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Excellent Overcoats for school & general wear.

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THEY WANT NO INQUIRY WHEN WORK IS DONE

Light Committee Believes That Gas Plant Was Built According to Plans.

TOO LATE NOW TO HELP IT

Members Think Hurrah Investigation Might Not Prove of Any Value.

Trusting to its own acumen and to the force and ability of its superintendent, the Council Committee on Light last night rejected the resolution of Councilman Rogers to have a gas expert examine the new work in progress, on which the city is spending $310,000 without any inspection, except such as Superintendent Knowles is able to give in the intervals of other duties.

The report showed that a large proportion of the work had been completed, and that parts of the new plant were in constant use, the entire work being 90 per cent. complete. The new mains are buried in the ground, and much of the construction at the works is so built over that it would be impossible, in the judgment of members of the committee, to determine whether in the earlier stages the plans were complied with or not.

Could Do No Good.

Superintendent Knowles said he would welcome any form of inspection or investigation the committee might make, but that the work so far had been carried on under his supervision and had proved entirely satisfactory.

Mr. Rogers propose the employment of a technical gas engineer to examine the work, proposing a special appropriation to cover the cost. He pointed out that the committee had almost entirely changed since the last Council, and that many of the members were not familiar with what is being done, and did not know the terms of the agreement made by the former committee with the contractors, the Stacy Manufacturing Company, of Cincinnati.

The debate was general and informal, some members being entirely willing to trust the matter to Superintendent Knowles, while others thought it too late to call in an inspector when the work was all but done, and part was already in operation. Mr. Knowles said that the plant was of standard machinery, of a type used all over the world, and "had about it nothing of experimental" character. Alderman Powers thought there should have been an engineer for the city on the job from the start, and Mr. Knowles said he had recommended this, and it had been refused on account of the cost. On the final vote only Mr. Rogers and Mr. Kirkwood Mitchell voted for the inspection, several of the others showing a disposition to shy off from any investigation and to let well enough alone.

Shy of Hurrah Investigations.

"We might go stirring around down there and find parts put in not like the specifications," said one member. "Then there would be a great hurrah investigation, and people would be saying that the Light Committee didn't know how to run the gas works." After an hour's debate the "stand pat" policy prevailed.

An offer from the Passenger and Power Company to place four electric lights on the Hermitage Road, two at the railroad bridge and two between the bridge and Broad Street, at $15 a light per year, the city to bear the cost of switching the lights on and off, was accepted. The present city contract for lights in the old part of the city is at $54.50 a light per year, but the company has declined to extend this rate to the annexed territory or to erect additional lights at the present figure, since the municipal electric light plant was projected. A number of extensions and alley lights were ordered.

NINETY-CENT GAS

Committee Will Advertise New Rate as in Effect February 1st.

Attention of the Council Committee on Light was called last night to the reduction in the price of gas from $1 to 90 cents per 1,000 feet, effective on the 1st of February. In view of the reduction, the committee decided to authorize a campaign of advertising cheaper gas, with a view to more general introduction of ranges and stoves for heating. With this reduction of 10 per cent. in the price, it is believed that the use of gas will be greatly extended, and possibly after a time, because of the increased consumption, the lower rate may prove to be more profitable than the old price.

Appoints Curators for Normal School.

Governor Swanson yesterday announced the appointment of the following curators of the Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute for the term of four years, commencing January 1, 1909:

N. W. Nock, Accomac; H. L. Schmelz, Hampton; J. T. Lewis, Richmond; J. C. Carter, Halifax; W. P. Burrett, Richmond, and J. M. Clark, Danville, the last named being colored.

Father Collins Ill.

The Rev. Father J. E. Collins, of Harper's Ferry, W. Va., was operated on in the Memorial Hospital yesterday. His condition is not regarded as serious. He will be able to receive callers by Sunday.

LOCATE ABBEY ON BOULEVARD

Resolution Offered in Lee Camp for West End Site Goes Over to Next Meeting.

