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Rich, stylish colorings in fashionable weaves---the weights and patterns in vogue to-day.

The entire remainder of our big and popular collection for this season in all-wool and silk and wool mixtures at

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Your Holiday Shopping MUST BE DONE IN EIGHT DAYS---

Scant time for those who would select judiciously, and really pleasurable results are those that come with studied purchases. To suit the gift to the recipient is where the real nicety of giving comes in, and that takes a lot of thought, and perhaps a lot of time.

Now, many a body must bestir himself, in the few days left, for the time is short for thought or for action, and though our showings are full and satisfying to-day, we cannot speak with surety for to-morrow. Here are hints of a few very receivable articles with much more quality than the prices begin to tell of.

- Down Comfortables.....\$5 to \$17.50
Laminated Comfortables.....\$1.50 to \$5
Marseilles Quilts.....\$2 to \$10
Sofa Cushions.....65c. to \$3.50
Ladies' Belt Buckles.....25c. to \$3.50
Slumber Robes.....\$1.25 to \$5
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Turkish Laundry Bags.....50c
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Hair Ornaments.....25c to \$1.75
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Newest Neckwear for Ladies...75c to \$10
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Men's Kid Gloves.....\$1 to \$2
Men's Fancy Sox.....25c to 50c
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Fine Perumes.....25c to \$1.15
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Leather Goods in every imaginable good shape, in every stylish leather. Never mind what purpose---here's the right article at the right price, 25c. each to \$10. The better sorts marked free!

Men's Specials A lot of fine Scotch Wool Gloves at 50c., and others, imported, too, at 38c. a pair. Men's Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, worth 12 1/2c., for 10c. Men's Initialed Handkerchiefs, hand work on fine linen, 25c.

Acceptable Rugs. The Christmas gathering holds every size and you are likely to match up some usually hard-to-find colorings. Best Smyrnas, all sizes, 75c to \$7; Carpet Rugs, 50c. to \$1.50; Velvet Rugs and Squares, \$7.50 to \$35.

Wonderful Blankets. These that weigh 5 lbs. of the prettiest woven warmth you ever set eyes on. Just a look at them makes you forget the scarcity of coal and coming blizzards; full 11-4 size and priced \$5.00

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Bargains in Black Taffeta.

Two Superb Values at 70c. and 89c., Worth a Third More.

Good, strong, practical Silks that look well and will wear well. Usable for every purpose where a reliable, low-priced Taffeta is required.

They have the swish and lustre of their higher-toned brethren, though their financial prospect is reduced.

The 27-inch width for 79c.

The 36-inch width for 89c.

And no big quantity of either.

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THE MILITIA BILL.

CENTRALIZATION PROVISION HALTED BY MR. PETTUS. WASHINGTON UNION DEPOT. Senate Bill Providing for \$4,000,000 Structure Passed by House--Appropriation for Eradicating the Foot and Mouth Disease.

WASHINGTON, December 15.--The Senate to-day discussed the bill to promote the efficiency of the militia, and also the omnibus statehood bill. After agreeing to the concurrent resolution of the House for an adjournment from December 20th to January 5th, Mr. Proctor called up the militia bill. An amendment by Mr. Pettus, striking from the bill section 24, having particular reference to a reserve force of trained men, provoked some discussion. Mr. Pettus raising the point that the section, if enacted into law, would be an infringement on the constitutional authority of the States, and put the control of the militia of the several States into the hands of the government.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. The House to-day passed the Senate bill for a union railway in this city, to cost \$1,000,000. The station is to be situated north of the present site of the Baltimore and Ohio depot, at Delaware and Massachusetts avenues, and in front of the new city hall. The Pennsylvania railway, by the terms of the bill, is to remove its tracks from the Mall, and reach the site of the proposed station through a tunnel to run between the Capitol and Library buildings. The government is to pay the Pennsylvania railway \$1,500,000 and the Baltimore and Ohio \$300,000, in addition to providing for the plaza.

THE STATE TEST FARM.

