

THE DEMOCRATS SOON TO MEET

Norfolk Convention to Be Held on 2nd of May.

FAVOR A NEW CONSTITUTION

Action of the Legislative Caucus Will Be Approved—Senators Daniel and Martin to Be Elected Delegates-at-Large.

The proposed Constitutional Convention is beginning to attract considerable attention in political circles. A majority of the counties and cities that have elected delegates to the Norfolk meeting have instructed in favor of the convention.

Senator Daniel has recently authorized the statement that he is in favor of the convention. This means much to the movement looking to changing the organic law of the Commonwealth. The Senator has been elected a delegate from Campbell County.

Nearly all the Democratic party leaders who have expressed themselves have said they favor the convention.

It is practically settled that the Norfolk meeting will endorse the action of the caucus as far as Democratic members of the Legislature in making the convention a party issue, but it is very likely that a firm stand will be taken in favor of submitting to a vote of the people, for their approval or rejection, such a constitution as may be adopted.

THE CONVENTION. The people will vote on the question of calling a convention on the fourth Thurs-

DO YOU GET UP WITH A LAME BACK?

Do You Realize the Danger You Are In?

Pain or dull ache in the back is unmistakable evidence of kidney trouble. It is nature's timely warning to show you that the track of health is not clear.

If these danger signals are unheeded, more serious results are sure to follow; Bright's Disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble, may steal upon you. The mild and the extraordinary effect of the world famous kidney remedy, Swamp-Root, is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. A trial will convince anyone—and you may have a sample bottle for the asking.

Lame back is only one symptom of kidney trouble—one of many. Other symptoms showing that you need Swamp-Root, are, obliged to pass water often during the day and to get up many times at night, smarting or irritating in passing, brick-dust or sediment in the urine, catarrh of the bladder, constant headache, dizziness, sleeplessness, nervousness, irregular heart-beating, rheumatism, bloating, irritability, worn-out feeling, lack of ambition, loss of flesh or salivary complexion.

If your water when allowed to remain undisturbed in a glass or bottle for twenty-four hours, forms a sediment or settling or

has a cloudy appearance, it is evidence that your kidneys and bladder need immediate attention.

In taking Swamp-Root you afford nature help to nature, for Swamp-Root is the most perfect healer and gentle aid to the kidneys that is known to medical science. Swamp-Root is the triumphant discovery of Dr. Kilmer, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist. Hospitals use it with marked success in both slight and severe cases. Doctors are known to medical science, and use it in their own families, because they recognize in Swamp-Root the greatest and most successful remedy.

If you have the slightest symptom of kidney trouble, or if there is a trace of it in your family history, send at once to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., who will gladly send you free by mail immediately, without cost to you, a sample bottle of Swamp-Root and a book of wonderful Swamp-Root testimonials. Be sure to say that you read this generous offer in the Richmond Sunday Times.

If you are already convinced that Swamp-Root is what you need, you can purchase the regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles at drug stores. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root.

THE RANDOLPHS WILL ASSEMBLE

Family Gathering at Historic Tuckahoe Next Thursday.

THE OLDEST REPRESENTATIVE

History of the Beautiful and Noted Place of Meeting—Its Extreme Age and Family Associations.

By the purchase of "Tuckahoe" by Mr. J. Randolph Coolidge and his son, from Mr. R. S. Allen, in October 1898, the historic old home of the Randolph family came back into the hands of the direct descendants of William Randolph and Mary Isham, his wife, of Turkey Island. William Randolph had seven sons, and gave Tuckahoe to his second-son, Thomas.

The family was so numerous and the same Christian name so common that the descendants of Thomas Randolph, who owned Tuckahoe, were known as the Randolphs. The property remained in the hands of that branch of direct lineal descent until 1830, when it was conveyed by Thomas Mann Randolph, the great grandson of the first Thomas Randolph, to his son, John Randolph, and Edward of Tuckahoe, of Henric and Edwina, his wife, of Richmond, from whose hands it came into possession of Mr. R. S. Allen, Mr. J. Randolph Coolidge, of Boston, the son of Ellen Randolph, of Monticello, who was the granddaughter of Thomas Randolph, and Edward of Tuckahoe, her mother being Martha Jefferson, daughter of the President, and her father being Thomas Mann Randolph, the elder son of the first Thomas Mann Randolph of Tuckahoe.

A REVERED SPOT. This place has always been noted for its exceedingly beautiful location, which is due to its being situated on a lofty bluff, at whose feet the broad Potomac flows. Beyond which is to be seen the noble James. The house is no less beautiful than the location, and possesses the distinction of being the first frame house built west of the falls of the Potomac. The beauty and architectural finish of the house shows a high degree of skill, which had been reached by Virginia builders as early as 1657-78. The plan of the Randolphs, which is almost the same as to say for all Virginians.

