

QUERIES & ANSWERS.

HAS AN AMERICAN BEEN BURIED IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY?

RENTERS' AND LANDLORDS' RIGHTS.

Greenwich and Washington as Meridian Points--How to Boil Cider--Use of Mourning Goods by Widows--Chautauqua Word-List.

To the Editor of the Dispatch: Does the law in Virginia compel me to keep up my house, that is, in a county where we have no stock law, in a city where there is no stock law, there is no law to prevent you from running your hogs at large.

How to Boil Cider. To the Editor of the Dispatch: Please publish the best receipt for boiling cider to keep without souring, and oblige B. H. J., Albemarle, Va.

Greenwich and Washington. To the Editor of the Dispatch: It is known why Greenwich was selected as a point through which to establish a prime meridian, rather than London, when it is so near the latter? Also, did Washington purposely select the city of Washington in laying out the city of Washington, or did it only so happen?

Manufacturing Statistics. To the Editor of the Dispatch: Will you kindly state in your paper the number of manufacturing plants, number of new manufacturing businesses established in 1899, in your city, and the comparison with the number so established in any past year in the history of your city?

An American in Westminster Abbey. To the Editor of the Dispatch: Can you tell me if an American has ever been buried in Westminster Abbey?

A Widow's Mourning Dress. To the Editor of the Dispatch: Please answer this through your next query column: How long is it customary for a lady to wear deep mourning, and is black satin or velvet worn as second mourning? A SUBSCRIBER, Berryman, Va.

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Notices of New Books. HISTORICAL SKETCHES AND REMINISCENCES OF AN OCTOGENARIAN. Colonel Thomas L. Preston, R. F. Johnson Publishing Company, Richmond, Va. Cloth, \$2.

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The book is an addition of importance to the list of volumes pertaining to Virginia, and the work has been so well executed by both author and publisher that little is left to be desired.

VIRGINIA LAW REGISTER. September No. 1, Volume VI, No. 5. Edited by W. M. Lile. Published by the J. P. Bell Company, Lynchburg and Richmond, Va. Price, 50 cents.

Contents--I. George M. Cochran as a Lawyer. Frontispiece portrait, by Charles Tate Irvine; II. The Lawyer of the Future, by J. P. Bell; III. Case in the District Court of the United States, reported in full, in Re Tobias, Bankrupt; IV. Virginia decisions reported in full, I. Eaves vs. Vial; 2. Millhiser vs. McKinley; 3. Washington, etc.; Rev. John W. Royall, 1834-1838; Rev. William Mayo Atkinson, 1838-1848; Rev. Beverly Tucker Lacy, 1848-1851; Rev. Dr. James R. Graham, 1851-1860. The Loudoun-Street church pastors were Rev. Dr. A. H. H. Boyd, Rev. Dr. Leyburn, and Rev. Dr. Henry M. White.

A Man of Means. (The Critic publishes the following lines from an unpublished manuscript of George Selbel.)

Content to call but little mine; Some friends; a conscience lightly laden; With you to fondly kiss me, maiden; And for each day a Jug of wine.

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Mr. Champe B. Shepherd, in another interesting letter to his parents, in this city, relates the progress of events in the Philippines, as gathered by a soldier of Company F, Forty-third United States Volunteer Infantry. Mr. Shepherd's letter is dated at Palompon, Island of Teyte, July 12, 1900. He says:

Two companies of the Twenty-ninth Regiment arrived at Calbayog June 27th, having relieved the two at Lagman. I rejoined my company on the 28th aboard the transport Pennsylvania, having been detached for nearly two months. The boat was awful dirty and crowded, having no accommodations whatever for human beings, so we had to make the best of it in cattle fashion, without a thing to eat, except one morning we had hardtack and half an onion.

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We had no trouble whatever in landing, although the beach was a line of breastworks for a quarter of a mile. I've since learned that the Spaniards had them at the outbreak of the last war.

THE NATIVES FRIENDLY. The natives were friendly and more intelligent-looking than those on Samar Island. The towers to number of stores, and the prices are not so high as they were in the other places. Our barracks are in forty yards of the beach, and cement pavement leading out to the pavilion. The bathing is very fine, also. The church is quite large, and by far the finest on the island I've seen since I've been out here, and I've seen some fifty or more. I haven't yet been through the whole town, as we are not allowed on the street, owing to the small-pox. I suppose that those of us that were fortunate enough to escape the bullets on Samar will be put out of business by some disease or other.

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contemporaries regarding the proposition to have Virginia's new Constitution provide for the popular election of our judges. The Exponent is heartily in favor of the proposition. In days gone by it was thought best to have the judiciary elected by the Legislature, because such a mode was supposed to be conducive to the policy of keeping our hands out of politics. But that theory has long since been upset by actual experience in Virginia, for we imagine there are few people who will undertake to say that the Virginia judges have not participated in politics. This is particularly true in the case of our county judges, where, probably in nine cases out of ten, the county judge is the head of the county clique of politicians. Other States have long since abandoned the old custom of supposing the judiciary free from politics, and Virginia in doing likewise, will but join the long procession of progressive States. If our judges are going to be politicians and participate actively in politics, we had best have them in close touch with the people whose servants they are.

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