# JURIES IN VIRGINIA.

## The Law Thought to Make Too Many Exemptions from Such Service.

## DIFFICULTY IN SECURING PANELS.

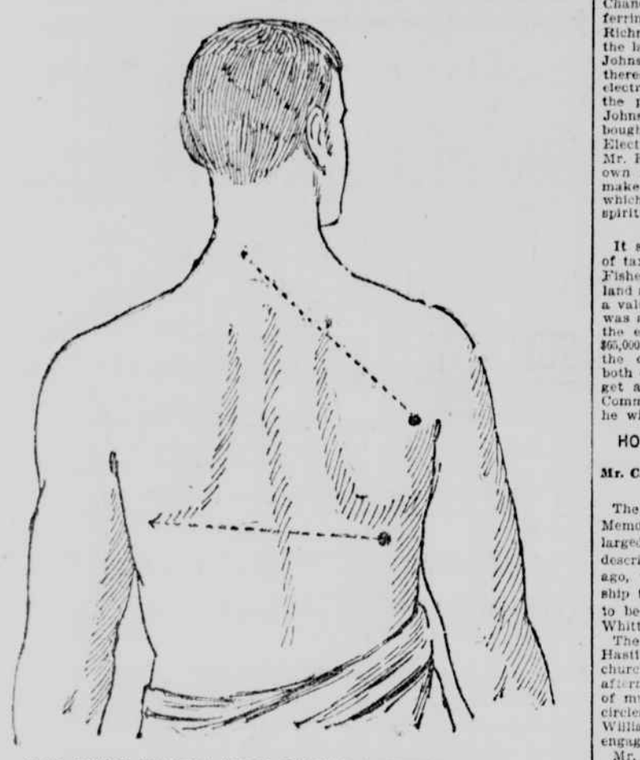
**Some Points About Those in the McNamee, Cluverius, and Jeter Phillips Cases—Atwell's Wounds—Coming Trials.**

Great interest has developed here recently in the matter of juries in important criminal cases.

The general impression seems to be that the laws of the State with regard to exemptions from jury-service could be materially improved. Since the recent conviction of Thomas N. McNamee of the murder of Robert Lee Atwell, the railroad yard conductor, and the fixing of his punishment at five years in the penitentiary, there has been much comment upon the jury that sat in that case, and upon the statute bearing upon this question.

As has been published before in the columns of the Dispatch, comment has in many instances given way to harsh criticism, showing the preponderance of opinion that the penalty agreed upon for McNamee was remarkably light. People have not yet been able to reconcile themselves to the consistency of only sending McNamee, the principal in the tragedy of the night of December 29th last, to state's prison for five years, while Gaul, his accomplice, was given the same punishment by a jury from another part of the State.

The one went to look for his victim, with a loaded revolver in his pocket and a stick in his hand, and, finding Atwell, precipitated a quarrel, which resulted in the yard conductor receiving two bullets into his body, causing almost instant death.



THE PISTOL-WOUNDS THAT CAUSED ATWELL'S DEATH.

POSITION OF THE WOUNDS.

The accompanying illustration shows where the balls entered Atwell's back and the course that they took. One of the most convincing arguments that Mr. Richardson used in conducting the prosecution of McNamee was putting on the dead man's coat to show just where the leaden missiles passed through it, and into the conductor's body. This coat was used to prove that the shooting was done when Atwell was retreating, and that the railroad man did not wear a long dark overcoat, as the prisoner testified that he did.

The statement of Coroner Taylor concerning the post-mortem was to the effect that one of the balls entered the right side of the back just above and to the left of the pit of the arm, as indicated in the illustration; passed upward, keeping near the surface, and was cut out in the nape of the neck. This point is also indicated in the cut. This wound was not fatal.

The bullet that produced death took a lower down on the same side of the body, about four inches from the spinal column, and coursing slightly upward, went almost entirely through the body, lodging just under the skin about an inch from the left nipple.

WENT THROUGH THE BODY.

This ball was removed from the front of the body at a point just through from that indicated by the end of the red line in the illustration. The course taken by the bullets indicate that they were fired from Atwell's right side, and a little to his rear. The last shot was probably fired while the yard conductor was in a stooping posture, or falling. The ground also bore slight abrasions upon the brow and nose, but these, the Coroner said, might have been inflicted by other blows from a stick or from falling upon some hard substance.

The testimony was conclusive that McNamee fired the pistol which produced the death of Atwell—in fact, the accused admitted this—and there was a preponderance of evidence that the shooting took place while Atwell was retreating. The coat of the deceased, which was produced in court, was regarded by the jury as a very damaging piece of testimony. William T. Gaul, who has been convicted of being an accessory to the crime, and whose punishment, as before stated, has been fixed identical with that of McNamee, certainly did nothing more than back or strike Atwell, while it was proved conclusively by the defence that Gaul was an inoffensive man, and that he was assured by McNamee on the way to the scene of the killing that night that there would be no serious difficulty.

