we became a nation and when the other powers were relatively much stronger than now we had no army at all. Now, when we are great and have no need for any army save and except to guard a few Indians and awe strikers, we are told we must have 100,000 men in the field all the time. When we had no army the British possessions lay along our whole Northern boundary and the British were our only enemies. If we did not have any need for an army then what pray is the use of so large a one now when the British are ostensibly our dearest friends?

The truth is an army officer thinks of nothing but the greatness in numbers and equipment of the army, the naval officer tells of the dangers from sea, and the might of the floating batteries of other nations. The superintendent of schools hunts up new fads and grows eloquent over education. So it is in every branch where a large number of people live at public expense. All discover that the only necessary increase in expenditures is to advance their business, and the misfortune is that they succeed after awhile in getting the ear of the law makers and carry their end. The increase in our army is the greatest step toward imperialism yet undertaken. When we have an army we have trouble. When we have trouble we increase the army, and so they go on see sawing until the army and trouble grow beyond control. When we are not using the army on foreigns we will use it on our own people, and thus will the power of the president grow and become more and more autocratic until the people, the laboring people, will be serfs, and the person of the army officer sacred. Soon we will find as in eastern countries that an insult to any army officer will be death or penal setvitude for life, and that such an offense as an ordinary citizen being insulted by an army officer will be impossible. Now a citizen can boot an officer, and kick epulett and gold lace around in good fashion. This luxury is soon to be dispensed with. The army is fast getting on top. The army and the Republic cannot live on the same soil.

WESTERN STATE HOSPITAL.

Dr. Benj. Blackford, Superintendent of the Western State Hospital, has submitted his report for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1900, which is a very full and comprehensive review of the work done by him and his associates. The hospital is the largest in the State, there are now 954 patients within its walls. 198 were admitted during the year, and 89 were discharged, and 74 died. It is remarkable that the ages of those dying were often so advanced, 8 were between 80 and 90, 17 between 70 and 80, 11 between 60 and 70, and 11 between 50 and 60. Among the patients admitted within the last twelve months a large per cent were hopelessly insane, and many others had age and infirmity coupled with insanity, which rendered care almost impossible. The money used in support, transportation, etc., in round numbers amounted to $112,500. exclusive of insurance, and there has been only available about $105,000, leaving a deficit of about $6,000.

The daily average of patients has been 937. Placing the resources for their support at $111,000 shows a cost per capita of about $118.10. This says the Superintendent, considering that the cost of many things has greatly advanced, to-wit: the item of coal alone being over $1,700 more than previously, is most satisfactory.

Again the Superintendent calls attention to the necessity of making provision for epileptics. These, he says, are injured by their contact with the insane. The congested condition of the hospital is mentioned and he urgently recommends that arrangements be made elsewhere for epileptics and persons of weak mind, and that only insane persons, those indeed for whom the charity is really intended, be kept there. A new system of bathing the patient known as the "Rain Bath," is recommended. "The furlough system" is commended, and all through such reforms and suggestions as to the general conduct of the institution calculated to put and keep it in the rank of the most advanced institutions of the kind in the country are engrafted. The report should be very satisfactory to the people at large, as it shows most careful, intelligent and economical conduct throughout.

Craigsville News.

Craigsville, Dec. 3.—At a recent congregational meeting of Bethany church it was decided to build a manse, and a building committee consisting Rev. J. E. Ballou, Ro. Kunkle, Geo. W. Brown, F. H. Lewis, J. B. Goolsby, J. R. Hidy and Brown Kunkle were appointed. A very desirable lot in the Craig addition has been selected, plans of attractive design adopted and work on the foundation commenced, when completed the house will cost between twelve and fifteen hundred dollars.

Shipment of cement from the Portland mills has been quite heavy for the last few weeks and orders now in will tax the capacity of the plant up to the 20th inst. The superior quality of this cement is being recognized and the demand is increasing accordingly.

"The Portland Inn," L. D. McNulty, manager, has been recently opened for the accommodation of the public where travelers, whether "on business or pleasure bent" can find first-class accommodations, which is in happy contrast to recent experiences here.

