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Women's Suits, \$16.50

Getting Suits like these to sell for \$16.50 is an art in itself. We know just where to buy so as to get the best of materials and workmanship.

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Fancy Check Broadcloth, 27-inch coat, slightly cutaway, opening in the back, lap seams, lined with satin; full width skirt, with a three-web fold; checks of black and brown, dark green and black, dark wine and black; misses' and women's sizes. \$16.50

BROADCLOTH SUITS, for women and misses in black, navy, brown, 27-inch fitted-tailoring coat, fly front, lined with taffeta; fitted strappings over shoulders, back and front; side-plated skirt; three-inch fold around bottom. \$23.50

Velvets Are Among Fashion's Favorites This Fall.

Velvets for costumes, coats, hats and trimmings. We couldn't begin to do justice to the merits of these fabrics within the brief limits of an advertisement. It's a comprehensive stock that will bear the closest inspection.

- CHIFFON DRESS VELVETS—1 1/2 inches wide, \$1.50 yard, 2 1/2 inches wide, \$2 yard.
- COSTUME VELVETEENS, \$1 and \$1.25 yard.
- PAON VELVETS, \$1.50 yard.
- PANNE VELVETS, \$1.50 yard.
- PLAIN VELVETS, 75c, \$1 and \$1.50 yard.
- LACK PAON VELVET, \$2.50 yard, 34 inches wide.

Refreshments at the Big Fountain

We serve delicious ice-cream and all kinds of fruit and nut sandwiches; soda waters with pure fruit flavors, and all of the popular, refreshing drinks. Everything served in a dainty and appetizing manner.

May Manton Patterns, 10c; by mail, 12c.

THREE FAMILIES HOMELESS BY FIRE

Midday Flames Destroy Frame Structures on Beverly Street.

SAY CIGARETTE CAUSED IT

Practically Everything Lost, and Neighbors Take Care of Sufferers.

Fire, which practically destroyed the homes of Mrs. C. A. Throckmorton, Mrs. R. L. Meech and Mrs. A. J. Figg, Nos. 816, 818 and 820 Beverly Street, and threatened to spread through the whole block, occurred yesterday at about 12 o'clock. Most of the houses in the block are of wood, and for a time it looked as though the whole block would be burned. Quick work in an old woodshed in the rear of the home of Mrs. Meech, which has for some time been used as a gathering place for the boys of the neighborhood, many of whom smoke cigarettes.

The woodhouse was entirely consumed. The flames ran from that under the other houses and up between the weatherboards.

The greatest amount of damage in each case is on the lower floors and on the roofs. The houses, especially on the inside, will have to be practically rebuilt, as the rear of each is so badly damaged as to be unsafe. Other walls were ruined by water.

Mrs. Meech and Mrs. Throckmorton sustained heavy property damage. Mrs. Meech losing almost all of her kitchen furniture, and Mrs. Throckmorton a good part of her household effects.

The neighbors materially aided the firemen in saving the contents of the buildings. Mr. W. F. Hopkins, who conducts a grocery store on the corner of Pine and Beverly streets, was overcome by smoke while trying to save the furniture in the house of Mrs. Throckmorton.

Both Mrs. Meech and her daughter are employed in the city, and were away from home when the fire started and did not arrive until after the flames were nearly extinguished. Mrs. Meech is said to have policies on her house and furniture to the amount of \$700. The other two houses were not insured.

The homeless people, with such of their belongings as were saved have been taken in by their neighbors and will be cared for until their homes can be made habitable.

STREET CARS IN BERMUDA. Messrs. Whiteley and Scarborough recommended the Virginia Passenger and Power Company, of construction of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, have returned to the Bermuda Islands, where they went to inspect the proposed electric car line for the main island. This island, which is about twelve miles

Richmond Man Honored

At the meeting of the National Wholesale Druggists' Association in Denver, Col., last week Mr. E. D. Taylor, president of the Powhatan-Taylor Drug Company, of Richmond, was elected president—a high honor that is a source of much gratification to his many friends. The association adjourned to meet next year in Atlantic City.