HOME JURIES DON'T HANG.

In connection with this trial, a significant fact presents itself to the view of the public. It is that the only verdicts of death returned here in cases of prominence since the war were rendered by juries either wholly or largely composed of non-residents. It is frequently said that "they don't hang people any more in Richmond," and, considering the large number of murder cases which have been heard in our courts, without the extreme penalty being imposed, it begins to look very much as if all the homicides nowadays are more or less justifiable—or that juries obtained here are much given to leniency. The public seems inclined to the latter idea.

It has long since been found a difficult matter to get a jury in Richmond in an important criminal case, and it is more than likely that this is largely due to the laws upon the subject. It was believed that it would be impossible to get a panel here for the Gaul case, consequently Judge Witt dispatched Deputy-Sergeant Claiborne Epps to Danville, where he summoned thirty-eight veniremen, and brought them to Richmond the next day. The court only had to question fourteen of these men to make up a panel of sixteen, and when they had returned their verdict Judge Witt complimented them for their patience and careful consideration of the case, and came down from the bench and shook hands with every one of them.

In the case of Thomas Judson Cluverius, who paid the penalty of death upon the gallows for the murder of his cousin, Fannie Lillian Madison, about one hundred men were brought here from Alexandria. Only three jurors could be gotten in this city. The others were secured from the special venire from Alexandria, and the jury promptly brought in a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree.

The jury that tried and convicted Jeter Phillips in the Henrico Circuit Court, was composed of men from Richmond, Alexandria, and Fredericksburg. Men have also been brought over from Manchester or from other parts of the State to try other celebrated cases which have arisen here in the last quarter of a century.

HOW THEY ARE DRAWN.

It is more than probable that the laws concerning the securing of juries in this State make it more difficult to make up a panel here than it would be if the statutes were a little broader. The mode now for drawing a jury is, briefly, as follows: The judge in May of each year writes off the names of 200 citizens, each upon a seperate slip of paper, and these are placed in the jury-box. Ten days before each session of the court opens the judge, in the presence of the clerk, draws out twenty slips, and those persons whose names are upon such slips are summoned as one panel. If there be more than one felony-case to be heard, the judge is instructed by law to summon from the community in general another panel of twenty. From these two panels the jurors are selected. In case a jury cannot be secured from these two panels, the court sends out a venire facias for as many persons as he deems it to be necessary to complete the panel.

The law in Virginia exempts from the performance of jury duties the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, attorneys, physicians, pharmacists, officers of the courts, telegraph operators, pilots, officers and active members of fire departments or companies, the Vice-President of the United States, and members of both branches of Congress, while such houses are in session, all custom-house officers and clerks, postmasters and employees, all mariners, the Secretary of the Commonwealth, Attorney-General, Treasurer, the two Auditors, Register of the Land Office, Railroad Commissioner, Commissioner of Agriculture, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and their respective clerks, doorkeeper of the Executive, clerks of both houses of the General Assembly, judges of courts, all professors, tutors, and pupils of public schools while such schools are actually in session, ministers, keepers of jails, superintendents and servants of the public hospitals and lunatic asylums, superintendent of the penitentiary, his assistants and guards, one cashier and two tellers of the banks, the police, tipstaff and crier of the Court of Appeals during its sitting, millers, ferrymen, lock-keepers of the Dismal Swamp Canal Company, the active non-commissioned officers, the active members of the Virginia volunteers, together with the contributing members to the same, and others.

It can be easily seen from that that a large percentage of our population are exempt from service upon juries. It is well known that there are many wealthy citizens of Richmond who have become contributing members of the State militia in order to insure relief from such service.

THE M'NAMEE JURY.

The jury in the case of McNamee was composed of men well known in the community, but many of them—in fact, fifteen—were chosen from the first two panels, drawn and selected by Judge Witt. These two panels consisted of twenty men each, but about ten of them were either sick or otherwise incapacitated for duty, and were excused. From the remaining thirty the Court got fifteen jurors. The Judge then issued a venire facias for thirty-five men, and this was followed by the summoning of two other venires, bringing into court fifteen more citizens. From this number the Court managed to get the other necessary juror. The following was the personnel of the panel:

R. T. Reynolds, a deputy in the City Treasurer's office.

J. F. Wingfield, of the carpentering firm of J. F. Wingfield & Son.

G. W. Catlett, who resides at No. 313 east Cary street.

James D. Lyle, a watchman, who lives at No. 307 south Laurel street.

John McDonald, a well-known machinist.

John R. Grimes, clerk in the office of the Auditor of Public Accounts.

E. F. Christian, a watchman who resides at No. 1206 east Broad street.

R. F. Bowe.

John D. Lottier, tobacco manufacturer at No. 1434 east Cary street.

