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RALLY OF LEAGUES

Bishop Alpheus W. Wilson Will Be Present.

A Great Gathering of Epworth Leaguers Called For April 21st.—The Distribution of Plates Will Be Made.

A grand rally and mass meeting of the Seaside Union of Epworth Leaguers of this section will be held in Monumental M. E. Church, Portsmouth, on Friday evening, April 21st, at 8 o'clock.

The occasion will be of unusual interest to the league workers in Tidewater Virginia. The special committee delegated by the union to arrange for all mass meetings, is now preparing a program of music that for attractiveness will surpass all previous efforts.

THE CROWNING FEATURE. The crowning feature of the event, which will make it memorable in the Epworth Leagues, will be the presence of the distinguished and profoundly learned prelate of the M. E. Church, South, Rev. Alpheus W. Wilson, D. D., LL. D., who will deliver the address of the evening.

The bishop has recently returned from his third episcopal tour of China and Japan, where he has been holding annual conferences, and his visit to Norfolk and Portsmouth at this time will give some valuable information in regard to the progress of the gospel in heathen lands.

Reports of the work accomplished by the leagues during the past quarter will be read. Other matters on league work will also be presented.

An effort will be made to prevail upon Bishop Wilson to remain over the following Sunday and preach in one of the churches in Norfolk and Portsmouth. He is regarded as the greatest preacher in the College of Bishops of the M. E. Church, South.

Talent Workers Rally.

The talent workers of Queen Street M. E. Church will have their final rally to-night, when the various committees who have been raising the talent money to pay off the debt on the church will submit reports of what they have done in the laudable enterprise in which they have been engaged and the money will be turned over to the treasurer of the church. A praise meeting will follow.

A Musical and Literary Treat.

The musical and literary entertainment, under the auspices of the young lady workers of Queen Street M. E. Church last night in the lecture-room, was the event of the season, and was graced by a large and music loving audience that thoroughly enjoyed the program. All of the participants acquitted themselves handsomely, and Mr. Richards, who is always a drawing card, fairly captivated his hearers by his superb vocal renditions. He had to respond to repeated encores. The concert was an entire success.

BRIEF ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Mr. B. J. Smith, Jr., of Washington City, is at the Atlantic.

The Johns Hopkins University Mandolin and Guitar Club spent Monday night at the Atlantic, returning home yesterday.

Mr. H. P. Maxwell of the United States Pension Service, left the city yesterday for a trip through Southwest Virginia.

Mrs. F. Gillom and son, Miss W. H. Gillom, Mr. J. B. Gillom, Jr., and Mr. J. T. Nicholl, of Windsor, visited Norfolk yesterday.

Mr. J. A. Welch, of Brattleboro, Vt., left yesterday for his home.

Mr. J. W. Wemack, of Farmville, with the American Book Company, went West yesterday.

Messrs. H. A. Gilliam, M. S. Whitehurst and E. C. Knight, of Tarboro, N. C., returned home yesterday.

Mr. C. E. Branning, of Aloskie, N. C., was here yesterday on business.

Mr. H. O. Wilbur, of Washington, D. C., spent yesterday in our city.

Mrs. W. D. Chipley, Mrs. J. R. A. Hobson and Mr. Dudley, of Richmond, came to the city yesterday to attend the Chipley-Walker nuptials.

Colonel W. Gordon McCabe, Jr., of Petersburg, spent a disagreeable day in Norfolk yesterday on account of the snow and rain.

Mr. C. Schmuher and wife, of New York, were among the guests of the Monticello yesterday.

Mrs. A. R. McCrat and maid, of New York, are at the Monticello.

Mrs. Merrill, wife of Commander J. P. Merrill, of the U. S. S. Yosemite, joined him in this city yesterday.

Mr. Jabez Baker and wife, of Westport, Conn., are stopping at the Monticello.

Lieutenant and Mrs. H. K. Usher, of the United States Navy, are stopping at the Monticello. Lieutenant Usher is lighthouse inspector for the Seventh District.

Dr. H. W. Phillips, after spending his Easter holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel C. Phillips, of 212 West Brattleboro avenue, returned home yesterday.

The many friends of Captain W. J. Rodgers will learn with interest of the marriage of his daughter, Miss Magie, to Mr. Charles J. Miller at the residence of the bride's parents, 525 Snyder avenue, Philadelphia, on the evening of Wednesday, March 29. They were both formerly of Norfolk.