Glimpse of the Work Done There--Some Fine Crops. EXPERIMENTAL STATE FARM. December 29--Our farms are not generally pleasing to the eye in the winter time, when the flowers are no longer in blossom, the trees all stripped of leaves, and the fields of growing crops. Then it is that indoor farm life takes on new charms and the blazing fire becomes a thing of beauty and a joy to every man of good taste. On this December day, however, there is much even in the outer world to gladden the eye and please the taste of the most fastidious. The 8 acres of alfalfa present an unbroken surface of "living green," and give promise of abundant crops. Farmers from far and near are watching its growth with increasing interest, and it will be a glad day in Virginia history when the thousands of our soil become convinced of the immense value of this princess among crops. Professor Helges points to it with pardonable pride, and is satisfied that it can be made to approach as near perfection on Virginia soil as under the influences of Virginia sunshine as elsewhere in the world. There are 16 plots of 1-1/2 acre each devoted to the growing of as many varieties of wheat, and the use of as many kinds of fertilizers under care of the management this year, and when the tests have been consummated, it will be hardly possible for a Virginia farmer to

A FAVORITE POEM.

In Winter.

(By Louise Chandler Moulton.) Oh, to go back to the days of June, Just to be young and alive again. Harken again to the mad, sweet tune Birds were singing with might and main; South they flew at the summer's wane, Leaving their nests for the storms to harry. Since the time was coming for wind and rain Under the wintry skies to marry. Wearily wander by dale and dune Footsteps fettered with clanking chain-- Free they never in the days of June, Free they never can be again; Fetters of age and fetters of pain. Joys that fly, and sorrows that tarry-- Youth is over, and hope were vain Under the wintry skies to marry. Now we can chant but a desolate rune-- "Oh, to be young and alive again!"-- But never December turns to June, And length of living is length of pain; Winds in the nestless trees complain, Snows of winter about us tarry, And never the birds come back again Under the wintry skies to marry.

ENVOY.

Youths and maidens, blithesome and vain, Time makes thrusts that you cannot parry; Mate in season, for who is fair Under the wintry skies to marry?

ask a question on the subject of wheat culture that cannot be promptly and satisfactorily answered by the authorities here. Professor Helges tells me that he is ready now to show samples of wheat grown in Virginia with those from any other section of the country, satisfied that the wheat is much larger than that of the Virginia article. Was it not true that prior to the war between the States the flour made from Virginia wheat had better "sea legs" than any of its competitors? The products from the garden on this farm for this season are of superior quality--sweet potatoes averaging 30 bushels to the acre, would make old farmers look well to her success, while the celery, a luxury so many farmers fancy they cannot raise, has nothing to fear when brought in contrast with the best Michigan variety known to the market. The stalks are much larger than usual and yet as crisp as ice from root to bud. While looking into the workings



Give Yourself a Christmas Gift.

Christmas is the most joyous season of the year for the young, but not so always with those who are growing old. Keep Yourself Youthful by using XANTHINE, the best preparation for the hair. There it comes a time when you'll regret those gray hairs. Xanthine is not a dye, but restores gray hair to its original color, produces luxuriant growth, prevents dandruff. From Rev. William Cameron, Mossy Creek, Tenn.: "I have never known it to fail in accomplishing all you claim for it."

BIG WILLIAMSBURG DANCE.

