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Fear, anger, excitement, love, passion, overstrain, weakness, exhaustion, debility, disease, medicines, or poisons, by acting on the brain influence the heart, and the little pump works faster or slower as the case may be. This is why there are so many weak and diseased hearts, so many sudden deaths, that palpitation is so frequent and cold hands and feet so common. The brain exercises like control over the stomach, liver, and kidneys. Who is there that on sudden fright or over-mastering anger has not felt immediately a loss of appetite, pain in the bowels, and perhaps a desire to urinate?

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WANTED, OLD UNITED STATES AND CONFEDERATE POSTAGE STAMPS used from 1842-1863. Many are very rare and command high prices *when on original letter or envelope*. Lawyers, merchants, and private parties who have old files of letters bearing postage stamps send for circulars, explaining what is wanted.
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NOTICE.—APPLICATION WILL BE MADE ACCORDING TO LAW for the renewal of CERTIFICATE OF DEBT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, No. 837, for $200, in favor of T. T. WYNNS, dated 12th January, 1864—act of 18th March, 1858—the same having been lost or mislaid. mh 21-W4w

A LOST CARPET-BAG.

THE STORY OF JOHN BROWN'S MISSING DOCUMENTS.

Alleged to Have Been Hidden Somewhere in the Capitol, They Have Never Been Recovered.

The St. Louis *Globe-Democrat* has had a special correspondent and an artist at Charlestown, W. Va., writing up and picturing the scene of John Brown's exploits, and the following is an extract from one of the letters it recently published:

Governor Wise placed the prosecution of John Brown and his companions in the hands of Mr. Andrew Hunter. Mr. Hunter is still living. He is a brother of Rev. Moses Hunter, a Presbyterian clergyman of New York, and he was a warm friend of Horace Greeley, strange as that may seem. His home is a square brick mansion, in the midst of shrubbery and trees, on an elevation just a little way out of Charlestown. He is eighty-four years old. Every morning he walks into town regardless of bad weather. His memory is excellent, and he recalls in detail the events connected with the Harper's Ferry raid.

In the course of a two hours' conversation Mr. Hunter told one thing which may lead to an interesting and important historical discovery. John Brown had with him when captured at Harper's Ferry a carpet-bag in which were his constitution for a provisional government and other papers. He had placed it in one corner of the engine-house, and there it was found when the marines charged and captured the survivors. Mr. Hunter took possession of the carpet-bag and carried it to Charlestown. He kept it and its contents. He added to the papers the letters which were forwarded to the prisoners and not delivered to them. Ordinary letters were allowed to pass to the prisoners after Mr. Hunter had examined them. But these letters which seemed to contain information bearing upon the organization in the North Mr. Hunter confiscated and kept. He had between seventy and eighty of these letters and he placed them in John Brown's carpet-bag. Other important documents bearing upon the secret history of the case went into the same receptacle, and much of the matter nobody but Mr. Hunter saw.

JOHN BROWN'S CARPET-BAG.

And now for the strange story of the fate of this carpet-bag, as Mr. Hunter gave it to-day to the *Globe-Democrat* for its first publication. He said: "After the war began I took this carpet-bag containing all these important papers to Richmond. I thought that when the northern troops reached Charlestown the court-house would be overhauled, and anything pertaining to John Brown would be seized and carried off. And that was what happened. The carpet-bag and its contents were kept safely at the Capitol in Richmond until the war closed. At the time of Lee's surrender I was a member of the State Senate of Virginia. The news came from Lee that his lines had been broken and that he could not longer defend Richmond. When I heard of it I went to Munford, Secretary of the Commonwealth, and asked him if he couldn't hide the John Brown papers.

"'Hide them,' said I, 'so the Yankees can't find them.' I added that I was satisfied the Capitol would not be destroyed, and that if he would find a good place for them anywhere about the Capitol that would do. He told me afterward he had hidden the papers, and I believe the old carpet-bag and the papers are now safe where Munford put them."

"They have never been found?"

"No."

"Is Munford living?"

"No; he died years ago."

"Did he never tell you where he hid the carpet-bag?"

"Yes."

The old gentleman smiled exasperatingly at the curiosity of his questioner, and then continued: "Munford told me that he had taken the carpet-bag up to the clock-loft of the Capitol and had let down the bag between the wall and the plastering, and I believe those papers are there yet."

"But haven't any attempts been made to find the carpet-bag?"

