

THREE GIRLS KILLED

FATHER RETURNS HOME TO FIND HIS DAUGHTERS DEAD.

ONE CRIMINALLY ASSAULTED.

A Prosperous Negro Farmer Left Home to Go to a Circus and While He Was Gone His Family Wiped Out.

MEMPHIS, TENN., October 29.—A special to the Scimitar from Wynne, Ark., says:

Thomas Sophie, and May Gibson, aged 17, 15, and 10 years respectively, daughters of Thomas Gibson, a prosperous negro farmer, were killed and one of them was the victim of a criminal assault at their home near here yesterday.

TWO HORSES NEARLY BREAK JP A CHURCH.

One Violent Animal Kills Another at a "Callud Meetin'"—Consternation among the Dusky Congregation.

TAPPANNOCK, VA., October 29.—(Special)—A few evenings ago while a revival service was being held in one of the colored churches at this place, a horse belonging to a member of the congregation became unfastened, and immediately began a war on another tied in close proximity. The vicious animal fought so fiercely that before any one could interfere it killed the other horse.

The action of the horse created a great disturbance in the congregation, and in vain did the colored brother exhibit the members to keep their seats. The horse which was killed was the property of an old colored woman who had come a long distance to attend the meeting, and the value of \$50 was taken up in the congregation on the same evening to alleviate, in a measure, her distress.

CHARLOTTE SHIPPERS WILL BE HEARD NOV. 24TH.

Date for Hearing of Their Case Against Southern Railway and Seaboard Air-Line Assigned.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 29.—The Interstate Commerce Commission has set dates for hearings in the near future in cases involving alleged violations of the interstate commerce law. These include a hearing in Charlotte, N. C., Nov. 24, of the Charlotte Shippers' Steel Corporation from the Southern railway and others against the Seaboard Air Line and others.

MEETING WAS PREMATURE.

Preliminary Injunction Granted Against U. S. Steel Corporation.

NEWARK, N. J., October 29.—Vice-Chancellor Emery today filed his decision in the case of J. Aspinwall Hoag and others to prevent the United States Steel Corporation from selling \$200,000,000 of preferred stock and issuing \$250,000,000 in bonds.

In his decision the Vice-Chancellor says: "I will advise that a preliminary injunction be granted restraining the issue of bonds under the resolution, upon the terms that if the retirement of the stock under the resolution is not, there is to be a hearing of the Court of Errors and Appeals."

The resolution referred to by the Vice-Chancellor was adopted by the directors of the United States Steel Corporation and ordered the retirement of the preferred stock.

Vice-Chancellor Emery decides that the meeting of the directors at which the resolution was adopted was premature and that the retirement of the stock under the resolution is not, there is to be a hearing of the Court of Errors and Appeals in all other points.

Railway Day at Union Station.

Last Sunday was observed as railway day by Union-Station Methodist Sunday school. The room was crowded to overflowing, with a large number of the members present. After the preliminary exercises were held, Rev. Mr. Ashby Jones, of Leigh-Street Baptist church, delivered a very effective address to the school. The roll of officers and teachers was then called, and each one responded with a contribution, for which they had been working the past two months. It was an inspiring sight as these came in, aggregating \$87, with a few classes not heard from. This money will be applied to the purchase of a new Bible for the school.

The decision of the Vice-Chancellor agrees with the decision of the Court of Errors and Appeals in the merger case, on all other points.

Board of Public Works.

A meeting of the Board of Public Works will be held in the Governor's office to-day at noon to take up the matter of the crossing of Berkeley street railway by the tracks of the Norfolk Belt Line railway. This matter was postponed a few weeks ago until to-day.

OLD SOLDIER'S LONG SPELL OF WAKEFULNESS.

Level Slept of Gastonia, N. C., Has Not Slept for Forty-One Days—Apparently Well.

WASHINGTON, N. C., October 29.—(Special)—A special from Gastonia to-day says:

Levi Smith has gone for forty-two nights without any sleep. He exhibits no apparently serious effects from his long wakefulness. Smith is an old Confederate soldier, 75 years of age. He suffers with insomnia, or at least he does not sleep, he only stays awake. A slight dizziness is the only effect of his wakeful periods. Smith was formerly a member of the Fourth North Carolina Cavalry.

