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FRIDAY DECEMBER 14.

The Washingtan papers note the arrival of Mr. Towne in town.

Fannie Kemble said "America will be a monarchy before I am a skeleton," and Fanny only missed it a few years.

Small pox, with which the country seems to be infested, is the only article which has been admitted free from Cuba.

Our penitentiary and our capitol building since we got rid of the whipping post, are our most apparent relicts of barbarism.

It now becomes apparent that the deserter in the civil war is a much greater patriot than the soldier in the recent war.

We advise West Virginia parsons to spend more time at target practice before they go gunning for members of their flock.

We are interested to know which part of the army bill will be charged to the Democrats, the Canteen or the Shafter, Lee, Wheeler clauses of it.

It is apparent that those Virginia Assemblymen who desire to open the coming extra session to general legislation have something up their sleeves.

That more men have not died from the filth of the Virginia penitentiary, is no argument in favor of the instution, though it does speak well for the powers of endurance of the convicts.

The size of the volume of acts of the last General Assembly ought to indicate that the State could now take a rest from lawmaking for a century or so, not because the laws are good, but because they are abundant.

If to build a penitentiary would reduce even our appropriations to public schools or Confederate soldiers, our sense of decency, sense of morality, sense of humanity, sense of charity, and a sense of State pride, ought to demand that the money be so used. Much of our public school education tends to make criminals anyway so that it would not be a real deviation of the fund to build a penitentiary as well as school buildings.

Probably the most arrant set of moral cowards alive is the lower house of Congress. They shirk duty often, and constantly act the demagogue. Now they have passed the army bill with an anti canteen feature to it. This is basely cowardly, for they did not want the bill that way, they had, however, to make a show of virtue, to cover up doubtless their own dark deeds, just as they did in the Roberts case. The anti "canteen" clause will be stricken out by the Senate and then the house will be obliged to pass an army bill that allows soldiers to drink, just as Congressmen do.

In 1835 when Andrew Jackson was president, there was a celebration in Washington over the fact that the last dollar of the national debt was paid. It will be many years, in fact centuries, before such an event will be again celebrated, and just think of it, the nation is kept in debt simply that National Banks may live. There is no other reason on earth. We cannot pay our bonded debt without destroying them. Jackson crushed the United States Bank, which was exactly the same character of being as our present National Banks. Then he paid off the nation's indebtedness. The 100th anniversary of the removal of capital to Washington has no charms for us, but such a celebration as the one in 1835 would give us joy of a deep and lasting nature.

THE MEN IN THE SENATE.

In looking over the U. S. Senate it is evident that the Republicans are in advance of the Democrats in one thing, and that is in the physical vigor of their members. On the Republican side Mr. Hoar seems to be the oldest man in the body, the residue, with a few exceptions, are generally in the full vigor of manhood. In this summing up we do not include Senator Stewart who has only lately returned to his idols, nor Mr. Teller who, though called a Republican, has been voting on many questions with the Democrats.

On the Democratic side Messrs. Vest and Cockrell are both old, Mr. Pettus is quite frail, while many other Senators are beyond 65 years of ago. It is a fact that men with sound sense and splendid physique succeed better than intellectual giants with weak bodies in these days of push and sharp business encounter. There is no body in the world where work counts for so much as in the U. S. Senate. Talk, attempted, or real oratory vanishes as a tale that is told. In committee, in close attention to the business affairs of the country, is where work is done, and ends accomplished. We have no complaint against any man now in the Senate from the south. Those who are old have usually grown so in their senatorial harness, but the Republican side is filling up with young men and we venture that they will carry off the plums, and that in the race for advantageous legislation the South will fall far to the rear in the present session.

LET DEMOCRATS BEWARE.