German Was Given by the Students of William and Mary. WILLIAMSBURG, VA., December 15.--(Special).--A beautiful german was given Friday night by the William and Mary German Club, in the gymnasium building. Person's orchestra furnished the music. The german was led by Mr. J. T. Christian, who introduced many new figures. Several members of the Virginia German Club were present as specially invited guests. Those present were Miss Louise Henley with Mr. R. B. Dade, Miss Lda Henley with Mr. F. T. West, Miss Bessie Lamb with Mr. Slater Blackington, Miss Mary Walker Mercer with Dr. H. U. Stephenson, Miss Elizabeth Morecock with Mr. J. T. Christian, Miss Beulah Brooks with Mr. H. W. Moore, Miss Agnes Morecock with Mr. T. C. Benson, Miss Mary B. Spencer with Mr. M. C. Barnes, Miss Mary Foster with Mr. Malcolm Henning, Miss Emily Christian with Mr. E. A. Smith, Miss Daisy Roberts with Mr. Lloyd Roberts, Miss Florence Sweeney with Mr. R. H. Ruffner, Miss Bessie Scott with Mr. J. T. Booth, Miss Garnett Sweeney with Mr. J. C. Dunford, Miss Lucy Brunson with Mr. Ernest Jones, Miss Kathryn Morecock with Mr. H. C. Lightfoot, Miss Martha Spencer with Mr. W. Barnes, Miss Virginia Bruce Braithwaite with Mr. George Mayer, Miss Louise Harrison with Mr. M. Lloyd, Miss Ruth Braithwaite with Mr. F. B. Tolson, Miss Lizzie Bryan with Mr. Henley Sweeney. The stage were Messrs. T. P. Spencer, J. A. Hundley, Mrs. C. Duncan, W. L. Cowles, Miss Miller, Hughes, Cooley, Bernard Jones, Cressy, J. W. Gosman, Southern, R. Moore, and E. S. Redwood, of Richmond. The german was gracefully chaperoned by Mrs. Barnes, Mrs. Norvelle L. Henry, Mrs. Johnson, and Mrs. Dibble. Delightful refreshments were served during the evening, and the dancing was continued till a late hour.

ONE GOOD BOY AMONG THEM.

The V. M. I. Third Classman Who Wouldn't Break the Rules. LEXINGTON, VA., December 15.--(Special).--There was at least one member of that now much-discussed third class of Virginia Military Institute who had the moral courage to refrain from participating in the pyrotechnic carnival of last Tuesday night. His classmates begged him to join in the "fun" but all he would do was to stand by and watch. He steadfastly refused and showed himself proof against all persuasion. The youth who thus resisted the pleadings of his fellow-students declared that he was a State cadet and that he could not violate the confidence reposed in him by the Board of Visitors. He declared, moreover, that his parents were making great sacrifices to send him to school and that under the circumstances he would not engage in the proposed infraction of discipline. The young man is now commended by all, and even his comrades appreciate the wisdom and courage of his course. A case parallel with this occurred in the past. He steadfastly refused and refused to attend recitations for some trivial grievance. The member of the class who then refused to take part in the infraction of discipline was long held in contempt by his class mates, but he ultimately won back his popularity and when he graduated had the respect of all who knew him.

CHAIN GANG IN LEXINGTON.

Mayor Pierson Has Put Lawbreakers to Work on the Streets. LEXINGTON, VA., December 15.--(Special).--Mayor Pierson, who has just returned from a visit to Cincinnati, has reinstated the chain gang for prisoners confined in the county jail as criminals, and has then engaged in work on the streets of the town. Joe Franklin, who shot at Joe Trotton, is one of the first to suffer from the new order. He is now engaged in working out his fine of \$25 for carrying concealed weapons, and is also awaiting the action of the grand jury for shooting.

H. A. WISEMAN ILL.

Well-Known Danville Druggist Stricken at Church Sunday. DANVILLE, VA., December 15.--(Special).--Mr. H. A. Wiseman, the well-known druggist, is ill at his home on Main street. He was stricken suddenly at the First Presbyterian church yesterday morning and was forced to retire. He left while the service was in progress, going toward the anti-room. His failure to return caused no comment in church, but the extreme nature of his illness is believed to be serious. He is allowed 25 cents per day for his work and will be laid by the town until he works out the fine imposed. It has been twenty-five years or more since the chain gang was in operation here. It was done away with under the plea that it worked a hardship upon laborers who could not get employment from the town but for the chain gang's operations. Albert Dixon, of Buena Vista, was indicted by the grand jury in session in that city for shooting at a train on the Norfolk and Western railroad, and a special jury sent him to jail for one year for the offense. Trials relative to two other indictments in his case were postponed until the February term of the Corporation Court.