Tonight

Just before retiring, if your liver is sluggish, out of tune and you feel dull, bilious, constipated, take a dose of Hood's Pills

And you'll be all right in the morning.

Advertisement for Malta-Vita Pure Food Co. featuring an illustration of a woman and child, and text describing it as 'The Perfect Food' for brain and muscle.

NINDE-ROGERS LIBEL SUIT.

Dr. Caruthers' Testimony Created a Small Sensation.

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., October 29.—(Special)—The second day of the Ninde-Rogers libel suit, on trial in the Corporation Court here, was mostly taken up with hearing the evidence for the plaintiff, C. O'Connor Goobrick, editor of the Fredericksburg Star, who on the stand to prove Rogers' authorship of the libellous letter, and Clerk of the Courts Hunter and Commonwealth's Attorney Rowe, who testified, were also examined for the plaintiff.

Later this evening the first witness for the defense, Dr. Caruthers, of King George, was called, and testified that the disease for which Dr. Ninde received \$3000 from the county was not even small-pox. His testimony created a slight sensation, and the plaintiff will probably seek to discredit it by other doctors. Many interested spectators heard the case to-day.

JAMES FLOYD GUILTY.

Accomac Murderer Will Get Eighteen Years in the Penitentiary.

ONLEY, VA., October 29.—(Special)—After a trial lasting less than two days, James Floyd, alias James Davis (colored), for the murder of Robert Gullette (colored), on September 13th, was given to the jury at 2 o'clock to-day, and in three-quarters of an hour they brought in a verdict of murder in the second degree. The penalty was fixed at eighteen years in the penitentiary. Judge Ross immediately passed the sentence.

Floyd was represented by Roy D. White, and James H. Fletcher, Jr., who made a strong fight for a verdict of involuntary manslaughter. Benjamin T. Gunter conducted the prosecution. On September 13th Floyd, Gullette, and several other negroes were having a crap game near Onley. Gullette picked up a nickel of Floyd's, and Floyd requested him to put it down. As Gullette did not put it down when requested to do so the second time, Floyd drew a pistol and fired. Gullette died almost instantly. Floyd escaped and was later arrested at Poconoco City on a car of lumber.

THOS. S. BUCKLEY DEAD.

Deceased was a Venerable Resident of Gordonsville.

GORDONSVILLE, VA., October 29.—(Special)—Mr. Thomas S. Buckley died at his home here this morning at 2 o'clock of paralysis.

Mr. Buckley had apparently enjoyed good health until last Friday, when he was stricken with paralysis, while hauling wood below town. The stroke seems to have been a brain stroke, and he was entirely helpless until his death.

Mr. Buckley was a native of Ireland, but had spent most of his life in the United States.

Though they have no record of his birth, his family say he had some years since at a given date from the church on the tracks of the Norfolk Belt Line railway. This matter was postponed a few weeks ago until to-day.

CARTERSVILLE WELCOMES THEM.

Capids' Victims Off Fly Thither—An Unusual Wedding.

CARTERSVILLE, VA., October 29.—(Special)—Cartersville is beginning to be a regular Greena Green for this whole section of country, and the Methodist parsonage here is the culminating point for those who wish to form a co-partnership in the village under the name of the village renders it accessible to the denizens of at least three counties, who wish to exchange callaby for a more elevated life.

Very amusing incident in connection with one of those special visits occurred not many months ago, when an uncle and nephew, accompanied by two sisters from Goochland county made their appearance at the Methodist church for the purpose of abandoning their state of single blessedness. Those who were present thought that their intentions were to have one ceremony for both, but the spectators were surprised when the time came and the uncle and eldest sister marched up to the altar and were made one by the minister, and the younger sister went left sitting, and when their time came, they did not budge. Upon inquiry it was found that owing to a superstition on the part of both, they preferred to have the ceremony performed at a given date from the church on the outside. This wish on their part was complied with, and they went away happy, if not wiser.

Parties who contemplate matrimony and who wish it carried out effect, are always welcome to our Greena Green, and we bespeak for them a hearty welcome.

