

Notes of Society.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Fourcroun have issued cards to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Annie Lee Fourcroun, to Mr. Algernon Storrs Grant, of Henrico county. The ceremony will take place at Grace Episcopal church on Wednesday, April 23, at 3 o'clock.

A circular letter of the Colonial Dames of America, in the State of Virginia, has been issued to members, as follows: The annual meeting of the Society of Colonial Dames in the State of Virginia was held on November 25, 1901. The following re-elections took place: Mrs. Herbert A. Claiborne, president; Mrs. Robert A. Gibson, first vice-president; Mrs. Matthew P. Pleasant, second vice-president.

The reports of officers showed a year of unusual achievement, notably, the establishment of a scholarship at the University of Virginia for the best essay on Virginia colonial history and the support and preservation of our old parish registers and vestry books. These registers had been collected by Bishop Meade, of Virginia, and after his death were deposited in the Theological Seminary, where, although protected as well as could be, they must soon have become illegible from age. Five of them have been copied, together with the vestry book of Petersburg parish, Gloucester county, Va. During the present year they will be published, thus preserving to the future historian a work the value of which few of us at present realize.

The Matthews Poaline Maury scholarship was completed last June, and we esteem it a privilege to have paid this tribute to that distinguished man, who, enjoying as he did the honor of every citizen, is honored in his own country but from his own country but small recognition. A valuable contribution to the colonial history study classes, established by the Society of Colonial Dames, is an article written by our present historian and fully illustrated.

In October of last year the society placed on the walls of William and Mary College, Williamsburg, a marble tablet in commemoration of the founding of that institution of learning—the first in all the South, and the second in the entire country. The tablet records the names of the founders, the patriotic men, by whose efforts the college was established. On October 22d the tablet was unveiled by our second vice-president in the presence of a distinguished assembly at Williamsburg, of members of the Society of Colonial Dames, of the States, guests, and the professors and students of the college. A most learned address, which has since been published, was made by Colonel William Lamb, of Norfolk, Va. On this occasion Williamsburg added to her famous past only another laurel in the gracious hospitality of her present.

The historical papers read before the society during the year have been several extracts from the valuable and delightful manuscripts of Miss Margaret Wood Smith, of Alexandria, entitled "The Mary Home of Fairfax"; "Fredericksburg, Va. History of Washington's Mother," by Mrs. William T. Robbins; "Education in Colonial Days," by Mrs. Tuttle, of the University of Virginia, and the papers written in competition for the scholarship of the University, that of Mr. Wayland, the successful competitor, entitled "The Germans of the Valley," and that of Mr. Long, entitled "The History of the Naming of Virginia Counties."

With a membership of more than five hundred, the horizon of our duties and privileges is enlarging, and we press forward with a new energy in upholding and extending an influence, by furthering the work of research into and preservation of the records and relics of our beloved past.

Our loss by death eminent members, the venerable ladies, members of our Advisory Board, Hon. William Wirt Henry. We desire to express appreciation of many courtesies extended to us in circular letters, historical papers, and invitations. In these friendly greetings we recognize the interest and sympathy in unity in sentiment, unity in interest, unity in purpose with the State societies to whom we give hereby a hearty God-speed.

The circular is signed by Mrs. Landonia Randolph Dashiell, recording secretary of the society.

Miss Bertie Nolting, the fair sponsor of the Berkeley, has several pretty as well as valuable souvenirs of the launching, which occasion she was "the observed of all observers." The fragments of the bottle broken against the Berkeley's prow with the silken setting which encased them, and the red, white, and blue ribbons attached were brought to Miss Nolting on a small silver platter decorated with Colonial beading and unvarnished with the name of the ship, the date of the launching, and Miss Nolting's name. Both Miss Nolting and the two young ladies who were with her, Misses Anna Lassiter, of Petersburg, and Kathleen Anderson, of New York, were given superb bouquets of American Beauty roses. Miss Nolting wore a lovely gown for the occasion, fashioned of panne etamine, trimmed with cerule lace, and relieved with a tucked vol of white mousseline de soie. Her hair was draped and veiled with white chiffon and covered with pink roses.

