BUSY DAYS AT BLACKSTONE

Commencements This Week Are the Fashion.

PRIMARY OR CONVENTION

The Democrats of Nottoway Are Divided as to How to Nominate Candidates—The Work of Rebuilding Being Rapidly Pushed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BLACKSTONE, VA., June 6.—This has been a week of commencements with the people of this place and section, as between the male schools and the female schools every one has been kept constantly on the go with only two days intervening to catch a breathing spell, and it is not over yet.

The ninth annual commencement exercises of Hoge Academy began with the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday morning and closed with the awarding of distinctions, ribbons, medals and diplomas on Tuesday, giving three days full of interest to the students, patrons and friends of that school.

BACCALAUREATE SERMON.

The opening exercises were begun in the new Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning with the commencement sermon by Rev. Dr. Laird, of Danville. He also delivered the address to the Y. M. C. A. on Sunday night.

In the music hall on Monday night at 8:30 the annual celebration of the Hoge-Pryor Literary Society was held. This programme consisted of a salutatory, declamations, debate orators and the valedictory. The declaimer's medal was awarded to Cadet M. Low, of Blackstone; the debater's medal to Cadet W. I. Curry, of Atlanta, Ga.

HARRY TUCKER'S ADDRESS.

The exercises on Tuesday were begun by the address on education, delivered by Hon. H. St. George Tucker, of Lexington. Mr. Tucker is a representative of the Southern Educational Board. He arrived here on Monday evening and spent that night with his former colleague in Congress, Hon. James F. Epes, who resides near town.

The address occupied about one hour and a quarter and was given the strictest attention throughout. The impression he made upon the people here was very favorable indeed.

At the conclusion of the address of Mr. Tucker, the distinctions and diplomas were awarded. Besides the distinctions awarded the different cadets, upon the different branches of study, the following special distinctions were conferred:

To Cadet G. K. Taylor was awarded a white ribbon for attaining an average of over 95 per cent. on daily recitations during the session.

To Cadets C. F. Feddimon, T. S. Hawkes, Richard Irby and R. H. Thornton a blue ribbon for over 90 per cent.

To Cadets J. E. Arbuckle, M. D. Harwood Holtzclow and R. D. Matthews, a pink ribbon for over 85 per cent.

The most distinguished cadets in the following departments were: Latin, G. K. Taylor; French, H. A. Hall; German, Richard Irby; Mathematics, R. D. Matthews; Science, G. K. Taylor; English, R. H. Thornton; History, C. F. Feddimon.

The scholarship in Hampden-Sidney College was awarded to Cadet C. F. Feddimon. The most distinguished cadet for the session was G. K. Taylor.

Diplomas were conferred upon the following cadets and they were declared graduates of the Academy: C. F. Feddimon, J. P. Fitzgerald, H. A. Hall, R. D. Matthews and J. E. Wood.

FEMALE INSTITUTE.

On Friday morning at 11:30 the commencement exercises of the Female Institute began with the annual concert. This was followed that night with addresses. To-night the class-day exercises are being held and to-morrow morning will come the final exercises.

CONFEDERATE CELEBRATION.

The Daughters of Confederate Veterans of Lunenburg county will give an all-day entertainment at Lunenburg Courthouse on Wednesday, June 24th. It will consist of recitations, dialogues and charades. Refreshments of all kinds will be served. It is given for the benefit of the Confederate monument.

The Sons of the Confederacy will hold a meeting on that day for the purpose of giving all possible aid to this undertaking.

It is expected that speakers of prominence will be present, some of whom have already consented to attend.

On Saturday last Mrs. L. Thompson gave a picnic to the pupils of her school, which was greatly enjoyed by the little ones and those of a larger size as well. There were two or three wagonloads of the young people, and they say they spent a most delightful day.

DWELLING BURNT.

The dwelling house, together with its contents, belonging to Mr. Wilkins Hawthorne, who resides near Olo, in Lunenburg county, was burned a few days ago while he and his family were at church.

Mr. Hawthorne had just added to his house a hall and four rooms, which he had just finished covering on Saturday before. The origin of the fire is not known, but the general opinion is it was robbed and then set on fire, as Mr. Hawthorne had money in the house. Miss Stella Ryland, their teacher, lost all of her clothing in the fire but those she wore to church.

