

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

ABSOLUTELY PURE
Makes the food more delicious and wholesome

BRAMBLETON WARD.

The retiring officers of the Epworth League of Trinity M. E. Church met last night at 7:30 o'clock and received the reports of the various committees for the closing quarter of the past year. They then adjourned to the auditorium, where the league was having a musical and literary entertainment. The following was the program:

Song.....Choir
Prayer.....Pastor
Solo.....Miss Love
Recitation, "The Last Hymn".....Miss Annie Flanagan
Duet—Mrs. Oliver and Miss Lucile Sandorlin
Recitation.....Miss Christine Groves
Solo.....Miss Ruth Fulford
Installation of officers, conducted by Rev. R. H. Bennett, who delivered a very impressive charge, followed by an admirable address, in which he defined the true work of the Epworth League as loyalty to Christ, which is, he said, the chief work of the church, and "as Epworth Leagues it remains to be seen how faithful you will be to the trust committed to you. The work of the league is the means of developing a full rounded Christian character. This is the way to make our lives great and useful. It is here that the elements of beauty and greatness are all around you. The right use of which will make your lives sublime." Mr. Bennett, in closing, drew a picture of the lives of two men who had died a few years ago. One, Jay Gould, for whom no sorrow was felt beyond his own household, and those interested in the stock market. The other was Phillips Brooks, who was mourned by thousands. One had lived for self only, the other for Christ and the good of his fellow men.

CONCERT AT ST. PETER'S.

The concert given under the auspices of North Park Avenue Chapter of St. Peter's P. E. Church, at Kim Hall, last night, was witnessed by a cultivated and discriminating audience, which manifested its appreciation by unstinted applause. The violin solo by Mr. Charles Borjes was executed in a faultless manner, and the parts taken by the remainder of the cast were well up to the standard of excellence.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. A. M. Cousins left yesterday afternoon for Roanoke, Va.

Mrs. Howard M. Hoge, State president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, addressed a large gathering of the members of the Brambleton W. C. T. U. at the home of the president, No. 292 North Park avenue, yesterday evening. Her remarks were confined to a review of the general work of the union through the State, and was highly interesting.

Rev. Henry Varley, the noted English evangelist, preached to an immense audience at Park Avenue Baptist Church last night, a sermon of great power, which moved the entire audience to serious reflection. All the Baptist divines in this city, Portsmouth and Berkeley, were present and took the most profound interest in the service. Mr. Varley will preach to-day at 3 and 7:45 p. m.

ATLANTIC CITY WARD

A fair sized audience assembled at the W. C. T. U. hall on Colley avenue last night to hear addresses from Mr. Howard M. Hoge and his wife, the latter being the State president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Virginia.

The meeting was presided over by Mrs. A. C. Milley, president of the Norfolk District Union. The exercises were opened by singing the hymn "Nearer My God to Thee" and prayer by Mr. Hoge.

He followed a solo by Miss Carrie Lambert, after which Mr. Hoge was introduced as the first speaker. He delivered a most excellent address, taking as his theme, "Am I My Brother's Keeper?" He said: "We are all responsible for the evils of intemperance as it is by our votes men are elected to office who frame the laws granting men the privilege to sell the poison to our fellow-men, their worst enemy and the greatest foe to God and his church."

Mrs. Hoge followed in an address on the general temperance work in the State in which she showed that the outlook was highly encouraging for a successful warfare against the evils of intemperance in the future. She urged the members of the union here to redouble their energies in behalf of the cause in which they are engaged, as woman was the greatest sufferer by the continuance of this evil.

Five new members were added to the roll, after which the doxology was sung and the meeting closed with the benediction by Rev. C. W. Maxwell, of Colley Memorial Presbyterian Church.

BRIEF MENTION.

The Silver Cross Circle of the King's Daughters held an interesting business meeting at the residence of Mrs. S. D. Hope, on Colley avenue yesterday.

The Board of Stewards of LeKies Memorial M. E. Church held an important business meeting last night.

