



THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 25, 1901.

WHILE OLD Virginia has had many ups and downs since 1861, losing a large part of her territory, dominated in turn by military governors and carpetbaggers, after what had been left her had been devastated by war, there can be no doubt that she, in many respects, is emerging from the dark clouds of adversity stronger and more resplendent than in days of old.

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It is believed that a majority of the people in this country are in sympathy with the Boers in their struggle with Great Britain for independence, and don't care a rap how much money it costs the English nation in the unwarranted war against the people in South Africa, but when they read that \$50,000,000 of this country's money is to be locked up in English bonds and this money used to crush the struggling Boers, it makes them realize how impotent the majority is when opposed by an imperialistic administration.

THE WEATHER bureau, like the weather, seems to have gone entirely astray. The predictions cannot be relied upon; on the contrary the conditions are more apt to be the reverse of those given out. It costs a large sum

of money to maintain this bureau and it would be supposed that the weather man might occasionally hit it right.

THE LAST loan of \$300,000,000 made by the English government will pay for the Boer war for another year at a million a day, leaving out Sundays.

THE NEXT step in the litigation before the Circuit Court for Washington county, Md., for the future disposition of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal is the court's decision. The question involved is whether the canal is to continue under the trusteeship of the bondholders of 1844—that is, whether it is to continue subordinate to the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, or whether, with the cessation of the trusteeship, the waterway is to be sold to satisfy all claims, the largest of which is that of the State of Maryland.

FROM WASHINGTON. (Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.) Washington, April 25.

The Cuban Commissioners will be wined and dined at the White House tonight. At this function the five representatives of the Cuban constitutional convention will be told—but in polite phraseology—by Senator Platt of Connecticut, that the Senate meant what it said in passing the amendment which bears his name. The President will assure them of the benevolent interest that this government takes in the political future of the Cuban people and that the great ambition of the United States is to safeguard that independence which will surely be theirs as soon as they assent to the plans outlined by Congress.

Mr. Robert C. Ogden, of New York, and his party of distinguished educators, editors and divines, who have been visiting various institutions in the south, arrived in Lynchburg yesterday shortly after noon and visited the Randolph-Macon Woman's College. They were given a cordial welcome by the college faculty and authorities. Dr. Parkhurst and Bishop McVickers, who were among the visitors, spoke eloquently of their experiences in the south, and declared that they had received new ideas and new consecration. One million dollars as an educational fund to provide schools may be given to the States of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Alabama within the next few days by northern philanthropists.

The United States Supreme Court this week decided that a State had a right under its police power to protect itself against infectious disease even though commerce may be incidentally interfered with by the regulations for such protection. This may be of interest to the people of Alexandria in protecting themselves against the dangers arising from the Washington garbage and night soil which is sent down the Potomac in scows and either dumped into the river or scattered on the lands nearly opposite this city.

Gov. Allen has received a testimonial of appreciation of his administration signed by more than a thousand Porto Rican citizens, including about twenty public committees. The document is handsomely engrossed, bound, sealed and embellished with a rich gold plate.

THE following appointments were made by the President today: Gordon Padlock, of New York, Secretary of Legation at Seoul, Korea; Courland K. Bolles, of Pennsylvania, Consul at Kiel, Germany; Charles M. Dickinson, Agent at Sofia, Bulgaria; Andrew M. J. Cochran, U. S. Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky; James H. Tinsley, U. S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky; S. G. Sharp, U. S. Marshal for the Eastern District of Kentucky; to be Colonel of Infantry, J. Milton Thompson; to be Lieut. Colonel of Infantry, Albert L. Meyer; to be Major, a number of minor appointments in the army.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Paris is experimenting with glass paving material.

A British expedition has defeated two powerful emirs in northern Nigeria. A dispatch from Paris says M. Varilla is devoting his energies to preventing the United States from purchasing the Panama Canal.

It is estimated that there are 25,000 lepers in the Philippines, and it is planned to isolate all the lepers on one island.

Emperor William's eldest son, Crown Prince Frederick William, matriculated as a student at Bonn University yesterday.

The various rivers in Ohio and Pennsylvania are reported to be still rising, but the rate is decreasing and a subsidence is expected to begin today.

