

PORTSMOUTH LOCAL NEWS AND ADVERTISEMENTS

ITEMS GATHERED HERE AND THERE

Miscellaneous Happenings Condensed For Virginian-Pilot Readers.

MOVEMENTS OF PEOPLE

What is Going On in and Around Portsmouth and Suburban Communities Gathered, Sifted and Told in Few Words—The Past, the Present and the Future Revealed, Related and Foreshadowed.

Misses Annie Hubbard and George Tibbels have gone on a visit to Currituck Beach.

Arthur Christmas, the negro boy charged with stealing part of a brass beer pump from Will's saloon, on Crawford street, was given thirty days in jail by Mayor Baird yesterday morning.

Attention is called to advertisement in another column announcing several second-hand bugles for sale.

A letter from one of Portsmouth's business men to L. Montgomery White Sulphur Springs will be found among our local.

The negro, Smith, was again carried back to Norfolk after he was examined, because the Mayor did not consider our jail sufficiently secure for a desperate character like him.

The hurricane that was so severe on the Charleston coast is expected here today. It will be quite severe, so the Weather Bureau says.

The remains of Mr. Holmes, whose death in the city of Norfolk was forwarded yesterday to Rockbridge county for interment.

A negro man was run off the shed of a house in Lincoln street yesterday morning by the occupant of the house.

There will be fun for all, old and young, baseball, foot races and amusements of all kinds will be indulged in.

It was rumored yesterday that a well known young man, a clerk in a High street store, had eloped with a South Portsmouth girl, but it turned out not to be true.

During the wind and rain yesterday morning a small boat capsized on the flats. The two colored men held on to her until assistance came.

Miss Mollie Manly, of Petersburg, is in the city on a visit to friends. She will remain several weeks.

A meeting of the members of the Confederacy will be held Wednesday evening, 6 o'clock, at the residence of the vice president, Mrs. R. Emmett Crump.

It was showery all day yesterday, and much cooler, which was greatly appreciated.

Two workmen, while passing down Washington street yesterday, were bitten by a dog that was lying on the sidewalk.

Through the courtesy of George A. Cumming, secretary of the State Firemen's Association, we give an account today of the topics for discussion at the association's next month.

Mr. Louis B. Anderson and family have gone to Halifax, N. C., on a visit.

Arthur Smallwood was sent to jail for thirty days yesterday for stealing a faucet pipe.

The clerks and writers in the navy-yard will be paid today.

Twelve coaches of people from Wilmington, N. C., came in from Wilmington, N. C., yesterday afternoon. They will go back Thursday.

Mr. Denison yesterday advertised for a bunch of keys that he lost. Last night they were returned to him.

COTTON ALIAS SMITH.

The Murder Sent on—The Evidence Almost Positive.

A large crowd assembled around the Mayor's Court yesterday morning to hear the trial of Walter Cotton, alias Geo. Smith, who is charged with the murder of Mr. Chas. Wyatt on the morning of August 3rd, but they were not admitted in the court room.

The prisoner was brought over from Norfolk 9:45 in charge of Detective Heppel and two officers, and was carried to the station house, where the trial was held.

The prisoner had no counsel. Mrs. Wyatt, wife of the murdered man, was the first witness.

She said that her husband was taken sick on Thursday morning, August 3, before daylight, and went down stairs, supposedly to get a glass of ice water.

After that Mrs. Wyatt fell into a doze, from which she was awakened by her husband's going to the room her husband slept in.

She said that Cotton's figure corresponded to the murderer, but that her husband's assaultant seemed a little bulkier.

She described the wounds inflicted on Wyatt, who asked her to do something for him. "I'm afraid it's 4 o'clock with me," he said.

At the conclusion of Mrs. Wyatt's testimony Cotton asked Mrs. Wyatt if she saw him in the store. To this she replied no.

Mr. W. E. Ferguson was the next witness. He testified to being called by Mrs. Wyatt about 4 a. m. and was told that Mr. Wyatt had been badly hurt.