The huntsmen of Blackstone have organized a gun club for sport and recreation during the season when no game can be shot. They have secured a trap and clay saucers, and nearly every afternoon some of them gather upon the grounds for a trial at trap shooting. Some of the scores have been very good indeed.

RISING FROM THE ASHES.

Work on the new buildings being erected to replace those burned in the big fire in February is progressing very nicely.

Best for Mother

Best for Baby

Munyon's Witch Hazel Soap

makes the skin soft as velvet and keeps lady and baby sweet as roses. It is the finest and purest toilet soap made. It possesses such medicated properties that it will cure all forms of skin disorders and eradicate blackheads and pimples. It is the best shampoo in the market. *Sold everywhere, 15c.*

Thalhimer's

SPECIAL FOR MONDAY,
Mennen's Genuine Talcum Powder, 12 1-2c a Box.

ENTIRE STOCK OF

Crockery and House-furnishing Goods

To be Sold at and Below Cost to Close Out Before July 1st.

CHINA BARGAINS.

10c. White China Individual Steak Dishes for, each	4c
Decorated China Dinner Plates, worth $1.50 dozen, for, each	6c
10c. White China Open Vegetable Dishes for, each	5c
12c. Blue Decorated Meat Platters for, each	6c
$1.25 dozen Decorated China Bread and Butter Platters for, each	5c
10c. White China Bowls for, each	5c
10c. White China Soup Plates for, each	5c
19 and 21c. Decorated China Pitchers for, each	12c
10c. Decorated China Mugs for, each	3c
37 Ornaments and Vases that were 50c, now choice, each	25c

GRANITE WARE BANGAINS.

89c. First Quality Granite Foot Tubs for, each	50c
4-quart Granite Milk Pans, worth 21c., for, each	12c
Large Tin Water Dippers for each	3c
1-pound Japanned Tea and Coffee Canisters for, each	2c
12c. Dover Egg Beaters for, each	7c
29c. Large Lunch Baskets for, each	15c
Good Toilet Paper, package	1½c

SPECIALS.

$18.00 Fine 100-Piece Decorated Dinner Sets for, per set	$10.00
$7.50 Fine Carlsbad China, 56-piece Tea Sets, handsomely decorated, for per set	$4.00
$1.98 Lamps, pretty green decorations, special each	$1.00
Decorated Cups and Saucers, were $1.00 a dozen, for per pair	5c

HOUSE FURNISH BARGAINS.

25c. Nickel Cuspadores for, each	15c
Heavy Wire Meat Forks for, each	2c
15c. Nickel Plated Enameled Handle Tea Strainers for, each	7c
Table Knives and Forks, were 69c. dozen, for, dozen	39c
29c. Copper Oil Cans, 1-gallon size, for	15c
10c. French Loaf Bread Pans for, each	6c

GLASS WARE BARGAINS.

19c. Glass ½-gallon Water Pitchers for, each	10c
21c. Tall Glass Fruit Stands for, each	9c
75c Dozen, Thin Blown, Engraved Water Tumblers for each	3½c
Heavy Glass Ice Tea Goblets, worth 75c. dozen, for, each	4c

Good Tailor-Made Suit Bargains.

For those in need of a serviceable Suit for home, seashore or mountain wear, our general reduction sale of High-Grade Tailor-Made Suits will offer excellent opportunities.

All this season's garments, but must be closed out at once, hence our great sacrifice sale.

Suits of Etamine, Cheviot and Fancy Mixtures, blouse and coat style, skirts in the latest flare, some with drop-skirts. Former prices $10.00 and $12.50; sale price.. **$7.50**

Suits of Broadcloth, silk-lined, blouse jackets, tunic-effect skirts. Former price $15.00; sale price **$10.00**

Dress and Walking Suits, plain cloths and fancy mixtures. Former prices $20.00 to $25.00; sale price **$15.00**

Our Elegant Costumes of Imported Mixtures, etamine and cloth. Former prices $35.00 and $40.00; sale price **$25.00**

The New Corset-Form Coat, handsome covert cloth, silk-lined, fifteen-gored, strapped, 30-inch length, one of the advanced fall styles, just received; price **$20.00**

Another style in the 22-inch length Covert and Black Broadcloth, strapped seams, taffeta lined, at **$12.50**

Nobby 19-inch Jackets, Coverts, Cheviot and Cloth, $5.00, $7.50 and **$10.00**

The New Chantung Coats, Louis XV, Taffeta and Peau de Soie Coats, Coffee Coats and Box effects, are useful summer wraps; $5.00 to **$25.00**

Great Hosiery Bargains.

