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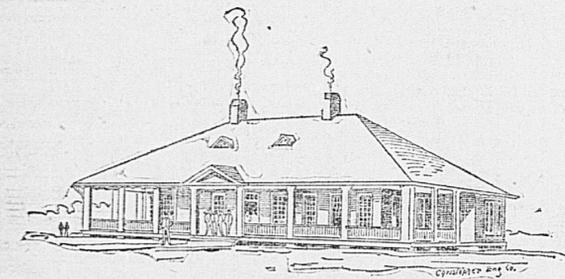
THE NEW GOLF-HOUSE

BUILDING WHICH THE HERMITAGE CLUB WILL OCCUPY.

WILL BE READY TWO MONTHS HENCE

Interior, as Planned, a Model of Convenience—Large Assembly Hall on Main Floor—Lockers, Baths, and Lavatories—Membership.

The Hermitage Golf Club anticipates the completion of its handsome clubhouse, at the Auditorium Grounds, by January 1st. The plans have been drawn and approved, and workmen will pro-



DESIGN FOR THE HERMITAGE CLUB-HOUSE

ceed to erect the building with all possible dispatch.

The exterior of the house is shown in the accompanying illustration. Inside, it will be a model of convenience. A large assembly hall, 36x50 feet, will occupy a considerable section of the ground floor. A roomy fireplace of ornamental design will be at one side of the hall. There will be two large locker rooms, besides steward's and dining-rooms and lady's parlor on the first floor. Two additional steward rooms will be on the second floor. Provision is made for shower baths and lavatories. Two hundred and fifty lockers for men and 150 lockers for lady members are included in the plans. The club-house will occupy a site very nearly midway between the Auditorium and the race-track. It will front toward Broad street.

WORK ON THE LINKS.

A score of men have been at work steadily for the past six weeks on the links. In laying off the links it became necessary to tear down several buildings. About the Auditorium, when these have been demolished, the grounds will present a neater and more inviting appearance. They were torn down, however, for the principal reason that they would be in the way.

Work on the links is progressing under the direction of William Baird, of St. Andrews, Scotland, who has lately been the professional in charge of the Baltimore Country Club. He has been engaged by the Hermitage Club for the winter, and will have supervision over the links, give lessons, and make and sell clubs and balls.

Two tennis courts will be laid off on the east side of the Auditorium, and tennis alleys may be established. The grounds will be fenced. Other forms of athletics besides golf have a place in the plans of the club, which have not yet fully matured.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE CLUB.

Membership in the Hermitage Club will be limited to 250 men and 100 ladies. Nearly the full quota of male members has been secured already. Men pay an initiation fee of \$5 and monthly dues of \$1. The fee and dues of lady members have been made one-half the sums named for men.

At a recent meeting of the club the following officers and directors were elected: President, Thomas M. Rutherford. Vice-President, W. R. Massie. Secretary and Treasurer—H. Stewart Jones. Directors—Messrs. E. L. Bemis, W. H. Farish, Jr., George A. Gibson, H. K. Elyson, O. Taylor Hill, W. R. Massie, E. T. D. Myers, Jr., M. M. McGuire,

T. M. Rutherford, B. B. Valentine, Dr. R. F. Williams, and Levin Joyner.

BIG BETS ON BRYAN NOW.

Much Western Money in Wall Street to Be Placed.

(New York Journal.) Wall-street bettors on the election have apparently reached a deadlock on the question of odds. There was plenty of Bryan money seeking takers at odds of 1 to 5 yesterday. Most of this was sent here from the West and South by bettors who were attracted by these reported odds. On the other hand, McKinley money was offered at 4-1 to 1. There were many wagers made, but apparently some of the brokers claiming to have orders to place money were not anxious to meet other's claims to be prepared to take the other side at acceptable odds.

Moore & Schley, of the Stock Exchange, placed \$10,000 in six parts at odds of 5 to 1 on McKinley. E. L. Mordecai reported having placed two bets at 4-1 to 1 on McKinley, but refused to name the takers.

KWANG SU'S FAVORITE WIFE.

Her Body Found in a Well in Palace Precincts.

BERLIN, November 3.—Official telegrams from Count von Waldsee show that all the German troops have arrived in China and been distributed.

A special dispatch to the Hamburg Correspondent says: "In a well situated in the Imperial Palace precincts in Peking was found the body of Emperor Kwang Su's favorite wife, Shen Ti, whom the Empress Dowager caused to be drowned before the flight of the Court from the capital. The second favorite, Shing Pi, and a hundred ladies belonging to the Imperial harem, are prisoners within the walls of the palace."