Mrs. J. Taylor Ellyson and Miss Bettie Ellyson, of Richmond, spent thanksgiving with Mrs. H. Jordan at her home on the heights at Portland. They returned home Saturday morning, the 1st inst.

Portland had quite an excitement last Wednesday, when little red tongues of fire were discovered licking through the roof of the kiln building, but owing to the quick response and efficient service of the men the loss resulting was trifling. The company's appreciation of this service was expressed by type-written notices posted about the plant commending the men.

Craigsville is to have a bakery. It is among the plans of the Misses Dinkle to establish this enterprise. The reputation that these ladies enjoy as housekeepers will make this a glad announcement to the community.

The building of a $4,000 Hall is being talked of by the Odd Fellows. The order is in a flourishing condition here and a nice home for themselves may shortly result from the consideration now being had of the matter.

Craigsville-Portland are awaking at the dawning of the 20th century.

On last Thursday the young people of the village spent quite an enjoyable evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Craig, the occasion being an oyster supper given to the young ladies by the young men. The early part of the evening was very pleasantly spent in social conversation. There was vocal and instrumental music by a number of the ladies present. At 10 o'clock supper was served. This consisted of oysters prepared in various ways, celery, olives, pickle, and other things required to make the feast a complete success. The young men neglected nothing that would add to the pleasure of their guests, who gave sufficient indications of their appreciation of the occasion, given in their special honor. Those present were Misses Maude Wallace, Nannie Young, Ida Williams, Beatrice Goolsby, Blanch Cayle, Carrie and Margaret Craig, Leta and Ruth Hidy, Edna Bashaw, Lina Dunlap, Mrs. G. S. Craig, Miss Fannie Doyle and Miss Morris, and Messrs. Proctor, Summerson, P. D. and M. A. Hidy, W. A. Stephenson, Chas. Craig, Ervine Ramsey, E. E. Roberts, Rev. J. E. Ballou and W. Bashaw.

Miss Leta Hidy, of the "M. B. S." Staunton, spent Thanksgiving with her parents at this place.

Miss L. B. Goolsby and Miss A. Blanch Cayle, pupils of the Valley Home School, visited Miss Goolsby's home here last week.

Miss Minnie Wallace returned Friday from a four weeks' visit at Alderson, W. Va.

Marvin Hidy, of the D. B. C., spent Thanksgiving at home.

Miss Morris, or Swoope, was the guest of Miss Young last week.

Wm. Summerson, of Staunton, has accepted a position with the Virginia Portland Cement Co.

A FINE ADDRESS.

Delivered by Dr. Wm. Bell, of Mt. Sidney, Before the Augusta Horticultural Society.

Address delivered by Dr. Wm. Bell, of Mount Sidney, Va., before the Augusta County Horticultural Society, Dec. 1, 1900, and published by request of the Society:

Mr. President and Gentlemen:

I have been requested by the President to make a report to you of the information derived from listening to the learned and experienced horticulturists at the meeting of the State Horticultural Society in Roanoke recently, among the distinguished gentlemen to whom we had the pleasure of listening were the following: Mr. A. Van Alsteyn, secretary of the Eastern New York Horticultural Society, Prof. Wesley Webb, of Delaware, Prof Massey of N. C., Prof. Van Deeman, commissioner of Pan-American exposition of Buffalo, N. Y., Dr. M. B. Waite, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Prof. Heiges, of Penn., a celebrated Pomologist, Hon. G. W. Koiner, Commissioner of Agriculture State of Virginia, Mr. J. L. Phillips, assistant Entomologist of the Virginia Agricultural experiment station and besides we had the pleasure of listening to interesting reports on fruit culture from the following members of the society. Dr. McCue, Messrs. Whately, Murrell, Bowman and others, it must not be supposed for one moment that I am a stenographer and consequently qualified to report verbatim these address as delivered. I cannot do this, but at the time the addresses were being delivered and manuscripts read, I took brief notes of the most practical and important things, for the benefit of myself as well as others, and I am willing to import unto others the information derived from my visit. Mayor Bryan delivered the address of welcome to the visitors and it was very appropriately responded to by President Sam'l B. Woods, of Albemarle.

