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THE SENATORIAL ELECTIONS.

The following is from the Baltimore American, an Independent-Republican paper:

In an interesting editorial yesterday the Baltimore Sun called attention to the fact that in three of the legislatures in which senatorial contests were in progress members had voluntarily testified that they had been offered money for their votes and influence, and in one case the money was returned because the bribed member had repented of his sin. Unfortunately, this is not a rare story. The scandal afflicts every State and corrupts its legislators. An election of a United States senator, except in exceptional instances, develops evils of the worst possible kind—the bad use of money, the promise of office, the employment of every possible influence to affect votes, and the demoralization of the legislature's legitimate work.

So it will continue as long as the present system of election prevails. When the United States senators are elected by the people we shall have better men in that body.

We do not endorse the statement of the American that this evil "afflicts every State"; but even where no money is employed to influence the votes of members of the Legislature, the proposition may be successfully maintained that popular election is preferable to legislative election.

Why entrust to the hands of an agent work that you feel confident you can do more satisfactorily than the agent could? If members of councils, of legislatures, and of the United States House of Representatives can with safety be elected by the people, why may not senators also be?

Again, are not the people who nominate and elect President and Vice-President of the United States capable of choosing those who are to speak for them and vote for them in the United States Senate? We think they are.

Some of the ablest and best men who were members of the convention which framed the Federal Constitution were in favor of the election of senators by the people, and if they were living to-day we feel confident that the great majority of the fathers of the Constitution would vote for a change. It will take some years to effect this change, but the sooner the work is begun the sooner it will be accomplished. Already a number of States have declared in favor of a constitutional amendment, which will take away from legislatures and confer upon the people themselves the duty and privilege of choosing their senators in Congress.

That is what the people wish; what they demand—what they will have, sooner or later.

NEARLY A CENTENARIAN.

Mr. Charles Reid, a well-known and greatly esteemed citizen of Norfolk, who died on Tuesday was, as far as we know, the oldest person in Virginia. He was born in Forfar, Scotland, April 4, 1800, and was, therefore, nearly 99 years of age. We learn from the Norfolk papers that his death was unexpected and was a shock to that community. "His was a familiar form upon the street, and his erect and active carriage was neither indicative of his great age, nor of the death that claimed him for its own."

We know of no resident of Richmond who is more than 96. Of course, we are told now and then of persons here and elsewhere in the State who are a hundred or over, but upon examination of the evidence offered in substantiation of the great age claimed it is found to be inconclusive. Cotemporaneous record evidence is invariably absent.

There have been indisputable instances of persons living beyond one hundred years—we have found a few in Virginia—but such instances are exceedingly rare.

The colonel of the Sixth Virginia Regiment has had the members of the regiment under the strictest discipline for the past two weeks, owing to the fact that some of them have been the cause of much trouble in the city. Very few of the men have been allowed to come to the city and they have kept exceedingly quiet. The change is very noticeable. Heretofore, when they came into the city they would try to raise a disturbance everywhere they went, but now they keep very quiet. It is thought that the colonel will relax somewhat in the next few days and allow the men to have their liberties again, as he thinks that they will behave from now on.

So says the Macon correspondent of the Atlanta Constitution. That paper also confirms the report we have received that the Sixth is one of the eleven regiments which are soon to be mustered out of the service.

PENNSYLVANIA SENATORSHIP.

So far the votes for United States Senator taken in the Legislature of Pennsylvania show no disposition on the part of the anti-Quay men to recant their pledge, and so long as this situation obtains and the Democrats remain solid there is no chance of Quay's election. The vote in joint session yesterday was practically the same as was the vote in the separate houses the day before, and according to the Philadelphia Times, demonstrates that it is in the power of the Democrats to elect either Quay or an Independent-Republican candidate.

Some of the Pennsylvania Democratic papers cling to the hope that the Democrats can form a combination for the election of a senator of their own party. Such a consummation is devoutly to be wished, but we fear that the chances for it are very remote, indeed.

The Times, we think, about sums up the situation. And as it is not to be supposed for an instant that the Democrats will aid in electing Quay, let us hope that they will bring about the next best result to that of electing a Democrat—and that is the choice of a Republican who, as far as it is possible for a Republican to fill the bill, is everything that Quay is not.