Mr. J. W. Cason, of the City Water office, has recovered from his protracted illness and returned to duty.

The regular meeting of the Washington Circle of the King's Daughters will be held Thursday at 11 a. m. at Mrs. J. D. Addington's, 57 York street.

Mr. J. A. Stout, of Norfolk county, has issued invitations to the marriage of his daughter, Miss Lelia Virginia Stout, to Mr. H. Bascom Etheridge, the nuptials to take place at 7 p. m. Wednesday, April 12th, at Berea Christian Church, Great Bridge, Norfolk county.

The public schools reopened yesterday, the Easter holiday season having expired.

Mr. Frank Topham has been elected delegate from Harmony Lodge No. 19, I. O. O. F., to the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows.

Williamsburg Letter: Mr. Caubert Chamberlaine, of Norfolk, has been a guest for several days at the Galt mansion.

Mr. R. B. Cooke, of this city, will on Thursday attend at Petersburg a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Central State Hospital, of which he is a member.

It is better to preserve health than to cure disease. Therefore, keep your blood pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla and be always well.

We make special mention of our Oxford suitings. No grade more stylish and dressy.

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WINTER LOAD LINE.

MOVE MAY BE STARTED TO HAVE IT RE-ESTABLISHED.

"The recent hurricane weather on the Atlantic and the consequent losses to shipping," says a dispatch from London, "have called attention to the Board of Trade's action in abolishing the winter North Atlantic mark for vessels over 330 feet long, and an agitation for its re-establishment has begun. It appears that since January 20, nine steamers, of 26,754 tons, \$529,000 in value, and having 300 persons on board, have been lost. It is added that they were all classed 110 A at Lloyd's, but it is believed they were exempt from the winter North Atlantic mark."

"Mrs. Pimms, widow of the late Samuel Pimms, the member of Parliament who did so much for shipping and in behalf of seamen that he was known as 'The Seaman's Friend,' has taken the matter up as an undying her husband's work. In a letter to the newspapers she characterized the abolition of the winter North Atlantic mark as 'a cruel wrong, for the winter mark was acknowledged to represent the minimum line of safety,' and says: 'Did people but realize the terrible danger of our brave men and the misery and desolation of the women and children, surely protests would be made throughout the country.'"

St. Luke's Easter Offerings.

The Finance Committee of St. Luke's P. E. Church, entrusted with the task of devising a plan for paying the debt on the church, amounting to \$7,700, held a meeting with the newly elected vestry Monday night and discussed the matter. It was reported that the Easter offering Sunday aggregated the handsome sum of \$2,200 in cash and the balance in the pledges, and that the debt would be paid in full by October 1st of the present year. After this is accomplished Rt. Rev. A. M. Randolph, Bishop of the Southern Diocese of Virginia, will dedicate the church.

Railroad Men Consult.

The railroads with terminal facilities at Norfolk are perfecting arrangements to handle quickly this season the truck and other products in south Virginia and the Carolinas.

A meeting was held yesterday at the offices of the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk railroad to consider this matter. It was attended by Mr. A. J. Cassett, president of the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk R. R. Co., general freight and passenger agent of the same line; C. O. Haines, general manager of the Atlantic and Danville; W. H. Taylor, general freight and passenger agent of that line; J. B. Thayer, general freight agent of the Pennsylvania railroad.

BRAMBLETON WARD.

Captain Gabriel F. Miller, brother of Captain J. E. Miller, of No. 210 Clay avenue, is seriously ill with pneumonia at his home in Mathews county.

A quiet marriage will be celebrated at No. 1 North Kelly avenue at 9 o'clock to-night.

Miss Harriet M. Nichols and Mr. D. A. Hegarty, formerly of Philadelphia, will be married at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Nichols, No. 134 Windsor avenue, at 8 o'clock to-night. It will be a fashionable nuptial event.

The Brambleton W. C. T. U. held an interesting meeting at the home of the president, No. 292 North Park avenue, yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Harvey L. Taylor continues very ill at her home, West Brambleton avenue, and much concern is felt for her by many friends.

A fine congregation attended the revival services at Spurgeon Memorial Baptist Church last night, and deep interest pervaded the audience. Requests for prayer were made by several young men. Services to-night.

The Brambleton Improvement and Democratic Association will hold its monthly meeting at White's Hall to-morrow night at 8 o'clock.

The Brambleton Independent Democratic Club will hold its weekly meeting at its club rooms on West Brambleton avenue at 8 o'clock to-morrow night.