In this house Washington rested, and Thomas Jefferson, son of Peter Jefferson, first learned his mastery over the ideas which raised him to the unconquerable position that he holds as one of the world's great thinkers.

EXTREME AGE. Some idea of the extreme age of this place may be gathered from the fact that in 1862 a pane of glass was found, on which had been written "Thomas Randolph, March 20, 1783." On the other pane of glass are written "Mary Randolph, Tuckahoe, March 20, 1783." "Colonel Ball, First Virginia Regiment." While on another pane is written "John Randolph, March 16, 1783." and "Jenny Randolph, March 16, 1783." There were sisters of Governor Thomas Mann Randolph, John married her cousin Richmond, brother of John Randolph, and Nancy married Governor Morris, of Morrisania, N. Y.; and Jeanne Randolph married her cousin, Thomas Estlin Randolph. In the old box garden, which shows probably the finest example of a box garden in Virginia, with the exception of this at Westover, is the old family vault of the Randolphs, which has been kept up and taken care of by the members of that family for many years.

MANY FAMILY ASSOCIATIONS. Among those whose dust lies in the safe-keeping of their old ancestral home here are: Thomas Randolph and Judith Cary; Thomas Randolph and Mary Page, of Rosewell, his wife; Thomas Mann Randolph and his first wife, Ann Cary, of Amherst, and Gabriel Harvey, his second wife and widow. The body of Thomas Mann Randolph, who has been buried in the Tuckahoe cemetery, is beside that of his second wife, Lucy Ann Patterson, in the Shooklee Hill Cemetery of Richmond.

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THE OLDEST BRANCH. The oldest branch of the Thomas Mann Randolph family will be represented by Mrs. Colbert, of Washington, and her two sons, Charles and William Randolph. The next branch to be represented will be Elizabeth, the daughter of Thomas Mann Randolph, of Tuckahoe, who married Robert Pleasant. This branch will be represented by Mrs. J. A. Pleasant, of Richmond, and her daughters, Mrs. E. C. Minor and Mrs. W. W. Ardler. The oldest son of Thomas Mann Randolph, the first, married Martha J. Isham, daughter of Thomas Jefferson, and his branch will be represented by his grandson, Mr. J. Randolph Coolidge, and his great-grandsons, Mr. J. Randolph Coolidge, Jr.; Mr. Harold J. Coolidge, Mr. Archibald C. Coolidge, and Mr. J. L. Coolidge, of Boston. Harriet, fifth daughter of Thomas Mann Randolph, will be represented by the family of Colonel T. M. R. Tolcott. Thomas Mann Randolph had a second son, also named Thomas, of an Randolph, and sometimes called the "Red."

FOR THE SOLDIERS' HOME. Ladies of Richmond to Start a Fund for a Club Room. It will be remembered by the public that in the report sent in by the Legislature last winter, after thorough investigation of the management of the Home and commendation of the Board, they suggested that a library and amusements should be furnished the soldiers. They did not suggest, however, the means of using this fund, and as the appropriation only al-

MARK HANNA WITH THE GRIP. President McKinley Expected to Join Him at Old Point. NORFOLK, VA., April 14.—Special—Surgeon O'Reilly, U. S. A., stationed at Fort Monroe, said today that Senator Mark Hanna, whom he is attending at Old Point, is threatened with the grip. The Senator is confined to his room. President McKinley is expected to arrive at Old Point next Tuesday, and an important political conference, it is believed, will be held there.

WORLD'S FAIR. Meeting of Governors of Louisiana Purchase States. ST. LOUIS, MO., April 14.—Secretary James Cox, of the St. Louis World's Fair Commission, has been invited to meet the Louisiana Purchase states in the Louisiana Purchase Committee will meet in Washington April 27th, and invite them to join the delegation when it appears before the committee to ask for an appropriation of \$900,000 for the World's Fair to be held in 1904. The delegation will be made up of two representatives of each State in the Louisiana Purchase.

Pension Examiners Quality. Messrs. J. Stewart Bryan, R. H. Nelson and W. E. Grant, of the Pension Board of Pension Examiners, recently appointed by Judge Welford, qualified at the Circuit Clerk's office yesterday morning.

INSTANTLY KILLED BY A RUNAWAY TEAM

Floyd Johnson, a Colored Boy, Thrown from His Wagon Near the Union Depot.

A sixteen-year-old colored boy named Floyd Johnson was thrown from a wagon near the Union Depot yesterday afternoon and instantly killed.