In order to secure from R. E. Lee Camp, No. 1, Confederate Veterans, a decisive opinion on the question of the most suitable location for the Battle Abbey, soon to be erected in Richmond, Adjutant J. Taylor Stratton offered at last night's meeting of the camp the following resolution:

"Whereas, R. E. Lee Camp, No. 1, Confederate Veterans, are very desirous of having the Battle Abbey built at as early date as possible, and believing that the only delay is the selection of a proper site; therefore be it

"Resolved, That this camp respectfully suggests to the Battle Abbey Association that they select as a site either the north or south side of Monument Avenue, at its intersection with the Boulevard, and that they have the Battle Abbey erected on either of the said sites; provided the land for same is donated without cost to the Battle Abbey Association."

Captain Stratton, in introducing his resolution, said he had no desire to have the camp take snap judgment, and would ask that it lay on the table until next Friday night. Others advocated a longer delay for fuller discussion, but in the end this prevailed, and the resolution will be the subject of debate at the next meeting. Advocates of the scheme, while having no definite assurance from the owners, believe that the attraction to the neighborhood and consequent enhancement of the value of property would induce the land companies and large individual owners of property in this locality to donate a site in order to insure its erection, facing both on the Boulevard and Monument Avenue.

Cedar Camp Installs Officers.

Cedar Camp, No. 22, Woodmen of the World, has installed the following officers: Past Consul Commander, W. G. Cavedo; Consul Commander, W. H. Mankin; Adviser Lieutenant, W. H. Miller, Jr.; Clerk, William H. Pearman; Banker, Ed. B. Vaughan; Escort, I. H. Russell; Watchman, J. E. Blair; Sentry, W. H. Enroughty; Managers, W. J. Johnson, J. E. Farley, W. H. Enroughty; Camp Physician, Dr. W. H. Parker.

Face Another Warrant.

Policeman Gentry yesterday swore out another warrant against A. W. Bethel, Thomas Davis and Lewis Ball, all white, charging them with running a gambling house down on East Franklin Street. The same three men were arrested last Saturday night on a charge of running a gambling house at No. 7 North Seventeenth Street. Their case is to come up on continuance this morning.

NURSE FINDS FIRE IN HOSPITAL WARD

Midnight Blaze Causes Patients to Scream for Help at the Virginia.

Fire was discovered shortly after 12 o'clock last night under the stairway in the first annex of the Virginia Hospital, and before Dr. Lord, an interne, sounded the alarm, the corridors were filled with smoke, and several ward patients had screamed for help. Not until assured by the Fire Chief that all danger had passed did the patients consent to return to their rooms.

Although the damage is inconsiderable, the excitement was such that several of the nurses rushed to the offices of the physicians for help. When Dr. Lord turned in the alarm smoke was pouring from the closet.

It caused much excitement in the fire houses, and the speed with which the fire-fighters reached the scene has seldom, if ever, been equaled.

Several of the nurses state that as early as 8 o'clock they had caught an odor of smoke, and although there had been a search, no trace of it was found. It was when smoke was puffing through the closet doors that one of the nurses started the alarm. The origin of the blaze is attributed to a defective electric wire. The blaze was out before the department reached the scene.

Escaped from Convict Camp.

William Wright (colored), sentenced to four months on the road from this city, escaped from the Dinwiddie county convict camp Thursday night and was captured in Petersburg yesterday morning. Wright was a trusty and was employed as a cook. The guards searched all night for the prisoner, who was taken on information furnished by persons who saw him on his way to Petersburg.

TRIES SUICIDE AS PRACTICAL JOKE

Physician Hurries to Save Charles A. Harley, and Finds Him Calmly Smoking.

Dr. Wallace Carr, of the City Home, last night called the attention of Captain Whitlock, of the First Police Station, to the fact that three times during the past week Charles A. Harley, a guest in the Wolverton Hotel, is alleged to have attempted suicide, and that even though he has found an empty bottle labelled poison, he has never yet been able, after treatment, to find traces of any foreign substance. Dr. Carr is led to the belief that the guest is playing a practical joke for his own amusement.

On Wednesday night the call came from the Wolverton that Harley had swallowed a half ounce vial of laudanum. The story told the physician is that Harley went into the Turkish bath department, and that when the attendants started him on the first course of the cleansing process he begged that they desist, as he was dying.

To prove his statements, Harley is said to have produced an empty laudanum bottle, with the statement that he had swallowed the contents.