THE SECRET HISTORY.

"Oh, yes, I have a classmate in the State Library at Richmond, Sherwin McRae. I have written to him describing how and where Munford hid the carpet-bag, and as Munford gave me information to me, McRae's interest was much increased, for there is valuable historical matter in that old carpet-bag. He has had search made, and has written repeatedly asking for some additional clew, but he has been unable to find the bag. I think sometimes I will try to go to Richmond, for it seems to me that I could locate the spot where Munford dropped that bag down behind the plastering."

Mr. Hunter is a firm believer in the theory that John Brown was backed by a strong and widespread organization in the North. He believes no fair-minded man could go through the contents of that lost carpet-bag and not reach the same conclusion. Brown had several maps, and they are in that carpet-bag. They were not ordinary maps of the country, but contained such data as showed they were the plans on which campaigns were to be conducted. Besides the map of Virginia, there was one of Louisiana, one of North Carolina, and one of Kentucky. They located the State arsenals, indicated how attacks might be made successfully, and showed where strong natural retreats might be found. Mr. Hunter says that he immediately supplied information to the authorities of the localities which seemed to be in danger, as he gathered from a study of these drawings of John Brown's. He afterwards received hearty thanks from those to whom he wrote. They reported that the information he had sent had proven to be valuable, and had shown conditions which were not known by the authorities.

COLONEL M'RAE'S RECOLLECTIONS.

Colonel McRae was asked about the carpet-bag yesterday, and he said: "Colonel Munford, in the repeated conversations he and I had on the subject, was not perfectly sure whether he had concealed the bag in the Capitol (in the archive-room, we call it,) or whether he had sent them up the canal with the seals of State and important executive papers and other possessions that the enemy would have taken if they got into Richmond. Well, they were captured, and subsequently only partially returned. The seals were returned to Governor Pierrepont after he became invested with the gubernatorial authority, and some of the executive journals—one if not two—are in Washington now. Strong efforts have been made to recover them, but the United States Government will not give them up. But the carpet-bag has never been found. Some very interesting portions of the John Brown papers have come to light, but not the carpet-bag; and in the carpet-bag those letters specially which implicated some people at the North were carefully put, and, as the writer says, he was anxious to preserve them from capture.

"Hunter wanted to have incontestable evidence that the bag never fell into the hands of the Yankees; and he was anxious to get the bag himself."

PERSONAL.

The Colonel Munford above spoken of was Colonel George Wythe Munford, who served his State as Clerk of the House of Delegates and afterwards as Secretary of the Commonwealth, and who compiled the Codes of 1860 and 1873, and published several literary works. He died in this city some years ago at an advanced age; but was in the possession of all the powers of his mind and much of his physical strength up to within a very short time of his death. For years and years after the war he had an office in the Capitol building as secretary of the Southern Historical Society and as clerk (under Colonel John Bell Bigger) of one of the House committees. Indeed, he spent most of his time at Colonel Bigger's office, and, being thus so constantly at the Capitol, could—and would—easily have found the papers if they were where Mr. Hunter supposes they were hidden. Colonel Bigger, from his intimate association with deceased, very probably has some recollection of Colonel Munford's statements on the subject, but is unwell and has gone to his home, in Spotsylvania, for rest. However, Colonel McRae is no doubt quite accurate in what he gives as his recollections of Colonel Munford's account of the lost carpet-bag.

Mr. Mansfield at the Theatre To-Night

One of the most notable actors on the stage will begin an engagement at the Theatre to-night, producing "A Parisian Romance."

When this piece was first played at the Union-Square Theatre in New York Mr. Mansfield was given the part of Baron Chevrial, an aged *roue*, and his performance was so clever that he was immediately recognized as an actor of no ordinary merit.

According to the plot Chevrial is a man of the world, the pink of fashion, the prey of his own passions—utterly cynical and unscrupulous; but way down in his withered old heart there is some spark of respect for woman-kind, which he proves by the banquet in honor of the gay dancer. It is at the supper-table, surrounded by beautiful women and heedless young men, that he is stricken with apoplexy while pledging his guests in champagne. His death scene is a marvel of art.

This is considered one of Mr. Mansfield's finest plays, and it must be, or Mr. Mansfield would not put it on the first night of his engagement and repeat it at the matinee. People who have seen it pronounce it splendid.

The box-sheet shows that Mr. Mansfield will be seen by immense audiences.