Our people are of such a curious nature that they like to see and know every-

CITY OF PETERSBURG.

IMMENSE ATTENDANCE AT MR. W.B. CAMERON'S FUNERAL.

CIRCULAR ISSUED BY NEGROES Opposes the Candidacy of R. T. Vaughan and Raps White Republicanism—More About the Cannon That Shelled the Tavern.

PETERSBURG, VA., October 29.—(Special)—The funeral of Mr. William Cameron took place from Grace Episcopal church at 10 o'clock this morning, the rector, Rev. John Ridout, conducting the impressive services. The large church was filled, citizens of all denominations being present in token of respect. Among those in attendance were a number of relatives and friends of the deceased from Richmond.

The floral tributes were very handsome. The following gentlemen acted as pallbearers: Active—T. S. Beckwith, Robert Gilliam, Robert Cabanis, Bernard Mann, Alexander Hamilton, James B. McCulloch, George J. Seay, and William L. Zimmer. Honorary—J. P. Williamson, R. L. Watson, Dr. James W. Chabrier, R. M. Sully, C. Venable, John M. Gill, G. M. Martin, B. Vaughan, Thomas R. Dunn, William S. Kelley, of New York, and W. Gordon McCabe, of Richmond.

The members of the Tobacco Association were present in a body, as also the vestrymen of Grace church.

DEATH OF AN OLD CITIZEN.

Mr. Pierre Dere, an old citizen and for many years a member of Lombard street, died this morning in Pittsfield, Mass., where he had been residing for some time. Mr. Dere was a Canadian by birth, and for years it had been his custom to spend his summers at the North and his winters here. He was quite an elderly man, quiet and reserved in manners, but was esteemed by all who knew him for his strict probity and integrity.

Before Judge Mullen and a jury in the Hustings Court an interesting case has been tried, and the verdict probably will continue through to-morrow. The suit is that of Smeiz Brothers, bankers, of Newport News, against Fred. Moore, Parker & Moore, and the Peninsula Printing Company, to recover the balance of a promissory note and held by the plaintiffs, amounting to about \$1,500. Mr. Moore, one of the defendants, is now a resident of Petersburg. Counsel for the plaintiffs are Messrs. R. E. Davis, O. B. Batchelor, and L. C. Phillips. The defendants are represented by Messrs. R. H. Mann and J. A. Lett.

PREPARING TO BUILD.

The American Tobacco Company to-day sold to the city a number of wooden buildings and sheds on its property on Byrne and Harrison streets, the same to be promptly removed by the purchasers. The removal of these buildings is done to make room for the erection of a large brick factory adjacent to the one now occupied. The new factory will be built as quickly as possible, in order to afford the accommodations and facilities needed by the company for its operations, which it does not now enjoy for steamery and the manufacture of cigars. The company now has over 80 names on its pay-roll, and this number will be greatly increased when the new plant is completed.

NEGROES AS DEFENDANTS.

An evidence that the negro voters of this city are not with the white Republicans, do not approve the action of the latter in endorsing Mr. R. T. Vaughan's independent candidacy for Congress, and intend to act to suit their own views, the following handbill has been widely distributed to-day among the colored people.

"Attention Colored Citizens: At an election to be held November 4, 1902, since it is a fact that there has been no nominating convention in this district and no Republican candidates in this district, and to show to the world that we are men who will not be hoodwinked into the support of a man who is neither a Democrat, Populist, or Republican, but who openly avows that he is not a Republican and cares nothing for the endorsement of the Republican party, but simply claims to be an independent."

"And since we cannot afford to support an independent, without knowing in what particular he is an independent, let us stamp out this practice on the part of those who simply cry 'Independent' but put in the field, to make it appear to the colored people that they are doing great things in the interest of Republicanism, when, in fact, they are doing nothing except perpetrating their own selfishness, and behind closed doors they are cursing the negroes."

"Therefore, let us not vote this time, but let Mr. Vaughan and the white Republicans, so called, fight it out."

This circular is signed by E. R. Fowell, president of the colored people's association, a leading negro organization here, and will probably be endorsed.

The Health Officer's report for the month ending October 29th, shows a total of 3 deaths in this city: Whites, 1; colored, 2. Of the deaths, 11 were under 5, and 11 over 50 years of age.

