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CONFLICTING DECISIONS.

A curious instance of court made law comes from the recent decisions of the United States Supreme Court. By the joint action of Congress and the court of last resort, the original package law, which has given Kansas no end of trouble, is finally and effectually put out of the way. But if the decisions of the court have not been made on the theory that Congress can pass regulations concerning commerce between States, and, therefore, no State can make interstate commerce laws in harmony with congressional action, then the last act of judgment declaring the old Virginia law of inspection unconstitutional is peculiar indeed.

If the ruling is based on an idea that a State has not the right to inspection of commodities from without its borders, then other recent decisions of the court in the same line are conflicting. Time and again have the various judges handed down opinions to the effect that for its own protection a State has the undoubted right to charge a small fee on imports, when such a course becomes necessary to carry out its inspection laws.

That was the inference on the face of the preceding decisions, but the judgment entered in the case of flour manufactured outside of Virginia practically reverses the order of exercises and in almost the same breath declares null and void section 10, of article 1 in the Constitution, which expressly covers the contingency.

There may have been attending circumstances in the Virginia case, which threw it beyond the ground covered by the clause in question, but even then the decision conflicts with precedent in the supreme court itself.

DIVERSITY OF CROPS.

A number of Northern newspapers are following the lead of the Atlanta Constitution in advising Southern farmers to diversify their crops. The latter daily observes that whatever financial troubles Southern farmers may have had of late years can be largely attributed to the policy of overstocking the cotton market and then sending their money to a distant locality for the purchase of staples. On the surface,

and as a generality, the advice to diversify has its merits and strong ones in the bargain. But it is open to serious question whether in the long run, say six or ten years, and in the light of Southern upbuilding since the reconstruction period, such a policy, fully carried out, would not result in something akin to panic or financial disaster.

Much of the South's rapid advance in material prosperity now can be justly laid to the attention paid cotton-growing since the war. While at various periods a less heavy supply of the great staple would have aided in easing money rates and giving more desirable financial conditions, yet the question arises, would not the same unfavorable circumstances have existed from a diametrically opposite cause had there been more of a crop diversification? A farmer can grow half a dozen kinds of crops and rarely will all turn out to be prolific each year. On the other hand, and on the same basis, the failure of a cotton crop one year in six will be less heavy as a financial loss, than the continual failure of one or more others each year when he follows the diversified plan.

Some of the Western and North-western States owe their growth entirely to the raising of wheat and financial conditions are dependent upon the cereal's yield. Here is an argument in favor of diversifying, but as a whole it is probable that Southern farmers will find it to their advantage to raise whatever crops prove the most profitable and chance the failure which is bound to come on occasion.

Valuable to Visitors. From the St. Louis Daily Hotel Reporter. A "special hotel edition" of THE ROANOKE TIMES has just come to hand. It gives descriptions and pictures of all summer hotels in Virginia, and is valuable to those visiting those resorts, and shows considerable enterprise on the part of the publishers.

The Times Leads. From the Pearisburg Virginian.

We received the Hotel Edition of THE ROANOKE TIMES this week. It is beautifully illustrated with cuts of the most prominent hotels in the State, and especially on the line of the Norfolk and Western railroad. THE TIMES is the leading paper of Roanoke.

Remarkable for Two Things. From the Petersburg Index-Appel.

The recent hotel issue of THE ROANOKE TIMES was remarkable not only as evidence of the enterprise of that paper, but as showing the rapid increase of first-class hotels in Virginia.

The Finest in the Land. From the Glade Spring Citizen.

The hotel edition of the ROANOKE TIMES was very creditable to that enterprising journal and shows that Virginia has some of the finest hotels in the land.

Edgar's Presence of Mind.

"Edgar!" There were italics in her voice that sent a thrill of apprehension through him.

"What is it?" he cried. "A hair on your coat lapel!" "It can't be anyone's but yours." "Do not think to deceive me. My hair is brown; this is blonde, very blonde."

Edgar was silent for several heartbeats, and then, with a sigh of relief, said:

"Yes, my dearest. But this is an old coat. When I last wore it to see you blonde hair was the fashion."—Washington Post.

Only Vulgar Evidence.

They were from Chicago, and rich. The daughter was talking lessons in coyness and social small talk. "A penny for your thoughts," she archly remarked to an abstracted visitor, and then felt, from the look of horror that overspread her parent's face, she must have been guilty of a false step. "Why don't you offer him a dollar?" was that lady's criticism, after the visitor's departure. "We've got money, and you mustn't be afraid to let folks know it."—Philadelphia Times.

Sat and Considered.

Wife (from the upper window at one a. m. to tipsy husband)—Well, what's your excuse for coming home at this hour?