Mrs. Lewis Cattell Williams, who was in the launching party, appeared in a specially beautiful Paris gown of blue cloth with a black velvet collar and a Paris hat in tints of pale blue.

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WEATHER FORECAST: Fair to-night and Friday.

Opening of Our New Tea and Coffee Department.

Friday, March 21st, we will open a Tea and Coffee Department in our Basement. We are the Sole Agents in Richmond for the Empress Tea and Coffee Company, of New York, and as they deal in Teas and Coffees alone and have extensive connections all over the United States it's natural to suppose they know their business pretty thoroughly. We believe there's no finer line of goods on the market than the Empress, and to help you to believe it we invite you to try a steaming hot cup of the Empress Coffee before you buy anything.

As a further inducement for you to try these Teas and Coffees we will, for the next week, give you free one pound of Empress Mocha and Java Coffee with every pound of Empress Tea at 49c that you purchase. We make this latter offer simply to introduce the goods. They'll sell on their merits after you know them.

Following are the grades and prices:

Table listing various teas and coffees with prices per pound. Teas: Assam, Oolong, Gunpowder, Green Japan, Uncolored Japan, India Ceylon, English Breakfast. Coffees: Cafe Marquise, Mocha and Java, Mocha and Java, Maleberry Java, Mocha and Java (Our Leader), Santos, Fancy Santos.

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ored costume of mode colored cloth, while Miss Lassiter appeared in a toilet of silver gray. The luncheon which followed the launching, when Miss Nolting and her friends had an opportunity of meeting the president of the Old Dominion Steamship Company, Mr. Guillard, and other guests present from a distance, was especially delightful.

Women of New York's exclusive set are about to make a pilgrimage to the shrines of their ancestors in Virginia. The start will be made at 12 P. M. on May 17th, via the Old Dominion Line. The return will occur May 25th, and Norfolk, Old Point Comfort, Richmond, Petersburg, Williamsburg, and Jamestown Island will be the principal stopping-places.

The annual medal contest by the pupils of Mrs. W. E. Thurston's School of Expression, which was postponed from last Tuesday, will be held at the Young Men's Christian Association Hall, Tuesday, March 25th. The contestants are Misses: Carrie Darst, Lemaj Boise, Lillie Hechler, and Ollie Belle Harwood. Mrs. Thurston will also give some dramatic readings.

"An Evening in Virginia" was the name of the entertainment given last night at No. 9 north Sixth street by Band No. 7 of the Grace-Street Presbyterian church. Old-time negro dialect stories were the features of the occasion. James J. Gossard was the chairman of the entertainment.

The subscription german, which was given at the Jefferson Club last evening, was a very brilliant affair. Many handsome gowns were worn, and the music was exceptionally fine. After the german an elegant supper was served.

A very elegant luncheon was given yesterday at the Theological Seminary by Mrs. Thomas Gray Johnson in honor of Mrs. William P. McGuire, of Winchester, and Mrs. Lewis Hyde, of New York.

Miss Elizabeth Fisher is spending some time in Staunton, where she is the guest of her uncle, Mr. James R. Taylor.

Miss Russell Robinson, of Nelson, Va., is with Miss Duval.

Miss Maria Blair will lecture before the Girls' Club this evening at 8:30 o'clock.

Mrs. William Branton Rudd, of Hampton, Va., is visiting her mother, Mrs. David B. Prosser, for a few days.

Among the pleasant happenings scheduled for last night was the dance given by Dr. J. L. Leitch, at his home, on the Nine-Mile road.

Miss Virginia Dade, of Washington, D. C., is the guest of Mrs. Fitzhugh Mayo, at No. 13 west Franklin street.

The ladies of the First Baptist church desire to return thanks to all those who recently assisted them in their rummage sale.

A pleasant occasion last evening was the reception at the home of Miss Helen Dickinson, 512 north Eleventh street, in honor of Mr. W. A. Crenshaw, the retiring principal of Navy-Hill School.

A very delightful progressive euchre party was given on Wednesday evening at the Langley by Miss Annie Williams.

Mrs. John Prentiss Poe and her young daughter, Miss Anne Johnston Poe, of Baltimore, are the guests of Mrs. J. L. Bulbank, at 308 east Grace street.

