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THE M'GUE CASE DECISION.

The action of the Court of Appeals of Virginia in refusing to grant a writ of error in the McGue case bars the last hope of the convicted man, so far as the courts of the State are concerned, and his only hope now lies in executive clemency.

It is said there are indications of peace proposals by the Czar of Russia, which will be prompted, if proposed at all, by internal dissensions in Russia.

There is quite a contest for Speaker of the West Virginia House of Representatives between what is termed the machine and the people.

Mr. Bristow, who was so energetic in ferreting out the frauds in the Postoffice Department, has been transferred to another field.

The Oregon land frauds seem to increase in number and involve men high in authority, but Judge Belenger says they will be probed to the bottom and no guilty man shall escape punishment.

District Attorney Jerome, of New York, is after the gamblers in that city, but he has not yet reached Wall street, where most of them do congregate.

John Mitchell is again at the head of the United Mine Workers, and it has not yet been ascertained whether he is for peace or war.

Senator Martin introduced in the Senate a bill to pay to the heirs of Lemmas J. Spence, deceased of Chesapeake Bay, the sum of \$10,000 for compensation for three years' service as pilot of Chesapeake Bay, and for certain supplies taken from him by forces of the United States.

The House non-concurred in the Senate amendments to the Philippine franchise bill and asked for a conference.

In the Senate Mr. Martin has introduced bills for the relief of trustees of the Presbyterian Church of War-hall; for the relief of the vestry of St. James Protestant Episcopal Church of Culpeper county; for the relief of the trustees of Mount Zion Old School Baptist Church, near Aldie, Loudoun county, and for the relief of the trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, of Jeffersonston, Culpeper county.

Pension legislation at the rate of 450 bills in 108 minutes was introduced in the House Saturday, the result being the smashing of all previous records as to legislative nimbleness.

Those who have studied the cotton surplus, some of whom have felt its effect, say that the remedy for such a condition is a diversity of crops on the part of farmers in the cotton raising country.

State Senator Healey was unseated by the Senate of Colorado Thursday. He was seated by the Democrats two years ago.

COLLEGE OF VETERINARY SCIENCE.

The Legislature of West Virginia has chartered a college of veterinary science in that State, which is to be located at Morgantown. The charter states that it is for the purpose of maintaining a veterinary hospital for sick and disabled animals and establishing and maintaining a course of lectures under the supervision of the regents of the University.

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Deaths. Miss Lucile Daniel died at Delaplane, Fauquier county, last week and the remains were taken to Flat Hill for burial. Miss Daniel was the only daughter of Mrs. William Daniel.

RIVERS AND HARBORS BILL. The Measure Will be Reported at This Session. A rivers and harbors bill will be reported to the House, but the amount of the bill has not yet been determined upon.

DRAWING CHINA INTO IT

Japanese Now Claim Russia Has Invaded Neutral Territory.

Conditions at Port Arthur. Mikado's Forces Find Warships and Town in Better Condition Than Was Hoped For—Russian General Fired On by Assassin at Moscow.

Tokio, Jan. 16.—Later reports from Kweichang indicate that General Mischenko's Cossacks in their recent raiding southwest of Liao Yang deliberately invaded neutral territories and broke the limits of the war zone.

The reported Russian note to the powers calling attention to China's non-enforcement of neutrality is regarded here in some quarters as absurd. It is felt that China's weakness and constant failure to enforce neutrality must release Japan from obligation to observe restrictions which Russia openly ignores.

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VIRGINIA NEWS.

C. U. Warner, of Lodge, has sold his hotel at that place to Thomas Douglas for \$25,000.

Mr. R. Leroy Tempel man, of Fauquier, has sold to a Massachusetts party a house for \$50.

Rev. George W. McDaniel, of Dallas, Texas, has accepted a call to the First Baptist church, of Richmond.

Mrs. Ferguson, wife of Rev. Richard Ferguson, of Middlesex county, is ill at the Virginia Hospital in Richmond.

A large audience listened to the interesting address of Rev. R. A. Williams, delivered at the People's Mission Sunday afternoon.

John Tharp, near Broad Run, Fauquier county, aged 12 years, blew his hand off with a dynamite cartridge, which went off prematurely.

Rev. E. E. Northern, of Newport News, formerly of Richmond county, has received a call from the First Baptist church at Winchester.

H. H. Hill, of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, has been selected as assistant professor of analytical chemistry of the Mississippi Agricultural College.

Dr. W. Tilden Smith, of Essex county, has been appointed by the Medical College of Virginia resident physician in the Protestant Hospital, of Norfolk.

The crusade against gambling has extended to Newport News and resulted in two raids Saturday night and the arrest of a dozen alleged poker players.

The Norfolk Dispatch declares that the real wealth of Virginia is far ahead of its assessed valuation and calls for the establishment of a State Board of Equalization.

W. J. Tignor has timber land on the Wicomico river, in Northampton county, to F. H. Fallon, of Ocean, for \$5,000. Mr. Fallon will place a saw-mill on the tract.

Bellows & Squire, the big meshaden fishermen of Lancaster county, are driving plows to enlarge their immense fertilizer works preparatory to the spring fishing.

Miss Eliza Bland Brockenbrough, daughter of Mrs. E. B. Brockenbrough, was awarded a diploma of graduation as trained nurse at St. Luke's Hospital, Richmond, recently.