Ladies' Fast-Black Hose for, pair	3c
Ladies' 12½c. Red Polka-Dot Hose for, pair	5c
Men's Fast-Black Socks for, pair	3c

NEW SEPARATE SKIRTS.

Now is the time. Perhaps you are looking for a Shirt-Waist Skirt.

Irish Linen Skirts, seven-gored flare, walking length, stitched seams, yoke of straps and tucks, deep hem, only **$3.98**

Heavy Irish Linen Skirts, seven-gored, gun straps in each seam, deep hem, plaited back, a beauty, at **$5.00**

Irish Linen Skirts, best quality, trimmed with cluny lace, flounce effect, bands of cluny to form yoke, at **$7.48**

Black and Navy Polka-Dot Duck Skirts, all the latest cut, 75c. to **$1.98**

White Mohair Skirts, walking lengths, stitched seams, folds to form yoke and some trimmed with folds around bottom, $5.00, $6.48 and **$7.48**

Sun Plaited Skirts, in Mohair and Etamine, white and black, at **$10.00**

White Etamine Skirts, new flare, finished with double flounce, at bottom, habit back, full sweep, entire skirt trimmed with handsome applique, one of our leaders, at **$15.00**

Another shipment of Pedestrienne Skirts reached us to-day. In many advanced ideas; ready for your inspection.

Odds and Ends Skirts, walking and dress lengths, perhaps one or two of a style, marked at half original prices to close out.

Ladies' Underwear Bargains.

Ladies' 12½c. Fine Ribbed White Vests, silk tape neck and sleeves, for	10c
Ladies' White Ribbed Vests for, each	5c
Boys' 25c. Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers for, each	15c

Thalhimer's Millinery Dep't.

The Unexpected Has Happened Much Sooner Than We Looked For.

We find we have too many elegant Trimmed Hats. While we are satisfied we will sell them right along, our object is to make a quick clearance sale of all the $8.00, $9.00, $10.00 and $12.00 Hats. Every one of these worth more and none ever shown as pretty as these this season. The choice tomorrow for the pick **$5.00**

Ladies' Sailors.

Two kinds—one with buckle attachment, the other plain band; were 75c., now **50c**

About two dozen Ready-to-Wear Shirt-Waist Hats; many of these were $3.00, $3.50 and $4.00, come in black and colors, at **$1.50**

A splendid assortment of Children's Sailors; those that were $2.00, $2.50 and $3, now **$1.00**

Duck Hats for Ladies and Children, just arrived, at 25c., 50c. and 69c.

SHIRT-WAIST SUITS.

We have been fortunate in securing a beautiful variety of Wash Suits, and we gladly offer the benefit of them to our customers.

Variety of Madras Suits, in black and white, waist has tucked back, with tucked graduating yoke in front, full blouses, seven-gored flare skirt; price **$1.98**

Percale Suits, several styles, waist has box-plaited effect, another has broad tucks, stitched with black and finished with small buttons, flare skirt, very stylish; price **$2.48**

Plain White Linen Suits, waist has tucked back and front, with new style tucked sleeves, trimmed in large buttons, skirt has tucks down each seam, the fit and finish are perfect; price **$7.48**

We have the most exquisite Chambray Suits your eyes ever beheld, in blue, green and tan, slot seams, skirt with four bias bands around the skirt, piped in white P. K., waist has slot seam back, white P. K. vest, trimmed with small pearl buttons; price **$8.48**

White Linen Suits, waist tucked back and front, embroidered turnover collar and cuffs, flare skirt, with tucks down each seam, a real beauty; price **$10.00**

Lawns, Organdies and Wash Goods

We have the pleasure of offering one of the largest and choicest assortments of this class of goods we ever offered, and the public knows our reputation as leaders in this department. In the right-hand main aisle, first floor, we have prepared a feast for our friends and customers.

25 pieces of those Popular Dotted Silk Mulls in pinks, light and dark blues, nile and reseda greens, pearls, pongee shades, pure white and cream for	29c
25 pieces of Plain Silk Mulls, all shades	25c
Handsome Colored Embroidered Swiss in stripes and dots, for	12½c
Striped Grass Linens, beautiful and stylish designs	15c
Solid Colored Organdies, all shades	12½c
One case of 40-inch Printed Batiste, sheer and beautiful	8⅓c
Flecked Canvass Skirtings for	25c

Yard Wide Percales, 8 1-3c Yard

36-inch Percales in beautiful patterns, regularly 12½c. value; will go this week as long as they last, per yard at **8⅓c**

Oxfords, 12 1-2c Yard.