It has been intimated that the Democratic party might now take up some real live issues, such as pension frauds, army jobs, Cuban postal frauds, ship subsidy steals and the like, and win on those, leaving silver and the tariff to take care of themselves in their cold and silent graves. This is not possible. No party can live in the United States which undertakes to decry fraud. To steal, plunder, pillage, rob, embezzle, defraud, is today characteristic of greatness which has become so near and dear to the American heart that it takes interest in men of no other kind. When we recall that under all the "Star Route" frauds of some years ago not a single conviction ever took place, though millions were stolen; that under the national banking system of the United States banks by the hundred crashed a few years since, and the people who had deposited their money with them were robbed right and left, and no officer was held to account; when, under the present pension laws, the officer who ferrets out fraud and calls it to the attention of the authorities is soon dispensed with, and Congress is constantly removing disabilities of fraudulent pensioners that they may be restored to the rolls, that all during the Spanish war and our present colonial strife in Manilla the most glaring frauds are being constantly committed, that Rathbone and Neeley are not tried and possibly never will be, and that in States like Michigan where its principal military officers robbed it and were convicted the governor pardoned them in ten minutes after the sentence of imprisonment was pronounced, it is useless to talk about anybody or party succeeding on such issues. The day of banded thieves is at hand, the day of frauds in high places is in the ascendency, and anyone who undertakes to decry fraud is denounced as a hypocrite, a fool, a crank or a long haired anarchist. Occasionally a poor letter carrier who gets a dollar out of a registered package, is sent to Sing Sing or some other prison, but the million taker never suffers. He is immune and he becomes honored for his sagacity and broad mindedness. We warn the Democratic or any other party if it desires success, against talking or working against fraud. The issue is not popular and cannot win. No great newspaper during the last campaign had the hardihood to more than casually refer to the subject, and then apologetically.

PROSPERITY AND THE TELEPHONE.

The sharp advance in our mutual telephone rates indicates that McKinley's election has been a triumph for prosperity. Certainly nothing savoring of such unheard of wealth could have fallen to the lot of the poor half-starved ill paid telephone people under Bryan as now looms up under McKinley. Let those who use the mutual telephones consider the prospect under Bryan, with want and starvation staring in the face the hard worked self-sacrificing telephone officers and stockholders, wearing their lives away under adversity for the public good only, and then behold them under the present joyful conditions brought about by Republican success. From poverty they will now glide to riches, from want to ease, then opulence, from hard work and the consequent care imposed by a struggle to keep the wolf from the door they will now feast and wear purple and fine linen. When a few days ago we heard shouts ringing throughout the land over Republican victory few of us knew what was in store for our poor, but deserving telephone company, now all of us see a bright future in store for it, see in our imagination corpulent stockholders, bloated plutocrats, monied aristocracy all about, everywhere, made so by prosperity of the full dinner pail kind. What of the farmer and mechanic who have to pay the bills some one asks? Oh, don't think of them, they eut no ice, there is a sentiment which goes. "God bless the rich, the poor can beg."

Don't intrude any such people as the farmer and laborer into the pleasant picture of wealthy stockholders clipping their coupons. Their place is at work, they are stupid and ignorant and it may take them years to find out what they really do pay for their Hello's. They were made to be robbed, and pillaged and when it is to be done why not let it be done by our own home talent as well as by the Standard Oil or Wall Street.

The reason why Germany and Austria do not show sympathy to Mr. Kruger is not on account of any feeling they have as to the effect of such a course on British nerves. Ah, no. It is because Kruger's country was a republic. The reason why Mr. McKinley's kingdom shows no sympathy need not be mentioned since to do so is but to bring shame to the cheeks of true Americans.

A Romantic Wedding.

A very romantic wedding occurred near Chatham, Va., Monday, the contracting parties being Mr. W. H. Young, Jr., of San Francisco, and Miss Lucy Motley, daughter of Rev. William Motley, preacher of the Disciples' Church. The bridegroom, a wealthy Californian, reported to own property valued at $300,000, met his bride Monday for the first time and they were married as soon as arrangements could be made. Their acquaintance has been a long distance one, conducted by letter, and owed its origin to some verses written by Miss Motley, which fell under the eyes of Mr. Young. He thereupon wrote to the poetess and the correspondence that ensued culminated in Monday's wedding, The couple left for a Southern tour.

Death of Dr. Burkholder.

Dr. N. M. Burkholder died at his home in Harrisonburg on Saturday evening, after a brief illness of pneumonia. He was a son of John Burkholder, deceased, and belonged to one of the pioneer families of Rockingham county. During the civil war he was a field telegrapher in the Army of Northern Virginia. He is survived by his widow and two children by a former marriage—Dr. Marshall Burkholder, formerly of this city, but now of Newport News, and Mrs. P. L. Cootes, of Norfolk.

