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Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

FROM ALL AROUND THE CITY.

Current Local Events of the Day Briefly Told.

Bits of Facts and Gossip Gathered on the Streets by Times Reporters—Points Political, Social and General Happening Yesterday.

What's Going on To-day.
HUSTINGS COURT—Civil suits.
COURTHOUSE—Mass meeting.
ACADEMY OF MUSIC—"Jane."
GREENE-MEMORIAL CHURCH—Revival.
UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH—Revival.
103 SOUTH JEFFERSON STREET—Festival.
RED MEN'S HALL—Meeting Hiawatha Tribe, L. O. R. M.
MECHANIC'S HALL—Meeting Reliance Council, Jr. O. U. A. W.

Drill of the Machine Works Guards.
 The Roanoke Machine Works Guards held their weekly drill last night in their armory on Salem avenue.

Bought Out the Establishment.
 Engleby & Bro. have purchased the stock and business of the Sanitary Plumbing Company on Jefferson street, and will conduct the business at the old stand.

Mrs. Ginger Again.
 Mrs. Ginger, who has been in the station house for lunacy on several occasions, was again locked up Sunday. She will probably be sent to an asylum as soon as the proper arrangements can be made.

Directors of the Y. M. C. A. Meet.
 The directors of the Young Men's Christian Association met yesterday afternoon in the association parlor, but as no quorum was present, the meeting adjourned until Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Finishing Work on the Drains and Sewers.
 All the brick work on the Railroad avenue drain will be finished to-day, and if the good weather continues all the sewer work under contract in this city will be completed.

Keep Your Hall Doors Locked.
 Monday night a thief entered the hallway of John Anderson, on Ninth avenue s. w., and stole a handsome silk umbrella. Some time during the same afternoon a thief entered the hall of J. O. Badon, on Third avenue, and stole a new pair of rubber boots.

Rev. H. C. Garrison at Virginia College.
 Rev. H. C. Garrison preached last night in the chapel of the Virginia College for Young Ladies, this being a series of meetings that are in progress at the college this week for the benefit of the students. Rev. Dr. W. C. Campbell will preach to-night.

Funeral of Mrs. Carlyle.
 The funeral of Mrs. Addie C. Carlyle, who died Monday afternoon at her home on Shenandoah avenue, will be conducted to-day at 2 o'clock from the Calvary Baptist Church by Rev. Dr. L. G. Broughton, and the remains will afterwards be interred in Fairview Cemetery.

A False Alarm.
 An alarm of fire was sent over the telephone at 8:30 o'clock last night to the Vigilant Fire Company from the corner of Commerce street and Twelfth avenue s. w., which was promptly answered by the "Vigiles," who on arriving on the spot found the alarm to be a false one.

The Local Option Contest Still Pending.
 The mandamus of George K. Moore to compel the excise board to grant him liquor and bar room license was called in the Hustings Court yesterday and continued until Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, when it is thought the case will be tried. The decision in this case will virtually decide the legality of the local option election.

The Alerts Will Not Disband.
 A meeting of the Alert Fire Company was held last night, with Vice President Geisen in the chair. After a lengthy discussion the company decided not to disband, but on the other hand special inducements will be held out to get new members, and it is estimated that the membership will be increased by at least fifty at the next meeting.

News From the Infected Districts.
 Mayor Trout received letters yesterday from Pulaski and the other infected spots in Southwest Virginia, stating that the old cases of smallpox had about recovered, and that there were no new cases. Dispatches from Shenandoah yesterday state that the public schools were reopened, and there were no new cases at that place.

A Bursting Water Main.
 The water main on Campbell avenue in front of the mayor's office, burst last night about 7 o'clock, and an enormous stream of water was thrown a hundred feet in the air, high above the courthouse and jail. For half an hour until the water was cut off Campbell avenue was flooded and it was impossible for the street cars to pass that point. Men were at once put to work to repair the damage and in a few hours the bursted pipe had been removed and a new section put in.