In default of being able to give Pennsylvania a Democratic senator, the Democrats in the Pennsylvania Legislature could not do the State better service than by helping to kill Quay.

LEE'S BIRTHDAY.

To-day is the anniversary of the birth of Robert E. Lee, and is a public holiday in Virginia and several other Southern States.

Lee was born in 1807, and died on October 12, 1870.

It is well to observe the day appropriately, and tell the young people all about our incomparable leader; yet there is no danger of his memory's fading away. It grows brighter with passing time; the world's appreciation of his greatness and goodness increases as the years roll on. His is one of the names not born to die.

Charleston is actively at work in the matter of preparing for the Confederate reunion, which is to be held in the Palmetto State metropolis next spring. An Executive Committee is holding weekly meetings, and the report is made to it that the matter of getting rates from different sections of the country had been actively taken up, and that they will probably be arranged within the next thirty days. General Moorman, of New Orleans, writes the committee that in his opinion there will be a larger number of veterans at Charleston than have attended a reunion for several years past. We hope Virginia will be largely, as we know it will be well, represented.

Captain Carter, of the engineers, is almost certain to be given a new trial, it is reported. A Washington telegram says the judge-advocate-general has been so unsparing in his comment on the marvellous irregularities marking the course of the Carter case that the President has finally been stirred into action. It continues as follows: "The President now knows that if the case be dragged over into next summer the contractors will escape liability by the statute of limitations, and he is unwilling that they should escape by Executive procrastination. He has only one way out of the difficulty, and that, it is apparent to some judicial authorities, he is about to pursue. He favors trial de novo."

Secretary Alger has re-established the Banco Espanol at Habana, it is announced, and the significance of the act, it is explained, lies in the fact that in the Banco Espanol lie all the tax-collecting power and machinery of the recent Spanish Government, and that these functions are continued and extended by the Secretary, although the former methods of the institution have made it exceedingly unpopular with Cuban business-men and property-owners. Mr. Alger certainly seems to have a most remarkable inaptitude for the work he has to do.

The Washington correspondent of the New York Sun (an expansionist paper) reports that a careful canvass of the United States Senate reveals the fact that there are fifty-four members in favor of ratifying the treaty, twenty-six opposed to ratifying it, and ten who are "doubtful." Six Democrats are believed to be in favor of ratification—viz.: Senators Faulkner, Gray, Kenney, Lindsay, Pettus, and Morgan.

The latest New York society idea is the "dramatic breakfast." It has a stage setting, but is not of the stage, by any means. A little play is witnessed at the theatre of one of the "swell" hotels, its merits are discussed, and the company then adjourns from the labor of criticism to the refreshment of an elegant repast. Such in brief are the features of the latest social "function."

A son of the late General Garcia's entered Union College, Schenectady, N. Y., Tuesday, as the first beneficiary of General Wheeler's plan for the free collegiate education in this country of Cuban youths.

The youngest of the Gould boys, who recently attained his majority, has been formally introduced to society by his sister, Miss Helen. It is safe to say he will not want for attention. He is sole owner of several millions of dollars.

Rockefeller is said to have made eight million dollars on Friday, the 13th instant. How could a man as independent of fate as that help getting rich, and very rich?

Quay lacks votes, it seems. If he also lacks funds sufficiently the Keystone State may be spared the humiliation of his re-election.

St. Louis is to have the largest shoe-factory in the world, and, of course, will proceed to point the toe of scorn at Chicago, in consequence.

"American pies" are being sold at Manila. If we can't reach the true inwardness of those Filipinos in one way we will in another.

Trolley-cars are moving on Habana and will soon be running therein.

THE AMEER'S DESERTION.

If the latest news from Central Asia is true, Afghanistan, the "Buffer State," promises to become a cause of friction that will soon precipitate the long-expected clash of arms between Great Britain and Russia in that quarter. This news comes via St. Petersburg, and seems to be credited in London. It is to the effect that the Ameer has concluded a treaty with Russia, under which he has practically gone over, bag and baggage, to the northern colossus. He will, it is stated, decline further British aid and subsidies, and has granted the Czar the right to extend to Herat the Merve-Kushk railway. It is also stated that the Ameer's health is precarious, and that there is internal dissension in Afghanistan regarding the succession. The heir apparent is Nasrullah Khan, the Ameer's second son, but it is asserted that a large faction favors the succession of his youngest son, Umar Jan, whose mother is of much higher rank than the mother of his half-brother.