According to gossip in Wall street George J. Gould made \$5,000,000 in the last four years. He has made half of it since President McKinley was elected the last time.

As a result of M. Delcasse's visit to St. Petersburg it is declared that the Franco-Russian alliance has been strengthened. Russian students are falling in line with the Czar's plan for educational reforms.

A sweeping bill against cigarettes was passed Tuesday by the lower house of the Indiana legislature. It prohibits the sale, giving away or bringing into that State of cigarettes, cigarette paper or any substitute thereof.

The British House of Commons yesterday passed its second reading the deceased wife's bill by 270 to 222 votes. King Edward's well-known interest in the adoption of the measure, it is hoped by its supporters, will help it through.

The five children of a farmer named Briere, near Chartres, France, who were murdered, were buried in one grave. The father is suspected of having killed them, so that he might marry a widow, who refused to take all his children.

A dispatch from Rome says that Monsignor Falconio will succeed Cardinal Martinelli as Papal Delegate to the United States, and that Monsignor Zaleski, Papal Delegate to the West Indies, will succeed Monsignor Falconio as Papal Delegate to Canada.

The session of the Philippines Commission at Cebu, Samar Island, yesterday developed the fact that the inhabitants of Samar are still terrorized by the forces of General Lukban, the Filipino leader, which consist of six hundred rifles and many bolomen.

Never before was seen in port at Baltimore such a fleet of banana steamers as has entered at the customhouse since last Saturday morning. Six steamers, all of which, with one exception, came from Jamaica, arrived and brought 107,728 bunches of the fruit, besides coconuts.

Rumors that Sir Michael Hicks-Beach will be forced out of the British Cabinet if either the sugar duties are revised in favor of the colonies or the coal tax is dropped from the budget are premature. Reports that Mr. Chamberlain is exerting strong influence against him are without foundation.

President Clark, of the Chicago Telephone Company, admits that active measures are under way to organize the telephone business of the country into one large concern, with headquarters in Chicago. According to reports, the United States does not propose to interfere with the Cuban government in settling local differences. The Cuban people are to be left to manage their own affairs.

HUNTON-PAYNE WEDDING. Mr. Eppa Hunton, Jr., and Miss Virginia Semmes Payne, daughter of Gen. Wm. H. Payne, were married in St. James Church, Warrenton, on Wednesday evening, April 24.

The prominence of both families in the social and political world made the occasion one of great interest. Mr. Hunton holds a high position in the profession of law and Miss Payne has had a host of admirers. She never looked more lovely than on her wedding day. Her dress was of white satin and trimmed with point a laque and she carried a shower bouquet of bride's roses. There were six bridesmaids in white organdie with pink sashes and pink roses in their hair and bouquets of pink carnations. They were Misses Hicks, Keith, Spilman, Stone, Virginia and Mollie Payne. Miss Poulney, of Baltimore, was maid of honor.

The ushers were Messrs. J. A. C. Keith, Jno. S. Gaines, E. M. Spilman, Jr., Judge George Morris, Robert E. Lee and Cecil D. Landale. The bridesmaids came out of the chancel and walking down the aisle met the ushers and the bride. The letter entered the church on the arm of her father, by whom she was given away. The bride party proceeded to the chancel where they were met by the groom and his best man, Mr. R. Walter Moore, where the ceremony which made them man and wife was impressively performed by the Rev. Geo. W. Nelson.

The music was furnished by the Capital Quintet of Washington and the church decorations consisted of a profusion of white and pink flowers, and growing palms. After the ceremony at the church a reception was given at the Payne residence from eight until ten p. m. The house, which in years past, has witnessed many a gay and festive throng, was tastefully decorated for this occasion. The presents were numerous and bewildering in their richness and beauty. They came from distinguished people and a number of friends from all over the State and different parts of the Union and showed the esteem in which Mr. Hunton is held by his associates and the warm place that the fair bride has in the hearts of her friends and admirers who include every one who knows her in Warrenton and adjoining country. Mr. and Mrs. Hunton left Warrenton on special trains in the Southern Railway. They will spend some time at Atlantic City and then return to their home in this place. [Warrenton Virginia.]