James E. Kearney, of the firm of Kearney Tobacco Company.

Thomas F. Hannigan, engineer at the Chamber of Commerce building.

Harry T. Jackson, a clerk who lives at No. 219 west Marshall street.

O. H. Nuckols, a conductor who resides at No. 1918 east Broad street.

Daniel Whitlock, of the firm of H. Whitlock & Sons.

Henry S. Hutzler, a well-known dealer in real estate, with an office on Tenth street.

The list, as completed, was then handed over to counsel for the accused, and they struck off the names of the first four gentlemen, leaving the jury composed of the twelve remaining citizens.

OTHER MURDER TRIALS.

Two murder cases of some moment will come up in the Hustings Court this month.

That of Maurice T. Ferriter, charged with the murder of Paul A. Grant by striking him with his fist, has been fixed for December 14th.

That of John Rabineau for shooting Otto G. Frayser will come before the grand jury to-morrow.

More than usual interest attach to these trials, because of the general indignation that McNamee's light sentence has aroused. It is not know whether both of them will be gotten through with this month, but they will hardly be allowed to go over from time to time for ten months, as did the cause that is now being talked about in almost every household in Richmond and Manchester.

There are also two negroes in the city jail charged with taking the lives of others. Four murder trials at one term sounds very much like a criminal court.

GRAND AND PETIT JURIES.

The grand jury for the December term of Judge Witt's court consists of W. C. Camp, C. E. Wingo, J. W. Fergusson, Jacob May, Charles Hogan, W. T. Hancock, Charles H. Simpson, A. Rufus Yarbrough, and J. J. Montague.

The list drawn and that selected by the Judge from which the petit jury will be secured for the December term contain the names of the following persons: H. Rosenheim, Clement Brooke, C. B. Dodson, L. F. Mason, T. M. Cullingworth, Palmer Gray, James B. Harvie, D. D. Burfoot, Carleton McCarthy, George M. West, H. L. Cabell, Carter B. Neel, M. M. Myer, F. L. Montague, Levin Joynes, Henry T. Miller, W. H. Allison, Jacob Wolff, Meredith F. Montague, T. A. Jacob, John H. Southall, J. C. Puckett, E. A. Saunders, Jr., T. J. Todd, Samuel Bendheim, Oscar H. Berry, George Ives, Jacob Bachrach, Jesse Talman, D. H. Lynch, R. E. Frayser, L. R. Thomas, James Farley (colored), R. H. Wills, John M. Allen, William Leal, Marx Gunst, Felix Smith, Mat Hopes (colored), and J. P. Heath.

**For the Rosemary Cot.**

A silver tea for the benefit of the Rosemary Cot of the Sheltering Arms will be given at No. 514 west Franklin street next Thursday from 4 until 9 o'clock. The following ladies are in charge of this cot: Mrs. William R. Trigg, Mrs. Levin Joynes, Mrs. Thomas N. Carter, Mrs. Otway Allen, Mrs. Andrew Christian, Mrs. J. B. Baylor, Mrs. E. T. D. Myers, Jr., Miss May Handy, Miss Virgie Archer, Miss Eva de Treville, Miss Adela Myers. Children especially invited from 4 to 6.

# CITIES WANT TAXES.

## MANCHESTER ENJOINED AGAINST COLLECTING FROM THE RAILWAY CO.

**Mr. Fisher and the Johnson's Island Deed—Both He and the R. R. and E. Company Assessed Here.**

Major Benjamin H. Nash, counsel for the Manchester Railway and Improvement Company, has sued out an injunction in the Hustings Court of Manchester, enjoining and restraining the tax collector (treasurer) of that city from collecting the taxes recently assessed upon the property of the corporation in that place.

The amount of these taxes is about $1,000, and the action of the company is based upon the point that the city, in granting the company its franchise, expressly stipulated that its property within the corporation should be exempt from local taxation.

The Supreme Court decided some months ago that such exemptions were unconstitutional, and the city assessed the company for taxes as stated above. It is understood that the Manchester Railway and Improvement Company will fight the matter through the courts.

FAILED TO TRANSFER IT.

Yesterday there was a deed placed on record in the office of the clerk of the Chancery Court, of Richmond, transferring from George E. Fisher to the Richmond Railway and Electric Company the land lying in James river, known as Johnson's Island, and the improvements thereon. The improvements consist of the electric-light plant. It is understood when the property was purchased from Mr. Johnson by Mr. Fisher that it had been bought for the Richmond Railway and Electric Company, but for some reason Mr. Fisher had the deed made out in his own name, and did not until yesterday make the transfer to the company, of which he is the secretary and the moving spirit both here and in New York.

QUESTION OF TAXATION.

