THE DEATH OF COL. JOHNSTON.

Decease of This Well-Known Novelist in Baltimore.

WAS A VIRGINIAN BY DESCENT.

He Was a Brilliant Author, Lecturer and Professor, and His Productions Were Eagerly Sought For—Some of His Works—His Family.

BALTIMORE, MD., Sept. 23.—Special.—Col. Richard Malcolm Johnston, the author and lecturer, died at the City Hospital at 4:10 this morning from the effects of general debility. He was seventy-six years old. Colonel Johnston's condition became serious several weeks ago and he was removed to the hospital from his home, 102 west Lafayette avenue. He was visited daily by his daughters, Miss Ruth Johnston, Miss Effie Johnston and Mrs. W. G. Charlton, the latter of Savannah, who came to Baltimore recently to see her father, but none of the children were present when the end came.

COLONEL RICHARD MALCOLM JOHNSTON.

They were notified and hurried to the hospital and other members of the family were telegraphed to and will come on at once.

The remains were removed in the family hearse to the residence and funeral services will be held at St. Ignatius Catholic church on Monday.

HIS LIFE.

Colonel Johnston was born in Hancock county, Ga., in 1822. He was of Scotch descent. His father was Malcolm Johnston, who was born in Virginia, but afterward settled in Georgia and became a successful planter.

Young Johnston graduated at Mercer University, Georgia, when he was nineteen years old, and was the honor man of his class. He was shortly afterward admitted to the bar and soon gained a reputation in his profession. He held the chair of belles lettres in the University of Georgia from 1857 to the beginning of the civil war, when he entered the Confederate army. Prior to this time he conducted Rockby School for Boys, in Hancock county.

SETTLED IN BALTIMORE.

In 1867 Colonel Johnston settled in Baltimore and passed the remaining years of his life in this city, where he was honored and respected, not alone for his brilliant literary attainments, but on account of his high personal character. He was always courteous and considerate, and made many warm friends in the city of his adoption. Shortly after coming to Baltimore he founded the Pen Lucy School for Boys, at which institution many young men received their rudimentary educations. Colonel Johnston selected this title for the school in memory of his daughter Lucy, who died in Georgia a number of years ago. Another daughter, Miss Effie Johnston, still conducts the Pen Lucy School for juvenile pupils, but there is no connection, other than the similarity in title, between the present school and the one established by her father, which was discontinued several years ago.

HIS LITERARY WORKS.

As a novelist Colonel Johnston occupied a conspicuous position among modern writers. His stories are cleverly written, and are true pen-pictures of Southern life. His "Georgia Sketches" attracted wide attention when they were first published in 1864, and subsequent works were also well received and eagerly read by the public.

Among his other contributions to literature are "Dukesborough Tales," "Old Mark Langston," "Two Gray Tourists," and "Mr. Absalom Billingslea and Other Georgia Folk." His "Life of Alexander H. Stephens," published in 1878, is considered an excellent biography of the celebrated statesman.

In recent years Colonel Johnston had devoted himself principally to magazine work, and had written a number of delightful short stories and sketches. The Georgia story, "Pearce Amerson's Will," which first appeared in Lippincott's Magazine, has been published in book form within the last year.

A GOVERNMENT POSITION.

During President Cleveland's second term Colonel Johnston was given a position in the Bureau of Education in Washington, which place he continued to fill until his health gave way a few months since. The appointment was procured through Secretary Hoke Smith, also of Georgia, who, upon retiring from office, requested that Colonel Johnston be retained in the position that he filled so creditably.

Colonel Johnston numbered the principal literary men of the country among his acquaintances, and many of them were his close friends. His intimates were Sidney Lanier, the poet; Mark Twain, Charles Dudley Warner, James Whitcomb Riley, Joel Chandler Harris, of "Uncle Remus" fame; Edmund Clarence Stedman, and Mr. Alden, of Harper's. At the time of his golden wedding anniversary, a few years ago, he received personal letters from Charles A. Dana and many other literateurs of national reputation. Colonel Johnston was equally well known as a lecturer as he was as an author. Before his health failed he frequently made lecturing tours through the country, and in cultivated cities, like Boston, he was greeted by large and enthusiastic gatherings.

