

MISSIONARY NOW IN KOREA

Cables the Presbyterian Mission Board at Nashville That Missionaries Are Undisturbed.

SHERIFF ACKISS QUALIFIES

Argument Heard in Novel Case, in Which Remarried Divorced Wife Is Suing for Alimony.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 17.—Telegrams have been received by Mrs. M. H. Bull, of this city, from Dr. Chester, secretary of the Southern Presbyterian Mission Board at Nashville, Tenn., informing her that the board has received a cablegram from her son, Rev. William Ford Bull, who is a Presbyterian missionary in Korea.

Mr. Bull is field secretary and treasurer for the board in that country, and his message announced that the missionaries there are safe. There are seventeen missionaries in Korea, and Mr. Bull states that they are undisturbed by the hostilities that have broken out between Russia and Japan in that section of the world. The news was a relief to Mrs. Bull's relatives, who, naturally, felt anxious as to his situation in that far-away and war-stricken land.

NO DISBARMENT. Owing to the fact that the record of the disbarment of P. J. Morris from the Norfolk courts was never sent to the Supreme Court, it is now known that he is practicing law in New York on a certificate from that tribunal. Morris was disbarred here on the ground that he gave a worthless Dakota divorce decree to a client.

Mrs. Annie L. Whaley, who was given five years in the penitentiary for cruelly beating her daughter, which sentence was reduced to one year in jail, may get a pardon. Relatives from Virginia and Maryland will seek to impress the Governor with the fact, in view of certain new developments, the nature of which is not stated, she has been sufficiently punished.

Judge Portlock, acting under the law merging the County and Circuit Courts, has decided to allow Sheriff Ackiss, of Princess Anne, to qualify, and he has done so under \$10,000 bond.

THE AUTOMOBILE MEET. The automobile meet will be held at Virginia Beach May 16th. This date has been selected in order to allow the completion of Laroch's 190 horse-power car. An auto exhibit will be a feature of the meet.

Judge Francis, in City Circuit Court today heard argument in the matter of the Cromwell-Scutthorpe alimony suit, and took the papers in the case, which he will decide later. The suit is one brought by the divorced wife of County Sheriff A. C. Cromwell to recover alimony. Mrs. Slate was awarded \$35 per month so long as Mr. Cromwell remained sheriff, and \$25 per month thereafter. After receiving for several months the alimony allowed by the court, Mrs. Cromwell remarried, becoming Mrs. W. J. Scutthorpe. Sheriff Cromwell also remarried, but was of the opinion that he should not have to pay his divorced wife alimony to be enjoyed by her second husband.

MRS. SLATE BURNED.

Son-in-Law Painfully Injured Extinguishing the Flames.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) SOUTH BOSTON, Va., Feb. 17.—Mrs. Lucy Slate, who had been indisposed for several days, was reclining in a chair in her room at about midnight last night, when some coals fell from the grate and set fire to her clothing. Her son-in-law, Mr. Thomas Webb, in an adjoining room, heard the screams and rushed to the room, and, with the assistance of other members of the family, extinguished the flames. Mrs. Slate was so badly burned that she died at 10 o'clock this morning. Mrs. Slate was a moderate, retiring Christian woman. She was the widow of the late Rev. William Slate, a Baptist minister, who served the people of the county for many years. She was the sister of the Hon. W. I. Jordan. She leaves three sons and three daughters. Mr. Webb had both his hands badly burned. Lieutenant John M. Jordan, a gallant Confederate soldier, also a brother of Mrs. Slate's, is suffering from a third attack of paralysis. His many friends are very uneasy about him. He is now seventy years old.

This has been a busy week with all persons engaged in the tobacco business. Sales have been large, with a decided advance in prices for all grades, more especially for common stock. Yesterday Major H. A. Edmundson's warehouse sold 85,000 pounds for \$751. When farmers are averaging over ten dollars for all kinds there is general rejoicing.

TAZEWELL SCHOOL BOARD

The Single List of Books Is the System Favored.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ASHBORNE, Va., Feb. 17.—The county school board held an important meeting at the Ratliff Hotel yesterday. The board is composed of three trustees from each of the three school districts of the county. The chief object of the meeting was the appointment of a committee to select books for the next four years. The committee appointed consists of one teacher and one trustee from each district—G. L. Byron, A. S. Greener and J. N. Johnson, teachers and C. W. Hicks, J. E. Buchanan and W. C.

Ala Spirite Corsets. All Straight Front Models. Illustration of a woman in a corset.

FATAL END OF KICK AT CAT

Sergeant John Hempsey Never Recovered From Effects of Accident. HE WAS HERO OF TWO WARS. Typical Irishman, Who Fought in Mexican War and Battled for Confederacy.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LEXINGTON, Va., Feb. 17.—In the death of Sergeant John Hempsey, of near Brownsburg, Rockbridge loses one of her widely noted residents. He was a hero of two wars—the Mexican and the Civil—and at last fell by an accident, resulting from kicking at a cat, several weeks ago, receiving injuries from which he never recovered.