IN YE ANCIENT CAPITAL.

Municipal Improvements in Williamsburg--Personal Notes. WILLIAMSBURG, VA., December 15.--(Special).--Williamsburg Knitting Mill closes down for the holidays. It will be for about a month's rest for repairs and the arrangement of the mill has been a splendid business this year and will increase its capacity in order to fill its orders for the coming year. The machines operated by ladies will be moved from the first to the second floor, and the machinery will remain on the first floor. New machinery will be added as needed. The sidewalks of this city are now undergoing systematic repairs. A force of hands under the direction of Street Commissioner R. L. Lawson is at work on the gutters, so the water will drain off. The Council will spend every dollar it can judiciously to give the people of the town good sidewalks and streets. The committees appointed at the last meeting of the Board of Public Affairs to look into the advisability of establishing a cannery factory, agitating a bond issue for street improvements and a street survey, and holding a county fair here next fall, are at work on their respective lines, and will have good reports to make at the first meeting of the association in January. Hunting in this section of the Peninsula has been fairly good this season. Foxes, wild turkeys, and rabbits have been bagged in goodly numbers, but deer are scarce. With the destruction of the deer, the foxes are being hunted more and more in Surry, Charles City, and New Kent than in other neighboring sections. In a few years the fox will be a thing of the past on the Peninsula. The congregation of Bruton Episcopal church was greatly disappointed yesterday when it was learned that Dr. W. E. Evans, of Richmond, would not be here to preach to them. Dr. Evans was detained at home by sickness. He was to lecture at Cameron Hall to-night, under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary of the church. The firm of Johnson & Henry, merchants, has been dissolved. Mr. Johnson

HOLIDAY PRESENTS

That are acceptable, useful, and do not come too high. We have them. Here are some of them at special prices: CARVERS, a beautiful lot of various patterns. SCISSORS in cases. POCKET KNIVES, large variety of sizes and shapes. BAZORS, all the best makes. BRASS AND BLACK IRON FIRE SETS AND FENDERS. CARRIAGE HEATERS. A. B. CLARKE & SON HARDWARE CO., 1215 Main Street. New Store.

Christmas Presents at Reasonable Prices.

At our store you frequently secure two presents for the amount you thought one would cost. The selection of appropriate presents requires very little deliberation here. We are ever ready to assist you in selecting the proper thing, and the price will not exceed your expectation. Rothert & Company, Fourth and Broad Streets, Home Furnishers.

WINTER TOURIST RATES

Via the Atlantic Coast Line R. R. Winter tourist tickets are now on sale to all Southern winter resorts via the Atlantic Coast Line. This line is the shortest, quickest and most elegantly-equipped between the North and South. It offers to health and pleasure-seekers service equalled by none. You make no changes to Florida resorts. For full particulars, apply to any agent of the company, or C. S. CAMPBELL, Division Passenger Agent, 53 East Main street, Richmond, Va.

Promising Washington and Lee Student Succumbs to Typhoid Fever.

LEXINGTON, VA., December 15.--(Special).--Death has occurred in this community recently which excited more sorrow and sympathy than that of Henry Hall, the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Hall, of Mottle, Ala., who was a student at Washington and Lee University. After an illness of many days, due to typhoid fever, he succumbed to the disease Friday night. His parents and uncle, Mr. Charles Hall, were at his bedside when the end came. Henry Hall was perhaps the most popular student in the university, and had made many friends during his stay in Lexington for the past three years, this being his fourth year here, and he would have gotten his degree this commencement. Mr. Hall was the best all-around athlete in the university. Having won the first prize during the season of 1900-1901 at the annual athletic contest, he was declared from the annual contest last season by reason of his proved superiority. He was again runner-up in the football game during the season of 1901-1902, but did not play this season, because his parents objected. He was a member of the winning Henry Lee boat crew in the annual regatta of June, 1901, having taken the seat of a fellow student who