To-morrow night the "blood-curdling," fascinating drama "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" will be given.

THE GILMORE CONCERTS.

A Notable Musical Event in Richmond—Fine Programmes.

Owing to an accidental omission in the composing-room of this paper, in a large measure excusable from the heavy demands upon our columns for spring advertising, the notice of the Gilmore concert was left out yesterday. It is given now in justice to all parties.

The presence of Gilmore's celebrated military band in two concerts here Monday was quite a musical event in Richmond.

It was through the highly commendable enterprise of Mr. Walter D. Moses, of this city, that they were secured, and this gentleman feels so much encouraged by the success which attended this venture that he proposes to work up a three days' Gilmore festival next year.

At the matinee, while there was a large audience, the Academy of Music was by no means filled. At the evening performance there was a brilliant and appreciative audience present. The programme for each occasion was admirably selected and beautifully rendered. That for the evening was elaborate and while a heavy tax upon the band Mr. Gilmore was most obliging in responding liberally to numerous *encores*.

This is undoubtedly the finest military band in this country, and while they play superbly at all times, it is surprising to see to what a degree of perfection they have attained in the rendering of the most difficult classical compositions. In its make-up the band has undergone a marked change in the last year or so by an increase of wood instruments and a reduction of the brass. Then, too, there are fewer cornets, and a number of new and combination instruments in brass have been added.

Two heavy overtures, "Tannhauser" and "William Tell," were included in the evening's programme, together with a very difficult selection from Wagner's "Die Walkure" and Rubenstein's "Valse Caprice." While all of these numbers were surprisingly well given, the rendering of these two well-known overtures must have been a revelation to many. Probably the greatest test of their proficiency and capability was noted in their superb rendition of Mendelssohn's "Rondo Capriccioso," and Liszt's "Rhapsodie Hongroise" at the matinee, and Gottschalk's "Last Hope" given at night. These compositions are severe tests in the *repertoire* of the piano soloist, and they were rendered with a clearness and precision that gave in some respects beauties in the compositions not taken in before.

The work of the band was fine throughout, though as an accompaniment for the voice it is by no means effective, and some of the arrangements for the songs seemed positively faulty.

Mr. Gilmore was in great good humor last evening, and when the vocal quartette were not ready to come on for the number before the last he announced the fact that they would then play the last number and close with the quartette, and took occasion to make a few extemporary remarks. He said that it gave them great pleasure to set foot once more upon the soil of old Virginia; that they had visited Richmond for the first time in 1859, when they came on with De Molay Commandery of Boston; that they had ever since remembered with pleasure the unbounded hospitality with which they had been received. "It was," he said, "the first time I ever saw champagne on draught." "We then played that good old tune 'Carry Me Back to Ole Virginy,' and I propose, in remembrance of that occasion, to do so now." The band then, as he directed, played this well-known tune, together with "Dixie," "Yankee Doodle," and "The Star-Spangled Banner"—all of which were received with shouts of applause.

The "Polka Eccentrique," composed by Mr. John Baseler, of this city, was beautifully rendered and rapturously *encored*, to which Mr. Gilmore responded by repeating the Polka out of compliment to the composer. In speaking of the composition Mr. Gilmore characterized it as a work of decided merit, and said that the composer would be a musician of ability. He expressed the desire to meet Mr. Baseler and to play his compositions.

The cornet solos of Signor Liberati were beautifully rendered. He is in the front rank of cornetists and plays with far greater taste, expression, and shading than when last in Richmond. The horn quartet was a lovely feature of the concert.

The vocal numbers were all pleasing, though the singing of Signor Tagliapietra was unquestionably the feature of the evening. While his voice is not as fresh now as when first heard here, he is yet the prince of baritones. He sings with an ease, delicacy of expression, and force that is simply charming. He was rapturously recalled upon his very excellent singing of the "Toreador" from "Carmen," and in response sang most beautifully in English "The Heart Bowed Down," from the "Bohemian Girl."

The other singers were Signorina Carlotta, Madame Annie Louise Tanner, M'lle. Helene Mellini, and Mr. Charles Turner. They all did well, but left the impression of being amateurs rather than professionals. Signorina Carlotta has a florid soprano, and sings with much taste.

The concerts seemed greatly enjoyed. The *finale*, on each occasion with anvil and cannon accompaniment, proved a booming climax and found response in shouts from small boys and enthusiastic adults. Should Gilmore visit Richmond again he may be assured of a warm welcome.

