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CONDITIONS IN STATU QUO. The Sunday law excitement, as was supposed from the first, has passed away, and soda water dispensers, ice cream vendors, and others who about six weeks ago were haled into the Police Court for violating the state law which provides a penalty of five dollars upon such persons as may transact business on the first day of the week are at "ease in Zion."

During the past third of a century several attempts have been made in this city to enforce this obsolete statute. The excitement incident thereto has soon passed away as a nine-days' wonder after which conditions have resumed the normal.

It was Burke or Curran who said it was impossible to indict a community, and this observation, although made many years ago, has proven correct. The Irish jurist may have added that where a large majority in a community see no harm in certain procedures, it is equally impossible to interdict them.

We think it was General Grant who said the best way to get rid of an obnoxious law is to enforce it. He was also a wise man in his day and generation.

A Richmond contemporary, in speaking of the Sunday law of this state says: Some years ago, when the police, the preachers and the other authorities came to the agreement under which soda-water sellers and confectioners were tacitly allowed to do business on Sunday, under certain restrictions designed to avoid giving open offense to the sensibilities of the more rigid, one of the strongest arguments for that course was that, unless this compromise were permitted, the dealers would obtain restaurant licenses and throw their places wide open.

Now it appears that the expected has happened. The Sunday-observance law has been clamped down, and in consequence, restaurant licenses are in demand. In further consequence, many places that heretofore have observed at least outward respect for the Sabbath will proceed as if there were seven working days in every week. Nor can the police or the courts interfere. The statute defines the keeper of an eating-house as "Any person who shall cook or otherwise furnish, for compensation, diet or refreshments of any kind, for casual visitors at his home, for consumption therein, and who is not the keeper of an ordinary house of private entertainment or boarding-house."

An eating-house or restaurant is included among the necessities, of course. So, under the statute, and interpretations of a week or two ago, any person who chooses to pay a tax required may sell refreshments of any kind, if he pleases. He may not spirituous or malt li-

quors," but the rich field of the soft drink, and the sweet is open to his hand. In short, the tax laws and the decisions have, in this respect, drawn the teeth of both the Sunday-observance law and the much dreaded ouster act.

UNITED STATES TO PAY FINE.

Denmark has been forced to pay a secret indemnity to Germany for failure to maintain strict neutrality. The indemnity exacted is understood to be as much as 80,000,000 kroner (about \$22,400,000).

The offense occurred last winter when the Baltic Sea was invaded by British submarines. To enter the Baltic from the North Sea, it is necessary to pass through Danish waters, strongly guarded by forts. Germany secured evidence that the English submarines could not have entered the Baltic without the permission or connivance of the Danish government. Of all the Scandinavian countries, the Danes are the strongest sympathizers with the allies, and have the strongest antipathy to Germany.

The United States has at times during the past half of a century been endeavoring to purchase the Danish West Indies. Recently Denmark was ready to transfer them to this country for five million dollars, but Germany frowned at the procedure the Teutons having had their eyes upon them for years, but fearing friction with the United States, the Fatherland was deterred from entering into direct negotiations with Denmark.

Germany is in no condition at present to exercise the power she once possessed in blocking other nations, and now that Denmark has been compelled to pay twenty-two million dollars fine to the Emperor William, she is ready to turn the islands over to the United States—not for five million dollars, however, but twenty-five million. In other words the advance she will realize will be about enough to liquidate the German claim. The United States must have these islands, as their possessor by any other power now that the Panama Canal is in operation would be detrimental to the interests of this country. The deal is expected to be consummated within the next few days.

DISPOSITION OF THE KAISER.

If the Allies should overrun Germany and beat her into submission, what will be the fate of the Kaiser? This query is propounded by the Baltimore Sun, which suggests that there is reason to believe that it would be as bad—if not worse—as the fate of Napoleon Bonaparte. He was shut up for life in an island cage where he could do no more harm. Great Britain headed the combination against the French conqueror; she heads the combination against the German Emperor, and she is not likely to be less implacable toward him, if she triumphs, than she was toward Napoleon. The latter gave her the greatest fright in her history a little more than one hundred years ago. Germany's czar a century later has been threatening her supremacy on land and sea, in peace and war. If the Allies conquer, can they afford to include the Kaiser in their peace terms?

