

VIRGINIA BLUE LAWS.

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S. ULLMAN'S SON, OUR TWO STORES,

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Up Town Store, 506 East Marshall Street, Old and New Phone, 34.

of hearing divine service, he or she shall forfeit and pay for every offence the sum of five shillings or fifty pounds of tobacco.

Another act provided that if any person neglect or refuse to resort to their parish church or chapel for the purpose of hearing divine service, he or she shall forfeit and pay for every offence the sum of five shillings or fifty pounds of tobacco.

There are other enactments of a similar character, but these will suffice to show that "blue laws" were known here in colonial days.

The laws, of course, are not now in the revised Virginia code. In fact, they were cut out of the Virginia statutes by the first revision, made in 1819, and have been left out of the two revisions that have followed of the Virginia laws.

INTERESTING ODDS AND ENDS.

Dr. Milburn, the blind chaplain of the United States Senate, who has resigned, being now in his 80th year, once said to a senator: "Never again shall I be offered, if you do my boys will be sure to get into trouble." The same senator recalls that on the day of the Tilden-McLaurin fracas, Dr. Milburn was too ill to attend and the session was opened without prayer. The venerable chaplain believes that the trouble resulted from that omission.

Secretary Hitchcock's recent order that Indians must support themselves has driven a number of dignified savages to the desperate issue of going to work. Quite a lot of them along the State line of Nebraska and South Dakota have "accepted positions" involving manual labor on the railroad tracks in that section.

There are now three ex-Secretaries of War in the United States Senate—Mr. Proctor, of Vermont, who served from March, 1883, to November, 1891; Mr. Ellkins, of West Virginia, who succeeded Mr. Proctor and served till the close of the Harrison Administration; and General Alger of Michigan. General Alger is the youngest of the three. Most of the time he keeps at his desk. He dresses in dark clothes and looks a good deal like a school teacher. He seems to find it more pleasant listening to the proceedings than in joining the talk-rising groups in front of the glowing grates.

Representative Brown, of Wisconsin, recently received in his mail a human hand, carefully rolled up in cotton and neatly packed. It was something of a shock when, upon opening the package in the expectation of finding a letter, the gruesome relic was disclosed. A letter accompanying the package threw light on what promised to be a mystery. An old soldier in Mr. Brown's district was wounded during the war between the States, and a few years ago the amputation of his hand became necessary. He had carefully preserved it in alcohol, and now has sent it to his congressman in Washington to be used as evidence in a pension case.

The recent advance in the price of wheat has caused a severe blow to the poor classes. The Mexican government has determined that the "wheat ring," which has been monopolizing the grain, shall be dealt a severe blow. For the purpose the recent decree, taking off the duties on wheat was issued, and the railroads have reduced rates from the "wheat ring" to the "poor classes."

A Visit to the Beauty Shops

"There are more Beauty Emporiums at the national capital," so says the manager of one of the largest of them, "than in any city of its size in the Union, and the reason is obvious. The climate of Washington and the dust from the asphaltum pavements are particularly injurious both to the hair and complexion. Then the strain of the life during the official season tells terribly on the appearance, and one must resort to every means in order to counteract its effect. We treat a society woman here, after a night's dissipation, as a fine horse is treated after several hours on the race track.

"There is no greater beautifier than the 'altogether massage,' and I usually send girls to the homes of my patrons for that. In the parlors, however, give facial steam baths, followed by friction, and gravitation causing the skin to sag. I use the upward movement. Of course, I have my own cream for building up the tissues, and my lotion for cleansing and stimulating the pores of the skin.

"Yes," with a doubtful accent, "one may do something for one's self at home. The daily bath where the health will admit of it, and semi-daily friction are good. Careful diet, plenty of out-door exercise, and frequent and copious draughts of pure water, too, are helpful; but when lines have once gotten into the face, it takes a professional to get them out."

"You have no idea how strong I am," said a frail-looking masseuse in another establishment, punctuating her conversation with a suspicious cough. "I can lift a woman weighing upwards of 200 pounds. Reduce the flesh? Why, of course, I can, but without hurting, and so few people are willing to practice that. I told the wife of Senator — that, the other day. 'Mrs. —,' I said, 'You will have to diet yourself, and that's all there is to it.' 'Well then, 'Winnie,' she replied, 'I shall continue to bear the flesh is held to, for I just cannot and will not give up the things I like to eat and drink.'"

"My trade," she continued, with a slight change of color, "is a delicate one, and with by colored masseuse. There are so many southern women in Washington, and they prefer to be served by negroes. I don't employ them myself. They are not sufficiently intelligent. To massage successfully one must have a deep knowledge of anatomy, and know the way the nerves and muscles run. Then negroes are so careless, and have so little judgment. Not long ago one of them kept a prominent western woman in a facial steam bath for long, and the whole outfit came off like a glove. It created quite a little stir and there was some talk of a law suit, but they hushed it up."