HIS FAMILY.

Mrs. Johnston, who was Miss Frances Mansfield, of Georgia, died in this city something over a year ago. The Colonel has four daughters and three sons living. His children are Mrs. Walter G. Charlton, wife of a prominent lawyer in Savannah; Mrs. James Monfort Ward, whose husband is assistant corporation attorney of New York; Miss Ruth Johnston, Miss Effie Johnston; the Rev. Lucien D. Johnston, who is connected with the Catholic University, at Wassington, Richard F. Johnston, city editor of the Birmingham (Ala.) News, and Albon D. Johnston, a sergeant in the Second Georgia Regiment, now encamped at Huntsville, Ala. The two unmarried daughters lived with their father at the family home 102 West Lafayette avenue. Miss Ruth has been recently studying art in New York, and has already won a reputation for handling the brush with skill.

Colonel Johnston was educated at Baptist institutions, but for a number of years had been a Catholic. His son, Rev. Lucien Johnston, has frequently preached in the churches of this city.

Set Aside by the Court.

Judge Waddill in chambers heard arguments in the case of Shenk against the Culpeper Land and Mining Company. Arguments were made by Barbour & Rixey on the one side and M. M. Gilliam on the other. The arguments were on the questions of confirming the sale of certain gold mining lands in Culpeper county. The sale was ordered to be set aside on an upset bid.

In the voluntary bankruptcy case of Adalaide Hays, N. W. Bowe was appointed receiver for the estate, consisting of two houses on Broad street.

Diana at the Matinee.

Diana the dance queen has certainly been the strongest attraction at the Broad Street Park this season, and despite the bad weather the crowds have exceeded in size and fashion any ever known at the resort. Her dances are wealthy inventions of beauty and cadence of color, and are most extravagant in their setting before a bank of mirrors. The remainder of the bill comprises some splendid acts.

There will be a matinee this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. Diana will be seen in a number of pretty skirt dances in which she is equally as famous as her other creations.

Mystic Shriners in Embryo.

Captain Frank Cunningham returned from Charlottesville yesterday where he went Thursday to inspect the Charlottesville Commandery K. T. Thirteen members were added to the local commandery, ten of whom are to join the Mystic Shriners at their October meeting.

R. E. G. C. Capers also returned from Charlottesville yesterday.

Not Seriously Hurt.

While milking a cow Thursday Mrs. W. J. Brown, who resides at No. 703 west Cary street, was kicked and painfully injured.

Medical attention was summoned and it was found that Mrs. Brown's hurts were not of a serious nature.

Dr. Menzel Appointed.

Rev. Dr. Paul L. Menzel, pastor of St. John's German Evangelical church, of this city, has been elected as one of the delegates to represent the North American churches at the dedication of the German Evangelical church in Jerusalem, October 21st.

Varina School Board.

The School Board of Varina District, Henrico county, will meet at the County Courthouse yesterday and sign contracts for teachers for the coming year. The county schools will open for the session of '98-'99 on Monday next.

Crippled by Rheumatism.

Those who have Rheumatism find themselves growing steadily worse all the while. One reason of this is that the remedies prescribed by the doctors contain mercury and potash, which ultimately intensify the disease by causing the joints to swell and stiffen, producing a severe aching of the bones. S. S. S. has been curing Rheumatism for twenty years—even the worst cases which seemed almost incurable.

Capt. O. E. Hughes, the popular railroad conductor, of Columbia, S. C., had an experience with Rheumatism which convinced him that there is only one cure for that painful disease. He says: "I was a great sufferer from muscular Rheumatism for two years. I could get no permanent relief from any medicine prescribed by my physician. I took about a dozen bottles of your S. S. S., and now I am as well as I ever was in my life. I am sure that your medicine cured me, and I would recommend it to any one suffering from any blood disease."

Everybody knows that Rheumatism is a diseased state of the blood, and only a blood remedy is the only proper treatment, but a remedy containing potash and mercury only aggravates the trouble.

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THE MEN OF THE SECOND DEPART.

Nine Companies Leave Richmond for Their Homes.

FURLOUGHED FOR THIRTY DAYS.

The Soldiers are to Report Back Here October 22nd—Reasons for Muster Out Still a Mystery—The Colored Paymaster.

