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THE U. VA. PRESIDENCY.

The result of the meeting of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia last week, when they assembled to elect a president for that institution, was very disappointing. This is the second or third abortive attempt made to perform this work and the public is growing weary. It is not very long now until the session will begin, and surely there could have been something done by this time, if not before. What is to be gained by delays no one seems to know. Such delays often—and this case has been no exception—cause the worst blood to be stirred. Had the election been made promptly months ago the situation could not have been half so bad, no matter who succeeded in obtaining the office. Now all are ashamed of the "muss" that has been kicked up. We do not think that the like has been seen in Virginia in a long time, and we hope the like of it will not soon be seen again. The fight has been made principally on Col. Geo. W. Miles.

Without expressing any opinion as to whether he was the best man for the place, we must admit that he came more strongly endorsed than any one else. We must admit that the fight made on him by the faculty was unseemly, undignified and ill advised—we do not want to be misunderstood—we do not mean to say that the faculty had no right to express an opinion, but we do say that the assault made on Mr. Miles personally has been belittling, and was the means of putting the signers of the "protest" issued to avoid his election "in a hole" as the expression goes. On the other hand Mr. Miles has now issued "an address" to the people of Virginia, intended to vindicate himself. We are not advocates usually of "self vindications," They often lower the dignity of a controversy and most generally fail in their object. This may be a case in point. We believe his paper should not have been written.

Now what we wish to emphasize is our unqualified disapproval of the delays resorted to. They have bred this trouble, and they will be the means of bringing all the odium that can result from this heated controversy, upon the University, and if it goes on much longer the results will be far more disastrous than anything that has ever befallen her. As bad as may have been the election of any man applying for the position, or even considered, such a condition would have been in no sense comparable to present conditions. After the election all would have settled down to the work allotted, and the State would have been spared the humiliation of the present situation. After all no man knows just who will best fill such a position, and we regret that in recent years most positions are not generally awarded to the meritorious, but are given to those who have a pull, or whose ancestry had a pull, or who cannot exist without a pull on the leg of somebody. The Board, as we have said, has made, we think, a great mistake in the dilatory methods adopted. They seem to be afraid to tackel the proposition, and this situation is like many others, it is no place for weaklings or cowards, or even hesitating persons. The game must be fought to a finish and should have been ended long ago.

THE PARABLE OF THE RICH MAN.

The tongue of Dives was sorely parched last week.

He called loud and lustily on Lazarus to come and cool his parched tongue.

Whole buckets of watered stock were poured down his throat only to make his torment greater.

In his delirium he tried the cooling board and therein found solace from his cares.

The Spanish treaty, we are told, was forced on the country over the Republican party by Wm. J. Bryan, then a Colonel in the army, against the protests of all good, we mean gold Democrats, and against the combined wish of the Republican party, and thereby the country has been made to groan and suffer on account of it ever since. What a wonderful fellow that Bryan is—so dangerous, so despicable. If, as a Colonel of Volunteers he could do such a deed, what would he have done possibly had he been president. The thought is appaling. Lest he commit some other crime the press should place him in another untimely grave.

A young lady in a neighboring county, who was undertaking to stand an examination with a view of teaching, found one of the questions to be as follows: "Name the three principal poisons and their antidotes?" She gave one as the poison of snakes, in other words she answered, "Snake bites" The antidote she said was "booze, plenty of booze."

The Washington Post suggests that Prof. Langley's flying machine may yet prove the agent of eternal peace. Flying machines are great peace makers for their inventors. After about the first attempt to fly they are at peace with the world.

AXIOM NO. I.