Mr. Van Alsteyn says in regard to apples. Fertility first. Care next and spraying last, care includes cultivation and thining the fruit when necessary, do not neglect to cultivate the growing orchard, stable manure is a good efficient fertilizer, viz: S. C. Phosphate 300 lbs, muriate Potash 50 lbs, mix, apply from 4 to 8 qts to the tree: apple trees can be best thinned in pruning. Orchards can be pastured occasionally with sheep and hogs with benefit. Spray with Bordeaux mixture, when in grass leave a space around the trees.

Prof. Van Deeman says cultivate the apple orchard frequently, cultivate shallow, tillage conserves soil moisture, the disc harrow is the best implement for cultivating the apple orchard, but you may use the weeder or spring tooth harrow, manuring is also very beneficial, stable manure is fine for the apple orchard, also, S. C. Phosphate 300 or 400 lbs, applied every 2d year per acre. Potash is also very beneficial, use muriate or sulphate 200 lbs per acre, Kanit and wood ashes are also beneficial. Ashes contains 5 per cent. of Potash and 2 per cent. of Phosphoric acid. Ben Davis is a very popular commercial apple Stayman's Wine Sap, will supplant the old Wine Sap. Missouri Pippin is one of the earliest and most prolific bearer's will yield sometimes the second year after planting. it is of good quality, thinning the fruit is very beneficial, wooly aphis or apple tree louse, is very destructive: there are 2 varieties, one lives on the roots and the other on the branches, the most serious harm is done to nursery stock and to young orchards before they become well established, knotty and warty appearance are indications of its attacks on the roots; and above ground swelling and blotches on the bark. Nursery stock having these characteristics should be rejected, tobacco is a good remedy and it is also a good fertilizer and not injurious to the trees. Prof. Alwood's observations in this State have convinced him that many young apple trees are dying from the ravages of the root lice, if the lice are present when the stock is planted they attack the main roots and decay supervenes, and extends up to the heart wood of the trunk thus seemingly strong health trees after 10 or 12 years growth decay and die, and Prof. Alwood's examination has revealed the cause to be wooly aphis.

Dr. M B. Waite, on peach culture in Michigan. Mr. W. gave us a very interesting illustrated lecture on the peach orchards of Michigan, he was sent to Michigan by by the U. S. Department of agriculture for the purpose of acquiring information in regard to their method of culture. Varieties most successful there; and general management for dissemenation elsewhere: Mr. W. says they consider good soil and good location, highly desirable; heavy pruning is practiced the fruit is thinned to six inches and the earlier it is thinned the better, cultivate once a week all summer long but very shallow spray for curled leaf varieties. Elberta is gaining in popularity. Early Michigan is a great favorite. Stump, the two Crawfords and Smock are also highly esteemed.

Mr. J. L. Phillips, assistant Entomogist, San Jose Scale the insect is so small and obscure it is very difficult to detect, the scale covering of the mature insect is about 1-32 of an inch in diameter to the unaided eye the scales appear like little conical specks on the bark usually black with an ashy gray ring around it, they adhere closely but can be rubbed off, the insect is under the scale and is a minute yellow object, treatment fumigate with Hydrocyanic acid in the nursery: and spray with kerosene emulsion or soap sprays in the orchard. Peach yellows, symptoms premature ripening of the fruit, mottled appearance of the fruit, insipid and bitter taste, small leaves and unhealthy twigs, bushy growth, the tree may live for 2 or 3 years and may take several years to spread over the orchard, after a while the leaves become yellow, but not at the beginning There is no remedy for this disease, as soon as detected dig up by the roots and burn; and the land should be cultivated one year before replanting.

Dr. McCue, of Albemarle, reports on varieties of peaches, Sneed the earliest, very good and very profitable, next Greensboro good, Early Rivers good, Triumph not so good, Elberta, Globe, Smock all good, Loyetts white not good, Bilyen's late, or Comet good and very profitable on high ground, Albrights Winter not good, White Heath free not good. Dr. McCue uses very successfully the remedy recommended by Prof. Alwood for the borer, this remedy is white lead and linseed oil a little thicker than ordinary paint—remove the surface soil down to the horizontal roots and then apply the paint with a paint brush, apply it around the surface roots and up the body of the tree a distance of fifteen inches after it becomes dry, draw the soil again over the roots, he has found this remedy very efficatious in preventing the ravages of the borer. I presume it ought to be applied every year or whenever you can see that the tree is not completed covered by the paint.