It is expected that Russia will explain that the securing of the Herat concession is simply in line with her system of "commercial development" in Central Asia, and the far East. But all the facts and conditions militate against the idea that such an explanation should be accepted. Herat has for many years been known as the "key or gate" to India, and while its claim to the title may not be as strong now as it was when railway development in Britain's eastern empire was in its infancy, it is still a strategic point of vast importance. From it Russia's further natural railway extension would be to Candahar, on the one side, and into Eastern Persia on the other, thus in a sense making a lap around the domain of British influence. When this is considered, and it is remembered that Russia's great transcaspian route will give her all the facilities that trade demands, the Herat extension must be regarded as a distinct menace to British India.

It has been suggested that it is Russia's purpose to extend the Kushk line across Afghanistan and Persia to the Persian Gulf, on which she has long desired an outlet. But it is noted that there are much shorter routes to that goal—from, for instance, the Caspian straight across Persia, or from Transcaucasia to the Valley of the Tigris. This point is well made. The Kushk route to the Persian Gulf would be as roundabout as the line Russia tried some years ago to get concessions for from the Shah. It was given out then that she purposed to parallel her transcaspian road from the Caspian to Meshed, and thence go south. But as it was clear that in the latter event she would have to reckon with Great Britain at the mouth of the Persian Gulf, it was equally clear that her design was solely to work her way towards Herat. And, as Great Britain continues to command the Straits of Ormuz and the Gulf of Oman, we have additional reason for eliminating the present Persian Gulf outlet theory from the question.

While the Ameer was at one time a protege of Russia's, he was put upon the throne by British influence and power, and in consideration of a heavy annual subsidy from the Treasury of India he guaranteed that Afghanistan should be a barrier against Russian aggression upon the Indian border. His desertion, therefore, holds in itself the danger of a collision between Great Britain and Russia, but if his days are numbered, and the feeling over the question of succession is as acute as it is represented to be, such a collision is almost a certainty of the near future. Civil war over the succession could hardly fail to result in the throwing of both British and Russian armies into the country. The occasion would be ripe for the final trial of conclusions. And if the struggle comes, it will be no child's play. It will be no clash of small expeditions, followed by negotiations. It will be a death struggle in truth. At least, such is the opinion of those best posted on the Central Asian situation. Both sides are well prepared. Great Britain has been no less active in anticipating the possibility of Russia's latest move than Russia has been in planning it, and whether the clock strikes before Russia reaches Herat or not, the British will be on time to meet the shock, and will meet it in force, and with transportation facilities superior to those of their enemy.

A Laugh in Church.

(Pittsburg Times.)

She sat on the sliding cushion,
The dear, wee woman of four;
Her feet, in their shiny slippers,
Hung dangling over the floor;
She meant to be good; she had promised,
And so, with her big brown eyes,
She stared at the meeting-house windows
And counted the crawling flies.

She looked far up at the preacher,
But she thought of the honey-bees
Droning away at the blossoms
That whitened the cherry-trees,
She thought of a broken basket,
Where, curled in a dusky heap,
Three sleek, round puppies with fringy ears
Lay snuggled and fast asleep.

Such soft, warm bodies to cuddle,
Such queer little hearts to beat,
Such swift, round tongues to kiss,
Such sprawling, cushiony feet;
She could feel in her clasping fingers
The touch of the satiny skin,
And a cold, wet nose exploring
The dimples under her chin.

Then a sudden ripple of laughter
Ran over the parted lips
So quick that she could not catch it
With her rosy finger-tips.
The people whispered: "Bless the child."
As each one waked from a nap,
But the dear, wee woman hid her face
For shame in her mother's lap.

The Mother of Ambassadors.

(Philadelphia Record.)

Mr. Choate will be the fifth citizen of New York to be honored with the English mission. Virginia may be the mother of Presidents, but the Empire State may fairly claim to be the mother of ambassadors to the Court of St. James.

Not a Dummy.

(Indianapolis Journal.)