And the learned professor touching his coronal bone with his index finger, pondered, and pondered deeply. "This hypothetical syllogism doth greatly perplex," quoth he. "I have analyzed it, I have synthesized it, and yet to me it is a heterogeneous mass, incapable of certain analysis, or *axiomatic intuitivity*. In my anxiety to accomplish a great work, that is to discover in the human formation those elements which befit men for certain great accomplishments, so that they may be traced with absolute certainty and known when found, I have studied man's anatomy, I have dissected his bones, cartilages, ligaments, tendons, epidermis and membranes, and as I have remarked "even I" have not reached an axiomatic intuitivity with reference to those qualities, though I have often been able to determine *in my own mind*, whether in some individual cases, the human being in question be fitted for certain requirements. I have decided, after studying in European Universities and after great labor at home, that a person with one leg shorter than the other should not be chosen to enter a foot race. That one who has lost an arm may not compete in a boxing contest with one who has two arms, that one who in his youth had been afflicted with curviture of the spine would not be the person to chose as the center rush on a foot ball team. Cases such as these I would with reasonable certainty decide without apparent hesitency, but if where the conditions are normal, that is where the body is well developed and the brain apparently so, I should be called upon to decide whether the individual in question might not become a great general, or a great lawyer, or a great teacher, or a great executive officer, or if not great in these, whether the subject upon which I was to predicate my conclusions would be capable of doing even well the thing undertaken or proposed, or vice versa, I would hesitate before I emerged from my dilemma, and delivered a thesis based upon any *a priori* reasoning

Now should I lay down the following syllogism:

A man to be fitted for the presidency of a great university must be a man of character.

Mr. Blank is not a man of character, therefore Mr. Blank is not fitted for such an office, the logic of the situation would be perfect, provided this premeses be correct. But suppose Mr. Blank is a man of character, might the whole reasoning not fall to the ground? If, however, I should lay down the following syllogism:

A man without characteristics is unfitted to be president of a great university.

Mr. Blank is without characteristics, therefore, Mr. Blank is unfitted to be the president of a great university,—the whole proposition would become axiomatic because the human mind cannot conceive of a man being fitted for the presidency of a great university without characteristics, therefore show me a man with characteristics and I will show you a suitable man for such presidency, or show me a man without characteristics and I will show you a man wholly unfit to be such president. This indeed is an intuitive axiom, if not a self-evident truth."

And the professor tapped his coronal bone with that kind of tap which tells that a great truth has entered there. But when the conclave of professors met they were not of one mind. The first syllogism was adopted the second discarded and they clapped their hands in glee, as doth the astronomer when he discovereth a comet with four tails. So they all wrote in their text books.

"AXIOM NO. 1."

"A man to be fitted for the presidency of a great university must be a man of character.

Mr. Blank is not a man of character, therefore, Mr. Blank is not fitted for such an office."

And thus possibly for all time would this new axiom have remained an axiom, had not a suggestion been made that Mr. Blank is a man of character. When the learned conclave heard this they hastily met again and revised their text books and now "Axiom No. 1" has been so modified as to read.

A man without characteristics is unfitted to be president of a great university.

Mr. Blank is without characteristics, therefore Mr. Blank is unfitted to be president of a great university."

Thus hath learning been greatly advanced, thus is logic being taught at the University of Virginia, and thus hath quiet been made to reign in Warsaw.

The charging up of the Spanish treaty to Wm. J. Bryan by the Republicans is much like the boy who, when caught chewing tobacco by his father, blamed it all on another boy. The lie is belittling enough in itself, but the cowardice which inspires it is too low to be resorted to by the veriest cutthroat.

Mr. Gorman has returned from his European trip. His presidential boom which he brought with him, is not held in the custom house awaiting the payment of any duty. What there was of it was admitted free.

The Cardinals when they have not elected a Pope cause smoke to issue from a chimney of the sistine chapel. Other bodies do the same at times. We have noticed a little smoke rising from the University of Virginia.

It is some consolation to know that if Prof. Langley's ariel navagation machine succeeds, our friends who now come and stay too long, can thereafter make us flying visits.

Robey—Sanborn.

A pretty home wedding was solemnized on Thursday evening last at the home of the bride's parents, Prof. and Mrs. H. Sanborn, in Buena Vista, when their eldest daughter, Miss Josephine C., became the bride of Mr. Geo. W. Robey, a young business man of that place. Miss Sanborn is regarded as one of the most beautiful young ladies of Buena Vista, and is a social favorite.