A dispatch from Pao Ting Fu, dated yesterday, says: "The railway from Pao Ting Fu to the capital is nearly completed. French detachments are guarding the line. The health of the German troops is steadily improving."

J. L. McCormick took \$2,000 of the McKinley money put up at 5 to 1.

Louis Hemanan bet \$500 on McKinley against \$100 on Bryan, put up by Feder. Allen, Wood & McGraw bet \$1,000 on Bryan against \$5,000 on McKinley, provided by a Stock Exchange house. In reference to the statement made by Governor Roosevelt, Secretary Gage, and other Republicans that many business failures would follow Democratic success at the polls on Tuesday, F. C. Waite, of No. 104 Christopher street, makes this offer:

"I offer to bet \$100 that there will not be such an increase in failures if Bryan is elected as the Secretary of the 'Treasury claims, and I am willing to bet that it will be only a fraction as great, if odds are offered."

"I also offer to bet that if McKinley is elected said failures, instead of continuing to decrease, will increase, and be as great in his first quarter as in the middle of his last term, and that before the end of his second term they will be even greater than at the end of Cleveland's."

"This offer expresses my boundless faith in the coming champion of human liberty, William Jennings Bryan. Have the Republicans any faith in what their leaders say?"

THE CHRISTIAN CONVENTION.

Official Programme for a Great Religious Meeting Just Issued.

The following is the programme just issued of the twenty-fifth annual convention of the Churches of Christ in Virginia, to be held at the Seventh-Street Church, of this city, the 13th-16th of this month.

VIRGINIA MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION.

Tuesday, November 13th—Morning Session—9:30 A. M., devotional service, J. A. Spencer, 20 A. M., annual address of the president, J. A. Dearborn, 10:30 A. M., subject for the day's discussion: "How to Present Our Plea for Christian Unity Most Effectively?"; preliminary statements on the subject, Carey E. Morgan, 10:30 A. M. (a) "As to Denominational Christianity—The Argument from the Scriptures," W. H. Book, 11:30, discussion—five-minute talks. Led by J. D. Hamaker, 11:30 A. M. (b) "As to Financial Aspect," O. B. Sears, 11:50 A. M. (c) "As to the Work of the Church," W. R. Fox, 12:30 P. M. (d) "As to the Evangelistic Argument," Harry Minnick, 12:30 P. M. discussion. Led by E. A. Hodge, 12:50 P. M., announcement of committees and adjournment.

Afternoon Session—2:15 P. M., devotional service, H. J. Dudley, 2:30 P. M. (a) "As to the Name," C. P. Williamson, 2:50 P. M., discussion, led by L. A. Cutler, 3:10 P. M. (b) "As to the Creed," S. R. Maxwell, 3:30 P. M., discussion, led by W. R. Fox, 3:50 P. M. (c) "As to Baptism," J. A. Dearborn, 4:10 P. M., discussion, led by Cephas Shelburne, 4:30 P. M., adjournment.

Evening Session—7:45 P. M., devotional service, R. E. Withers, 8:15 P. M., address, C. A. Young.

VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Wednesday, November 14th—Morning Session—9 A. M., quiet hour, F. W. Troy, 9:30 A. M., remarks by president, W. R. Fox. Appointment of committees, 9:50 A. M., report of the board, by the Secretary, E. N. Newman, 10:10 A. M., address, "The Work of the Evangelist," J. V. West, 10:40 A. M., address, "Spirit of Our Plea Evangelistic," J. D. Hamaker, 11:10 A. M., address, "Mission and Spiritual Culture," J. T. T. Hundley, 11:40 A. M., address, "Missionary Conscience," A. H. Book, 12:10 P. M., announcements and adjournment.

Afternoon Session—3 P. M., devotional service, J. A. Spencer, 3:15 P. M., address, "Loyalty to Our Church Schools," J. N. Harman, 3:35 P. M., Sunday school session, led by B. P. Smith. Report of the State secretary of Sunday schools, 3:50 P. M., address, "What Constitutes a Good Sunday School," E. Walker, 4:05 P. M., address, "Relation of Sunday School and Church, Each to the Other," H. D. Coffey, 4:20 P. M., address, "The Sunday School Teacher," A. J. Remford, 4:35 P. M., address, "Reverence in Sunday School," J. C. Martin, 4:50 P. M., address, "How to Increase the Efficiency of the Sunday School," Philip Johnson. Evening Session—7:45 P. M., devotional service, H. J. Dudley, 8:15 P. M., address, "The Church for the Twentieth Century," C. P. Williamson.