A special train carried the Washington and Alexandria guests. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Willard, of Fairfax, Mr. E. Rider of Charlottesville, Mr. Henry Fairfax of Loudoun, Mr. Holmes Conrad, Maj. Robert Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Burke, Col. Frank L. Smith, Dr. Louis Green, Mrs. T. M. Jones, Mrs. H. F. Lee of Fairfax, Jos. A. Rice and Genl. and Mrs. Lomax, Mr. Taylor Burke, Miss Louise Burke, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. M. Johnson and Mr. N. P. T. Burke of this city.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Mr. Robert C. Ogden and his party of northern educators visited the Randolph Macon Woman's College, at Lynchburg, yesterday.

Dr. Edward Watts Morris, brother of Mrs. Miesh Woods, of Charlottesville, died Tuesday in Birmingham, Ala., aged 36 years. He was born in Harwood county.

Mrs. Mary C. Walker, widow of the late J. H. Walker of Fredericksburg, died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Powhatan Snellings, in Falmouth, Tuesday morning, aged 73 years.

Several hundred men are on the trail of William Jones, colored, who yesterday afternoon attempted to criminally assault Mrs. A. L. Leftwich, wife of a prominent physician living near Richmond.

The marriage of Miss Mary Marshall Miller, daughter of Mr. C. and Mrs. Robert E. Miller, and Mr. M. C. Woodward, of Baltimore, took place at Eldon, their home in Rappahannock county, yesterday.

The honor roll of the graduating class of the Naval Academy in Annapolis contains the names of three cadets from Virginia. They are Edward C. Hamner, Jr., John Townsend Burwell and Joseph L. Hiteaman.

Mr. Tabner W. Holladay, a well-known farmer and builder of Spotsylvania, while on a visit to the home of his son-in-law, Mr. James R. Evans, in Fredericksburg, was taken sick and died yesterday. He was 73 years of age.

Mr. Robert V. Gordon, son of the late Samuel Gordon, of "Santee," and Miss Evelyn May Dickinson, daughter of the late W. H. Dickinson, of "Moss Side" in Caroline, were married at Grace Church, that county yesterday evening.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Smith, daughter of the late James G. Smith of Washington, and Mr. Spencer Reel Nelson, of Virginia, were married at Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church in Washington yesterday in the presence of a large assembly.

Mr. C. J. Rixey, jr., member of the firm of Barber & Rixey, of Culpeper, and Miss Stearns, daughter of the late Franklin Stearns, were married in Richmond last night. The groom is a nephew of Congressman Rixey, who was among the attendants.

The district State convention will meet tonight in Richmond. There will be a fight between Richmond, Norfolk, Old Point, and Lynchburg for the convention, which will probably be held in August. It is more than probable that Old Point will get the gubernatorial convention.

Mrs. Bessie Tucker, wife of Col. N. Beverley Tucker, of the Virginia Military Institute, and the eldest daughter of Gen. Scott Shipp, superintendent of the institute, died Tuesday night at Dillon, S. C. She was visiting her sister, Mrs. Benjamin Huger, and her death is alleged to have been due to being accidentally burned.

DEATH OF JOHN E. MASSEY.

Hon. John E. Massey died at 8:15 o'clock yesterday evening at Charlottesville, after an illness of about a week, resulting from exposure while addressing a meeting in the rain. The cold would have been thrown off easily by a younger man, and indeed in his case little uneasiness was felt until Tuesday night, when about midnight a change for the worse occurred and he gradually lost strength until death ensued. His funeral will take place at noon Friday. He left a wife and child. Mrs. Massey was present when he died. Mr. Massey was nominated Monday for the constitutional convention. His death will necessitate the nomination of another candidate by the Albemarle democrats. Possibly the convention which nominated Mr. Massey and Mr. Boaz may be reassembled to select another candidate.

Mr. Massey was one of the strongest public speakers in the State, and as a debater probably had no equal in Virginia. He was one of the earliest advocates of readjusting the State debt, and came to be known as the "Father of Readjustment." His public career covered a period of many years, and he maintained his intellectual vigor to the last. He was a man of remarkable strong individuality and he had many friends who were loyal to him as a hold on popularity, as the recent struggle in Albemarle county indicated. For the past 25 years he had been a factor in Virginia politics. One of his most memorable struggles of later years was that which closed Monday with his nomination for the constitutional convention. From the first Massey was a convention man. On the issue of the party endorsing this question he defeated Senator Martin's friends, as he did in the fight which has just closed. It was in the last battle that he contracted the cold which caused his death. His victory in this case was a most notable one, overwhelming all opposition, and from the highest quarters.