Johnson was employed by R. T. Jennings, wood and coal dealer, and was driving a one-horse cart with a load of wood. He came around Ninth Street into Canal, and when he reached the bridge over the Chesapeake and Ohio tracks at the foot of Eighth Street, his horse became frightened, and in short time was beyond control. The wood began to fall out and finally, when the horse made a wild dash up Canal Street, Johnson himself was pitched from the wagon. He landed on his head on the stones in the middle of the street and died in a few moments. The horse continued on his run until it was stopped on Sixth Street by some negro drivers.

Johnson was the son of Newton and Lucy Johnson, who live at No. 709 Catherine Street. His father is a teamster employed at one of the lumber yards in the city. Johnson had been employed at Jennings' Company for some time and had always been considered a good boy.

Johnson was called to the scene and said the man's skull was probably fractured. The body was turned over to A. D. Price, funeral director, for burial.

Senators to Celebrate. J. O. U. A. M., Patrick Henry Council, No. 12, will raise a flag upon the Central School in Virginia about eight miles from the city, to-morrow.

An attractive program has been arranged for the occasion, and addresses will be made by some of the prominent Juniors of the city, and also by Mr. Superintendent John K. Fussell and Mr. Ben. G. Lumpkin, of Four-Mile Creek Baptist church. The council will attend in a body.

Dr. Biddle's Successor. Dr. H. S. White has been selected by the Board of the Virginia Hospital to fill the vacant position of Dr. Biddle, who resigned recently the position of resident physician.

Dr. White is from Lexington, Va., and will graduate this year from the University College of Medicine.

Williamsburg Affairs. WILLIAMSBURG, VA., April 14.—Special—Judge Sydney Smith is able to be out after a spell of grip.

Messrs. Stevens, Briscoe and Kilber, of Illinois, have purchased the Sherwin farm and part of "Vineyard," and will move here in a few days.

The City Council decided yesterday to employ extra policemen Saturday and Sunday nights to aid the sergeant in keeping order. Sheriff M. R. Harrell has been appointed deputy-sergeant to fill the unexpired term of Mr. W. L. Spencer, deceased.

The Williamsburg Knitting Mill Company has let the contract for an artesian well on the site of the mill, and work will begin immediately. The well will be located near the Chesapeake and Ohio depot. The manager, Mr. A. W. Chaplin, will move here next week to take charge.

THE IDOL OF THE TURF. The Most Popular Jockey in America and England Reconciles Sta at's Dyspepsia Tablets.

No jockey has ever appealed so strongly to public favor as Tom Sloan. He has achieved more than his most noted predecessors ever attempted and stands in a class by himself.

Not satisfied with his success in his native country, he went to England and now his fame as a successful horseman is on the wane every tongue, not only in this country and England, but in every section of the globe where racing has found favor.

When Tom first went to England his fame was openly laughed at, but the little American played skittles with his English rivals and his victories made all England gasp.

Having the stamp of royal approval, society both at home and abroad "honored" him, and he feted and fetted to an extent that would bring an ordinary mortal's head.

The great jockey was in such demand socially and dined and dined to such an extent that it was feared he would give away. Too much success and the nervous strain of racing told on him.

A two weeks' trip to America made him acquainted with Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets and their remarkable restorative effects on a depleted digestive apparatus and he recommended them in unstinted terms to a friend, saying: "Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are the best thing I know of for keeping the stomach in condition and appetite in good repair."

Thousand of former dyspeptics can vouch for the truth of Tom Sloan's words, as "Stuart's Tablets" have become a household word in America, and few families are without them. One or two taken after meals keep the stomach sweet by causing prompt and healthy digestion. Healthy people use them after heavy dinners to keep their good health and to insure that no ill effects will follow an unusually heavy meal.

Your druggist will tell you or your doctor. Either the Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are composed only of digestive ferments, (Ascentic Pepsin, Hydrochloric, fruit acids, etc.), and for the strong stomach as well as the most delicate, constitute a remedy against indigestion and stomach troubles.

Can Examine Books. The assessors, having finished Jackson Ward, can be found during the coming week in Room No. 14, third floor City Hall, between the hours of 9 and 4 o'clock. Parties interested can call and examine the books.

EASTER SEASON IS HERE AGAIN

Sackcloth and Ashes Give Away to Purple and Fine Linen.

FRANKLIN STREET PROMENADE. The Crystals of Solemnity Bursts and the Bright and Glorious Easter Girl Enters Once More Upon the Scene.

The dilapidated condition of the bargain counters and the vacant stare that greets one from the milliners' cases along Broad Street is quite sufficient evidence that the solemn Lenten season is over and Easter is here with all its glorious surroundings of feathers, light ribbons, flowers and the other occasions that go to make up the radiant burst of glory that triumphantly enters the church doors for the morning services.