Last night the dose was strychnine. Dr. Carr responded to a hurry call, and when he went to the patient's room he found him sitting up in bed smoking a cigarette. The empty poison bottle was on a table beside him. Restoratives were administered, depsite the alleged victim's protests, but the results indicated that the call was a false one. Dr. Carr reported the facts to the police. Harley has been a guest in the Wolverton for a week, and is said to have formerly lived in Hampton.

HIGHER SALARIES FOR CITY OFFICERS

Ordinance Committee Gets Three Applications, Which Are Sent On Approved.

KEEP POLICE COURT CLEAN

Measure to Prevent Congestion Recommended at Request of Commissioners.

Salary increases again came to the front last night, the Council Committee on Ordinance, Charter and Reform recommending higher pay for three City Hall men overlooked in the generous distribution of favors by the last Council. The Assistant Superintendent of Fire Alarm Telegraph, on recommendation of Superintendent Thompson, was indorsed for a raise from $1,100 to $1,300 a year; the clerk to the Building Inspector, on recommendation of his chief, from $900 to $1,200 a year, and the chief health officer, on recommendation of the president of the Board of Health, from $2,500 to $3,000. All three were recommended to the Council and will be referred to the Finance Committee, a body which in recent months has failed to see the weight of persuasive arguments made for salary increases.

Want a Printed Synopsis.

The committee also recommended to the Council for adoption the ordinance offered by Mr. Kirkwood Mitchell requiring a printed synopsis of each regular meeting of the Council and Board of Aldermen to be distributed among the members two days after the meetings.

Objection was made that it would be necessary for committees to have their business in hand five or six days before the Council meetings, in order that the recommendations might appear on the printed docket. Realizing that the congestion of business leads to many matters being passed in both branches without full knowledge of the situation, or opportunity to prepare facts and figures adequately to present arguments for or against measures, the committee recommended that the plan used in all larger legislative bodies be given a fair trial. Accustomed as city officials are to the slow methods of city printing hitherto in vogue, it had been impossible to convince many members that such a docket can be accurately printed in time for each meeting.

An ordinance extending the limits of brick construction, known as the "fire line," in the western part of the city, was recommended for rejection, and an ordinance requiring personal service of notice to delinquent tax payers was returned to the Council to be referred to the special committee on revision of the system of collecting delinquent taxes.

Can't Crowd Police Court.

At the request of the Board of Police Commissioners a resolution was recommended for adoption authorizing the board to pay out of its expense account $50 a year to each bicycle police officer, the men to furnish and maintain their own wheels. At present it is said that the men are careless with the wheels, and the repair bills to the city are excessive.

An ordinance offered by Alderman Ellett to prohibit overcrowding or standing in the doorways and in the pasageways of the Police Court was recommended to the Council, as was an ordinance to increase the number of nurses at the City Hospital. An ordiance changing the names Walnut and Carter Streets to Allen Avenue, making it a direct Avenue from Broad Street to Colorado Avenue, was recommended. An ordinance requiring lights on all vehicles after sunset was rejected, but one requiring brakes on all wagons carrying a load of 1,000 pounds or over was recommended. The petition of the Royal Laundry for permission to use soft coal was rejected on protest of the neighbors. An ordinance transferring the removal of dead animals from the Board of Health to the Street Cleaning Department was recommended, and a resolution providing for straightening the boundary between between Marshall and Jefferson Wards and fixing the precinct lines was tabled until representatives of the two wards can appear to explain what is proposed.

Mr. Boyce Improving.

Mr. Clinton A. Boyce, of The Times-Dispatch, who was operated on in the Memorial Hospital yesterday, was said to be doing excellently last night. The operation was entirely successful. Indications are that the patient will be up and about within the next ten days or two weeks. Many friends called at the hospital yesterday.

Stork Paid 2806 Visits

Two thousand eight hundred and six children were born in the city of Richmond last year, of which 1,731 were white and 1,075 colored, or in increase of 495 over 1907. The number exceeded the deaths by 320. The birth record since 1900 is: 1900, 818; 1901, 729; 1902, 752; 1903, 606; 1904, 636; 1905, 608; 1906, 1,133; 1907, 2,311; 1908, 2,806.

The jump from 1905 to 1906 is not as remarkable as it might appear on its face, for the reason that the latter year the Board of Health took cognizance of new arrivals.