Judge T. W. Harrison, of the Circuit Court of Winchester, has rendered a decision that a note dated on Sunday was valid.

THE VIRGINIA TOWNS

With a Population of from 2,000 to 25,000 People.

The population of certain incorporated places in Virginia having more than 2,000, but less than 25,000 inhabitants, is given out by the census bureau as follow:

Alexandria, city	14,528
Bedford City, town	2,416
Berkley, town	4,988
Bristol, city	4,579
Buena Vista, city	2,388
Charlottesville, city	6,449
Clifton Forge, town	3,212
Covington, town	2,950
Danville, city	16,520
Farmville, town	2,471
Fredericksburg, city	5,068
Hampton, town	3,441
Harrisonburg, town	3,521
Lexington, town	3,203
Lynchburg, city	18,891
Manchester, city	9,715
Marion, town	2,045
Martinsville, town	2,384
Newport News, city	19 635
Petersburg, city	21,810
Phoebus, town	2,094
Pocahontas, town	2,789
Portsmouth, city	17,427
Pulaski, town	2,813
Radford, city	3,334
Roanoke, city	21,495
Salem, town	3,415
Staunton, city	7,289
Suffolk, town	3,827
Winchester, city	5,161
Williamsburg, city	2,044
Wytheville, town	2,003

Superstition Inspired Crime.

The following story has been sent out from Clifton Forge: "A remarkable case has just been disposed of by Judge Anderson. A Mrs. Crawford, living about a mile from this town, became possessed with the idea that she had been "tricked" by a neighbor, Mrs. Reed, a harmless old woman of over seventy, who lives with her son. Accordingly she consulted a "witch doctor," and paid him $10 to remove the spell. She then made several attempts to kill Mrs. Reed and her son, at one time disguising herself as a man and shooting at them through a fence. At last an anonymous letter, threatening to kill them both within five days unless Mrs. Crawford was "cured," and the finding of a stick of dynamite near their house, so alarmed mother and son that they swore out a warrant for Mrs. Crawford's arrest, the old lady carrying a huge pistol and her son the dynamite. The latter article caused so much uneasiness in the court-room that it had to be taken out and deposited in the creek. Mrs. Crawford was sent to jail for six months. The case was appealed, and Judge Anderson allowed her to give bond on condition that she would at once move to another neighborhood."

Presbyterian Creed Revision.

After several days deliberation the Presbyterian Committee on the revision of the Westminster Confession, which had been in session in Washington, adjourned on Monday.

The committee found on examination of the returns from the Presbyteries the following facts:

One—That the returns plainly indicate that the church desires some changes in its credal statement.

Two—These returns indicate plainly that no change is desired which would in any way impair the integrity of the system of doctrine contained in the Confession of Faith.

Three—These returns also indicate that a large plurality desire that changes should be made by some new statement of present doctrines.

Fourth—The returns also indicate a desire upon the part of many Presbyteries for some revision of the present confession.

Fifth—It was, therefore, unanimously agreed by the committee to recommend to the General Assembly that some revision or change be made in our confessional statements.

The committee will convene on February 12th next, to finally prepare the statement to the General Assembly in May.

Free Sleeping Cars.

Representative Moody, of Massachusetts, has introduced a bill which if passed will practically banish the present sleeping car to obscurity. The measure provides that railroad companies shall hereafter be required to fit up regular day coaches with some kind of device whereby passengers may be made comfortable while traveling at night.

The language of the bill is as follows: That all interstate railroads which carry passengers during the night in day cars shall allow such passengers to have sleeping berths in said day cars. Where the roads do not wish to attend to the matter themselves they shall give contracts and let outside parties equip cars used on night trains and provide so as to make these people comfortable, so that whatever prejudice or partiality there may be on the part of the railroad managers they shall have no power nor assume any power to deprive the passengers of their right to have the cheapest possible accommodations or the latest improvements. No preferences shall be allowed to any particular person, firm, or corporation.

Sad Ending of a Honeymoon.