Sergeant Hempsey was a native of Ireland, and was a typical Irishman. For some years he was orderly sergeant at the Virginia Military Institute previous to the Civil War. He was held in high esteem by the authorities. Among his duties at the institute was the maintenance of records for all sorts of pyrotechnic displays, and it is said that he turned out some wonderful specimens. He served with credit in the Confederate army.

The sergeant was a veteran of the Mexican war, and until his death received a pension from the Federal government. He was of distinguished and soldierly bearing, and was an entertaining talker. He had reached an advanced age, about eighty-six years. He married a Miss L. Raw, daughter of John L. Raw, who died several years ago. His niece, Miss Hempsey, is the only relative in this county.

Sergeant Hempsey died Friday and was buried Saturday. The Rev. Father Van Ingelien, of Staunton, conducted the funeral services at his late home. The remains were buried at New Providence Presbyterian Church. For a long time he was a member of the church of New Providence Church, but late in life he returned to the faith of his fathers, the Roman Catholic.

WELLS FROZEN.

Truck Much Damaged by the Cold at Norfolk.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 17.—This was the coldest day in five years. With the exception of the 11-degree record at Seaboard Air Line Railway, 1899, it is the coldest day in nine years, being but 10 1/2 degrees warmer than February 14th, 1903, when the mercury stood 11 1/2 degrees above zero, the lowest record known since the establishment of the Weather Bureau, thirty years ago. Wells are frozen far below all over this section to-day. This is the first time this has occurred in fully five years. Trucks have been damaged considerably by the freeze.

Continue Head of Traffic.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 17.—Mr. Edward F. Cost had been elevated to the position of second vice-president of the Seaboard Air Line Railway, will continue at the head of the traffic department of the road, which he came here to take charge of in 1902.

Mulcted His Union.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 17.—W. C. Cheatham, a member of the Bar-Tenders' union, was arrested here on complaint of his union, which charged him with having taken a receipt from his lodge in West Virginia for the amount of his dues. The chief of police of Norfolk was to-day advised by the authorities that the receipt was issued for Cheatham, the authorities there having declined to issue them. The man will not go without them, and will, therefore, have to be released.

PYTHIANS' NEW OFFICERS

Number of Candidates for Outer Guard and Grand Keeper of the Seals.

THE BEST DRILLED COMPANY

Petersburg Wins the Much-Coveted Loving Cup—The Session Closed With Banquet.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) PETERSBURG, Va., Feb. 17.—The second day of the annual convention of the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias of Virginia, was taken up with frequent sessions. The report of the grand chancellor, George C. Cabell, of Norfolk, showed that four new lodges had been instituted during the year, and that the order is in a splendid condition. During the year there has been a gain of 395 members and a loss of 163, making a net gain in membership of 232. Receipts during the twelve months, with balance on hand at the beginning of the year, amounted to \$4,173.82; expenditures were \$2,942.60, leaving a balance on hand of \$1,231.15.

NEW OFFICERS.

This afternoon, at 7 o'clock, the halloing for the officers of the Grand Lodge began. They were elected and installed this evening, as follows: Grand Chancellor, V. P. Holt, of Hampton; Vice-Grand Chancellor, Judge J. R. Bryan, Jr., Roanoke; Grand Master at Arms, H. E. Warren, Petersburg; Grand Inner Guard, W. A. Schindler, Winchester; Grand Outer Guard, Richard H. Mann, Petersburg; Grand Keeper of the Records and Seals, H. M. Darnell, Roanoke; Grand Keeper of the Exchequer, Major T. L. Courtney, Richmond.

For the office of outer guard the contest was between Capt. James T. Bailey, of Richmond, and E. F. Portch, of Fredericksburg. For office of keeper of records, Horace A. Hawkins, of Richmond; Daniel J. Turner, Norfolk; H. M. Darnell, Roanoke; W. E. Garrett, Leesburg; and G. W. Page, Danville.

COMPETITIVE DRILL.

Roanoke Company No. 11, Captain C. M. Spence, this afternoon awarded the handsome loving cup offered the best drilled company. The competitors for this coveted prize was Petersburg Company No. 16, Captain A. R. Moody. The contest was a spirited one, and both companies presented the appearance of a grand drill. So close was the decision that a third drill was ordered by Brigadier-General D. J. Turner, of Norfolk, before a choice was given. The committee to decide the contest consisted of Captain J. C. Kaufman, of Roanoke; Capt. J. H. Scharber, of Roanoke; and Captain Jacob Nabe, of Roanoke. The presentation address was delivered by Harry Wooding, Mayor of Danville, and a past grand chancellor of the lodge.

The Pythian banquet at Library Hall was a most successful affair, being held for four hundred persons. The supper was under the auspices of Naomi and Eureka Lodges and the Uniform Rank of Petersburg.

E. L. Cunningham, of Newport News, responded to the sentiment of the Grand Master, H. H. Wallace, of Richmond, "The True Knight," D. C. Richardson, of Richmond, "The Pythian Dress," D. J. Turner, Norfolk, "The Uniform Rank," James W. Gordon, of Richmond, "Woman," J. R. Bryan, Jr., of Norfolk, "The Government," and "The Chamber of Commerce of Petersburg is endeavoring to bring female help to Petersburg to meet the demand for this class of help. Two establishments alone could use a thousand girls and young women. Every effort is made to have pleasant surroundings for those at work; dining rooms are arranged, and music entertains the workers at the meal hour.