Mr. Massey was born in Spotsylvania county, 33 years ago. He first studied law and was admitted to practice, but soon abandoned that profession for the ministry. He was ordained in the Baptist Church and has preached in various places in Virginia. He was a member of the House of Delegates and subsequently of the Virginia Senate soon after the war, and he came into prominence during the agitation of the debt question in the campaign of 1878. It was then that he met John W. Daniel, J. L. M. Curry and others of the most brilliant "deb-paying" speakers of the State. After serving two terms in the House and one in the Senate he ran for a second term in the latter body, but the democrat beat him with a "deb-paying" republican—Evert Early. It was a costly victory, as Massey's party had pretty much carried every other part of the Commonwealth. In 1881 he broke away from Mahone, and while auditor he became a real head of the "Big Five" in the Senate, which became the entering wedge in breaking Mahone's power in Virginia. Massey was behind this movement and inspired the four bolting Senators—Newberry, Lybrook, Williams and Hale, from Carroll county. In 1883 he ran for Congress from the State at large. The democrats did not nominate him, but gave him what was practically an endorsement. Massey's opponent was John S. Wise, who won after one of the most remarkable campaigns known in the State. After it had ended Massey and Wise had a personal encounter. After that campaign Mr. Massey remained with the democratic party. In 1885 he was elected lieutenant-governor on the ticket with Fitz Lee. The legislature of 1883-1884 made him superintendent of public instruction, which position he held until three years ago.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Foreign News. Amsterdam, April 25.—The Algemeen Handelsblad (newspaper) professes to learn on good authority that Lord Wolsley, during a visit to the Porte, disclosed to the Sultan that England was ready to abandon the struggle in South Africa as soon as acceptable proposals should be offered by either Botha or Kitchener, and that England was even prepared to concede some sort of independence.

London, April 25.—The Sandown Park stud produce stakes for two year olds, was won today by Lester Reiff on Irens. The Tudor Plate of 1,000 sovereigns, for three year olds was won by George Faber's Pteridmaritburg.

Manila, April 25.—General Morales, another prominent Filipino, has surrendered. With a few of his followers he gave up to the Americans after he had been beaten in a fight in Bulacan province.

London, April 25.—Jack Roberts who knocked out Billy Smith and five other persons, including the referee, seconds and officers of the National Sporting Club, who were present at that time of the fatal knock-out, was arraigned in the Bow street police court today, charged with causing the death of Smith, and was remanded. The prisoners were admitted to bail.

Weather Prophet's Warning.

New York, April 25.—Gloomy, rainy weather greeted New Yorkers again when they awoke this morning. There have been only 90 hours of sunshine in the twenty-four days of this month. A. J. De Voe, the "weather prophet of Hackensack," predicts that the storms of the last two weeks are as nothing compared to the weather about to come. The next severe storm, he says, will originate in Texas on May 1, will be at its height on May 5 in the Ohio valley and will develop into a cyclone in New York state on that day. Floods will be more severe than any which have occurred during this century. The greatest flood of all, he declares, will take place June 1 at New Orleans. De Voe says he has urged President McKinley to postpone his trip for six weeks. If he starts May 1, as planned, De Voe says he will be storm bound.

Murderous Anarchist Arrested.

Bucharest, April 25.—A man named Elya Petroff has been arrested here for trying to force an entrance into the royal palace. Petroff stated that his object was to kill King Charles of Rumania. The police have ascertained that the prisoner belonged to a society of anarchists and have no doubt that his statement of his purpose was to assassinate the King is true. A rigid investigation is being held.

King Charles, or "Carol" the first, of Rumania, belongs to the House of Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen, and is therefore distantly related to the German Kaiser. He is about 62 years of age. The country has become a power of some importance under his prudent rule.

From China.

Pekin, April 25.—The allied forces which went to avenging the death of Major Browning and one of the men of his command, while engaged in dispersing a band of robbers encountered a considerable body of armed Chinese and, after a sharp action, routed them, and after a sharp action, routed them, and the British lost six killed, the Japanese two, and the French one.

