

# NEWS FROM SUFFOLK AND OTHER PARTS OF VIRGINIA

## SUFFOLK.

### Gilligan, the Alleged Murderer, Will be Tried To-day.

The Case Has Excited Widespread Interest—Dr. Murray Painfully Injured—Lovers Elope to Gates County—Two Funerals—Other Items Briefly Told.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)  
Suffolk, Va., March 12.—A. C. Gilligan, an alleged assassin, will have to face a jury of his countrymen to-morrow. Gilligan is accused of shooting down in the night time, December 27 of last year, C. Beverly Turner, father of Miss Isabel Turner, whose lover Gilligan was. The victim, who was a well-to-do citizen of Isle of Wight county, was shot down near his own home. A load of shot was driven through his neck. He was found in a pool of blood dead.

An Isle of Wight grand jury to-day found a true bill against Gilligan. The jury examined four or five witnesses, among whom were the wife and daughter of the murdered man.

Sheriff Robert A. Edwards left to-day for Petersburg to bring Gilligan down to Isle of Wight. The petit jury has been ordered to report at the court-room at 10:30 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The case is pregnant with interest.

The lawyers are Colonel R. E. Boykin and William S. Holland for the prosecution and Judge Prury A. Hinton and S. H. Edwards for the defense.

### TIMBER SOLD.

The timber rights on the poorhouse farm, seven miles from Suffolk, were to-day sold at auction. The successful bidder was Mr. A. B. Cramer, of Suffolk. The sale was conducted by Dr. Butts and Mr. Holland, a committee of the Supervisors.

### A DOCTOR RUN DOWN.

Dr. William W. Murray, as a result of a runaway accident, lies to-night at his home, No. 61 Main street, painfully, if not dangerously, hurt. There are several body bruises, two abrasions on the head and his back hurt.

Dr. Murray was knocked down and run over by a laundry wagon, owned by the Messrs. Skinner, at Main and Washington streets. The horse got scared at the steam laundry on Kilby street and ran at full speed. Dr. Murray did not see the runaway in time. He had just started to walk across Main street. He was thrown about twelve feet and doubled up on the wagon axles. The only wonder is that he was not worse hurt.

He was unconscious when carried into the store of M. Jones & Son, where he was visited by Drs. Whitehead, Phillips and Rawles, and afterwards carried to his home.

### ELOPED TO GATES COUNTY.

The pathway to their nuptials at home not seeming altogether obstructed, two young people of Isle of Wight last night started on a journey approximating fifty miles in length. They were Mr. William L. Cone and Miss Dora Saunders. They arrived in Suffolk by the time trades people were opening their shops. They had come through the wind and snow about twenty-five miles. With marriage as the goal, they did not mind the biting morning air. The young couple took a train here over the Norfolk and Carolina road for Gates Station. They expected to wed somewhere in that county. The pair was accompanied by a young man, who eloped a few weeks ago, and who knew the "strings." The elopement is said to have been helped by Mr. Zachariah Munford, with whom the Saunders lived, did not want her to marry. She is a daughter of S. Saunders.

I was told to-day that two other young people from a nearby village expected to elope to-morrow.

### JAMES YOUNG AS BYRON.

Towards the end of the fourth decade of this century there appeared work on Byron's life and adventures with the melodramatic title, "Byron, Man, Angel and Devil." A title such as this, conceived in the worst taste and expressed in language so strained and artificial, can only be explained by the loss of two generations and fable under which, whether for good or evil, Byron has lain beyond any other poet. The play written by Miss Rida Louise Johnson for Mr. James Young, which is to be presented here Thursday night, is the result of years of most careful and patient study. It is historically accurate, and will be reckoned among the important factors of the Byron-Weymann, on the whole.

Production will be a pleasing incident.

### TWO FUNERALS.

A large crowd of friends assembled at Suffolk College this morning to attend the final rites over the remains of the late Miss Evie Finney. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. W. T. Green, who was assisted by Revs. W. W. Staley, D. D., J. B. Dunn and J. H. Kabler. The floral designs were tasteful and pretty. The interment was in Cedar Hill. These were pall-bearers: Active—S. T. Ellis, W. H. Jones, Jr., R. T. Allen, Dr. W. D. Wood, J. C. Causey, Jr., John C. Holladay, A. S. Eley, Surry Parker.