Warwick Park on James River.

Owing to the backwardness of the weather work at Warwick Park has been somewhat delayed, but the recent spell of warm weather gave the opportunity—of which advantage was taken—to plant several hundred fruit-trees. There have also been received from the nurseries 5,000 grapevines, which are being set out as fast as possible. Delay has also been experienced in receiving a sufficient number of drain-tiles, which has prevented the covering over of the open ditches, but notwithstanding all this the park is beginning to develop its beautiful features quite rapidly. Arrangements are being made by which Sunday-school pic-nics and celebrations, military drills and reviews, and excursion parties can be accommodated, and it would be well for persons contemplating such recreations during the coming season to interview the officers of this company before making other arrangements.

Hustings Court, Yesterday.

William M. Morton (colored), charged with allowing unlawful gaming in his bar-room, was tried and acquitted.

William Braxton, charged with resisting the police in the discharge of duty, was tried, found guilty, fined $7.50, in default of the payment of which he was committed to jail.

OUR COUNTRY'S PERIL

ADDRESS OF THE CELEBRATED DR. STRONG LAST NIGHT.

He Speaks to the Evangelical Alliance and Urges Church Co-operation in the Lord's Work.

An April storm, but a large and appreciative audience greeted the distinguished author of "Our Country" at the Grace-Street Presbyterian church last night. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Drew, and the congregation united heartily in the opening hymn, "O, Jesus, let Thy Kingdom Come," followed with the reading of Psalm xxiv. by Rev. Dr. Landrum and prayer by Rev. Dr. Hoge.

The great congregation was composed of representatives from most of the evangelical churches of the city, including nearly all the ministers of Richmond.

THE ALLIANCE.

Dr. Landrum briefly stated some facts of interest regarding the Richmond Evangelical Alliance, dwelling upon the harmony and unity existing among the different denominations of the city, and regretting the absence of the president of this alliance, Rev. R. P. Kerr, D. D., who is now conducting a series of meetings in Fredericksburg. He then happily introduced Dr. Strong as the "Father of Our Country" and the secretary of the Evangelical Alliance of America.

DR. STRONG.

The gifted speaker entered at once upon the vast and important theme of "The Perils of Our Country," premising with the rapid growth of the evangelical alliances throughout the country—in the North, South, East, and West—and new ones springing up in every direction. The rapid increase of our cities is one of the startling facts of the day, and the cities are rapidly dominating our country. The saloons increase, and wickedness grows far more rapidly than churches multiply. Discontent, particularly in the North, is growing, especially noticeable among the artisan classes, and the cause assuredly springs from increased intelligence. They are reaching out for something higher and better than their fathers had. But there are possibilities even in this restlessness, for this very unrest indicates progress. The perils which now threaten our civilization are largely located among the non-church-going population, and the great duty of the Church is to reach out and use all its powers to save the masses. Can this be done? Will our churchgoers grasp the opportunity which God has placed within their reach? One difficulty in the way is the lack of *personal work* and contact with the multitude outside the Church. Life gives life, and we need more of such consecrated work as that done by the lamented Earl of Shaftsbury in the slums and alleys of England's great capital.

HOW THE WORLD IS TO BE SAVED.

The world is to be saved, said Dr. Strong, by saving individual souls. It may seem a slow and almost hopeless problem, but it is God's way, and the *business* of every individual Christian is to save souls by personal effort.

Another obstacle in the way is the lack of co-operation. The power of organization is known and felt in politics, and in nearly every branch of business and trade. Even sin and wickedness is organized to drag down men to death. Shall the Church ignore this power, or will it join hand in hand and co-operate in the mighty work of evangelizing the masses?

CO-OPERATION.

The speaker gave facts of interest showing great results which have followed such work in large northern cities, and detailed plans for the formation of co-operative organizations among church-workers by which we can make the wisest and best use of men and means.

Mutual co-operation, said Dr. Strong, is not a theory; it has been tried and proved, and is a feasible and established *fact*, while the fruits which have been gathered in some sections are simply amazing. God is in this movement, and its success is beyond a question; for the only hope of our country amid the perils which environ us is in the God of nations. The speaker closed his deeply-interesting and striking address with a tender and earnest appeal to God's people to "come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty."

The congregation joined in singing "All hail the power of Jesus' name," and closed with the benediction by Rev. Dr. Drew.