WASHINGTON LETTER

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, D. C., Aug. 3.—While the present republican administration is seeking to make a record for investigation and reform, the most strenuous efforts, efforts little short of scandalous, are being made to save from the consequences of his own acts the man who President Roosevelt has described as "My dearest friend and closest political adviser" Lucius N. Littauer, representative from New York. The evidence in the bankruptcy case of one E. R. Lyon disclosed the fact that Lyon entered into a partnership with Littauer, that Littauer procured for the partnership so formed a contract to sell to the War Department, for the use of the soldiers, 150,000 pairs of gauntlets and that Littauer's share of the profits on the sale of 33,061 pairs of these gloves amounted to $1,700, all this being set forth in Littauer's own handwriting, in a statement written on the stationary of the House committee on Manufacturers, and in express violation of the statue which expressly says, "No member of Congress shall directly or indirectly hold or enjoy, in whole or in part, any contract made or entered into in behalf of the United States or by any officer or person authorized to make contracts on the part of the United States."

The evidence, being Littauer's own statement, made in his own handwriting, must be regarded as unimpeachable and it proves that Littauer has been guilty of the same violation of the United States statue for which ex-Congressman Edmund H. Driggs has been indicted by the Brooklyn grand jury. When the facts in this case were made public Secretary Root ordered an investigation but in issuing instructions to the officer charged with the investigation, Mr. Root merely instructed him to ascertain if the contract was awarded to the lowest bidder. The President promised a "full and fair investigation" of this case and Colonel Garlington has made an investigation believed to be anything but "full and fair," not of his own volition but because his powers were limited by Secretary Root, his superior. Lawyers have appeared before the Secretary to plead leniency for Littauer and it is feared that their clients close association with the President will affect the Secretary's decision. The public is awaiting Mr. Root's decision with interest, but it cannot avoid reflecting that in the case of Driggs the investigation was conducted by the grand jury and that Mr. Driggs, on less positive evidence, will be compelled to stand trial in a court of justice.

A development in the Postoffice investigation regarded by the officials as the most sensational they have as yet unearthed has just come to light through the indictment by the District of Columbia grand jury, of August W. Machen, former superintendent of free delivery, on several new counts and the simultaneous indictment of seven of his confederates, the evidence presented to the jury showing that Machen and his partners in crime had entered into four contracts whereby the government was swindled out of a sum estimated at $75,000. In two instances Machen awarded contracts for carriers satchels, or bags. The specifications called for shoulder straps and the price was made to include them. Machen then purchased the shoulder straps from another source, paid for them with government funds and furnished them to the manufacturers of the satchels, securing from the latter the amount thus saved them, approximately 25 cents per strap; which he and his confederates divided between themselves. In another instance, Machen placed a contract for small leather cases used by carriers, without asking for bids, and caused the government, to pay 90 cents each for the cases but secured a refund to himself and his pals of 60 cents on each case. In the last instance, Machen awarded to the Mayor of Lookhaven, Pa., a contract for painting mail boxes which the manufacturers were required to paint. In this instance he and his associates divided profits of $18,000. In addition to officials and others who had already been indicted the grand jury returned true bills against William C. Lang, a Washingtonian who comes from Ohio and who claims to be a protege of Senator Hanna, Maurice Runkle, of New York, John T. Cupper, mayor of Lookhaven, Pa., and William Gordon Crawford, manager of the Postal Device and Lock Company of New York, Crawford having been at one time deputy auditor for the Postoffice Department and being at this time a member of the most exclusive club in Washington.

It is generally believed that this practically ends the present crop of indictments growing out of the current investigation, although the grand jury is still at work and will probably reindict on new counts, George W. Beavers and other officials already indicted. It is also expected that there will be a number of dismissals in the near future. Postmaster-General Payne, who has been for a number of weeks cruising about the Atlantic coast on a revenue cutter, has returned to Wasnington, having stopped at Oyster Bay on his way to Washington. It is understood that the President pointed out to the Postmaster General the necessity of getting rid of his "confidential," H. H. Rand, who has been intimately associated with Machen and most of his pals.

Epworth League Conference.