ASKS HER PARENTS FOR FORGIVENESS

Rev. W. E. Robertson Writes to Mr. Morse in Behalf of Condemned Murderer.

Writing to the mother of Miss Amanda Morse, who was shot to death by her suitor, Benjamin Gilbert, who is now under the death sentence in the State Penitentiary, but who has been respited to February 26th, the Rev. W. E. Robertson, pastor of Randolph Street Baptist Church, spiritual adviser to Gilbert, asks the victim's parents to forgive the misguided and erring youth. No answer, it is understood, has yet been received, but Mr. Morse has the reply under advisement. The letter is as follows:

"I have been requested to act as spiritual adviser to Benjamin Gilbert, who, as you doubtless know, is sentenced to be put to death January 20th. I have had several talks with him, and he seems to genuinely repent of his sins and says he is satisfied that God has forgiven him and that he feels that he is prepared to go.

"He asked me to write to you and tell you and your husband how sorry he is for the terrible deed he committed, and that he wants to know if you will not forgive him. He says he feels that he will die better satisfied if he knows that you and your husband forgive him.

"I know how you must feel, and I wish to offer you my sincere sympathies and prayers in your great trouble.

"I hope you will write me at once and let me tell Benny that you forgive him. God says we must forgive others if we expect Him to forgive us.

"Although he must have been an awful blow to you and your husband, yet I am sure that as a Christian, and for Christ's sake, you are willing to forgive him. Please let me hear from you at once, as there are only a few more days between now and the 20th. The Lord bless and comfort you and your family."

CLOSE GAIETY THEATRE

City Electrician Orders Current Cut Off Because of Defective Wiring.

Acting on a report from Electrical Inspector Speights, City Electrician Thompson yesterday ordered the current turned off at the Gaiety Theatre at No. 221 East Broad Street, and the house will continue in darkness until defects in the electrical wiring are repaired to the satisfaction of the officials and insurance agents, who have joined in the complaint.

"We have notified them again and again of defects," said Mr. Thompson last night. "As far back as last October their wiring did not show perfect on inspection, but they have put off making repairs. We feared an explosion or the blowing out of a fuse might cause a panic, in which people might be killed or injured.

"My assistants and myself are constantly watching the cheap theatres. The regulations are explicit, and hereafter those that don't come up to standard will have their current cut off. With this authority I don't find it necessary to ask the assistance of the police in closing the houses. They are simply dark in the theatre and in the picture room until they can pass inspection. Every operator of a moving picture machine has to pass an examination before me of his ability and knowledge. We have revoked the licenses of several operators for drunkenness or carelessness. We will continue a minute inspection of all the moving picture houses in the city at once."

UNVEIL TWO SHAFTS

Governor Swanson Gives New Jersey Troops Permission to Enter Virginia.

Governor Swanson last night gave his permission for New Jersey troops to enter Virginia in May, when monuments to Federal veterans who fell in the battlefields around Fredericksburg will be unveiled in Spotsylvania county. A committee last night visited the Governor and stated that the shafts will be uncovered on May 11th and 13th. The Governor of New Jersey and his staff will meet the Virginia executive and his coterie at the unveiling.

A committee of the Twenty-fifth New Jersey Regiment saw Governor Swanson last night. The visitors are stopping at the Jefferson Hotel, and are Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Crawley, Mrs. J. B. Crawley and W. H. Crawley, Jr., of Somerville, N. J., and Mrs. W. E. Gordon, C. K. Armstrong and S. W. Gordon, of Newark.

MANY DELEGATES COMING TO GOOD ROADS MEETING

The executive committee of the Southeastern Virginia Greater Highways Association held a very enthusiastic session yesterday at the T. P. A. rooms.

Reports from various subcommittees were very encouraging, and from present indication the convention on February 10th and 11th will be largely attended. The committee's finances are very low, and an extra effort will be made in the next few days to raise sufficient funds to defray the expense of postage, printing, etc. The committee on speakers made a partial report, stating they had secured several national speakers and were in correspondence with others.

Governor Swanson is now engaged in appointing delegates to represent the State.

Commercial organizations in every town and the board of supervisors of every county are invited to send delegates. All contributions and correspondence should be addressed to Secretary H. L. Harwood, 301 East Main Street. The convention will be attended by about 600 delegates, which means a big thing for the city.