WERE PLAYING "SKIN." A. M. Hobson arrested for disorderly conduct on Street Car. Six colored gamblers were nabbed last night in a game of "skin" and all were escorted to the First Police Station, where they remained until they were released again this morning.

A. M. Hobson (white) was arrested last night on charge of being disorderly on car No. 232 of the Clay Street line.

REPUBLICAN CLUB. Challenge to Be Issued for Joint Debates in the City. The Republican Club of Richmond held a meeting at Thompson's Hall last night and adopted resolutions respecting the brutal murder of Mr. C. P. Sneed, of King William county, a number of speakers, and decided to challenge the City Democratic Committee for a debate with their legislative candidate, Mr. Leslie D. Day.

Mr. Drew was present and made a speech, outlining his plan of campaign. Other speakers were Messrs. Edgar Allan, Joseph B. Stewart, Royal E. Cabell and Lane Lacy. It was decided to have several addresses by prominent Republicans here during the campaign, whether the challenge to the Democrats shall be accepted or not.

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WIFE WHO WAS KILLED AND THE MURDERER'S SUICIDE

Bloodhounds and Officials Trailing Brutal Slayers of C. P. Sneed.

ROBBERY IS NOW THE THEORY Peach-Stones and Tracks Lead Pursuers to River, Where Trail Is Lost.

Proceeding upon the theory of robbery, which seems clearly established by strong circumstantial evidence, the State and county authorities are exhausting every possible means to capture the man or men whose dastardly assault upon Mr. Chapman P. Sneed, in King William county, on Saturday, resulted in his death here yesterday morning.

Governor Swanson yesterday offered a reward of \$100 for the capture and conviction of the criminals, and the county authorities augmented this with \$150, and bloodhounds were put on the trail and kept running until a late hour last night.

At last accounts no arrests had been made, but it is known here that two negroes of bad reputation are under suspicion, and they are watched closely by the county officials.

Mr. Sneed was a man of widespread popularity, and news comes from King William that there is great danger of lynching if any arrests are made shortly, and the neighbors of the dead man are certain of the identity of the prisoner or prisoners.

Bloodhounds were rushed to the scene of murderous assault yesterday evening from both Culpeper and the State Park, and they at once took the trail from the point on the road where the deadly crime was committed through the woods toward the river. The hounds lost the scent now and then, as the trail was over forty hours' old, and it is not likely that they will be able to do more than verify what human detectives already believe from investigations made, and that is that two men left the road in the road and went to the direction of the river some distance away.

Robbery the Motive. It is the firm belief of the sheriff and searching party, composed of citizens of Hanover and King William, that robbery was the incentive which moved the perpetrators of the murderous attack. Mr. Sneed was known to be a man whose habit it was to carry large sums of money on his person, and being engaged in the lumber business, he would carry a considerable quantity on Saturdays and get money from the banks with which to pay off his hands. Last week it happened, however, that he drew the money to pay off on Thursday and took it home that day. Although he had with him the little hand satchel in which he usually carried his payroll money, it did not contain a dollar.

Before leaving his home Saturday morning Mr. Sneed told his daughter he would like some peach cream for dinner on Sunday. She asked him to get the peaches in the city, and he did so, and placed them in a shoe box inside the satchel. As he was passing along a lonely portion of the road where the sand is very deep, the theory is that his horse was barely moving, and that one man approached him from the front and spoke, while his companion crept up and dealt him a blow on the forehead, one on the back of the neck and one on the head, from behind.

Some Money Left. When found a little later by a boy, one of Mr. Sneed's trouser pockets was turned inside out, while in the other there was the sum of \$12. A three-cent piece was found in the road near the place where the unconscious man was lying, while on an embankment close by was the open satchel, containing only an empty shoe box. The tracks of two men were found on this embankment going toward the river, and these were followed by the search party to the rescue of the unfortunate man.