Festival and Entertainment.
 The young ladies of the First Baptist Church will hold a festival and fancy work sale on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights of this week, at L. H. Brugh's old stand on Jefferson street. In connection with it there will be given on Thursday night a musical entertainment, consisting of vocal and instrumental selections by some of the best talent in the city, also several recitations of the first order. There will also be a pleasant entertainment by the children on Friday night. Upon Thursday and Friday nights small admission fees will be charged.

"PIERRE ET LOUISE."

A Farce Written Expressly for Her Pupils by Madame Celine C. Early.

The Young Ladies' Literary Society of the Virginia College for Young Ladies will present an original farce comedy "Pierre et Louise," which was written by Madame Celine C. Early expressly for this occasion, Saturday, December 18, beginning at 7:30 p. m., for the purpose of adding to the literary funds. Tickets can be procured by those holding invitations at Johnson & Johnson's.

The play is described by the author as follows: It has not been the ambition of the author in presenting this to attempt a play on the Shakespearean order, for it must be remembered that every Frenchman prefers a live Sardou to a dead Shakespeare. However, it is to be hoped that it may give pleasure. It will be very difficult to explain a play full of the inimitable French grace and wit to an English audience, and yet one rests assured that even a meagre and faulty explanation will force the audience to admit that "the Frenchman invented the ruffle, although an American added the skirt." Therefore for the benefit of those who do not understand the French language, the following sketch of the farce is offered.

The origin of the May festival dates from the time of Louis XIV, a time

"When the nation swam
 Down the full tide of jest and epigram—
 The careless time—when France's blindest blood
 Beat to the tune of 'After us the Flood.'"
 At that time the first of May was a holiday. The play opens on a holiday scene and it is in the midst of the festival that Madame Favrot, the widow of a retired Parisian grocer, who keeps by way of memorial the show figure of the store in her own house, enters in quest of a cook and general servant. She wishes also, to engage some nurses, provided she can find any who are accomplished in the arts of arithmetic, grammar, history, and spelling. However, she gets no very satisfactory replies in the latter case, as there was no provision for the "higher education of women" in these primeval days.

The nurses one and all assure her a woman has no use for arithmetic, grammar, history and spelling. She does succeed finally in engaging a cook, Louise by name, who is to follow her to Paris.

Scene second finds Louise in Paris keeping house for Madame Favrot. Her lover, who is still living in the suburbs, has been planning to visit her and through some mischance comes too soon. He is made welcome by Louise all the same who offers him tempting viands but forbids him to smoke in the house assuring him that the madame would at once detect the scent of tobacco.

She sits down for a long tete-a-tete with him. In the midst of this pleasant scene Madame Favrot, who was away from home at Pierre's arrival, bursts in upon them. Poor Louise is badly frightened and to hide Pierre decides to dress him up as the show figure. This she does and while Madame Favrot is scolding her she leans for support on this figure which does not possess its wonted stiffness. Madame Favrot has sharp eyes and sees the figure move slowly. Now is her turn to become frightened. She faints, but is restored in time to forgive and bless the happy couple.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

Members of the Vigilant Fire Company Who Prepared the Memorial to Council.

The following is the report of the committee appointed at the meeting of the Vigilant Fire Company Monday night and reported at last night's session.

To the President and Members of the Vigilant Fire Company, No. 1.
 GENTLEMEN: Your committee appointed at a regular meeting held on the 11th day of December, 1893, to recommend to this company what action they should take in view of the present difficulties and troubles that have arisen with reference to the management of the fire department of this city, respectfully report that, in their judgment, there should be addressed to the City Council of the city of Roanoke a memorial setting forth in detail the matters of grievance under which they rest, and accompanying such memorial a protest against the changes in the law governing the fire department, without the sanction of the fire board, and a clear declaration that this company will no longer be responsible for the suppression of fires and the saving of life and property if their protest is not immediately heeded. Respectfully submitted.

THOS. W. MILLER.
 P. L. TERRY.
 JOS. T. ENGLEBY.
 J. G. KNEPP.
 R. H. ANGELL.