THE PROPOSED NEW HOTEL.

Commanding and Popular Sites in View for the Building.

Though Richmond has numbers of hotels and has accommodations and means to feed and quarter a large crowd, the fact is nowhere denied that we have room here for one that is more in keeping with the fancy of the travelling public. What is wanted—what it seems we will soon have—is a hotel crowning one of the fair eminences of the city, and built in a style of architecture and with those modern improvements which the taste and progress of the age demand. We have no lack of suitable sites. Eighty years ago the northwest corner of Grace and Ninth streets was fixed upon as a convenient and commanding location for a public house, and here the "Washington Tavern" long flourished, and was succeeded in name by the "Monument Hotel," the "Capitol House," and still exists with considerable public patronage under the title of "The St. Claire." This is a site to which longing eyes have from time to time been turned; but while it has been praised and admired and remained unimproved the town has been steadily moving westwardly, and new sites—strong rivals—have come into favor.

When the Exchange Hotel—which, by the way, is a model of hotel architecture of its day—was about to be erected it was a question whether it should be put at the northwest corner of Main and Ninth streets or where it now stands. The decision was in favor of the present site. That this was a mistake none will now question. The Ballard was built as a rival of the Exchange and the error made in the first step was repeated in the second, for here again the Ninth-street site was spoken of only to be rejected. The Spotswood was well located for the time in which it was built, but having been burned in 1870 it was not thought to be a good place where to rebuild.

Now the whole field is open to the enterprising company which proposes to give to this city what it has so long wanted.

Whether it choose the Allan lot, or the Dunlop lot, or the square opposite the Westmoreland-Club house, or find a place on Broad street, or one near Monroe Park, there is little doubt that it will be on the crest, not on the slope of a hill.

It is known, however, that the leaders in this movement would like, if possible, to get the entire square which has at its four corners the Allan house, the Second Baptist church, the shops lately owned by the Messrs. Gibson, and the residence of Mr. John Lyon. The church-body has been approached on the subject, and while it would be loth to leave its present location it is not likely that it would consent to stand in the way of this great and beneficial move—though of course it would expect to be transferred to a new home without cost to it. This, however, is little more than speculation, as no official action has been taken as yet. The site on the north side of Grace street between Sixth and Seventh, from its proximity to Broad street and the exceedingly great value that the fronts on the side streets would have as business places, is regarded with considerable favor, and the effort has been made to secure the option on all that property; but as yet without complete success. The Dunlop house is on the northeast corner of Franklin and Fifth streets, and is prettily situated, has a commanding view, and is in a neighborhood which is in every way desirable.

Several other up-town sites have been mentioned, and some of them possess notable advantages; but the great aim must be centralness of location, desirableness of neighborhood, and pretty views. Never again will the Richmond people repeat the blunders perpetrated when the Exchange and Ballard hotels were built. This time we will put our light on a hill-top, where it may be seen and admired of all men.

It seems agreed that the new hotel shall be called the Hotel Jefferson, and it is expected that within a day or two an announcement will be made with reference to the site.

THE OXFORD CELEBRATION.

A Committee of North Carolinians Invites Governor Lee to be Present.

Yesterday morning a party composed of Colonel H. G. Cooper and Mr. C. T. Baskerville, of Oxford, N. C., and Messrs. M. T. Smith, Milton Cayce, and Charles Watkins, of this city, called on Governor Lee at his office in the Capitol. The North Carolinians represented the Commonwealth's Club of Oxford and the Richmond men (all of whom are prominently connected with the Tobacco Trade of Richmond) accompanied them to join in urging the Governor to be present at Oxford on the 18th instant, when the completion of the Oxford and Clarksville railroad (an extension of the Richmond and Mecklenburg road) will be celebrated.

Colonel Cooper, in a few words gracefully spoken, urged the Governor to attend. He said that many old soldiers would be present who would be glad to see him, and that Governor Scales would be there, and that he thought he could assure him a pleasant trip. The name of Lee was known and honored all through the South, and he would be heartily welcomed in North Carolina.

When Colonel Cooper concluded, Mr. Watkins, president of the Tobacco Trade of Richmond, explained that the Oxford and Clarksville road had been built by the New York and Southern Construction Company of this city (Mr. J. B. Pace president), and that this company would issue about 120 complimentary tickets to leading business-houses here to attend the railroad festivities, and he hoped the Governor would accompany this delegation of business-men. The section in which this new road runs grows a golden bright tobacco.

