

Social and Personal

Mrs. R. and Mrs. Robert Carter Wellford, of "Sabine Hall," Warsaw, Richmond county, announce the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth London, to Thomas Norman Jones, of Richmond, the wedding to take place some time next autumn.

The engagement of Miss Wellford is one of the most important announcements made to society here this spring, owing to the prominence of both families in Virginia and the South.

Miss Wellford frequently visits relatives in Richmond, and spent several months last winter here.

Visiting in Staunton. Mrs. William Hodges Mann, Mrs. George Bryan and Mrs. S. A. Cary, of this city, are guests at the Mary Baldwin Seminary, in Staunton, where they will spend the next few days.

Prominent Engagements. John Robert Williams, of Buckingham county, announces the engagement of his sister, Axtone Bliss to Dr. W. Henry Street, of Richmond, and Virginia Louise, to James T. Sloan, also of this city.

Miss Lambert Entertained. An Atlanta exchange contains the following item of interest here, where Miss Lambert made her home for a number of years.

Marriage Announced. Mrs. Julie McGowan, of Washington, has announced the marriage of her daughter, Adine Putnam, to Lewis Henry Mendenhall, of Alexandria.

Miss Drewry's Wedding. The marriage of Miss Agnes Drewry, of Centralia, Chesterfield county, and John E. DeFord, of Princeton, N. J., will take place very quietly in the Rev. George F. Dudley, and took place in Washington on Wednesday.

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months with relatives in Washington and Richmond. Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bode have returned to Fredericksburg, after spending some time with friends here.

Miss Bessie Doyle has returned to Norfolk, after visiting Mrs. George Mason in this city.

WILL TOUR EUROPE TO STUDY SEMINARIES. Boston, Mass., May 18.—Rev. F. J. Fred Price, of Raleigh, N. C., and Rev. James Anthony Walsh, of Boston, will sail from Boston for the latter part of this month for Europe to study mission seminaries abroad.

Complete Their Course. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Boston, Mass., May 18.—Among the successful candidates for the bachelor of science degree at Simmons College are Miss Katharine Parker, of Raleigh, N. C., and Margaret M. Plant, of Glenvarly, Virginia.

Judgment Against Railroad. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Salisbury, N. C., May 18.—For the loss of an eye while in the service of the Southern Railway Company in Spencer, J. E. Pritchett, a machinist, was today awarded judgment in Rowan Superior Court for \$5,500.

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MEMORIAL EXERCISES IN FREDERICKSBURG. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Fredericksburg, Va., May 18.—Today was observed as Confederate Memorial Day here. Captain Dan M. Lee, brother of the late General Fitzhugh Lee, was chief marshal, with the following assistants: marshals, Colonel E. D. Cole, Major E. S. Ruggles, R. H. H. Taylor, A. B. Batts, Captain R. T. Knox, W. R. Rowe, W. H. Harkamp, Dr. J. Garnett King, J. Conway Chickester.

Business Practically Suspended and Large Crowd Takes Part in Interesting Suit for Damages. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Fredericksburg, Va., May 18.—Today was observed as Confederate Memorial Day here. Captain Dan M. Lee, brother of the late General Fitzhugh Lee, was chief marshal, with the following assistants: marshals, Colonel E. D. Cole, Major E. S. Ruggles, R. H. H. Taylor, A. B. Batts, Captain R. T. Knox, W. R. Rowe, W. H. Harkamp, Dr. J. Garnett King, J. Conway Chickester.

Arriving at the cemetery the assemblage was called to order by Judge John T. Goeltz, who presided, and the program consisted of opening prayer by Rev. John H. Jacobs; singing of hymns by the assemblage; recitation by the band, "Tomb of the Old Camp Ground," by Mrs. Keim and Mrs. Proctor; reading, "In the Land Where We Were Dreaming," by Rev. R. A. Williams; children's chorus, "Annie Blue Flag," quartet, "Where Sleep the Brave," by the band; benediction by Rev. R. A. Williams; taps. Then while the band at the Confederate monument played a number of selections, the women, children and citizens generally decorated all of the soldiers' graves with a profusion of flowers.

Business was practically suspended after 1 o'clock, and the crowd taking part in the observance was a very large one, the occasion being of unusual interest and generally observed.

The suit for damages by O. M. Armstrong against W. S. Decker, E. W. Jones, N. C. Decker and R. H. Chickester, all of this city, for \$10,000, for searching the premises of Armstrong for intoxicants some time ago, will be tried at a special term of the Circuit Court of Spotsylvania county on Tuesday, May 23, at 10 o'clock.

The case will be of unusual interest, and will probably occupy several days. Any legal talent is employed on both sides. Mr. Armstrong will be represented by Judge John T. Embrey and Frederick W. Coleman, and Chesley, et al., defendants, will be represented by E. P. Willis, T. Stakeley Coleman, E. M. Chickester and W. K. Goeltz.

