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The United States contains nearly 6,000,000 separate farms.

We learn more from our follies than from the wisdom of others.

The new \$50,000 government building at Bristol is ready for use.

If you can't find a present in Big Stone Gap for your friends you are certainly hard to please.

The recent census show that about 12 per cent. of the population of the United States is colored.

There is not much show for Hawaii for statehood. The registered vote of the islands is only 11,000.

CHRISTMAS gift to one and all. We don't mean for you to send us a present, though.

RUSSIA proposes to increase the number of its troops on the German and Austrian boundaries to 300,000 men.

The census returns show that the number of Indians in the Indian Territory has doubled since 1890. The present number on these reservations is 391,960.

It is said that a man who won't buy a paper because he can borrow one, has invented a machine by which he can cook his dinner by the smoke of his neighbor's chimney.

Owing to the prevalence of yellow fever in Havana, it has been decided to postpone the Pan-American Medical Convention in that city from December 26-29 to February 5-9.

VIRGINIA comes second on the list of States in number of fourth-class postoffices. Pennsylvania leads with 4,946, the average compensation being \$181.55. Virginia comes second, with 3,512 postoffices, the average compensation to the postmasters being \$114.38.

The Supreme Court has decided, in a case coming from Kentucky, that it is a sufficient compliance with United States law if a separate coach for local colored passengers is attached to a train while passing through the state. Hence it holds the state law constitutional.

News has reached the Treasury Department of the arrest in Havana of two Cuban counterfeiters. For months past counterfeiters of American and Spanish gold coin have been circulating in Havana and baffled the special secret service of that city. Special agents of the Customs Bureau went to work on the case and soon ran down both the maker and circulator, capturing their moulds, dies and coins. The city was being flooded with Spanish coins, which were being bought for relays by the American as well as used in exchange, and American plated \$5 gold pieces were doing duty in the purchase of the necessities of life.

There is ample food for joyful reflections in some figures which the Treasury Bureau of Statistics has just presented regarding the commerce and affairs of the United States in these closing months of the year 1900, as compared with conditions at the corresponding date in preceding years, and comparing prosperity in the United States with that in other countries. While the whole world is prosperous, the United States seems especially so. Our exports show an increase of \$166,331,178 in the 10 months ending with October, 1900, as compared with the corresponding 10 months in 1899, and the total for the 10 months is practically double what it was in the corresponding months of 1894.

Writing of the American soldier in China, a British officer says: When American troops went forward in their own way toward Peking they were a wonder to the Chinese. The story is that Uncle Sam's forces started

Tien Tsin every man was provided with an overcoat, blanket, haversack, canteen, spare socks, shirts, boots, etc. When the army reached Peking half the men carried nothing more than their rifles, ammunition belts and water bottles. They had thrown away whatever hindered their rapid pursuit of the enemy. The retreating Chinese army left behind tangible evidence of its flight. The victorious Americans left behind similar evidences of their rapid pursuit. The road to Peking was strewn with overcoats, blankets and haversacks marked "U. S. A." When you see an American private advancing under fire you begin to think there is something in the idea that the fighting unit of the future is the individual. The private acts for himself and by himself. He and his companions make for a common objective, not like stiff trained soldiers, but like panthers stalking a prey. Their eyes flash, their little bodies swing forward. There is murder and deadly intentness in every movement. Allied to feline stealthiness the Americans in battle have a most reckless courage. At times they expose themselves with a strange contempt for death. An officer will take chances no European would care to take. The field battery was generally found in places where anybody read in tactics would not have cared to put it. Gen. Caffee and his staff always rode where the enemy was most likely to see and shoot at them.

FROM STONEGA.

STONEGA, Va. Dec. 19.—Santa Claus forwarded a very liberal supply of just the kind of goods the well behaved children have been wishing for, and thousands of hearts will be made glad on Xmas day owing to his selections—the designs being all new, and only those persons who laid in a stock from last years bargain sales, will be unhappy.