\$50,000 FOR BAPTIST COLLEGE.

R. H. Rawlings' Offer May Secure It for Charlottesville.

Charlottesville will not have a determined effort to have the new women's college that the Virginia Baptists are to build located at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Meredith, of Richmond, have been remarried in Baltimore after a double divorce.

Local Markets. (Corrected by Simon Hirsch & Bro.) Wheat, \$1.15; corn, new, 10c to 11c; old, 8c to 9c; meal, \$1.30 to \$1.40 per 100 lbs.

GENERAL MARKETS. Philadelphia—Flour steady; winter wheat, \$1.25 to \$1.40; city mills, fancy, \$1.50 to \$1.60.

Live Stock Markets. Union Stock Yards, Pittsburg—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$3.50; hogs, \$4.00 to \$4.50; sheep, \$2.00 to \$2.50.

Public Sale of REAL ESTATE in the City of Fredericksburg.

Being thereto authorized by the terms of a power of attorney, duly executed by all of the heirs of Miss Kate C. Kale, deceased, and recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Corporation of Fredericksburg, the undersigned will sell in front of the premises, in the city of Fredericksburg, Virginia, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, at 12 o'clock M., on

Saturday, the 18th Day of February, 1905,

the following three lots, with buildings thereon, in the city of Fredericksburg, Virginia, of which the late Miss Kate C. Kale died, seized and possessed.

1st. That lot, with three-story brick dwelling thereon, on the west side of Main or Caroline street, in the said city, beginning at a point on Main street, 45 feet north of the corner formed by the intersection of Main and Caroline streets, running north therefrom along the line of Main street, and fronting thereon about 31-1/2 feet, and running back at right angles to about the middle of the block.

2nd. That lot, with three-story brick dwelling thereon, adjoining on the north the above described lot, fronting on Main street, and running back at right angles to about midway of the block.

3rd. That lot on the east side of Princess Anne street, fronting 40 feet on same, running back at right angles to about midway of the block, and adjoining the two above described lots which front on Main street. The dwellings on lots 1 and 2 are in good repair and rent readily.

G. B. WALLACE, Attorney-in-fact for the heirs of Miss Kate C. Kale, deceased. jan17td

JONES' Clearance Sale. CLOAKS, SUITS, BLANKETS. Heavy Dress Goods, Etc. No Goods Charged at These Prices. Ladies' Tailor-made Suits 4 Suits, navy and black, price 12.50, reduced to 8.00. 4 \$16.00 Suits, black and navy, reduced to 10.50. 5 \$17.50 Suits, navy, black, gray mixed, reduced to 12.50. 4 \$19.50 Suits, black and navy, reduced to 13.50. 4 Suits, 21.00 and 22.50, brown blue, black and mixed Suits, all reduced to 14.50. Several 25.00 and 26.70 Suits, brown, black, navy, all reduced to 16.50. If your size is among them you will get a great bargain. Our reason for selling them at such prices is we need the money. We need the room. Ready-made Skirts, About 100 left. On these we will give 25 Per Cent. Off. Cash.

CLOAKS. Only a few left but these we want the money for, so here goes at ridiculous prices, for CASH.

MILLINERY. Not a Hat will we carry over to another season if you want them at almost no price, for cash. About 25 ready-to-wear Hats, all this season's styles, price 1.50, 1.75, 2.00, 2.50, all reduced to 75c. each. 39 Cents buys any Hat out of a lot that were 50 and 75 cents. Cash. About 12 fine Hats, price \$3, \$4, \$5, 7.25, your choice of these 198 Hats. All good styles.

BLANKETS. We need the money for these; you may have them cheap. 7 Pair 11-4 White, Red and Plaid Blankets, 5.25 and 5.50, reduced to 3.75. 3 Pair 11-4 White Blankets, 4.75 reduced to 3.45. 6 Pair 11-4 White Blankets, 4.25, reduced to 3.39. 10 Pair 11-4 White Blankets, 3.75 and 3.95, reduced to 2.75. 4 Pair Silver Gray 11-4 Blankets, 4.25 and 4.50, reduced to 3.45.

Furs. These prices hold good until February 1st, if the goods are here until that time. We don't want to take these in inventory. Public Sale of REAL ESTATE in the City of Fredericksburg.

JONES' Plan has always been not to carry any goods from one season to another, if you will buy them.

REDUCED FROM \$1.50 to 85c. E. K. WHEELER FUNERAL DIRECTOR and EMBALMER. Corner Charlotte and Princess Aves. St. Phone 92, Fredericksburg, Va. Open Night and Day. Telegraph and Telephone Orders receive immediate attention.

RIPANS. There is scarcely any condition of ill health that is not benefited by the occasional use of a Ripans Tablets. For sale by Druggists. The Five-Cent packets is enough for an ordinary occasion. The family bottle, 50 cents, contains a supply for a year.

F. W. CHANDLER, Agent for the Prudential Fire Insurance Company and Maryland Life Insurance Company for County of Caroline. In the name of the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Spotsylvania on the 10th day of January, 1905, Maggie Allan, Plaintiff, vs. Richard Allan, Defendant.

E. C. NINDE ENCOURAGE HOME ENTERPRISE. A SUIT FOR THE FALL AT FRANK GOULDMAN'S. WORKMANSHIP and FIT GUARANTEED. 824 Main St.