"THE PETERSBURG EXPRESS."

A few days ago Postmaster Bolling received a letter from an old Union soldier in Connecticut, asking for information as to the character of the famous run known among the Federal troops as "The Petersburg Express," which during the siege of the city used to drop shells into the city every day.

A well-known gentleman says the "question" was planted on Battery No. 2, east of the city, which was captured by the Federals from Sturdevant's Confederate Battery. The gun was a rifled Parrot, carrying 22-pound percussion shells—about 18 inches long. It caused the practical evacuation of the Blandford section of the city, and destroyed the gas works, leaving the city in darkness for some time.

VISIT OF MASONIC ORPHANS.

With the generous Masons of this city as hosts, the orphans in the Masonic Home of Richmond, who are to visit Petersburg to-morrow night, will have a most hospitable reception. The little ones, to the number of forty or more, accompanied by the superintendent and members of the Board of Governors of the institution, will reach here about 7 o'clock P. M. and be entertained at the gas works, leaving the city in darkness for some time.

Ernest Vest Dead.

ROANOKE, VA., October 29.—(Special)—Ernest Vest, who died at Nace from brain-fever, aged 28 years.

Dr. LeCato Improving.

ACCOMAC COURTHOUSE, VA., October 29.—(Special)—The condition of Dr. George W. LeCato is better to-day.

The most economical of all.

GORHAM SILVER POLISH

Owing to its form is free from waste Contains no injurious ingredient All responsible jewelers keep it 25 cents a package

card for interesting exercises will follow the supper. MEMORIAL TABLETS IN BLANDFORD.

It is understood that a series of instructive lectures on American History will be arranged by the Frances Bland Randolph Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, of this city, for the coming winter. One of the objects of the organization is the study of American history, and at every meeting of this chapter, interesting papers are read along this line. The series of lectures to be delivered by distinguished men will not only prove highly interesting and entertaining to the public, but instructive as well.

The proceeds from these lectures will be for the erection of a beautiful Revolutionary memorial tablet in memory of those heroes of the Revolutionary war who went out from Petersburg in defence of their country. This is a cause which the Daughters of the American Revolution of Petersburg have close to their hearts, and they will succeed in it. Old Blandford church, a sacred edifice of great historic interest, is deemed the proper repository for this tablet.

The Daughters of the Confederacy will also erect a splendid tablet in the church in memory of the citizen heroes who fell in defence of their city, in the memorable battle of the 9th of June, 1864.

And then, too, each State of the Southern Confederacy will erect a memorial window in the church in memory of its dead heroes buried in Blandford Cemetery.

Dr. Price, an eminent surgeon and specialist of Philadelphia, has within the past few days, performed several very delicate and difficult operations on patients in this city. The doctor has been a frequent visitor to Petersburg in recent years, on professional duty.

Mr. Henry Cousins, who for some years past has been with the Oaks Warehouse Company, in this city, has accepted a position with Messrs. Dunnington & Co., tobaccoists, at Clarksville, and left for that place last evening.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

After the regular meeting of Petersburg Chapter, U. D. C., No. 1, on Monday evening, the members enjoyed a delightful smoker, given by the officers of the company.

Rev. George E. Booker, pastor of High-Street Methodist Episcopal church, gave a supper at his residence last night to the official board of the church. Twenty-five of the twenty-five members sat down to the spread, and a most pleasant social evening was spent.

The Board of Governors of the Chamber of Commerce, at a special meeting held last evening, gave official endorsement to a petition of the merchants of the city, asking the Seacoast Air-Line Railway Company to put an extra day train on its road between Petersburg and North Carolina.

SHE USED THE SPADE.

Miss Gould Breaks Ground for the Fort Monroe Y. M. C. A. Building.

HAMPTON, VA., October 29.—(Special)—The ground for the new Young Men's Christian Association building, on the corner of Main and Monroe streets, was broken by Miss Helen Miller Gould, of New York, who contributed the money for the building, at 3 o'clock this afternoon. Fully 2,000 soldiers and civilians, including high officers of the army and navy, watched the charming little pliant break ground, as she, charmingly fitted the spade so deep from the breast of old mother earth. It was an inspiring scene that marked the exercises. The soldiers from the fort were out in force, and sent up cheer after cheer for the lady whose kindness has promised them a magnificent building. The exercises were an impressive platform were many distinguished guests, while surrounding the structure was titled "Old Glory."