The store here is a veritable beehive of industry and everybody is so busy that we have only time to wish every reader of the Post a merry Xmas on next Tuesday.

FROM POUND.

POUND, Va. Dec. 17.—Owing to a business trip to Dickenson county your correspondent here was unable to send in news last week.

John Whitaker, a respected citizen living near here, died week before last of Typhoid fever after an illness of several weeks.

The large new saw mill of W. H. Roberts on Bold Camp is not sawing, on account of some repairs to the engine.

News came this morning of the death of Willie Austin, a young man living at Bettie, Va. near here. The parents and friends of the family have our sincerest sympathy.

The merchants here are receiving their Christmas goods, and one car almost here the tinkle of old Santa's sleighbells.

FROM CLEVELAND.

CLEVELAND, Va. Dec. 17, 1900.—A little school boy, son of John Turner, fell while playing at school and struck his knee cap against the school house door, inflicting a wound from which he died the next day. The doctor said he broke a blood-vessel that ran to the brain.

Gardner Cook, who was tried in our court last week for killing a man about a year ago in the east end of this county, was given one year in the "pen."

The cedar lumber business continues to increase at this place. A casual look makes the impression that there are several thousand pieces here now lying on vacant lots, most of which, we think, is pencil timber.

Mary Jessee, wife of Franklin Jessee, has been very sick for several weeks with

That Cough Hangs On

You have used all sorts of cough remedies but it does not yield; it is too deep seated. It may wear itself out in time, but it is more liable to produce la grippe, pneumonia or a serious throat affection. You need something that will give you strength and build up the body.

SCOTT'S EMULSION

will do this when everything else fails. There is no doubt about it. It nourishes, strengthens, builds up, makes the body healthy, not off this

Headache

Is often a warning that the liver is torpid or inactive. More serious troubles may follow. For a prompt, efficient cure of Headache and all liver troubles, take

Hood's Pills

While they rouse the liver, restore full, regular action of the bowels, they do not gripe or pain, do not irritate or inflame the internal organs, but have a positive tonic effect. 25c. at all druggists or by mail of C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

stomach and liver trouble, but is improving slowly at this time.

John Cook, of our town, has a well-trained pair of goats with an outfit of harness and wagon to suit. It is quite amusing to see them going along our streets with the steadiness of a pair of mules, drawing a load almost enough for a horse.

Several mad dogs have recently been killed in this community.

The poplar lumber business is still active with us. Sawed lumber is being hauled by quite a number of teams from Creeper ridge on the east, and Chany creek country on the west.

The school at Cleveland taught by Misses Kate Thurman and Ruby Hanson will give an interesting entertainment at its close on Friday evening, the 21st inst.

We are all looking forward to a happy Christmas. We already have two kind invitations to eat fat turkey.

Hood's Sarsaparilla.
The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chiblain-Corns and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. W. Kelly.

Population of Cities and Towns Under 25,000.

The population of certain incorporated places in Virginia having more than 2,000 but less than 25,000 inhabitants, is as follows:

- Alexandria, 14,528; Bedford City, 2,416; Berkeley, 4,988; Bristol, 4,572; Buena Vista, 2,388; Charlottesville, 6,128; Clifton Forge, 3,212; Covington, 2,950; Danville, 16,526; Farmville, 2,471; Fredericksburg, 5,068; Hampton, 3,441; Harrisonburg, 3,521; Lexington, 3,203; Lynchburg, 18,891; Manchester, 2,715; Marion, 2,945; Martinsville, 2,284; Newport News, 19,635; Petersburg, 21,810; Phoebus, 2,694; Pocahontas, 2,789; Portsmouth, 17,427; Pulaski, 2,813; Radford, 3,334; Roanoke, 21,455; Salem, 3,412; Staunton, 7,289; Suffolk, 3,827; Winchester, 5,161; Williamsburg, 2,044; Wytheville, 3,003.