"Oh, I would not call Chollie a dummy," said the young woman who has a kind heart. "What else is he?" asked the caustic young woman. "I do not know that he is anything at all. But all the dummies I have seen wore ready-made clothes, and Chollie would rather die than do that."

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BOYDTON.

After the Fire—The Cause—To Be Rebuilt.

BOYDTON, VA., January 18.—(Special.) The town bears a desolated aspect since the loss of the magnificent Exchange Hotel by fire, yesterday morning. Your correspondent has learned that the true origin of the flames was not a fire built for a guest by "Colonel Townes," the old colored porter. He was told by the hotel clerk that the chimney caught fire Monday evening about 5 o'clock, and when the room was discovered on fire later the blaze seemed to come from between the walls next to this chimney, giving fairly good reason to believe that sparks had fallen from the top of the chimney between it and the woodwork, and slowly burned until the flames had gotten a sufficient headway to burst out in the room.

While the building was in flames and the livery stables across the street seemed in danger, the horses were driven out, among them a beautiful stallion, which has not yet been found.

"Colonel Townes," the ancient porter, was convicted of selling liquor a year or so. Among the ruins in a basement room occupied by him can be seen great piles of broken jugs and ticklers.

It is ascertained that the Exchange will be rebuilt, but it will take nearly twelve months to restore it as it was before the fire.

Late advices from Skipwith state that Mr. William Park, a prominent farmer, had the misfortune to lose by fire Sunday night his large stables, forage barn, wagon-house, and corn-crib, together with his entire crop of new corn, and some old corn. This loss falls heavy on Mr. Park, who is an old man.

THE COCKADE CITY.

General Lee's Birthday—The Proposed Fair—Briefs.

PETERSBURG, VA., January 18.—(Special.)—The anniversary of General Lee's Birthday will be observed to-morrow by the A. P. Hill Camp of Confederate Veterans. Should the weather be favorable there will be a parade of the veterans in the afternoon. At night a banquet will be served in Masonic Hall, and a reunion of the veterans will there be held. The occasion will rather be informal than otherwise, as no set toasts or addresses have been arranged.

Mrs. Harry F. Keefer, who has been ill for some weeks from the effects of a severe attack of spinal meningitis, has suffered a relapse, and her condition is such as to leave but little hope of her recovery.

Work on the new electric street railway has not yet been commenced, but it is expected there will not be any unnecessary delay, and that the construction of the road will be rapidly pushed when begun.

The annual sermon before A. P. Hill Camp will be preached next Sunday at the Market-Street Methodist Episcopal church, by Rev. W. W. Lear.

The operations in behalf of the fair proposed to be held here next fall are progressing favorably. The question of the site of the fair-grounds has not yet been settled, but that will be done after the complete organization of the association, which, it is hoped, will be accomplished next week. The twelve members of the Board of Directors from Petersburg have been practically agreed upon, but a little time is required to select the twelve from the adjacent counties and North Carolina.

TRAGEDY IN ROCKINGHAM.

Charles W. Viands Killed by Perry Campbell.

HARRISONBURG, VA., January 18.—(Special.)—Perry Campbell, of Page county, was shot and killed Monday night by Charles W. Viands, at Greenwood, about three miles north of Elkton, in this county. There were no witnesses to the affray, and particulars are hard to get. Viands says he did the shooting in self-defence. He sent for a magistrate, and gave himself up yesterday. He was brought here and lodged in jail to-day.

Death at a Dance.

LEXINGTON, VA., January 18.—(Special.)—William Patterson, of Fairfield, in this county, aged 24 years, while attending a dance at the residence of Isaac G. Copper, of Riverside, eight miles from here, dropped dead. He was a participant in an unusually long figure, and about 1 o'clock this morning when he took the hand of his partner he collapsed and fell. He was carried to the porch, there gasped twice, and died. His death was due to heart-failure, as he had been warned by a physician to be careful and not overtax himself. The other dancers in great confusion hastily left for their homes.

William Aunspaugh Dead.

