

AUTOPSY TO BE HELD.

The Remains of the Dead M-latto to be Examined.

The action of THE TIMES in criticising the hasty action of the jury of inquest in the case of the dead negro found on the railroad early Monday morning was heartily applauded by the citizens generally.

Taking up the thread where it had been so abruptly dropped by the jury, a TIMES reporter yesterday succeeded in discovering who the dead man was, but by reason of the disposal of the remains to the overseer of the poor, complete identification was impossible.

The chief of police, accompanied the reporter, to the house of Shelby Banks, on Ernest avenue, and from the inmates there they got a most minute description of William Hight, which fitted the dead man in every particular. Convinced that further examination of the corpse was material to proper further investigation, Chief Morris and the reporter went from Bank's domicile to Coroner Gray's residence, and got a coronial order for the return of the corpse to Oakley & Woolwine's undertaking establishment, Dr. Gray announcing at the same time that an autopsy would be held in order to determine the cause of death.

Chief Morris then notified the inmates of Bank's house to go to the undertaking establishment and view the remains. About 8 o'clock Shelby Banks, accompanied by Sidney Sidnor and Robert Sparrow, arrived at the undertaker's and the coffin lid was removed and the body viewed in a dim light. The men did not think the corpse was that of Hight, although the description of the man fitted him. Like the dead man, Hight had been a sub-brakeman on the Norfolk and Western, and, as the brass check showed, the dead man had been employed by Contractor Gaynor, near Christiansburg. The people will view the remains again in the morning.

The matter is, however, in position for intelligent investigation. If the negro's death was caused by other than violent means, the autopsy will aid in establishing that fact, and the absence of blood-stains on the person and clothing will be partly explained, because, as has been surmised, if the man were dead when he fell, and had laid for a few hours there, and then been accidentally struck in the head, the resulting wounds would not bleed profusely.

Dr. Gray had not determined last night whom he would call in to assist him in the autopsy, nor whether he would hold another inquest, but Chief Morris has announced his intention of probing the matter to the bottom.

SHOULD MECHANICS OWN HOMES.

An Interesting Discussion at Federation Hall Last Night.

An audience which made up in enthusiasm what it lacked in numbers, faced Chairman Cummings when he called to order the third meeting in the open series of the Federation Labor at their hall last night.

J. L. Rodier was the first speaker, and confined his remarks to an explanation of THE TIMES' second-mortgage plan and the desirability of workingmen owning their own homes.

J. T. Joyoe, of the Iron Moulders' Union, thought that workingmen should first organize to secure the enactment of laws needed for mechanics.

J. W. Hartwell, Esq., of the local bar, followed in a short speech.

P. Wright, of the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers, argued that it was unwise for mechanics to own homes by reason of their migratory habits, but thought they should adopt some co-operative system of spending their earnings.

William Henderson, president of the Roanoke Federation of Labor, evoked the novel but practical idea that the value of a home, as a home, did not fluctuate; it could never decrease in value for the purpose of a home.

B. P. Bullington, of the Tailors' Union, closed the speaking in a short but practical speech endorsing the co-operative idea.

PERSONAL ITEMS.

What People are Doing in and Out of Roanoke.

Benjamin Neal was arrested by Officer Ware at the depot yesterday for drunken loitering about the platform.

C. T. Gallagher, a painter, was fined \$10 and costs by Squire Howerton for the larceny of some clothing.

Cards are out for the marriage of Vincent Gray, senior member of the firm of Gray & Strother, real estate agents of Salem, Va., to Miss Lucille Mallard, of New Orleans, La., to take place on the 4th of February.

Mr. John A. Pileher, of Petersburg, who came to Roanoke last week is confined to his bed at Rorer Park by a light fever. He left last night for his home to receive the attention of his mother.

All men are cordially invited to attend the social religious service in the Young Men's Christian Association rooms this evening at 8 o'clock. Topic—"Unpopular but Faithful"—Leader Mr. William Baskerville.