TOO MUCH MONEY IN TREASURER'S OFFICE. Orders Sent to Pay Poll Taxes Which Already Had Been Settled. Interest in Politics.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Harrisonburg, Va., May 18.—A humorous situation with a serious side, it has developed in the office of County Treasurer Keezell. It appears that a number of local politicians rushed out to the county several weeks ago and hurriedly got together the money to pay the poll tax, but about seventy-five voters, at the last moment, the treasurer was deluged with money orders in payment of certain poll taxes.

It now develops that half of these voters had already paid their poll taxes and the busy politicians, having voted and having paid their poll taxes to be paid in person, had to go to the treasurer's office and ask for their money back. Treasurer Keezell still has the fifty-odd dollars on his hands.

Incidentally, local students of politics are wondering who it is that put up the hundred dollars and more to get the voters on the list, and why the sudden frenzy at the eleventh hour. It is understood that all the voters are Republicans, and it is probable that the public will hear from this incident before the campaign is over.

The poll tax list, it is thought, quickly following the announcement of H. B. Winfield, of Broadway, that he was a candidate for the office of Commonwealth Attorney, this morning J. Robert Switzer, of Harrisonburg, came out for the same office. Both are Democrats.

Mr. Switzer is a son of the late Sheriff John A. Switzer. Three years ago he graduated at Washington Law University, following a course of study at Randolph-Macon Academy, of Front Royal. He is captain of the United Bank, Knights of Pythias, and member of the Harrisonburg Guards.

George N. Conrad, the present Commonwealth Attorney, it is understood, will be a candidate for the State Senate to succeed Senator George B. Keezell, who is in the fight for the trusteeship against T. L. Williamson. The name of C. E. Fahrney, of Timberville, is also mentioned for the State Senate.

MASONS WILL BE IN CHARGE. Cornerstone of New Dormitory to Be Laid May 24. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Chatham, Va., May 18.—The cornerstone of "Dabney" Hall, the new south dormitory of the Chatham College, will be laid by the Pittsylvania Lodge of Masons, of this place, on Wednesday, May 24, at noon. Addresses will be made by visitors, and the day will be one of special interest.

The foundation of the building will at that time be nearing completion. Dr. Flammang, sanitary inspector of the Virginia Board of Health, visited this place on Tuesday and made a helpful talk to the Town Council Tuesday night on the sanitary needs of the place and the best solution of the question of sanitation as the situation is at present.

The medal awarded at the Chatham High School closing on Friday of last week for the best essay on the part played by Virginia in the late war was given by the Rawley Martin Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, of this place, and has been given for several seasons as an incentive to history study in the school.

In Pittsylvania county Circuit Court Wednesday the case of J. H. Roach against the Southern Railway Company for damages sustained from a falling car door was decided in favor of the defendant. The suit of Haynes against the building committee of the Chatham Training School was continued until the regular July term, at the request of the plaintiff.

The baccalaureate sermon to the students of the Chatham Training School will be by Rev. Mr. Doan in the Baptist Church on next Sunday night. On Monday night the annual debate will be in the town hall, and on Tuesday night President Wright, of Richmond College, will deliver the address to the students.

High School at Surry ENDS SUCCESSFUL YEAR. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Surry, Va., May 18.—The high school has just closed the best session in its history. It had for the first time a graduating class. Misses Mabel Sprayley, Cecil Gill, Hazell Bell and Nora Mitchell, T. S. Seale, State Supervisor of Rural Schools, made a splendid address on rural life, and urged that country life be made more attractive to the young by improving the school, and the cultivation of the beautiful that surround country life.

Negro Killed by Train. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Henderson, N. C., May 18.—This afternoon about two o'clock, Dave Young, colored, eighty years of age, was instantly killed by the outgoing Southern train, about one mile and a half south of Henderson. Young was walking on the track facing the train, with his head hung down, and being dead did not hear the bell or whistle.

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INSURANCE MEN GET HIGHER PAY. New Scheme Seems to Evade Virginia Law in Interest of Local Agents.

COMMISSIONS UNIFORM. Southern Agents Seek Better Pay After Years of Discrimination.

Insurance agents throughout Virginia will probably receive a higher rate of commissions, as the result of new agreements which are being made. The commissions in the South have always been lower than those in other parts of the country, and efforts are being made to unify them.

In order to do this, what is regarded as an exceedingly clever evasion of the Virginia law forbidding the commission of companies to fix commissions has been evolved. The scheme is worked in this way:

Insurance companies send out letters to agents, calling attention to the new proposition for an increase in commissions. The old rate is 15 per cent, of the premiums, a graded scale is now proposed, varying from 15 per cent, on some classes of risks up to 25 per cent, on other kinds of property.

The letters which the agents distinctly say that the latter need not accept the terms, nor, indeed, are they made in the form of offers from the companies. The agents, if they desire to adopt the new scale, are to sign blank applications which are furnished them. In these applications they agree not to represent any company which pays them any different rates of commission. The agents may accept business from any other companies if they desire, but they promise to at once notify the companies in the evident agreement in case they do so.