FINCASTLE, VA., January 18.—(Special.)—Mr. William Aunspaugh, an aged and respected citizen of our town, died suddenly at his place of business this morning at 11 o'clock of heart-failure at the advanced age of 75 years. His widow has the sympathy of every citizen in the place, both white and colored. The deceased was born and reared in this town, in which the greater portion of his life had been spent, and had been twice elected to the office of Mayor. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity, and a consistant and faithful communicant of the Episcopal Church.

Death in Hampton.

HAMPTON, VA., January 18.—(Special.) Captain Henry Clay Whiting, one of our most highly-esteemed and best-known citizens, died at his residence, on Hampton river, this morning, after an illness of some two weeks' duration, of pneumonia. He was aged about 66 years. Captain Whiting had for many years been engaged in the mercantile business here, and from the time of the incorporation of the Bank of Hampton up to a few years ago was its president.

Fire at Manassas.

MANASSAS, VA., January 18.—(Special.)—About 12 o'clock last night the barn of the Industrial School here was entirely destroyed by fire. The stock was saved, but all the feed destroyed. The building was insured, but the insurance is not sufficient to cover the loss.

Mrs. E. E. Meredith has gone to Washington on a visit to relatives.

Petitions in Bankruptcy.

LYNCHBURG, VA., January 18.—(Special.)—Edgar R. Woodward, of Roanoke, formerly of the firm of Nicholas & Woodward, filed a petition in bankruptcy here to-day, with liabilities of $18,000. John E. Wharton, of Roanoke, also filed a petition, with liabilities of $900.

Death in Berryville.

BERRYVILLE, VA., January 18.—(Special.)—Mr. J. S. Henson, a prominent citizen of Berryville, died at his residence here Tuesday night after a long illness. Mr. Henson was a large buyer of lumber for the city markets. He came to this place from Loudoun county. A wife, three sons, and three daughters survive him. He was 67 years old.

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WILLIAMSBURG.

The Baptist Parsonage—Personal and General Notes.

WILLIAMSBURG, VA., January 18.—(Special.)—The congregation and the pastor of the Baptist church have secured the services of Dr. J. S. Dill, of Richmond, who will deliver a lecture at Cameron Hall for the benefit of the parsonage, which is being built for the church.

The first car-load of corn ever shipped from James City was sent off yesterday by Mr. C. C. Branch, of Toano.

Mr. W. R. Branch, who for many years has been doing business at Toano, James City, has removed with his family to Richmond.

Mrs. Samuel Wyatt Tinsley, of Centreville, King and Queen county, arrived here this morning to visit her two sons at the college, one of whom, Mr. Woodland Tinsley, is ill with pneumonia, but reported more comfortable to-day.

Mr. John Spencer returned last evening from a visit to relatives in Washington.

Miss Mary Waller Mercer, one of our prettiest girls, left this morning for Alexandria, to spend some time with friends.

Mr. Graham Nichol, who has been down from Washington for a few days visiting, expected to return home this evening.

A telegram from Colonel Walter H. Taylor, of Norfolk, president of the Hospital Board, states that he will not be here to-morrow, owing to the death of a director of his bank, and it is possible the board will not go into the election of superintendent until Friday, when Colonel Taylor says he can attend.

WAVERLY.

Funeral of J. S. Ellis—Personal and Social.

WAVERLY, VA., January 18.—(Special.) The remains of J. Spratley Ellis were interred in our town cemetery at 4 P. M. this afternoon in the presence of a large assemblage of citizens and friends of the family. Rev. Mr. Sisk, of the Waverly Baptist church, read a selection of Scripture and offered a prayer at the grave. The Masonic burial service was then conducted by Astria Lodge, 246, A. F. and A. M., of this place, assisted by District Deputy Grand Master D. A. Marks, of District No. 30, and Right Worshipful Past District Deputy Grand Master George Potts, of Petersburg, Va.

Hon. S. T. Ellis, son, and daughter, returned to their home, in Nansemond county, to-night.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Doyle gave a brilliant reception at their handsome residence on North street last night in honor of their guest, Mrs. J. W. Jones, of Mecklenburg county.

Mr. Henry Buttler, who left a few weeks ago for a visit to his old home, in Cass City, Mich., is expected home in a few days.

Dr. J. R. Tucker, of Prince George county, is in our town.

