

## TOWN OF SUFFOLK

## MISSING FROM HOME

No Tidings Received from a Man Who Disappeared a Week Ago.

## REMARKABLE RECORD OF A FAMILY

Enjoyable Reception—Robbers Make Two Raids—Church Officers Elected—Art Reception—Royal Arcanum Installs Officers—Tidings Case on Trial.

Suffolk, Va., Jan. 14.—(Special)—There's a man missing from Suffolk. His absence is causing a whole lot of speculation. The man in question, who is well known, left home and business. That was more than a week ago. Since then his wife and children have moved from their home. The man's whereabouts and intent are not known. A connection of the family doesn't think he will return. He came to Suffolk a year or so ago from a distant city and soon married. His name is withheld, as he may be innocent of wrong intent.

## A REMARKABLE RECORD.

Mr. Darlen P. Daughtry, a venerable citizen of Suffolk, tells of a remarkable family history in today's issue of the Suffolk Herald. He says that in a family of five brothers and four sisters there has not been a death for more than forty-three years. The war record is hardly less noticeable. Here is what Mr. Daughtry says in part:

"When the town of war sounded her call to the sons of the South for the defense of our loved Southland, four of these and a brother-in-law promptly responded, leaving the youngest, then but a boy, with our aged father to care for our homes and families. These all volunteered in the same cavalry company, and all, as private soldiers, made an honorable record, involving dangers, privations and hardships, fighting, woundings and long imprisonments. All surrendered to the result paroled, returned to well-high ruined homes to enter the equally sanguinary struggle for bread. The noblest of parents, and wives of sweet hearts, they have all battled well and successfully, until to-day, thirty-three years after the cruel war is over, they all live and have contributed to good citizenship. It may be said that their reputations remain undimmed and that no spot in their lives blurs the fair ancestral name."

## AN ENJOYABLE RECEPTION.

There was a pleasant social gathering to-night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Hersey Woodward, No. 28 Main street. The reception was given to four of Mr. Woodward's fellow accountants at the Farmers' Bank. It was in honor of Louis Brothers, who will leave next Tuesday to take a business course at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Those present were Louis Goddard Brothers with Miss Janet Withers, K. B. McLeod with Miss Lillian Dennis, Frank Holladay with Miss Mary Saunders, A. H. Hargrave with Miss Louise Britt.

## ROBBERS MAKE TWO RAIDS.

A band of nervy robbers invaded Ivor a few days ago. They didn't get a big haul. A commercial man's trunk was removed from its repository and nineteen samples of shoes extracted. The trunk was left.

Afterwards members of the same gang went to the residence of M. B. Bell with burglarious intent. Bell met them at the door, but before he could get a gun the miscreants had vanished in the darkness.

## BAPTIST OFFICERS.

At a conference of members of the Baptist church the following officials were named to serve during the coming year: Donald McLeod, church clerk; William Briggs, treasurer; C. O. Harrell, assistant; T. Jackson, Ely, treasurer missionary funds; W. C. Harrell, A. C. Nurney, Pelham Trotman and Fletcher Ely, ushers and collectors; D. P. Daughtry, R. B. Booker, R. F. Harrell, Donald McLeod, W. C. Harrell, C. A. Vick and C. O. Harrell, readers.

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What does A stand for? When some friend suggests that your blood needs A sarsaparilla treatment, remember that A stands for AYER'S. The first letter in the alphabet stands for the first of sarsaparillas; first in origin, first in record, first in the favor of the family. For nearly half a century

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has been curing all forms of blood diseases—scrofula, eczema, tetter, rheumatism, erysipelas, blood poisoning, etc.—There's a book about these cures—'Ayer's Curebook, a story of cures told by the cured,'—which is sent free on request, by Dr. J. C. Ayer, Lowell, Mass. The book will interest you if you are sick or weak, because it tells not what the claimed remedy will do, but what your neighbors and family say that it has done. It has cured

## TWO FUNERALS.

There were two funerals at Cypress chapel, twelve miles from Suffolk. Mrs. Sarah Mitchell and Mr. William T. Jones were buried in the presence of good sized crowds of friends. Both deceased have relatives in Suffolk and many persons from here attended.