32-inch Oxfords in dots and stripes, also in Shepherd plaids, cheap at 16 2-3c. per yard; our price, per yard **12½c**

Ginghams, 10c Yard.

Best Ginghams in all the latest patterns was 12½c. per yard, now per yard **10c**

SHIRT WAISTS.

Black Lawn Waists, tucked in clusters front and back, perpendicular tucks, also Black Dimity Waists, plain front, box-plaited back, neat turnover colar and cuffs; prices $1 and **$1.50**

Sheer White India Linen Waists, tucked back, front tucked and inserting; price **$1.25**

White Madras Waists, plain back, tucked front, forming yoke, fastens at the side; a perfect fitting waist; price **$1.48**

A nice assortment of Silk Madras Waists in white, plain black, broad tucks in front, trimmed in large pearl buttons, dainty turnover collar and cuffs made in the newest styles; price **$1.98**

Sheer White India Linen Waists, tucked front and back, hemstitched stock, enticing enough to satisfy every one and the values are particularly attractive; price... **$2.48**

Stylish White India Lawn Waists, trimmed with large pearl buttons, newest stocks, effect very striking; price **$2.98**

Those of Mr. J. S. Robertson and Dr. L. C. Tucker are well under way, and ground has been broken for that of Mr. J. A. De Shazor. Mr. W. E. Hurt expects to have work begun on his in a short while, and the others ere a great while.

The new residence being built for Mrs. B. K. Mason, of Brunswick county, in West Blackstone, is nearing completion, and that of Mr. N. M. Neblett, of the same county, is also well under way.

HOW SHALL THEY NOMINATE?

The qestion of the method of nominating county officers, whether by mass meetings and conventions or by primary election, is being discussed by the candidates and their friends in this county. Some prefer one method and some the other.

It is understood that this question is left with the county committees to settle, where the office is a local or county office. For members of the Legislature and all higher offices the nominations must be by primary elections.

Four years ago the nominations were made by a viva voce primary, and that method gave very general satisfaction. It is not known how the county committee stands on the question.

SOCIAL NOTES.

Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Adams have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Jessie Garland, to Mr. W. B. Cocke, of Sussex county. The ceremony will be performed in the Methodist Church on Tuesday, the 9th instant, at 5:30 o'clock in the evening.

Mr. Lewis Epes, who has been teaching in Oxford, N. C., returned home for the summer's vacation a few days ago.

Miss Sallie Epes, who for the past session has been teaching in Macon, N. C., returned home on Thursday of last week, much to the delight of her many home friends.

Mr. F. H. Hardaway, cashier of the Merchants and Farmers Bank of Emporia, spent a few days of the past week at his home here, where he always receives a warm welcome from his many friends.

Chestnut Hill and Highland Park

A fan drill will be given at the Northside Hall on Tuesday night at 8:30 o'clock for the benefit of the Ascension Guild.

Mrs. Holden is quite sick at her residence on Fourth Avenue.

Mr. Powhatan Nash, of Richmond, has moved into new home on Third Avenue, formerly owned by Mr. Wirt Quarles.

Mr. Julian Gunn, of Third Avenue, who has been attending school at University of Virginia, returned home yesterday.

The condition of Mr. Edward Garlick remains unchanged.

The many friends of Mr. Mayo Wills, who has been quite sick at the Old Dominion Hospital for the past month, will be glad to learn that he is able to return to his home on Highland Park.

The Misses Kidwell, of Richmond, gave a dance at the Northside Hall on last Thursday night. Quite a large crowd was present.

Mrs. Alvin Quarles and her two sons, John and Wythe, of Atlee Station, Va., have been visiting friends on the Hill.

Rev. Mr. Johnson and family have been visiting friends on the Hill.

The last rehearsal for the drill will be Monday afternoon at Northside Hall at 6 o'clock. All who expect to take part are earnestly requested to be present.

The Progressive Carrom Club met at the residence of Miss Elizabeth Scott Friday evening, June 5th. Quite an enjoyable evening was spent. At a late hour the young people repaired to the dining-room, where delicious refreshments were served.