Buildings and Repairs.

Building and repair permits were issued yesterday as follows:

Mrs. Maggie A. Quinn, to erect two brick dwellings, 720, 722 North Second Street.

H. C. Hudson, to erect a frame dwelling on the north side of Taylor Street, between Sycamore and Strawberry Streets, to cost $2,000.

Judge A. B. Hanger, by N. W. Bowe & Son, agents, to repair a brick warehouse on the east side of Thirteenth Street, between Canal Street and the river, known as Shockoe Warehouse No. 1.

Arrests Yesterday.

Emanuel Iverson (colored) was arrested yesterday on a charge of cruelly working and torturing two horses suffering with sore backs.

Eleanora Nash (colored) was arrested on a charge of stealing a watch from John Holman.

Willie Hackson (colored) was arrested on a charge of being a suspicious character, being suspected of larceny. He was taken in by Sergeant Gibson, Detective Wiley and Officer Tomlinson.

ATTACKS WOMAN IN HER KITCHEN

Mrs. W. F. Adams, Alone in House, Knocked Down and Robbed of $7.

INTRUDER ASKED FOR FOOD

Had Bills in Her Hand When Negro Approached and Struck Her in the Face.

Walking into the kitchen of Mrs. W. F. Adams, No. 2114 Venable Street, with the plaintive appeal that he was hungry and wanted something to eat, a big, black, burly negro knocked her down at 10:30 o'clock yesterday morning and robbed her of $7.

Mrs. Adams had some money to pay out yesterday, and she was in the act of coupting it, when, without warning, the negro entered and asked for something to eat. Breakfast was over, and Mrs. Adams, a young woman only twenty-four years old, answered that she had nothing left. In her hand were a $5 bill, two $1 bills and some change.

Struck Her in the Face.

She endeavored to hide the money from the negro, but he got a glimpse of it, and, with an oath, made a sudden approach and struck her in the face. She reeled against the wall, and as she clutched vainly for support, he reached out and grabbed the bills. She screamed, but her cries were futile, for there was no one else in the house except a Mrs. Brauer, who lives upstairs. The negro got the money and fled the way he had come.

As soon as she got to her feet Mrs. Adams ran out into the hall and screamed again. But there was no one to help her, and the intruder got away as silently as he had come. It was some time before Mrs. Adams could make her plight known to her neighbors.

She telephoned again and again for her husband, a clerk in the freight depot of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, but was unable to get him for some time. Finally several of his friends located him and told him of what had occurred. He went home at once to find his wife suffering greatly from nervous shock.

Collapsed When Husband Came.

She had not been injured by the negro's blow, but the shock of his sudden and silent arrival and his unexpected attack was too much for her nerves, and she was verging on a state of collapse when her husband arrived.

The negro entered through a side alley, which led him to the back porch. He went up a short flight of steps, and opening the kitchen door, saw Mrs. Adams within. Preserving her courage, Mrs. Adams informed him that she had nothing left, and then the negro made his brutal attack. It was not until some time after, however, that the matter was reported to the police.

DR. WILSON SPEAKS

Delivers Interesting Lecture at Barton Heights High School Entertainment.

A large crowd attended the public celebration and entertainment of the Literary Society of the Barton Heights High School in the school building last night. An interesting and enjoyable literary and musical program was rendered. The feature of the entertainment was an address on "Literature" by Dr. J. E. Wilson, professor of literature at William and Mary College. The address was at once interesting and instructive, and the speaker was closely followed by his hearers.

The following program was rendered: Piano duet, "Over the Hills and Dales," Misses Stein and Smoot; song, "I Used to Believe in Fairies," High School; recitation, Miss Ruth Glinn; song, "Flow Gently, Sweet Afton," High School chorus; address, Dr. J. E. Wilson; song, "My Heart's in the Highlands," High School chorus; recitation, Miss Ruth Glinn; song, "Believe Me if All These Endearing Young Charms," High School chorus; piano duet, Misses Stein and Smoot; song, "Good Night," High School chorus.

FIREMAN MESCO HURT

Fractured Ankle, but Answered Alarm Before Calling a Doctor.

While sliding down the pole at the engine-house at Fifth and Duval Streets at 12 o'clock last night in response to the alarm from the Virginia Hospital, Lawrence Mesco, a fireman, turned his ankle as he hit the padding on the floor and seriously fractured it.