The honeymoon of Dr. E. S. Terrini was brought to a sad end Friday by his arrest and imprisonment in the Lexington jail on a charge of grand larceny. Chief of Police Pole caused his arrest on a telegram received from the chief of police of Omaha, Neb. Terrini and Mrs. Mattie Kinnear, daughter of the late Dr. F. S. Mackey, of Rockbridge, were married November 28, in this city. When the arrest was made they were visiting the family of Mrs. I. M. Sterrett, near Lexington, a sister of Mrs. Terrini. The prisoner first met his present wife at the Chicago World's Fair. He claims to be a native of Brazil and has led a roving life. He refuses to talk. On Monday Terrini paid $75 which was alleged to have been withheld from a lady by him and he was released. He claims that the charges were trumped up against him.

The Court of Appeals at Richmond Friday amended and affirmed the order of the Circuit Court of Shenandoah county, arranging a connecting schedule for the Baltimore and Ohio and Southern railways at Strasburg junction. The object of the proceeding was to compel the Baltimore and Ohio and the Southern to re-establish connection between the passenger trains of the respective roads at Strasburg junction.

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Great Meeting at Richmond, Va., Dec. 27, 28, 29.

True Richmond Welcome—Citizens Preparing to Greet the Association. Large Attendance Expected—Attractive Programme—Low Rates.

Among the many gatherings of various representative interests scheduled to meet in Richmond, Va., in the near future is one that will draw visitors from every southern State. This is the tenth annual meeting of the Southern Educational Association, to be held December 27th, 28th and 29th.

Teachers of public and private schools from city and country; teachers and professors from institutes, academies, colleges and universities from every State in the south will be there by the hundreds.

The convention will prove to be, no doubt, the most important in the Southern Educational Association's history, and the objects of the organization should appeal to every friend to education in the South.

COMBINATION OF FORCES.

The Southern Educational Association appeals "to every white teacher in the South to join in a vigorous movement for a closer and effective union of educational forces into an organization which shall not only foster self-improvement and a better understanding between the different branches of the service, but which shall aim to become strong enough to command attention in legislative halls, and persuasive enough to arouse and educate public opinion throughout the land in favor of better school-houses, better equipment, better salaries and more generous endowment."

RICHMOND'S WELCOME.

The people of Richmond await the coming of the Association and thousands of visitors and a cordial welcome will be extended to all. The local Committee o: Arrangements are made up of over one hundred representative business and professional men, and Richmond's fame as a generous host will be fully sustained on this, as on former similar occasions.

The programme is a specially attractive one and a number of educators of national fame will participate in the special and general discussion of topics.

GENERAL PROGRAMME.

Thursday—General session. Addresses of welcome by Gov. J. Hoge Tyler, Mayor Richard M. Taylor, State Supt. J. W. Southall and City Supt. Wm. F. Fox. Responses—Dr. Junius Jordon, University of Arkansas; Professor Wharton S. Jones, Memphis, Tenn., and Superintendent J. G. Wooten, Paris, Tex. President's address, Chancellor R. B. Fulton, University of Mississippi. Organization of the Executive Council of the Southern Education Association.

Education for Southern Women—Miss Celestia S. Parrish, Professor of Philosophy, Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, Va. Discussion—Mrs. Rebecca D. Lowe, president General Federation of Women's Clubs, Atlanta, Ga.; President C. D. McIver, State Normal and Industrial College, Greensboro, N. C.; President Lyon G. Tyler, William and Mary College, Williamsburg, Va.; Miss Hopkins, Agnes Scott Institute, Decatur, Ga.; Professor B. L. Wilson, Converse College, Spartanburg, S. C.

2:30 P. M.—Department sessions.

7:30 P. M.—General session. Address, "Some Evidences of an Education," Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, Columbia University, New York. Topic, "Universities and Secondary Schools." Discussion—Principal Tuntstall, Tome Institute, Baltimore, Md.; Chancellor R. W. Kirkland, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.; Superintendent E. E. Bass, Greenville, Miss.; Dr. W. S. Currell, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Va.; President R. H. Jesse, University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo.; President Richard McIlwaine, Hampden-Sidney College, Va.

Friday—9:30 A. M., session of Executive Council. Topic, "Relation of Universities and Colleges to Public Schools," Hon William T. Harris, United States Commissioner of Education, Washington, D. C. Discussion—President E. C. Branson, State Normal College, Athens, Ga.; Professor T. W. Galloway, Missouri Valley College, Marshall, Mo.; Superintendent J. G. Wooten, Paris, Tex.; Dr. W. A. Montgomery, University of Mississippi; Principal Willis A. Jenkins, Portsmouth, Va.; President A. P. Montague, Furman University, Greenville, S. C.; President F. W. Boatwright, Richmond College, Richmond, Va. Reports of committees.

