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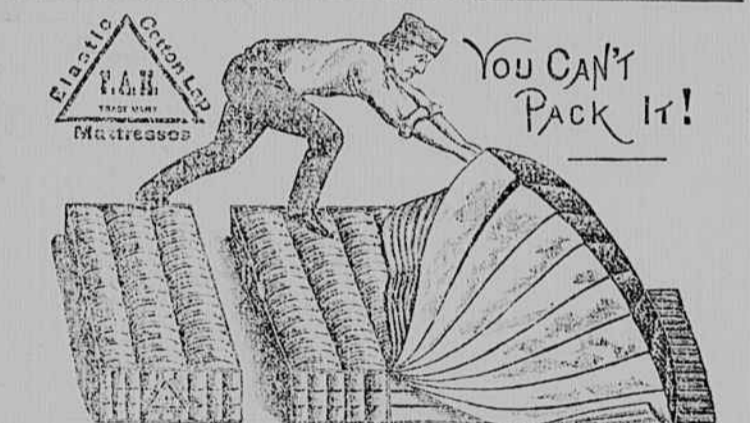
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## PROFESSOR ECKFORD PAROLED.

He Made a Plea for Leniency, Telling the Court of Family Troubles.

A special in yesterday's Baltimore Sun from Cumberland, Md., says: Professor James S. Eckford, of Portsmouth, Va., who was indicted for attempt to kill himself, pleaded guilty in court to-day. The indictment is said to have been the first of the kind found in Maryland. Professor Eckford was very weak and appeared to have been entirely subdued. He made the plea of temporary mental derangement, leaving the court of family difficulties resulting from his marriage with the woman of his choice. He said that it was on account of his marriage that near relatives of his wife hounded him, carrying systematic persecution so far as to ruin his business. These relatives, he said, had entered into a conspiracy either to kill or ruin him, and being influential in Virginia, they were able to hurt him much. In Winchester, Va., he said, he had started a music store, when one of his persecutors appeared, his business went down and he was forced to failure. He said he never abused his wife, but always made a good living for her and their two children. Judge Sloan paroled him, with the understanding that he leave town as soon as he is able, and that he be under the supervision of Professor Eckford, preferred to remain in jail until he is sufficiently recuperated to travel, and the county authorities will furnish transportation. He said he was able to make his living as a school teacher or as a music teacher or as a writer for magazines. He was so loaded by others that he regarded suicide his only portion.

## NEITHER RICHES OR MONEY.

Information by telegraph from Cumberland several days ago was to the effect that Mr. E. G. Irving, an attorney of this city and a brother-in-law of Professor Eckford, would be in Cumberland to protect the interests of the Professor, but this seems to have been a little premature, as Mr. Glissant T. Porter, an attorney of Cumberland, appeared for the accused, who, upon being asked what assurance he had that the prisoner would leave the city if paroled, replied that he had only the word of honor of the accused, who had neither money nor friends.

## Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The senior members of the Association will go on a bicycle run to Deep Creek this afternoon, starting from the building at 4:30 o'clock sharp. All members are invited to go.

Two meetings will be held at the Association tomorrow afternoon. Rev. W. A. Crocker, a member of the Virginia Conference, now visiting in this city, will be the speaker. Mr. Crocker is well known as a minister and author. His subject will be "A Young Man's Question." Every young man should hear this able address.

The Boys' Gospel Army will meet at 3 o'clock.

The members of the Army had a most enjoyable trip yesterday afternoon to Deep Creek. They went in a large wagon, and to use their expression they had a big time.

## MR. SHEPHERD'S FUNERAL.

The funeral of Mr. Wm. E. Shepherd, whose death was chronicled in this paper, took place yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock. The interment was in the plot of land owned by Stonewall Camp, in Cedar Grove Cemetery, and Stonewall Camp attended the funeral. His war record stands out plainly on the records of Stonewall Camp, and those who knew him in the "days that tried men's souls" speak highly of him as a soldier.