It seems that there is also a question of taxation involved in this matter. Mr. Fisher was himself assessed for the land and improvements, which were given a valuation of $50,000, while the company was also taxed for the same property to the extent of an assessed valuation of $65,000. Without investigating the matter the company paid the assessments in both cases, and now it is endeavoring to get a refund from the city, which the Commissioner of the Revenue declares he will fight.

## HOLY TRINITY'S GREAT ORGAN.

**Mr. Carl, of New York, to Give Two Sacred Concerts Thursday.**

The Church of the Holy Trinity (Moore Memorial), which has been greatly enlarged, improved, and beautified, as fully described in the Dispatch some weeks ago, will be formally opened for worship to-day. Bishop Newton is expected to be present this morning, and Bishop Whittle to-night.

The inauguration of the new Hook & Hastings organ, just completed in the church, which will occur next Thursday afternoon and evening, will be an event of much interest in church and musical circles. The well-known organist, Mr. William C. Carl, of New York, has been engaged for the occasion.

Mr. Carl is a native of this country, and completed his studies with the famous Alexandre Guilmant, in Paris, who entertained Mr. Carl at his chateau in France for several weeks the past summer, and bestowed many honors upon him. Mr. Carl appeared as solo organist at the Edinburgh (Scotland) International Exposition, the World's Fair at Chicago, Worcester Music Festival, and has opened many of the large organs in America.

Such composers as Alexandre Guilmant, Salome, Deshayes, Dubois, Rousseau, Claussmann, and others have dedicated works to him, and during the past summer Mr. Carl was especially engaged for several performances in France. No American musician has received such marked attention abroad as Mr. Carl, and his success in America has been a series of ovations. He is the organist of the first Presbyterian church in New York city, and his recitals are a feature of the musical year in the great metropolis, and are crowded to the doors by enthusiastic audiences.

A HANDSOME ORGAN.

The organ is built in a recess to the left of the chancel, and has two fronts—one facing toward the chancel and one toward the auditorium, and presents to view an exterior comprising a walnut casing supporting groups of pipes tastefully arranged and decorated in harmony with the color treatment of the church. The instrument in every way is made with the greatest care, and from selected materials. It is voiced with special reference to the place it occupies, and special attention is called to the distinctive cha- The tone of the full organ is round and well balanced. Its builders invite the severest criticism on any points. For the benefit of musical people a detailed description is herewith appended.

The instrument has three manuals and a pedal of two octaves and two notes.

MR. CARL'S PROGRAMME.

Mr. Carl's programme will be as follows:

For Afternoon: Toccata and Fuque, in D minor, J. S. Bach; Pastorale, Georges MacMaster; Gavotte (dans le style ancien), Ch. Neustedt, transcribed by Mr. Carl; Finale, from the Fifth Organ Symphony, C. M. Widor; Communion, in G major, Edouard Batiste; Messe de Mariage (wedding music), Th. Dubois; Entree du Cortege; Benediction Nuptaile, Laus Deo; Noel Crossais, Alex. Guilmant; Offertory, selection; Caprice, in B flat; Marche Funebre et chant Seraphique (written for the inauguration of the grand organ in the Cathedral of Notre Dame, Paris), Alex. Guilmant; Overture, "Euryanthe," C. M. Von Weber.

Evening, at 8:30—Hymn, collects and lesson; Premiere Sonate, in D minor; Largo e Maestoso, Allegro; Prelude, in G minor (composed expressly for Mr. Carl during M. Guilmant's recent American tournee), Marche aux Flambeaux, Alex. Guilmant; Scherzo, in E major, Eugene Gigout; Cantabile, in A flat, Samuel Rousseau; Organ Concerto, in B minor, No. 10, G. F. Handel; Allegro, Aria; Fugue, in D major, J. S. Bach; Offertory, anthem, by choir; * * * Romance (Tannhauser), Richard Wagner; Menuet Symphonique (new), Th. Salome; Grand Fantasia: "The Storm," Jacques Lemmens, "The Repose of Nature," "Dance of the Shepherds," "Approach of the Storm," "The Tempest," the Vesper hymn; Marche Triomphale, Theodore Dubois. Collect, benediction, hymn.

## EAST RICHMOND'S THANKSGIVING.

**The Schools Unite in a Celebration—Rev. Mr. Shuey's Call—Other Notes.**

On Wednesday afternoon the schools in this place united in Thanksgiving exercises, which did credit to both scholars and teachers. The following programme was carried out:

Opening, Dialogue; Singing, "Bringing in the Sheaves"; Dialogue, "Our Country," Six Little Girls; Reading, "Thanksgiving," Floyd Betteys; Recitation, "One of His Names," Grace Mersereau; Recitation, "The Little Brown House," Mollie Eliett; Singing, "Work, for the Night is Coming"; Recitation, "A Little Wheedler," Belle Fowler; Dialogue, "History of Thanksgiving"; Recitation, "When I Grow Up," Eddie Byers; Recitation, "Mamma's Help," Nellie Ames; Recitation, "Things I Do Not Like to See," Maggie Thornton; Dialogue, "A Choice of Trades," by Nine Boys; "Thanksgiving Proclamation," Alexander Thornton; Closing Address, Addie Verlander; Singing, "God Be With You."

