

WEATHER REPORT

Washington, Dec. 14, 1900, 8 p. m. Forecast for Saturday and Sunday: For Virginia—Fair, continued cold Saturday; Sunday fair; fresh northerly winds.

For North Carolina—Generally fair Saturday and Sunday; diminishing northerly winds on the coast.

Norfolk and Vicinity. Rain and possibly snow; about stationary temperature; brisk northeast winds backing; fair to-night.

METEOROLOGICAL DATA. December 14th, 1900. Maximum temperature 52. Minimum temperature 32. Normal temperature 44.

CALENDAR. Sun rises at 7:11 a. m. and sets at 4:50 p. m. TIDES. High water at 4:10 a. m. and 4:22 p. m.

OFFENSIVE EVEN TO MYSELF.—F. A. Bottom, druggist, Cookshire, Que., says: "For 20 years I suffered from Catarrh. My breath was very offensive even to myself. I tried everything which promised me a cure. In almost all instances I had to proclaim them no good at all. I was induced to try Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder. I got relief instantly after first application. It cured me and I am free from all the effects of it."

WHITEN.—At the Norfolk Protestant Hospital on December 14th, 1900, JIMMIE WHITEN, an inmate of the Turney Home for Boys, aged 18 years.

IN MEMORIAM. In memory of MR. KING E. WATSON, who departed this life December 15th, 1892. May his soul rest in Peace.

The Couper Marble Works. Established 1848. 129 to 163 Bank St. Norfolk, Va.

MEMBERS. J. P. O. U. A. M.—ALL MEMBERS. We are cordially invited to meet at Odd Fellows' Hall, Atlantic City, at 7 p. m. SUNDAY, December 16th, to attend service at LeKies M. E. Church.

NOTICE!

A meeting of the STREET COMMITTEE OF THE CITY COUNCILS, will be held at the office of the City Treasurer, on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15th, 1900, at 7 p. m.

AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC. TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18. The great Melo-Dramatic Success THE BOWERY AFTER DARK.

BARTON'S AUDITORIUM THEATRE. J. M. Barton, Prop. W. H. Truehart, Mgr. The only First-class Vaudeville Theatre in Norfolk.

THE WOMAN'S STORE. Remnant Day again—Saturday—To-day.

In order to close out the remaining lot. Yesterday's selling was phenomenal.

You certainly appreciated our efforts—We thought not but, will again offer them.

To-day and its sale of odds and ends, remnants, etc., merely to clean up the lot before stock taking.

THE WOMAN'S STORE. Amos, Brownly & Hornthal. The Monticello Corner.

DIAMOND ROBBER.

An Innocent Looking Stranger Makes a Big Haul.

Seized Three Diamond Rings at Alfriend & Company's Store at 6:30 o'Clock Last Night and Escaped in the Crowd on the Street.

About 6:30 o'clock last night a stranger entered the store of Alfriend & Co., on Main street, near Granby, and asked to look at some diamond rings. There were a number of customers scattered throughout the store at the time and a number of the employees of the firm were on duty.

The stranger said he was about to leave the city and wished to purchase a diamond ring before he left. He was waited on by Mr. James P. Bennar, manager of the jewelry department of the store. It is not customary to show many valuable rings at a time, but two or three are often displayed at a time to permit of comparison.

Mr. Bennar showed the man one 2-carat solitaire diamond ring, valued at \$300; one 2-stone diamond ring, valued at \$350, and a second 2 1/2-karat solitaire diamond ring worth \$250. The man looked the rings over for about ten minutes, asking as to their relative value, purity, etc. He then took the rings and stepped across the store, saying that he wished to examine them in a better light.

As the man ran for the door Mr. Bennar, who had been watching him, attempted to climb over the high partition at the front of the store that is between the show case on the west side and the entrance. Finding the partition difficult to scale he turned back and ran around from behind the counter, being joined in the pursuit by others. As Mr. Bennar reached the street he saw the man dashing along toward Granby.

At the time two passing street cars had partially congested travel at the corner of Main and Granby streets and there was a crowd of about fifty people there. In a moment the bold thief was lost in the crowd and all trace of him was at once lost.

The police department was at once notified of the robbery and an officer was sent to the Norfolk and Western depot to watch outgoing trains, other precautions were also promptly made to prevent his escape by other railway or steamship lines.