Among those present were Misses Carrie Todd, Jennie Pierce, Annie Bray, Mabel Beard, Lucie and Elizabeth Scott; Messrs. Robert Kuyk, John Doyle, Willie Redford and Frank Bowles.

The honors for the session ending May the 5th of Highland Park School are as follows:

Senior A—Graduates.—First honor, Susie Pemberton, Ella Rennie, Annie Carlton, Mary Huffman, Mabel Beard and Wilbur Huffman.

Intermediate A—First honor, Bessie Marshall, Louise and Ruth Rennie, Pattie Christian and Katie Lewis.

Junior A—First honor, Eula Bowman, Rebecca Clarke, Lelia Wingfield and Alice Wilkins.

Junior A—Second honor, Julian Todd, Maude Livesay, Annye Sale, Essie Barratt and Attwood Lewis.

Fourth Grammar Grade—First honor, Betty Ratcliffe, Mildred Clarke, Willie Wilkins, Hugh Burton, Harvey Ratcliffe, Bernard Henley, Ruby Gresham, Emily Cross; second honor, Bertha Marshall, Roy Cross, Bessie Carter and Henry Layne.

Second Grammar Grade—Second honor, Fannie Gray, Percy Holliday, Gertrude Royall, Charlie Gaines, Marie Todd and Lynn Enslow.

First Grammar Grade—Second honor, Clayton Holladay, Morris Carter, William Catlin, McDonald Brown and Janie Gaines.

Eighth Primary Grade—First honor, Ida Catlin, Marvel Cease, Hazel Gary and Frank Anderson; second honor, Willie Anderson, Louise Marshall.

Seventh Primary Grade—First honor, Wallace Holden, Claire Shafer, Louise Austin, Bessie Anderson; second honor, Gladys Cease, Sam Marshall, Charles Vaughan.

Sixth Primary Grade—First honor, Harold Wilder, Earnest Huffman, Frank Rennie, Blanche Huffman, Mattye Todd, Lena Gary, Eleanor Enslow, Hugh Goodwin, Gordon Brown, Roy Bowman; second honor, Aubrey Rountree, Clarence Austin, Gracie Goodall, Irvin Tragle.

Fourth Primary Grade—First honor, Frank Yarbrough, Thomas Starke, Harry Moore, Leslie Divine, John Divine, Sue Starke, Louise Henley, Elizabeth Spratley, Hunter Christian, Sadye Propst, Archie Moor, Aubrey Luck, Margaret Enslow, Harry Carter, Mary McDowell, Josephine Gaines; second honor, Tom Jones.

Second Primary Grade—First honor, George Cary, Rodophil Catlin, Percy Marshall, Willie Gaines, Richard Haller, Colston Royal, Ruth Bowman, Flora Goodwin, Florence Bowman; second honor, Willie Propst.

This closes one of the most successful years of Highland Park School.

Kindergarten Benefit.

Ladies interested in the Giften benefit to be given next Monday evening for the Brook Avenue Kindergarten and Night School are anxious to make plain the fact that the kindergarten will benefit only by the tickets bought from the ladies, or at the places indicated by them. Tickets can be bought at Branch Allen's and Polk Miller's drug store, on East Main Street; at Warren's, on Second and Main; at the Miller-Coleman pharmacy, First and Broad Streets; Briggs' pharmacy, at Howitzer Place; W. H. Snooks', at No. 1017 West Main Street; Miss Meade's, No. 103 South Third Street; Miss Parker's, No. 14 West Main Street; Miss Julia Woolridge's, No. 13 North Beech Street, and at Shine's pharmacy, No. 2800 East Broad Street.

THE GOOD OLD SUMMER TIME

June Has Made the Country Look its Best.

A GOODLY-SIZED FISH

The York Gives Up a Salmon Trout that Measured Two Feet in Length. Politics on the Peninsula—The School Terms Ended.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

YORKTOWN, VA., June 6.—With the advent of June summer time begins in real earnest in rural sections of the country. Agriculture, with all its rustic surroundings, begins to show its reality. The earliest crops have been harvested, and the great staple, King Corn, bespeaks the coming plenty. The present month is by far the most important in the agricultural calendar, and on the industry developed now the condition of the harvest depends. Crops look fairly well throughout this vicinity, corn having developed materially from the effects of the late severe drought.