The Atlantic City W. C. T. U. are arranging for an entertainment to take place in the near future.

Handsome improvements are being made to a number of the residences on Avenue B.

The Senior Epworth League will conduct the services at LeKies Memorial M. E. Church to-night. An address will be delivered by the pastor, Rev. W. T. Williams.

The Ladies' Aid Society of LeKies Memorial Church have fixed upon the 20th of February next as the time for holding their fair and feast. It will continue for five nights, with new attractions each evening.

The residents of the ward are elated at the prospect of having in the near future an iron bridge across Smith's Creek at the foot of York street, in place of the present wooden structure.

Have Your Name Registered

Along with the largest number of wearers of one shoe in the city.

HELLER'S \$2.00 PATROL SHOE guaranteed not to rip and to have three distinct solid leather soles. They are worn by all classes of mechanics. If you will kindly tell us what trade you follow, by referring to our books, we will tell you several at that trade that wear them, some of whom you may know.

Have them in narrow, medium and wide toes.

HELLER'S SHOE STORE, 64 Bank street.

Do your Glasses suit you? If not see Dr. Weck, 310 Main street.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

MR. J. E. CROWDER.

Mr. James E. Crowder, well known and for many years a resident of Norfolk, departed this life at his home, No. 116 Bond street, Brambleton Ward, at 4:30 o'clock yesterday morning, after a protracted illness, in the 67th year of his age. The deceased was a native of Petersburg, and a man of sterling qualities of head and heart, and was greatly esteemed by a large circle of friends and acquaintances. He was a member of Columbia Conclave, No. 7, Heptasoph, or S. W. M., and held the position of Past Archon at the time of his demise. He has also represented his conclave in the grand body. He was an ardent Heptasoph, and a useful member of the order, being thoroughly acquainted with its history and teachings. The funeral will take place from his late residence, at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon.

MRS. D. E. BURGESS.

Mrs. Diana E. Burgess, relict of the late W. B. Burgess, died at her home, No. 10 Brewer street, at 2:45 a. m. yesterday. The immediate cause of her demise was an attack of la grippe. She was in the 64th year of her age, and is survived by several children, all grown. The funeral will be held from her residence at 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

MRS. TAKLA B. FRANK.

The obsequies of Mrs. Takla B. Frank, wife of Mr. Samuel Frank, whose death occurred suddenly at her home, No. 431 East Main street, at an early hour Sunday morning, was held from the residence at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, in the presence of an assemblage of sorrowing friends that filled the house to its utmost capacity. The impressive Hebrew service was conducted by Rev. Dr. B. Ebersohn, of Chief Sholem Temple. Rev. H. Benmoshe, of the Cumberland Street Synagogue, being present. The elegant cloth casket was literally covered with the rarest flowers, while the floral tributes generally were both numerous and beautiful. The interment was in the Hebrew Cemetery. Following were the pall-bearers: Messrs. Isaac Hoffheimer, J. W. Spagat, S. Westheimer, S. Hamburger, M. Frankfort, A. Ries, Frank Duschel, Edward Hirschler, I. B. Lowenberg, D. Adelsdorf and H. Kaufman.

MR. JOHN W. JENKINS.

The funeral of Mr. John W. Jenkins, whose demise occurred at his home, No. 96 Chapel street, Sunday night, was held from the residence at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. Father John Deherly, of St. Mary's Catholic church. The remains were laid to rest in Elmwood Cemetery.

AMUSEMENTS.

"SIDE TRACKED."

To-morrow evening and Friday matinee and evening "Side Tracked" will be presented at the Academy of Music. This is claimed to be one of the greatest mirth-provoking comedies now before the public, abounding in the latest catchy music, bright specialties and ludicrous situations, intended to create fun from start to finish, and the management promises that those who attend will sustain the old and true saying: "Laugh and the world laughs with you."

ROLAND REED.