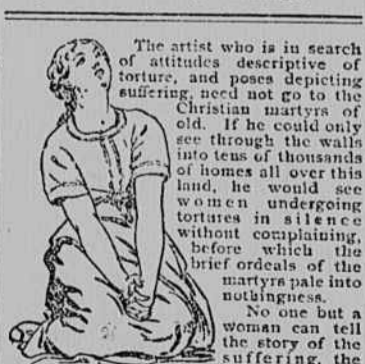
A detachment from Grimes' Battery, in uniform, fired a volley over the grave of this old soldier, who will now sleep in peace.

## TO OUR ADVERTISERS.

Owing to the immense amount of advertising done by the Virginian-Pilot on Sunday, we are compelled to require our advertisers who desire a change of "ad." to have the same in this office before 5 o'clock to-day, otherwise it will take miller's turn after that, and may be left out or be given a bad position. Please take notice and govern yourself accordingly. Five o'clock is the time that our first copy is sent over to Norfolk.

## A SMALL BLAZE.

An alarm of fire from box 34 last night, corner of Washington and Court streets, called the Fire Department to the residence of Mr. Joshua Denby, on Court street, between Green and Ellingham streets, where an outhouse was discovered to be on fire. It was extinguished with slight damage.



The artist who is in search of attitudes descriptive of torture, and poses depicting suffering, need not go to the Christian martyrs of old. If he could only see through the walls into tens of thousands of homes all over this land, he would see women undergoing tortures in silence without complaining, before which the brief ordeals of the martyrs pale into nothingness.

No one but a woman can tell the story of the suffering, the despair, and the despondency endured by women who carry a daily burden of ill-health and pain because of disorders and derangement of the delicate and important organs that are distinctly feminine. One of the worst effects of troubles of this kind is upon the nervous system. The tortures so bravely endured completely and effectually shatter the nerves. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is an untiring cure for all weakness and disease of the feminine organism. It makes it strong and healthy. It allays inflammation, heals ulceration and soothes pain. It checks exhausting drains and tones and builds up the nerves. It fits for wifehood and motherhood. Good medicine dealers sell it, and have nothing "just as good."

"Since my last child was born, thirteen years ago, I have suffered from uterine trouble," writes Mrs. Paul Devanier, of Jellico, Campbell Co., Tenn. "I consulted several doctors and took much medicine, but found no relief. I had very bad health for twelve years. Every month I was in bed a week before the monthly period and a week after. I was obliged to keep in bed for four months last summer. I was just like a corpse. I lost twenty-six pounds in four months. I was coughing so much I was considered in consumption. I suffered severely from pains in my back, bearing down pains in the womb, chills and cold sweats, and during four bottles of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery my coughing stopped, and after six bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription my periods became regular and were passed without pain. Now I am healthy, more so than ever before. My neighbors are surprised to see me in such good health after having seen me so long ago."

Constipation causes and aggravates many serious diseases. It is speedily cured by Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets.

## THE SECRET STAIRCASE.

During the work of rebuilding the Royal Bull Hotel at Dartford, England, an old hostelry and landmark, some interesting discoveries were made last month.

In 1753 a murder had been committed at the house, and the body disappeared mysteriously. A skeleton now dug up, three feet below the flooring of an old cellar, leads to the belief that it is the remains of the victim of the tragedy. A secret staircase was brought to light, and, as this communicates by invisible doors in the walls of the cellar with the room in which the tragedy occurred, it strengthens the belief that the body was taken down the staircase and buried.

At the same time a number of death warrants, bearing the signature of Portland, Minister of George III., were found in the panels of the walls in which the murder was committed. How documents of this character got into so strange a hiding place is a matter for conjecture. One, dated June, 1758, is a good sample of how warrants were prepared in those days. It reads: "Whereas James O'Coigley, having been attainted of high treason and had sentence passed upon him to be drawn upon a hurdle to the place of execution, and to be there hanged by the neck, but not until he is dead, but that, being alive, he shall be taken down and his bowels taken out and burnt before his face, that his head shall be severed from his body and his body divided into four parts, and that his head and body shall be disposed of as we think fit, and whereas we think fit to remit that part of the sentence directing the burning of his bowels and dividing the body into four parts, our will and pleasure is that he shall be drawn and hanged and have his head severed from his body."

## CASTORIA.

Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*  
RAMBLER IN DIXIE.