Honorary—Dr. E. D. Phillips, General L. S. Baker, Colonel T. W. Smith, W. J. Cohoon, Dr. H. Wood Campbell, Dr. A. W. Eley, Dr. H. A. Morgan, Lee Britt.

### H. CLAY WILLIAMS.

The funeral of the late Hon. H. Clay Williams was preached Sunday afternoon at Kittrell's M. E. Church, near Willetton, N. C., by the pastor, Rev. Starling. The obsequies were conducted by the Masons. The interment was at the home cemetery. These were pall-bearers, they being relatives by blood or marriage: B. G. Williams,

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SAID IN PARAGRAPHS.

Miss Lucy Clifton Biggs and Miss Annie Pretlow, who had been Mrs. J. L. McLemore's guest, left to-day for their homes, respectively, in Roanoke and Franklin.

Mrs. S. R. Gollbart, of Norfolk, and her mother, Mrs. M. J. O'Brien, of Chattanooga, are visiting friends in Suffolk.

Mr. Eugene Newsome, of Richmond, passed Sunday with his mother in Suffolk.

Mr. and Mrs. Surry Parker, of Pine-town, N. C., are in Suffolk as guests of Captain and Mrs. George J. Parker. Miss Ava Turner, of Nansemond county, is visiting Mrs. Susie Holland.

Dr. R. A. Urquhart, of Los Gatos, Cal., came to-day for a stay with relatives in Suffolk.

Messrs. P. T. Jones and C. C. Cohoon left for the North to-night.

At the Christian Church Sunday evening Miss Belle Thompson sang a pretty solo. She was accompanied by Mr. Miller on the organ, with obligatos by Miss Ballard on the violin, and Mr. Weymann, on the cello.

Rev. John Staley Thomas will be installed as pastor of the Suffolk Presbyterian Church at 7:45 o'clock to-morrow night.

## PEOPLES' FORUM.

NOTE.—The People's Forum being freely open to all parties, classes, persons, views and capabilities, the Virginian-Pilot is not responsible for none of the statements nor opinions expressed therein, nor for the style in which they are set forth. The ignorant and uneducated shall be heard here equally with the learned.

### Rights of the People.

Suffolk, Va., March 12, 1900.

Editor Virginian-Pilot:

It is the bounden duty of all good citizens to band themselves together in a patriotic cause and strive at all times to uphold the rights of the people, and banish from office the ringsters who are now controlling the offices of Nansemond county. There are families who have been supported by public office for years. There are men who are incompetent to hold certain offices and farm them out to more competent men.

There are men who are bold tricksters or simply of malfeasance in office who are lenders and are elevated to positions of trust and responsibility. Look over the records of these men and see to it that we lay our plans for a change. It is time that the manhood of our good Democrats should assert itself. We must have better officers. The treatment of Mr. Hosier, who was appointed Commissioner of Valuation at the instance of Senator Shands, is a high handed outrage. Why should the ringsters have the appointment reconsidered and Mr. Britt given the place? Mr. Hosier is a straight-tongued Democrat and an honorable gentleman, and the people would be at the alert and see if there cannot be made some changes in future.

REFORM.

### PETERSBURG.

NEWS FROM ALONG THE APPOMATTOX RIVER.

Petersburg, Va., March 12.—The handsome new West End Baptist Church, on West Washington street, a description of which has been given in this correspondence, was formally dedicated yesterday morning at 11 o'clock in the presence of an audience estimated at fourteen hundred people. All of the Baptist Churches in the city were closed so as to give the congregations an opportunity to attend the dedicatory exercises.

PETERSBURG BOY SAFE.

On the 30th day of last May, Mr. Charles Bradford, assistant engineer of the United States hospital ship Itelief, was captured by the Filipinos in Manila bay. Mr. Bradford is a Petersburg boy, and has a sister here, who was very much disturbed from lack of news concerning her brother. Hon. Thomas B. Ivey opened up correspondence with Senator Thomas S. Martin relative to the matter, and to-day received a reply that inquiry at the Surgeon-General's office brought to light the fact that young Bradford had been re-captured, and was now in the hands of his friends.