DESCRIPTION OF THIEF. The thief is a blond, about 5 feet 9 inches in height, heavy set, has a ruddy complexion, blond mustache, wore a black necktie, black derby hat, black sack suit and looked like a prosperous young farmer.

Up to the hour of going to press the diamond thief was still at liberty and it seems probable that he has escaped.

POWHTAN COUNCIL.

NATIONAL UNION ELEETS OFFICERS, WHICH IS FOLLOWED BY AN OYSTER SUPPER. Powhatan Council No. 371, National Union, at its regular convention held at Ballentine Hall last night, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Benjamin Reynolds, president;

At the conclusion of the regular council session the members, accompanied by invited guests, adjourned to the Welcome Restaurant, on Main street, where an elegant oyster supper was spread by the prince of caterers, James J. Capps, the delicious bivvies being served in a most tempting style.

Supper being over an hour or more was spent in social pastime and in the enjoyment of a delightful Havana smoker. The membership of the National Union in Norfolk is composed of the best and most substantial business men in the city.

WALKED OUT. On Food, After Being Given Up. Lack of knowledge regarding the kind of food to give to people, particularly invalids, frequently causes men distress, whereas when one knows exactly the kind of food to give to quickly rebuild the brain and nerve centers, that knowledge can be made use of.

A young Chicago woman says: "Other instances of the wonderful qualities possessed by Grape-Nuts food are shown in my grandmother's and mother's cases. Grandmother's entire left side became totally paralyzed from a ruptured capillary of the brain. The doctor said it would be impossible for her to live a week. She could not take ordinary food and we put her on Grape-Nuts, in an effort to do all for her we could."

DIVINE SERVICES SUNDAY.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

Epworth, corner Freemason and Bough streets—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. Dr. A. Coke Smith, at 11 a. m. and by Rev. W. M. Lertwich, D. D., 7:30 p. m. Sunday-school at 9:30 a. m.

Queen, corner of Pulaski and Queen streets—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. S. C. Hatcher, at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday-school at 9:30 a. m.

LeKies Memorial, corner of Camp avenue and Fort street, Atlantic City—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. Graham H. Lambeth, at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday-school at 9:30 a. m.

First, corner of Granby and Freemason streets—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. J. J. Taylor, D. D., at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject: "Jesus a Light in Darkness." Evening: "Following the Light." Sunday-school 9:30 a. m. Seats free. Strangers welcome.

Spurgeon Memorial, Windsor avenue, Brambleton—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. J. T. Riddick, at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

First, Church street, between Holt and Cove streets—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. Edward Mack, D. D., at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday-school 9:30 a. m. Westminster League prayer meeting at 6:45 p. m.

First Church, Public Library building—Services at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Subject: "The Universe Including Man Evolved by Automatic Force." Sunday-school at 9:30 a. m. Wednesday evening meeting at 8 o'clock.

Church of Christ. (Disciples), Freemason street, between Bank and Brewer streets—Preaching by Rev. E. V. Spleer at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor meeting at 6:30 p. m.

Memorial Temple, corner Cooke and Tunstall avenues Brambleton—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. J. P. Barrett, D. D., at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Among Our Cotton Men. Georgia and Alabama report heavy rains. Spot cotton in Liverpool unchanged.

Stock and stock report, 1900. \$59,000; 1899, \$75,000; of which American, 1900, 766,000; 1899, 779,000; middling, 1900, 556; 1899, 43d.

Receipts, interior towns, estimated 293,062 210,485. Stocks, interior towns, estimated 748,601 817,391. Port receipts 309,804 228,564. Exports, bales 175,442 141,373.

Fire Yesterday Afternoon. The alarm of fire about 1:30 p. m. yesterday was caused by flames issuing from a cook room on the second floor of No. 171 Bermuda street, occupied by Mrs. Cousins. The room and its effects were considerably damaged.

Record of the Vote.