All of the nine companies of the Second Regiment, whose homes are outside of Richmond, have left the city. A few men of each command remain here.

Company C of Harrisonburg was the first to depart. It left here Thursday night at 10:30 o'clock. The Staunton, Woodstock and Lynchburg companies went away yesterday morning. The other companies left in the afternoon.

Furloughs date from 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon and will expire at the same hour on October 22d, not 23d, as most of the soldiers seem to think.

This is official, and the statement is made by authority of Col. Baker.

THE MUSTER OUT MYSTERY.

The soldiers of the Second are very anxious to ascertain the name of the Congressman who is responsible for the order for muster out. There is considerable mystery about this matter, which may be cleared up before long. There is no question about the fact that a majority of the enlisted men are glad to leave the service. But some who wanted to be mustered out when they left Jacksonville desire now to remain in service. It was homesickness, they say, and they have recovered from it.

Officers of the regiment insist that there is no trouble between the Governor and themselves. There is no question as to the fact that Governor Tyler was very much offended by the messages sent him, but it may be that since his excellency returned to Radford satisfactory explanations have been made. If this is true, the Governor has never stated so.

NO MUSTER OUTS YET.

The War Department has given Major Price authority to muster out any members of the Second who live far from Richmond at the time furloughs are given. None of the men have applied to the Major to be mustered out. Some of the members of the Second reside outside of Virginia, and it was thought these, especially, would not wish to come back here to be mustered out.

The last time the members of this regiment were paid off the paymaster was John R. Lynch, colored, a former Congressman from Mississippi. A Texas regiment objected to being paid off by him, but finally consented to receive money from his hands. The Second people say Lynch was a very pleasant fellow to deal with.

THE HENPECKED CLUB.

It is Called to Meet at Its Lair To-Morrow Afternoon.

That unique organization, known as the "Fulton Henpecked Club," has issued the following:

Companion.—The annual convocation of the Fulton Henpecked Club will be held at their Lair, in the woods of Forest Hill Park, Sunday, September 25, 1898, at 4:30 P. M., at which meeting your presence is positively demanded and no excuse will be accepted. Election of officers. Come prepared to pay dues and any fines that may be against you for the following offences:

For contradicting the Supreme Dictator of your household	$ 3 37
For remaining from home after 8:30	25
For buying cigarettes without wife's permission	2 95
For smiling at pretty girl (recent date)	11 00
For failure to mind baby when requested by wife	8 62
For failure to wipe supper dishes—two charges	2 37

There are many other charges besides the above to which you are liable, and that must be paid.

Candidates, after having passed through the "pebbled creek" and climbed the "knotty tree," will be entitled to all the fraternal sympathies of the organization. Candidates expected.

Subject for debate: "Did the Henpecked Men of America Who Enlisted Do Right in Leaving Their Homes to Fight for Humanity's Sake?" Fun expected—bring your guns.

By order of the President.

AUTUMN PLEASURES.

A Jolly Camping Party and a Ferocious Wild Cat.

Though many of the summer resorts look deserted on account of the departure of guest and interest is decidedly on the wain, the pleasures at Ford's Lithia are still enjoyed and each day brings added joys. A few days ago the woods resounded with laughter of a merry party from Ford's on a chinquepin hunt, and a hundred or so pricked fingers the next day showed the evidences of their good luck, is the sound of the bugle calling to the daily "Tally Ho" drive.

Even considering all of these, the crowning event of the season was a camping expedition to Humpback mountain.

Early Tuesday morning the hotel was astir with the hurried preparations and after an early breakfast the party was on its way to Humpback. The party was given by Mr. Will C. Hundley and Mrs. B. K. Pecon, of Richmond and Mr. Will Gallaher, of Waynesboro, the rest of the party being Miss Georgie Meville, Miss Nellie Meville, of Portsmouth; Miss Annie Tey, of Norfolk; Miss Mabel Hill, of Danville; Roland Hill, of Danville; Eddie Woolfolk, of Basic and Mrs. W. H. Hill, of Danville as chaperone. Two days were spent at the camping grounds.