Governor Lee expressed his willingness and intention to attend. He said he would be glad to go to North Carolina, especially if it would add anything to the business interests of Richmond.

POLICE COURT CASES.

Selling Liquor on Sunday—Other Cases.

Among the cases on the Police-Court docket yesterday morning were three of persons charged with keeping their barrooms open and selling liquor on Sunday. These were James Bahen, who keeps on First street at the corner of Charity; Edward Cain, whose saloon is at the corner of First and Baker streets, and Nannie Smith, who also keeps in the western part of the city. Bahen appeared in court and asked that his case and that of Mr. Cain, who is sick in bed, be continued until to-day so that witnesses may be summoned. This was done and the other case also went over. The Smith case was reported by Officer Foster, and a party who was before court on Monday charged with being drunk on Sunday, when asked where he got his liquor, replied at Bahen's and Cain's, whereupon subpœnas were issued for them.

An examination in the continued case of Richard *alias* John Hobson, charged with a felony, resulted in his being sent on to the grand jury.

The case of J. L. Butler, charged with seduction, was continued until Saturday to await the arrival of officers from Hanover, where the offence is alleged to have been committed.

Millie Taylor and Lewis Taylor were fined $5 each and costs for using improper language on the street.

Assignment of H. Rubenstein.

Yesterday H. Rubenstein, dealer in dry goods, boots, shoes, notions, &c., at 121 north Seventeenth street, made an assignment to S. L. Bloomberg, trustee. The liabilities amount to about $1,944.71, and the preferred creditors, who are to be paid in the order named, are as follows: F. Rubenstein, of Augusta, Ga., $475; Joseph Feisher, of Baltimore, $213.99; Æsop, Mosby & Co., $140.80; Southern Shoe Company, $25.15. The general creditors are to be paid *pro rata*.

Personals and Briefs.

The Henrico County Court will be in session to-day.

Two small suits were instituted in the City Circuit Court yesterday.

Mr. Henry G. Berger, representative of Theodore Thomas's orchestra, is in the city.

The Circuit Courts both of the city of Richmond and the county of Henrico adjourned for the term yesterday.

Mr. Frank Patrick leaves the city to-day for New York, whence he sails with his wife Saturday on the Etruria for Europe.

Yesterday's persistent and continuous rain effectually dampened the ardor of municipal candidates for street-corner work at least.

A marriage-license was issued in Washington Monday to Charles C. Wagner and Mamie A. Powers, and Richard B. Hawes and Mary E. Gary; all of Richmond.

The ladies of the Centenary Methodist church are holding at Belvidere Hall a Sunflower-Tea, which affords many attractions for the pleasant spending of an evening.

The funeral of William Langridge, killed at Leigh and Price streets Monday, will take place to-day at 3 P. M. from Dr. Hoge's church, of which he was a member.

It may be because electric light is coming into such common use and is so much superior as an illuminating article, but really the city gas does not seem to be as good of late as usual.

The Norwegian bark Vega, 338 tons, A. Larsen, master, cleared yesterday for Rio de Janiero with 4,362 barrels of flour, valued at $22,422.60, shipped by the Haxall-Crenshaw Company.

Attorney-General Avers telegraphed from his home in Southwest Virginia yesterday to say that he would not be in Richmond until the latter part of the week, as his son James had been very badly bitten by a dog.

Mr. James W. Gibbons, president of the Old Dominion Democratic Club, is in receipt of a letter from General J. E. Johnston acknowledging in grateful terms notification of his election as an honorary member of the club.

After many years the pay of the police and teachers has been restored to former figures. Year after year the Council increased the pay of highly paid officers and refused to restore the pay of the lowest-salaried persons in the city's employment; but justice has been done at last.

The following officers have been elected for the year by the West-End Beneficial and Social Society: John S. Rady, president; Joseph W. Billey, vice-president; C. W. Tyler, secretary; William A. Mann, assistant secretary; Joseph W. Laube, treasurer; Joseph F. Orschell, sergeant-at-arms.

At 5 o'clock Monday evening at Pueblo, Col., Mr. William Galloway, train-dispatcher of the Atlantic Coast Line, was united in marriage to Miss Lillie Kellogg, youngest daughter of Mrs. N. V. Kellogg, of this city. The bride went to Colorado last September to pay a