Colonel and Mrs. Miles Cary and Mrs. F. H. McCulloch, of Buckingham, are spending some time at 201 east Franklin street.

Mrs. Frank Nalle, children, and governess, of Orange county, are at Mrs. E. M. Duval's, 201 east Franklin street.

Mrs. John W. Timberlake, of Halifax county, Va., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Clark, 110 north Fifth street.

Mrs. Charles W. Warren is in the city, and stopping with Mrs. R. W. Powers, Jr., 192 Park avenue.

The Forget-Me-Not Circle of King's Daughters will meet with Miss Mattie Jennings, No. 5901 east Broad street, on Saturday afternoon, March 22d, at 4 P. M.

THE BIG SHIP KOREA. Her Builders' Trial Trip Yesterday—A Newport News Marriage.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., March 20.—(Special.)—The Pacific Mail Line steamship Korea, which has just been completed at the ship-yard, left this morning at 6:30 o'clock for her builders' trial, being navigated by Captain Seabury, commander of the Pacific Mail fleet.

The ship went straight out to sea, being saluted on its passage by sirens and whistles of many steamships.

The Korea returned back about midnight to-night, arriving at the ship-yard to-morrow night, in the event the weather holds good and there is no mishap.

She carries 5,000 tons of coal and a large supply of provisions, sufficient to last for some days, in the event of trouble.

General Superintendent Walter Post, of the ship-yard; Inspector J. H. Ferguson, of the Pacific Mail Line, and a party of naval officers went out on the ship for the cruise.

The cruiser San Francisco was given complimentary trials by the Naval Board of Inspection this morning, and afterwards came up to this city to take on 60 tons of coal.

To-morrow the Cincinnati will have her trial, and on Saturday the board will finish with the Olympia, which will then come here for coal.

The Cincinnati will arrive here to all her bunkers on Monday.

PROFITS BY THE REAPPORTION.—The Senate and House committees on Privileges and Elections are awakening to the growing importance of Newport News and its rapidly increasing population. Their reports to the House and Senate will give Newport News a delegate of its own in the House of Delegates, will make it the seat of a senatorial district, and the seat of a congressional district.

LOOKS LIKE KNOCK-OUT DROPS. Oliver Jackson, a negro, was picked up on the street early this morning unconscious and apparently stricken with heart trouble. On examination, it was found that he had taken the influence of some drug, probably "knock-out drops." He had not recovered consciousness to-night.

Joseph White Richardson, of Norfolk, and Miss Marie Small, of Philadelphia, were married here this afternoon by Rev. J. F. Ribble, at the rectory of St. Paul's Episcopal church.

It was thought that this was a runaway match, but the principals denied it. They returned to Norfolk this evening to make their home.

UNITED MINE WORKERS. Close of Their Session in Huntington—District Board Members.

HUNTINGTON, W. VA., March 20.—(Special.)—The United Mine Workers of America closed a three-days' session here this evening, after selecting Huntington as the meeting place again next year.

The following anti-trust board members were selected just before the close of the meeting: New-River and Kanawha, C. T. Wilkinson, of Montgomery, and W. J. Uncomb, of Fairmont; T. J. Holmes, of Tunnah; M. F. Kearns, of Shilinton, and W. M. Scott, of Mount Hope; Norfolk and Western, C. M. Reed, of Coeburn, Va., and J. T. Jenkins, of Roederfield, W. Va.

Unless the operators meet certain demands that are to be made by miners, a general strike in Virginia and West Virginia is likely to occur.

AFFAIRS IN RALEIGH. The Agricultural and Mechanical College.

RALEIGH, N. C., March 20.—(Special.)—The Building Committee of the directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical College met to-day and decided to place the plans for the new "Watauga Hall," in the hands of Professor Charles Park, of the faculty, who will superintend the work of construction, which is to begin at once.

As much of it as possible will be done by students. The work will not be let by contract. It may be a month before the plans for the Pullen Memorial Building are adopted.

Thanks to the courtesy of Congressman Klutz, a complete set of the "Rebellion Records" has been secured for the Soldiers' Home. It is a work which the old soldiers read with keen interest.

The great movement for public education, in which the Southern Education Association is taking so active a part, is to be fully launched within a fortnight.