Thursday, November 15th—Morning Session—9 A. M., prayer and praise service, Cephas Shelburne, 9:30 A. M., report of committees, 9:50 A. M., conference—State work, "The Field and the Forces"—five-minute speeches, Dr. S. E. Shelburne, J. B. Lyon, J. A. Campbell, J. P. Stone, J. Shelburne, R. A. Holsbeck, S. W. Glacock, D. M. Houston, M. Houston, J. P. Lewis, and J. T. T. Hundley, 11 A. M., address, "Need of Co-Operation," Harry Minnick, 11:30 A. M., address, "Claims of State Missions Paramount," William Burleigh, 12 P. M., address, "Outlook," W. J. Shelburne, 12:30 P. M., announcements and adjournment.

Afternoon Session—3 P. M., devotional service, W. E. Powell, 3:15 P. M., report of committees, 3:30 P. M., report of State endeavor rally. Led by State Superintendent, address, "The Y. P. S. C. E.—What Is It?" F. F. Bullard, 3:45 P. M., address, "What Committees Are Needed and the Advantages of Their Work," George R. Cheves, 3:55 address, "The C. E. Reading Courses," Richard Bagby, 4:05 P. M., address, "The Strength and Purpose of the Pledge," J. Hamaker, 4:15 P. M., address, "The Superintendent, H. P. Miley, 4:30 P. M., address, "How to Spread the Endeavor Idea and Increase Its Usefulness," W. H. Book, 4:30 P. M., address, "Twentieth Century Point of View for Christian Endeavor," Carey E. Morgan, 4:50 P. M., address, "The Lost Found," W. J. Cooke, 4:55 P. M., address, Charles M. Sheldon, 5:25 P. M., question-box, 5:35 P. M., announcements and adjournment.

Evening Session—7:45 P. M., devotional service, W. J. Cooke, 8:15 P. M., address, J. H. Garrison.

VIRGINIA C. W. B. M.

Friday, November 16th—Morning Session—9:30 A. M., Bible study, Dr. C. A. Young. Greetings. Opening of the convention, State President. Appointment of committees, 10:20 A. M., report of State Secretary, Miss Gillie Cary, State Treasurer, Miss G. O. Phillips, Superintendent, Miss Young People's Work, State Organizer, Mrs. F. F. Bullard, State Missions—Neppert News and Crewe, 10:45 A. M., Bible Lectureship report: Report of Chairman of Committees, Mrs. R. H. Duke, Treasurer, Mrs. L. C. Daniel, Instructor, Dr. C. A. Young, 11 A. M., address on Bible work, Mrs. W. C. Hill, 11:15 A. M., "Fresh News from our Mission Stations," India, Miss Bessie Farrar; Porto Rico, Miss Agnes McCarthy; Mexico, Miss Janie Farrar, 11:30 A. M., conference on Young People's work, led by Mrs. P. F. Bullard, "The Junior Leader," Miss Shackelford, "Junior Work in the Home," Miss G. O. Phillips, "Christian Endeavor Work," Mrs. C. Q. Wright, "What the Juniors are Doing for India," Miss Bessie Farrar. Adjournment.

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vice, Mrs. R. D. Tyler. Reports of committees, 3:20 P. M., report of Committee on Future Work. Discussion, 3:50 P. M., conference on State development, led by Mrs. Worley. Five-minute talks, "Systematic Giving," Miss Lulu O. Phillips; "The Relation of C. W. B. M. to Junior Endeavor," Miss Mary Hankins; "How Shall We Arouse Our Women to Their Obligation to State Work," Mrs. Crutcheild; "Importance of the Tidings," Miss Lillie Pearce; "How to Help the Local Auxiliary," Mrs. J. T. Johnson; "How to Secure a Paper," Mrs. T. J. Bowles; "How to Increase the Membership," Mrs. Fowden; "Exaltation of the Devotional Spirit in Its Meetings," Miss Hawthorne; "Relation of the Pastor to the Auxiliary," Carey E. Morgan. General discussion. Adjournment.

Bedford City Social Notes.

BEDFORD CITY, VA., November 3.—(Special.)—One of the most charming social events of the season took place on Thursday afternoon at Belmont Seminary, by Mrs. D. W. Rice, in honor of the Thursday Club, and a number of other guests. The guests were received at the door by Miss Johnnie Scruggs, a pupil of the school, who might have been likened to a queen in her white dress and its tasteful garniture of rich autumn leaves. The hall and sitting-room appeared like glimpses of the autumnal forests, so gracefully and effectively were they decked with great branches of gorgeous tined leaves. The conscious path of the guests, which had been darkened, and pink-shaded lamps and many twinkling candles in handsome silver candelabra shed a glow of an exquisite scene, of beautiful chrysanthemums, and delicate traceries of vines with autumnal tints in freshness and loveliness.