Prof. Massey on apples of Piedmont, Va.—Moisture is essential to the growth and development of the apple. A mellow well drained soil with moisture and northern exposure is the ideal location for the apple orchard. A tree without healthy leaves cannot make fine healthy fruit. Mountains are better for the apple orchard for they are rich in potash, the cause of failure in apple culture is largely due to the exhaustion of plant food, feed young apple trees. Young orchards should be well cultivated, no apple should have a stem higher than 20 inches, plant yearling trees, they are better than 3-year-old trees. Prof. Massey says for San Jose Scale use white wash.

Prof. Wesley Webb, of Delaware, says he much prefers a light sandy soil for peaches. Give the trees thorough cultivation during the summer and sow clover in the fall for fertilizer, use South Carolina Phosphate and Muriate Potash, do your own mixing, head the trees from 2 to 3 feet, thinning has been practiced for some years with great success. Varieties—Sneed, Elberta, Greensboro and Georgia Bell—Elberta is the leading variety. Worm once a year. Curculio is one of the troubles with us, for fungous diseases spray with Bordeoux mixtures. Fruit should be carefully graded before being marketed and get a man to come to your orchard and sell at home if you can. Cultivate once a week, simply deep enough to disturb the surface soil. The proper distance apart for peach trees is 20 feet.

Mr. Murrell, of Bedford county, report on varieties: Plums—Red June is very fine, much the best variety; Burbank is not good; Satsuma is a fine preserving plum; Bailey is a fine eating plum; Wickson is a fine commercial plum and strong grower. Apples—Stayman's Wine Sap hangs on the tree much better and is larger than its parent, the tree is a more vigorous grower, but the fruit does not color up quite as nice as the old wine sap: Bismark is a profuse bearer, but inferior quality; Missouri Pippin, early bearer, profuse bearer and very good apple; Chestnut's Paragon is fine, but comes late. Japanese Alpha is good. Quinces—Orange is the best. Triumph and Greensboro peaches both good. Fay's prolific is the best variety of Currants.

I did nat hear Hon. G. W. Koiner's address and one or two others, being out of the hall at the time serving on the committee on resolutions.

Prof. Heiges, after travelling with Hon. G. W. Koiner over the State attending Farmers' Institutes, says there is no better fruit producing soil in the country than that to be found in Virginia.

We had about 75 members present at the meeting of the State Horticultural Society and about 15 or 20 accepted Col. A. M. Bowman's invitation to visit his large orchards near Salem. These orchards embrace 450 acres of land and are kept in a good state of cultivation, the apple trees are 28x32 feet apart, the trees are from 3 to 5 years old, the varieties are principally Johnson fine winter and Wine Saps, there are some of another variety—Kinhard's Choice. There are more than 20,000 apple trees and about 20,000 peach trees. The members of the society rode on the electric car line to Salem, seven miles distant. Col Bowman had conveyances at Salem awaiting us and we were driven two miles west of Salem to his orchards. It so happened that I rode in the same conveyance with the president and secretary of the State Horticultural Society, both experienced fruit growers, of course criticisms was invited from the experienced growers present as to his management of this immense orchard. I heard little adverse criticism, but many expressions of approval of the wisdom and sagacity displayed in undertaking this gigantic enterprise, the location of the orchard on account of soil and elevation is eminently adapted to the purposes of fruit raising, and I feel confident that this enterprise will be rewarded with the abundant success that it so richly deserves. From the highest point of this orchard a most lovely landscape is spread out to view. There is the beautiful Roanoke Valley through the midst of which flow the placid waters of Roanoke river, elegant and highly cultivated farms, the town of Salem in the distance, the adjacent and distant mountains, all present a panorama of surpassing beauty and loveliness. We would have been loth to leave this spot, but for the fact that the shades of night were closing in upon us, and reminded us that we must return to Salem without delay in orner to catch the 6 o'clock train for Roanoke. We had a delightful meeting. I derived much information from my visit, and came away with the conviction that fruit growing in the State of Virginia, if given intelligent and careful attention will richly reward all who engage in it.

