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ANOTHER opportunity is given to day to the citizens of Roanoke to sustain the high reputation which has already been bestowed upon them of being "generous to a fault." The Union Benevolent Society again appeals to the public for assistance, and their call should not be unanswered.

THE WEEKLY TRADE REVIEW.

The trade reviews for the past week do not indicate so much improvement in the business world as was to be expected by last week's reports. What increase that is noticeable comes from the South, the weekly summary of new enterprises started up, shown by the Manufacturer's Record, being an exceedingly interesting one.

Improvement in business still appears in many directions but it seems to be in part balanced by loss in others. The gradual gain which began some time ago, and was strengthened a little by the success of the Treasury loan, has scarcely answered expectation.

The marked increase which appears in offerings of commercial paper has almost wholly ceased and the accumulation of unemployed funds continues so that indorsed paper has been taken at 2 1/2 per cent.

Without the uncertainty which remains, with the tariff bill yet in the Senate and currency measures of importance pending in the House, has some hindering influence, but there is still seen an increase in demand for many kinds of goods by the exhaustion of stock in the hands of the dealers by a consumption which, though less than usual, is nevertheless greater than any other country.

Bradstreet's says that a plainly favorable feature of January railway earnings in reports from Southern roads were noticeably less unfavorable than in the preceding month. There are forty odd resurrections of important industrial establishments this week contrasted with announcements of the shutting down of only six similar concerns.

MEETING OF THE FIRE BOARD.

Application of the Reliance Company Received But no Decision Reached.

The regular monthly meeting of the fire board was held at the Junior headquarters last night with nine members and President B. A. Rives in attendance.

ALVIN JOSLIN AT THE ACADEMY.

Mr. Davis Made a Good Hit Especially With the Gallery.

Charles L. Davis, in his inimitable character, "Alvin Joslin," played to a good-sized audience at the Academy of Music last night.

Sudden Death of Congressman Hook.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Representative George W. Hook, of the Third Ohio district, dropped dead from heart disease this evening at 4:30 p. m., while visiting friends.

TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.

John Brock, the wife murderer, was arrested at Wilmington, N. C., yesterday morning.

Secretary Carlisle and party will leave Washington this morning for a short pleasure trip to Fort Monroe, Va., to be gone several days.

W. F. Blake, a Maine sea captain, committed suicide at Fernandina, Fla., because he had delivered his cargo to a firm of contractors without orders, and was being held accountable for it.

Clinton R. A. Mitchell, cashier of the suspended new Farmers' Bank, of Mount Sterling, Ky., was convicted of false swearing in regard to the bank's condition and sentenced to one year in the penitentiary.

THE MUSICAL RECITAL.

The Virginia College Pupils Win Fresh Laurels by Their Very Excellent Work.

Very enjoyable musical recitals were given in the afternoon and evening of yesterday at the Virginia College. The large chapel was crowded in the evening, many not being able to secure seats.

Quite a long musical programme was carried out, but its variety, the careful selection of the numbers, and their excellent rendition, held the interest of the audience to the very end. Each soloist showed thorough training and an exact understanding of delicate touches of harmony, while the choruses by the school were very well rendered.

This was the second quarterly recital given by this excellent college and the proficiency displayed by the pupils adds new laurels and more firmly establishes the fact that the best instruction obtainable is to be received at this newly located but prosperous institution.

The following are the programmes as carried out:

- AFTERNOON. Festal Polonaise, piano, four hands, Loew. Misses Nannie Dean and Eva Ellerbe. Song Without Words, No. 4, Mendelssohn. Miss Alice Baker. Trio, "Flower Greeting," Curceshmann. Misses Carrie Stewart, Bessie Stewart and A. Fulton. Minuet from Sonata, op. 49, Beethoven. Miss Gertrude Kerns. Gipsy Rondo, piano, four hands, Haydn. Misses Fannie Jones and Nina Parsons. Trumpeter's Serenade, Spindler. Miss Ora Ford. Song, "Voice of the Woods," Rubinstein. Miss Sadie Booth. Allegro Moderato and Andante from Sonata in D (Handrock) Miss Eva Russell. La Ruseca, Lizzie Hall. Song, "Constancy," Powell. Miss A. Fulton. Minuet, piano, four hands, Haydn. Misses Gertrude and Florence Kerns. Da Gondole, Reynolds. Miss Clara Persinger. Trio, "The Water Lily," Ahl. Misses Cora Ridgely, Sadie Rogers, B. China, F. China and Lella Bell. Arietta, piano, Loeck. Miss Lillian Carr. Nalla Valse, piano, four hands, Delibes. Misses Clara Persinger and Eva Russell. EVENING.