Immediately upon the arrival tents were pitched and camp fires blazing. Soon the savory odors coming from the culinary department whetted already enormous appetites and told that Howard, the chef, had been busy, and the way in which all partook was evidence that he understood the art. After a nice supper the party gathered around a huge camp fire and spun yarns told jokes and played games till past midnight. Along towards the small hours a ferocious wild cat appeared on the scene and guns were immediately seized and the beast's skin is now on exhibition at the hotel.

CITY HALL COURTS

Number of Chancery Cases Dismissed in the Law and Equity Court.

In the Law and Equity Court the following judgments were rendered:

John R. Grimes vs. J. T. Devlin and John M. King for $146.

Geo. W. Smoot vs. John L. Satterfield and R. L. Butler for $149.29.

The following chancery cases, pending in this court over eighteen months, in regard to the sale of certain real estate to pay certain debts, in the cases of H. B. Clafter vs. Lisberger and others, and Armstrong, Cator & Co. vs. Lisberger and others, and Seliger & Norman vs. the same, were compromised and dismissed.

In the case of the R. W. Coffee Company, which sues, etc., vs. The R. W. Coffee Machine Works, decree was entered confirming the receiver's report, etc.,

An association to be known as "The Supreme Grand Council of the Sons and Daughters of the Independent Order of Saint Luke's," was chartered in the City Circuit Court by Judge Wellford.

The purposes of this association are benevolent, and are designed especially for caring for the sick and burying the dead, and for doing religious and charitable work among its members.

The association may hold real estate not to exceed $10,000 in value.

Officers for the first year are to be: Rosa D. Bowzer, president; Belle Christian, secretary; Mary L. Smith, treasurer.

In the City Circuit Court the following suits were instituted:

Jas. W. Gordon, trustee, vs. J. E. Vaughan, damages, $200.

M. E. Kern vs. N. B. Grooms and Mary H. Grooms, debt, $60.

The courts did no business after 1 o'clock because of the funeral of Miss Davis.

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SHORT MESSAGE.

Major Taylor Expresses Himself in Very Few Words.

The annual message and accompanying documents of the Mayor of Richmond to the City Council for the year ending December 31, 1897, has just been issued from the press of Flanhart Printing Company. The book is handsomely bound and contains the reports of all the city departments, besides the Mayor's message to the Council, which reads as follows:

"In compliance with the requirements of the law, I herewith transmit to your honorable body the reports of the various city officials for 1897-'98, and respectfully ask your attention to their statements and suggestions. So far as careful inquiry and observation enable me to judge, I am of the opinion that our affairs are managed faithfully and efficiently."

Court of Justice John.

Leu Lomax, colored, got fifteen days for going into the room occupied by Sadie Hobson and carrying away a dress and a blanket, valued at $20.

E. G. Wilson picked up a coat belonging to A. E. Bartholomew, and thinking it was his own he carried it off. When the matter was explained Wilson was discharged.

James Christian, colored, was alleged to have struck Jennie Coleman with a brick, but neither Jennie nor her main witness appeared against James, and he was discharged.

John Bradley, colored, was charged with keeping a snack house without first procuring a license, but he proved to the satisfaction of the Figure on the Pedestal that he did not keep a snack house, and he was forthwith dismissed.

Walter Briner hit Hallie Hill, a negro, because she "cussed" him, and the cost to Mr. Briner amounted to $5.40.

Charles W. Emswiler was charged by Sam Stern with cursing and abusing him, but the complainant failed to come forward to prove his charge and Emswiler was allowed to depart.

Married at Harrisburg.

The following news has been received from Harrisburg, Pa.:

"At Villa de Franta, on the outskirts of Steelton, in this county, to-day a large company of guests witnessed the wedding of Miss Florence Rush Franta, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Frantz and Mr. Robert Thomas Burton, of Richmond, Va., son of the late Rev. Robert Thomas Burton. Rev. Dr. B. F. Dimmick, pastor of Grace Methodist church, Harrisburg, performed the ceremony. Mr. Ballard Boswell, of Richmond, was best man, and Miss Grace Hershey, of Philadelphia, a cousin of the bride, was maid of honor. The bride was handsomely gowned in dark green satin and carried brides roses. The ceremony was followed by a wedding dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Burton left for a trip to New York and Boston, from whence they will go South."