The Epworth League Conference of the Rockingham District of the Baltimore Conference will be held at Mt. Sidney on Tuesday and Wednesday next, August 11 and 12. Each League will send one delegate for 15 members or fractional part. Where there are no leagues, each Sunday School will send two delegates. The following is the program of exercises:

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11

8 P. M. Address of Welcome.....Rev. C. B. Sutton
8:10 P. M. Response.....H. G. Barnhart
8:20 P. M. Annual Sermon....Rev. John M. Kline

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

9 A. M. Devotional Exercises....Rev. A. P. Boude
9:15 A. M. Organization and Appointment of Committees
9:30 A. M. Achievement and Outlook of the Epworth Leagues,....Rev. W. H. H. Joyce
10 A. M. Possibilities, Probabilities and Certainties in the Work of the Epworth League....Rev. J. M. Anderson
11 A. M. Junior Work...Rev. I. W. Canter
11:30 A. M. What Should Every Leaguer Do, When Confronted by Seemingly Insurmountable Barriers H. H. Blease
12 M. Recess for Dinner
2:30 P. M. Song Service.....A. S. Taylor
2:45 P. M. What should constrain every action of our young people and why should they be constrained Rev. S. A. Parker
3:05 P. M. What is the duty of the League as to Missions and Missionary Literature.....J. E. Myers
3:30 P. M. What is the duty of the League to the unsaved at home...Dr. R. S. Griffith
4 P. M. What error and false doctrine is now prevalent and how can Leaguers detect false doctrine and teachers.....W. L. Livick
4:30 P. M. Which should our young people serve, gold or God, and why? Rev. B. B. White
4:45 P. M. Recess
8 P. M. Devotional exercises by the President Elect
8:15 P. M. Methods of conducting League work. Every Leaguer wants to know how other Leagues are conducted. Come prepared to tell ..... Led by Rev. J. Harry Smith.
Closing Exercises and Adjournment.

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HICKS FOR AUGUST.

Influence of the Planet Mars on the Weather.

The whole month of August will feel more or less the influence of the equinox of the planet Mars. If at the entrance of the Mars period it is dry and warm, it is safe to say that the same kind of weather will largely predominate until this period is past. If we come well into the Mars period with tendency to wet and stormy weather, for several weeks. The regular storm periods will not be obliterated, but disturbances at these regular times will be modified or aggravated in the direction of existing conditions when the Mars period was entered. Hence, if the present case is not an exception to the rule, we may expect, in the main, the kind of weather existing the last week in July, throughout August and into September.

Whatever degree of intensity may be given to them, regular storm disturbances will be due from the 1st to the 4th of August. The probabilities are that the natural warmth to be expected at this season will grow into a crisis of Summer heat about the 1st, 2nd and 3d, to be followed progressively from the West by severe blustering. Local rains—some of them quite heavy—may attend these storms, but the general supply of rains will be short. More pleasant conditions will follow these disturbances.

A reactionary storm period exists on the 6th, 7th and 8th. Look for increased warmth, black clouds, thunder and storminess. Change to cooler will follow for several days.

One of the "heated terms" of the month will appear about the 11th to the 16th. At the beginning of this period the warm wave will start in western sections. As the low barometer moves eastward, threatening clouds with severe local storms will visit many sections. While the heat waves and storms are still passing central and eastern parts of the country, change to cooler will be advancing from west to north, so that by the 15th and 16th most parts of the country will have felt the change to cooler weather.

There will be a perceptible reaction to rising temperature and return to cloudiness and storms on and touching the 17th and 18th, followed by another return to cooler and more pleasant weather about the 18th to the 21st.

If the perturbations of the Mars period, central on the 29th, should taks on the nature of violent atmospheric displacements—a result rather to be expected—the regular storm period extending from the 21st to the 22d will develop some violent and dangerous West India storms and storms along the coast. General storm conditions will develop over the country, and inland storm of more or less intensity may reasonably be expected about the 24th to the 27th.

The 29th and 30th will bring reaction to storm conditions, and more or less storminess and rain will result in many localities. Change to cooler generally will mark the closing of the month.

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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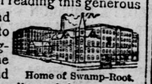

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Announcement.

For The House of Delegates.

To the Voters of Augusta County and City of Staunton:

The time has arrived when it becomes necessary for you to select your representatives for the next House of Delegates.

Many of my fellow citizens, possibly too partial through friendship, have asked me why I did not announce myself as a candidate for re election?

With deep and abiding appreciation of the confidence that my party has reposed in me, and the honor they have conferred upon me in the past, I have, after due consideration of the responsibilities resting upon the representative of the sovereign people of Virginia, decided to again submit my name to the Democratic Primary to be held August 29th for re-election.

If nominated and elected I will devote my time, and endeavor in the future, as I have done in the past, to guard, and represent the best interests of my constituency.
Respectfully,
J. W. CHURCHMAN.