Norfolk's popular favorites, Roland Reed and Miss Isadore Rush, appear at the Academy of Music next Monday night in their famous comedy: "The Woman Hater." Mr. Reed has an excellent company this season and an evening of rare pleasure may be expected. Sale of seats commences Friday morning at 9 o'clock.

A DECIDED NOVELTY.

The grand cake walk at the Academy of Music on Thursday, January 19th, at matinee and night performances, will consist not only of the famous walk, but will be preceded by an olio of vocal music and dances. The singers all have splendid voices, and will be heard in all of the popular negro songs of the day, while the dances are conceded among the best in the State and capable of holding their reputation against outsiders. The cake walk was the society event in Richmond, where the same company of walkers appeared before one of the largest audiences ever seen in that theatre.

HUNTERSVILLE.

A Rosobud Society has been organized by the Sunday school of Johnson Avenue M. E. Church with a large membership and a full corps of officers.

Rev. John H. Dickinson, rector, will preach at St. Andrew Episcopal Chapel at 8 o'clock to-morrow night.

There will be preaching at Johnson Avenue M. E. Church to-night at 8 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. Daniel T. Merritt.

Business in Justice's court at present is very dull, which speaks well for the good order of the village.

HICKORY.

Mr. J. Gray Reid, of Norfolk, is the guest of Mr. Ironmonger, Jr.

Dr. R. B. Tabb has returned from Washington, D. C., where he has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Stewart.

Our enterprising farmer, Mr. George A. Wilson, Jr., started twelve double plows to work this morning.

Our special officer, Mr. T. B. Williams, returned from Carolina this morning, where he has been on business. He reports the roads in a terrible condition.

An Important Difference.

To make it apparent to thousands, who think themselves ill, that they are not afflicted with any disease, but that the system simply needs cleansing, is to bring comfort home to their hearts, as a costly condition, is easily cured by using Syrup of Figs. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only, and sold by all druggists.

Be sure you are right, then go to New York Dental Rooms to have teeth extracted. No pain. Newest Discovery.

Y. Dental Rooms ONLY, 324 Main street, corner Talbot. Ennes.

All glasses prescribed by Dr. Weck guaranteed. Examinations free. 310 Main street.

NORFOLK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Mr. R. G. Doble, Son of Superintendent Doble, Defeats Professor G. Winston Parish, of Portsmouth—Speeches of Endorsement.

The Board of School Trustees met at noon yesterday, with the following members present: W. A. S. Taylor, chairman; R. C. Taylor, secretary, and Messrs. East, Pamplin, Greenwood, Fiveash, Whitehead, Moran, Bell, Gale, Minter, Ruffin, Randolph, Morris and Superintendent Doble.

A communication was received from the Brambleton Board of Improvement on the subject of the salary of teachers in that ward, which stated that the board recognizes the right of the School Board to regulate salaries in accordance with the amount of money furnished by the former. There was some discussion over the communication, after which it was ordered to be spread upon the records.

CANDIDATES FOR RECTOR.

The next business taken up was the election of a rector for the Fourth Ward School. There were several applicants, but, on motion of Mr. J. Frank East, no applications were considered except from those who were nominated. He then put in nomination Mr. R. L. Doble.

Prof. G. Winston Parish, of Portsmouth, was nominated by Mr. W. A. Minter.

The applications and recommendations of both candidates were read. They were full and complimentary.

Mr. Doble is a graduate of the Virginia Military Institute of Lexington and a son of Superintendent R. A. Doble. Prof. Parish holds the position of teacher in the Portsmouth public schools and graduated with honors at the University of Virginia.

SUPPORTING SPEECHES.

Mr. East, in recommending Mr. Doble for the position, said he had no doubt that all the applicants for the position were thoroughly competent. Any man who is at all competent to teach could supply the vacancy in the Fourth Ward School, but it was a duty that he owed to our home talent to elect a teacher from Norfolk. It is the duty of the board to stand by our own people. If Mr. Doble was not an applicant I should vote for Mr. Parish, but having a man in our own community fully competent to teach, I should vote for him.