There will be at least eight "raillies," at commanding points in the State. There is to be financial aid. One of the objects is to get the county superintendents deeply interested. It is for this reason that the association has decided to pay their railway fare, to secure their attendance.

There is considerable doubt among the base-ball league officials here as to Charlotte's coming in with a team. Businessmen there are not showing up in the matter. There are not some good developments at that place in a day or two. President Busbee, of the league, will send a missionary there.

Judge Purnell, of the Federal Court, rules, that referees in bankruptcy can not select newspapers in which notices are to be published.

Fire in Free Union. FREE UNION, VA., March 20.—(Special.)—The large storehouse of Mr. Robert H. Allen, of this place, was burned to the ground on Monday, the 17th, at 12 o'clock M.

In less than three years' time Mr. Allen has had the misfortune to suffer two fires. His dwelling house was burned some two years ago and he had no insurance.

The storehouse destroyed on Monday was supposed to have caught from the stove-pipe.

Fire in Northumberland. IRVINGTON, VA., March 20.—(Special.)—At an early hour this morning the storehouse and entire stock of goods and post-office supplies belonging to T. C. Bland, at Rehoboth Church, Northumberland county, were destroyed by fire. The origin of the flames is unknown.

The store was a new one, and had only been occupied for three months. It is not known whether it was insured or not.

LAWYER VS. LAWYER.

FIERY SPEECHES DELIVERED IN THE WILCOX CASE YESTERDAY.

SENTIMENT AGAINST ACCUSED.

Half the People in the Court-Room Left When Mr. Aydtlett, One of His Counsel Began Speaking—Then the Fire Bell Rang—District Attorney Ward's Bling Argument—A Sleeping Juror.

ELIZABETH CITY, N. C., March 20.—(Special.)—Promptly at 9:30 o'clock this morning court convened on this, the seventh day of the Wilcox trial.

The jury have been in the box for six consecutive days. The great strain necessarily put forth to take in the vast amount of evidence, and the exhaustive arguments that have been made, is telling upon the members of the jury. They looked tired as they filed in court this morning and took their seats. The majority have been very attentive to the work they have in hand. One dark son of Ham, however, was seen to slumber peacefully during the brilliant argument of one of the counsel on yesterday.

THE SLEEPY COLORED BROTHER. Upon a sudden outburst of impassioned oratory, this ebony brother slowly opened his eyes and stared in wonderment. He soon settled himself back in languid indifference, but with open eyes. What a fellow he is to be deciding issues involving life and death.

Only two other speeches remain to be made in this now celebrated case. Messrs. J. Heywood Sawyer and William Bond occupied the whole of yesterday with their able arguments, each speaking three hours and a half, and appearing for the prosecution and the defense, respectively. No greater speech has ever been made in this city than Mr. Sawyer's Bond's was a close second. It was indeed a battle-royal.

WEST POINT NEWS. Concerning Well-Known People and Their Movements in Town.

WEST POINT, VA., March 20.—(Special.)—About all the mechanics in town are busy at present with a prospect of continuing so for some time.

An addition is being built to the Episcopal church.

Miss May Halstead has purchased two lots on the corner of E and Eleventh streets, and will at once erect a handsome residence.

Work at Beach Park on the large hotel and dining hall will be commenced in a few days.

The large storehouse of R. E. Richardson on Fifth street is rapidly going up.

Miss Bessie Palmer is visiting in Middlesex.

A supposed mad dog was killed in town this week.

Mrs. George W. Roane are spending this week in Richmond.

Mr. David Hanson has returned to his family in Fredericksburg.

Mr. R. Kemp Slaughter, of Baltimore, is in town, prospecting this week.

Mrs. R. H. Houseworth, of Orange county, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Henry Carr.

Mrs. Smith, of Norfolk, who has been visiting her father, Dr. W. K. Gatewood, has returned home.

Miss Estelle Birkhead, of Baltimore, has returned to her position with Morvitz & Cobe.

Mr. Broadhead has resigned his position at Lee Hall and returned to his home here.

On April 1st he will take charge of the Caroline News, Bowling Green, Va.

Work is now progressing on the telephone line from here to Walkerton.