"The Orientals," remarked a hair specialist in still another emporium, "bathed the feet of guests arriving on foot from long journeys; and I don't know anything so restful to tired brains in this age of mental strain as a thorough shampoo. There is more attention paid to the hair nowadays than ever before, and there is nothing that responds so quickly to care. It's astonishing, too, the difference the arrangement of it makes in the appearance. I have seen positively plain-looking women made really stylish and effective by a skillful hairdresser. Self-praise is self-slander, but I can apply my regenerator better than any woman in the city. I studied art once, and I know the tints that harmonize with the complexion. What do I think of dyeing the hair? Well, I have my living to make, and it's one of my chief sources of revenue. But I have never dyed it, and I never knew any one to begin it who didn't regret it. It isn't a thing that can be put off and on like a garment, and a well-known man here, who was stained with hair, to go to Europe and get for a year to let it get back to its natural color. When he came home he was so altered his acquaintances didn't recognize him on the street. Yes, it is rather a tedious and expensive process.

"It takes from 7 o'clock in the morning until 8 in the evening to dye a full suit of hair, and costs from \$5 to \$8, according to the length and thickness of it. You see, the head has to be shampooed before the application is made, and after the regenerator is thoroughly dry. It has to be washed again in water as hot as the scalp will bear in order to set the color. It must be carried through two more waters after that.

"As to the frequency with which it has to be repeated, that depends on the rapidity of the growth of the hair, which varies with different people. The hair of the old grows slowly, and a weekly renewal with them, with a touch up in places by a maid, will keep the color up.

"No, isn't so refined-looking or so becoming as gray hair. I'll admit that. It can be detected, too, just as a wig can be. People do these things and think nobody knows it, but it's the old story of the ostrich hiding his head under his wing. Dion Boucicault, who dyed his hair for a long time, said to a friend soon after discontinuing it: 'Do you know, in all these years I have only succeeded in fooling one man?'

"And who was that man?" the friend asked. "Why," replied Boucicault, "that man was myself."

"His case is a pretty general one. If there are exceptions they are usually found among children.

"The finestest thing about hair dye, however, is the chemical action of certain atmospheric conditions on some preparations. The sulphur in the air at mineral springs, will sometimes turn a dye green; and a prominent Washington society woman returned from an ocean voyage with her hair dyed in a royal purple. Yes, such possibilities do make those who resort to these artifices uneasy. They worry enough, you may depend. There is no class of people who worry as much as the wealthy, leisured, and idle. With her hair dyed to think about themselves. The wear and tear of life is not half as great on the average woman as earner."

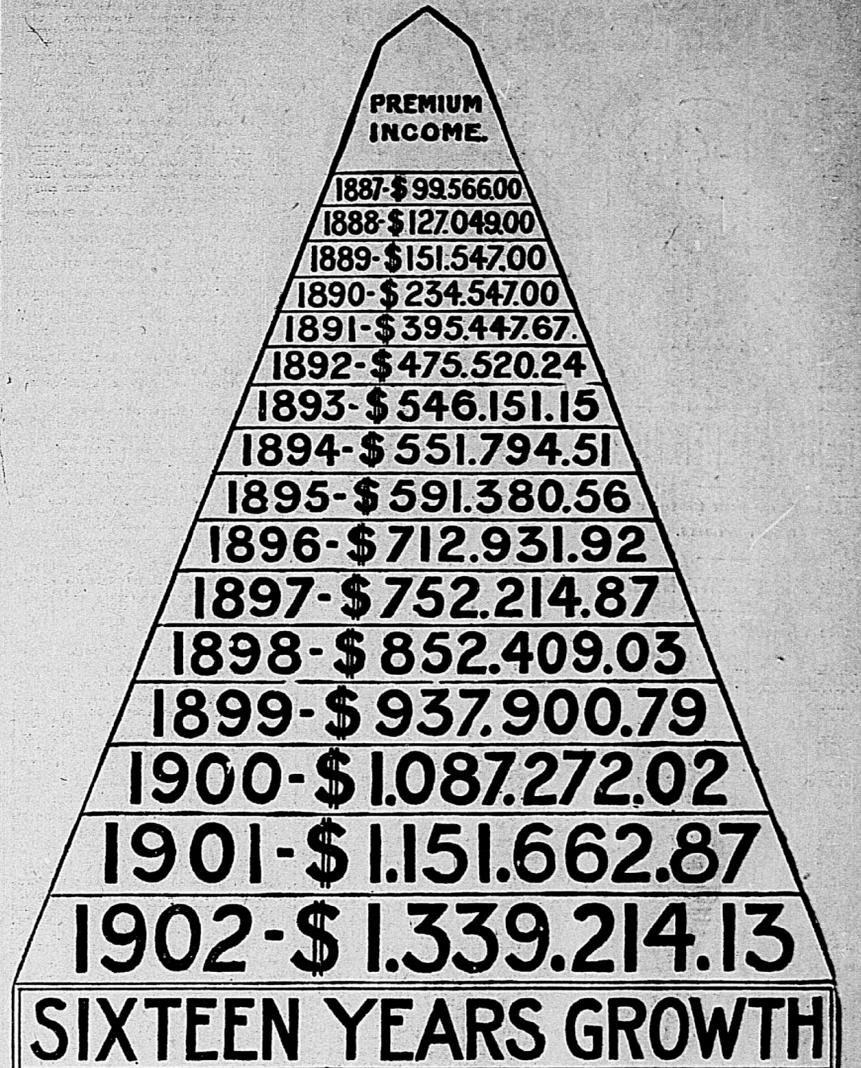
A sign displayed in another beauty shop: "Ladies' hands manicured for 25 cents; Men's for 50 cents." catches the attention.