An interesting programme was rendered. Major Best, of Fort Monroe, was the master of ceremonies, and the exercises were presided over by the orator of the occasion was Colonel Charles S. Bird, who established the association at Fort Monroe thirteen years ago when he was adjutant here. Colonel Bird in his address paid a beautiful tribute to Secretary of War Elihu Root, and to the United States Congress, and to Congress authorizing the erection of Young Men's Christian Association buildings at every fort.

Miss Gould was presented with a miniature spade at the conclusion of the programme by the men of the Fort. The spade was made by hand, and had an oak tree in the fort, while the blade was made from an old "bore spung." The little gift was most highly appreciated. Miss Gould was also tendered a reception by the wives of the officers at the Officers' Club this afternoon at 4 o'clock and tonight the United States Army and Navy men in Assembly Hall. She left Old Point at 9 o'clock to-night on a special tug for Norfolk.

Miss Gould and her party arrived at Old Point early this morning and were domiciled at the Chamberlain Hotel, where she received during the morning her party were Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Miller, Fla., Mrs. A. S. Barker, Miss Helen Coots, and General Bird. Mr. Miller is the national secretary of the Army and Navy Branch of the Association.

Colonel George Keeler, who has been Major of the 1st Cavalry, and who has resigned the position, and will leave here February 1st next, for North Carolina where he has accepted the management of a large hotelery.

Howitzers to Have Drum Corps.

The Howitzers' Battalion held its weekly drill in their armory Tuesday night, after which the regular monthly business meeting was held.

A committee consisting of Lieutenant Taylor, Sergeant Arnez and Private Snyder were appointed to organize a drum corps for the battalion.

Next Tuesday evening the battalion will have a full-dress inspection, to be followed by a dance, in which many young folks will participate, as this feature among the artillerymen has become very popular.

Elect Class Officers.

The Sophomore Class of the Medical College of Virginia met in the chemistry lecture hall of that institution yesterday for the purpose of electing class officers for the present session. The meeting was called to order by former President W. H. Cassell, who, after the election of President Jesse Sickenberg, retired, making a few remarks. George Green, of Canada, was elected vice-president, with B. J. Williamson, of this city, secretary. The main object of having class officers is the formation of a honor system, which is making fine headway in the institution.

WEEK AT SCRANTON.

MEMBERS OF STRIKE COMMISSION WILL MEET IN COAL FIELDS.

WILL WORK TWO MONTHS.

A Member of the Commission Thinks It Will Take That Long to Formulate a Report—No Danger of Scranton to Accept the Award.

WASHINGTON, D. C., October 29.—The majority of the members of the Anthracite Coal Strike Commission left here at 3 o'clock this evening over the Baltimore and Ohio for Scranton, Pa., where they will meet to-morrow morning for their investigations in the mining region. The party consisted of Commissioner of Labor Carroll Wright, General John M. Wilson, Bishop Spalding, Grand Chief E. E. Clark, of the Order of Railway Conductors; Assistant Recorders Mosely and Neill, and three stenographers. The other members of the commission are also expected to reach Scranton by to-morrow morning.

The commission will spend to-morrow at Scranton, arranging the details of the trip through the coal-fields. The hearings will not begin until the formal claims of the miners and the answer of the operators have been filed.

None of the members of the commission are willing to be quoted in predictions of the length of time the work of the commission will consume. They say that they will go into the subject exhaustively, and one of them privately to-day that he believed the report would be ready within two months.

"If either of the parties to the controversy should refuse to abide by the decisions of the commission, what could be done?" the commissioner was asked. "I do not regard that as a possibility," was his answer. "We see no reason to anticipate anything of the sort. I do not believe that either side could face the force of public opinion by rejecting the conclusions which they have agreed in advance to accept."

FOR THE DAVIS MONUMENT.

Recent Subscription Received by the Treasurer of the Fund.