If the Allies should finally destroy the Emperor's armies and occupy Germany as Germany has occupied Belgium momentous events would doubtless follow. In that event it is not at all improbable that we should then witness the most dramatic of tremendous tragedy—a court-martial of the nations to try William of Hohenzollern for his alleged crimes against mankind. And from ravished Belgium; from Serbia, swept by a trinity of horrors, war, plague and famine; from Poland's wretched millions; from crucified Armenia; from the bloody grave of the Lusitania; from the east and from the west, from the north and the south, from Germany and Austria as well as from the antipodes, this international court would summon a vast array of accusing witnesses—men, women and children.

It is suggested it would not be just to hold the Emperor responsible for all the misery and suffering and loss of this war; but kings and peasants have died for far less. It is safe to predict that if the Allies of 1916 become masters of Berlin and Germany as the Allies of 1815 became masters of Paris and France, it will go hard with the House of Hohenzollern. But in this as in many other matters the philosophy involved in the recipe for juggled hare still holds good. The Hohenzollern hare is not yet caught.

J. Robt. Beuchler, Chiropractor, has opened an office in Alexandria at 724 King street.

VIRGINIA NEWS

Twelve new cases of typhoid fever were reported to the Health Department of Richmond Saturday.

William Henry Jones, jr., 55 years old, cashier of the Farmers' Bank of Nansemond, one of the best known bankers in the South, died Saturday in Suffolk. He had been in failing health for some time.

Edward Dickerson, 27 years old, son of Mrs. Emma Dickerson, of Richmond was drowned yesterday afternoon while bathing in Antietam creek, near Funkstown, Md. In attempting to save him a brother was nearly drowned.

Edgar Smothers, the 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Smothers, was struck and killed by lightning on the Tyler farm, near Seven Mile Ford in the vicinity of Maric. Last week, William Shrader who resides in the same locality was killed by a stroke of lightning. Young Shrader was on a hay stack when he was struck.

Persistent reports, known to have been given some credence at the British vice-consulate offices, are being circulated in Norfolk to the effect that the undersea merchantman Deutschland's trip to the capes on last Wednesday night was merely a bluff, and that she later returned to Chesapeake Bay. It is declared that she is now in hiding, submerged in some deep hole.

L. N. Taylor, Seventh-Day Adventist, of Richmond, who was one of the first alleged violators of the Sunday law to appear in court on a charge of selling confectionery on the Sabbath, was on Saturday dismissed in Hustling Court, Part II, by Judge E. H. Wells. According to the ruling of the court a man, if he conscientiously observes Saturday as his Sabbath and closes his establishment on that day, can operate on Sunday.

T. W. Patterson was accidentally shot Friday night at Sycamore, the country home of his uncle P. P. Patterson, of Richmond. Thomas Williams and T. W. ("Jack") Patterson were aroused in the night by a noise which they thought was caused by a burglar trying to enter the house and one of the boys went out of one door and the other out of another. Williams, seeing Patterson in the yard, thought he was a burglar, and shot him in the back. Dr. P. E. Tucker was called in, but the ball could not be extracted. The wounded boy is a son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Patterson, and is about seventeen years old. He is resting well and it is thought, will recover.

Richmond-Surprise Theatres

TONIGHT'S PROGRAM RICHMOND Hazel Dawn in an original detective comedy drama. My Lady Inog Paramount five parts.

PATHE WEEKLY TUESDAY Grace Valentine and Lionel Barrymore in Dorigan's Divorce Metro picture. DREW COMEDY Lillian Gish in The Lily and the Rose Triangle five parts

TONIGHT'S PROGRAM SURPRISE Pathe presents Pearl White, Creighton Hale and Sheldon Lewis in The Iron Claw Chapter eighteen. "The Green Eyed God." Pathe. Eugene Besserer and Harry Mestayer in The Sacrifice Solig three parts.

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WEDNESDAY Marguerite Goddard in Feathertop One of the most important Photoplay offerings of this year.