Husband—Let me in, M'ria. Just (hie) come from meeting of th' labor union. Been considerin' what (hie) we'd do about the recent strike.

Wife—Well, you just sit down on the doorstep and consider what you'll do about the recent lockout.

And she slammed down the window. —Boston Herald.

He Had To Get Off the Earth.

"Give me a room," said the tired-looking citizen as he walked into the hotel corridor a few centuries after the present date.

"Front!" shouted the clerk, "take this gentleman out, put him in the balcony and give him nice apartments on Saturn."

"I'd like to stay on earth, if it's just the same to you."

"I'm very sorry, but every thing on the earth is occupied."—Washington Post.

Meddlesome Hotel Attaches.

Great Actress (to hotel clerk)—I left my diamond necklace on the bureau in my room, and now it's gone. Send word to the police immediately, and—and the newspapers.

Hotel Clerk—One of the servants saw your necklace there, and brought it to me. It is in the safe.

Great Actress (hotly)—I—I wish people would attend to their own business. So there!—Jury.

Suggestion for a Name.

Mr. Gates (proud father)—What shall we name the little one, dear?

Mrs. Gates (happy mother)—I'm sure I do not know.

Mutual Friend—Why not call her Wee Gates. —Boston Herald.

Before the Fire.

Slide by side they sat before the great roaring fire, while the wind without howled and yelled.

"Look, Rosalie," he cried suddenly, bending forward and pointing to a bed of red-hot embers. "See you not a royal castle—portullis raised—drawbridge down—awaiting its guest? See you not a long hall, and then an empty throne where the queen will sit? Tell me, who will be the queen?"

"Couldn't say," she replied, carelessly.

"Ah, Rosalie," he sighed, "would that queen were you!"

The girl drew herself up proudly and pointed to the fire. "Sir!" she exclaimed indignantly, "do you take me for a salamander?"—Judge.

No Inducement.

A man at the post-office gave a news-boy twenty-five cents to go and get him a paper, and when the lad returned he was handed an extra nickel, with the remark:

"That is for your honesty, my boy."

"But—but—" stammered the boy as he looked from the coin to the man and back again.

"Well?"

"Why, sir, it's only five cents, and I could have run away with the whole quarter!"—Detroit Free Press.

SHAKESPEARE ILLUSTRATED.



"Man, proud man, dressed in a little brief authority."—Jury.

A Poor Rule, Etc.

"Papa," said Mrs. Overdoit, as "papa" returned from his daily toil, "Sammy has been a very bad boy to-day. He broke my triplicate mirror, gave your box of cigars to some bad boys, and to-night when I told him to put your slippers by the fire to warm for you, he replied that he 'didn't have to.'"

"Neither he does," said Overdoit, promptly picking up a slipper. "I'll warm them myself. Come here, Sammy."—Jury.

A Painful Case.

Mrs. Gotham—Dr. Brownston says he has a patient whose heart is on the right side, and all the digestive organs are wrong side to, and, in fact, his whole internal organism is topsy turvy.

Mr. Gotham—Is it Mr. Bullion?

Mrs. Gotham—The doctor did not mention any names. Why do you think it is Mr. Bullion?

Mr. Gotham—He always rides in a cab.—Good News.

Warm Sympathy.

Father (who has just returned from a trip off, and finds his boy howling)—What's the matter, Tommy? Son—Mamma has just given me a whipping.

Father—Never mind, Tommy, don't cry! From now on I'll attend to that myself.—Texas Siftings.

He Enjoyed It Most.

Tims—Did you ever know anyone to laugh at a story Springer told? Jingle—Yes; he told me one to-day, and one man laughed all the time he was telling it.

Tims—Is that so? Who was it? Jingle—Why, Springer.—Boston Herald.

An Anatomical Proposal.

"Why did you refuse the learned and rich Mr. Sighence?"

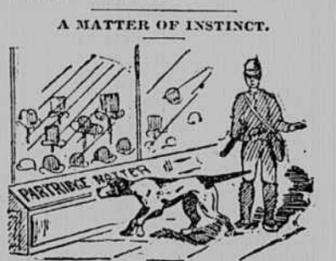
"He is too precise. When he proposed he asked me for my hand and liver. He says the liver has been proved to be the seat of affection. Fancy living with that sort of a man!"—St. Joseph News.

Her Training.

"I don't see how Miss Summit ever became such a good conversationalist. She used to be the shyest girl I ever knew."

"Well, you see, she has been going regularly to the opera ever since she 'came out'!"—Puck.

A MATTER OF INSTINCT.



—Life.

The Old Gentleman's Prerogative.

"Let me give you a weigh," remarked young Dolley, as he motioned Miss Amy to step on the scales.

