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IMPORTANT QUESTIONS FOR THE EXTRA SESSION OF LEGISLATURE

If the Bars Are Thrown Down and General Legislation Is Enacted, Many Important Measures Will Be Offered—Gossip About the Proposed Constitutional Convention.

The General Assembly of Virginia will be convened in extra session within a month. Whether or not any general legislation will be enacted cannot be forecasted. It is quite certain that many members will come here with bills they will try to have passed, but some of the Democratic leaders think it would be very unwise and probably impolitic to pass any important acts at this session.

In the event that no general legislation is taken up the session will be a very brief one. The Legislature will have simply to fix the time for holding the Constitutional Convention, the basis of representation and arrange for the election of delegates. This can all probably be done in ten days.

Those who oppose the consideration of any general legislation argue that, inasmuch as the State will soon have a new organic law, it would be useless to pass acts that might be rendered nugatory by the constitution that will be thrown down and general legislation passed. An effort will be made to pass the employers' liability bill, which was defeated at the last session. A bill will also be offered to require street-car companies to provide separate cars for the two races. At the last session a law was passed providing for separate accommodations for the races on the railroad trains. This law has not been strictly enforced and a bill will probably be offered with a view to making the act more effective.

The Legislature will have to elect a judge of the Supreme Court of Appeals to succeed the late Hon. John W. Riley. The Hon. A. A. Pilegar of Montgomery county, is now temporarily filling the office by appointment of the Governor and his name will be presented for election. Judge Pilegar has a strong backing. He has distinguished opponents in Judge William Hodge Martin of Nitony; Circuit Judge Whittle of Henry; and Circuit Judge Prentiss of Nausmond. No matter who may be elected, Judge Pilegar will serve until the first of next January and in the meantime the new Constitution may go into effect. This Constitution will legislate the present court out of office. It is quite certain that the organic law that will be adopted will make sweeping changes in the whole judiciary system of the State.

It is presumed the Constitutional Convention will be held next summer. The delegates to it will probably be chosen at the May elections. The convention will be composed of about one hundred delegates. There is a great diversity of opinion as to how they should be appointed. Some of the wisest men in the State favor electing them by congressional districts. Others think a better plan would be to apportion them by State senatorial districts, while many contend that each House district should have a delegate. It is quite certain that the ablest men in the State will be sent to the Convention. Senators Daniel and Martin, Holmes Conrad, Harry St. George Tucker, Speaker E. W. Saunders, of the House of Delegates; Messrs. William A. Jones, Judge Keith, president of the Court of Appeals, and many other distinguished men will be elected delegates.

WILHELMINA IN SHOPPING ATTIRE

Some Gowns That the Little Queen Wears.

SIMPLE, BUT ELEGANT.

The Creations That Holland's Youthful Regent Adopts on Her Visit to the French Capital.

PARIS, FRANCE.—Every one here is interested in the frequent visits which little Queen Wilhelmina, of the Netherlands, is making to Paris. Her Majesty comes to make arrangements for her troussseau, which is to be thoroughly Parisian and one of the most elaborate outfits ever sent forth from the work-shops of French modistes.

As early as the middle of November

which fell a flounce of heavy Chantilly lace. The tucks extended only three-quarters the length of the skirt and at the knees widened into graceful little folds to give the necessary fullness of the skirt.

The bodice of the gown was very tight-fitting and was almost hidden beneath a little ruffled Eton of baby lamb. Beneath the Eton, however, there gleamed a very smart gilet of white satin-tweed cloth, piped with narrow bias bands of mauve satin and trimmed a la militaire with little silver buttons.

It is really interesting to watch the stream of courages and fashionable delivery wagons that line up in the Avenue Niel before Her Majesty's apartments. Every modiste of note in town is submitting "exclusive" designs for every garment imaginable to Wilhelmina, and happy indeed will be the one who, after all the assignments are given out, will be able to hang over his door or place on his trade-mark, "Special couturiere to Her Majesty Queen Wilhelmina of Holland."

On another occasion this interesting little regent wore a very handsome toilet of Dresden blue Venetian. The skirt fitted closely to outline the contour of the figure and was plaited at the back. Around the foot there was applied several medallions of black silk braid outlined with silver threads.

SIMPLE BUT ELEGANT.

The bodice had a yoke of cream-colored renaissance made over cream satin



A SMART LITTLE SHOPPING JACKET APPLIED WITH SILK BRAID AND STUCCO WITH GOLD THREADS.