Members of the City Councils who voted on November 8th, 1900, to put this city at the mercy of a Bell Telephone monopoly, to besmirch the good name of this city by repudiating its contract and to impair its reputation for fair dealing by illegally favoring one private corporation against the interest of the citizens of Norfolk:

- N. BEAMAN, EDWARD CAMP, T. M. CASHIN, C. H. CONSOLOVO, J. FRANK EAST, R. F. FOREST, W. M. HANNAN, F. JACOBS, W. R. JOHNSON, E. S. JOYNS, J. V. KIRKMAN, J. J. O'KEEFE, W. P. OBERDORFER, W. M. PANNILL, A. STAHL, B. A. UNDERDOWN, A. C. WALKER, R. W. WHITEHURST, F. T. WISE.

Members of the City Councils who voted on November 8th to amend the Southern Bell Franchise by establishing a maximum rate and protect the interest of the citizens of Norfolk:

- C. P. DENBY, T. S. FITZGIBBONS, J. M. KEELING, W. W. OLD, J. O. PITT, J. O. REID, J. A. RIDGEWELL, J. LEE SENECA, W. S. SOUTHGATE, J. G. TILTON, E. G. TUNSTALL, C. O. WRENN.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. James Haughton, of Newport News, was in town yesterday. Mrs. John Egerton, of Virginia Beach, spent the day here yesterday.

Dr. J. Jett McCormick left for New York Thursday to attend his brother, Mr. Dawson McCormick, who is ill with pneumonia. Dr. McCormick reaches home today.

Mr. Richard L. Doble, of Richmond, is the guest of Mr. Richard A. Doble, in Bute street.

Mr. Henry G. Bryant, the well known scientist of Philadelphia, passed through this city yesterday enroute to Wallace, Va., for a hunting trip.

Dr. George D. Levy, who is ill at a sanitarium at Baltimore, is convalescing, but will not be able to return to Norfolk before Christmas.

Miss Anne Henry, of this city, is the guest of Miss Mary Shields, at "Little England," Newport News.

Hon. John Whitehead returned yesterday from Baltimore, where he spent the week on business. He was much pleased to note that Norfolk does not suffer by comparison with that city.

The Standard Cottillon Club gave a delightful affair on Wednesday last. It was led by Mr. P. Hofheimer.

Miss Emily Frank is confined to her home, suffering from a sprained ankle. The Junior Standard Club gave a ball on Monday last. The debutantes were Miss Elsie Steiner, Miss Fannie Weisel and Miss Lottie Pincus.

Mrs. R. W. Page, of Lynchburg, Va., is visiting her son, Mr. Ambrose Page, of 355 Bute street.

Rev. and Mrs. Alexander Coke Smith have issued invitations to a reception to be held Saturday evening, December 22d, from 8 to 10 o'clock, at 257 York street, in commemoration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage.

Sermon to Young Men. Rev. E. B. Hatcher, pastor of First Baptist church, will preach the second of the series of Sunday night sermons on "The Story of a Wild Young Man." Sunday night. His subject will be "Sowing the Wild Oats." Young men are especially invited to these services. Special song service preceding the sermon.

Christmas Holiday Rates Via Southern Railway. For the above occasion, the Southern Railway will sell tickets from points on its lines of rate of one and one-third first-class fare for the round trip, tickets on sale December 23d, 24th and 25th, and December 30th and 31st, and January 1st, 1901, final limit January 4th, 1901, in addition to the above dates tickets will be sold students and teachers on presentation of certificates signed by principals of schools December 15th to 21st, final limit January 8th, 1901, Dec. 12-18.

WATT, RETTEW & CLAY.

Open Evenings 'Till Nine.

Alice of Old Vincennes—89c.

And the following list of the regular \$1.50 copyright Books are here this morning at 89c.

- Prisoners of Hope. To Have and To Hold. Redemption of David Corson. Uncle Terry. The Light of Seartley. Vengeance is Mine. Liberty. Slidingtown on the Pike. In Connection With the De Wittough-Resurrection. Gentleman From India. Joan of the Sword Hand. Red Postage. Via Crucis. Malt of Maiden Lane. The Legionaries. Three Men on Three Wheels. The Heart's Highway. The Other Fellow. Bohemian. The Head of a Hundred. A Dash For a Throne. The Voice of the People.

Chatterbox, for 1900—75c. Bibles—Nelson's Teacher's Bibles—new helps—new concordance—new maps—350 illustrations—85c, instead of \$1.50.

17c. Stockings, 12 1/2.