(a) Wedding Procession, (b) Lichtertanz of the Brides of Kachibura, Paronors. Piano, four hands, Rubinstein, Misses Lottie Hill and Nellie Dewees. Song, "The Stately, Gait O'er the Plains," Biehoff. Miss McElanahan. Piano Solo, "Brooklet's Tale," Jungmann. Miss Josephine Ott. Chorus, "Ave Maria, from the Opera, Lovely, (Mendelssohn) College Chorus. Solo, Miss B. O. Jones. Piano Solo, "Scherzo," Wolff. Miss Carrie Stewart. Spanish Victory March, Rango and Guitar Class. (Converse) Misses Blanche Elder, Eva Ellerbe, Julia Rogers, Bertie China, Nellie Horer and Lottie Dewees. Song, "The Cuckoo Song," Ahl. Miss Carrie Stewart.

(a) Nocturno, from Midsummer Night's Dream. (b) Waltz from Athalia, piano, four hands (Mendelssohn), Misses Bery Stewart and Myrtle Hall. Chorus, "The Hunter's Song," Kinross. College Chorus. Piano solo, "Pendant la Mazurka," Wachs. Miss Cora Ridgely. Song, "Serenade," Tosti. Miss Lella Hall. Piano solo (a) Nocturne in B flat. Field. (b) Valse Lente, from Sylvia. Delibes. Myrtle Hall. Quartette, "Lost Chorus," Sullivan. Misses Johnson, Elder, McElanahan and Fulton. Il Maestro e lo Scolare (Master and Pupil) Piano, four hands (Haydn), Misses Bessie Rust and Dora Carr. Chorus, "Were I the Nightingale," arr. by. Hay College Chorus; solo, Miss R. Johnson.

EX-SENATOR INGALLS CONVERTED.

He Was the First to Respond to Sam Jones' Call for Penitents.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 9.—When Evangelist Sam Jones called for penitents last night at the Gospel tabernacle in this city, where he is holding a revival, the first person in the line of those who went forward to take his extended palm was no less a personage than Hon. John James Ingalls, of Kansas.

Mr. Ingalls has been in Nashville several days and will lecture here tonight. His presence at the tabernacle last night was conspicuous and it was noticed that he took a deep interest, several times laughing and joining in other demonstrations as the unique Georgia preacher in turn roared and cajoled the sinners.

"I indorse every word you say," he remarked earnestly, as he grasped the evangelist's hand.

"God bless you," replied Mr. Jones fervently.

"Possibly," said one who witnessed this, "the incident may after all have a place in politics and hope for the politician's future prove more than an 'iridescent dream.'"

THE CASHIER SKIPPED.

And the Bank at Watkins Closed and Posted a Notice to That Effect.

WATKINS, N. Y., Feb. 9.—The greatest sensation that has been created in Watkins and the surrounding country in years was caused to day when the doors of the First National Bank were closed and the following startling announcement posted on them: "Closed because the cashier has run away."

The cashier is John W. Love, the president of the village, and for several years one of the leading men of the town. It has been learned that Love left Watkins some time last night and the amount he took from the bank's vaults is estimated at about \$50,000.

Love left a letter for his brother, James, stating that he would kill himself by shooting or jumping into the lake, but this is thought to be a bluff on account of his taking the bank's funds. The excitement has been intensified by the finding of Love's coat and hat on the dock at Magee's boat house.

It is rumored that a Watkins girl, to whom Love has been attentive, is also missing.

Wilson on His Way to Mexico.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—Congressman Wilson, chairman of the ways and means committee, arrived at the Palmer House at noon to-day, accompanied by his wife and daughter and Congressman J. C. Tarsney, of Missouri. The party is on its way to Mexico; where Mr. Wilson hopes to recuperate from his trying work in the preparation and passage of the tariff bill.