COAL OPERATORS MEET.

Pocahontas Coal Company Employees Will Combine Business With Pleasure.
 A meeting of the coal operators of the Pocahontas Coal Company will be held at Hotel Roanoke in this city Thursday afternoon, to consult with the managers of the company concerning the progress of the work and the welfare of the company. These meetings are usually held annually and in the spring. The last meeting was held at Norfolk last spring and was quite interesting. This meeting will be held here at the suggestion of Vice-President Bullitt, of the Norfolk and Western railroad.

The business meeting will be held in the afternoon and a banquet will be given at 6 o'clock in the banquet hall of the hotel.
 Tickets for the next week at 10 cents per hundred.

THE PEOPLE'S COLUMN.

Communications From Citizens Upon Dr. Broughton's Address.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES: Surely this custom of preachers advertising themselves at the expense of charity is becoming a thing of too frequent occurrence. If any one of them can honestly condemn a charity ball as being a form of entertainment more questionable than theatrical entertainments, tambourine dances, bean bag parties, etc., for the same object, let him come forward and in a more charitable frame of mind, more decently enter his protest. He can then be sure of being met in a fair spirit.

Public denunciation from the pulpit is entirely uncalled for, apart from the breach of good taste such unsolicited attention involves; neither is it exactly the best means of assisting charity which should be the chief work of a minister of the gospel.

I claim an equal right for a public hearing since I am certainly more interested in the matter under discussion than those who seem to be taking advantage of this occasion to "down" charity, which is particularly needed at this present season, and to advertise themselves, which is not. I question now whether the object it is intended to benefit by this entertainment will be benefited. I respectfully appeal to any and all ministers of the gospel to refrain from doing further harm here and if they cannot lend us a hand at least stand aside and so earn the lasting thanks of those poorer than themselves, whom it is only intended to benefit and not harm.

A MEMBER OF THE CIRCLE AND A CONTRIBUTOR.
 Roanoke, Dec. 12.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES: I notice in your issue of this morning a report of the sermon delivered by Rev. L. G. Broughton in the Calvary Baptist Church. It is hard to criticize a minister of the gospel, but when a clergyman in these enlightened days takes a stand against charity and lowers his sermons to the "slangism" of Sam Jones, it must be that he either desires to advertise himself, or is a man of such bigotted ideas as to give to all good citizens the opinion that instead of his being the teacher and leader of a flock, it would be better that he be taught.

That a man can in the pulpit denounce a ball given for a charitable purpose seems bad enough, but that he should insult the ladies and good people of this town by such slang and entirely preposterous comparisons, subjects him to the severest denunciation of our people.

There has been no charitable entertainment this winter more worthy of the patronage of the people, nor less harmful and none more enjoyable or instructive than the charity library ball to be given on next Friday night.

A CHURCHGOER.
 Roanoke, Dec. 12.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES: Please let me thank the Rev. Dr. Broughton your columns for so successfully advertising the charity ball. The sale of tickets has largely increased since the publication of his classic sermon and many people who had hesitated are now going to attend.

Just at this time when the needs of charity are so urgent, and the success of this charity ball so much to be desired, the public can but thank him for his peculiar but effective advertising.

A CITIZEN.
 Roanoke, December 12.

It Rattled Him.

"I was over in Indiana last week," remarked the drummer, "and on a train going toward Indianapolis I saw a young man in a brand new suit of clothes and a blue necktie. He was as green as a gourd, and the young woman with him wasn't much riper. About 3 o'clock in the afternoon he came into the smoker of the Pullman and sat down nervously. I was in there talking to a man from Vincennes. After a few minutes he gave a slight cough and pulled down his collar as if it choked him.

"Has either of you gents ever been married?" he queried.

"I haven't," said I.

"I have," said the Vincennes man, "and my third wife is now living."

"Gosh," exclaimed the young fellow; "you don't say so?"

"Yes, I do say."

"And you lived through it?" questioned the youth.

"Certainly. Why not?" said the Vincennes man somewhat indignantly.