Thursday night there were entertainments and oyster-suppers at Seven-Pines pavilion and New Bridge church, the former given by the Union-Station Methodist Episcopal church for the benefit of Corinth Methodist Episcopal church, and the latter by the Antioch Baptist church, near Meadow Station. Each was a success. Cars ran till after 11.

Rev. George C. Shuey has had a call to a church in Harrisonburg, this State, and left with his family on Friday for that place. They have been with Mrs. Shuey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Hoppe, through the summer vacation. On Wednesday evening Mr. Shuey christened his youngest child, Margaruite, in the presence of a number of invited guests.

Mr. Woodruff has returned to Washington after a pleasant visit of a week with his daughter, Mrs. L. Watson.

Mrs. Lou Betteys received a barrel of fine, large oysters on Thanksgiving-eve from her former home on the coast.

**The Apostleship of Study.**

The Apostleship of Study, an educational and social society, composed of young men of the congregation of the Sacred Heart church, recently organized by Rev. Father Carne, is now in quite a racteristics of each individual register. flourishing condition, and new members continue to join.

The society meets on Tuesday and Thursday of each week. At each meeting a lecture of an educational character is given, besides which such members as desire to do so can receive instruction in any of the usual school studies, or spend the evening reading or playing indoor games. Several new features will be added in the near future, among which will be a debating society in connection with the present organization. At the first regular election, which was held on Tuesday last, the following officers were elected: President, Edward Ryan; Vice-President, Michael Hennesey; Secretary, John Wade; Treasurer, Thomas McCollough.

There are no initiation fees or dues connected with membership, and all the young men of the congregation are welcome.

## THE RICHMOND TRAVELLING-MEN.

**A Full Meeting Last Night—New Posts to Be Organized.**

The meeting last night of the Travellers' Protective Association in their rooms in the Chamber of Commerce building was very largely attended. Mr. R. S. Christian, president, presided, and Mr. George Gibson, Jr., secretary, was also at his post.

The Railroad Committee made their report, which was received and approved.

Chairman Wallerstein stated that he had heard favorably from Mr. John A. Lee, and on motion a committee was appointed, consisting of J. F. LeBron, A. V. Shea, C. V. Clash, John B. Culpeper, and M. I. Binswanger, to visit Norfolk and organize a post of the Travellers' Protective Association in that city.

THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT.

It is expected that the president of the National Association will be in Virrginia the latter part of this month and accompany the committee on their trip to Norfolk.

Chairman Culpeper of the Press Committee, was requested to notify the Lynchburg papers of the intended visit of a committee, accompanied by the president, to organize a post in that city.

There are now nearly 8,000 members of the Travellers' Protective Association of America in the United States. The Virginia Division numbers nearly 200 and the Tennessee over 500 members.

DR LANDRUM TO PREACH.

It was suggested that prominent divines be requested to preach a sermon to the Travellers' Protective Association from time to time, and all the members attend in a body. Dr. W. W. Landrum was selected to preach the first sermon. A committee, composed of R. S. Christian and P. P. Murray, was appointed to wait on Dr. Landrum and ascertain on what date it would be convenient for him to deliver the sermon.

Mr. M. R. Catlin, the florist, kindly furnished the rooms last night with several vases of beautiful La France, Marechal Neil, and American Beauty roses, which act was highly appreciated by the travelling men.

## MR. VOGL BRINGS SUIT.

**He Asks for $2,000 Damages from Mr. Hefferman—Other Court News.**

Max Vogl brought suit in the Law and Equity Court yesterday against W. A. Hefferman for $2,000 damages. The suit is the outcome of the arrest of Mr. Vogl on the charge of the larceny of $50 worth of stained glass designs from Mr. Hefferman. This case was heard in the Police Court yesterday morning, and the evidence did not bear out the allegation. Vogl was formerly an employee of Hefferman, who conducts a glass-designing establishment in Lynchburg, but left him some time ago to come to Richmond to live. Soon after reaching here Vogl opened business for himself, taking another young man in as partner. Not long after that the co-partnership was dissolved, and Hefferman was advised that Vogl had in his possession certain designs belonging to him. Hefferman came to Richmond to investigate the matter. He went to Vogl's place of business, but failed to find his property there. Upon returning home he found that the designs had been sent back to Lynchburg through the mail, and that the sender had not given his name. He then came to this city again and Vogl was arrested.