STABLE BURNED.

The stable of Mr. J. R. Barner, on West High street, was destroyed by fire yesterday morning about 3 o'clock. Mr. Barner lost his horse and twenty-five fine chickens, which were burned to death. He also had his buggy and a large quantity of feed burned. How the fire originated is not known, but is supposed to have been of incendiary origin.

SUPERANNUATED PREACHERS.

At the morning services at Washington Street M. E. Church yesterday a collection was lifted for superannuated preachers of the Virginia Conference and about \$435 was contributed.

CONGRESSIONAL VACANCY.

A special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was held yesterday afternoon, and a resolution adopted asking Governor Tyler to order an election to fill the vacancy in the House of Representatives caused by the death of Hon. Sydney P. Ebes, of the Fourth District.

BREVITIES.

A boys' branch of the Young Men's Christian Association of Petersburg has been formed.

Mr. H. H. Witherspoon has resigned the position of assistant cashier of the Petersburg Savings and Insurance Company and has gone to Florida for the benefit of his health. Mr. Peyton Pollard has been billed to fill the vacancy, and Mr. William B. Stevens has been promoted to general bookkeeper. Mr. E. E. Hinkle has been employed as clerk.

Dorsey Crowder, who attempted to commit suicide here at a late hour Saturday night by shooting himself over the heart with a pistol, received only a very slight wound.

## NEWPORT NEWS

### Hung Jury in the Assault Case of Frank Benjamin.

Insanity Expert Testifies That He Was Mentally Responsible for the Crime—Jury Locked up for Further Deliberation—Other Matters.

(Special to The Virginian-Pilot.)

Newport News, Va., March 12.—When Saturday night came the evidence of the defense in the case of Frank Benjamin, the negro charged with assaulting Miss Caine, the Norfolk trained nurse, was all in.

This morning, at 10 o'clock, upon the convening of court, the argument began, Maryus Jones making the first address to the jury for the Commonwealth. He was followed by G. W. Fields for the defense. Commonwealth's Attorney Montague then made a strong argument for the extreme penalty for the crime.

The jury, after being out an hour and five minutes, reported that they could not agree. Judge Lee adjourned them over until in the morning.

The announcement was received with unconcealed wrath by the people, and threats of lynching were heard. It is hardly thought possible that there will be violence, however, until the jury has finally reported its inability to agree, but should the verdict fail to hang the negro there are people in Hampton who will probably try it.

LARGE CARGO OF WHEAT.

The Chesapeake and Ohio steamer Knight Errant, Captain Jones, sailed to-day for Liverpool with a cargo of 180,527 bushels of wheat.

This is the largest shipment of wheat made from this port in the last eighteen months, and one of the largest that ever went out from here.

TOUR OF INSPECTION.

Rear Admiral Bradford, chief of the Bureau of Equipment, Washington, came down to-day to inspect the equipment of the battleship Kearsarge, which gave him the rear admiral's salute of thirteen guns as he entered the yard. There is every evidence that the battleship will get away this week. Everything has been gotten into shape for departure, and the tests and inspections have been made. It is not known yet where the ship will go to first, but it is thought that she will proceed to Portsmouth, N. H.

A PHYSICIAN SHOT.

THE VICTIM OF AN ANGRY PREACHER'S BULLETS.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Broadnax, Va., March 12.—One of the most shocking shooting affairs that has ever happened in this county occurred near White Plains yesterday morning (Sunday). The wounded man is Dr. Wm. H. Temple, a prominent physician of this county, and the man that did the shooting is Rev. J. E. R. Riddick, pastor in charge of South Brunswick Circuit, M. E. Church.

Dr. Temple had been called to attend the wife of Rev. Riddick Wednesday night and instructed Mr. Riddick to send for him at once if his wife grew any worse. Yesterday morning Dr. Temple was preparing to dress after he had gotten out of bed, when Mr. Riddick rode up to his door. He says that he thought he came to summon him to see his wife and he slipped on his shoes and went to the door to invite him inside.

He was met at the door by Mr. Riddick and informed that he was to be killed. He then turned around and ran out of the back door, and was pursued by Mr. Riddick, pistol in hand, and when they reached the back yard four shots were fired into his person—one through the lung, one near the kidneys and one through each arm.