Notwithstanding the pain and suffering he went to the fire, but when he returned the pain was such that Dr. Carr, of the city ambulance, was called. He treated Mesco, and then sent him to his home, No. 802 North Fifth Street.

BOTH ACQUITTED

Robinson Found Guilty and Put on Bonds for Twelve Months.

In the Hustings Court yesterday Cornelius Robinson, indicted for malicious wounding, was found guilty of unlawful cutting with intent as charged. In lieu of the jail sentence of twelve months given by the jury, Judge Witt sentenced him to twelve months on the public roads and a fine of 1 cent.

Frank Stark and Dempsey Letta, jointly indicted for robbery from Geo. Carroll, were both acquitted.

A Sale of Boys' Clothing at

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Hundreds of Boys' Knickerbocker Suits
Hundreds of Boys' Overcoats
Hunereds of Boys' Cravenette Raincoats
Hundreds of Boys' and Girls' Reefers

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Boys' Suits . . . . Boys' Overcoats . Boys' Reefers . . — Worth $5, $6 & $6.50, choice to-day **$2.85**

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Boys' Cravenette Raincoats . . . — Worth $12.50 & $13.50, choice to-day **$8.65**

GANS-RADY COMPANY

SEYBOLD TAKES BLAME ON HIS OWN SHOULDERS

Former Convict, Pardoned With Walter Turpin on Christmas Eve, Swears That He and Not His Pal Made Counterfeit Money--Turpin Will Explain To-Day.

Boldly asserting his own guilt, but declaring that his friend, Walter Turpin, who was arrested with him for being implicated in a scheme of counterfeiting, is innocent, Thomas Seybold, thirty-four years old, whose boyhood was spent in this city, was yesterday sent on to the grand jury by United States Commissioner Joseph P. Brady, while his alleged pal, in whose room was captured the outfit with which the spurious coins were manufactured, will be given a hearing at 12 o'clock to-day.

Seybold was arrested soon after midnight Thursday, a few minutes after he had passed several fake quarters in the neighborhood of Seventeenth and Broad Streets, and three hours later, on descriptions furnished by a negro "spotter," Turpin was located in a room in the Methodist Mission, Nineteenth and Main Streetss, where he and Seybold had spent two nights. A complete outfit for the manufacture of nickels, dimes and quarters was found under the mattress of the bed on which Turpin was sleeping. Turpin was locked up at 4 A. M.

Police Arrest Seybold.

It was about 10 o'clock Thursday night when information was received by Bicycle Officers Atkinson and Smith that a stranger, with a black mustache and wearing a blue suit, was flashing the bogus money promiscuously. They at once got on the case, and Seybold was arrested just after he had bought a half pint of whiskey with a bad piece of money. He was searched, and six quarters, in appearance real, were found on his person.

The man denied his guilt, and claimed that he got possession of the coins by chance. He was taken to the police station, and soon after he had been locked up Detective Wiltshire joined the two bicycle men in their search for the counterfeiting outfit and accomplices. A negro gave the information that he had seen Turpin earlier in the night, and knew that he had spent the previous night in the Methodist Institute. It was there that the second arrest was made.

In their search of Turpin's room the police found three molds made of plaster of Paris, and constructed for the manufacture of nickels, dimes and quarters. There were many instruments, such as knives for scraping off the rough edges, funnels, through which the melted metal is poured into the shapes, polishers, and, in fact, everything needed by the criminals for their purpose.

Career of the Men.

Turpin and Seybold have recently served terms in the penitentiary, and were pardoned on Christmas Eve by Governor Swanson, who acted in the case of Turpin on the assurance from the Ex-Prisoners' Aid Society of Virginia that he had determined to give up his old life of crime. If he is punished for the crime of counterfeiting it will mean that he must serve seven years of his unexpired term in the penitentiary.

Seybold was pardoned after having served three years and seven months. He was sent to prison from Covington, Va., where he, with two other men, held up and robbed a Western Union Telegraph operator.

During his stay in prison Seybold made a sensational attempt at escape, by manufacturing a wooden pistol, covering it with tin foil, and flashing it in the face of a guard. One year was added to his sentence for the act.

