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FOR CONGRESS—FIRST DISTRICT:

WM. A. JONES, of Richmond County.

SOME BIRTHDAYS.

Our friend Broadus, of the West Point Plain Dealer, is going to enlarge his paper, as it now begins its fourteenth year. Broadus and the Plain Dealer have become permanent and progressive factors in the resuscitation of their town that now seems to be going on. Success to them.

It has been announced that Westmoreland's new paper, the Potomac Progress, to be published at Hague by W. T. Mayo and associates, will make its appearance this week or next. Our new contemporary starts with the best wishes of the CITIZEN, and our acquaintance with the promoters assures us the mutual friendship will be lasting.

This recalls to our mind that two years ago today the first issue of the VIRGINIA CITIZEN came from us.

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Please, can't someone stop those Richmond correspondents from this constant effort to precipitate a Senatorial and gubernatorial campaign so far ahead of time. Virginia is very peaceful now. Why disturb the atmosphere with political bomb shells?—Fredericksburg Star.

Before the people's minds have hardly gotten a rest from the late hot campaign, the political agitators are trotting out candidates against Senator Martin, picturing the conduct of the campaigns and their outcomes and stirring up unnecessarily the thoughts of the people. One of these agitators or would-be rivals, B. M. Rucker, of Lynchburg, went to Staunton and began a lively canvass for votes, saying he was running against Senator Martin and determined to beat him. The State Hospital at that place holds him now, waiting for a commission of lunacy. Others had better take warning from poor Rucker's fate.

A Methodist minister in Chicago expresses the opinion that if John Wesley were in the flesh now he could not get an assignment as a circuit rider in a rural conference. True perhaps, and we doubt if George Washington could carry Westmoreland county could he return to earth and offer as a candidate for the Legislature.—Richmond Times.

Lots of truth in this; but what a sad commentary on our voter of today. To think that we sometimes send such men as we do to the Legislature, and that these could probably beat the immortal (or mortal) George before the voters of a Virginia county!

The first test of the free press clause of the new Constitution came before Judge Witt, of Richmond, last week, who did not sustain the Attorney-General's opinion. Judge Witt decided that employees of corporations or Notaries Public, who had entered into contract with any public carrier for substantial returns, could accept and use free passes.

In the section of country around Eldorado, Illinois, General Smith reports that no colored person is safe. He says an organization exists, through fear of which no colored person feels that he is safe from violence to person or property without the presence of troops. Can this be true of the enlightened abolition State of Illinois? So confirms the official reports.

The current comment in the average Virginia paper today is that it is the duty of every Democrat to register.—Friday's Dispatch.

Which means that Friday, the day of local papers, is the day on which the average citizen learns of his duty and passing events, does it not?

The equinoctial storm was gracefully and beautifully sidetracked after the briefest run of years.—Richmond Times.

Does our friend not know that the scientific iconoclasts have relegated equinoctial storms to the category of myths?

SAYS the Richmond Times: "A lady correspondent of the Times wants to know 'what to do with a cow that won't let her milk down.' Who will give the desired information?" Try to milk her up; or send her to the butcher's.

Senator Thomas S. Martin has taken the stump in Virginia for the Democratic Congressional candidates.

Leaders of both parties find the national situation very much of a tangle. Republicans associate the axiom "Silence is golden" with incident that brought President home.

Republicans of the Norfolk District are very much stirred up and office-holders scarcely know where they are "at." The Republican National Congressional Chairman has written that he recognizes the Wise-Waddy faction there.

Here is the gist of Speaker Henderson's reason for quitting: "I am willing to fight Democrats and Populists, but when it comes to fighting Republicans I desire to step out and let other schemes be tried." "The Republican party will soon have enough of its disastrous medicine as they propose to administer to the trusts."

Hon. W. A. Jones has sent a very courteous reply to the challenge of his Republican opponent for Congress in the First District, Mr. Malcolm A. Coles, agreeing to the suggestion that joint debates be held throughout the district. There was a spirited joint discussion at Saluda between these candidates last week, in which the former got much the best of it.

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LATEST NEWS IN BRIEF.

Items From Late Exchanges And By Telegraph.

Soft coal is rising two cents an hour. The Salt Trust goes to the wall, with a deficit of \$300,000 and 1,000,000 barrels. President Roosevelt's wound was reopened and the bone found slightly affected. Nothing serious expected. The North Carolina Supreme Court has granted a new trial to James Wilcox, convicted of the murder of Nellie Crosey. For a week the stock market has been panicky. Secretary Shaw came to the rescue Wednesday with government funds to avoid a crash. September wheat has gone up to 95 cents, the highest since the Letter deal of '98. Armour & Co. have practically cornered September wheat supply. President Roosevelt has summoned the leaders of the coal strikers and operators to meet him in Washington. He will try to effect a settlement, urged by the demands of the situation and politics. In a stormy convention Wednesday New York Democrats at Saratoga nominated Bird S. Cole for governor, Chief Devery, of Tammany, was refused a seat as delegate. Hill controlled the convention and could have had the nomination by acclamation if he had permitted it. Bryan and the Kansas City platform were ignored.

SOME SUFFRAGE PHASES.

The Board of Registrars of Lancaster county are nearly through their work. The numbers on the rolls have not come up to the expectations and desires of those who usually take an active interest in politics. The county has had about an equal number of whites and blacks voting heretofore. A fair estimate, on the registration to-day, is that 60 per cent of the whites and 30 per cent of the colored voters will be enrolled. One of the surprises of the new Constitution of Virginia may be the disfranchisement of a majority of the ministers in the Methodist Conference. Under the new instrument no one can register who has not lived at the place where he offers for registration at least twelve months preceding. Attorney-General Anderson has rendered an opinion which says the veterans in soldiers' homes are practically disfranchised by the new Constitution. A Henrico County Board of Registrars refused to abide the Attorney-General's decision.

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