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**Beattie Must Die.**

The Supreme Court of Virginia, having refused to grant Henry Clay Beattie a new trial for the murder of his wife, and Governor Mann having declined to commute the sentence or even to respite the prisoner for a single day, have met the demands of justice and won the approval of the law abiding people of the state. While the hearts of all the people go out in the deepest sympathy for the poor old father of the doomed murderer, there is none to say that a mistake has been made.

Poor boy! Yes, poor wife, poor mother, poor infant, left worse than fatherless and worse than motherless: "For I shall visit the sins of the father unto the third and fourth generation," it is written. Poor infant son, what a burden you must carry through life. Poor, old father, with the weight of years upon your head, and this world of sorrow on your heart, the prayers of good men and women will go out to you in this Gethsemane through which you have passed, and through which you will continue to pass till a merciful Father calls you home.

The hideous end of this young man, blessed with all that heart could wish for—wealth, social position, Christian environments, a home and a family of his own—enough surely to enthrall the man of normal mind, ought to be a warning to the "wild" youths to whom his story is familiar. It may not be death on the gallows for you as for him, but it will lead to the same ultimate end morally. While there are many things worse than death, there is nothing more disgraceful than death as a forfeit for crime. Money, influential friends, brilliant legal minds, social standing, all, all are swept aside where the law is supreme. That is the lesson the "wild" young man should take to heart and keep before him under white lights and everywhere his errant footsteps lead. The vengeance of the law is terrible and sure in Virginia.

The good results of the Boys' Corn Club will be felt in James City and York counties for years to come, and the small sum of money expended for the purpose of giving scientific training in corn culture will come back a thousand-fold in increased production. It is well known that the season has not been propitious and that the local club started too late to get the yield, but the new and lively interest stirred in the minds of the farmer boys will last through years. Each county on the Peninsula should appropriate \$200, the sum necessary to secure the services of a demonstrator, in order to get his services exclusively. The demonstrator has to cover too much territory to do effective work in more than one county. Let this matter receive the early attention of the respective boards of the several counties, so that there will be no delay in starting the clubs off in time to accomplish effective work next season. The Gazette knows of no better way to spend the public money than in giving the farmer boys train-

ing along agricultural lines. It is in verity and in truth "casting bread upon the waters."

The minister of the gospel, whose home and church was in Providence, R. I., having performed the marriage ceremony for John Jacob Astor, has been forced to resign, and in it we see signs of better things. It is to the credit of the clergy of that city that they have set the seal of their condemnation upon the act of their co-laborer. The union of this man and woman was a disgrace to our civilization, and sends a thrill of shame through the heart. The woman, young, cultured, with all the womanly charms of person, was laid upon the golden altar a sacrifice to Mammon. We may not blame her, but the conditions that would allow it. Did not the sphere in which she moved tolerate this scandalous sacrifice, it would never have been made. Yellow journalism found much to write about, sweet morsels of private scandal to unearth in connection with the past life of the man of millions and found pleasure and profit in laying it bare in all its hideousness before the eyes of the girls and boys of our country. The Christian church is our only hope against the evils of divorce, and if its clergy will uphold its laws the time will come when one who married a divorced man or a divorced woman, except for one cause, will be as much a social outcast as the man whose hands are steeped in other crimes. The common divorces of the present day are high crimes against the social law and murderous to the social fabric.

Without a single exception, it was agreed by everybody that the chief of police was the handsomest policeman on the mounted police force in yesterday's parade. The Gazette approves the verdict and will add that not only is the chief, a fine horseback rider, but is the champion trick bicyclist of Williamsburg.

It is said a college professor yesterday strolled into the old Williamsburg hotel, recently the courthouse, and nonchalantly asked what case was going on. A facetious young lady said it was a case of legal separation—man from his money. Quite true, quite true.

**Windsor Shades.**

Boulevard, Va., Nov. 14.—Mrs. Olson, who was stricken with paralysis some months ago, is better and able to sit out on the veranda.

Services were held in our school house by the Rev. Estes Sunday, his last sermon here. Hereafter services will be held every other Sunday by Richmond supply. Miss Merrill Cannon, our school teacher, went to Williamsburg Friday night to visit her aunt, returning Monday morning.

James A. Perry has a force of men cutting oak ties.

Since the opening of the hunting season, several wild turkeys have been killed and a deer was seen in our woods.

Miss Amelia Anderson spent the Sabbath with her parents at Norge. Several cars of pine wood and staves were shipped from this station during last week.

The bogey track is being extended out into the forest. Mr. E. G. Wootten, of this place has sold his farm to western people.