A motion for judgment for $94 was filed in this court yesterday by Frank Norton against the Columbia Loan and Investment Association, of Washington, D. C.

The Hustings Court was engaged yesterday in renewing the bail-bonds of those whose cases were continued from the November term.

**Property Transfers.**

Richmond: Mrs. Nettie T. Johnson from Daniel B. Williams and wife, 29 feet on north side of Coutts street between St. John and St. Paul, $300.

George N. Evans from B. F. Turner and wife, 25 feet on Baker street, and 13 2-12 feet on alley between Duval and Baker streets, $1,600.

Henrico: Samuel H. Pulliam from Irvin East and wife, 26 feet on St. Peter street northwest corner of Mitchell street, Duval's addition, $5.

Seymour Harvell from Harry S. Lee and wife, one sixth interest in tract of land near Bosher's dam, $1,000.

Mathew H. Winkers from E. T. Bradley and wife, 30 feet on Twenty-second estreet southwest corner of X street, $900.

John Messerschmidt from Lisburn Land Company, 40 feet on Kensington street near Gilmour avenue, $500.

A. C. Houston from same, 40 feet on north side Ivy street near Gilmour avenue, $500.

Carl Ruehrmund from same, 40 feet on Kensington street near Roseneath street, $300.

**Rosemary Public Library.**

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary Committee of the Rosemary Public Library will be held at the rooms of the library, corner of Second and Main streets, Friday afternoon, December 7th, at half-past 4 o'clock. The meeting is called with a view to enlarging the quarters of the library so as to accommodate its increasing growth and public usefulness. The following ladies compose the committee: Mrs. Levin Joynes, Mrs. E. T. D. Myers, Jr., Mrs. Arthur Seddon, Mrs. Albert Bruce, Miss Maria Blair, Miss Gussie Daniel, Mrs. Sam Cohen, Mrs. S. M. Rosenbaum, Mrs. Otway S. Allen, Mrs. R. L. Norris, Mrs. Wyndham R. Meredith, Mrs. James Baylor, Mrs. Parke Bagby, Mrs. James W. Allison, Miss Annie Stewart, Mrs. E. A. Saunders, Mrs. Dr. Oppenhimer, Mrs. E. T. Crump, Mrs. Virginius Newton, Mrs. Charles Williams, Mrs. E. T. C. Davis, Mrs. Everett Waddey, Mrs. John Harrison, and Miss Nannie Winston.

**Trial of Van Perkins.**

The case of Van Perkins, the negro charged with attempted assault upon the Misses Bolton, will not be tried until January. The offence was committed on Thursday, the 22d, instead of Friday, as has been stated, and the first of the sisters was about six miles out on the Hermitage road when accosted. She used her whip both on the horses and the negro, and the latter had to jump from the singletree. When the negro climbed in the wagon of the second girl she threatened to shoot him, and, motioning her hand as if to draw a pistol, her would-be assailant desisted.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Handsome English Cheviot Coats, tailor made, bound with tailor braid, full 46 inches long, and the price $8.50, instead of the usual $12.50.
French Beaver Coats, in navy or black, with velvet collars, for $8.50.
$15 Kersey-Cloth Coats, black or navy, with cloth-bound velvet collars, for $10.
New beauties for Monday—Tan or Black Covert-Cloth Coats, half silk lined, for $12.50.
English Pilot-Cloth Coats, 40 inches long, double velvet corded seams, for $12.50.
$22.75 Coats of a week ago for $16.50—tan, mode, or Oxford, applique cloth, seams back and front, 48 inches long, broad lapels that button close to the neck.
Real Astrachan Capes, 30 inches long, with full circular sweep, for $12.50.
Pieced Astrachan Capes, full military sweep, for $4.
Louden Seal Capes, 30 inches long, circular sweep, for $12.50. Finer grades—$15, $18, and $25—each $10 under value.
30-inches-long Silk Plush Capes for $6.99.
34-inches-long Seal Plush Capes, full military sweep, collar and edge of marten fur, and the prices $15 and $18.
Seal Plush Capes, elaborate embroidery, for $21.
Would you have a Tourist Melton Double Cape in tan, mixed, or black for $8.50? Come and get it here for $4.98.

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Priestley $1 Figured Goods go for 75c.
$1 Silk Gloria, 48 inches wide, to be sold for 59c.
Priestley Silk Warp, wide wale, $1.50 quality, for 88c.
New Crepe Cloth for $1.45.

The Millinery is in its glory of newness. Block Hats that cut a dash. There are Colored Hats and appurtenances at a third under value.

Flannel good as ever, but prices peculiar.

40c. Solid-Colored Elderdown Flannels for 25c.
50c. Twilled Medicated Scarlet Flannel for 25c.
⅝-yard-wide Finest-Grade White Flannel, sold for 40c., now 29c. a yard.
$1 Silk-Embroidered Hemstitched White Flannels for 69c.
10c. White Wool Flannel for 8½c.
12c. White Shaker Flannel for 9½c.
CASSIMERES for Boys' wear—wool—was 49c. a yard always, now 29c.