Went into the Water. The searching party tracked the men to the river referred to, and there found more peach stones and skins, and evidence that the persons being tracked had washed their hands on the bank of the stream and then got into the water. Here the trail was lost, both the men and hounds. It may be that they went some distance up or down the stream to hide their tracks, and then escaped in the woods.

The remains of Mr. Sneed were taken to Hanover Courthouse on the 1 o'clock C. & O. train yesterday afternoon, and driven from there to his late home, near Etna Mills, in King William county. He had a great many warm friends, and some of them accompanied the body to Hanover. Burialhouse were Judge Edmund Waddell, Jr., Judge R. H. Cardwell, Judge L. L. Lewis, Congressman John Lamb, United States Marshal Morgan Treat, Postmaster Royal E. Cabell, Messrs. James P. Brady, Arthur Lam and Robert H. Talley. Captain Lam and several of the other gentlemen went all the way to Etna Mills, and will attend the funeral, which will take place at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

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NEGRO ACADEMY HAS FINE OPENING

Superintendent Davis and Mr. John T. Williams Make Addresses.

Before a large crowd of negroes from Richmond and the immediate neighborhood and many white friends, the Jonesboro Industrial Academy was opened yesterday evening for the fall session with a very well-planned program, which contained in its list among its distinguished friends of the institution.

The exercises began with a song by the assembly, which was followed by an invocation, delivered by H. T. Hill. Dr. R. E. Jones made a few introductory remarks, and was followed by Prof. D. Webster Davis, with whom explained how the school had been started and of its great usefulness.

Superintendent Jackson Davis, in an address, said that the county had closed two one-room colored schools in the neighborhood in order to help the academy and cooperate with its efforts. He emphasized the importance of industrial work and the training of the hand as well as the head.

Mr. John T. Williams, of Richmond, spoke, and deeply impressed the audience with his remarks, urging the importance of making religion and character the true foundation of all education.

The academy at present occupies a rented house, but work on the new school building will begin shortly. Cooking, sewing and domestic duties and agriculture will be taught along with the usual branches.

FEDERAL GRAND JURY

Several Important Presentments to Come Up To-Day.

Several important presentments are to come up before the Federal grand jury today in the Federal Building at 11 o'clock this morning, among them being that of Frank P. Burke, charged with rifling a letter at Station B post-office, and those against "Rev. J. T. Harveys, of Hanover, and W. S. Buchanan, of Louisa, both of whom are charged with the falsifying of checks, and those against Harveys for religious and fraudulent purposes. It is said that two bishops now in attendance upon the Episcopal convention in Richmond, who claim once to have been a clergyman.

Leave it to the public to say whether Collier's, by its own policy and methods, has not made itself more ridiculous than any comment of ours could make it.

Does Collier's expect to regain any self-inflicted loss of prestige by demonstrating thru suits for damages, that it can be more artful in evading liability for libel than the humble but resentful victims of its defamations? or does it hope by starting a campaign of libel suits to silence the popular indignation, reproach and resentment which it has aroused?

Collier's cannot dodge this public controversy by private lawsuits. It cannot postpone the public judgment against it. That grand jury, the Public, will hardly blame us for not waiting until we get a petit jury in a courtroom, before denouncing this prodigal defector of institutions founded and fostered either by individuals or by the public itself.

No announcements during our entire business careers were ever made claiming "medicinal effects" for either Postum or Grape-Nuts. Medicinal effects are results obtained from the use of medicines.

Thousands of visitors go thru our entire works each month and see for themselves that Grape-Nuts contains absolutely nothing but wheat, barley and oats, and that it is absolutely nothing but wheat and about ten per cent of New Orleans molasses. The art of preparing these simple elements in a scientific manner to obtain the best food value and flavor, required some work and experience to acquire.

Now, when any publication goes far enough out of its way to attack us because our advertising is "medicinal" it simply offers a remarkable exhibition of ignorance or worse.

We do claim physiological or bodily results of favorable character following the adoption of our suggestions regarding the discontinuance of coffee and foods which may not be keeping the individual in good health. We have no advice to offer the perfectly healthy person. His or her health is not in danger unless he or she consumes coffee and foods used exactly as that person. Therefore, why change?