Mr. C. A. Russell, who has been seriously ill with his home on Ferguson avenue for ten days with grip, was reported somewhat improved yesterday.

The revival meeting at the Christian Memorial Temple was well attended last night despite the cold weather, and deep interest was manifested in the services. In fact, interest in these meetings, which will be continued nightly this week, is increasing and good results are expected. The church has been awakened and greatly strengthened.

Mr. Charles T. Martin and Mrs. Mary E. O'Brien were united in marriage last evening at the residence of Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., pastor of Christian Memorial Temple, No. 113 Cook street, who performed the ceremony.

The marriage was a very quiet one and was witnessed by the minister's family and a few intimate friends of the contracting parties.

ATLANTIC CITY WARD.

A large congregation attended the revival services at Central Avenue Baptist Church last night and heard a forceful sermon by Rev. J. T. Riddick, of North Carolina. Interest in the meetings is growing and the outlook is favorable for a gracious revival.

At a meeting of the Sunday school of Colley Memorial Presbyterian Church Monday all of the old officers and teachers were re-elected.

Whittmore, Oberndorfer & Whittemore's Juvenile Ministers gave one of their best performances in ministry at the W. C. T. U. Hall last night. The audience, though not large, manifested its appreciation by unstinted applause.

The Atlantic City W. C. T. U. will meet at their hall, on Colley avenue, at 3:30 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. A full attendance is requested, as a matter of importance to the union will be discussed.

The congregation and Epworth League of McKies Memorial M. E. Church will hold a joint service to-night at 8 o'clock.

The Jerusalem Baptist Church, colored, has been conducting a very successful fair and feast for the benefit of the church for the past two nights. The attendance has been large and the patronage liberal.

Police Officer Whitehead, of the Atlantic City force, found a lady's pearl necklace about 1 o'clock last night on the corner of Central and Colley avenues.

Norfolk and Western Statement.

The statement of the earnings and expenses of the Norfolk and Western for the month of February has been received. Owing to the cold weather and blizzard, during which the road was practically at a standstill, the earnings show a marked decrease, but the decrease is not as marked as that on the other roads of this section which suffered by the weather. The passenger, mail and express earnings for the month show an increase of \$579.95, an increase of 1 per cent. over February of last year. The freight earnings were \$103,785.90, or 14 per cent. less than for the same month in 1898. Expenses show a decrease amounting to 11 per cent, the figures being in 1898, \$634,572.32, and 1899, \$562,442.55, which practically offsets the decrease in earnings. The net earnings of the road show a decrease of 13 per cent. The proportion of expenses to gross earnings is 73 per cent. in 1899 as against 72 per cent. in 1898. For the eight months ending February 28th there was an increase of \$11,582, or 1 per cent. in the total earnings and a decrease of 1 per cent., or \$68,204.24 in the total expenses. The net earnings for the same period were 7 per cent. greater than for the corresponding eight months of last year.

Norfolk and Western Changes.

The Roanoke Evening World of yesterday publishes the following changes on this line:

"The following changes have taken place among the employees of the Norfolk and Western: E. E. Winter, formerly trainmaster of the Pocahontas-Clinch Valley Division, has been made dispatcher at Bluefield. J. B. Conners, formerly trainmaster on the Norfolk Division, has taken the position on the Pocahontas-Clinch Valley Division, vacated by Mr. Winter. The place of Conners on the Norfolk Division has been filled by W. G. Beard, formerly yardmaster at Roanoke, which position is now held by J. H. Dorley, of Hammond, Ind.

Lost Car Agent Addison has resigned his position and will probably take another as fireman on the line. John R. Talbot of the office of car service agent, has been promoted to the lost car agency. Mr. Talbot is one of the best men in the office in point of service, and his many friends will be glad to know of his good fortune."

Was There Murder?

Cornelia Price, colored, widow of Robert Price, who died suddenly Sunday week ago, was arrested yesterday on a warrant sworn out by Walter Price, brother of the dead man, charging her with being an accomplice in the alleged murder of his brother. She was bailed for her appearance in the Police Court this morning. Mary Lou Tate was arrested last week, charged with the murder. She is out on bail.

MR. GUY'S CHARGES

That Law is Violated in Purchasing For the City.

Chairman Hofheimer of Street, Sewer and Drain Board Furnishes a List of All Parties Who Have Sold to City.