Mr. Minter said: "I accept what has been said by Mr. East in favor of home talent. Mr. Parish graduated in our own schools. He started here. He is, therefore, an example of home talent. If he is elected to the position he intends to make Norfolk his home, but in so important a matter we should discard all personal feelings. Although I represent Atlantic City Ward in this board, having been sent here by its citizens, I make it my duty to carefully study the interests of the city at large. I recommend Mr. Parish because his experience and training eminently fit him for the position we have to fill."

Mr. Randolph called attention to the fact that certificates are required by law. Teachers cannot hold positions in the public schools who have not certificates. He stated also that no recommendations could be read under the resolution passed except of those who were nominated. This cut off some recommendations for other teachers which Mr. Ruffin offered to read.

Mr. Whitehead said: "I nominated Mr. Doble at the previous meeting of the board. I believe it to be our duty to stand by our own people. I favor giving Mr. Doble this position, believing that he will fill it with credit and honor. No man from Norfolk could be elected to the position of scavenger in Portsmouth."

Mr. Whitehead, in his remarks, referred to Mr. Minter's connection with the Norfolk Landmark.

Mr. Minter, in replying to Mr. Whitehead, said: "While I am an attaché of the Landmark, the Landmark has no influence on my position in this matter. I am acting as I believe for the best interests of public education in the city of Norfolk."

ENOUGH OF NEPOTISM.

Mr. Ruffin said: "Duty often entails upon us a disagreeable task in public matters. I dislike to oppose the election of Mr. Doble because of the pleasant relations that exist between myself and him and his father, but as was the case with Prof. Bain, this board must not be restricted by time nor place in securing the best talent that is available. The contest is narrowed to the election of Mr. Doble or Prof. Parish. The latter holds that certificate which is a passport to the army, the navy—to anywhere a man may desire to go. He holds the certificate of master of arts of the University of Virginia. That is a passport to any position to which a man can or may aspire. I cannot consent, without protest, to the election of a rector in our schools who is the son of the superintendent. We have had enough of nepotism in Norfolk."

After the remarks of Mr. Ruffin the election was proceeded with by ballot, with the following result:

MR. DOBLE ELECTED.

Mr. Doble received 8 votes, Prof. Parish, 6. Mr. Doble was declared elected rector of the Fourth Ward School.

Superintendent Doble in graceful words acknowledged the compliment the board had paid his son, and remarked that the relations between him and the new rector would induce him to report any dereliction quicker there than if these relations did not exist.

Rheumatism

causes more aches and pains than any other disease. It is due to acid in the blood, and is cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla which neutralizes this acid.

HOOD'S PILLS cure Rheumatism, Mailed for 25 cents by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Mr. Archer of Virginia Beach.

The Richmond Dispatch of yesterday has the following: "Mr. A. W. Archer, one of the most affable and popular hotel men in Virginia, and well remembered here, by reason of his long association with the Exchange, has accepted a position for the coming season with the Princess Anne Hotel, Virginia Beach. Mr. Sylvanus Stokes, formerly of this city, has secured control of the Princess Anne, and Mr. Archer is to be the business manager."

A NEW INDUSTRY

A \$400,000 Silk Mill For Norfolk.

Public Spirited and Enterprising Citizens, Combined With Baltimore and New York Capitalists—Interested in the Enterprise.

For several weeks there has been in circulation a rumor that a large silk mill would in all probability be established in our rapidly growing community, but the Virginian-Pilot refrained from giving greater publicity to it for the reason that the Norfolk promoters had not consummated their plans, and on the assurance that at the proper time it would be placed in possession of all the facts of public interest connected with the deal.

This important industry was secured to Norfolk through the efforts of Messrs. Mottu, deWitt & Company, Myers & Company, and Mr. D. Lowenberg, and will be backed by ample Norfolk, New York and Baltimore capital. A company has been organized with the following officers:

President—Otto Andrea, Jr., of New York.

