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Virginia's Next Governor.

Editors and newspaper correspondents in different sections of the State are speculating upon the merit and chances of several prominent men likely to aspire to the Governorship.

The announcement made several days ago in a Washington special that Hon. Claude A. Swanson, of Pennsylvania, would be a candidate for the gubernatorial nomination, and the accompanying declaration that his candidacy had received the endorsement of Hon. Thomas S. Martin, seems to have been premature.

A close friend of Mr. Swanson, as well as of Senator Martin, who has just returned from Washington, where he had a conference with both gentlemen, told a Dispatch man last night that Mr. Swanson had not decided to enter the race for the governorship as yet.

Whether Mr. Swanson, in the light of the Dispatch's information, concludes to wait and run in 1905 or not, and Mr. McCormick's friends can prevail on him to enter the race, he would, no doubt, be the most acceptable man throughout the State the party could nominate.

His representative record in the Senate of Virginia, proved his ability as patron of important bills, and his intelligent discussion of measures in the interest of all her people, were recognized and appreciated, and he can well be trusted to render the State a faithful service as her Governor.

It is asserted by "the close friend of Mr. Swanson as well as Senator Martin," quoted above, that if "Mr. Swanson does run, he will have the support of Senator Martin."

We fail to see the necessity for this bluster and injustice done Senator Martin. We write knowingly when we say that Senator Martin is a warm friend of the Hon. Marshall McCormick. Therefore, the COURIER believes Senator Martin will direct his energies and talent to questions of importance in National legislation, rather than become an active, avowed champion of any particular friend aspiring to the gubernatorial chair of Virginia.

Among the bills now being considered by the Legislature is one offered by Senator LeCato, proposing to exclude from voting those persons "who have failed to pay to the State before the day of the election the capitation tax required by law for the preceding year."

The Virginia Senate and House both passed a joint resolution Monday inviting Col. William Jennings Bryan, who is referred to as "the greatest living Democrat," to deliver an address on the political issues of the day before the General Assembly at such time as may suit his convenience.

Latest from South Africa.

A dispatch from Durban, Natal, says it is reported "from an excellent source" that Gen. Lord Douglas Dundonald has entered the town of Ladysmith with his flying column of 1,600 cavalymen, which has been making a dash to the north of the main British position.

Other dispatches indicate that Gen. Sir Charles Warren, who, with about 16,000 troops, is conducting the main attack on the Boers, is "making very slow progress," as one cablegram puts it, and that the Boers compel him to fight hard for every inch. He has not yet reached the main Boer position. The report about Lord Dundonald will require confirmation before being accepted as true.

Should Dundonald enter the besieged town with 1,600 men he would probably be bottled up, like the other 8,500 British troops there. It seems likely that only desperate fighting could break the circle of Boer intrenchments around the town by a British force seeking either to enter or leave.

As to the main battle, which began Saturday about 22 miles southwest of Ladysmith, no substantial progress in the British attack is reported. General Buller sent a cablegram to the London War Office at 6 P. M. Monday giving a partial list of losses in one of Warren's brigades. He does not say a word as to any fighting on Monday. This is regarded in some quarters in London as an unfavorable sign.

The present Boer position, as indicated by the dispatches, is about 10 miles long, extending south west of Ladysmith, so as to block the British advance. At no place have the British, so far as known, forced their way nearer to Ladysmith than 16 miles, being held off by the Boer intrenchments.

The Boers are following their usual tactics—making resistance and then retreating in good order to prepared positions. As they are working from the interior of their lines, they may be able to bring strong forces to defend their main position.

General Warren is supposed to have about 16,000 men and 30 guns. Lyttell, it is indicated, has about 8,000 men and 18 guns. General Buller's total force is estimated at not less than 45,000. The strength of the Boers is unknown.

The last act of the battle will doubtless be an assault in force on the main Boer position. This may have occurred already. London, in breathless suspense, awaits the result.

The New York Sun publishes a report that the Boers have an Irish brigade of more than 2,500, the majority of whom are from California and the west, and with quite a sprinkling from the old country and the Cape.

A great audience heard the speakers at the pro-Boer mass-meeting held in the Grand Opera House, Washington, Sunday night. Senators Mason and Allen and Representatives Sultz, Bailey and Clark were among the speakers. Great Britain was vigorously denounced for her course in the war.

The almanac of the Washington Post for 1900 has been received from its publishers, the Post Company. As stated on its title page, it is really a cyclopedia of historical information and a comprehensive and condensed record of the events of the year 1899, and contains a forecast of the weather for every day in 1900. It is a valuable book, of ready reference, to all classes of people, and in respect of American political statistics, is not excelled.