"My father is the only person who can do that," replied Amy, archly.—Munsey's Weekly.

No Doubt of It.

Teacher—Who was it that said first, property is robbery? Boy—I don't know. I suppose it was some fellow who didn't have any.—Texas Siftings.

Anchored for Keeps.

Teacher—Miss Blithersome, why don't you rise for your recitation? Miss Rollison—Please, ma'am, she can't. She's been sitting on her spruce-gum.—Judge.

Experientia Docet.

Dying Wife—Oh, John, if you marry again, be very careful in your choice! John—You bet I will, the next time.—Jury.

MORE BRIDGE TROUBLE.

Is This a Scheme to Knock Out Two of the Bridges?

Now that the talk about the injunction to restrain the work on the Henry-street bridge has subsided and apparently all objection to the construction of the bridge abandoned, the Randolph-street bridge is about to become the successor to the troubles of the former.

City Solicitor Miller has been shown a bill of complaint by Robert E. Scott, Esq., drawn in the name of the Home Building and Conveyance Company, asking for an injunction to restrain the city from building the Randolph-street bridge. This company is interested in property along East Railroad avenue and Randolph street, near the bridge. The ground of the complaint is that the bridge will depreciate the value of the company's property that fronts on Randolph street alongside the approaches to the bridge.

This bill will probably be filed in the Hustings Court and an injunction asked for to-day.

Mr. Miller is of the opinion that the suit is being instituted at the instigation of certain parties, with the ultimate end in view of preventing the erection of the Henry street bridge, it being understood that should the injunction asked for in the name of the Home Building and Conveyance Company be granted and sustained, the Norfolk and Western would not erect the Henry street bridge.

There Will be Racing To-morrow.

There is now every indication that the race meeting, which begins to-morrow, will be perhaps the most successful sporting event in the history of Roanoke. The impression that many of the best horses have left for other courses is wrong. The original programme will be carried out, and the racing will be equally as good as if the weather had permitted the races last week.

THE ROANOKE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY.

Among the industries located by the Roanoke Development Company is the Duvall Engine Company, manufacturers of steam engines and boilers. About 30,000 already in use in the South. This company is equipped to furnish castings for machinery, and make repairs to all classes of machinery, boilers, etc., etc. It will make a great change through this section of the South, shortening the haul on all its manufactures hundreds of miles over Northern competitors, besides furnishing a superior production. For particulars address

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House and lot No. 116 Gilmer street. Good six-room house, rents for \$200 per year. Henry street bridge will make this valuable.

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From \$250 up, some extra bargains in this Addition. Railroad front—200 feet on Earnest avenue corner 7th street, to railroad. Cheap bargains in all parts of the city, both improved and vacant.

ROANOKE REAL ESTATE COMPANY,

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House and lot corner Jefferson and 4th ave. n. w., cheap, "see this."

25 feet on Commonwealth ave. next to Bee Hive, 25 per cent. off if sold at once. \$3,000 will buy a Salem ave. lot 50x200, between 7th and 8th streets.

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Dupuy & Taliaferro, REAL ESTATE AGENTS,

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Beg leave to call the attention of investors and others to the property of the

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This property lies just east of Jefferson street, near Mr. E. H. Stewart's new residence, immediately on the line of the Roanoke and Southern railroad, and is most desirable both for business and residence purposes. This property has been on the market but ten days, during which time \$28,000 has been sold. If you wish to make a safe and profitable investment, do not overlook this property.

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The best two lots on John street for \$2,100.

150 feet on Henry street for \$50 per front foot.

43x157 feet on Commerce street, \$1,350.

25 feet on Campbell, between Henry and Commerce streets, \$9,750.

131x130 feet on southeast corner of 8th avenue and Nelson street for \$50 per front foot.

Corner lot on Jefferson street 50x132.5 feet \$3,500.

3 lots 50x130 feet each, on Center street for \$450 each.

Corner lot 50x130 feet on West End Boulevard \$1,800.

22 lots in the West End for \$545, a bargain.

The best lot on Bullitt street for \$2,000.

Fine residence, 11 rooms, all improvements, on 8th avenue s. w., \$7,500.

100 acres of fine farm land near Bedford City, \$2500.

All of the West End property.

The best residence property in the Southern part of the city.

If you are coming to the city and want to make an investment or secure a home, write to this office and we will meet you at the rain.

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RIVERMONT LOTS.

Extract From Meeting of Board.

Whereas the demand for lots not listed is daily increasing, now therefore

Resolved, That on or about June 1st, 1891, a new price list will be issued on the basis of 25 per cent. advance, and the former price list withdrawn.

A. M. DOYLE, Secretary, LYNCHBURG, VA.

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