

THE GROUND BROKEN.

FIRST STEP TOWARD BUILDING THE UNION UNIVERSITY HERE.

INTERESTING EXERCISES HELD.

Addresses by Drs. Corey, Teft, Dickerson, Cooper, and Several Colored Ministers—A Half Million Dollars Provided For.

Ground was broken yesterday afternoon for Union University, the institution of learning for colored people, to be erected on the brow of the hill north of Hartshorn Memorial College, and the work of erecting the buildings will be pushed forward as rapidly as possible.

The breaking of ground yesterday was attended with interesting exercises, in which thanks were tendered for Divine assistance. Speeches were made by various ministers, both white and colored, and it was stated that the money for prosecuting the work is in hand.

HOW THE BUILDINGS FOR THE UNION UNIVERSITY WILL BE ARRANGED.

Theological Seminary, and Professor L. B. Teft, of Hartshorn-Memorial College, handled the pick and shovel and turned the earth, while others joined in afterwards, and the ground was well dug up before the gathering dispersed.

HALF A MILLION IN SIGHT.

The erection of the Union University in this city sprang from a movement which was inaugurated some time ago looking to combining under one roof all the colored theological seminaries in the South and North, and the movement gained headway when Wayland Seminary, of Washington, united in it and decided to move to this city.

The exercises started yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock and lasted for over two hours. Professor Jones, of Richmond Theological Seminary, presided over the meeting, and after the scripture reading introduced Rev. S. Thomas, who led in prayer.

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THE CHECK OPERATOR ARRESTED.

He Has a Good Supply of Materials, But Appears Sere.

Harry Johnson, or, as he calls himself, Harry Sears, the man who was being sought for by the police, who believed him to be a bogus check operator, was arrested yesterday morning at a few minutes before 10 o'clock in the vicinity of the Chesapeake and Ohio depot, and it is believed that he was at the time preparing to shake the dust of this city from his feet.

The man was located by Officer Logan S. Robins, and was taken to the First Police Station, where he was locked up. He will be in the Police Court this morning, and has engaged Mr. Seaton to defend him.

When his satchels were searched a bottle of red and a bottle of black ink were found, together with two pens, a box of pencils, which might be used to make up the certification stamp on the face of a check, a hand stamp, and a number of blank checks on various banks, some of which had the certification stamp on them.

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AFTERMATH OF THE SYKES FIRE.

Firemen Worked Nearly Six Hours Before All Was Extinguished—Loss About \$1,000—One Boy Struck Another—Personals and Briefs.

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THE VARSITY ELEVEN.

Hard Practice—The Contest With Princeton To-Day.

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The eleven were put through hard and faithful practice last week, and in the University team of Washington a total of 47 points was run up, while the visitors were kept from approaching anywhere near the Orange and Blue goal.

The practice on the athletic field yesterday afternoon was a hard one, and was kept up until it was stopped by darkness. Three touchdowns were scored by the Varsity in rapid succession, without once losing the ball after the kick off.

PERSONALS AND BRIEFS.

Miss Jennie Prover, who has been quite sick, is improving.

MR. MINOR'S BODY HERE.

His Remains Interred Yesterday—Mrs. Minnigerode's Funeral.

The body of Mr. Washington Minor, who was killed at Wickford Junction, O. R. last Friday, arrived here at 8:30 o'clock yesterday morning, and were conveyed to the home of his father, Mr. B. B. Minor, No. 520 west Grace street, whence, at 2:30 o'clock, it was taken to All Saints' church, where funeral services were held.

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CONFIDE IN A WOMAN.

Women may write about their troubles to Mrs. Pinkham and avoid the questions of a male physician.



The questions asked of a woman by a male physician are embarrassing and frequently revolting to a sensitive nature. In consequence the whole truth is not told! This makes it difficult for female troubles to be successfully treated, and is the reason so many women grow worse rather than better.

Mrs. LUCY A. LOUGHERY of New Lebanon, Ind., describes how wretched she was until she received Mrs. Pinkham's help:

DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I propped myself in a chair and wrote to you, and as soon as I commenced to take your Vegetable Compound I began to improve. I had suffered with severe pains in my hips, back and head. The doctor said I had bladder trouble and falling of the womb. I had spells when, if I did not sit down, I would fall. I was sleepy all the time. I was also troubled with leucorrhoea and itching piles. People thought that my end was near. Had it not been for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and advice I would have been dead and buried long ago. I hope that this letter may be the means of helping all women who suffer as I did.

Women understand women better than men can. The whole truth is freely told to Mrs. Pinkham, and women only see the letters received by her at Lynn, Mass. Her advice is freely offered.

Here is a convincing letter from a woman in Bethlehem, Pa.:

DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Words cannot express my gratitude for the good that your Vegetable Compound has done me. I have taken five bottles, and feel better in every respect. Menstruation lasted too long and were very profuse, and made me very weak. Your Compound is a miracle. Before writing to you I had tried doctor's medicine, but of no avail. I would not give up your Compound for female complaints for all the doctor's medicine in the world. My friends want to know what makes me look so well. I do not hesitate one minute in telling them why. I cannot sing its praises enough. I hope every one who suffers as I have will give Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound a trial; and I know that, if taken according to directions, it will cure.—Mrs. EDWIN ENNIS, 413 Church Street, Bethlehem, Pa.

All women who suffer should secure Mrs. Pinkham's counsel. Female troubles are real troubles, and must be treated understandingly. For a quarter of a century Mrs. Pinkham's advice and Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound have been helping women to be strong and well, more than a million women have been benefited by it.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound A Woman's Remedy for Woman's Ills.

years, severed their connection with that institution to-day.

Mr. and Mrs. Hodges Christian left yesterday evening for Newport News, where they will reside in future. Mr. R. S. Tucker, a well-known businessman of Richmond, was here to-day to see Mr. N. L. Henley.

Miss Annie Mayo leaves on the 7th of this month for an extended visit to relatives in Washington and Annapolis.

INTERESTING MEAT CASE Pending at Newport News—Coaling At Quarantine.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., November 1.—(Special.)—An investigating case is pending in the Police Court affecting the sale of meat in the city. Mr. G. W. Saunders, a local dayman, charges Mr. E. L. Parker with selling diseased meat to butchers.

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DETECTIVE HAD CHIPS CASHED. Customers of a Poker Room Lose Nothing by a Police Raid.

Detective Mooney, of the Church-Street Station, on Saturday night made a raid on a room on the top floor of 68 West Street, kept by John Ackerman.

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Advertisement for Castoria medicine, featuring a portrait of a woman and text describing its benefits for various ailments.

Advertisement for California Fig Syrup, describing its health benefits and availability.