Interesting Letter by Rev. Dr. S. A. Steel.

The following letter written by the Rev. S. A. Steel, D. D., who was formerly general secretary of the Epworth Leagues of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will be read with great interest by his many friends in this city and section. Dr. Steel is not only a great favorite among the Epworth Leagues of this State and within the Church, but his reason as a pulpit orator and public speaker extends all over the North and Canada. His letter, printed in the Canadian Epworth Era, follows:

Ex-secretaries are not extinguished. They are arrested "on the wing," and require to do a good deal of extemporaneous work. That word "extinguished" reminds me of a good story I heard out in Texas on Mr. Bryan, the defeated candidate in the last Presidential campaign.

After the election he went down into Texas for a few days rest at a friend's—Hon. Mr. Blank's—hospitable home. Mr. Blank went up the road to meet him and his party. The porter on the sleeper was an old time darkey, well known to Mr. Blank. He had all the stately politeness of those good old days "before" the war. Mr. Blank introduced Uncle Bob to Mr. Bryan and his party. "Uncle Bob, this is Hon. Mr. So and So, ex-Congressman. And this is Hon. Mr. So and So, ex-Senator. And this is Hon. Mr. Bryan, ex-candidate for President of the United States." The old negro stood with uncovered head, and when Mr. Blank finished he made a bow that would have graced a lord, and said: "I am happy to meet you, extinguished gentlemen!" The old man never understood this timely hit, in which none joined more heartily than Mr. Bryan himself. Dr. Buckley once said to me that the old negro is a very witty race. No doubt he has lots of humor, but Uncle Bob was innocent of either wit or humor when he made that pun.

I never travel on Sunday. So at midnight Saturday night I dropped off the train at Lynchburg, Virginia, to rest over Sunday. Lynchburg is built on steep hills. Sam Jones says he "can tell a Lynchburger as far as he can see him, for he is both hump-shouldered and bow-legged. He gets hump-shouldered climbing up the hills and bow-legged going down." It is a city of 30,000 or 40,000 people, the finest type of Virginia society. Methodism is strong there. It was the home of Bishop John Early, one of the strongest men of pioneer times. It is now the seat of Randolph-Macon Woman's College, an institution which the Commissioner of Education for the United States puts as one of the half-dozen leading colleges for women in the country, ranking it with Vassar, Wellesley, The Woman's College, Baltimore, and Bryn Mawr. It is the only institution in the South that enjoys this distinction. Of course I went to church. "Doctor, do you ever pray?" The question was asked by a young brother just as we were ready to begin the lecture. Of course he meant to ask if the service should begin with prayer, and was profuse in his assurances that he intended no reflection on his religious habits.

I went to Court Street Methodist Church, the old mother church of Lynchburg Methodism, and one of the richest Methodist churches in Virginia. It is said that the official board of this church represents over \$500,000. Rev. Coke Smith, D. D., is pastor. Your readers will remember he was our fraternal messenger to your last General Conference. Wishing to be quiet, I slipped in with the crowd, and got a good seat under the gallery, and settled myself to enjoy the service. But an alert Epworth Leaguer got sight of me. By some system of wireless telegraphy the information was conveyed to the pulpit, and the slender, sallow Smith came forward and began the lecture. The sermon of Dr. Smith was a broadsword. There was not much glitter about it, but it had edge and point, and was a weapon of power in a master's hand. In the afternoon I addressed a large gathering of Leaguers and preached to a still larger audience at night.

At the evening service Dr. Smith said: "At the Sunday ago Bishop Galloway preached in this pulpit. He is a native of Mississippi. To-night we have Dr. Steel. He is a native of Mississippi. And all of us, Bishop Galloway, Dr. Steel, and myself, were born in the same year." Well that year was so long ago that I have quit talking much about it. Dr. Smith's hair is as black as the raven's wing, but he wears glasses. My eyes are as good as ever, but my fight with the beasts of Ephesus turned my hair slightly gray. So we are about even. "I miss on the wing," said Akers. "By the way," I said, "Dr. Crewe has asked me to write some 'on the wing' for the Canadian Epworth Era." "Well put me down as a subscriber," he said. "And me, too," said Sheffield, the superintendent of one of the finest Sunday schools in the land. So there, you have two more readers in Dixie.