Having a Great Run on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Manager Martin, of the Pierson drugstore, informs us that he is having a great run on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He sells five bottles of that medicine to one of any other kind, and it gives great satisfaction. In these days of la grippe there is nothing like Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to stop the cough, heal up the sore throat and lungs and give relief within a very short time. The sales are growing, and all who try it are pleased with its prompt action.—South Chicago Daily Calumet. For sale by W. Richardson druggist.

John Ruskin, the noted English author, Richard D. Blackmore, the English novelist, and Francis Paul Charles Louis Alexander, Duke of Teck, are dead.

I want to let the people who suffer from rheumatism and sciatica know that Chamberlain's Pain Balm relieved me after a number of other medicines and a doctor had failed. It is the best liniment I have ever known of.—J. A. DODGEN, Alpharetta, Ga. Thousands have been cured of rheumatism by this remedy. One application relieves the pain. For sale by W. Richardson, Druggist.

Mr. Bryan on Imperialism.

Hon. William J. Bryan's argument against imperialism in his speech at Music Hall Saturday evening was eloquent and convincing. The principal reasons for the adoption of this policy by the Republican party, he believed could be summarized in the declaration that "there is money in it; that God is in it, and that we are in it and can't get out." When an imperialist declaration that "there is money in it" says the new policy will pay, declared Mr. Bryan, he is compelled to put a money value on each American life that is sacrificed in the effort to conquer the Philippines.

Mr. Bryan ridiculed the suggestion that the Philippines would furnish homes for the surplus population of the United States. "Think of it," he said: "60 people to the square mile over there now and 20 people to the square mile here! When it is possible for people to pass freely from the Philippine Islands to the United States and from the United States to the Philippines there will be more Malays coming to this country to bring their Oriental habits and compete with American labor than there will be Americans to go over and live in the tropics."

Mr. Bryan believes that the Filipinos should be given independence. "We should treat them as we promised to treat the Cubans. We told the Cubans that we were fighting for liberty, not land. Let us tell the Filipinos that they are to stand up and be free and then say to all the world, 'Hands off, and let that republic work out its own destiny.'" In his opinion the war could be ended at once upon the assurance of independence to the Filipinos, and there would be no humiliation to the United States in telling them now that they would be given their freedom.

Mr. Bryan's ideal of the destiny of the American republic is that "this nation may be able to stand erect and say at all times that it sympathizes with anybody who is willing to die for liberty. In every content heretofore between republicans and monarchy the American people have expressed their sympathy. When Greece was struggling to be free Webster and Clay exerted their eloquence in defense of a resolution pledging sympathy. When the Cubans were fighting for their liberty all parties declared the sympathy of the American people." Now, however, "when the English Government is attempting to take from the people of the Boer Republic the right to govern themselves, the people who believe in imperialism in the United States dare not say a word to express their sympathy."

This silence Mr. Bryan compared to a paralysis that is creeping over the nation. "If the United States," he declared, "enters upon a career of imperialism it will cease to be a moral factor in the world's progress. If it enters upon a career of conquest it will not be in a position to raise its protest against that doctrine when applied by other nations."

Mr. Bryan's views on national finance were in the main the same which he has held for several years past. He discussed the financial bill pending in the Senate and maintained that it would give the national banks control of the currency and create a dangerous "money trust."—Baltimore Sun.

THE NICARAGUA CANAL.—A bill has been favorably reported to the House providing for the construction of the canal by the United States and appropriating \$140,000,000 for this purpose. By the terms of this bill the President is authorized to acquire from Costa Rica and Nicaragua, on behalf of the United States, control of such territory belonging to those countries as may be necessary to construct and defend a canal of the depth and capacity required. The Senate Committee on Inter-oceanic Canals has ordered a favorable report on the bill, and as the canal project is said to be approved by a majority of the members of both houses of Congress the enactment of legislation is expected. If Great Britain should insist upon a strict enforcement of the terms of the Bulwer-Clayton treaty it might be difficult for the United States to secure control of the canal. It seems to be the general impression, however, that Great Britain will not stand upon the letter of the treaty. A poll of the members of Congress indicates an overwhelming majority favoring the immediate passage of the Nicaragua Canal bill.

A Thousand Tongues Could not express the rapture of Annie E. Springer, of 1125 Howard St., Philadelphia, Pa., when she found that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption had cured her of a hacking cough that for many years had made life a burden. All other remedies and doctors could give her no help, but she says of this royal cure: "It soon removed the pain in my chest and I can now sleep soundly, something I can scarcely remember doing before. I feel like sounding its praises throughout the Universe." So will every one who tries Dr. King's New Discovery for any trouble of the Throat, Chest or Lungs. Price 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at C. Blencoe's drug store; every bottle guaranteed.