Rev. J. H. Buchanan, of this city went to Carnegie City yesterday to assist Rev. Jno. W. Cauter in a protracted meeting.

Rev. J. A. Huffard has been called to his home at Wytheville, Va., on account of the serious illness of his mother. He left on the early train yesterday morning.

J. P. Barbee has returned from a month's vacation trip to Kentucky and Texas. He looks as fine as a fiddle, and says he never felt better in his life.

J. H. Orem, of Thos. K. Corey and Bros., of Baltimore is at the Hotel, Roanoke.

E. C. Roberts, of Pittsburgh, and assistant of T. B. Miles, of Philadelphia, prominent blast furnace contractors are at the Hotel Roanoke.

Clinton S. Kimes, of the Railway Guide, is at the Roanoke.

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

New York, Jan. 21.—[Special]—Exchange quiet and steady at 485 3/4 @ 488. Commercial bills, 481 1/4 @ 484. Money easy at 2 @ 3, closing offered at 2. Sub-treasury balances—gold, \$150,652,000; currency, \$6,111,000. Government bonds dull and steady—4s, 120; 4 1/2s, 103. State bonds dull and firm.

Table with financial data including Alca. CA 2-3s, 102 1/2; N. O. Pa., 1st., 88 1/2; do. Cl. B 5s, 105; N. Y. Cen., 101 1/2; Ga. 7s mortg'e, 121; N. & W. pref., 55; N. C. 6s, 121; N. Pac., 27 1/2; do. 4s, 96; N. Pac. pref., 71; S. C. con Br., 97; Pac. Mail, 34; Tenn. 6s, 101 1/2; Reading, 32 1/2; Tenn. 5s, 98; R. & W. P. T. 11, 17 1/2; Tenn. sett., 69; Rock Island, 60 1/2; Vir. 6s, 50; St. Paul, 54 1/2; Vir. consuls., 40; St. Paul pref., 110; Ch. & N. W., 106; Tex. Pacific, 15; do prefer'd., 134; Tn. Coal & Ir'n, 37; Del. & Lack., 138 1/2; Union Pacific, 45 1/2; Erie, 20 1/2; N. J. Cen., 113 1/2; E. Tenn., new, 7 1/2; Mo. Pacific, 65 1/2; Lake Shore, 107 1/2; West. Union, 79 1/2; L. & N., 77 1/2; Cot. Oil T. C., 20 1/2; Mem. & Char., 40; Brunswick, 23; Mob. & Ohio, 28; Mob. & O., 65 1/2; N. & C., 92; Silver Cor., 104 1/2.

PRODUCE AND MERCHANDISE.

CHICAGO, Jan. 21.—[Special]—Cash quotations steady, unchanged. No. 2 spring wheat, 89 1/2; No. 2 red, 91 1/2 @ 92; No. 2 corn, 49; No. 2 oats, 43 1/2 @ 44. Mess pork, \$10.12 1/2. Lard, \$5.70. Short ribs, \$4.75 @ 4.85. Dry salted shoulders \$4.15 @ 4.20. Short clear, \$5.00 @ 5.10. Whisky, \$1.14

New York, Jan. 21.—[Special]—Southern flour, wheat 3/4 @ higher, firm; moderate demand; No. 2 red \$1.06 1/2 elevator, 108, aboat. Options strong, 3/4 @ 1/2 advance. No. 2 red Jan., \$1.05 1/2, Feb., \$1.03 1/2; May \$1.03 1/2. Corn, stronger, quiet; No. 2 60 1/2, elevator; 61 1/2 aboat. Options unchanged to 3/4 higher; quiet. Jan, 60 1/2; Feb., 60 1/2; May, 58 1/2. Oats higher, less active; options quiet, firm; Jan., 51 1/2; Feb., 51 1/2; May, 51 1/2 @ 51 1/2. Spot No. 2 red 51 1/2 @ 51 1/2. Hops weak, quiet. Coffee options steady, closed 5 down to 15 up, quiet; Jan., \$16.80 @ 17; Feb., \$16.30 @ 16.40; May, \$15.40 @ 15.50. Spot Rio easy, quiet; fair cargoes 19; No. 7, \$12.40 @ 12.43 1/2. Sugar, raw, held firm; fairly active; fair refining, 4 1/2 @ 5. Q-refined fairly active, firm.