The principal amusement of the occasion was a conundrum sea, when the guests composed the conundrum was given in the form of conundrums. When the papers were examined it was found that the conundrum was composed by J. A. Clark, Mrs. G. C. Jeter, and Mrs. E. A. Hatcher for the first honor, which was decided in favor of Mrs. Jeter. Mrs. E. A. Hatcher won second prize, Miss Judith Campbell the booty. Rarely have guests been served so elegantly as in the dispensing of the refreshments, which were served by the boarding pupils of the school, all of whom were arrayed in white and profuse decorations of either autumn leaves, roses, or chrysanthemums, heightening the charm of their youth and freshness.

Mr. J. B. Ransom, Mrs. Ransom, Misses Florence and Maud McKenney, of Richmond, are stopping at Miss Sallie Wilson's.

Rev. Dr. William G. Starr, of Randolph-Macon College, Ashland, made a visit here last Sunday, in the interest of the twenty-fifth annual conference of the Virginia Conference of the Methodist Church, to which Randolph-Macon Academy is attached.

LASSITER'S CURATIVE.

Democrats should remember that even if fortune falls to favor Mr. Bryan, and he, through the corrupt use of money, and by the coercive tactics of the trusts, is defeated for the presidency at the approaching election, a Democratic House of Representatives can block the Republican game of imperialism and avert, at least for the present, the danger that lurks in Mr. McKinley's policy of "benevolent assimilation." Remembering this, the Democrats of the Fourth District should feel nothing undone that is honorable in reason to belie any party candidate for the presidency, and to prefer in non-essentials, they should give in encouraging every honest effort to elevate the world and bless humanity. And should all the differences of opinion or conviction should cause no quarrel among the people inspired by the great aim of glorifying God and elevating man.

Phosphorescence.

(Clarence Ury in Harper's Bazar.) The orchard, under the sky star-strewn, bough-bent, Lean down the west, and from dark-green part of Hesperides Hangs low and trembling, falls that when lo, where tiny gray-green garden grew. A wondrous light bestrewn the semple And on each wave foam-tipped by shore-set breeze There gleams a vivid flame of dancing hue!

Of First Importance.

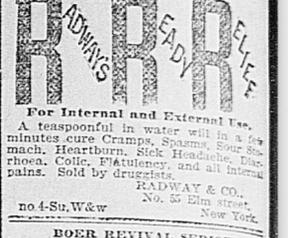
(Clifton Forge Review.) The questions involved in the campaign are of first importance to every voter, and all should vote. The feeling that our candidates in Virginia will all be elected anyhow, should not be allowed to prevent all Democrats from voting. The stake is a great one and is the same one for which our forefathers fought—liberty. Do not permit yourself to be influenced by that commercial idea of the Republicans of to-day. Do not place the dollar above the rights of man. In your greed and avarice stop and think of the coming generation, whose future is in your hands. Do not vote to make them hirelings of a gang of men whose only claim to superiority is the possession of a few more dollars than some one else, and who are absolutely lacking in that important essential character.

Tablet to the Late B. F. Cook.

A memorial service in honor of the late B. F. Cook for a number of years superintendent of the Venable-Street Baptist Sunday school will be held in the lecture-room of the church this morning. The school, which was devoted to Mr. Cook, has erected a memorial tablet to him. This will be unveiled at the service this morning. A very attractive programme has been arranged.

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BOER REVIVAL SERIOUS.

War Said Likely to Last Another Six Months.

LONDON, November 3.—The Daily Express publishes sensational statements that the Boer revival is more serious than has hitherto been believed, and that in consequence Lord Roberts's return is likely to be still further postponed. It is also stated that a considerable party of the troops will return before January of next year, while the remainder of the force in England will continue, and that the Boer campaign will be sent out.

A Gracious Act.

(Danville Register.) The congregation of the Jewish Synagogue Beth Abrahah, of Richmond, (located at the handsome and spacious residence of the congregation of the Grace-Avenue Baptists when their church was burned, and the tender was accepted, was a gracious and graceful act on the part of the Beth Abrahah congregation, and it is to the credit of the Register for the first honor, which was decided in favor of Mrs. Jeter. Mrs. E. A. Hatcher won second prize, Miss Judith Campbell the booty. Rarely have guests been served so elegantly as in the dispensing of the refreshments, which were served by the boarding pupils of the school, all of whom were arrayed in white and profuse decorations of either autumn leaves, roses, or chrysanthemums, heightening the charm of their youth and freshness.

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