

OUT OF THE BEATEN TRACK.

Unique Stories Picked Up Everywhere for Readers Looking for Something Amusing.

Birds Dress Their Own Wounds.

There are not a few birds, says the Toledo Blade, the possessors of a knowledge of the art of surgery that is not far from supernatural.

The day he killed a bird that evidently had been severely wounded at some recent period. The wound was covered and protected by a sort of network of feathers.

Birds are often found whose limbs have been broken by shot with the fractured ends nearly joined and healed.

Wedded to Save Pig's Life.

The office of Magistrate Conohan, in Wilkesbarre, Pa., was the scene of a novel wedding-to-day, the participants in which were Miss Mathilda Parkerson, aged fifty-three, and Hiram Johnson, aged fifty-five.

Largest Flower in the World.

Can you imagine a blossom as large as a carriage wheel?

On the island of Mindanao, one of the Philippine group, was found by some explorers such a flower. Far up on the mountain Parag, 2,500 feet above sea level, some explorers were wandering when they came across some buds larger than gigantic cabbage heads.

The Southern Negro.

And the Birmingham (Ala.) Age-Herald, discussing the recent proposition of a Memphis paper that the southern negro should be kept in the South, East and West, remarks that wherever any attempt has been made to break the negro's monopoly of the crude labor market in the South, there are those who rise up and make a noise.

The Lyncing Habit.

The example of Sheriff Kyle, of Tuscaloosa, Ala., cannot be mentioned too often. Single-handed and alone, he dispersed a mob that had gone to the jail at that place to lynch a negro prisoner.

Pig-Iron Production.

Monthly statistics of pig-iron production at the close of July have been awaited with much interest, in view of the necessarily decreased consumption since the shut-down of the United States Steel Company.

Of Interest to the South.

The fact that Russia, a country in which the cotton industry hardly had an existence ten years ago, already exports and sells the Russian cotton in the Southern States, is calculated to wake up our people.

Richmond Man the Patentee.

Mr. D. Wiley Anderson, the well-known architect of this city, has patented a brick-tile device which, he claims, will obviate the many troubles, in view of the fact that the more intense the heat is, the more rapidly will be the circulation of cold air around the metal structural portions, thus preventing overheating.

had trained the pig and for half an hour he amused the Squire and all the witnesses. The aldermen finally rendered the following verdict: That the pig should be killed and roasted and be divided equally between Miss Parkerson and Hiram Johnson.

"Bath-House John" in a Novel Race.

"Bath House John" Coughlin, who is in charge of a little farm on the Cheat River, W. Va., for the summer, is to race with an Englishman in a contest as eccentric as the famous Chicago alderman himself.

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A Richmond Minister Back at His Old Mountain Home.

Detailed Description.

A description of the invention referred to will prove of much interest to Richmonders and Virginians, because the inventor is himself a resident of this city. The insurance companies will welcome such an invention, as from a description of it and the claims made by the inventor, the fire risk is reduced to a minimum.

Business to the Last.

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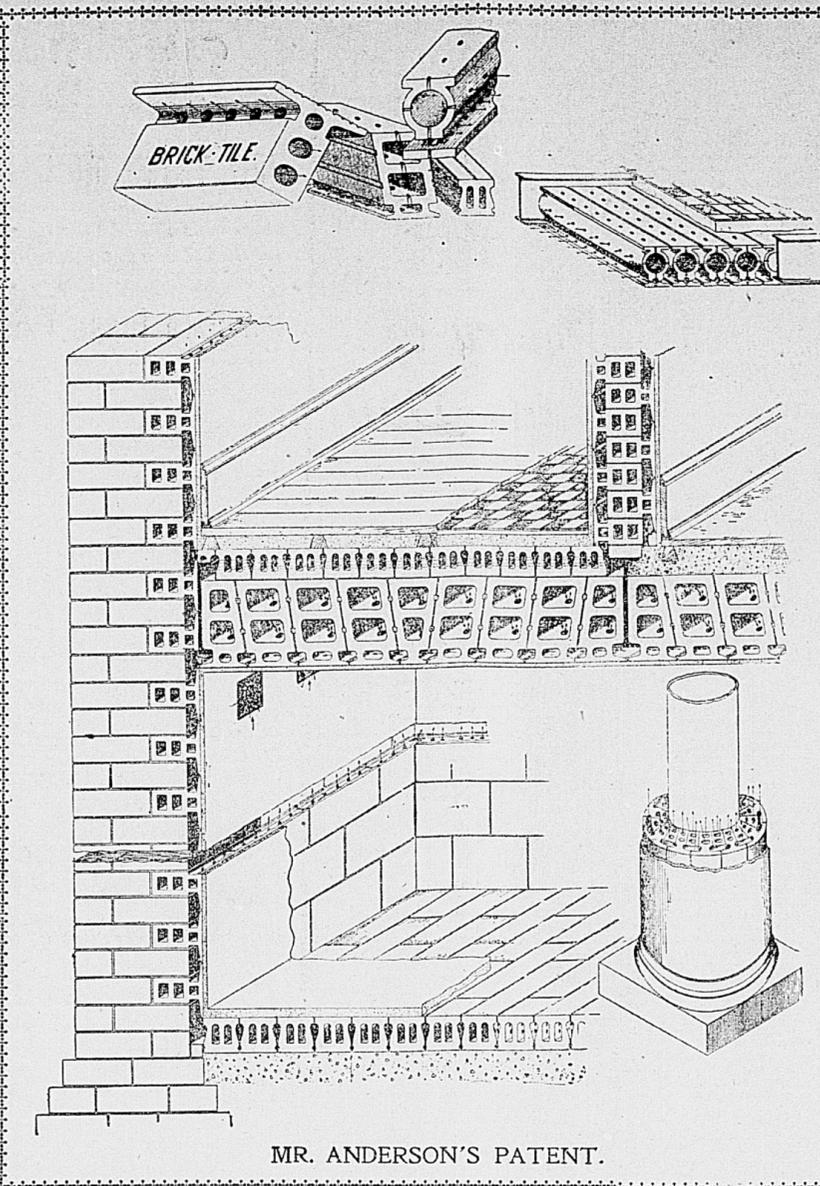
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Atlantic Coast Line

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RAILROADS S.A.L. Railway. "CAPITAL CITY ROUTE." Short Line to Principal Cities of the South and Southwest. SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE JUNE 6, 1901. TRAINS LEAVE RICHMOND, VA. 6:30 P. M. - No. 10, daily, for Durham, N. C., and all stations on Norfolk Division.

Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad.

SCHEDULE IN EFFECT MAY 29, 1901. LEAVE RICHMOND (DAILY), BYRD STREET STATION. 9:00 A. M. - NORFOLK LIMITED. Arrive at Norfolk 11:20 A. M. Stops only at Petersburg, Waverly and Suffolk.

Old Dominion Steamship Co.

Daily Line for New York, the North and East. FROM RICHMOND. PASSENGERS can leave DAILY, except Sunday, by Chesapeake and Ohio Railway at 9:00 A. M. via Norfolk 3:45 P. M. via Old Point Comfort.

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