Every Movement Hurts
When you have rheumatism. Muscles feel stiff and sore and joints are painful. It does not pay to suffer long from this disease when it may be cured so promptly and perfectly by Hood's Sarsaparilla. This medicine goes right to the spot, neutralizes the acidity of the blood, which causes rheumatism, and puts an end to the pain and stiffness.

Biliousness is cured by Hood's Pills. 25 cents.

A NICE PLACE TO LIVE.

There is a place in Maine so rocky that when the down-casters plant corn they look for crevices in the rocks and shoot the grains out with a musket; they can't raise ducks there now, for the stones are so thick that the ducks can't get their bills between them to pick up grasshoppers, and the only way that sheep can get at the sprigs of grass is by grinding their noses on a grindstone. But that ain't a circumstance to a place on the Eastern shore; there the land is so poor that it takes two kildeas to say "kildea," and on a clear day you can see the grasshoppers climb up a mullen stalk and look with tears in their eyes over a fifty-acre field, and the humble bees have to go down on their knees to get at the grass; all the mosquitoes died of starvation and the turkey buzzards had to emigrate. But there is a county in Virginia which can beat that. There the land is so sterile that when the wind is at the northwest they have to tie the children to keep them from being blown away; there it takes six frogs to see a man, and when the dogs bark they have to lean against the fence; the horses are so thin that it takes twelve of them to make a shadow, and when they kill a beef they have to hold him up to knock him down.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Rheumatism in all its forms is promptly and permanently cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, which neutralizes acidity of the blood.

CURES RHEUMATISM OR CATARRH IN A DAY.—TREATMENT FREE.

B. B. B. (Botanic Blood Balm) cures the worst and most stubborn cases by draining the poison out of the blood and bones, and building up the broken down constitution. Aches or pains in the joints, swollen glands, throat, head, etc., all cured.

WISE DEPARTMENT.

CHAS. T. KILGORE, Editor.
Local and Otherwise.

Wise, Va., Dec. 19.—Attorney Parsons and Squire Vance went to Norton on professional business this week.

Millard Gilliam returned from Kentucky Monday.

L. M. Vanover has moved his family from Clintwood to this place.

Judge and Mrs. T. M. Alderson, of Bristol, are visiting in the city.

J. D. Dotson is on the sick list.

J. A. Hughes, of Coeburn, was in town Tuesday.

Wm. Cecil returned from Hansonville Sunday.

Mrs. H. H. Kilgore, of Coeburn, is visiting relatives in the city.

The protracted meeting at the Methodist church is still progressing. Some interest is being manifested and the meeting will be likely to continue during this week.

R. M. Vicars was up from Coeburn Sunday.

Henry Purkey, who has been sick for several days, is able to be out again.

From present indications Xmas will be very quiet at Wise. There will be an entertainment at the M. E. church next Sunday, and perhaps a tree at the Southern Methodist church on Christmas day.

Judge Bond spent the Sabbath with homefolks at Bontown.

R. W. FLANARY,
Dealer in
Cannel and Bituminous Coals
and Stove Wood,
Big Stone Gap, Va.
All Orders Filled Promptly.
Terms Cash.

The Oldest and Best.

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We are doing great good to suffering humanity through our consulting department, and invite you to write us if you have any blood or skin trouble. We make no charge whatever for this service.

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STANDARD
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will do a bigger
day's work than

Coated Come One, Come All

Look at your tongue. Is it coated? Then you have a bad taste in your mouth every morning. Your appetite is poor, and food distresses you. You have frequent headaches and are often dizzy. Your stomach is weak and your bowels are always constipated. There's an old and reliable cure:



Don't take a cathartic dose and then stop. Better take a laxative dose each night, just enough to cause one good free movement the day following. You feel better the very next day. Your appetite returns, your dyspepsia is cured, your headaches pass away, your tongue clears up, your liver acts well, and your bowels no longer give you trouble.