2:30 P. M.—Department sessions.

7:30 P. M.—General Session. Address: Hon. J. L. M. Curry, LL. D., General Agent Peabody Fund, Washington, D. C. Topic, "Education of the Negro in the South," Dr. P. B. Barringer, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.

Discussion: Hon. G. R. Glenn, Commissioner of Schools, Atlanta, Ga., President F. G. Woodworth, D. D., Tougaloo University, Tougaloo; President Julius Dreher, Roanoke College, Salem, Va.; President James K. Powers, University of Alabama.

Saturday—9:30 A. M. Executive Council. Topic: "Training of Teacher from Elementary Schools," Principal Augustus S. Downing, New York Training School for Teachers, New York, N. Y.

Discussion: Prof. Hugh Bird, William and Mary College, Williamsburg, Va.; Chancellor W. H. Payne, Peabody Normal College, Nashville, Tenn.; Superintendent J. H. Phillips, Birmingham, Ala.; Prof. P. P. Claxton, State Normal and Industrial College, Greensboro, N. C.

General Session: Reports of Committees on Nominations, Resolutions and other business. Miscellaneous Business of the Association.

AT THE JEFFERSON.

The Jefferson Hotel has been selected as headquarters, and all general sessions will be held there, while the departmental sessions will be conducted in the various school buildings of the city.

The Jefferson, Murphy's, the Lexington, New Ford's the Alhambra and the St. Claire, all offer reasonable rates, and bookings should be made in advance.

Mr. Hill Montague is chairman of the Committee on Hotels and Accommodations and will be pleased to hear from any who desire definite information along this line.

RAILROAD RATES.

The railroads of the South have made a one fare, plus two dollars, round trip rate for members of the Association, and those attending the convention and this low rate, together with the fact that the convention is to be held during holiday week, when all teachers have a week or more vacation, will insure a big attendance.

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General News.

The total Government estimates for appropriations for 1902 amount to $743,374,804.

The curfew ordinance passed last week by the Richmond city council, was defeated by the Board of Aldemen by 8 to 7.

Sam Small, the evangelist and reformer, and editor of an Havana paper, who was arrested recently on a charge of swindling, has compromised with his prosecutors by agreeing to leave the place forever.

Captain Ed. Wilson Manning, engineer on the Confederate ironclad Virginia, when she sank the frigate Cumberland and Congress in Hampton Roads in 1862, died at Wilmington, N. C., this week.

Mrs. Mary L. McLean, the mother of John R. McLean, of the Cincinnati Enquirer, and of Mrs. Dewey, died at her residence in Washington Monday morning, of acute heart affection.

John Lawrence Manning Irby, ex United States Senator from South Carolina, died at his home in Laurens Monday of Bright's disease. He was educated at the Universities of Virginia and Princeton.

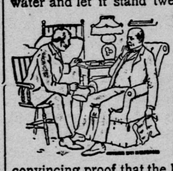
The transport Hancock has arrived at San Francisco from Manila with the bodies of about fifteen hundred sailors and soldiers who either died in battle or succumbed to the ravages of disease in the Philippines.

Bullock, the negro desperado, who was shot by Pinkerton detectives at Norfolk last week, and who was in jail there awaiting officers from New Jersey, where he was wanted for killing a police officer, pulled the bandigages from his wound Saturday and bled to death.

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Don't Know it.

How To Find Out.

Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.



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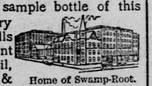

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Nottingham Curtains, worth $2 for	1.19
Woolen Dress Goods worth 25 cents and over for	15 cts a yard
Best Standard Calicos worth 6 and 7 cents for	4
4-4 Sheeting, Unbleached, 6 and 7c kind, for	4¾
4-4 Sheeting, Bleached, 7 and 8c kind, for	5¾
All Wool Black Dress Goods worth 50c. for	29
Black Crepons, the $1.50 grade. for	90
Umbrellas, good quality. for	49
Ladies' Fine Silk Gloria Parasols, worth $1.50, for	85

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