Plot to Assassinate Peixoto.

Buenos Ayres, Feb. 9.—Advices reached here to-day from Rio Janeiro that a plot has been discovered to assassinate President Peixoto.

Many persons have been arrested on the charge of being concerned in the plot and several have been shot. The insurgents in Rio Grande do Sul are reported to be approaching Port Alegre, the capital of that state.

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Councilman McClelland Suggested as a Man Well Qualified for the Mayoralty.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES: The time is close at hand when the people of Roanoke will engage in a contest over the election of men to fill the municipal offices. Naturally the office of mayor or chief magistrate is looked upon with the most concern, for in that position the people well know it is their duty to place a man who will reflect back their honor and integrity.

Either of the gentlemen who have been so mentioned would make a good mayor, and would perhaps be an honor to the municipality; but at a time when the city needs wise counsel, sterling integrity, strict economy, conservative views and an unwavering determination for achieving the greatest good for the greatest number from its chief executive, what man is there who is better qualified than Mr. R. McClelland?

Mr. McClelland has been in the Councils of the city for more than two years and has demonstrated his ability to cope with the most trying questions concerning the conduct of the municipal government. No man is more honorable in regard to a public trust, and no man looks upon his fellow-men with more conservative views, and no man is freer from fanaticism and petty side issues than he, and yet none have a stricter regard for honor, integrity and upright conduct.

Mr. McClelland knows the needs of Roanoke. He, as chairman of the finance committee, has labored assiduously for the good credit of the city and has spared no pains to suggest and urge economy. His judgment is sound on all questions involving the welfare of the community. He is a practical man, well endowed with all the qualities pertaining to a first-class business training, and would make a mayor in which the people of Roanoke could confide their most sacred interests.

Should he consent to become a candidate for the mayoralty I am sure the people will rally to his support and show a just appreciation of his valuable services.

SECOND WARD, Roanoke, Feb. 9, 1894.

The Agitation of Another Railroad.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES: I noticed through the columns of our press a few days ago an article from some interrogating individual asking why the Norfolk and Western Railroad Company should object to another railroad coming into this city. I am a very close reader and interrogator of public affairs, and I must say that I have never publicly noticed where that gigantic corporation, town builder and public benefactor has ever made any such statement.

It is the opinion of the writer that a competing railroad built into this city would increase their business more than it would decrease it. The Norfolk and Western Railroad Company have been a very successful corporation; they have made a success of everything they have touched. The word of their officials is respected in private and city matters with the same great successful respect as it is in their individual corporation. They have built towns and cities from Norfolk to Bristol, and we of course have every reason to believe from the present state of things that those cities and towns are built pro bono publico.

We are sure that the company intended this town building as a philanthropic matter, and not one of personal revenue. These towns being built by this nonpartisan organization they inherit the progression of their preceptor in every thing from a business proposition to the minutest point of municipal government.

For instance see the great God like blessing and business success that has hovered around our proud little city since her several officials signed a petition for local option and with the same great success this public benefactor has risen; with the same success we are blessed by the giving of the citizens of Roanoke on the day of the election a dry bath.

In the agitation of another railroad our citizens should be very careful as it might be the cause of introducing an aquatic element whose dampness might moisten and disturb the dry domiciles of this sacred city of rest. Speak it easy, tramp not upon the toes of our Creator who dictates freight rates and municipal rest. "Forget not the fathers have eaten sour grapes and the children's teeth are set on edge."

"JOHN HENRY." Roanoke, Feb. 9, 1894.

Aged Couple Murdered by Robbers.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 9.—Henry Snoderly, aged 91, and his wife, aged 70, were murdered Thursday night about 8 o'clock in Union county, eighteen miles from Knoxville. The news of the tragedy reached this place about noon. The old man was very wealthy and was known to have large sum of money concealed about his house. Masked men with pistols did the deed. They secured only \$300.

Classmate of Jefferson Davis Dead.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 9.—Gen. Lucien B. Northrup, C. S. A., died to day at the Confederate Soldiers' Home at Pikesville. General Northrup was commissary general in the Confederate army, a native of South Carolina and was 93 years old. He was for a long time an intimate friend of Jefferson Davis and was graduated from West Point in the same class as the president of the Confederate States.

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