Mr. F. H. Ball announces the sale through his agency of the William Rolling farm, containing 200 acres, located in James City, to William Anderson, of Michigan. Mr. Anderson will move his family to his farm, and it is understood Mr. Rolling is thinking of coming to Williamsburg to live.

The firm of Westcott & Finch, which conducted the Old Dominion Variety Shop, has been dissolved. Mr. Westcott remains in Williamsburg in charge of this business while Mr. Finch goes to Newport News where they had a branch store.

For pains in the side or chest dampen a piece of flannel with Chamberlain's Liniment and bind it on over the seat of pain. There is nothing better. For sale by all dealers.

**Playground Benefit.**

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The pickle booth of which Mrs. E. M. Brooks was chairman, was awarded by the judges the premium for the most appropriately decorated booth. The Casey booth, decorated by Leroy E. Exall, was considered the handsomest. Mrs. Mercer was awarded first premium for best loaf bread; Mrs. Hubbard, cake; and Miss Kittie Morecock, pickle. The booth of the Williamsburg High School was also very attractive, as was that of the fancy work department and the Pure Food Grocery Co's exhibit.

An especially attractive exhibit was that of Evergreen Truck Farm, W. B. Burns, proprietor, whose vegetable display would have done credit to a real county fair. The exhibit of E. E. Thompson's Barred Plymouth Rocks and White Orpingtons was very creditable, among his handsome birds being several prize winners at the state fair a year ago.

J. W. Rowe, of Hampton, through the Pure Food Grocery presented the Playground Association with two barrels of flour, and the National Biscuit Co., of Newport News, with a quantity of their products.

There was not a dull moment at the fair yesterday and last night. The fortune teller, the "wild man from Borneo," the "Streets of Cairo," the fat lady, all added to the gayeties of the little fair that will long be remembered by the people of Williamsburg, who are loud in the commendations of those in charge of the entertainment and for the cause they so ably represent.

The street parade, abbreviated as it was, furnished its amusement. J. B. C. Spencer was chief marshal and sat his horse like a veteran. The parade was led by the Williamsburg mounted police force, hand some, commanding and military-like, on the back of "Foxy Oliver," the fire department, bedecked with bunting, flags and Bob Holmes; automobiles, smoking, panting, slipping, sliding; horseman, horsewoman, girls and boys careering like Comanches on Nelson's bucking ponies, looked the real thing as far as it went. Bad streets soon ended this feature.

Last night the revels were continued till a late hour and people parted with their money for value received, and added to the noble cause of life and character building. The students lent a helping by giving a dance at the college last night to pay the expense of the music which was furnished by Schmidt's orchestra, of Newport News.

An auction was held this morning to close out the remnants of the articles donated and the financial result of the benefit is something like \$225 net.

Try a little ad. in "Special Notice" column. It will work for you while you sleep.

**Holdcroft.**

Holdcroft, Va., Nov. 14.—With winter's approach comes the hog killing season, and report says that some of the finest porkers ever seen here are ready for slaughter at this time. Sausage and good old crackling bread will soon be the menu of this favored section.

Gathering holly, which has been quite an industry here for many seasons, is again coming to the front. The quality of holly this year is said to be inferior. Berries are lacking to make it attractive.

Chickahominy Council 173, Jr. O. U. A. M. met in its new hall at this place Friday evening last. Although not completed, the hall is a monument to the aggressive young order which was instituted here December last.

Winter fishing, which years ago was very profitable, has become almost a thing of the past. Alewives which are most numerous, are very cheap and are only profitable when taken in enormous quantities by haul seines.

Prospects for an active fur market seem good at this time. Fur bearing animals have been hunted almost relentlessly until the catch has become much smaller than in former years.

Mrs. C. L. Babcock, of Binns Hall, attended the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union at Lynchburg last week. Mrs. Babcock represented Mt. Pleasant and Manoa churches of this county.

Rev. D. W. Jackson preached his farewell sermon before the M. E. conference last Sunday. Mr. Jackson, who has been a faithful worker, has served this field three years, is not expected to return here.

Rev. B. F. Robinson and family and Mr. J. W. Binns leave this week for Norfolk. Messrs. Robinson and Binns will attend the Baptist General Association at Freemason street church.

Miss Mary Eugenia Binns has returned from a delightful visit to relatives in Richmond.

"I am pleased to recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as the best thing I know of and safest remedy for coughs, colds and bronchial trouble," writes Mrs. L. B. Arnold of Denver, Colo. "We have used it repeatedly and it has never failed to give relief." For sale by all dealers.

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