The following amounts have been received by the treasurer of the Jefferson Davis Monument Association since the last meeting:

Table listing names and amounts contributed to the Davis Monument fund, including Mrs. Robert White, Mrs. J. D. C. C. C., etc.

NEW YORK MAN CHARGED WITH BEING A FAGIN.

Taught Little Boys How to Steal and His Own Son Was in the Class.

NEW YORK, October 29.—(Special)—Michael McCarthy was arraigned before Magistrate Flammer, in the Tombs Court, to-day, charged with teaching boys to steal. It was charged that the prisoner ran a "fagin school" at No. 21 Front street, and gave instructions in stealing to John Price, 250 Front street; George Donnan, No. 250 Front street, and his own son, William.

Mr. McCarthy was committed to the care of the Children's Home Society, McCarthy is in the Tombs in default of \$50 bail.

TOOK POISON ON A DARE.

Twenty-Year-Old Girl May Pay With Her Life for Foolish Performance.

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The police say the girl drank the solution after a dare from her cousin, William McAllister, who lived in the same house. McAllister was so overcome by his cousin's act that he was not able to make a coherent statement of the affair.

AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY. FRI. AND SAT. OCTOBER 30, SAT. MATINEE. NOVEMBER 1. ARIZONA.

Night Prices—25, 35, 50, 75c., and \$1.00. Matinee Prices—25, 50, and 75c. A good reserved seat for 50c.

ACADEMY TO-NIGHT THE MESSENGER BOY. with FRANK DESHOM and 60—PEOPLE—60.

Prices, 25c., 35c., 50c., 75c., \$1., and \$1.50. A good reserved seat for 50c.

MUSICAL AND LITERARY ENTERTAINMENT. Young Men's Christian Association. Thursday evening, October 30, 1892. At 8 o'clock, on sale at Walter D. Moses & Co., Cable Co., and the Young Men's Christian Association, Oct. 30-31.

BIJOU. Usual Performances. GEORGE W. MONROE AND A REAL COMPANY.

MRS. DOOLEY. SEATS ARE ALWAYS SELLING. Bijou Musical Comedy Co. next week.

Our Suit Buyer is in New York.

Yesterday he made us a large shipment of new Suits, made in the Norfolk, Blouse and Coat styles, that we will sell from \$14.50 to \$30.00.

Perfectly tailored in every way. Best material we could get, and each one selected for its individual worth.

While we write this there are other invoices just received telling us of another shipment. You'll hear about it in a day or so.

This is a good place to come to for Suits.

Miller & Rhoads

that time the congregation has become very much attached both to him and his wife.

Petersburg Man's Petition.

A petition in bankruptcy was filed in the clerk's office of the United States District Court yesterday by Wm. B. McIlwain, counsel for Joseph E. Spottedwood, of Petersburg. Mr. Spottedwood was a member of a firm which failed several years ago, and the proceedings are for the purpose of wiping out judgments secured against him as a member of the firm. The liabilities are placed at \$15,148.11, while the assets are insignificant.

A HAMPTON BRIDE.

Miss Louise Forsythe the Bride of Wilson Bright.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Palmer Forsythe was the scene of a wedding at 2 o'clock this afternoon, when their accomplished daughter, Miss Nettie Louise Forsythe, was married to Charles Wilson Bright. The parlors were beautifully decorated with white and yellow chrysanthemums and daisies for the occasion, was given a brilliance by variegated incandescent lights. Mr. W. E. Bright, of Norfolk, attended his brother as best man, and Miss Nora Spry, of Berkeley, was the very charming maid of honor. Rev. Andrew Jackson Kennerly, of the Hampton Christian church, was the officiating minister. The couple are among the most popular young society people in Hampton, and they received a large number of handsome and costly wedding presents.

Mr. and Mrs. Bright left on the Old Dominion steamer at 4 o'clock this afternoon for an extended wedding tour in the North.

At 10 o'clock this morning Mr. Leonard Randolph Baines and Miss Minnie Leah Butler, who reside on Back River, were quietly married at the bride's home by the Rev. Mr. Moss, of Pike Hill.

Mr. Baines is a member of the Young Men's Christian Association and lecturer of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of America, is spending the week in Hampton visiting the various local unions.

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