Mrs. George E. Anderson, Sr., of Richmond, passed through town Monday en route to Baltimore, to visit her sister, Mrs. Professor Karl.

The Town Council has purchased the old Williams store building, on D street, and will have it pulled down. This building has been condemned for some time.

The Women's Christian Temperance Union will give a silver tea at Fischer's hall Friday evening, March 28th.

It is reported that the wheat crop in this county is better this year, owing to the cold fall and winter.

Mr. Edmund Littlepage, of the Court-house, has gone to Atlantic City, N. J.

Mr. Strauds are out for the marriage of Mr. Charles Robinson, of some time, and Miss Hyatt Edwards, of Richmond.

Rumford school, in this county, closes last week.

The State uniform examination for public school teachers will be held at the Courthouse August 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th.

CONRAD KREMER'S DEATH. An Aged Resident of Winchester—Barn Burnt in the County.

WINCHESTER, VA., March 20.—(Special.)—Conrad Kremer, an aged resident of Winchester, died early this morning at the home of his son, William Kremer, near Lebanon, church, Va.

Mr. Kremer was 87 years of age, and by strict application to the business of tailoring, in this city until a few years ago, had accumulated quite a fortune.

He was highly respected, and would never trust his money in banks, preferring to convert it into gold coin, which he would hide in places he fancied more secure than banks.

He was held by several hundred dollars in gold in a belt about his waist. He is survived by three daughters and two sons, and was related to some of the most prominent people in Winchester.

COLONEL TELLENS BARN BURNED. The barn of Colonel Dick Dulancy's farm, near Salem Church, five miles from Winchester, was burned at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The loss is about \$2,000. The farm is tenanted by Ho. Hess.

In the Corporation Court to-day Allen alias "Tub" Smith alias Ellen Jones, was found guilty of larceny from the person and sentenced to four years in the State penitentiary.

The woman recently escaped from the police headquarters, but was recaptured in Hagerstown.

Intelligence has been received in Winchester of the death in Kansas City, Mo., of Mrs. Anna Robinson, wife of Mason Robinson.

Mrs. Robinson was the daughter of the late Aber Robinson, of the county, and is related to well-known residents of this section.

TIDINGS FROM LEXINGTON. News About the County Telephone—Well-Known Men Fight.

LXINGTON, VA., March 20.—(Special.)—The county telephone holders are to buy and own the lines throughout Rockbridge, now owned by the Lexington Mutual Telephone Company.

An agreement was reached to sell the holdings at a little less than cost, and the Lexington company is to supply connections with the Lexington switch board at \$5 per annum. The expiration of the present franchise held by the Lexington company, which has not quite five years to run, to use their efforts to secure a renewal of the charter.

The county line in this county lines except the South River line, where the holders have paid until next October, and the Beana Vista line, which the company refused to sell. The new holders expect to build additional lines.

While digging the foundation for the new building to be erected by the First National Bank of Lexington, a spring of running water was sunk twenty-three feet down where the front foundation is to rest.

The water rose six feet. The front of the foundation is to rest on a solid rock bed, which is thirty-two feet down in one place, and as the rock dips to the

AT DEATH'S DOOR FROM KIDNEY DISEASE.

Mrs. A. M. Leland, of Muscongus, Me., Suffered So Much From Kidney Disease That Life Was a Burden to Her.

Her Doctors Gave Her Up to Die.

WARNER'S SAFE CURE Cured Her and Restored Her to Perfect Health; She Is Now Able to Do Her Own Housework.

CURED MRS. LELAND. Thousands of Men and Women Have Kidney Disease and Do Not Know It Until Bright's Disease, Diabetes, or Urinary Trouble Have Set In.

A TRIAL BOTTLE OF WARNER'S SAFE CURE, THE WORLD'S GREATEST KIDNEY CURE, SENT ABSOLUTELY FREE TO EVERY READER OF THE RICHMOND DISPATCH.

Gentlemen: I wish to let you know of the good that Warner's Safe Cure and Warner's Safe Pills have done for me.

Last spring I was stricken with what the doctors pronounced liver and kidney disease, and lay in a semi-conscious state, and my death was expected at any moment. I was given up by the doctors, and I was told that I had no more to live for.

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