Wilhelmina made her first visit here. When in the city she stops in the Avenue Niel, where she has engaged very handsome apartments for three months. That Her Majesty retained the apartments for so long a period is an indication, the people here say, that she is going to personally superintend the making of her troussseau.

No socialites whatever are connected with these little trips of the Queen. She comes usually incognito and accompanied only by a few servants. President Louvoyer, a few visits, and, but, however, knows that Paris sends each time a bunch of white flowers, with a note of congratulation from himself and Mme. Louvet. As yet no calls have been exchanged, and rumor says that the handsome little Wilhelmina is too happy in her love and too busy with her wedding preparations to bother her mind with such things as calls of state and conventionalities. She wants to spend all of her time getting ready for the moment of her departure to her home, with which she seems to look forward to with more pleasure even than she did to her coronation nearly three years ago.

A QUEEN'S GOWNS.

During her last visit here in Paris your correspondent had the pleasure of several glimpses of Queen Wilhelmina on the Rue de la Paix. She is very pretty. Her dress is figure, with light hair and a graceful bearing. In fact, that "indomitable will" that you read so much about is shown in her every movement.

and which, at the front, was elongated to the waist-line in a velvet effect. Over the vest the fronts of the bodice folded in bolero fashion, and peeping from under the cloth of the bodice was a facing of cream satin stitched with the narrowest of black satin bands. The neck was very simply finished with a tour de cou of lace and satin.

The most elaborate feature of the gown was the buckle which clasped the belt. This was an exaggerated affair, oblong in shape and studded with brilliants and sapphires.

Wonderful stories are being circulated about the gowns which will compose Wilhelmina's troussseau, but the fact is that no one yet knows anything, whatever about them; for their designs and every detail concerning the troussseau are kept a secret at the risk of Her Majesty's patronage to the modiste who divulges the first bit of information relative to her plans.

A famous beauty who is spending a month in Paris and creating a sensation by the loveliness of her gowns is the Countess of Warwick. She is accompanied by Mrs. Marshall Field, Jr., who is an American and a woman of great beauty. Mrs. Field has lived in Europe for some time and is quite a leader in London and Paris society. She has a wonderful figure and carries herself with all the bearing of a grande dame.

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The Trade Has Been the Biggest for Years, and the Pretty Things More Numerous and Attractive.

Board Street has presented an endless and gorgeous panorama of femininity all during the past week, and the parcel-laden women have been the best-natured sort of a crowd. Nobody takes Christmas shopping frivolously. It is the one year it must be packed by steam or express, and sometimes even tramped upon—but who cares? They all want to be children again and evince no instinct of respect for station. Women with baskets, bundles and satchels rub shoulders with the daintiest befurred and rustled dames. All ages, classes and conditions tread upon each other's toes in the most approved fashion.

There is but one more day before the mysterious bundles that have been hidden away will be exposed to view. But one more day for the busy store-keeper to reap his harvest.

It is the same old story as for many years past—toys, whistles, dolls and express-wagons and hunting humanity. But it is not the same old toys.

MUST HAVE THE REAL THING.

The stamp of the twentieth century is upon those toys. No longer is a key that winds satisfactory "no-no" the "go" this year it must be powered by steam or electricity. The boy will not be happy unless he be the proud owner of an engine that "works" or balloon that really ascends.

The toys get more extravagant every year, and Santa Claus more indulgent. "My boy just told me he saw a five-dollar tool-chest he wanted, so I got it for him," said one good parent. "I wonder what my father would have said had I told him I wanted a tool-chest that cost five dollars."

ments is called "Tiffany ware." It is a sort of glass bearing every tint imaginable, that never rises to a decided color. It might almost be classed as luminous. This comes in almost every desirable design, and is often inlaid with cut silver roses, leaves or delicate tracery. A pretty story connected with this new glass is that when Pompeii was unearthed the glass, long buried under the sod, had taken upon itself the delicate colors of the sea. It is most frequently seen in powder-boxes, ferneries and jewel-cases. As its name indicates, it is "wavy" and most of the articles seen bear hand-painted flowers on the covers.

THE USEFUL THINGS.