He went in, saw Wyatt and then made an examination, and found that the man was in a state of unconsciousness.

Mr. Taylor and Mr. West were both put upon the stand and testified to the condition of the room, etc., when they reached there.

Mr. Weaver also told the same story as published when Mr. Heppel's account was published.

Defective West's testimony corroborated the testimony of the other two detectives.

Jane Hardy, a colored woman living in Addison's lane, in Norfolk, said that Cotton had given her a breast pin, ear rings and a broken racket on Thursday morning.

Cotton was then carried back in the station house and was kept under a guard until 12:15 o'clock.

Cotton is about 30 years old and weighs 180 pounds.

PEOPLE'S FORUM.

NOTE.—The People's Forum being freely open to all parties, classes, persons, views and capacities, the Virginian-Pilot is responsible for none of the statements nor opinions expressed therein, nor for the style in which they are set forth.

Portsmouth, Va., Aug. 15, 1899. Editor Virginian-Pilot.

Dear Sir—In reading your editorial department on Sunday I found in one of the articles a sentence in which there appeared a comparison of the Filipinos and the negroes.

A favorable fact is thus immediately discounted by an unfavorable inference. This for an example, in spite of the very evident bias of the writer, however, I find several admissions made.

"Although much is said about the Filipinos hating the priests, yet one can see that the Filipinos are DEEPLY RELIGIOUS—concerning the habits of the Filipinos, I notice they are TEMPERATE and very cleanly about their persons and their clothing.

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Montgomery Springs P. O., Va., August 14, 1899.

Dear Sir—One would judge, to read the Virginian-Pilot's letters, from the White Sulphur Springs, that there was no such place as Portsmouth, Virginia.

The writer once met a very charming young lady graduate that disclaimed any knowledge of Portsmouth, and heard of another that did not know whether the Natural Bridge was made of iron or wood.

These naval orders have been issued. Lieutenant R. Stone, detached from torpedo instruction at Newport and ordered to duty at the Naval Academy.

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IDEAS! FALL AND WINTER WOOLENS.

You have them and we want to know what they are regarding our stock of

From the criticisms already expressed we are pleased that they meet your approval in all respects. We will be glad to show the goods and explain the fashions. Workmanship and fit faultless in every respect.

SHOE DEPARTMENT

Our reputation is made by selling GOOD SHOES at honest values. Your reputation as a good and up-to-date dresser will be made by allowing us to fit you. The snappiest and most stylish things in the market for \$3 and \$3.50—for ladies and men.

FOR CASH ONLY—POSITIVELY ONE PRICE.

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CORNED SPOTS!

NEW CORNED SPOTS, MAXWELL'S, HELPBINGS, ETC.

R. E. KING, 29 Court street.

NO TROUBLE TO GET A MEAL.

A number of married men's families are away. They should go to BRADSON'S for their meals or for a lunch.

Ferry Lunch Rooms.

NOTICE.

H. B. WILKINS

has just received three cars of Dressed and Dried Board Ends for Summer Wood. It is cheap at 75 cents for a full load. Just try it.

WHITE LILY.

The best 25c. Flour in the city. A new lot just in. Fresh chickens and all kinds of market stuff.

FOR RENT.

Three-story Warehouse, No. 618 Crawford street; excellent location for a grocery, notion, hardware or commission house; rent, \$25 per month.

M. ROSENBAUM,

116 and 118 High St., Portsmouth, Va.

1/2 PRICE 1/2

FOR TEN DAYS ONLY

Baseball, Bicycle and Walking SHOES!

CALL AND GET A BARGAIN.

W. N. White, 108 High St. Portsmouth, Va.

"YELLOW FEVER"

Is now agitating the public mind to little extent, and with it in such close proximity to us as to have the household and business in thorough sanitary condition.

JEROME P. CARR,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGIST, Corner Court and County Sts. and Green Street, near Bart.