To the Voters of Augusta County and City of Staunton:

Highly appreciating the confidence that the people of the county and city have reposed in me in the past, I have decided to again submit my name to the Democratic Primary to be held August 29th for re-election to the House of Delegates.

If elected I shall use every effort to promote the interests of all the people; and in all important measures shall be guided by the wishes of my constituents so far as they may come to my knowledge.

Hoping to receive your influence and vote, I am, Very respectfully,
S. H. WALKER.

FOR COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner of Revenue for Middle River District. Subject to the Democratic primary to be held August 29th, and earnestly solicit the endorsement and support of my fellow citizens. Very respectfully,
jul 31 tdp WM. H. MOORMAN.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re election to the office of Commissioner of the Revenue for South River District, subject to the Democratic primary to be held August 29th. Your vote will be appreciated. Very respectfully,
jul 24 tdp* W. L. MOWRY.

COUNTY TREASURER.

To the voters of Augusta county;

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re election to the office of County Treasurer, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, and earnestly solicit the support and endorsement of all my fellow citizens. Respectfully,
jun 29 tde J. N. McFARLAND.

SHERIFF.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Sheriff of Augusta county and city of Staunton, and respectfully solicit your vote in the election, November 3rd, 1903, and promise if elected a faithful discharge of the duties of the office to the best of my ability. Subject to the Democratic primary. Respectfully,
apr 10-tde W. ARTHUR WILLSON.

To the Voters of the County of Augusta and City of Staunton:

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Augusta County and City of Staunton, and respectfully solicit your support. Having had an experience of twelve years as deputy under the present Sheriff, I feel that I am fully qualified to fill the office efficiently and I promise a faithful discharge of the duties thereof. Subject to the Democratic primary. THOMAS A. DAWSON.
apr 3 tf

Owing to the fact that I have to collect the tax of North River District, makes it impossible for me to see all the voters in person, I therefore take this opportunity to announce myself a candidate for SHERIFF of Augusta county and City of Staunton in the election of November 3, 1903, subject to the Democratic Primary. I respectfully solicit your vote, and promise if elected to fulfill the duties of the office to the best of my ability.
Respectfully,
mar 27 4t* & tf J. A. WALKER.

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SALE OF Valuable Real Estate!

Pursuant to decree entered in the chancery cause of A. H. Houff vs. J. M. Houff's adm'r., et als., pending in the circuit court of Augusta county, on June 6th, 1903, I shall as special commissioner, offer for sale at public auction, in front of the county court house in the city of Staunton,

Monday, August 24th 1903, (Court-day),

at 12 o'clock M., that certain tract of land consisting of TEN ACRES, with dwelling house and other necessary buildings thereon, upon which the late J. M. Houff resided, in North River District, five miles from Staunton, adjoining the lands of Berry and others, upon

TERMS of cash in hand sufficient to pay costs of suit and sale, and the residue upon a credit of six, twelve and eighteen months, evidenced by the bonds of the purchaser with approved personal security, and title retained as ultimate security.
HERBERT J. TAYLOR,
Special Commissioner.

I, Jos B. Woodward, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Augusta county, do certify that the bond required by decree of June 6th, 1903, in the cause of A. H. Houff vs. J. M. Houff's adm'r. et als., has been executed by Herbert J. Taylor, commissioner above named.
JOS. B. WOODWARD, Clerk.
July 23, 1903. jul 31 4t

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jul 24 6t JOHN R. SAMPSON, A. M.

Notice To Teachers!

The School Trustees of the various districts of Augusta county will meet at the following times and places to appoint and contract with teachers for the session of 1903-1904—schools will begin as indicated below:

	Appoint	Contract	Schools begin	Place of meeting
Beverly Manor,	Aug. 8	Sep. 5	Oct 12	Staunton
North River,	Aug 22	Aug 22.	Oct 12	Moscow
Middle River,	Aug 11	Aug 11	Oct 26	New Hope
South River,	Aug 6	Oct 17	Oct 19	Basic City
Riverheads,	Aug 7	Oct 5	Oct 7	Greenville
Pastures,	Aug 13	Oct 24	Oct 26	Buffalo Gap

Teachers will please make application to the clerks of their respective boards. The result of the examination just held will be mailed in ample time for the appointments.
E. O. PEALE,
jul 24-st County Superintendent.