Molasses foreign nominal; New Orleans firm. Rice good demand, firm; domestic, fair to extra, 5 1/2 @ 6 1/2; Japan, 6 1/2 @ 6 3/4. Petroleum steady, quiet; refined all ports, 7.40 asked; do. in bulk, 4.55. Cotton-seed oil dull, firm, crude, off grade, 21 @ 24. Rosin steady, quiet; strained, common to good, 140 @ 142 1/2. Turpentine quiet, steady, 39 1/2 @ 40 1/2. Wool quiet, firm; pork quiet, steady; beef quiet, firm; family, 9.00 @ 9.50; beef hams quiet, firm; tierced beef steady, quiet; cut meats fairly active, firm; middles quiet, weak. Lard freely offered, lower, active; Western steam, 6.07 1/2; city, 5.55; Jan., 6.04; Feb., 6.05; May, 6.37; refined dull; continent, 6.00 @ 6.50; S. A., 6.90. Freight quiet, easy; cotton, 3-16d; grain, 4d asked.

THE ROANOKE & SOUTHERN.

That Corporation Has Been Able to Negotiate Its Loans and Make Progress. From the Twin City Sentinel.

Because the Roanoke and Southern railroad is one of our foremost local institutions, the creation, we may say, of Winston-Salem; and an agency from which we have the right to look for so much good in the development of resources, the convenience and stimulation of traffic and industries, we are very happy to state that, notwithstanding the fall and winter pressure in the money markets, consequent lowering of securities, the great destruction of values elsewhere, the Roanoke and Southern Railroad Company, and its allied interests, have not suffered any damage, nor will be put to any delay in the progress of their work.

Their financial operations have been successful in every particular, their interests will be protected, their credit sustained and their bonds kept from the sacrifices of a falling market. In other words, the Roanoke and Southern people have been able to negotiate their loans upon their bonds, for all the money they want without being compelled to part with them at ruinous prices below par, and they are in position to open the spring work on an enlarged scale, to push the road to a connection with the city of Roanoke, and advance rapidly with the Southern extension.

We congratulate the community, and complement the Roanoke and Southern management.

Mayor's Court.

Mayor Evans disposed of the following cases in his court yesterday: David Jenkins, drunk and disorderly, fined \$5.

Lawrance Goode and William Dudley, affray; fined \$5 each.

Doig Howard and Mary Miller, fighting on Railroad avenue; fined \$5 each. Howard was also mulcted in \$3 additional for assaulting Mollie Davis.

H. P. Walker and his wife, Mary, were placed upon their trial for disorderly conduct, and the case was continued at their request until today.

W. H. Thomas, assaulting Peter Bailey; fined \$5.

"The Ranch King" at the Opera House

"The Ranch King" was presented at the Opera House last night to a good house. The play is a purely Western production, as its name implies, and abounds in thrilling situations and each act closes with an exciting climax. The company is a good one, and every character is well sustained. The dancing of Miss Louise Agnott and Messrs. Smith and Bryant elicited vociferous applause. To-night "Myrtle Ferns" will be presented by the same company and this is said to be even a stronger play than the "Ranch King."

THE TIMES can be found regularly on sale at the following places:

- Roanoke—George Gravatt, Jr.; M. L. Smith's, Dallis & Dennis', Hotels Roanoke, Continental and Ponca De Leon, Salem—Alfred S. Burdette & Co.'s, Pulaski—Maple Shade Inn, Bluefield—Bluefield Inn, Pocahontas—Pocahontas Inn, Norfolk and Western and Shenandoah Valley trains, Bristol, Tenn.—W. A. Ward, Front street, Washington—Willards', The Metropolitan.