THE COLDEST DAY.

To-day has been the coldest of the winter in Petersburg. This morning the thermometer registered eight degrees above zero, and the weather did not moderate to any considerable extent throughout the day. City Committee, Mr. H. C. Wilson chairman, will meet in Coleman's Hall Friday evening. Committees will be elected to the district and State conventions.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

A Leap Year Sock Social—Fishing Operations Broken Up. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) FREDERICKSBURG, Va., Feb. 17.—The Business Men's Association last night ordered that a Farmers' Institute be held in the courthouse here on Saturday, March 19th, for the benefit of the farmers of the surrounding counties. A committee, composed of A. P. Rowe, Henry Warden and C. W. Jones, was appointed to prepare the programme and make other arrangements.

Loudoun Horse Show.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LEEBURG, Va., Feb. 17.—The following have been elected officers of the Loudoun County Agricultural Association: Robert N. Harper, president; W. C. Bus-

lis, vice-president; H. H. Russell, second vice-president; S. T. Hickman, secretary; and E. B. Garrett, treasurer. The directors are S. S. Lutz, C. R. Mott, J. T. Houshauer, E. B. Saunders, D. B. Tennant, R. H. Gray, C. J. C. Moffatt, J. A. Dinges, H. T. Harrison, Wallace George and J. H. Grubb.

Trains Into Union Depot.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) BRISTOL, Va., Feb. 17.—Beginning April 1st, all passenger trains on the Tennessee and Virginia divisions of the Virginia and Southwestern Railway will arrive at and depart from the new union station in the center of the city. At present and heretofore these trains have arrived at and departed from the company's own station in West Bristol, nearly a mile from the union station. This was the occasion of great inconvenience to the traveling public, necessitating the long transfer of baggage, and cutting the Virginia and Southern divisions out of such thorough travel for the West, which it might otherwise have enjoyed. When the new arrangement goes into effect all trains will arrive at and depart from the union station except those on the Holston Valley Railway.

Watts-Reeves.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ROANOKE, Va., Feb. 17.—Engineer Edward Watts, of the Kanawha division, and Miss Nettie Reeves, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Reeves, were married here to-day. The marriage was very quiet, taking place at the study of St. James' Methodist Church. Rev. H. L. Houtt officiated. The couple left for Richmond, Norfolk and Washington.

Eubank-Jones.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) GORDONSVILLE, Va., Feb. 17.—Mr. F. E. Eubank, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Eubank, and Miss E. C. Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Jones, both of Louisa county, were married at the Baptist parsonage here at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. Rev. W. T. Wingfield officiated.

O'Conner-Hollis.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WINCHESTER, Va., Feb. 17.—Charles E. O'Conner and Miss Lillian Harriet Hollis, an exceedingly popular young couple of Baltimore, were married yesterday in Baltimore. The bride is one of the belles of Winchester, and is pretty and vivacious.

Lady Ill in House Afire.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WINCHESTER, Va., Feb. 17.—Fire broke out at noon to-day in the bedroom of Mrs. A. Lyons, wife of a well known tailor, and spread so rapidly that Mrs. Lyons, who was ill at the time, was in danger of being burned to death. Help arrived in time to save her. About \$500 damage was done.

An Enormous Tank.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) BLUEFIELD, W. Va., Feb. 17.—The Norfolk and Western Railway company is erecting a water tank here which, when completed, will be one of the largest in this section of the State. It will be 100 feet in diameter and forty feet in height. It will hold 425,000 gallons of water. The water to be used in this tank will be pumped here from a stone junction, a distance of ten miles, and will keep eighty-five engines in water per day. The tank is being built by the Virginia Bridge and Iron Company of Roanoke, Va., and is all steel, weighing sixty-five tons.

New Board to Meet.

The board, composed of the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor and Attorney-General, constituted for the purpose of passing upon the bonds of State and county officers, will meet at any next week to hear the representatives of bonding companies as to the rates they will make on the bonds of certain officers.

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ANNUAL STATEMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING THE 31ST DAY OF DECEMBER, 1903, OF THE ACTUAL CONDITION OF THE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF VIRGINIA ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF VIRGINIA, MADE TO THE AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS FOR THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, PURSUANT TO THE LAWS OF VIRGINIA.

Table with columns: Amount of capital stock, Number of policies and the amount of insurance effected thereby, Whole number of policies in force, Amount of premiums received, Amount of interest received, Amount of losses paid, Bonds, market value, Stocks, market value, etc.

Table with columns: Amount of losses unpaid (adjusted), Amount of liability on policies, etc., Total, BUSINESS IN VIRGINIA DURING 1903.

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(Signed) J. G. WALKER, President. ALGIE S. HURT, Auditor. State of Virginia, city of Richmond—ss: Sworn to January 23, 1904, before JOHN A. COKE, JR., Notary Public.

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