The country boy, bare-legged and very often bare-headed, is in his zenith of glory, for cherries are now ripe, and high is the tree and weak the twig that holds a bit of the luscious fruit, that he doesn't contest sharply with cat-bird, robin or wren for its possession.

MAKING CHARCOAL.

Charcoal burning has again been revived on the Peninsula, just as it was in the good old times "befo' de wah," when the blacksmith spent his night in the woods making coal for use at the forge. The process is rather a simple one to the uninitiated, but requires no little skill to burn a kiln just right and produce a good article of carbon.

Mr. George E. Beale, an enterprising business man of Williamsburg, is conducting the business near the old capital, and ships his product in sacks to all the surrounding market. For sanitary purposes, tinning and plumbing, pipe-fitting and even household use, the charcoal finds a ready sale.

As the season progresses the crop of blackberries becomes more and more evident. Never before in the history of the Peninsula has there been such a showing. Every nook and corner, every branch or diminutive twig contains a superabundance of the fruit, and the parent stem groans, as it were, beneath the burden. Millions is the word, which hardly describes the overloaded condition of the vines.

Next to farming and raising the necessary bread and meat, the question of politics is always uppermost in the rural Virginian's mind, and next akin to his own family in importance. Captain C. C. Berkeley, of Newport News, and Mr. Saxton W. Holt, of the same city, are aspirants for State senatorial honors. Legislative candidates are also numerous, with Mr. M. H. Barnes, of James City county; E. C. Madison, of Warwick, and W. E. Goffigan, of York, each putting up strong claims for the honor.

Mr. Frank W. Sheild, of Elizabeth City county, senior chairman of Peninsula counties, has issued a call to the chairmen of the various counties to meet at Newport News on June 16th to devise ways and means of holding the coming primary elections. August 16th is the date understood to be decided upon, and that candidates for the county offices as well as legislative be nominated at that time.

Mrs. Newton, the field agent of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, was at Grafton a few days since, attending a county convention of the York contingent of the White Ribbon cause. The convention effected a county organization and elected officers to conduct the meetings at the various places of organization in the future. The cause of temperance seems to have spread like wildfire in York county and the adjoining counties as well.

A FISH STORY.

Piscatorial sport seems to be at its height just now, fish biting better than they will again this season until after the cool weather of the early fall months commences. A right royal sport is that to be found in the waters of the noble York and handsome are the specimens of the finny tribe that fall to the luck of the patient angler. From the diminutive and despised little specimen of white perch to the handsome, hardy and exceedingly game salmon trout, a specimen of which was landed by Mr. J. P. Ash, of Gloucester Point, a day or two ago, measuring 24 inches long, and six inches wide, is a long cry.

Turtles weighing fifteen or twenty pounds and an occasional diamond-back terrapin, are not at all unusual catches. As for crabs, they become more of a nuisance than otherwise.

The Yorktown Public School, taught by Miss Indiana Bryan, and the Halstead's Point School, taught by Miss Hicks, have both closed and celebrated the affair by a joint picnic at Berry's Landing, a few miles above town. The pupils were given a delightful little outing which was largely enjoyed.

Mrs. George B. Rogers, of Memphis, Tenn., accompanied by her little niece, Miss Fannie Cooke, of Richmond, are the guests of Dr. and Mrs. S. G. Cooke.

Master Wilbur Smith, of Denbeigh, son of Mr. L. J. Smith, is home for the season, from the school of Colonel Tabb, of Gloucester county.

T. D. Smith, of Ashland, Va., formerly of Essex county, is now engaged in trade at Denbeigh.

Miss Minnie Henderson, of Washington, D. C., formerly of Ohio, was registered for a short while at Seran Tavern. She is making a leisurely and complete tour of the South.

Mrs. J. W. Rogers has been confined to her bed for several days during the week, with quite a severe spell of sickness.

SEASON OPENS AT VIRGINIA BEACH

The Cottages Are Filling Up and Bathers Throng at the Noon Hour.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA., June 6.—In the past week there has been a great change noticed in the life at Virginia Beach, for with the first days of sunny June come the guests to this favorite resort. Particularly is it noticeable in the cottages, for instead of closed doors and windows, the bars have been cast aside and dainty curtains float with the breezes from every window, and the doors stand open, showing that within its portals are the merry parties, who only await the cooler days to enjoy the wide piazzas, where gather the sociable crowds each morning for informal card parties and other amusements.