Pekin, April 25.—The Franco-German expedition when advancing on Singan-Fu, confronted twenty-five thousand Chinese occupying three positions in the hills. Upon the approach of the allies, the Chinese retired behind the great wall.

Won His Sad Race.

Liverpool, April 25.—Decatur M. Sawyer, the New York merchant who took the Deutschland to Plymouth to overtake his wife on the Majestic, and break her the news of their son's death by drowning, won his sad race this morning. When the Majestic was moored to the dock Sawyer was the first man on board the steamer, and he as quickly as possible got his wife on shore, and hurried her to the train for London. It appears that a friend of Mrs. Sawyer had prepared her for the meeting with her husband before the latter came to escort her to the train.

Fatal Railroad Accident.

Dayton, O., April 25.—A Detroit and Cincinnati freight train was involved in a wreck last night, ten miles north of Dayton. As a result two members of the train crew were instantly killed and as many dangerously injured. A dozen passengers were more or less slightly hurt and their escape from death was most miraculous. Spreading rails is said to have been the cause of the wreck.

Interest in Cuba.

Havana, April 25.—Intense interest is felt throughout Cuba in the actions of the commission of the constitutional convention now in Washington. Many people hope for a modification of the Platt amendment in the direction of more independence for Cuba, and others are anxious for concessions of a tariff nature, such as lower duties on sugar and tobacco.

Wall Street.

New York, April 25.—The Stock Exchange was again a scene of wild excitement this morning. Union Pacific stock was the storm center and the big trading in the stock led to reports that a three cornered fight was on between the Rockefeller, Vanderbilts and J. J. Hill for control of the property. Union Pacific, it was said, was the key to the South and Oriental trade, hence the anxiety of the different interests to get control.

The Markets.

Georgetown, April 25.—Wheat, 70 1/2.

HOW'S THIS?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honest in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligation made by his firm.

WEST & TRUAX, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.

WALDEN, KEMMAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price 75c per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Salvation Oil the best Liniment.

Regular bottle, 15 cts.; large bottle, 25 cts. Greatest cure on earth for Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Sprains, Swellings, Burns, Cuts, Bruises, Wounds, Swellings, Bites and Frost Bites. Laceration Oil kills all pain. Sold by Richard Gibson and all druggists.

The Floods.

Cincinnati, April 25.—At 9 o'clock this morning the Ohio river at Cincinnati, registered 58.6. The river will come to a standstill at this city some time today. Heavy rains were falling at Ashland, and Mayville, Ky., and Huntington, W. Va., last night and the river was rising rapidly at those points. The water here is now rising slowly. The lower floor and entire rear premises of St. Rose's church is flooded as well as the yards of the district school and Emmanuel Episcopal Church. Small craft of all kinds ply busily about in what are corn fields in summer and light skiffs shoot in and out among the tombstones in the old cemetery in Columbia. Everything not tied down is whirled away by the swift tide. Old river men in the east end say that never in their time has the current been so swift and the drift so thick.

Youngstown, Ohio, April 25.—The Mahoning river this morning broke all records for high water, rising twelve inches above the greatest flood ever known in the valley. Through the city the river is a mile wide and has swept away everything loose within reach.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The banking house of Leroy C. Partridge, at Ovid, N. Y., closed its doors this morning.

Vice-President Roosevelt last night received his third degree as a member of the masonic lodge of Oyster Bay, N. Y.

Former Governor Hogg, who purchased a small tract of land south of Beaumont, Tex., ten days ago for \$75,000, has declined an offer of \$700,000 for the property.

Rescuers at the Luke Fidler colliery at Shamokin, Pa., this morning penetrated the breast where Anthony Marcovitz and Anthony Shuracovitz the miners who were imprisoned yesterday were found dead, having been asphyxiated by gas.

The American League baseball season was successfully inaugurated in Detroit this afternoon, Milwaukee opposing the local team. There were about 8,000 persons present. The games at Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York were again postponed on account of rain.

Mystery surrounds the killing of Mrs. Mary Maululewitz, aged 24 years, and residing in Pittsburgh, Pa. At 4 o'clock this morning the woman stepped into the yard at the rear of her home, but was not missed for some time later. A search was made and her horribly mangled body was found lying on the tracks of the Pittsburgh, Virginia & Charleston Railway. A considerable sum of money and several articles of jewelry which she is known to have had are missing. Her husband is certain that his wife was murdered and robbed.