## THEY'RE MAKING IT SWELL.

Neatly engraved cards for the coming art reception have been issued. They read like this: "Art reception on Tuesday evening, January 18th, 1898, 8:30 to 11:30 o'clock, at the residence of Mrs. John B. Pinner, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid society of the Presbyterian church, Suffolk, Va." Enclosed with the invitations are envelopes to contain the silver offering. A feature of the entertainment will be the refreshments, which are free.

## OFFICERS INDUCTED.

The annual installation of Nansemond Council No. 576, Royal Arcanum, took place to-night. Dr. A. W. Ely was master of ceremonies. These were inducted: W. G. Elam, sitting past regent; R. L. Woodward, regent; R. H. Davies, vice regent; Wallace Kilby, orator; W. H. Ely, secretary; Ben Cardville, collector; G. K. G. Lawshe, treasurer; N. E. Brinkley, guide; T. M. Hodges, warder; J. C. Freeman, sentinel; A. W. Ely, R. L. Woodward, G. K. G. Lawshe, trustee. W. G. Elam is representative to the Grand Lodge, and J. E. Booker alternate.

## COUNCIL VACANCY FILLED.

At a meeting of the Franklin Town Council this week Jesse A. Edwards was chosen as a member in place of Councilman E. F. Story, resigned. The town treasury was shown to have a good balance.

## TIDIOUS CASE.

The Saunders-Elms wharf case occupied Nansemond County Court all day. A large number of witnesses were examined. The case is a tedious one.

## BRIEFS.

Mrs. W. B. Lawrence has been ill for several days with rheumatism.

Luther W. Caulk is visiting friends in Baltimore.

Miss Edith Wickham, who had been for several months with the Misses Pinner, has gone to her home, in Frederick, Md.

Mrs. Millard T. Pinner has been very ill for a day or two.

Miss Beattie Oak of Churchland, is being entertained by her sister, Mrs. William T. Green.

Councilman J. Walter Foster's residence, which was rolled from Main street to Saratoga extended, is being repaired and fitted up.

The Rev. J. P. Dean, of Windsor, has recently been called to preach in the Baptist church at Ivor.

Miss Annie Chappell, of Petersburg, came to-day to visit Suffolk relatives.

Do you know that we sell the best Life Insurance Policy to be bought anywhere?

We represent the Union Central, which is absolutely the best company which writes business in this section. Our Twenty Payment Life Policy cannot be equaled by any contract offered by any other company, while our Rate Endowment policies are the cheapest and best endowment insurance written.

In these you pay ordinary life rates and get an endowment contract. You will lose money if you insure before seeing us.

We also sell the very best Fire and Accident Insurance.

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No. 6 Main street,  
Suffolk, Va.

## NEWPORT NEWS.

Miniature Naval Battle Getting an Airing in Court.

Newport News, Va., Jan. 14.—(Special)—The panel was completed for the trial of Commonwealth's case against A. D. Winslow at 11 o'clock this morning.

The examination of the Commonwealth's witnesses is now in progress. The indictment upon which the defendant is being tried charges shooting John Reynolds with intent to kill. It will be remembered that the difficulty, which involved the employees of the ship chandlery of this city, occurred on the James river last fall, as the runners of the Newport News Supply company, and A. D. Winslow & Co., in over-zealous rivalry to supply provisions to an incoming ship, met in collision with their small boats in speaking the ship and getting the captain's ear. A miniature naval battle ensued between the crews of the boats in collision. John Reynolds, one of the occupants of the supply company's boat, it was said, assaulted the occupants of the Winslow boat with an oar, and the grand jury found a true bill against him for this offense.

Winslow, however, was more war-like in his demonstrations. He drew a revolver and fired several shots at John Reynolds, two of which took effect.

Reynolds, a man of great stature and inextinguishable nerve, is now on the stand giving the defendant's lawyers a drill in mental gymnastics.

## POLICE COURT.

Wm. Randall, colored, carrying concealed weapons; fined \$2 and costs.

Wm. Johnson, colored, suspicious character; required to give bond in sum of \$500.

Eliza Bryant, colored, felonious assault; continued ten days.

Charles Stamp, colored, petty larceny; sixty days in jail.

John Spratley, colored, petty larceny; continued.

Frank Ashmouth, violating Sunday law; fined \$2 and costs.

In contrast between the advantages of this city and its suburb, Bloodfield, is rather too great to inspire the denizens of this rural district with contentment or the ruralists consider our advancement worthy of emulation. At any rate a movement to secure post-offices for this isolated district is on foot. A petition, numerously signed by people in Ivy avenue, was today presented to Postmaster Reed for approval and co-operation in securing a local office in Bloodfield.