The Virginian-Pilot stated Sunday morning that Mr. James R. Guy, a member of the Board of Street, Sewer and Drain Commissioners, would write a letter to the Councils, charging that the commissioners are buying goods from members of the City Council in violation of law.

Mr. Guy's letter is as follows:

"Norfolk, Va., March 31, 1899.

"Hon. Select and Common Councils: 'Gentlemen—After being addressed by the Hon. Judge Hanckel in the matter, I deem it my duty to report to your honorable body that the board of which I am a member is approving bills to be paid by the city for purchase, etc., in which members of the Council are directly or indirectly interested, and also board has approved bills in which one of its members is interested, all of which has been done after protest from me, and a written opinion (private) from the City Attorney that the same is illegal.

"Respectfully,

"JAMES R. GUY, 'Member Street, Sewer and Drain Commissioners."

Mr. J. O. Hofheimer, chairman of the Board of Street, Sewer and Drain Commissioners, submitted the following letter:

"Norfolk, Va., April 4, 1899.

"To Honorable Select and Common Councils:

"Gentlemen—The City Auditor has kindly given us the subjoined list of amounts paid by this board to firms favoring members in the City Councils or other city boards. The list is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes Cooke, Clark & Co., Mayer & Co., R. W. Whitehurst & Co., Etna Iron Works, Farmers Supply Co., Hannan & Kelly, J. V. Herman, Evening Dispatch, etc.

"These are all the amounts paid under the above mentioned condition since our assuming office, on July 1st, 1898, and cover 9 months of our incumbency. During this time we have made a large number of purchases from other firms selling similar materials, for instance, we have paid the firm of Henry Walker in the same line of business as Mayer & Co., \$406.37, and McCleary & McCleary, in same line as Hannan & Kelly, \$423.00. Again the small amount of \$57.65 paid to the Farmers Manufacturing Co. was for wood fibre used for making street brooms, which material manufactured by their peculiar machinery, we could not get from any other source.

"The aggregate of the above amount is a very small proportion of our necessary expenditures with city firms unrepresented in the City Councils.

"Very respectfully,

"J. O. HOFHEIMER, 'Chairman Street, Sewer and Drain Commissioners."

CITY ENGINEER BROOKE. City Engineer Brooke submitted a lengthy letter denying in general terms the charges made by Mr. Guy, and enclosed a copy of a former City Attorney saying that to purchase goods in the manner alleged is not a violation of the law.

High Prices For Truck.

The local shipping agents for the large Northern commission houses report that truck was booming at Boston yesterday. Norfolk farmers sold 800 barrels of spinach at \$4 per barrel.

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INTENSE SUFFERING

FROM DYSPEPSIA AND STOMACH TROUBLE

Instantly Relieved and Permanently Cured by Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

A New Discovery, But Not a Patent Medicine.

Dr. Redwell relates an interesting account of what he considers a remarkable cure of acute stomach trouble and chronic dyspepsia by the use of the new discovery, Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

He says: "The patient was a man who had suffered to my knowledge for years with dyspepsia. Everything he ate seemed to sour and create gases in the stomach; he had pains like rheumatism in the back, shoulder blades and limbs, fullness and distension, eating, poor appetite and loss of flesh; the heart became affected, causing palpitation and sleeplessness at night.

"I gave him powerful nerve tonics and blood remedies, but to no purpose. As an experiment I finally bought a fifty cent package of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets at a drug store and gave them to him.

"Almost immediate relief was given and after he had used four boxes he was to all appearances, fully cured.

"There was no more acidity or sour watery risings, no bloating after meals, the appetite was vigorous and he has gained between 10 and 12 pounds in weight of solid, healthy flesh.

"Although Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are advertised and sold in drug stores, yet I consider them a most valuable addition to any physician's line of remedies, as they are perfectly harmless and can be given to children or invalids or in any condition of the stomach with perfect safety, being harmless and containing nothing but fruit and vegetable essences, pure pepsin and Glaxo's Food.

"Without any question they are the safest, most effective cure for indigestion, biliousness, constipation and all derangements of the stomach, however slight or severe."

"Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are made by the F. A. Stuart Co., of Marshall, Mich., and are sold by druggists everywhere at fifty cents per package.

"Little book on stomach diseases mailed free, address F. A. Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich., ap8,73

ALL RUN DOWN IN SPRING.

"Till, Like a Clock Worn Out With Keeping Time, The Wheels of Weary Life at Last Stand Still."