MAD-DOG SCARE

In Albemarle County—The Miller School.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., January 18.—(Special.)—A mad-dog scare, for which there seems to be good reason, prevails at Red Hill, in this county, where a dog belonging to Mr. John B. Townley, Jr., died of hydrophobia, but not before it had bitten several other dogs. Some hogs in the same neighborhood, suffering from all the symptoms of hydrophobia, have died.

The Miller Board met at the Miller Manual Labor School yesterday. The members present from this city were J. B. Wood, C. G. Maphis, B. W. Leterman, J. F. Harlan, H. M. Gleason, Walter Dinwiddie, and John S. Patton.

There are only seven vacancies in the school, and to fill these the following children were selected and designated: Jesse Smith, Harry T. Frame, Barbour T. Carr, Frank T. Lewis, Moses B. Hawthorne, Elma G. Via, and Samuel A. Booth. There were no vacancies in the girls' department.

There are now in the school 143 boys and 100 girls. The capacity at present is 250 pupils.

LOUISA.

Death of W. I. Kennon—Bad Roads—Briefs.

LOUISA, VA., January 18.—(Special.)—At 11:40 o'clock last night death claimed our old and highly-respected townsman, William Ira Kennon. He was aged 76 years. About a week ago he contracted a severe cold, which developed into grip, and this became complicated with pneumonia. The deceased was the oldest and most prominent insurance man in the county. He was strictly honest and upright. His remains will be laid away to-morrow at 10 o'clock with Masonic ceremonies by the members of Day Lodge, No. 58, of which he was a member. Surviving him are two brothers—J. Henry Kennon, of Fort Lee, Va., and Charles Kennon, of Ashland, Va.—and one sister, Mrs. W. H. Young, of this town.

The public highways are almost bottomless in places.

Miss W. A. Talley, one of the teachers in the Haley High School, is sick with grip.

A convention has been called by the Democrats to nominate county officers, but it may not be held, as many are working now to defeat it.

WINCHESTER.

Two Deaths—Protest Against Seating Roberts, the Mormon.

WINCHESTER, VA., January 18.—(Special.)—Miss Sarah White, daughter of Rev. Dr. Henry M. White, pastor of London-Street Presbyterian church, in this city, died at her father's residence this morning. For a number of years she had been an invalid, and a few days ago contracted the grip. She was 24 years of age, and is survived by her parents and two brothers—Rev. William White, of Lewisburg, W. Va., and Rev. Hugh M. White, a missionary from the Southern Presbyterian Church to China. The latter had just arrived in this country on a visit.

Mrs. Eliza Hodgeson, one of the oldest residents of Frederick county, died at her home, near Chambersville, last night, aged 95 years.

At a mass-meeting held at Christ Episcopal church last night, and composed of over five hundred representative men of Winchester, resolutions were adopted protesting against the seating in Congress of Brigham H. Roberts, of Utah.

AUGUSTA COUNTY.

Post-Office Destroyed by Fire—Staunton Notes.

STAUNTON, VA., January 18.—(Special.) Mrs. Vincent, wife of E. F. Vincent, a prominent farmer, died to-day, aged 70. One son, Mr. E. C. Vincent, a civil engineer, of this city, survives her.

The post-office, at Summerdean, was destroyed by fire this morning. A stock of general merchandise in the store of Postmaster Knutts, together with government moneys and supplies, were burned.

At St. Francis church this morning Miss Margaret Gertrude Gannon was married to Mr. John Fitzgerald, a prominent hotel man of Max Meadows. Afterwards a splendid wedding breakfast at Eakleton Hotel was enjoyed by the bridal party and a number of friends.

AT NEWPORT NEWS.

MARRIAGE OF MISS ROBINSON AND MR. CROSBY

THE AFFAIR A BRILLIANT ONE.