Everybody reads THE TIMES. "Want Column." If you have houses or rooms to rent, property or anything else to sell put a small Ad. in THE TIMES, it will bring you calls.

Twenty per cent. discount on all heavy-weight goods at JOSEPH COHN'S, The Salem Avenue Clothier.

Positively the largest reduction offered by any house in the city. Just figure a minute and see what the above proposition will save you on a pair of pants, actual value \$5; or on a suit, actual value \$12.50; or an overcoat, actual value \$15; or on any price article you wish to purchase. We intend to make a clean sweep this month of all winter goods. If you dont want the earth, the above proposition will certainly be sufficient.

JOSEPH COHN, The Clothier, Tailor and Hatter, 44 Salem avenue, Roanoke, Va., E. M. DAWSON, Manager.

WE HAVE HIM

And Will Keep Him—Norfolk's Nefarious Attempts to Kidnap Dr. Parsons.

The rivalry between Roanoke and Norfolk as to which owns Dr. Parsons continues.

A crowd of Roanoke real estate men went down to look at the Norfolk people's decorated Pullman car yesterday morning and when they saw Dr. Parsons' name pasted up with the other Norfolk firms, they constituted themselves into a caucus to determine the question of taking it down as not belonging there. But they decided, as they were not white caps, college sophomores, nor rip-snorting congressmen, to let the name remain.

Dr. Parsons heard of it and said he appreciated the sentiment. "I am from Roanoke-Norfolk," Dr. Parsons said in reply to the reporter's question, "and I write Roanoke first. My heart is here, my wife is here, my child is here, the best paper in the State is here, and the best people in the world."

The majority of persons who purchase pianos and organs know little or nothing about the mechanism of the instrument; it is therefore necessary that they should deal with reliable houses, whose reputation for honest dealings is unquestionable. The Hobbie Music Company, Lynchburg, Va.; Roanoke, Va., and Knoxville, Tenn., request you to call and examine their stock.

Notice, Real Estate Owners.

We are revising our list of properties for sale and take this method of asking all owners of real estate to place their property with us for sale as early as possible. We are constantly getting inquiries from many who will be with us to invest shortly, and we want to have our list thoroughly revised and be ready for the spring trade. Full line of business property wanted.

Thanking our many friends for their liberal patronage in helping us do the largest business last year ever done in the city by one firm, we ask a continuance of their patronage for the new year, assuring them that every sale or investment shall have our careful and personal attention. C. O'LEARY & Co., real estate agents, office No. 9 Campbell street. jan21-tf

Goods Below Cost.

Ten thousand dollar's worth of clothing and gent's furnishing goods, shoes and hats to be sold at once at half their value, at 130 Salem avenue. jan21-1m

Having secured the services of Henry Davis the best horse shoer in Virginia, late of J. J. Davis & Co., and E. G. Haislip, we respectfully solicit the patronage of all. J. J. OWEN, No. 22 Fourth avenue s. w. Telephone No. 170. jan20-1m

A weak back, with a weary aching lameness over the hips, is a sign of diseased kidneys. Use the best kidney curative known, which is Burdock Blood Bitters.

To be Sold at a Sacrifice.

The entire stock of clothing and gent's furnishing goods, shoes and hats; also a large quantity of boys' and children's clothing. Sale to take place at once. 130 Salem avenue. jan21-1m

To Whom This May Concern!

As we are closing up all our accounts for last year, we earnestly and respectfully ask all parties indebted to come forward and settle their accounts at once. All accounts not settled in the next thirty days will be placed in the hands of an officer for collection. Respectfully, jan10-1m GRINBERG & MORRIS.

Old exchanges for sale at THE TIMES office; 20 cents per 100.

Vegetable and harmless, yet a monster destroyer to any blood taint. A. B. C. Alternative. Try it.