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Dr. J. Robt. BEUCHLER, Chiropractor, 724 King Street Alexandria, Va. Office hours: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 1 to 3:30 P. M. Washington office 1119 Eye Street. Phone: Main 2873J (Licensed by the Board of Medical Examiners in the State of Virginia.)

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FOR RENT—Two story frame house No. 508 Oronoco street. Six rooms cellar, yard and side alley. Rent, including water rent; \$11.00 a month. Apply to owner, Jas P. Quinn, 112 N. Columbus St.

FOR RENT—625 N. Alfred street, 6 rooms and sewer connection, \$9.75; 818 N. Columbus street, 6 rooms. Apply 603 Queen Street.

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WANTED—Several boarders for August and September, near Round Hill, within few minutes walk of station. Excellent table, shady lawn, large porches and fine mountain view. Week-end guests especially desirable. Address Miss Mollie Jones, Round Hill, Va. 181-31

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WANTED—Small farm from 15 to 50 acres, suitable for truck raising. Prefer to rent with option of buying. Address Farmer, care of Gazette. 178-11

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RAILROADS

SOUTHERN RAILWAY PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH IN EFFECT MARCH 1, 1916

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed. Trains leave Union Station, Alexandria. 7:37 A. M., Daily—Local between Washington and Danville, direct connection daily except Sunday to Orange to C and O. No. 403 for Gordonsville and Richmond. 8:47 A. M. Daily—Local for Harrisonburg and way stations. Buffet parlor car. 9:17 A. M. Daily—Mail train, coaches for Manassas, Warrenton, Orange, Lynchburg, Greensboro and Charlotte. 10:22 A. M. Daily—U. S. Fast Mail stops only for passengers to points at which scheduled to stop. Coaches and Sleeping cars to Atlanta, New Orleans, Birmingham. Sleeping car Salisbury to Asheville. Coaches for Charlottesville, Lynchburg, Danville, Greensboro, and Charlotte. 4:22 P. M. Daily—Local for Charlottesville connecting at Calverton for Warrenton. 4:52 P. M. Daily—Birmingham Special. Sleeping cars between New York, Atlanta, Anniston, Birmingham, and Augusta. Through first class coaches between Washington, Atlanta and Birmingham. Dining car service. Tourist to Atlanta daily. 4:02 P. M.—Local for Harrisonburg and way Stations on Manassas branch. Pullman Buffet parlor cars. 5:22 P. M. Local for Warrenton. 7:17 P. M. Daily—Augusta Special. Through train with sleeping cars to Charlotte, Columbia, Aiken and Augusta. Through Sleeping cars to Asheville. 10:02 P. M. Daily—Washington and Chattanooga Limited (via Lynchburg) First class coaches and sleeping cars to Roanoke, Knoxville, Chattanooga, Sleeper to New Orleans, Washington to Roanoke, Dining car service. 11:02 P. M. Daily—New York and New Orleans Limited. All Pullman train. Club and Observation cars to New Orleans. Dining car service. 4:27 A. M. Daily—Memphis special. Sleeping cars and coaches for Roanoke, Knoxville, Nashville, Chattanooga, and Memphis. Dining car service, Washington sleeping cars open 10 p. m.

For detailed schedule figures, tickets, reservations, etc., apply to S. D. SHELTON Union ticket agent, Alexandria, Va. E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-Pres., and gen. Manager. H. P. CARY, Gen'l Pass. Agent. W. H. TAYLOR, Pass. Traffic Mgr. C. W. WESTBURY, Gen. Agent. 705 15th Street, N. W., Washington D. C.

Washington Southern R. Schedule in effect May 28, 1916 For Washington and points north daily 8:08, 8:23, 8:33 a.m. 12:01, 12:16 12:33, 2:30, (through train for New York, via P. R. R.) 6:16, 8:53, 11:35 p. m. For Fredericksburg, Richmond and points south at 4:37, 7:53, (local) and 9:47, a. m. 12:16, 3:22, 3:32, 5:17 (local) 6:57, 9:47, p. m. daily. Accommodation for Fredericksburg at 2:23, p. m. Saturdays and 11:18 a. m. other days of week. Local from Richmond arrives 6:07 p. m. week days and 8:07 p. m. Sundays. NOTE—Times of arrival and departure and connections not guaranteed.

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