Turpin began his career of crime when a boy, and seventeen of the thirty-one years he has lived have been spent in prison. He was raised in Lynchburg. Several years ago a series of counterfeit coins were circulated within the penitentiary walls, and after many months Turpin was caught making the coins, with just the same kind of tools as were found in his possession yesterday morning. His previous offense caused the police to discredit Seybold's story that he alone is responsible for the recent crime.

Major E. F. Morgan, Superintendent of the Penitentiary, appeared in the Police Court yesterday and asked the return of the men to his custody, but Marshal Treat was there ahead of him, and as counterfeiting is a violation of a government statute, Justice Crutchfield, after consulting with Judge Witt, turned the men over to the Federal authorities. They were remanded to the city jail for safe-keeping. Seybold will be tried in April.

The maximum penalty for the offense is a fine of $5,000 and imprisonment for ten years, either or both, in the discretion of the court.

FARNAM WANTED ELSEWHERE

Check-Flasher Caught Here May Have Worked in Other Cities.

W. H. Farnam, alias Dr. J. P. Waddell, who was arrested Wednesday in the Jefferson Hotel on a charge of raising two checks—one of $10 to $50 and one from $5 to $15—and having them cashed, is wanted in other cities on a like charge. Major Werner yesterday received a telegram from the Norfolk authorities, stating that a man giving the name of Harold Nyles, answering to the description of Farnam, had worked the same game there, and asking that he be held for them.

It further developed that Farnam may be the same man who, under the name of Dr. J. P. Waddell, worked in Baltimore, and, under the name of Edward Arnine, got money by a similar method from merchants in Philadelphia.

Detectives Wren and Bailey, who made the arrest, have asked for a few days' postponement; and the wisdom of their course is shown by the recent developments. They believe they have a strong case against the young man.

CARRIES BOND ISSUE

Voters of Charlotte County Decide to Spend $100,000 on Roads.

Secretary B. D. Adams, of the State Board of Agriculture and Immigration, received a telegram while in this city yesterday morning announcing that the voters of Charlotte county had carried by 350 majority the $100,000 bond issue for permanent improvements to the county roads.

Mr. Adams says that with the money already given by the State, the county will have about $165,000 to expend in improving its roads. The material to be used will be decided upon by the county supervisors.

The measure permitting the county to have a bond issue for good roads was introduced in the State Legislature by Mr. Adams at the last session.

EXAMINE OLD STRUCTURE

Engineer Here Testing Walls and Foundation of Government Building.

Haswell R. Williams, an engineer in the office of the supervising architect in Washington, is in the city for purpose of examining the walls and foundations of the Federal building. He was busy for some time yesterday boring holes in the cast iron supports while in front of the building a hole was dug and the depth of the foundation tested. The inspection, which is held for the purpose of aiding architects in drawing plans for the new post-office, proved most satisfactory. Mr. Williams states that the drawings are in course of preparation, and that the government will be ready to start work as soon as the temporary structure at Seventh and Franklin Streets is completed.

LIQUOR CASE CONTINUED

Second Case Against Park Hotel Proprietor Continued.

The second case against J. Marshall Atkinson, proprietor of the Park Hotel, charging him with selling liquor to minors, was postponed in Police Court yesterday morning to January 23d, the continuance being granted for the summoning of witnesses.

The youth in this case is W. F. Bynum, nineteen years old, who was one of the important witnesses for the prosecution in the first case, which brought conviction.

A CARD

In view of certain rumors to the effect that we, either individually, or jointly, are interested in or about to become interested in certain mineral water property other than the Buffalo Lithia Springs Water property, and in view of the fact that the numerous inquiries we are receiving would indicate that these rumors have been accredited by the public, we think it well to state as follows: We, the undersigned, have absolutely no connection either individually or jointly, directly or indirectly, with any mineral water property or any resort property, either in the State of Virginia or elsewhere except the Buffalo Lithia Springs property. We have at this time no ihtention of forming any such connection, nor have we at any time had any such intention. Any report to this effect is without foundation in fact and is not authorized by us in any way. No member of the Buffalo Lithia Springs Water Company has any connection with any other mineral water property, either directly or indirectly, other than the Buffalo Lithia Springs Water property, and the use of the name of any member of the company in connection with any other property of this nature is entirely without foundation.

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