Mr. Burton is cashier at the Jefferson, and is exceedingly popular here. He has only resided here about a year, but he has made many friends. He came to the Jefferson from the Hanover House, Philadelphia. He will bring his bride here.

Capitol Notes.

The State flag was at half-mast over the Capitol yesterday, in honor of Miss Winnie Davis' funeral.

The Governor has received an invitation from Governor Bloxham, of Florida, to send a representative to a convention to be held in February to reorganize the State militias throughout the country. Representatives are expected from every State in the Union and from the army and navy.

Governor Tyler and staff have been invited to attend the Peace Jubilee celebration at Chicago.

The Governor has also received an invitation to the launching of the battleship Illinois at Newport News on October 4th.

Real Estate Transfers.

Richmond: Peter H. H. Jones and wife to Richmond Perpetual Building, Loan and Trust Company, 20 feet on south side Taylor street between Reservoir and Randolph, subject to liens, $5.

Oscar Swineford's trustee to Philip Taylor, 34 feet on west side First street 114 feet south of Clay, $2,750.

Henry C. Watkins and wife to Julius Straus, 20 feet on west side St. Paul street 32 feet north of Coutts, $225.

Henrico: William Mc. Parr's trustee to John H. Shurm, 15 acres on Williamsburg road about six miles below Richmond, $500.

John Shurm and wife to S. R. Glinn, 15 acres on Williamsburg road about six miles below Richmond, $600.

Mrs. Lee Arrives.

Mrs. Fitzhugh Lee arrived in the city Thursday from Jacksonville, Fla., with her two daughters on the 6:40 train over the Atlantic Coast Line. They were accompanied by Captain J. R. L. Michie, adjutant of the Seventh Army Corps, and his wife.

Mrs. Lee and her daughters were met at the Union Depot by Major Myers, and driven in his carriage to their home, on Park avenue. Captain and Mrs. Michie are registered at the Jefferson.

Mrs. Lee said that the journey had been a very pleasant one, and that the health of General Lee, herself, and family was good.

Many Visitors Coming.

A party of seventy-five excursionists from Goldsboro, N. C., will visit Richmond on the 27th instant, and will make the Imperial Hotel their headquarters. An excursion from South Boston, managed by Carrington & Vaughan, numbering about 200 people, will also come here on the 29th, and have headquarters at the Imperial.

No Quorum.

There was no quorum of the sub-committee on streets that was to have met at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and the committee will be subject to the call of the chairman.

THE DEFENDANT HAS AN INNING.

The Lancaster Breach of Promise Suit Grows in Interest.

SOME EXPERT TESTIMONY GIVEN

The Evidence is Considered Strong for the Defense—Further Interesting Developments Looked For—Letter Breaking Engagement.

WARSAW, VA., Sept. 23.—Special.—To-day was the fourth day that the Coleman-Sanders breach-of-promise suit has been in progress at Lancaster Courthouse and from present indications the case will not be concluded until Tuesday next.

When court convened this morning Dr. B. H. B. Hubbard again went on the witness stand and it was 3 P. M. before he concluded his testimony which was considered very strong for the defense.

He testified in part that the defendant's health was such that on the 4th day of April last he advised him to have his marriage postponed until his health improved. The Doctor was put to a rigid cross-examination of eight hours or more.

Dr. Ben. Treakle followed Hubbard and his testimony was considered equally as strong for the defendant. The plaintiff has also summoned prominent local physicians and further interesting developments are looked for, both the plaintiff and defendant seem to be in good spirits.

THE DEFENDANT.

LANCASTER, VA., Sept. 23.—Special.—The third day's trial of the suit of Miss Gertrude Coleman vs. R. M. Sanders, has begun and a large and expectant public await the developments. His honor, T. R. B. Wright of classic and gentle countenance, is on his throne and the sheriff's hand demands silence. The defendant, with care-worn and cynical look, is by his counsel. His countenance shows no feeling for the "lost Lenore," but anxiety for his "bag of gold." His attorneys look more serious and anxious than upon the first day of the trial. The plaintiff's evidence is nearly all in and forges a chain strong and symmetrical. They realize that this chain must be broken or else their case is lost.

THE PLAINTIFF.