"'Cause I got married this morning at 9 o'clock, and ever since I've been sorter chokin' in the throat and feelin' queer, and I begun to be afeared I wasn't goin' to live through it. It's my first attempt, and I ain't used to it yet. Seen you, though, has braced me up kinder, and I begin to have hopes. I'll go back now to Mary, and if you see me lookin' wobbly and likely to green 'tween here and Indianapolis won't you nudge me up again? I'm bad skinned, mister, but goodby!" And he went back into the car, and the Vincennes man kept his eye on him the rest of the way."—Detroit Free Press.

Too Much Happiness.

"Madam," said the prospective boarder timidly, "do you have any little boys in the house?"

"No, sir," said the lady who had advertised for a lodger.

"No piano?"

"No, sir."

"You don't serve stews very often?"

"No."

"Well, madam," and the young man's voice sunk to a whisper as his face flushed, "do you serve—stewed prunes at each meal?"

"No."

"Then, madam," said the youth as he turned away, with a sigh, "I cannot be your guest. I feel that I am not worthy of it."—Chicago Record.

An Inspiration.

Examining Medical Professor—Now, sir, tell me how you would treat a case of typhoid fever.

Student—Well, sir, I should first—I should first—I—

E. M. P. (Impatiently)—Yes, yes; go on.

Student (seized with a brilliant idea)—I should first call you in for consultation.

Passes with honors.—Tit-Bits.

Her Choice Made.

Bessie (aged 4)—Mamma, does folks marry in heaven?

Mamma—The good book says they do not, Bessie.

"Do they marry in—in the other place?"

"I presume not, my dear."

"Then I'm going to stay right here!"



THINGS WORTH KNOWING.

Points About Carpet Mending of Interest to the Economically Minded.

Brussels and other nap carpets may be pieced so neatly that the seam almost escapes notice. In order to do this the parts to be joined, having been carefully matched as to pattern, should be trimmed smoothly, following the line of the welt. Next buttonhole the edges carefully with carpet thread of a color as near as possible the wool of the carpet. Stitches must be taken evenly on wrong side through at least two threads of the welt, taking care not to entangle and flatten or to ravel wool on the edges. When this is done, overhaul together on wrong side the two buttonholed edges, and if the work is done neatly when the carpet is tacked down the seam will be perfectly smooth. By the ingenious and capable sewer pieces may be so inserted where holes or ineradicable spots have been as to defy scrutiny, and the otherwise condemned carpet may be rendered useful for at least another year.

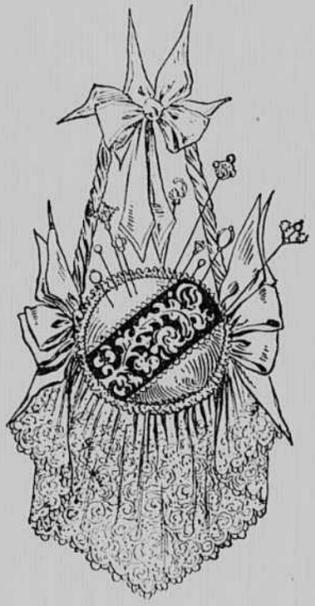
Stair carpets so treated will be entirely without the lumpy seams so disagreeable to the tread, and which so soon present a gray, faded ridge destitute of wool.

When carpets have been worn in spots or lines so that the gray welt is exposed, temporary relief may be had by applying liquid dyes with a small paint brush, using colors nearest the wool of the carpet.

A pretty badly worn stair carpet was made quite presentable by a skillful treatment with colors used for painting on bolting cloth. Only two applications during the year were necessary, and this ingenious freesoing stood admirably the test of frequent dusting and brushing. Care should be taken not to drop the staining liquid in large spots. If not sufficiently colored, allow to dry and repeat treatment next day. Colored inks of various shades are also useful in this direction, according to a writer in Harper's Bazar, who gives the foregoing practical information.

Cushion For Stickpins.