All county papers are requested to copy this address. J. A. BROWN, Sec.

Buena Vista Items.

Buena Vista; Dec. 3.—Buena Vista can feel proud of the recent addition to her beautiful city in the shape of the Virginia College for young ladies. It is not necessary for me to go into detail in regard to the old and well established institution. To say the we are glad to have such an institution with so many fair young faces among us would be putting it very mildly. The young men of the town are all on their good behavior, and it is the teachers rather than the pupils that are getting the most attention, because they have got to be on good terms with them before they can get half a show to see the scholars. Even to Lexington it has a great deal of attraction, so much so that the students and cadets come down here in great crowds to see the fair young ladies on college hill. But we can take care of the young ladies ourselves without any assistance from Lexington.

A shooting affray, which may result fatally, happened this week. Lynn Porleny and C. Chillis went to the house of a woman, Willie Vanover by name, one or two others were present at the time, and Porley and the Vanover women were seated by themselves at one end of the room. One of the party took a revolver from his pocket and began to examine, when Chillis took the revolver from the party who was examining it and looked over it to see if it was all right, he then took deliberate aim, and fired the ball struck Porley and since then he has been very low. It has been learned that Chillis had threatened to kill the Vanover women, the first time he saw her, so the shot was not intended for Porley. The latest report is that Porley is not expected to live.

Thanksgiving-day passed off very pleasantly here the union service were held in the Presbyterian church and the sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. Collins, of the M. E. Church.

A revival commenced at the Methodist church Sunday night, the pastor is being assisted by Rev. F. J. Prettyman, of Staunton.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, } ss.
LUCAS COUNTY.

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

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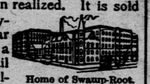

Home of Swamp-Root.

VIRGINIA, to-wit:—In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Augusta county the 6th day of Nov. 1900.

Sarah Catherine Fisher, who was Sarah Catherine Shifflett, Plaintiff
vs.
B. F. Shifflett, Daniel Shifflett, John T. Shifflett, George W. Shifflett and ——— Shifflett, a daughter of B. F. Shifflett, dec'd, whose christian name is unknown, heirs-at-law of B. F. Shifflett, dec'd., Defendants.

In Chancery.

The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of plaintiff's judgment and subject the real estate of which B. F Shifflett died seized and possessed, to sale for the satisfaction of the plaintiff's judgment, and the other judgments binding the real estate of the said B. F. Shifflett, dec'd.

And it appearing by affidavit filed that the defendants Daniel Shifflett, John T. Shifflett, George W. Shifflett, and ——— Shifflett, a daughter of B. F. Shifflett, dec'd., whose christian name is unknown, are non-residents of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that they do severally appear here within fifteen days after due publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect their interest in this suit.

Teste,
JOS. B. WOODWARD, Clerk.
J., J. L. & R. Bumgardner, p.q. nov16-4t

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GREAT ALTERATION SALE.

An increase of our Millinery Business required additional space. The past years have brought us so many new customers and friends that we find it necessary to enlarge our present millinery department. Not being able at present to secure a larger store, we have decided to discontinue Dry Goods and devote our entire space to Millinery only, and make this one of the handsomest exclusive Millinery Establishments in the State, retail and wholesale. To be ready for the spring season we must let carpenters begin making the necessary alterations immediately after Christmas. As the time is limited in which to give the room over to the workmen, we have begun to sell our entire stock of

DRY GOODS AT COST

and many articles below cost. You will find all goods marked in plain figures. The immediate disposal of stock is our aim. Profit and value not considered, They must go. Space will permit the mention of but a few items, but however they suffice to convince you that now is the time to purchase Dry Goods far below their real worth.

Read Carefully Items Quoted Below:

To be sold while they last—Amoskeag Ginghams 5c per yard.
4-4 heavy Sheeting 4¾c per yard.
4-4 fine Bleached Cotton, worth 9c, for 6½c per yard.
Canton Flannel, heavy, worth 10c and 12½c, for 7½c per yard.
Yard wide Percales, worth 10 and 12½c, for 7½ and 9c.
Standard Calicos, worth 6 and 7c, for 4½c per yard.