If you have a want put a small ad. in THE TIMES. It will bring you what you desire.

Bring horses to Owen's stables; good attention and moderate prices. jan20-1m

A Rare Bargain.

Two lots in the nicest residence locality in the city will be sold at a discount of 25 per cent. T. W. SIMS & Co., Room 6, Masonic Temple.

There is nothing like Dr. Thomas Electric Oil to quickly cure a cold or hoarseness. Written by Mrs. M. J. Fellows, Burr Oak, St. Joseph county, Michigan.

Removal.

Office of Clare & Read, lumber dealers, removed to corner Salem avenue and Commerce street, Markley building, room formerly occupied by Justice Howerton. They keep on hand a full stock of building material. Telephone No. P. O. box 180. jan14-fob1.

Miss Gerlie Pierce, of Raleigh, N. C., is visiting her sister Mrs. H. C. Deal at the Reed House.

CITY BULLETIN.

Wanted—To find purchaser for a job lot of baby carriages. We defy competition south of New York. Only a few left. E. H. Stewart & Co.

Hughes & Camp carry the largest stock of carriages, buggies, harness, saddles, horse-furnishing goods, and horse-boots in the city. Repairing done on short notice. Telephone No. 141, 153 Salem avenue, 152 Terry avenue. sep23-

Evans & Chalmers have the largest stock of oils, varnishes and Longman and Martinez paint ever brought to Roanoke.

This week only we offer to our patrons carpet remnants at cost. Call early. E. H. Stewart & Co.

Window-shades and picture frames to order. E. H. Stewart & Co.

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Buy your cooking stoves from M. H. Jennings & Co., near Market House, Salem avenue.

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Bradfield's Female Regulator worked like a charm; improvement been wonderful; cannot express my gratitude. Wish every lady afflicted would try it. I know it would cure them. Mrs. Lula A. Long, Spring Grove, Fla. Write the Bradfield Regulator Co., Atlanta, Ga., for further particulars. Sold by all druggists.

Pittsburgh Development Company.

Notice—The annual meeting of the stockholders of Pittsburgh Development Company will be held at its offices, in the city of Roanoke, on Monday, February 2nd, 1891, at 11 o'clock a. m. All stockholders are requested to be present in person or by proxy. Transfer book will be closed January 22nd. jan1-1m J. B. LEVY, Secretary.

Clipped from Canada Presbyterian, under signature of C. Blackett Robinson, Prop: I was cured of recurring bilious headaches by Burdock Blood Bitters.

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Are offering some great bargains to close out their immense stock of ladies' jackets and plush coats, misses' and childrens' cloaks.

SPECIAL BARGAINS

In gents' merino underwear, in white and gray, at 25c, 33c, 37c, 50c and 62 1/2c. Ladies' black and Oxford gray hose, plain and ribbed, at 25c, worth 37c.

Great Reduction in Blankets.

- 10-4 gray blankets at \$1.25 per pair, regular price \$1.50. 11-4 gray blankets at \$1.87 per pair, regular price \$2.25. 11-4 gray blankets at \$2.25 per pair, regular price \$2.75. 10-4 white wool blankets at \$2.37 per pair, regular price \$3.00. 11-4 white wool blankets at \$2.87 per pair, regular price \$3.25. 10-4 all-wool white blankets at \$3.50 per pair, regular price \$4.50. 10-4 all-wool red blankets at \$2.87 per pair, regular price \$2.50.

Comforts all Reduced.

Fifty white bed quilts at \$1.00, worth \$1.25. Closing out balance of Christmas goods at less than half price at

SNYDER & MACBAIN'S, 134 Salem avenue.

C. O. YOUNG & CO.

Have rented the NEW ASBERRY BUILDING, On Salem avenue near Commerce street, and will establish an Auction, Commission, Real Estate and Storage business there. They will receive goods direct from the manufactory and sell to the trade. Look out for bargains and the opening, February 1. jan22-1t

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