The wheels of weary life indeed seem to stand still with you because you are sick, out of health, exhausted in nerve force and physical strength. Your blood is poor, your nerves are weak, your head aches, you are weak, tired, without strength, energy or ambition; you do not sleep well nights and wake tired and out of sorts mornings; your food does you no good, you feel dispirited, blue, discouraged and indescribably miserable. Spring debility aggravates your troubles. Your case is only one like thousands that are cured every day by that greatest known restorative of health, Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy. Take this wonderful remedy at once and it will make you well. It feeds, strengthens and vitalizes the nerves, purifies and enriches the blood, restores appetite and digestion, in fact is the only remedy in the world which is absolutely sure to make you well and strong. It is purely vegetable and perfectly harmless.

Mrs. Ellen Simpson, 72 Linden St., New Bedford, Mass., says:

"My daughter, Jennie, had been in feeble health for about two years and for six months had been unable to walk upon the street. Her weakness seemed to proceed from a stomach trouble, and for a long time she had been unable to take other than liquid food. Her condition was such as to give me and my friends great uneasiness. Physicians who were consulted gave us no relief and her condition was rapidly growing worse. She had no appetite for food, passed many sleepless nights and required a great deal of attention and care. She fortunately heard of the wonderful efficacy of Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy in relieving disorders of the stomach and the general system, and almost in despair, decided to give it a trial. She began taking it and the effect was what the family had desired but scarcely dared hope for. In the spring her strength was much increased and her general condition improved. She has gained in strength, was able to eat solid food, her nights were peaceful and restful and her confidence in Dr. Greene's Nervura so great that she decided to continue its use. She believes that had she earlier begun the use of Nervura she would have fully recovered long before, as she noted the effects day by day, but having delayed until the ailment became chronic, a much longer course of treatment was necessary."

"Remember that in using Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy you are under the professional treatment of Dr. Greene, 35 West 14th St., New York City, the most successful physician in curing all forms of nervous, chronic and lingering complaints, and that you can consult him at any time about your case, personally or by letter, absolutely without charge or cost. Write him in perfect confidence if you do not understand your case and would like his skilled advice and counsel.



We are adding to our stock of Watches, and among a large lot of Gold and Filled Cases we are offering the best Filled Case American Watch for \$10 ever put on the market. We are prepared to, and do make, Society and School Medals, having in our jewelry shops the best skilled workmen. Watches repaired by the best skill to be found in this country, and our prices for first-class work and goods will be found the lowest in this section.

C. F. GREENWOOD & BRO., 318 MAIN STREET.

Advertisement for Kitchen Comfort Jewell Gas Ranges! Is the Thing We Cater to We Have Received a Carload of Jewell Gas Ranges! For a Short Time We'll Sell at \$7.30 And Make All Connections Free. FUEL GAS on Separate Connections \$1.00 NET Per 1,000 Feet. They are the Best Stoves on the Market. City Gas Company.

Advertisement for John S. Hutchison & Co. Wholesale Fish Dealers, and Produce Commission Merchants. Receivers, Packers, Shippers of Fresh Fish and Salt Fish, 25 and 27 Roanoke Dock, Norfolk, Va.

Advertisement for Bed Bugs and Moth Flies. MID-SUMMER OPENING. WE WILL ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, APRIL 12th and 13th, show a beautiful line of MID-SUMMER HATS.

Advertisement for La Mode! Bed Bug Killer. MRS. H. POSNER GRANBY ST., MONTICELLO. 4 DAYS ONLY! Best Baltimore Hams, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9c. Pound Burrow. Martin & Co. 296 MAIN ST.

Advertisement for Virginia Grocery Co., 296 MAIN ST. Goods delivered free in Portsmouth, Berkley and Atlantic City. F. FENDER, Manager. Phones 452.

Large advertisement for Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Keep Coughing. We know of nothing better to tear the lining of your throat and lungs. It is better than wet feet to cause bronchitis and pneumonia. Only keep it up long enough and you will succeed in reducing your weight, losing your appetite, bringing on a slow fever and making everything exactly right for the germs of consumption. Stop coughing and you will get well. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral cures coughs of every kind. An ordinary cough disappears in a single night. The racking coughs of bronchitis are soon completely mastered. And, if not too far along, the coughs of consumption are completely cured. Ask your druggist for one of Dr. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral Plaster. It will aid the action of the Cherry Pectoral. If you have any complaint whatever and desire the best medical advice you can possibly obtain, write us freely. You will receive a prompt reply that may be of great value to you. Address, DR. J. C. AYER, Lowell, Mass.