Ladies Muslin Underwear Sale. Always the best prices here, but now—

45c. Ladies' Muslin Drawers for 25c. a pair. Good muslin, best make, Hamburg ruffle beaded with three tucks, yoke band, for 25c.
$1.50 Gown for $1. Best muslin and sewing, full-length yoke of cluster tucks and Hamburg finished with beading, open neck of three-inch-wide embroidery, cuffs to match. This Gown to be $1.

A purchase of 125 dozen White Muslin Skirts.

69, 75, and 79c. Skirts for 50c. each. Nicest in every way, with wide embroidered ruffles and tucks, with plain cambric ruffles and tucks, with 9-inch lace ruffle—any for 50c.

## SILK SKIRTS.

$8.88 Silk Skirts for $6.
$7.50 Silk Skirts for $5.50.
$8 Silk Skirts for $5.50.
$5 Silk Gloria Skirts for $3.75.
CHRISTMAS APRONS HAVE ARRIVED, 25c. to $1.

100 dozen Heavy, Large, Water-Absorbing Towels, every thread cotton, size 20x44, to be sold for 6¼c. each, 12½c. Towels.

Handsome Linens—

Double-Damask Hemstitched Table Centre Cloths, 18x24, value 85c. for 45c.
Double-Damask Lunch-Cloth, 40x46 inches, $3.75 value, for $1.98.
Scotch-Linen Table Centre, 31x31 inches, $2.25 value, for $1.25.
Open-Work Boudoir Scarfs, $1.75 value, for 98c.
120 dozen Fringed Pure-Linen Damask Tray-Cloths, worth 25c., for 12½c.

This is a mere hint of the many special values in the Linen Department.

Ladies' Camel's-Hair Knit Vests, $1.17 value, on sale Monday for 59c.

The Christmas-gift worth preserving is

## THE BOOK.

When properly selected it stores itself into a corner of memory that is as lasting as life itself. We have a large Book-Store devoted to books, and follow the most successful efforts of all the publishers. 5c. Books or $5 Books, or anything. The small-profit prices on all. You can spend hours here if you choose.

Who would have thought a year ago that Blankets would be selling at these prices—

Heavy Gray Lambskin Blankets, fancy borders, last year's price $1.25 a pair, for 25c. each.
Heavy White Blankets for $1.48 a pair.
10-4 Wool Blankets for $1.75 a pair.
Scardale Long-Wool Blankets for $2.65 a pair.
11-4 California Blankets—last year $0.75, now $5.88; $12 last year, now $7.88.

Pure Eiderdown Pillows.

16x16 for 39c., 18x18 for 49c., 20x20 for 59c., 22x22 for 75c., 24x24 for 98c.

100 6-4 Chenille Table-Covers to be sold for 59c.

Some new Cotton-Goods prices:

Fruit-of-the-Loom Cotton for 6½c. a yard.
Short ends of Fruit and Androscoggin for 4½c.
Real Turkey-Red or Navy Calicoes, in small, pretty designs, for 3½c.
25c. 10-4 Bleached Sheeting for 16⅔c.
20c. heaviest Feather-Bed Tick for 12½c.
Yard-wide Soft-Finished Bleached Muslin for 4½c.

500 pairs Sheets and Pillow-Cases—only the best sewing.

Full 72x90 Sheets for 45c.
81x90 heaviest 75c. Sheets for 55c.
90x90 Utica Sheets for 59c.
12½c. Pillow-Cases for 9c.

Yard-wide 12½c. Percales for 7½c.
12½c. Canton Flannels for 8c.; 5c. quality for 3½c., etc.

The Gentlemen's Furnishing people are in arms for not spreading their great display in large letters. Come, see if they don't deserve it.

The newness in Scarfs and Neckwear alone is bewitching. More new from England in the City of Paris than ever before.

Here is the missing link:

The De Joinville looks just like the wind had carelessly blown it around your collar and formed a huge bow on your shirt-front—75c., $1, $1.50 each.

50c. Neckwear that sells for usually 25c. for 50c. qualities.

Splendid value in Men's Natural-Gray Shirts and Drawers at 50c.

Men's Imported Natural-Gray Wool Shirts and Drawers, 75c.; regular $1.25 value.

The same in white if you prefer.

Imported Winter-Weights Balbriggan Underwear, silk finished, $1.25; $1.75 value.

Men's Cardigan Jackets of all kinds and qualities.

Hand-Made Jackets.

Men's All-Wool Cashmere Sox—light, medium, heavy-weights—25, 35, and 50c.