Mark T. Hayes, who shot and killed William Lenden, a neighbor on July 4, 1899, was hung in the jail at Uniontown, Pa., today. Hayes developed systems of insanity soon after his conviction. For this reason he was respiced six times.

The light house board has placed a buoy in the Potomac river at the shoal of Maryland wharf, where the warship Dixie ran aground just before the recent inauguration.

The Dallas, Texas, Opera House was destroyed by fire today, loss \$100,000.

ATTACKED BY DOGS.—Attacked by a whole kennel of huge St. Bernard dogs on Tuesday evening, Aulick Gibbons, of Winchester, the little grandson of ex-City Treasurer C. M. Gibbons was saved from literally being eaten alive only by the timely arrival of his grandfather, who was compelled to use his pistol freely before the dogs yielded. The boy was walking across the lawn when the dogs set upon him. He was thrown to the ground, his clothing was torn, and the dogs had bitten him several times. Mr. Gibbons heard his cries for help, and realizing that the child would be torn to pieces before he could reach him, shot at the dogs at long range. Two of his most valuable dogs were killed before the child was rescued.

ARMY APPOINTMENTS.—The President, through the War Department, has announced a list of 490 men who are selected for examination for appointments as lieutenants in the regular army. This is in accordance with the provisions of the army reorganization bill. The following appointments are made from Virginia—Francis W. Griffith, Robert K. Suller, James D. Fauntleroy, and C. Lansing, Henry H. Sheen, Adam C. Carson, N. M. Cartmell, jr., L. St. Clair Mumford, Robert S. Knox, Fielding L. Poindester, and John O. Steger.

Minister Conger, in an interview, says he can justify the conduct of the American missionaries in China. They did not loot, but only took what they wanted!

Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup for teething babies, Fall-lice, 10 cents, Cures Wind Colic, Diarrhoea, Loss of Sleep, Gripping Pains, Sour Stomach, Fever, Cholera Infantum. Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup also promotes the digestion and soothes the baby. Sold by Richard Gibson and all druggists.

Marion Kooke, manager for T. M. Thompson, a large importer of fine millinery at 1638 Milwaukee avenue, Chicago, says: "During the late severe weather I caught a dreadful cold which kept me awake at night and made me unfit to attend my work during the day. One of my milliners was taking Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for a severe cold at that time, which seemed to relieve her so quickly that I bought some for myself. It acted like magic and I began to improve at once. I am now entirely well and feel very pleased to acknowledge its merits." For sale by Richard Gibson, druggist.

"Last winter I was confined to my bed with a very bad cold on the lungs. Nothing gave me relief. Finally my wife bought a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure that effected a speedy cure. I cannot speak too highly of that excellent remedy." Mr. T. K. Houseman, Manassawater, Va.

DIED.

At her home, 413 1/2 Washington street, last night after a long and painful illness, which she bore with Christian fortitude, Mrs. CATHARINE E. TAYLOR, in the eighty-second year of her age.

The midnight stars are gleaming, Upon her silent grave; Now sleepeth without dreaming, The one we could not save. My grief for her is keeping The shadow on my brow; Oh, blame me not for weeping, I have no mother now.

No mother dear to guide me, With love sincere and true; No mother to caress me, As she was wont to do. The dear one now is sleeping, No care is on her brow; Oh, blame me not for weeping, I have no mother now.

By HER CHILDREN, Funeral at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon.

FIRE IN DANVILLE.