This is undoubtedly worthy of a place in one's collection of pretty things for Christmas gifts. It consists of a circular pad bound and faced with emerald green velvet, ornamented with a diagonal band of gold embroidery and fancy gimp. The



A HANGING CUSHION.

graduated flounce of lace is caught up at the sides with loops and ends of satin ribbon corresponding with the one which hides the wall hook and depending from the center of the twist holder.

New England Pie of the Real Sort.

In New England there is pie for the morning meal, and the whole hearted farmer boasts, "I may not be as foraged as some, but I've never seen my breakfast table without pie." Henry Ward Beecher never did a grander deed than when he sang the glories of apple pie. And there are other kinds of pie. Pumpkin pie, made in the proportion of a cupful of pumpkin to a pint of milk, with a beaten egg and a dainty flavoring of spice, baked in a crust which hardened a bit in the oven while the mixing went on; mince pie which is not the tough little mass of jellied citron and candied orange peel, baked in the shape of what the small girls call a "turnipier" and supplied with sirup through a hole in the top crust in a way unpleasantly suggestive of a lamp being fed with oil, are the mince pies of England.

In this land the housewife adds to one-third of minced apple two-thirds of chopped and cooked lean beef, puts in a cupful of molasses for each pie, adds a soupcon of brandy if she doesn't belong to the W. C. T. U., and some cold, black coffee if she does, spreads the filling on the crust, sticks it full of plump raisins and covers it with a delicate blanket of dough crimped on the edges with a fork. It is baked almost as lengthy a time as the Bostonians' quince sauce was cooked, "as long as the fire lasts and then better be put on the next day," and it's more than worth eating when done, writes one who celebrates in Good Housekeeping the praise of New England cookery.

Ammonia as a Carpet Cleaner.

If you wish to clean and brighten your carpets after they have been beaten and put down, wipe with a cloth wrung from water, to which a little ammonia has been added. A tablespoonful of ammonia in a gallon of water will often restore colors in carpets. It will also remove whitewash stains from them. In fact, the housekeeper has no better help than her bottle of ammonia.

Cold Slaw.

One head of fine white cabbage, minced fine; 3 hard boiled eggs; 3 tablespoonfuls salad oil; 2 teaspoonfuls white sugar; 1 teaspoonful salt; 1 teaspoonful pepper; 1 teaspoonful made mustard; 1 teaspoonful vinegar. Mix and pour upon the chopped cabbage.

Rabbit Stew.

Joint rabbits, fry in hot bacon fat with one sliced onion. Cover with one quart of boiling water, add one sweet pepper cut small, three cloves, salt and pepper. Simmer till meat tender, thicken with a little flour and add chopped parsley.

COHN'S CLOSING SALE.

Bear in mind that our Goods are for sale and **MUST BE SOLD.** We won't carry goods over. We will sell you goods that are better made, better goods and cheaper than any house in Roanoke. When we advertise our **CLOSING SALE** we mean to sell **CHEAPER THAN ANYBODY ELSE, WITHOUT A SINGLE EXCEPTION.** If you are offered a \$15 suit for \$9 come to us. We will sell it for \$8. So, we tell you again, our stock **MUST BE SOLD,** and competitors, whether legitimate or illegitimate, are not to be considered.

JOSEPH COHN.

E. M. DAWSON, Manager.
 Prices in every department have been reduced with a view to be sure to sell.

NOTICE.—ALL TRAN-
 sient advertising must be paid cash in advance, to save cost of booking and collecting. Advertisements in the one-cent-a-word column are one cent for each of the first two insertions and half a cent a word for each subsequent insertion.

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS.