"What is the reason for the difference in the charge?" a bright-looking girl in still another emporium, said, repeating his question addressed to her. "Well, the reason is simply this: they can get it from the men, and they can't get it from the women. A woman will question the price of a thing where a man won't. The real truth is that a man's hands are much more easily manured than a woman's. The nails are larger for one thing, and less difficult to work upon. Then they are thicker and offer more resistance to the file. A woman's nails are thin, and will bend and even split in filing, if not carefully manipulated; and the cuticle being more delicate and easily injured is apt to be in a worse condition. Women, too, like a higher polish, and are more exacting in every way. We have quite as many men as women among our customers, however. All the things are larger for one thing, and less difficult to work upon. Then they are thicker and offer more resistance to the file. A woman's nails are thin, and will bend and even split in filing, if not carefully manipulated; and the cuticle being more delicate and easily injured is apt to be in a worse condition. Women, too, like a higher polish, and are more exacting in every way. We have quite as many men as women among our customers, however.

"Then young men come to be treated for facial blemishes. They are more subject to eruptive troubles than girls are, and have a just as sensitive skin. You thought them superior to such weaknesses? Indeed, they are not. They have just as much vanity as women. That's only a pose."

GILBERTA S. WHITE. A wealthy Frenchman died in a coffin, which for years he used as a bed. His sitting-room used to be a little chapel built over his family burying place.

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ANNUAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1902.

Table with columns for ASSETS and LIABILITIES. Assets include Real Estate, Mortgage Loans, Loans on Collateral, etc. Liabilities include Reserve, Actuaries, and American 3 per cent. Total Admitted Assets: \$1,271,380 71. Total: \$1,271,380 71.

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS DURING 1902.

Table showing financial operations for 1902. Gross Income: \$1,388,248 16. Increase in Gross Income: 192,479 04. Insurance in Force: \$34,416,332 00. Increase in Insurance in Force: \$4,565,525 00. Total Number of Policies in Force: 308,687. Increase in Number of Policies in Force: 38,112. Increase in Assets: \$211,049 81. Death Claims, etc., paid to Policy-Holders: \$464,527 31.

TOTAL PAYMENTS TO POLICY-HOLDERS SINCE ORGANIZATION: \$5,014,133 81

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The Ghosts and the Grind. An Operetta in One Act. Dramatic Personae: Shakespeare, Schiller, Goethe, Racine, Corneille, Dante, discontented ghosts; Protogoras Vellum, a grind. Scene: Hades and Harvard. Time: Any Old. Curtain rises showing Bill Shakespeare on the banks of the Styx. He soliloquizes as follows: Shakespeare: Oh, 'tis beyond endurance! The way we classic chaps are treated by Harvard men would make the Sahara weep. They scoff at us and haunt a Harvard man. He will be terrified; he will tell his comrades of his dreadful experiences, and they will respect us forever after. Come on! To earth! (They all hasten to earth with yells of joy, and enter the room of Protogoras Vellum, the grind. He awakes in terror.) Shakespeare: Tr-r-r-r-remble! Schiller: Tr-r-r-r-remble! Protogoras: Gentlemen, how do you treat me thus? It's a mistake. You are my idols. You are my grinding stars. I have never got less than A in any of you. Stop clanking that chain, Schiller! I got A- in you last year. Quit howling, John Goethe. I love you, every one of you. Shakespeare: Beloved young fellow! Racine: Infant adorable! Corneille: Monsieur tres amiable! Dante: Spaghettissimo! Goethe: Mein lieber Pumpernickel! Schiller: Mein Wurstburger Engel! (All embrace Protogoras. Vellum with mad fervor, forget their plans of vengeance, and lose the last best chance the Sign—Harvard Lampoon.

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