Mr. Riddick claimed before the Justice Court that Dr. Temple insulted his wife Wednesday night. Dr. Temple denies it most emphatically, and as Mr. Riddick could not prove that Dr. Temple insulted his wife he was committed to jail. Dr. Temple was a good man and a good physician.

Mr. Riddick is a son of Rev. Joseph H. Riddick, who about twenty years ago was pastor of Cumberland Street Church of Norfolk. The son is well-known here. His father will have the sympathy of a large number of people here and elsewhere in his present misfortune.

ROANOKE.

SCHOOL OF METHODS WILL COME AGAIN.

Roanoke, Va., March 12.—It is now supposed to be a settled fact that Roanoke will have the Virginia School of Methods again this year, beginning June 25th, and lasting four weeks, under the management of Superintendent E. C. Glass, of Lynchburg. The attendance last year was larger than ever before in the history of the school, reaching as it did about 800.

This year it is confidently believed that 1,000 teachers will come to Roanoke during the session. The Lutheran church, with its large chapel auditorium, has been secured for the sessions of the school. This church is located just across the street from the Commerce School Building, the two affording ample room for the gathering.

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## CANCER Cannot be Cut Out or Removed with Plasters

Surgical operations and flesh destroying plasters are useless, painful and dangerous, and besides, never cure Cancer. No matter how often a cancerous sore is removed, another comes at or near the same point, and always in a worse form. Does not this prove conclusively that Cancer is a blood disease, and that it is folly to attempt to cure this deep-seated, dangerous blood trouble by cutting or burning out the sore, which, after all, is only an outward sign of the disease—a place of exit for the poison?

Cancer runs in families through many generations, and those whose ancestors have been afflicted with it are liable at any time to be stricken with the deadly malady.

Only Blood Diseases can be Transmitted from One Generation to Another—further proof that Cancer is a disease of the blood.

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A little pimple, a harmless looking wart or mole, a lump in the breast, a cut or bruise that refuses to heal, or ordinary treatment, should all be looked upon with suspicion, as this is often the beginning of a bad form of cancer.

Our medical department is in charge of physicians of long experience, who are especially skilled in treating Cancer and other blood diseases. Write for any advice or information wanted, we make no charge whatever for this service.

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COURT MATTERS—WILD GEESSE—THE OYSTER TRADE.

(Special to The Virginian-Pilot.)  
Cape Charles, Va., March 12.—The March term of the County Court of Northampton began its session in Eastville Monday. While the criminal and civil dockets were light, and while His Honor, the Judge, the Clerk, the Attorney for the Commonwealth and the members of the bar were in consequence overworked, yet this term has a distinctive and fascinating feature, and it drew a big attendance. It is known on the Shore as "Horse Show Court." The finest blooded stock on the Peninsula (and the Eastern Shore is famous for fine horses and pretty women) were on exhibition on this occasion, and each owner vied with his neighbor in a friendly endeavor to carry off the honor for the best strain of blood, for style and for speed.

The month of January was the "Fertilizer" term of the court, for on that occasion the farmers attended to sign contracts for their guano for potato and other crops.

A most remarkable illustration of the attraction of brant, wild geese and other wild fowl, by the strong shipping lights placed along our Virginia coast, is afforded in the recent experience of Mr. Brown, one of the keepers of Hog Island light, located on the Atlantic coast. Along about the last of February, says Mr. Brown, the keepers of the light were aroused from their slumbers by the "honking" of geese and brant. The keeper, who was on duty at that hour, had to call for assistance, as the fowl, bewildered and blinded by the powerful light, were flying in such numbers and with such force against the glass in the tower as to shiver it in every direction. The men procured their guns and fired away at the feathery assailants of the light, and their ammunition was exhausted. The result was 268 dead brant and geese at the base of the tower.

The subsequent Saturday night the Hog Island light was again attacked by brant and geese as before. There was no ammunition at the tower and the force of keepers turned out and with their hands captured 150 of the fowl. This was kept up until an immense flock, fully a thousand, came rushing against the tower with such force that the keepers fled inside for protection. The birds continued to strike the glass tower, breaking it into pieces and putting out all the lights in the watch-tower.