The plaintiff is in her room brighter and happier than she has been, yet sad and anxious. The tenderest feelings of her heart and affection's dream have been made public and given to a cruel and gossiping world. She seems to feel that her case is lost in being almost won. Her attorneys are more confident and self-possessed and look as though their client is about to be vindicated as far as the law can. And yet, their faces seem to show that money cannot recompense for heartbroken and deep mortification. It is indeed the hour when the bell is touched, the curtain raised, and tragedy itself steps forth upon the stage. The play is on and a human heart the villian and the victim in the play. The shifting scenes show anticipated happiness, now a bright light and now, a dark shadow. There, two souls blending into one and now separated and then, but language can no more describe the crushed and wounded feelings than the brush can paint a dying green. Hope's candles have burnt out and such the cruel charity of this world that wounded feelings and heartbroken are to be offset by money. The jurist, knowing this is the part they must play in the tragedy being enacted before them, watch every movement in the case and listen attentively to the evidence.

HER BROTHER.

Mr. F. S. Coleman, a brother of the plaintiff and an employe of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac railroad was called to the witness stand. He testified that his sister came to his room in Richmond and showed him a letter from the defendant, just received, breaking the engagement. His sister, he said, was much disturbed and grieved. He then received a letter from his father asking him to visit the defendant in Lancaster and see what was the trouble. I visited Lancaster and met Mr. Sanders on the road, got in the buggy with him and went to his home. I said to him I came down to get an explanation as my sister had wired him, demanding an explanation and could not hear from him. His reply was, "I do not propose to telegraph my business all over the country." I told him he had carried this too far as my sister had made all preparations for the marriage on the 27th. That he had seen my sister in Norfolk the Saturday preceding and wished her to marry him there. He remarked, she knew he was just joking. I said after the invitations were sent we were very much embarrassed. He said, the two invitations I had I have not mailed and I remarked that this was very peculiar. He said he wrote the letter of April 4th, about his health and he could get a certificate from his doctor to this effect. He als stated that he had written my sister an explanation. I left for Norfolk in a few moments after.

The cross-examination of Mr. Coleman was brief and brought out no new facts.

HER MOTHER.

The next witness was the mother of the plaintiff. Mrs. Coleman was neatly dressed in a black suit and is a refined and nice-looking old lady.

Mrs. Coleman was shown the letter written her husband asking their consent to the marriage of their daughter and his reply and identified the same. She said, she had prior to this been informed of the engagement of her daughter to the defendant, by a letter from her. She said: "I did not know the engagement was broken until my daughter reached home and said she had a letter in Richmond breaking the same. My daughter was so much grieved and humiliated that she did not eat or sleep for several days. All the invitations sent had to be recalled."

No questions were asked Mrs. Coleman by the attorneys for the defence.

MR. HATHAWAY.

W. E. Hathaway, Esq., was next sworn. He said: We have our law office at White Stone and I see the defendant at White Stone nearly every day. I saw Mr. Sanders frequently during the latter part of March and first of April. I know nothing of his health particularly, but never knew that there was anything the matter with his health. No questions by the defence.

The plaintiff here rested their case and the defence placed the defendant upon the stand.

He showed some little nervousness and began his testimony by telling when he met the plaintiff and his correspondence with her. He said: "We were engaged and the day fixed for the marriage. We were to be married on April 27th. I saw her in Princess Anne county several times. She was teaching there. I saw her on the 2d of April in Norfolk. She had been to the dress-maker and said she had been trying on her wedding dress. I said to her she had better fit it on and let us get married at once. She knew I was joking about this. I was not engaged to any one except Miss Coleman. I said then to Miss Coleman I was in trouble.

HIS TROUBLE.

(Here the defendant said he could not explain the nature of this trouble while the plaintiff was present and asked the court that she might retire. The court, however, suggested that he might go on.) The defendant then said he had a physical trouble and it was of such a nature that he could not talk to Miss Coleman about it. I saw Miss Coleman only a few hours on this visit. He said: I wrote the letter of April 4th; the letter was written because of the trouble I had and the doctor had told me I was not in any condition to get married. This doctor was Dr. Hubbard. Dr. Preakle had been treating me before this. This was the first time I had talked with Dr. Hubbard. Miss Coleman then wrote for an explanation and I replied, stating that the only explanation I could give was that I had been advised by a doctor to postpone the marriage. My object was to get a postponement and nothing else. Her brother came to see me the Friday following and seemed to be fully satisfied. After this, one or two letters passed and I wrote on April 7th, asking her to release me because I was sick. I had no reply to this letter, but expected one. I am fifty-two years old, will be fifty-three Christmas. I made some arrangements to be married on the 27th. I bought my outfit, too.