INVENTORY SALE AT PHILLIPS'

10 doz. Ladies' 50c. Waists, new 25c. 10 yds. Gremaline (one week) for 25c. Men's Colored Percalé Shirts, new 50c., now 35c. All summer goods comparatively at cost.

A. J. PHILLIPS, 302 and 304 High St.

PROPERTY.

As cheap as it is going to be, I have some bargains in houses, will pay from 7 to 20 per cent on amount asked.

Good Bread Makers Indorse

W. & J. Parker's Eureka Flour.

For its strength, whiteness and appetizing flavor. You can make the whitest and lightest bread with a less amount of this flour than with any other.

PORTSMOUTH

Has never had such good service as we are giving this season.

Hurd's Fine Society Stationery

IN ALL THE LATEST SHAPES AND TINTS.

Visiting Cards Engraved in the Latest Styles. ANDERSON & THOMPSON, 224 HIGH STREET, PORTSMOUTH, VA.

M. ROSENBAUM'S RETIRING SALE.

DRAWING TO A CLOSE.

The entire stock must be sold quickly. Prices this week lower than ever before. Up-to-date Clothing, Hats and Furnishing Goods at less than half their actual cost.

Notice the Remarkable Offerings below:

Unlaundered White Shirts, 4-ply linen bosom—worth 50c., to go at... 29c.

Jean Drawers—worth 35c., to go at... 19 1/2c.

Men's Garters. The 25c. grade to go at... 13c.

The 15c. grade to go at... 9c.

Black and Tan Hose that sell everywhere for 15c.—to go at... 9c.

Linen Crash Suits—worth \$2.50—to go at... \$1.39

Guaranteed Serge Suits that sell everywhere for \$12.50—to go at \$7.98

Fancy Worsted Suits—worth \$12 and \$13.50—reduced to... \$7.98

Children's Suits. \$2.50 values... \$1.39

\$3.00 values... \$1.59

\$4.00 values... \$1.79

THE Change of the Season.

A Quartet of Remarkable Short Values.

Men's Neglige Shirts, with collars and cuffs attached in a variety of stylish patterns—each sold at 50c.—will go for 39c.

20 dozen Men's Fine Madras Shirts—with separate link cuffs—in the very handsomest patterns of the season—the regular \$1.25 kind for \$1.12 1/2

25 dozen Men's Colored Ball-collared Shirts, with two collars and separate link cuffs—each sold at 75c. and 90c.—will go for 69c.

THE NEW YORK CLOTHING CO.,

214 High Street, Portsmouth, Va.

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Did You See Those Shirts

—in our window that we are selling for 85c., that are worth \$1.00, and some \$1.25 apiece? Did you get any of that fine BALBRIGGAN UNDERWEAR, regular price 25 and 35c., that we are closing out for 23c.—either long or short sleeves?

Do you need a SUIT OF CLOTHES or an ODD PAIR TROUSERS 33 1/2 per cent. below the price?

If you want to save money call and see

BRESLAUER & ANTHONY,

114 High Street.

All Summer Goods

Sold at Less than Cost.

A new line of Fall Percalés just opened. Ready-made Sheets for double and single beds. Pillow and Bolster Cases, Quilts, &c.

EMMETT DEANS,

Terms Cash. 320 High Street.

We keep every shape of collars. Let us sell you your collars. Chas. R. Weston & Co.

CONTRACT AWARDED. At a meeting of the Local Board of Improvement of the Fifth Ward, held Monday night, the contract for grading and shelling certain streets not included in the grading contracts completed last spring, there being about fourteen or fifteen streets, Messrs. Porter & Co. being the successful bidders, their bid being nearly \$4000. The bids for curbing and gutting were opened, and being higher than the City Engineer's estimate, were rejected. New proposals will be asked for on this portion of the improvements.

DELAWARE PARK CAKE WALK. Four of Penn, and May the Best Walker Take the Cake. The famous Black Diamond Cake Walkers will be there. Remember the day? August 16, 1899, 10 cents and 25 cents for young folks and children under 12. Trains leave 8:30 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. at Seaboard Air Line station null-if