Bathing is now greatly enjoyed, and at 12 noon each day one sees the bathers emerging from every cottage and hears the jolly crowds who wrestle with the waves. Golf has been a favorite pastime by many of late, and the links are in splendid condition. It is hoped that some tournaments will be held during the summer.

Mrs. Willis Dance, of Danville, has opened the Greenwood cottage, and among her guests are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Williamson and Mrs. Charles Hickey, of Danville, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greenwood, of Norfolk.

Miss Lily Pollock is expecting at her cottage this week Mrs. Hunter McGuire and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Warrington Wise, of Richmond; Mrs. Cassius F. Lee, of Alexandria; Misses Gold, of Berryville; Judge Holmes, of Mecklenburg; Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor Ham, of Norfolk.

Mrs. Thomas Pannill is also open for the season, and expects a large party from Richmond and Petersburg the coming week.

"Fairbourne" cottage, which Mrs. F. T. Grymes has opened, has now a number of guests, among them being Dr. and Mrs. Charles V. Carrington, Mrs. David N. Walker, of Richmond; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas N. Robinson, of Alexandria; Mr. and Mrs. Edgar N. Freeman are expected there on Tuesday.

Mrs. Henry F. Aiken and son, of West Point, N. Y., are expected next week to visit Miss Lena Hancock in her cottage.

Professor Zanoni, of Germany, gave a very interesting and entertaining lecture last week in the ball-room of the hotel on "Psychology," which was listened to with attention by his intelligent audience.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Woodward, of Norfolk, are spending the month of June at Virginia Beach.

Mrs. Antoinette Fast, of Philadelphia, arrived Monday to spend a month at the Princess Anne.

Mrs. John T. Dohan, of Philadelphia, will arrive next week and spend two weeks.

Miss Daisy Hancock, of Richmond, is staying some time with her sister, Miss Lena Hancock.

Mrs. Lucrece Kilby will open her cottage to-morrow, and expects several large parties of young ladies during the coming week.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy S. Stephenson are occupying the Kerr cottage for the summer.

Judge and Mrs. Edmund Waddill and family, of Richmond, have taken a cottage for the summer, and moved in on Wednesday.

THE BRISTOL PEOPLE

A Marriage or Two, Some Visitors and Social Notes.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BRISTOL, VA., June 6.—The following persons represented Bristol this week at the meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers at Montgomery, Ala.: Mrs. John H. Smith, Mrs. J. H. Callahan and son, Mrs. D. L. Pile, Mrs. D. F. McCarty, Mrs. M. P. Kidd and daughter, Miss Clara; Mrs. J. L. C. Smith and daughter, Miss Mamie. They will go from Montgomery on an excursion to Pensacola, Fla.

Congressman C. Slemp, of the Ninth Virginia district, was in Bristol this week to confer with political friends.

Miss Jeannette Trainham, of Roanoke, formerly a pupil of the Virginia Institute here, was married on Thursday of this week to Mr. Hoge Mason, of Bluefield, W. Va. The groom is also known here, where he has relatives.

L. S. Mellinger and family have moved from Bristol to Pennsylvania, where Mr. Mellinger has contract work.

Mrs. Hugh Schmidt, of Davenport, Ia., is the guest of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. August Schemmell.

Mr. John B. Newton and family, of Radford, Va., were in Bristol this week.

Mrs. Thomas Deane, of Johnson City, is the guest of relatives and friends in Bristol.

Misses Nadine and Claude DeVault are visiting Miss Hattie Goddard, in Knoxville.

Dr. John A. Pepper, of Tazewell, Va., has been the guest of Bristol relatives for a few days.

Charles W. Reed, of King College, has been elected to assist Rev. W. H. T. Squires, the popular pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church.

Clifton Park theatre was opened on Tuesday evening of this week with the first of a series of performances by a repertoire company.

Thomas Gale has resigned his position as clerk at Hotel St. Lawrence to accept a position with the Southern Railway.

Miss Margaret Hobson, the author and teacher, has returned from Bolivar, Tenn., where she spent the past winter and spring.

Mr. E. M. Slack, editor and publisher of the Abingdon Virginian, a weekly publication, has purchased the Staff, a semi-weekly publication, at Johnson City, Tenn., and will conduct both papers. The Staff is a good property, and will, in the near future, be converted into a local daily.

Captain and Mrs. John W. Preston, of Seven Mile Ford, Va., were guests of relatives in Bristol this week.

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