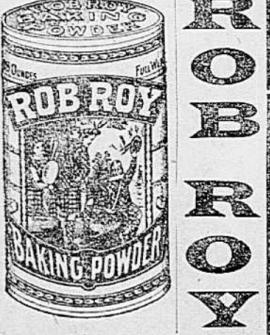
And when one takes a peep into the more useful department of the big stores, the question is forced upon a close observer—is it a wonder that the proprietors are doing a variable "prosperity" business? It is a wonder when you notice the things. Fine fashion-to-day demands as a necessity? When on a simple dress it is not unusual to find lace, chiffon, cloth of gold, velvet, silk and embroidery, and when an evening dress of to-day is really a layer of three distinct dresses. The chiffon under petticoats falls upon a tulle foundation, and is usually accented with ruffles. All over the soft white material is dropped the net of lace, veils, and such is the correct evening-dress of to-day, and a prettier, less durable and more expensive one would be hard to find. The nets are shown in beautiful new patterns. Some show a daintily outlined flower or scroll, the outlining done in a fine gold thread. One exquisite piece of black-net seen, has sprays of mistletoe elaborated in the white embroidery.

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Most Interesting Criminal Case in Annals of the West.

SEVERAL LIVES SACRIFICED.

Case Has Gone From Court to Court Until Legal Fees Amount to a Hundred Thousand Dollars, and Is Yet Pending.

There is at present pending in the courts of Idaho one of the most interesting criminal cases in the history of the West, a case in which already \$100,000 has been spent, and in which half the people in the State are interested. It is a feud between the sheep and cattlemen of the Northwest.

In 1897 Diamondfield Jack was convicted of murder and sentenced to be executed. But he is still in the Albon jail, and nobody knows when or how the case will end.

Diamondfield Jack is a dime-novel desperado. He is a young man, but he has had a varied past. Not much is known of him definitely until he showed up in Montana in 1891, killed a man in a saloon fight and fled to the mountains. He held arrest him, took his horse, saddle and weapons and disappeared. In 1895 he turned up in Nevada and became a cowboy for the Sparks-Herrell Company.

His ostensible business was to take care of the head of his herds of horses. In the month of February some cowboys came upon a sheep herder's camp near Deep Creek. Two dogs tied to the wagon wheels were nearly starved. Inside the wagon were the bodies of the two sheep owners. One had been killed instantly. The other had tried to write a note, but after a time, death halted the pencil in the middle of a sentence.

The news of the crime spread rapidly. Rewards were offered by the county, the State and the Sheep Growers' Association, amounting to \$5,000, and the name of Diamondfield Jack began to fly from lip to lip.

It was soon discovered that he had been at the mouth of Nevada shortly after the supposed date of the crime; had got beautifully drunk; had flashed a couple of hundred dollars in gold, and bragged that he "had killed two sheep herders up in Idaho."

From there he was traced southward and discovered in the penitentiary at Yuma, Arizona. At an Arizona town he had shot a dog's dog and held up two policemen and taken their revolvers from them. For this picturesque escapade he had been sentenced for fourteen months, had already escaped once and been recaptured. He was pardoned and brought to Albon, the county seat of Cassia county.

THE TRIAL. His trial for murder occurred in April, 1897. On one side were arranged the forces of the cattle companies, headed by the Sparks-Herrell. On the other were the

sheepmen, determined that the man should not escape.

Cowboys were there from hundreds of miles around. The large sums of money displayed by each side caused charges of bribery to be made freely. Quarrels occurred hourly, but the sheriff was too close by for any shooting.

Diamondfield Jack was found guilty and sentenced to be executed. There soon arose among sheepmen a feeling that the jail at Albon was unsafe, and that an attempt would be made to rescue the prisoner.

Jack was removed to Boise Penitentiary and a law passed by the Legislature of Idaho to the effect that all criminals under sentence of death should be executed at the State's prison and not at the county jails.

From this point the legal proceedings in the case are most extraordinary and in the campaign of 1898 the Diamondfield Jack case was a political issue.

From the District Court the case was taken to the Supreme Court of Idaho, where the action of the lower court was sustained. It then went to the Board of Pardons. Here a surprise was in store.

Several buttons from the uniform of a Federal soldier were found with the skeleton and upon examination it was found that two bullets had been shot through the ribs and one through the skull. Mr. Edward Barr has the buttons and bullets in his possession.

The skeleton was buried, but afterwards dug up and taken charge of by Mr. Thos. Savage, who will send it to Washington. —Winchester News-Item.

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are the murderers. Tried by the same court which convicted Diamondfield Jack still remains in custody, convicted of murder in the first degree.

Buried Where He Fell.

While a number of men were digging clay in the brick yard of Mr. Edward Barr, northeast of Winchester, on Saturday afternoon, they dug up the skeleton of a man. At first the workmen were somewhat alarmed, thinking they were unearthing an ancient cemetery.

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