Hard to stand loss like this but we must move them and go they must—

White Goods in plain and Checked Nainsook, worth 12 and 15c for 7c per yard.
Indian Linen, the 15, 20 and 25c kind for 10 and 12½c per yard.

Ready-made Muslin Underwear at great discount. A beautiful line, could not be made any nicer.

Lace Curtains and Curtain Material at a Great Sacrifice.

Table Linens, Towels, Crashes and Napkins less than ½ regular price.

TAILOR-MADE SUITS—Separate Skirts and Jackets at your own price.

Every article in the Dry Goods Department a money saver. The immediate disposal of the Stock, is our aim, every other consideration put aside. Merchants will find it to their interest to call and get our prices, as many have been purchased before the rise of Cotton and Woolen Goods.

PALAIS ROYAL.

An Overheard Conversation Between Husband and Wife:

HUSBAND—"I have got to buy some Clothing for these boys this winter and I also have to have a Suit of Clothes, an Overcoat, Shoes, a Hat, some Underwear, &c., for myself."

WIFE—"Yes, and whom do you expect to buy these goods of this winter?"

HUSBAND—"Oh, I guess I will buy at the same old place I have always been buying."

WIFE—"Do you not think you can buy the same goods for less money at SWINK & HOOVER'S? You know that Suit Charley Jones bought of them last season was at least 20 per cent cheaper than anything you have bought in the last ten years."

HUSBAND—"Yes, I know their prices are cheaper than where I have been buying, but those people have always treated me so well that I cannot well go back on them."

WIFE—"Have you not always paid them for everything that you got from them? If so, you owe them nothing for their good treatment towards you. They have your cash for that. If you were in debt to them, then I would say go to the same old place, even if you knew you were paying them more money than you would have to pay elsewhere. I think it is to everyone's interest to buy where he buy the cheapest. I was in Staunton a few days ago and knowing you would have lots of goods to buy this winter I took a look around pricing goods and found at SWINK & HOOVER'S a beautiful line of Clothing, Shoes, Gent's Furnishings, &c., and their prices were certainly from 10 to 25 per cent cheaper than any place I went. I think it is a duty you and everyone else owe to yourselves to see their goods and prices before purchasing your Winter Clothing. Their place is

No. 29 West Main Street, Just Under the Town Clock,
Y. M. C. A. Building, - - Staunton, Va."

BE NOT DECEIVED.

SHOES FREE. SHOES FREE.

The American Stock Co.

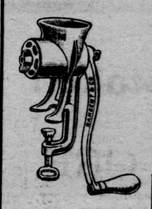
Give away a pair of shoes free every SATURDAY NIGHT, to the customer holding the lucy number. Buy your shoes from them, get your coupon and win the shoes. Persons who have won shoes given by the American Stock Co:

Mr. A. J. Livick,	Staunton, Va.,	Coupon No.	5
Miss Mildred Hutcheson,	" "	" "	1007
Mrs. J M. Daniel,	" "	" "	1049
Miss Kate Houff,	Penrose. "	" "	1086
Mrs. Dr. J. W. Gilkeson,	Mint Spring,	" "	1088
Mr. E. D Emmett,	Mail Carrier,	" "	1218
Mr. E. L. Houff,	Fort Defiance,	" "	1272
Mr. R. W. McClure,	Greenville,	" "	1269
Mrs. James Teabo,	Staunton,	" "	1192
Mrs. Dr. J. W. Gilkeson,	Mint Spring,	" "	1538 2nd pair

You Have the Same Chance.

The American Stock Co.

It won't chop wood



but Sargent's Gem Food Chopper will chop raw meat, cooked meat, vegetables of all kinds, fruit, crackers, bread, eggs, cheese, nuts, figs and other foods, and

It will chop

them all rapidly, easily, coarse or fine, in uniform pieces, without mashing, squeezing, tearing or grinding.

ARMENTROUT'S HARDWARE.
Staunton.