Children's Fur Top Kid Gloves, special good values at 75c., $1, and $1.25; snap or spring fastenings, newest shades.

Carpets, Oil-Cloths, Linoleums, and Mattings. Extraordinary low prices to close the stock for this season have been made.

$15,000 worth of China and Glassware at just half value here TO-MORROW. The steamer La Maize, which was badly damaged in the October storm off the Banks of Newfoundland, was towed into New York on November 15th. The entire cargo was sold on November 23d by order of the Board of Underwriters at Pier 36, North river. The cargo consisted of various kinds of merchandise, including 1,600 packages of China and Glassware. The New York Dry Goods Exchange purchased the entire lot. Our share was 146 packages, which will be put on sale TO-MORROW at prices that cannot be duplicated again perhaps in a lifetime.

4,000 Cups and Saucers, every conceivable shape, color, and decoration. Usual cost, 50c. to $1.50. 25c. for any.
Solid Oak Easels, with brass trimmings, $1 value—49c.
White and Gold Enamelled Easels, $1.50 value—89c.
Real Pastel Paintings, new subjects, handsomely enamelled and gilt frame, 34x40, $3.99—$10 value.
20x26 Pastel Paintings, in white and silver frames, 48c.—$1.25 value.
200 Inch Decorated Fruit Saucers, 4c. each.
Handsome Decorated Cheese Dishes, 98c.
200 French China Chocolate Pots, gold decorations, 50c.—$1 value.
5,000 Polished-Glass Tumblers, 2½c. each.
100 Water Bottles, cut neck, 50c. each—$1 value.
2,000 Water Goblets, highly polished, 2c. each.
1,000 Glass Molasses Pitchers, patent top, 5c.
50 Imitation of Cut Glass Square Bowls, large size, 25c. each.
2,500 Venetian Glass Flower, Cake, Nut, and Fruit baskets at 25c. to $2.50—just half the usual cost.

Over 1,500 Easels and Pictures are placed on sale here to-morrow at wonderful prices.

200 Oak Fire Screens, with brass trimming, silkoline fitting, 59c.—$1 value.

1,500 Carriage Whips, the usual 25c. quality 10c.

350 15-inch Wash Boards, 5c. each.

3-Prong Towel- and Hat-Racks, solid oak, brass trimmings, 15c. each, 50c. value.

Real China Cream Pitchers in pink and in gold decorations, 25c., 75c. value.

French China Spoon-Holders, 37c. value, 10c.

English China Cups and Saucers, pretty shape, 65c. a dozen.

210 French China Sugar Dishes, handsome decorations, $1 value 25c.

1,000 Real India China Decorated Plates, egg-shell thinness, 10c. each.

2,000 Bonn Fruit Saucers, stippled gold decorations, regular value $3.50 a dozen, 10c. each.

50c. Bonn Fruit Plates, stippled gold decorations, 10c.

3,000 Real China Berry, Fruit, and Preserve Saucers, fluted design, 5c. each, worth $4 a dozen.

170 dozen French China Soup Plates, regular value $2.50 a dozen, 10c. each.

Over 300 Dinner Sets were in this great purchase.

French China Dinner Sets, handsomely decorated, 102 pieces, $19.75 a set—$35 value.
French China Dinner Sets, Dresden decorations, 100 pieces, $25—cost $42 to import.
Limoges China Dinner sets, exquisitely decorated, 102 pieces, $35 a set—$55 value.
200 Real China Tea Sets, newest shapes, 56 pieces, $5.50 a set—$11.50 value.
Limoges China Tea Sets, 56 pieces, $10 a set—$18 value.

For want of space our Chair Department has been moved to the second floor. Some extraordinary Chair values here.

Real Leather-Bottom Chairs, $7 value, $3.50 now.
Solid Oak Chairs, with handsome Plush Seats, highly polished, $2.50—$5 value.
200 different kinds of Chair Bargains.

Take Elevator.

## DOLLS.

The collections of the great family of Dolls are in themselves of sufficient interest to engage many thousand little hearts. Dolls with flaxen curls, Dolls with real hair, with heads indestructible or bisque, with eyes that move or those that never sleep, with bodies of kid or movable joints, China Dolls or Rubber Dolls, or anything that a Doll was ever made of.

Besides the Beautiful Dolls are the Beautiful Low Prices.

Let these few prices stand for to-day:

10-inch Kid-Body, Bisque-Head Dolls, with pretty flaxen hair, 5c. each.
15-inch Bisque-Head Jointed Dolls with golden hair, 19c.
14-inch Kid Dolls, bisque head, natural hair, shoes and stockings, 35c.
200 Rudolstadt Bisque Kid-Body Dolls, 24 inches high, shoes and stockings, $1.50—$3 value.
See the Magnificent Jointed Dolls, 20 inches high, natural hair, 98c.
Over 200 Dolls, various sizes