Will Get Fresh Vegetables—The Coming Ball—The Case of Corporal Ellington—Petition for His Pardon—A Tax Question.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., January 18.—(Special.)—Miss Ellen G. Robinson, the beautiful daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Robinson, and Mr. Ralph W. Crosby, a prominent naval attache at the shipyard, were married at 10:30 o'clock this morning at the Newport News Baptist church, Rev. C. C. Cox, the pastor of the church, performed the ceremony, in the presence of a large number of friends of the popular young couple. The church was tastefully decorated for the occasion, and the scene was truly a beautiful one. The bride, attired in a handsome tailor-made suit of dark-green, with hat and gloves to match, and carrying a bunch of bride's roses, entered the church on the arm of her father, Mr. E. S. Robinson. She was immediately preceded by the maid of honor, Miss Aubrey Robinson, of Petersburg, a cousin of the bride's, her only attendant. In advance of the maid of honor walked the four ushers—Messrs. Fred. W. Sanford, H. F. Norton, James Swan, and P. M. Young. At the pulpit the party met the groom and his best man, Mr. Sidney L. Wood. All of the groom's attendants were attired in cutaway coats, and wore pearl gloves and white neckties.

After the ceremony the newly married couple repaired to the pier and boarded the steamer Susquehanna for Norfolk, where later in the evening they boarded the Merchants' and Miners' steamer for Boston. Before returning to the city Mr. and Mrs. Crosby will visit in Cape Cod, New York, and Baltimore. A reception was given at the bride's residence last night in honor of the attendants at the wedding. The bride was the recipient of many handsome presents, the gift of relatives from near and afar.

The proposed steamboat line between Newport News and Suffolk, to be operated by Bennett's North Carolina Company, will be a big institution for Newport News. Suffolk is in the heart of a great truck-producing region, and a daily steamer would be the means of giving Newport News fresh and cheaper vegetables.

The bal poudre to be given at the Casino, January 27th, by the Friday Cotillon Club, the leading society organization of the city, promises to be a brilliant success. A number of society people in Richmond, Baltimore, Norfolk, Hampton, and Old Point have accepted invitations to be present. No expense will be spared to make this event eclipse all previous germans.

A petition is being prepared here now to be presented to President McKinley in behalf of Corporal W. R. Ellington, of the Newport News company (K), in the Fourth Immunes, who is now serving a three-years' term in St. Augustine prison for a trifling offence. The President will be asked to pardon the young man, and the testimony before the military tribunal which tried him will be asked for in order that the President may determine for himself whether or not the soldier was unjustly treated.

Quite a number of persons went over to Norfolk to-day to testify in the libel suit of Captain J. B. Grant, of the tug E. Luckenbach, of this city, against the steamship Boyne, which was rescued by the tug in the memorable fire at the Chesapeake and Ohio piers in 1897. It was generally admitted that the Boyne would have been destroyed by the flames had not Captain Grant risked the safety of his own staunch little tug to tow the larger vessel out in the stream.

The Newport News Ship-Building and Dry-Dock Company, through its counsel, A. S. Segar, has given notice that it will not pay the tax of $9,600 levied on the Plant-Line steamship La Grande Duchesse, which is still at the ship-yard. Thomas W. Russell, examiner of records for the Eighth Judicial District, recently assessed the valuation of the Duchesse at $800,000, and the ship-yard people claim that the appraisement of the ship was an erroneous one, as it does not belong here, its home part being New Haven. Attorney Segar has announced his intention to fight the tax in the courts, and a lively legal battle is looked for. The Duchesse was built for the Plant-Line, but for some reason unknown, has not been finally accepted by the latter.

COMMON SENSE CURE.

PYRAMID PILE CURE CURES PILES PERMANENTLY BY CURING THE CAUSE.

Remarkable Remedy, Which is Bringing Comfort to Thousands of Sufferers.

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It allays the inflammation immediately, heals the irritated surface, and with continued treatment reduces the swelling and puts the membranes into good, sound, healthy condition. The cure is thorough and permanent.

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Mrs. M. C. Hinkley, 691 Mississippi street, Indianapolis, Ind., says: Have been a sufferer from the pain and annoyance of piles for fifteen years, the Pyramid Pile Cure and Pyramid Pills gave me immediate relief and in a short time a complete cure.

Major Dean, of Columbus, O., says: I wish to add to the number of certificates as to the benefits derived from the Pyramid Pile Cure. I suffered from piles for forty years and from itching piles for twenty years, and two boxes of the Pyramid Pile Cure have effectually cured me.

Most druggists sell Pyramid Pile Cure, or will get it for you if you ask them to. It is $1 per package, and it is put up only by the Pyramid Drug Company, Marshall, Mich.