Women's Fancy Stockings—royal purple, navy, black and red, with polka dots and stripes. Regular 17c goods, at 12 1/2c. Absolutely fast black stockings with blue, red and white figures, dots and stripes—colors guaranteed. Regular 25c goods at 19c—3 pair for 50c.

Watt, Rettew & Clay. NUSBAUM'S. Minute from Main Street. Open Evenings Till Christmas.

50c. Books, 25c. Price and 1—beautifully illustrated. Publishers' price 50c. At Nusbaum's, 25c.

Flower Fables—by Louisa M. Alcott, author of Little Men and Women. Publishers' price, 50c. At Nusbaum's, 25c.

Rubaiyat of Omar Kahyam—the world's favorite poem. Publishers' price, 50c. At Nusbaum's, 25c.

Chatterbox for 1899—you know its fascinating stories. Publishers' price, \$1. At Nusbaum's, 59c.

HEAVEN'S DISTANT LAMPS—a collection of poems of comfort and hope, by Annie E. Mack. Publishers' price, \$1.50. At Nusbaum's \$1.12.

LOVE SONGS OF FRANCE—containing 100 of the most classic love poems, translated from the original—16 full page photographs. Publishers' price, \$2. At Nusbaum's \$1.12.

We've all sorts of odd and pretty things at a quarter, things from Europe; knick-knacks and bric-a-brac for curio cabinets.

NUSBAUM'S. 100-102 Granby Street. Opposite the Monticello Hotel. BOTH PHONES—Two Sixty.

STIEFF PIANOS. The word "BEST" has been so much abused that we often hesitate to use it. It so happens though that there is no other word that will adequately describe the Stieff piano. It is just as near perfection as human skill has yet been able to reach. It combines the high qualities of other instruments, and has many unique additions of its own.

Stieff Factory Waterroom, 60 GRANBY STREET. Both phones 1193. de6-11.

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THE Joseph Brown STORE.

For Big Men

the Sample Undershirts are regal opportunities. Where one has choice of so many different sorts, none at more than two-thirds regular prices, there's every reason for buying them, in preference to regular goods.

Sizes 40 and 42 only—nothing smaller. 50 cent goods, 33. 1.00 " 67. 1.50 " 1.00. 2.00 " 1.33.

Samples of Ladies' and Misses' Underwear

also. Some Union Suits among them, and every garment upon the same basis you pay for the men's, two-thirds.

As A Day For Glove Buying

Saturday is probably not equaled. We advise immediate purchases, and when intended for gifts, we sell them with this proviso: That if not the proper size, the recipients may exchange them after Christmas. (If not tried on.) Guaranteed, in Black and Colors, 1.00.

Scarfs, Shams, Table Covers, Squares, Mats,

add greatly to woman's existence, the brightening of her joys. Common consent credits us with having the very best assortment of the town, in Point D'Esprit and Applique. Daily sales make daily inroads, and your own interests will be best served by making your purchases today.

Handkerchiefs form no small part of Christmas giving. Handkerchiefs in such elegance and quantity, have never been seen in this store, but we must emphasize this fact; that best selections may be had today—not tomorrow.

Dress Goods Sales for the 5 days of this week are almost 5 per cent ahead of the 6 days of last week—which was the banner week.

Does it speak well for what we show? JOSEPH BROWN - 220 Main St.

SOMETHING TO ADMIRE. There is always something for Ladies' to admire at this store. Another thing to attract the buyer is the price. WILL MENTION A FEW OF MANY. A large line of JACKETS, CAPES AND FURS.

DRESS GOODS THE LATEST STYLES. Blankets, Comforts, Damask, Doyles, and Napkins. Gentle Ladies' and Children's Underwear. Kid Gloves, Handkerchiefs, and the most desirable makes of Corsets, Petticoats, Pocket Books, Belts, and Sundries of other goods.

ALL AT BOTTOM PRICES. L. H. Whitehurst 336 MAIN STREET. Both Phones.

For Thanksgiving. FLUM PUDDING, ALL SIZES. 10c, 25c, 50c, 75c, and \$1.00 per CAN AND FLUM PUDDING SAUCE.

LOWE & MILLER. NORFOLK'S BUSY GROCERY.

Large stock of Raisins, Currants, Citron, Lemon, and Orange Peel and Almonds, Walnuts, Pecan Nuts, Filberts, Brazil Nuts and Shelled Almonds.