But to the man or woman who is ailing, we have something to say as a result of an unusually wide experience in food and the result of proper feeding.

In the palpatingly ignorant attack on us in Collier's, appearing in this statement, "One widely circulated paragraph labors to induce the impression that Grape-Nuts will obviate the necessity of an operation in appendicitis. This is lying and potentially deadly lying."

In reply to this exhibition of ——— well, let the reader name it, the Postum Co. says:

Let it be understood that appendicitis results from long continued disturbance in the intestines, caused primarily by undigested starchy food

COUNCILMEN TALK BACK AT MAYOR

Messrs. Pollard and Cannon Sharply Criticize Executive for Vetoes.

PROVIDE FOR IMPROVEMENTS Resolutions Adopted Looking to Prosecution of Work in Annexed Territory.

Without reaching its regular calendar, the Common Council spent three hours in calling up matters from the table and considering them out of their order last night and adjourned to meet again next Monday night.

The burglar alarm ordinance was called up by Mr. Cannon and considered along with the Mayor's message vetoing it. The Mayor was sustained, and an ordinance similar to the original one later adopted. The paper reported bonds amounting to \$20,000 to reimburse the city for any damage resulting from the tearing up of streets and for damages for personal injury to citizens.

This and other veto messages of the Mayor drew forth fiery utterances from Messrs. Cannon and Pollard, and they lost no opportunity to refer in sarcastic terms to the city executive.

They assailed him for vetoing a resolution to reimburse W. L. Carnes for some sewer work done, and Mr. Cannon declared that much of the message was "clap-trap."

The Mayor was sustained in only one out of three cases. Perhaps the most important action taken last night was the adoption of resolutions providing for improvements in the annexed territory. One resolution authorized the borrowing of \$100,000 for this purpose, and another authorized the committee to proceed with the work.

A similar resolution was also adopted authorizing the work of rehabilitating the Gas Works.

Session in Detail. Mr. Pollard offered a resolution appropriating \$225 for carrying out the order of the Police Court to tear down the old building, No. 143 East Main Street, which has been condemned as dangerous, and it was adopted under suspension of the rules.

Mr. Pollard got through an amendment to the charter of the Richmond and Henrico Railway Company, providing for the ascertaining of damages to property owners after the proposed Marshall Street viaduct shall have been erected.

Mr. Pollard offered a resolution, which was adopted, providing for the appointment of a committee, of which the Mayor shall be a member, to appraise the property owners after the Legislature and ask that the bonds of the city be exempt from taxation.

A resolution was offered by Mr. Cannon and adopted providing for the appointment of a joint committee to advocate such measures in the next General Assembly as the Council may direct, and to oppose such as in their judgment would be injurious to the city.

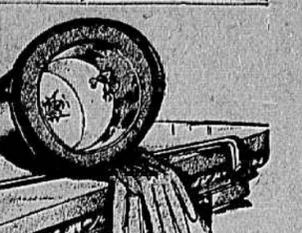
The Mayor is requested and the City Attorney directed to cooperate with the proposed committee.

Burglar Alarm Ordinance. Mr. Cannon called up from the table long pending burglar alarm ordinance, and the Mayor's veto thereof was read by the Mayor. The ordinance, which heretofore been made public, and this is the second time the Mayor has disapproved the ordinance.

Mr. Cannon advocated the passage of the ordinance, notwithstanding the Mayor's veto, and sharply criticized the Mayor's veto.

Committee Meetings. The Committee on the Improvement of James River met at noon yesterday, but the business disposed of in the evening. The committee on the improvement of the payrolls of the department for the latter half of September.

The Committee on the Budget of the Post-scheduled to meet at 4:30 P. M., failed of a quorum.



The stability, the finish, the unquestioned style of a KNOX HAT

make it at once the most satisfactory and economical of investments. Knox silk hats are becoming for every height.

Full Line Now on Display.

Gans - Rady Company.

Some of the objections offered by the city executive. Finally, the Mayor's veto was sustained.