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which is sold at all drugstores—10, 25, and 50c. bottles. ja 19-Th

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To reduce stock before inventory we will sell four El Modelos, El Principe De Gales, or Walter Scott's for 25c. Special price to box trade. B. P. O. CIGAR STORE, Below Post-Office. Our 5c. Cigars R the best a nickel can get.

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Two Years. Had Eaten into Bone. Wore Slippers All the Time. Doctors, Medicines no Help. Cured by CUTICURA.

I had sores on my limbs, around my ankles, for two years, so bad that I had to wear slippers nearly all the time, for the sores had eaten into the bone. I tried doctors, and a good many things, but nothing seemed to help me. I saw CUTICURA remedies so highly recommended I was determined to try them. Three bottles of CUTICURA RESOLVENT, and one cake CUTICURA SOAP cured me. MRS. WM. WINTERS, Media, Kan.

CUTICURA RESOLVENT, the new blood purifier and greatest of humor cures, purifies the blood and circulating fluids of HUMOR GERMS, and thus removes the cause, while warm baths with CUTICURA SOAP and gentle anointings with CUTICURA (ointment), greatest of emollient skin cures, cleanse the skin and scalp of crusts and scales, allay itching, burning, and inflammation, soothe and heal, thus completing the cure.

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MONDAY, January 23d, Matinee and Night

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SOUSA AND HIS BAND.

JOHN PHILIP SOUSA, CONDUCTOR.

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(ja 19&22)

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RUSSELL H. CONWELL.
ACADEMY OF MUSIC, TO-NIGHT.
8:15 P. M.
Reserved seats $1.00
(ja 19-1t)

MEETINGS.

HEADQUARTERS COMMANDERY OF ST. ANDREW, No. 13, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR. Richmond, Va., January 18, 1899. SPECIAL ORDERS: Attend a called conclave of the commandery at your asylum, in the Masonic Temple, THURSDAY, 19th instant, at 3 o'clock P. M., to act as escort to Richmond Lodge, No. 10, A. F. and A. M., in attending the funeral services of our deceased frater, Sir James M. Gentry. Members of Richmond Commandery, No. 2, and transient Sir Knights are courteously invited to be present.

By order of the Eminent Commander.
GEORGE J. FREEDLEY, Captain-General.
Attest: George C. Jefferson, Recorder.
ja 19-1t

THE OFFICERS OF VIRGINIA CONCLAVE, No. 193, IMPROVED ORDER HEPTASOPHS, are requested to assemble at their Hall JANUARY 19th, at 3 o'clock P. M., to attend the funeral of our late brother, James M. Gentry.
GEORGE W. HUNTER, Secretary.
P. F. Greenwood, Archon. ja 19-1t

A STATED CONVOCATION OF LAFAYETTE ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER, No. 43, R. A. MASONS, will be held in its Tabernacle, in Masonic Temple, corner of Broad and Adams streets, in Richmond, Va., on THURSDAY, January 19, 1899, at 7:30 o'clock P. M.

The R. A. degree will be conferred by Rt. Ex. William J. Hubard, Grand Lecturer, assisted by Rt. Ex. James S. Blanks and other officers of the Grand Chapter. The officers and companions of Nos. 3, 9, 32, and 40 chapters are cordially invited to be present with us.

By order of the Most Excellent H. P.
LEWIS F. MASON, Secretary.
ja 18-2t

MASONIC FUNERAL NOTICE.—Members of RICHMOND LODGE, No. 10, A. F. and A. M.: Brethren—You are requested to attend a called communication of your lodge at the Temple THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON at 2:30 o'clock, to pay the last sad tribute of respect to our deceased brother, Senior Warden Brother James M. Gentry. Members of sister lodges and visiting brethren are fraternally invited to unite with us.

By order of Worshipful Master.
ja 19 R. B. SNEAD, Secretary.

Old Dominion Building and Loan Association.
Richmond, Va., January 14, 1899.
THE NINTH ANNUAL MEETING of the stockholders of the OLD DOMINION BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION will be held in the hall of the Chamber of Commerce, Richmond, Va., on TUESDAY, January 31, 1899, at 10 o'clock A. M.
ja 15-td E. A. BARBER, Secretary.

Richmond, Va., January 7, 1899.
THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING of the