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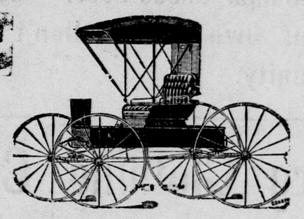

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By virtue of a decree of the circuit court of Augusta county, entered on the 16th day of June, 1903, in the chancery cause of Jesser, et als., vs. Haines, et als., therein pending, the undersigned, who was appointed special commissioner for the purpose, will proceed to sell at public auction, in front of the county courthouse, in the city of Staunton, on

Saturday, August 29, 1903, at 12 M.,

that certain tract of land and the improvements thereon, consisting of Twenty-Six Acres and Thirty-Two Poles, more or less, in Middle River District, in Augusta county, Virginia, on the public road leading from Staunton to Port Republic, adjoining the lands of Driver and others, and having upon it a small dwelling, in which Jacob Armentrout and wife lived, up to their respective deaths.

TERMS—Sufficient cash in hand on the day of sale to pay the costs of the above suit and of the sale, and the residue of the purchase money to be on credits in three equal instalments, falling due respectively in six, twelve and eighteen months from and after the day of sale, for which deferred payments the purchaser shall execute his bonds, waiving the homestead, with approved personal security, and the title to the said property will be retained as ultimate security; but the purchaser will be allowed the privilege of anticipating the payment of the said bonds, at any time, by paying the whole of all of them at once, before maturity.
A. C. BRAXTON,
Special Commissioner.

Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Augusta county, to-wit:

I, Jos. B. Woodward, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Augusta county, do certify that the above named A. C. Braxton, who was appointed special commissioner of sale by decree in said cause, entered in the chancery cause of Jesser et als. vs. Haines, et als., on June 16th, 1903, has properly executed the bond required of him by said decree. Given under my hand this the 25th day of June, 1903.
JOS. B. WOODWARD, Clerk.
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Commissioners' Sale
—OF—
Valuable Real Estate.

By virtue of a decree of the Corporation Court for the City of Staunton, rendered in the chancery cause of Catherine M. Lynn's creds. vs. Catherine M. Lynn's adm'r., &c., the undersigned, as commissioners appointed by the court for the purpose, will proceed on

SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 1903,

at 12 o'clock M., in front of the County Court House, in the City of Staunton, Va., to sell at public auction, the following three parcels of land, situated in the eastern part or Augusta county, a short distance west of the mouth of the Blue Ridge tunnel of the C. & O. R. R., of which Catherine M. Lynn died seized and possessed:

1st parcel of land containing 50 acres;

2nd parcel of land containing 1 acre and 2 roods, which said parcels were conveyed to said Catherine M. Lynn by A. C. Gordon, com'r, by deed dated Nov. 28, 1890, of record in the clerk's office of Augusta county in D. B. No. 112, p. 59.

3rd parcel of land containing 5 acres and 2 roods, which was conveyed to said Catherine M. Lynn by Geo. Perkins, com'r, by deed dated Oct. 10, 1895, of record in said office in D. B. No. 133, p. 167; upon the following

TERMS, to-wit—One third (⅓) cash in hand on the day of sale, the remainder in two (2) equal annual instalments, with interest from the day of sale, said deferred instalments of purchase money being evidenced by the bonds of the purchaser with approved personal security, waiving the homestead exemption, and the title being retained as ultimate security.
RUDOLPH BUMGARDNER,
HULST GLENN,
Commissioners.

In the Clerk's Office of the Corporation Court of the city of Staunton, May 7, 1903:

I, Newton Argenbright, Clerk of the Court aforesaid, do certify that Rudolph Bumgardner, one of the above named commissioners, has executed the bond required by decree of sale entered on the 9th day of April, 1903, in the chancery cause of Lynn's Creditors vs. Catherine Lynn's adm'r, now pending in this court.
NEWTON ARGENBRIGHT,
may 29 4t Clerk.

The above sale is postponed until MONDAY, AUGUST 24th, 1903, (County Court-day) at the same time and place.
RUDOLPH BUMGARDNER,
HULST GLENN,
jul 31 4t Commissioners.