While the new rates are not what the agents want, it is understood that they are being taken advantage of, for they involve an increase of compensation. Insurance Commissioner Button was asked for a ruling as to whether or not this scheme violates the Virginia law. After consulting legal authorities, Colonel Button rendered an opinion to the effect that as criminal statutes are construed strictly, he hardly thought the deal would be held to contravert the law.

Local Concerns Withdraw. However, this put the Virginia companies in an unenviable position. Out-of-state companies might afford to take the risk and the cost of revocation of their license, they could not do so in this State for a year. But the home companies, if suffering revocation of license, would meet the same fate in all other States, and thus be put out of business.

Consequently, the Virginia State Insurance Company and the Virginia Fire and Marine Insurance Company decided not to take the chance. Because of their unwillingness to run the risk, eastern members of the Association, which is supposed to have sponsored the plan for the increase in commissions.

May Not Increase Rates. As to whether the new plan of paying agents will result in an increase of premiums to the benefit of policy-holders is problematical. Insurance experts hope this will not be the case, since, with the reduction of commissions in other States, the cost of doing business there would be rather reduced.

The entire proposition is the outcome of efforts made for years to have a uniform scale of commissions. At the meeting of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, held in Missouri in September, 1910, a special committee to investigate the causes of fire insurance companies made a report. This committee had found that in certain sections of the country graded commissions of 15, 20 and 25 per cent are paid on different classifications; that in certain other sections (notably in the South) a flat commission of 15 per cent on all classifications is paid, while in certain so-called "excited" cities the preferred classifications pay as high as 25, 40 and even 50 per cent of the premiums to agents.

Wants Uniformity. The committee made the following recommendation: "We therefore recommend the substitution by uniform company action if possible, but if not possible, then by statute, of a system by which local agents shall be compensated by a flat commission and a commission contingent upon the profits of their respective agencies, the rate of flat and contingent commissions to be uniform throughout the country. Being interested in the promotion of the business, the great body of agents would be transformed into an army of inspectors and moved to co-operate in all movements designed to improve conditions and reduce fire waste. The greater the activities of the agent along these lines, the more he would be his compensation and the greater the benefit to the general public through the lessening of fires."

It is largely as a result of these recommendations that the companies throughout the country are endeavoring to secure a uniform scale of compensation to agents.

TRIALS SET FOR MAY 20. Ten Men Charged With Violating Law Governing Social Clubs. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Salisbury, N. C., May 18.—Charged with violating the laws governing clubs in North Carolina, ten Salisbury men were arrested to-day by Sheriff H. C. Hendrix, Chief of Police, G. H. Shaver and Deputies Tolbert and Jordan. Every social or drink club in Salisbury was visited by the officers, and the wholesale arrests created a considerable stir for a time. The trials were set for May 20. Other arrests will follow.

Verdict for Defendant. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Bristol, Va., May 18.—In the case of Mrs. Hodges, widow of John M. Hodges, in which Mrs. Hodges sought to recover \$5,000 damages for the death of her husband, who met death by falling through an elevator shaft at the store of the Virginia-Tennessee Hardware Company here, Judge Dana Harmon gave the jury peremptory instructions to find for the company, the court taking the view that the company was clearly not to blame for the death.

C. H. Bidleman in his case against the city, in which he sought to recover damages in the sum of \$5,000 for his riparian rights in a stream which the city appropriated, was awarded judgment for \$500.

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Ashland News Notes. Ashland, Va., May 18.—Mrs. Charles T. Jenkins and Miss Judith Moall Jenkins have returned to Baltimore after a visit to Mrs. James Harris.

Miss Nita Blincoe is visiting friends in Richmond. Messdames P. Arrelle Brown, of Baltimore, and M. M. Little, of Richmond, were guests of Mrs. H. C. Scott on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cross, of Richmond, spent the week-end with relatives here. Mr. and Mrs. W. Meads Addison and children, of Richmond, are guests at the Henry Clay Inn.

Mrs. Stewart Smith, who has been the guest of her mother, Mrs. J. Watkins Lee, will return to New York on Saturday.

Miss Annie Macon Potts leaves this week to visit friends at the Southern Seminary, Buena Vista. The Woman's Club met by request on Tuesday at the home of Mrs. James Chenery. The subject of the afternoon's program was a round table talk on "Jane Adams' Twenty Years at Hull House," as outlined by Mrs. Chenery. The club was particularly fortunate in having present William L. Chenery, who had just returned for a short visit to his parents from Chicago, where he had a short talk given on "Jane Adams' Twenty Years at Hull House," taken as a basis. Delicious ices were served by Misses Blanche Chenery, Nancy Snyder and Caroline Ellis.

The Ashland Music Club was delightfully entertained on Tuesday night by Messdames William McGill Lasher, Charles E. Potts and James D. Hunter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Potts. The program was particularly fine, embodying, as it did, the results of the year's work of the club. Fruit punch was served throughout the evening, and at the close delightful refreshments were served.

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