WANTED—An experienced hand to sew at dressmaking, 116½ Salem Avenue, s. w. 12 13 14

BOARDING—A FEW ROOMS NOW available with table and best the market affords. Apply to MRS. DENISON, 810 First street s. e. 12 8 1 w

D. HORGAN, THE SHOEMAKER, makes and repairs all kinds of boots and shoes at 164 Nelson street, opposite market house. Satisfaction guaranteed. 12 9 1 y

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—TWO ROOMS, FURNISHED or unfurnished, No. 405 Campbell avenue. Call at the house. 11 24 1 f

FURNISHED ROOMS FOR RENT, communicating and otherwise, at 23 7th ave. s. w., near Jefferson st. 11 11 1 f

FOR RENT—FINE FRONT OFFICE on second floor new TIMES building apply at office. 15

FOR SALE.

PROPERTY OWNERS—IMPROVED small truck farm to exchange for city property. Address "S." TIMES office. 12 9 3 t.

FOR SALE—WE HAVE A NUMBER of worn out sewing machine wagons that we will sell at a bargain. The Singer Manufacturing Company, No. 32 Campbell avenue. 12 8 3 t

FOR SALE—1, 2, 7 AND 10 H. P. Otto gas engines and 1, 3 and 4 h. p. electric motors; all in first-class order and guaranteed. WM. HOLLINGSWORTH, engineer and machinist, 210 N. Holliday street, Baltimore, Md. 6 22 1 f

NOTICE OF MEETINGS.

NOTICE—THERE WILL BE A meeting of the stockholders of the Lake and Driving Park Association of Roanoke, Va., Thursday, January 4, 1894, in the office of Roanoke Gas and Water Company, for transaction of such business as may be brought before the meeting. By order of the president, GEO. C. MCCAHAN, Secretary. 12 4 30 t

PROFESSIONAL.

CHARLES C. WILSON, C. E., ARCHITECT.
 Room 1 and 2 Commercial Bank Bldg 17 1 y

BUSINESS NOTICES.

TAXES—SPECIAL NOTICE. TO the tax-payers of the city of Roanoke. Take notice that at a meeting of the Common Council held on the fifth day of December, 1893, the following resolution was passed:
 "Be it resolved, That the city treasurer be instructed to remit the 5 per cent. penalty on all city taxes for the year of 1893, which may be paid in cash, between December 1, 1893, and January 1, 1894."
 Therefore, in accordance with the provisions of the above resolution, the 5 per cent. penalty will not be added to taxes due to the city until after the first day of January, 1894, provided, that said taxes are paid in cash. C. W. THOMAS, Treasurer. 12 13 1 f

THE ENTIRE STOCK OF GOODS, consisting of watches, clocks, umbrellas, silverware, jewelry of every description, etc., and fixtures, etc., now in the store house, No. 104 Salem avenue, Roanoke, Va., which stock was recently conveyed to me as trustee by D. L. Solomon, can be purchased privately very cheap as a whole. The greater portion of this stock is entirely new and consists of everything usually carried by a first-class jeweler. EVERETT PERKINS, trustee, Room 12, Kirk Building. 12 13 1 w

THE ENTIRE STOCK OF GOODS, consisting of boots, shoes, trunks, valises, etc., and fixtures, etc., now in store house, No. 19 Salem avenue, Roanoke, Va., which stock was recently conveyed to me as trustee by Julius Goldstein, can be purchased privately, very cheap, as a whole. The greater portion of this stock is entirely new. EVERETT PERKINS, trustee, Room 12, Kirk Building. 12 13 1 w

You will save money by attending the public auction sale of the stock of cloths of the K. & S. on Jefferson street. 13 11 20 t

Big Reduction in Carpets

To reduce our large stock of carpets, we will sell for the next thirty days our best

\$1.00 Brussels Carpet	80c
1.25 Velvet	90c
1.35 " "	\$1.00
1.75 Moquette	1.25
2.00 Axminsters	1.40

Best \$1 all wool three plys for 55c.
 Best 75c all wool extra super for 65c.
 Also a large stock of China dinner, tea and toilet sets at greatly reduced prices. Our large stock of pictures will be sold at astonishingly low figures, among which is a lot of beautiful pastels and indolites at 25 cts each, which is less than the value of the frames alone, these are new fresh goods [pictures] that have not been in the house thirty days.

The E. H. Stewart Furniture Company. 12 11 1 m

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