The General Lawton fund, it is announced, will exceed \$85,000.

A Tribute To General Lee.

It is not conceivable that any man, North, South, East or West, throughout the tremendous length and breadth of the United States, would frown upon or even fail to sympathize with a movement to celebrate the memory of Robert E. Lee. There was a man who contained within himself every element of a noble heroism. Pure-minded, generous, chivalric, brave and gentle, he was yet a man of strenuous action, the soldier, commander and the war god. If he ever harbored a mean thought or committed a mean act, his most industrious critic has failed to mention it. If he was ever other than the gentleman, the Christian, and the ideal soldier, the closest students of his record do not know it to this day. If he had a fault, it was that of self-abnegation. If had a weakness, it was that of mercy and compassion. His life makes a stainless and a splendid page in history. He showed the world that a puissant soldier could be pitiful and kind as any angel. He showed the world that a very lord of battle could be innocent and stainless in his private life. If in modern times there has been developed the prototype of Tennyson's Sir Galahad, we find it in the character and career of Lee. He met Grant's magnificent strategy and impetuous attack with a genius and a fortitude which provoked the admiration of all Christendom. He met Grant's splendid magnanimity at Appomattox with an eager heroism and patient resignation beyond all words. He should have a monument of nobility of character and splendor of courage and magnificence of devotion are entitled to recognition by brave men. It should be the pride of every one to aid in so high a cause.—Washington Post.

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver, of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, to give coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and I robbed the grave of another victim. No one should fail to try them. Only 50c. guaranteed, at C. Blencoe's drug store."

TWO LYNCHED IN KANSAS.

Fort Scott, Kan., Jan. 21.—George Silbee and Edward Meeks, half-brothers, who were convicted of murder a few days ago, were lynched by a mob in the county jail yard at Fort Scott, Kan., Saturday. Silbee and Meeks had killed a young German farmer, Leopold Edinger, near Fort Scott in October last. The murderers also belonged to a band of thieves. The lynching was the work of a mob that began gathering in the vicinity of the county jail soon after dark. Silbee defied his captors until the last. He placed the noose around his own neck and died cursing the crowd. Just as he was about to be hanged he turned to his comrade with an oath and commanded him to "die game." The comrade obeyed, maintaining an outward calm until he was jerked into the air.

RAILROAD CONSOLIDATION.

The Chicago Chronicle says: As a result of the recent consolidations and agreements among the owners of the great trunk railway east of Chicago, the entire transportation system between the Mississippi and the Atlantic seaboard is to be reorganized, involving the following changes: The abandonment of the city ticket offices of all the roads in the syndicate in Chicago, New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Buffalo, Baltimore, Washington, Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Detroit, Indianapolis, Peoria and St. Louis and the substitution of a joint office in each city. The discharge of all city general traveling, and district freight and passenger agents and solicitors of the eastern roads in all parts of the United States, Canada, and Europe. This will affect nearly 50,000.

It has been demonstrated repeatedly in every state in the Union and in many foreign countries that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is a certain preventive and cure for croup.

It has become the universal remedy for that disease. M. V. Fisher, of Liberty, W. Va., only repeats what has been said around the globe when he writes: "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in my family for several years and always with perfect success. We believe that it is not only the best cough remedy, but that it is a sure cure for croup. It has saved the lives of our children a number of times." This remedy is for sale by W. Richardson, druggist.

The other day a bashful young lady brought to a store a number of chickens with their feet tied, and in her confusion laid them on the counter. The clerk noted for his politeness, and not wanting the fowls on the counter, smilingly said: "Are you sure they will lay there?" "Oh, no, no, sir," she stammered blushing. "They are all roosters." That clerk now gets red at the sight of chicken salad.—Warren Register.

W. Richardson, druggist, guarantees every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and will refund the money to anyone who is not satisfied after using two thirds of the contents.

This is the best remedy in the world for the grippé, coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough and is pleasant and safe to take. It prevents any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia.

Virginia News.

Mrs. Maria Copeland, widow of Craven Copeland, died at her home in Loudoun county on Saturday last.

Representative Quarles, of Virginia, delivered his first speech in the House of Representatives last week in favor of the deficiency bill relating to the extension of the rural free delivery service.

Last season the 80 canneries in Botetourt county, packed an average of about 4000 cases each of tomatoes and sold at an average of \$1.20 per case. This means the snug sum of \$384,000 for the tomato industry in that county for 1899.