The committee appointed by the Common Council to visit Richmond and make amendments to the city charter are in Richmond to-day.

A. J. Roper, of San Francisco, has just made a good photograph of Cape Horn, and is said to be the only man who has ever accomplished the feat.

The total registration of students at Harvard, up to date, is 3,739, against 3,550 last year.

## WEEKLY TRADE REVIEW

Business Opens Without Excitement in the Speculative Market.

## RAILROADS HAD A PROSPEROUS YEAR

Stocks Hold up Well—Wheat Market Curiously Languid—Cotton Affected by the Stoppage of Mills—Iron Furnaces Produce Enormously—Export Trade Continues Large.

New York, Jan. 14.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade will say in its issue to-morrow:

The year has opened with a very satisfactory prospect. It is all the better that there is no wild excitement in the speculative markets, and while stocks advance a little, grain yields a little. The payments through principal clearing houses, notwithstanding a decrease at New York, owing to less activity in stocks, are 2.6 per cent. larger than in 1897, and 10.1 per cent. larger outside of New York. Earnings of all railroads in the United States reporting for December, \$4,364,279, indicate substantially the same rate of increase exceeding last year's by 10.5 per cent., and the earnings of 1897 for the same month by 1.3 per cent. Since 1892 was on the whole the most prosperous year thus far, comparisons indicate, notwithstanding the lowest prices ever known that the volume of business is larger, and in spite of some cutting of rates, the earnings of railroads are larger than in the best year of past history.

The wheat market has been curiously languid, yielding 4 of a cent, although Atlantic exports amount to 6,656,788 bushels for the two weeks of January against 3,853,317 last year, and Pacific exports for the week have been 1,979,576 bushels. Western receipts continue so heavy that with the greatest accumulation of wheat at Chicago ever known there is little encouragement for speculation, and receipts were 5,727,250 bushels for two weeks, against 3,098,608 last year. Corn exports continue large, amounting to 226,688 bushels, against 1,147,652 bushels for the week last year. The price declined about 1/4 of a cent.

Spot cotton is a sixteen-cent lower for middling uplands mainly because of the stoppage of some mills by difficulty about wages, but nothing is definitely known about the quantity of cotton yet coming forward, and one report of creditable character puts the year's yield at 10,570,250 bales, thought results thus far do not quite justify so large an estimate.

The iron furnaces in blast January last report an output of 226,688 tons weekly, against 225,024 weekly December last, with an increase of 12,481 tons in the unsold stocks held by furnaces. While this shows a consumption 22 per cent. larger than a year ago, there would be discouraging indications of consumption but for the fact that several furnaces were stopped for the holidays, and these, with several others, have started since January 1st, while the demand for finished products does not diminish. The Pennsylvania railroad has ordered 100,000 tons steel rails and a new railroad in Maine 12,000 tons and other orders or cars, railroad material are unusually large for the season.

The woolen manufacturers have been buying wool largely, and for reasons not publicly explained. It is evident that large orders have been taken by the leading mills at prices which they find satisfactory and the rush of small mills to buy wool has made most of the market during the past week. But there is decidedly a demand for men's wear goods, and the makers look forward to a good season. The woolen manufacturers, heavily overloaded by excessive production, find no increase in demand and no gain in prices.

Failures for the past week have been 25 in the United States against 455 last year, and 45 in Canada, against 71 last year.

## BRADSTREET'S REVIEW.

Bradstreet's to-morrow will say: Distributive trade remains rather quiet, mild weather throughout the country tending to check distribution of winter goods. Prices generally remain steady or tend upward, except for some grades of iron, and orders for spring trade where received are encouraging. Pig iron activity is most manifest at the West where the demand for iron is very large. A feature of the week was the placing of an order by one railroad for 100,000 tons of steel rails, with smaller orders, also started in this neighborhood of 25,000 tons more. Pig iron production is now at an unprecedented rate, the furnace capacity being estimated at 1,000,000 tons a month. At the South manufacturing activity is a feature, sales of iron being very heavy. A large demand for cotton and wool goods is being felt, and a feature of the week was the placing of an order by one railroad for 100,000 tons of steel rails, with smaller orders, also started in this neighborhood of 25,000 tons more. 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