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"I have taken Ayer's Pills for 25 years, and I consider them the best made. One pill does me more good than half a box of any other kind I have ever tried."
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March 20, 1890. Arrington, Kans.

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Dealer in
Fresh Meats,
Big Stone Gap, Va.
Handles nothing but the best grade of Meat.
Shop in Basement of Post-Office Building.
Dec 13-1900

Right Here at Green's is the Place to Get the Worth of Your Money Well! Well! Well! What about such prices as these?

- Clear Side Bacon, 9 cents per pound.
- Pure Leaf Lard, 10 cents per pound.
- Granulated Sugar, 4 pounds for 25 cents.
- Best Light Brown Sugar, 6 cents per pound.
- Good Green Coffee, 12 1-2 cents per pound.
- Lion Brand Roasted Coffee 14 cents per pound.
- No. 1 Cream Cheese, 15 cents per pound.
- Nice Mixed Beans, 5 cents per pound.
- Irish Potatoes, 65 cents per bushel.
- Turnips, 40 cents per bushel.
- Fine Large Apples, \$1.00 per bushel.
- Fresh Country Butter, 20 cents per pound.
- Large Fat Chickens, 20 and 25 cents each.
- Fine Syrup, 10 cents a can.
- Singer Sewing Machine Oil, 5 cents.
- 3 String Brooms, 25 cents.

CANNED GOODS.
Tomatoes, 10 cents. 3 lbs. Apples, 10 cents.
California Peaches, 20 cts. Corn, 10 cents.
No. 1 Maryland Peaches, 18 cents.

CANNED MEATS.
Salmon, 13 cents. Chipped Beef, 15 cents.
Sardines, 5 cents. Corned Beef, 15 cents.
Veal Loaf, 1 lb. can, 20 cts. Full weight Oysters, Light
Potted Ham & Tongue, 6c. Light "

I Always keep a full line of Fresh Groceries. I Also carry a full line of Ladies' and Gents' Underwear, bought in the large markets Spot Cash, which I am selling cheaper than other merchants pay for them. Dry Goods and Notions at cost. Calico at 5 cents yard. A nice line of Men's Clothing at prices lower than elsewhere in town. I buy for cash, and am content with small profits. Also a large stock of Wood-Heating Stoves and Piping. A full line of Christmas Goods at prices that defy competition cordially invite all to come and see me, asking all of fair and honest treatment. Fall in line and don't stop until you reach the Brick Store on the corner. Yours for Business, **E. L. GREEN**
Men's All Wool Suits, \$6.00.

BIG SHOW IS HERE

And so is Muncy, with the fullest and most complete line of Ladies and Gents Furnishing Goods, and Holiday Goods ever brought to **BIG STONE GAP.**

- Ladies and Misses Furnishing Goods**
Just Received all late styles in Capes, - \$.48 to \$.80
" " Ladies' Collarcttes, - 3.50 to 5.00
" " " Skirts, - .98 to 1.50
Several doz. Ladies and Misses Overgaiters, to go at .35 to .50
- Gents' Furnishing Goods Department**
Just Received latest styles in Suits with reversible vest, \$.98 to \$ 1.50
" " Silk Puffs, Scarfs, and Ties, - .02 to .10
Hosiery 4 to 23 cents, Shirts 15c. to \$1.25, Shoes, .98 to 1.50
Boys Suits, 49c. to \$5.00, Men's Hats, .35 to .50
Men and Boys Caps from .09 to .15
A full line of Ladies' and Gents' Rubbers at cost.

Toy Department.
Toy Pianos from \$1.50 to \$3.50, Dolls from \$.04 to \$.10
A big assortment of Toys to go at from .05 to .10

Glassware and Novelty Department
Smoker's Sets from \$1.25 to \$3.00, Smoking Jars, \$.75 to \$ 1.00
Picture Frames from .04 to .10