A pistol carried by Officer W. N. Tancil, of Fredericksburg, fell from his pocket while he was walking along the street. The weapon was discharged, the ball passing through the window sash of J. D. Ray's office. It struck Archy Ray in the abdomen, inflicting an ugly wound.

The plant of the Lynchburg Gas Light Company has been sold to F. H. Shelton and the Real Estate Trust Company of Philadelphia, for \$161,828. The stockholders receive by this sale an advance of \$40 over \$100 in value of stock. Under the new company Lynchburg will be furnished gas at a 30 per cent. reduction.

Mr. T. F. Taylor, deputy clerk of Henrico county, who is charged with embezzling \$1,000 of State funds, waived examination, and was bailed by Judge Wickham in the sum of \$2,000. Mr. Taylor's bondsmen for some unknown reason, surrendered to the authorities, and Taylor was rearrested. Later Taylor escaped and has not been heard of since.

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Will often cause a horrible burn, Scald, Cut or Bruise. Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the world, will kill the pain and promptly heal it. Cures Old Sores, Fever Sores, Ulcers, Boils, Felons, Corns, all Skin Eruptions. Best Pile cure on earth. Only 25 cts. a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by C. W. Blencoe, druggist.

The cold storage of eggs begun last summer in an effort to "corner" the market is likely to bring the adventurers to grief. It is estimated they stored away 7,000,000 cases—each case containing 30 dozen eggs. That 210,000,000 dozen—2,520,000,000 eggs. It is said the owners will have to sell them at not less than four cents a dozen less than they gave for them, which means a loss of \$8,400,000. The hens are cackling all over the country over this bad break of the egg combine.

Jessie Eldridge Bailey, of Hagerstown, says he is one of the heirs to the Bailey fortune, said to amount to \$90,000,000 and waiting to be claimed in England. Mr. Bailey is the son of Mr. George W. Bailey, a resident of Martinsburg. Mr. Bailey's mother died in 1875 and he is the only child. He was a former resident of Charlestown—a marble worker, and married Miss Husicker, of that town. According to Mr. Bailey, his father is the heir and he, at the death of his father, will get the whole thing.

The annual report of the Civil Service Commission, a voluminous document, was given to the press Monday. It dwells at length upon the need of extending the classified lists into new departments and is specially anxious that the employes for our new possessions should be under civil service rules.

Senator Jones, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, has issued a call for a meeting of that Committee to be held in Washington February 22nd. The purpose of the meeting is to fix a time and place for holding a national Democratic convention next summer.

That Throbbing Headache Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for Sick and Nervous Headaches. They make pure blood and strong nerves and build up your health. Easy to take. Try them. Only 25 cents. Money back if not cured. Sold by C. W. Blencoe, druggist.

DISSOLUTION

The co-partnership existing between C. P. Howell & Bro., operating the Berryville Creamery, has this 8th day of January, 1900, been dissolved by mutual consent.

Mr. C. P. Howell becomes the owner of the Berryville Creamery and will run it on a larger scale hereafter. C. P. HOWELL & BRO. Jan 10 31

PUBLIC SALE.

By virtue of a deed of trust executed by Nathan Tate, the undersigned trustee, dated Sept. 13, 1887, and of record in deed Book T at page 326, I will offer at auction to the highest bidder, on Saturday, February 3, 1900, in front of the courthouse in Berryville, Va., at 12 o'clock m., the tract of land, conveyed by said deed, situated in Clarke County, Va., containing

13 ACRES,

adjoining the lands of H. D. Kerfoot, the Allen Williams land and fronting on the county road leading to the Shenandoah river. This property will be sold to satisfy a bond of \$200 with interest from Sept. 13th, 1887, due to Jas. E. Tyson and there is also due upon the same \$19.35 for unpaid taxes.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash. CHARLES M. BHOON, Trustee. John W. Grubbs, Auct.

Blacksmithing Promptly Done.

The firm of ROBY & MILLER having been dissolved, this is to give notice that I will continue the business at the old stand, on the Kercheval corner, Berryville, Va. The SHOEING OF HORSES and all other kinds of BLACKSMITHING promptly and well done. I solicit from the public a share of its patronage, believing an gives satisfaction at all times. JOHN MILLER.

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Fresh Stock of Groceries, and have opened up my New Store in the Helvestine Building, (formerly occupied by Mr. VanDeventer), where I asked my old customers and the public in general to call and assure them that they will be given satisfaction.

My Hardware Line is Complete and any article I can't furnish you from stock will be promptly ordered. Feb 19 1900 D. H. JONES.

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