Vice-President—J. P. Andre Mottu, of Norfolk.

Treasurer—H. A. Van Liew, of New York.

Secretary and Assistant Treasurer—J. P. Williams, of Norfolk.

The Board of Directors is made up of silk manufacturers of New York, Paterson and Norfolk investors.

It is the intention of the company to erect a large mill at Lambert's Point, and equip it with the latest improved machinery for the manufacture of silk. The plant will, when completed, cover about two acres of ground, and will probably be operated by electricity. It will give employment to from 500 to 450 hands at remunerative wages.

The general manager of the new industry is now in the city, and purposes within the next thirty days starting a weaving school, so as to train operatives for the work they will be required to perform when the mills open. All women desirous of qualifying themselves for work may apply for positions at the office of Messrs. Mottu, deWitt & Company, on Granby street, where they can learn full particulars.

A representative of the Virginian-Pilot was informed yesterday that after the most careful investigation it has been found that Norfolk is exceptionally well located for a silk weaving business, and that the gentlemen who have obligated themselves to put \$400,000 in it here are confident of making the enterprise mutually profitable. Numerous locations were accessible, but our climate, transportation facilities, and superior advantages outweighed the arguments advanced in favor of other communities, and we will have the silk mill.

THE COURT YESTERDAY.

A DAY'S WORK OF THE BLIND GODDESS.

In the Court of Law and Chancery yesterday Rebecca A. Briggs was granted a separation from her husband on the ground of desertion.

The \$5,000 damage suit of Arthur E. Murray against the City National Bank was tried in this court to-day and resulted in a verdict for the defendant. Mr. W. S. Woodworth, counsel for the plaintiff, motioned for a new trial. The motion was continued. Messrs. Whitehurst and Hughes appeared for the bank.

In the case of Walter Sharp vs. the Case Refrigerating Machine Company for commissions on a sale of a plant to the Monticello Hotel, a jury gave the plaintiff \$500. A motion for a new trial was overruled this morning and judgment was ordered entered up against the defendants.

CHARTER GRANTED.

The Suburban Land Company has been granted a charter by Judge Hanckel, of the Corporation Court. The capital stock is placed at from \$5,000 to \$15,000.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The Park Place Company to M. C. Percebe, a lot fronting twenty-five feet on the north side of Nineteenth street; \$300.

L. Cranmer to H. G. Williams, a one-half interest in two lots with improvements fronting 160 feet on the southeast side of Clark street, Lambert's Point; \$10.

William B. Martin, trustee for Diana E. Burgess, and Diana E. Burgess to Alexander Tunstall, Elizabeth Walke Tunstall, Charles McIntosh Tunstall, Richard Tunstall and Ruth Tunstall, a wedge shaped strip of land in the rear of No. 98 Bank street; \$100.

POLICE COURT RECORD.

Mag. Baten, profanity; fined \$6.

Sarah Sheppard, colored, felonious assault on Richard Jacob; dismissed.

Allen Slaughter, colored, stealing \$2 from S. Friedberg; continued until to-day.

James Z. West and Charles West, both colored, feloniously shooting at Policeman Ralston; continued for ten days owing to quarantine at the jail.

Willie Smith and Phil Smith, both colored, housebreaking and robbery; continued till January 26th owing to quarantine at the jail.

NOT CRIMINALLY RESPONSIBLE.

Motorman John Flora and Conductor John Burton, who were in charge of street car No. 37, which ran over and killed Mr. William K. Ferguson on Colley avenue, Atlantic City Ward, Saturday morning, December 31st, were acquitted in the Police Court yesterday. Justice Tomlin read a lengthy opinion. It showed that considerable thought had been given the case. The court held that there was enough conflict in the testimony, some of which tended to show that Mr. Ferguson might have seen the car had he been sufficiently alert, to raise a reasonable doubt in favor of the defendants and exonerate them from criminal responsibility.

Will Ask Mercy of the Courts.

Yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer says of a party well known in Norfolk: "Burton, who flim-flammed Dr. Smedes out of \$25, and who is now in jail awaiting trial by the present term of court, is completely broken down, and is in bad health. He appears to be very penitent. He stated that he would make no defence, but would pray the mercy of the court. It will be remembered that he practiced the same little game in other cities."

OTHER LOCAL ON PAGE 11.

WORKING WOMEN WHO SUFFER.

Should Get Mrs. Pinkham's Advice—The Whole Truth can be Told to her Because she is a Woman.

The suffering and pain endured by some working women is almost past belief. Here is a letter from one of the multitude of women who have been restored to health and usefulness by Mrs. Pinkham's advice and medicine:

DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I feel as though your advice had lifted me from the grave. I must have been very near it. I suffered terribly at time of menstruation, was constantly troubled with cold hands and feet, was extremely nervous, could not sleep well, was troubled with frightened dreams, had heart trouble and a feeling as though my breath was going to stop, also had leucorrhoea. I tried to get help but all remedies failed, until I wrote to you. I cannot thank you enough for your kind advice, and I wish to tell every one the great good your remedies have done me.—TAMMA C. HOOVER, Wolfsville, Md.



Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for a quarter of a century has been helping women to be strong and well. The following statement from Miss H. PATTERSON, of 2531 Lawrence St., Philadelphia, Pa., should interest all working women who are troubled with female complaints:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I must write and tell what your medicine has done for me. I am a working girl and have to stay at my work all day. I suffered greatly with bearing-down pains and backache. I was advised by a friend to try your Vegetable Compound. I did so and can say positively I am cured. I have recommended your medicine to all my lady friends, and would advise any of my sex suffering from female weakness to give Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound a trial, for I know it will cure."

Mrs. Pinkham invites all women troubled about their health to write to her at Lynn, Mass., and secure her advice free of all charge. All such letters are seen and answered by women only.

Ask Mrs. Pinkham's Advice—A Woman Best Understands a Woman's Ills

THE HUB—"The leader of leaders."

Reliability Is The Corner Stone

—upon which this business structure is built—and Satisfaction is the cap stone which surmounts the entire structure. No inferior qualities ever enter the store to breed dissatisfaction—for a strict guard is kept that everything which comes to us for your choosing must be right in QUALITY. This is one law of The Hub—one which has helped to make this store the best of its kind in the entire south.

Treating every patron in the same courteous manner—giving a hundred cents worth in full return for every dollar expended—and returning money when requested—have all played a prominent part in making this the most popular clothing establishment known.

A Special 'Fiyer in Suits and Overcoats

The offering we have prepared to-day for the men folks will create a stir—cannot fail to do it—for the value represented is something great.

We've culled from regular stock a lot of Men's Suits and a lot of Men's Overcoats—which sold from \$12.50 to \$15—and "bunched 'em in one lot—to offer you—

FOR \$9.80

Every Suit and every Overcoat in the lot is a splendid example of the perfection reached by the ready-to-wear-tailor's skill. There's as much style—as much fine tailoring—as much fit—and fine finish—in 'em as you could expect to find in the swellest custom tailor's garments. Suits are of black and blue and fancy mixed effects—and the Overcoats are of kersey cloth.

Here's a chance for you to save almost half the usual cost—if you're prompt.

THE HUB

374 Main Street, NORFOLK, VA.

Sorosiss. THE NEW SHOE FOR WOMEN...

The most satisfactory shoe ever made. Combines the extreme of fashion and the perfection of comfort and convenience. All hand-sewed with bygienic cork filling between the soles, which does not come in contact with the foot.

"SOROSIS" Shoes for style. Nothing like them ever been offered. Some are made of men's shaped lasts. All styles, exclusive shapes and exclusive leathers, for all seasons and occasions.

SOROSIS is the shoe you can intelligently ask for, understandingly purchase and recommend to your friends. There is only one grade and one price.

\$3.50

S. J. THOMAS & CO.

This trade mark branded into the sole of every shoe.