Miss Coleman and her mother then left the court-room and the examination of Mr. Sanders relative to his physical trouble began. He said: I was not sick when I engaged myself. I was taken about the last of March. I suffered very much with my bladder. Dr. Treakle treated me. I have not gotten well yet. I have not been in bed from it and never stopped going about. Mr. Sanders was then turned over to the plaintiff's attorneys.

He said, I first asked Dr. Hubbard about the first of April. We were on a drive together on business when I asked him. Court here took a recess for one hour.

Mr. Sanders was cross-examined as to a conversation had during recess with Dr. Hubbard, and stated it only related to the time of day they returned from a business trip when he had consulted him. He stated that Dr. Treakle had treated him about a week when he consulted Dr. Hubbard. I had never mentioned to Dr. Treakle that I was going to be married. Why was it, was asked by the plaintiff's attorney, you asked Dr. Hubbard about being married and your trouble, and did not ask Dr. Treakle, who had been treating you? The defendant said, "I did not ask Dr. Hubbard, but mentioned it, and he said I was in no condition to marry shortly, but should postpone the marriage." I did not go on the drive with Dr. Hubbard to get his advice; but the conversation came up and I told him how I was affected and he made the remark I have spoken of. I got no impression from the Doctor as to when I would be cured. He said I had some bladder trouble. The defendant was examined at some length along this line, when suddenly the plaintiff's attorneys were sent for by the plaintiff. In a short time the judge was sent for, and it was the anticipation of the crowd that a compromise had been reached, and many expected the marriage of the parties to this suit. However, it seemed that this was but rumor, and the case could not be settled, and the attorneys for the plaintiff continued the examination of the defendant.

The defendant stated that he had frequent talks with Dr. Hubbard during the month of April, and he had advised him and the marriage had been postponed because of his advice. I did not write all of the letters; nor did I sign them. I had this done by a friend of mine. The examination relative to the letters was resumed and Miss Coleman was sent for. The first letter shown the defendant was the one the plaintiff claims broke the contract, and the defendant claims it was not. It is as follows:

White Stone, Va., April 4, '98.

Dear Miss Gertrude—I deeply regret that circumstances over which I have no control will prevent me from keeping my promise on the 27th of this month.

Trusting you will pardon me,

I remain yours, etc.,

R. M. SANDERS.

The above letter is given exactly as it is written, punctuation and all.

The defendant was rigidly cross-examined as to this letter, and seemed somewhat confused and embarrassed. He stated: The ring and watch I gave Miss Coleman I got on the 9th of July, after having been discarded by a young lady during the Christmas. The watch and ring were the same I had given the other young lady. A letter was here shown the defendant and he stated the handwriting was not his, that he dictated it and it was written by Mr. Fred. Wagner. He said: "I do not think Mr. Wagner ever wrote a letter without my seeing it. Mr. Wagner began the correspondence between us in reply to a Christmas card she sent me, and I let him help me keep it up." "I can love," declared the defendant, "a young lady upon sight." "I think, however, the young lady brought about this correspondence. If I had never had the Christmas card I do not think I would ever have been in this trouble," declared the defendant. The cross-examination continued some time and seemed to be unfavorable to the defense.

The interest in the case is growing, and it now looks as if the case will not be concluded before Saturday.

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MRS. P. JONES.

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The woman who has neither strength nor spirits—who is unable to attend to her ordinary household duties—is to be pitied. Some unthinking folks will say she is lazy; that she is a poor housewife, and does not keep her rooms in a tidy condition. How can a sick woman be expected to keep her house as "neat as wax"? The wonder is that she can do anything. If men were afflicted with any troubles that dragged them down like "female troubles" drag women down, they wouldn't accomplish very much either. Wine of Cardui is the best medicine for the diseases and weaknesses of women. It cures where physicians' and other medicines fail, and it cures right at home, without any necessity whatever for obnoxious local examinations so persistently urged by doctors. Housework is not a burden to healthy women, and Wine of Cardui makes home tasks easy by making wives well. It cures every menstrual disorder that women suffer from.