ON THE PROMENADE. The Franklin Street promenade will, weather permitting, present a kaleidoscopic appearance of bright colors and beaming smiles.

The sackcloth and ashes are now cast aside for a season of rejoicing. Sweet music and pretty flowers take their places, and the coming of Easter Sunday is the signal to cast aside the garments of winter for the brighter and gayest ones of the days of leafy bowers and shady dells.

MRS. PRUDE AND MISS GAIRTY. Miss Prude makes way for Miss Gairty—the crystals bursts and the butterfly sails forth. Society's door once more swings freely both ways. Purple and fine linen takes the place of sackcloth, and moth balls become fashionable.

Sombre colors are transformed into bright and noisy ones, and the fashionable tailor becomes a popular man.

There is a charm about the coming of Easter that fastens itself upon every one, from the tiny totler to the wrinkled ancient. All nature seems bright by the coming of Easter.

SHED ITS CLOAK. The earth seems to have shed the cloak of solemnity that has enveloped it for its own good for forty days and humanity springs forth refreshed and gladdened by the holy communion, ready to enjoy the things that have been given them by Divine grace.

All nature will smile as the sweet young girl marks their appearance upon the Easter morning, and not only will nature smile but the land will re-echo with the happy laughter of light-hearted youth and old age in the transformation that has worked for the good of all.

Pierson's Pupils Play. The first public recital of Professor Pierson's pupils will take place at the Royal Garden Thursday night with the performance of "David Garrick" and the balcony scene from Romeo and Juliet. This will be a very interesting occasion. The following comprise the cast: "David Garrick," Mr. Herbert Curtis; Simon Ingot, Mr. Charles Pierson; Richard Chivy, Mr. James Ligon; Mr. Smith, Mr. James Ryland; Mr. Brown, Mr. Albert Goschen; Mr. Jones, Mr. Day Lee; Mrs. Smith, Miss Jennie Yeaman; Miss Araminta Brown, Miss Betty; Servant, Mr. Hartly Freeman; Ida Ingot, Miss Marion Millhiser.

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SENATOR JOHN W. DANIEL. (He will be one of the Delegates at Large to Kansas City.)



SENATOR THOMAS S. MARTIN. (The Norfolk Convention will Elect Him Candidate at Large to Kansas City.)

INSURGENTS ACTIVE

They Attacked Balanza, but Were Steadily Repulsed.

MANILA, April 14.—The insurgents, supposedly Mascardo's command, are again active about the Marikina Mountains, across the bay from Manila. A force, estimated at 300, attacked Balanza, where three companies of the Thirty-second Infantry are stationed, on Monday night, but were steadily repulsed.

Yesterday they attacked Captain Goldman with thirty men of the Thirty-second Regiment, near Orion, killing two Americans. Goldman then retired.

The transport Thomas sails to-morrow, taking General Theodore Schwan and 300 discharged and sick soldiers.

KENTUCKY GOVERNORSHIP.

Record Will Be Filed in Supreme Court to-morrow.

LOUISVILLE, KY., April 14.—Attorneys Lewis McQuinn and Helm Bruce, representing, respectively, Governors Beckham and Taylor, left Louisville for

667799 English Folk Lore.

"When a cat coughs in the house, it is a sign of sickness in the family; it's a sign that the house-folks 'll be havin' colds; but then colds is at the bottom of all sickness."

Keep off the Colds and you keep off sickness; the use of "Seventy-seven" will do this. It restores the checked circulation (indicated by a chill or shiver), starts the blood coursing through the veins and so breaks up the Cold.

"77" consists of a small vial of pleasant pellets, just fits the vest pocket; at drug-stores or mailed on receipt of price, 25c. Dr. Humphreys' Book of Diseases sent free. Be sure to get

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CATARRH: FORERUNNER OF CONSUMPTION.

Realize what a deep-seated, obstinate disease Catarrh is, regarding it as a simple inflammation of the nose and throat, little or no attention is given it. But, however insignificant it may seem at first, it is serious and far-reaching in its results.

The foul secretions entering the circulation poison the entire system. The stomach, kidneys—in fact all the organs—feel the effect of this catarrhal poison, and when the lungs are reached its progress is rapid and destructive, and finally ends in consumption.

It frequently happens that the senses of hearing and smell are in part or entirely lost, the soft bones of the nose eaten into and destroyed, causing intense suffering and greatly disfiguring the face. While sprays, washes and salves may give temporary relief, no permanent benefit can be expected from such treatment.

CATARRH IS A CONSTITUTIONAL OR BLOOD DISEASE,

and far beyond the reach of mere local remedies. Those who rely upon them for a cure lose valuable time, meet with disappointment and allow the disease to take firmer hold. Only a real blood remedy can reach this troublesome and dangerous disease.

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