Fire broke out about 3:10 yesterday afternoon in the Dan Valley Hardware Company's building, on Main street, Danville, and, extending to adjoining buildings, was not gotten under control for several hours. Practically half a block was burned, causing a loss estimated at \$120,000, fairly covered by insurance. The business concerns burned out were: Main street—Dan Valley Hardware Company; H. W. Cole & Co., druggists; Lanier Bros., shoes, etc.; H. A. Wiseman & Son, druggists; J. L. Beckin Electric Company, and J. D. Deim, insurance. Union street—Dan Valley Hardware Company; J. L. Cruise, White Elephant saloon, George Jones and Banquet saloon. The fire at one time was so threatening and so hard to manage that the fire departments at Greensboro, N. C., and Lynchburg were summoned. When the fire was gotten under control the Greensboro department was stopped at Rockville and that of Lynchburg at the Lynchburg station. Loss to the firms in the stoppage of their business is the most serious feature. All of the buildings save one were of two stories and not of very imposing character. It is believed they will be replaced by handsome and more modern structures. The Dan Valley Hardware Company, in whose building the fire originated, kept a large quantity of oil and paint in stock. Escaping oil from a tank ignited and caused an explosion and the fire followed. The immense Central warehouse was in great danger at one time and fear was felt for the Hotel Burton, across Union street, but the wind was in its favor and it escaped. Mr. J. R. Tucker, of the fire department, was overcome by smoke and fell from a ladder, but was not seriously hurt. The firemen made a splendid fight against a conflagration especially difficult for reason of the peculiar density of the smoke.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Francis E. Rigby, of Chicago, who died recently, disposed of an estate valued at \$150,000 in fifteen weeks, which were written on a scrap of yellow paper. The shortest will ever made in Cook county, the estate of old lawyers who have seen it will stand the test of the courts.

Mrs. W. B. White, of Cleveland, who was adjudged by a committee representing the Pan-American Congress the second most beautiful woman in the United States, is thinking of leaving the country. The flattering offers have been made by New York theatrical managers.

Rev. George D. Heron in New York on Sunday night bitterly attacked existing religious conditions. He said in part: "The so-called Christian Church has fought its way by being false and sneaky, contrary to the spirit of individual freedom taught by Christ and that which was ascribed to Jesus but has orthodox to the church. The church has always put to death the man who dared stand for individual freedom. Christianity does not even know or believe the words of Jesus' Blessings greeted the speaker and finally he was put out.

Count Tolstoi had addressed a remarkable letter to the Czar. He writes: "Why will you fight with what you can never suppress by force instead of covering your name with unperishable fame by treating the way of justice? Free the peasant from the brutal tyranny of the officials; give him equal rights with other ranks; do away with the present police system, which demoralizes society, degenerates the empire and breeds spies and reformers."

PRIVATE ROOMS FOR CONGRESSMEN. In spite of the fact that the removal of the Congressional Library from the Capitol to its own handsome building gave the House of Representatives nearly a score of new committee rooms, remodeled out of the old library quarter at a cost of a quarter of a million dollars, and in spite of the fact that the Senate a few years ago purchased the Malby Hotel on New Jersey avenue, and had the entire building rebuilt into senatorial committee rooms, Congress at its last session directed the architect of the Capitol to prepare plans for another building adjacent to the Capitol grounds for additional committee rooms and for the power plant used for generating the steam and the light used in the Capitol. Work is now in progress on the plans of the new building. When it is completed every member of Congress will have a private room. The building will be constructed of marble and will in a general way harmonize with the classic style of the Capitol, a great tunnel will connect it with the Capitol, a wide that it will hold a wagon road and a walk on either side of the road for pedestrians. The improvement is estimated to cost \$2,000,000.

SENT TO THE GRAND JURY.—Joseph H. Shepherd, the state auditor's clerk in Richmond who was arrested on Tuesday for embezzlement, waived examination in the Police Court and was sent to the grand jury. Application was made to Judge Witt for bail and the sum named is \$5,000. Shepherd was unable to give it and went to jail. A cursory examination of Shepherd's accounts has resulted in the finding of several other clerks for \$50, and as stipulated in the same way. It is the one on which the original charge was made. The discovery of Shepherd's defalcations was due to an inquiry by a candidate for the constitutional convention in regard to the cost to the state of commissioners of revenue, received while Shepherd was absent. While looking up the expenses of these officers the embezzlements were discovered.

In Norfolk yesterday Alfred P. Thom and Judge D. Tucker Brooke were nominated over W. W. Old and J. T. Wheelan, and in Portsmouth Goodrich Hatton defeated Colonel William H. Swart for the State convention.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

New York, April 25.—The stock market was favorably affected at the start by the business American securities in London. The speculation developed irregularly after the first half hour but the general tone was strong. Governments unchanged. The dealings in stock in this morning were enormous. Up to noon 1,402,250 shares had been bought and sold.