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The officers and men of the garrison at Brussels were recently invited to a lecture given by the Mayor. The soldiers were instructed to keep their eyes on the commanding officer, Colonel Poodts, and to follow his example, rising and applauding when he did. Unhappily, Colonel Poodts had occasion to blow his nose. Instantly the hall resounded with the music of 1,500 soldiers' noses being blown.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

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## CASTORIA.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought

The Florida strawberry growers who covered their bushes with pine straw and saved the crop from the February cold are generally satisfied with the results of their labor. The vines are still bearing, but prices are now too low to warrant much picking.

## CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.  
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## BERKLEY.

Mrs. James L. Milby has placed a contract for the erection of a handsome residence on the Harding plat, on Main street.

Miss Ada Perry, of Lunenburg county, Va., is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. H. L. West, on Lee street.

Mr. Elton Parker, rear flagman on the Belt Line railroad, while making a coupling yesterday morning had a narrow escape from being crushed to death under a car loaded with logs. When the cars came together the logs slipped down against the standards, breaking them, and rolling off. One struck him on the head, crushing him under the car in an unconscious condition, and but for the fact that the car was brought to a stop he would have been crushed under the trucks. He was taken from under the car and after regaining consciousness was given medical aid. Fortunately, none of his wounds were serious. He will probably be able to resume his work by Monday.

The Old Point Comfort, of the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railroad Company, after undergoing a general overhauling and painting at Thomas' ship-yard, will go on her regular run on the Norfolk and Cape Charles line this morning.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. McGrath is quite sick at their home in Montant.

The U. S. S. Fish Hawk, of the U. S. Fish Commission, now on the ways at Colonna's ship-yard, at Berkley, will be off to-day and will leave about Sunday for Philadelphia. She will then be stationed at the Philadelphia U. S. ship hatchery. Her hatching capacity is about 5,000,000 at a time, or 20,000,000 in a season of one and a half months.

A large ratification meeting of the Republicans of Washington Magisterial district was held at Odd-Fellows' Hall last night. Speeches were made by A. H. Martin, Jordan Thompson, of Nansemond county; W. A. Bond and J. E. Reed.

Information reached Mr. Joseph H. Hill to-day that the remains of his brother, Mr. Elijah Hill, mate of the ill-fated schooner Annie Reynolds, were found by Mr. Eason, keeper of Point Lookout light-house, and buried off the coast on the 2d inst. The steamer was loaded with lumber and was wrecked in a storm on Chesapeake bay last March. The crew were all lost. Captain Hill will leave here this morning for Point Lookout, to have the remains of his brother brought here for burial by the side of the brother in Magnolia Cemetery. Mrs. Joseph Hill and daughter, Miss Annie, mother and sister of the deceased, arrived here yesterday afternoon to attend the funeral.

Rev. M. L. Hurley, of Elon College, N. C., is in town, and will preach Sunday morning at the Main Street Christian Church. Mr. Hurley is a man of wide reputation and needs no commendation.

Berkley Avenue Baptist Church, T. Clagett Skinner, pastor—Divine worship at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Morning subject, "The Revealed Pattern of the Church." At the evening service the pastor will begin a series of eight sermons on the Lord's Prayer, the first one being "Our Father, Who Art in Heaven." Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. You are invited to worship with us.

## THE CARNIVAL.

The crowd at the Carnival last night was good, and the wares from the dif-

ferent booths went well. A matinee will be given to-day at 4 p. m. A delightful program has been arranged—one that every one will enjoy. The following is the program: Recitation, "The One-Legged Goose," Miss Evelyn Codd; "The May Pole," by Miss Tatem's class; recitation (selected), Miss Lella Deanes; recitation, Miss Emily Deanes.

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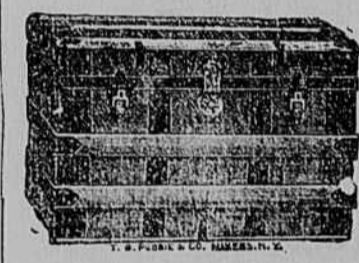
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