

ON HOUSE-CLEANING.

A View of the Sentimental Side of It.

A VISIT TO THE GARRET.

What is Disclosed—Old Trunks, Old Clothes, and Old Letters—Rest and How to Take It—Personal Mentions.

(Correspondence of the Dispatch.) AFTON, VA., May 15.—Somebody who is trying to make the people of the United States clean their skins to godliness...

The country housekeeper may well sigh over the difference in her spring cleaning and the sifter city's war upon the winter's dust and smoke.

Afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Daniel Smith. It is understood that these ladies will purchase a fine organ for the Methodist church, recently organized.

Thursday evening, a new choir for the Baptist church was organized, and will be a pleasing feature of church services.

Mr. E. S. Read purchased last week a large number of sheep. This is probably the first step towards the erection of a wool mill some time in the dim future.

Miss Collins, of Madison county, will be the guest of her brother, Dr. G. T. Collins, for the summer.

Dr. D. L. Coleman, of Upper Rockfish, was in town to-day, and reports the crop and fruit prospects as very fine down the Valley.

THE NORTHERN NECK.

PREPARATIONS MAKING TO CELEBRATE CHILDREN'S DAY.

Approaching Baptist Sunday-School Convention—Confederate Veterans Getting Ready to Visit Richmond—A Good Dog Story—Personal Notes.

(Correspondence of the Dispatch.) COMMONWEALTH KING GEORGE COUNTY, VA., May 15.—The Sunday-school people are making extensive preparations for "Children's Day," which will be observed at all the churches at some time or other before the summer closes.

Another important occasion "in store" for the Baptist people of this section is the "Northern Neck Sunday-School Convention," which will convene at the Lebanon Baptist church, in Lancaster county, on the 30th day of this month.

The Collins-Garnett Confederate Veteran Camp, of this county, is steadily increasing in membership and interest.

Dr. V. O. Caruthers, the newly-elected chairman of the General Assembly, has been authorized to appoint a county committee, and report their names to the mass-meeting, in June, for ratification.

The springs and wells in some parts of this county and Lower Stafford are already falling, and if an early drought sets in water will be scarce.

Rev. F. S. Stokely announced last Sunday that several young men had asked him to preach on various topics.

The following is the list of subjects arranged for the Sunday afternoon services: "Truth," May 24th; "God," May 31st; "Man," June 7th; "Sin," June 14th; "Atonement," June 21st; "Rebellion," June 28th; "Immortality," July 5th.

There will be a meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy at No. 612 Chestnut street Monday, the 13th, at half-past six.

LEXINGTON LOCALS.

COMING COMMENCEMENT OF WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Cadets Take an Outing—A Revolutionary Son—A Mad-Dog Scare—Pastor Called—Personal and General News.

LEXINGTON, VA., May 15.—(Special.) The programme of the annual commencement exercises at the Washington and Lee University has been given out by the officials of that school.

Monday, June 15th, 6 P. M.—Annual regatta. 9 P. M.—Final celebration of the literary societies: Graham-Lee Society; President, H. H. McCorkle.

The corps of cadets of the Virginia Military Institute had quite an outing yesterday. They spent the day on a route marked up North river.

A REVOLUTIONARY SON. The time has come when the survival of a child of a Revolutionary soldier is so unusual as to excite comment.

A DOG SCARE. Raphine had a considerable mad-dog scare on Wednesday. A large St. Bernard dog, belonging to Mr. W. C. Moore.

MEETING FOR MEN ONLY. Dr. Dorman to Lecture To-day on the Secret Sins of Men.

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