Hog Island is a first-class light and has a powerful lens. It is a steel tower, 180 feet from the top to mean high water, and can be seen from the bridge of a steamer at a distance of twenty-five miles out at sea. This tower was completed only a few years ago.

Mr. C. R. Moore, of Bird's Nest, Northampton county, U. S. Voluntary Meteorological Observer, has furnished the following statement for the month of February for the Eastern Shore:

"This has been an unpleasant month, with many dark and cloudy days. Spells of quite warm weather, then cold and then warm again. Maximum temperature 65; minimum 12, mean 39.43. Rainfall, 2.95 inches; snow, 1.50 inches. Some early potato plants and more will be as soon as the weather permits. Wells and streams gaining in water."

The oyster trade on the Eastern Shore has been quite good the past few weeks, especially from the shipping points in Northampton and Accomac. As a reason for the increased trade it is stated that the oysters from other sections, especially north of Virginia, have been inferior in quality. Prices, too, have been good and the stock better than usual. It is a fact that no finer or better oysters in the world are those of Cherrystone, King's, Hungar's and Mattawan creeks, and this without attempting to disparage the bivalves taken in other creeks along the shore. The shipments over the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk railroad have been very heavy.

Among the citizens from the Eastern Shore who visited Norfolk last week were Dr. Vaden, Judge G. S. Kendall, Thomas B. Robinson, Samuel J. Costin, Joseph B. Savage and A. W. Kellam, of Northampton; G. Walter Mapp, A. Messers, Bull, Dougherty and Byrd, of Accomac county. The people of the Shore are quite partial to Norfolk, and were all things equal business relations between the points could be extended almost without limit.

Capt. C. S. Morgan, one of the most prominent farmers on the Eastern Shore, who owns a splendid estate on the seaside, near Cheriton, left last week on a visit to Baltimore. He was accompanied by his wife, Capt. Morgan says he is tired of county life, and will, if he can, sell his home in Northampton and spend the remainder of his days in the Monumental City, where his friends are legion.

BREVITIES.

Mrs. Caroline Hutchinson died sud-

denly last week at the home of her son, George Hutchinson, in Wardtown.

She was in the dining room preparing supper when she fell in an unconscious condition to the floor. Dr. Morley was called, but could not stay the hand of death, and this most excellent lady passed away a few hours later. She was the widow of the late Capt. William Hutchinson.

Mr. Lloyd Brockebrough, a popular young lawyer, is quite sick at the home of his father, Dr. Brockebrough, near Chesapeake.

Little Willie Hurst, of Deep Creek, Accomac county, while out gunning last week, had an arm shot off. The unfortunate youth is a son of Mr. Tully Hurst. Drs. Leatherbury and Robertson amputated the shattered arm.

Mr. A. J. Johnson, of Cape Charles, is now on the road representing the wholesale grocery house in Norfolk of Hough, Hester & Co. Mr. Johnson is a hustler, and will make frequent calls upon the merchants of the Eastern Shore.

R. W. Nottingham, Esq., clerk of the county court of Northampton, has returned to his office from a business trip to Richmond.

Mrs. J. H. Milligan, one of Cape Charles' most progressive and stylish milliners, is in the northern cities selecting her spring stock. Of course, this information is of peculiar interest to the ladies—and also to their husbands and fathers.

Miss Nellie Marshall, of Baltimore, is in Bridgetown visiting her friend, Mrs. Fred Waddy.

Mrs. Clara Cullingsworth, of Richmond, is the guest of Mrs. E. F. Nottingham, of Eastville.

Mr. E. T. Leatherbury was back on the seaside last week. He came over from Newport News, where he is engaged, and was the guest of Mr. Preston E. Trower.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist Church of Eastville have an important meeting at the parsonage at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon, March 17th.

Mr. A. M. Nottingham has purchased the Miles property in Onancock, and will occupy it in the fall.

Miss Julia Nottingham has returned to her home in Eastville from a most pleasant visit to her many friends in Cape Charles.

The new sawmill being built near Chesapeake is nearly completed. Mrs. Margaret Luker, while attending Salem Church, near Chesapeake, was accidentally fell from the steps and dislocated her shoulder. Mrs. Luker is quite old and infirm.