Mr. Cannon offered the same ordinance amended so as to provide for a bond of \$100 to protect the city against damages sustained, and \$10,000 to protect the city against damage resulting from tearing up streets by whatever company may buy the franchise. In this form it was adopted—aye, 27 yeas, 1 nay.

Mr. Cannon referred to a part of the Mayor's message as "clap-trap." The resolution was adopted, though a number of the members declared they voted "aye" only because of urgent health conditions and because the houses had already been condemned. They served notice that they would never so vote again.

The Mayor also vetoed a resolution providing for improvements in annexed territory, but the Mayor's main objections to this one were removed by the resolution providing for the borrowing of \$100,000 to defray the expenses, which was adopted earlier in the evening.

The body adjourned without reaching the calendar, to meet next Monday night.

AMUSEMENTS

Academy—Ole Skinner. Bjloo—"From Sing Sing to Liberty." Idlewood—Vaudeville, Skating rink.

"Sherlock Holmes" Rather Poor. The presentation of "Sherlock Holmes" at the Academy last night, while disappointing in very many respects, might have been somewhat more enjoyable had not the waits between acts tried the patience of the audience to its utmost endurance.

"Sherlock Holmes" in the hands of a mediocre comedian of players, such as was seen last night, became a melodrama pure and simple. The scenery was of the ordinary, the costumes being shown as a room in baby blue. The work of Ramsey Wallace in the little role, while at times interesting, was of the ordinary.

"From Sing Sing to Liberty." Charles E. Blancy's melodrama, "From Sing Sing to Liberty," was presented at the Bijou last night. The play was written especially as a vehicle for Charles Blancy, and he certainly showed his adeptness in getting out of handcuffs, and proving that the locks of Yale and the doors of the State Prison are not so secure as they are supposed to be. Canning, like Houdini, claims that he can get out of any pair of regulation police handcuffs, and he certainly proved it last night. One of the guards from the penitentiary placed the shackles on him. Harry Gray Blancy is responsible for this play. Of course, it is melodrama from start to finish. It is a play full of "escapes."

The play is a happy one, and all these "escapes" and the hero and heroine go their way rejoicing, the former having escaped everything but matrimony.

Great Week at Idlewood. A large crowd was at Idlewood last night, enjoying the many attractions of the Idlewood. The week has been opened for the benefit of the visitors to the city during this week. Along the long boardwalk and around the band stand, there are crowds of people, and with all of the many amusement devices doing a good business. In the evening, there is an attractive vaudeville bill is offered.

To-night a fireworks display which will equal any ever seen here will be set off.

TRUE BILLS FOUND. Grand Jury to Take Up City Home Matter Next Tuesday. The grand jury of the Hustings Court, sitting yesterday, reported the following bills: Harrison Butler and Julia Taylor, robbing; Louise Hankins, grand larceny; John Harrison, forgery; Thomas Jones, house-breaking; Charles Johnson, grand larceny; Mary Lovell, grand larceny; Brooke Johnson and Harrison, grand larceny.

The jury is composed of E. L. Semmes (foreman), Blair Rollins, W. G. Bentley, B. E. Valentine, B. M. Swainson, C. R. Allen, W. W. Rountree, George Schoban and G. B. Wings, and will reconvene on Tuesday next to take up the City Home grant matter.

Call Civil Docket To-Day. Judge Edmund Waddell, Jr., sitting in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, will have a civil docket of cases set for trial on Tuesday. All lawyers interested should be present promptly to look after the setting of their cases.

Hold Trains for Fair Week. The local passenger train, which leaves here at 11:30 P. M. for Petersburg over the Atlantic Coast Line, will have a delay every night during this week. This arrangement has been made for the benefit of visitors to the horse show.

Favor Unlawful Ordinance. The Young Men's Society of the Second Baptist Church passed resolutions at its October 6th meeting, in which they expressed their disapproval of the city ordinance, which expresses its hearty and unanimous approval. A copy of the resolution was sent to Mr. Unlawful.