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DANIEL THE ORATOR.

At the Cornerstone Laying of a Confederate Monument.

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., September 23.—Special.—Hon. John W. Daniel has been selected as the orator and has accepted for the occasion of the Confederate reunion and corner-stone laying of a monument to the Confederate dead at Orange, October 18th.

A novel entertainment, known as a "spoonament," was given in Rappahannock county recently. All of the participants were ladies, who were required to ride horseback in a gallop a given distance holding a dinner spoon with an egg in it. The lady making the successful trials without dropping the egg was awarded the crown.

Mr. John A. Childress and Miss Susie Lee, both of Orange county, were married this week, Rev. W. H. Camper officiating.

Mr. James Roach and family, of King George county, have moved here and will make this city their permanent home.

A fine rain set in here yesterday evening and continued throughout the night, putting an end to a drought which had been prevailing with damaging effect for nearly two months. The hearts of the farmers have been made glad and the work of fall seeding will be rapidly pushed.

Mr. E. K. Wheeler is building a large addition to his already extensive livery stables, on Princess Anne street.

Mr. W. P. McGavock has been honorably discharged from the Fourth Virginia Regiment at Jacksonville and has returned here.

Mr. R. L. Flatford, one of the most prominent business men of Stafford county, is critically ill at his home in that county.

The Committee on Light of the City Council, Captain T. McCracken chairman, presented to that body last night an elaborate report recommending the building of an electric light plant, to be owned and operated by the city. The report will be published and bids asked for, when the whole matter will be laid before the people to be voted on at a special election.

A HUNG JURY.

William Clement, Who Sues for False Imprisonment, Not Successful.

LYNCHBURG, VA., Sept. 23.—Special.—The suit of William Clement vs. George Rosser, which has been occupying the attention of the United States Court here this week, resulted to-day in a hung jury, seven being for damages and five against any.

Clement is the negro who narrowly escaped lynching in Campbell county for an assault which he made on John Rosser. The men charged with the attempt to lynch were acquitted, but Clement was given five years in the penitentiary for the assault.

He was pardoned by Governor O'Ferrall. He instituted suit against Rosser, claiming that Rosser had falsely and maliciously sworn out a warrant for his arrest.

PHILOLOGIAN SOCIETY.

A Reunion Last Night at the Richmond College.

Last evening the Philologian Literary Society of Richmond College held its first reunion with a large number of society members and a good audience present.

Mr. E. T. Coulson, of Accomac, was the orator, and Mr. C. C. Cone, of Ohio, the declaimer. Both of these gentlemen acquitted themselves handsomely and were heartily applauded by those present.

Addresses followed by Profs. Boatwright, Gaines and Pollard, which were well received by the audience.

The Mu Sigma Rho Society will hold its reunion to-night at the College.

On Monday evening the Y. M. C. A. will tender its annual reception to the new students, and a most enjoyable occasion is anticipated.

Funeral of Mrs. Brown.

The funeral of Mrs. Martha A. Brown, widow of Valentine Brown, Sr., took place at Holy Trinity church yesterday afternoon at 3:30, Rev. Mr. Gravatt officiating.

Mrs. Brown had been ill for several weeks, and although eighty-four years of age, hopes were entertained of her recovery to the last.

Eight children survive her—Richard L. Valentine, Mrs. Fannie McCurdy, Mrs. Laura V. Angus, Mrs. J. J. Crutchfield, Misses Ella, Martha and Marian Brown.

The active pall-bearers were her grandsons.

The honorary were—Messrs. D. O. Davis, George Schoen, William H. Taylor, T. W. Pemberton, H. G. Cannon, Dan Harwood, John A. Curtis and Joe Cullingworth.

The interment was at Hollywood.

Mr. Hutzler Vice-President.

Mr. Charles Hutzler (of A. Hutzler's Sons) was elected Vice-President of congregation Beth Ahaba on Sunday last.