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I guess the number of votes at the Presidential election to be .....

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**A SENSIBLE DECISION.**

In the supreme court of the District of Columbia, Judge Shepard has delivered an opinion, in which he holds that all clubs are barrooms, and consequently liable for license as other saloons. The test case was that of the Army and Navy Club, and their contention was that liquors were sold without profit and to only members of the club. The judge holds that this question does not enter into the consideration at all, and that any club selling liquor to be drunk on the premises is practically a saloon, and as such must have a license.—Richmond Times.

This decision is an eminently just one and should be followed by the courts of this State, or if the law on the subject is too explicit to admit of any such interpretation it should be changed by the legislature without delay.

While it is admitted that clubs vary in degree so far as order and decency are concerned, some being formed for the special purpose of evading the license tax and others for the comfort and convenience of their members, it is manifestly impossible for the law to make any distinction between them as to licenses, and thus if one class be exempted the other must also be. In either case, however, such exemption is unjust to saloon keepers who pay the license tax and otherwise in all respects conform to the law. Beside as far as

the expense is concerned the matter of a license is a small one to a club conducted strictly for the comfort and convenience of its members, who in almost all cases would rather pay the tax than be subject to surveillance and suspicion.

Roanoke in the past has been afflicted with a class of "clubs," which, on being investigated by the officers of the law, were found to have been organized solely as a means of revenue to its projectors at the expense of legitimately conducted saloons, who not only paid the regular license tax, but had not even the privilege of selling on Sunday, which was the best day in the week for these so-called social organizations, from a business standpoint. The injustice of charging one class of liquor sellers a license tax, and allowing another class to sell without requiring any license, is too apparent to need a lengthy argument, and the sooner this evil is eradicated the better it will be for all communities in which it prevails.

**MCKINLEY AND QUAY.**

The visit of Senator Quay to Major McKinley at Canton, Ohio, has set politicians to conjecturing as to what the two Republican leaders talked about; but as neither seems disposed to make any revelations they can only surmise. That some combination was contemplated can hardly be doubted, but what it was only time will reveal.

McKinley for President and Quay for Vice-President would be a good National ticket for the Republicans, but Pennsylvania's favorite son has not admitted that he would consent to be made the tail of his party's kite.

Boss Platt's position does not however seem to have improved with recent developments. He is on record as having said some very spiteful things about the Ohio statesman, and while the latter might be amiable enough to forgive and overlook such indiscretion, it is not at all likely that his manager, Hon. Mark Hanna, will allow Platt to ride in the McKinley chariot.

In the meantime the Ohio man has, it seems, rather made a mess of the A. P. A. matter, while his silence as to the financial question is not helping his candidacy for President in the North and East. Mr. Hanna says Major McKinley will stand by the platform adopted by the National Republican convention at St. Louis; but that does not seem to satisfy the objectors at all.

On the whole, while McKinley will in all probability be nominated for President recent events have not added to his strength as the head of the Republican ticket to be presented to the people at the election in November next.

A few Populist newspapers have expressed alarm at the prospect of the free coinage Democrats controlling the Chicago convention; but if the claims of the goldbugs can be relied upon, their fears are groundless. A late, careful estimate gives the "sound money" contingent a good working majority in the Democratic convention; but even if the silver men should succeed there is not the slightest probability that Populists will go to the Democratic party with its inconsistent record and there is no reason to believe that free silver Republicans will do so. The policy of both the old parties for many years has been in opposition to silver.—Virginia Sun.

The party bosses in both parties have been in opposition to silver, but the great majority of the people of the country and especially of the South, are, and have been for silver, but only within the past few years have they learned the great wrong and outrage

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inflicted upon the country by the destruction of silver in order that the gold grabbers might get double the worth of their money in the products and properties of the country.

The Virginia Democratic Association of the District of Columbia, at a recent meeting, adopted a resolution endorsing Senator Daniel as the Democratic candidate for Vice-President, and as the friends of free silver will in all likelihood dominate the national convention, their wishes in this respect may be fully gratified.

The people of Venezuela are great admirers of the United States and its institutions and if it be true that syndicates in this country have obtained a concession for the manufacture of whiskey in the land of Bolivar, it can be asserted with positiveness that they are in a fair way to become thoroughly Americanized.

**DR. DIAZ IN WASHINGTON.**  
He Advises That a War Ship be Sent to Havana Harbor.

TAMPA, Fla., May 23.—Rev. A. J. Diaz, lately imprisoned in Havana, arrived here to-day from Washington where on Wednesday he appeared before the Senate committee on foreign affairs.

It has now developed that he also had private interviews with the President and Secretary Hoke Smith. He advised that a war ship proceed to Havana harbor to protect General Fitzgugh Lee after his arrival.

His fears of mob violence and thieves. The presence of our warships would curb it. Mr. Diaz will spend to-morrow with his brother, lately his companion in prison at Havana. Both intend instituting claims against the Spanish.

**Ran Over and Killed.**  
RALEIGH, N. C., May 23.—Wright Medlin, a white man, was run over by a Durham and Northern train at Durham about 11 o'clock to-night and instantly killed.

**The Man For the Business.**  
CALL on Captain Tuley J. Mitchell, No. 8 Campbell avenue, opposite the Terry building, for the renting or purchase of real estate. He has a fine list of houses for rent or sale and also solicits the agency for business in either line. His experience as city assessor makes his judgment particularly valuable as to the title or price of real estate.

All flavors ice cream at Jones' bakery.  
Just received a nice line of harness. Prices very low. Yost-Forrer Co. (Ltd.), next to postoffice.

**Pink Will Reign.**  
Pink in loveliest tints will be a very favored color this summer, and among the beautiful dyes are anemone, also known as valesque, an old rose pink; venus, a delicate flesh tint; azalea, a soft rose, tinged with silver like the "dawn" tint of other seasons. Shepherds and Louis XVI pinks are tinged with faintest mauve, like the old pompadour and lilac shades, and still deeper tones of this exquisite color copy the hues of the orchid, chrysanthemum and sweet pea blossom. All of these dyes combine beautifully with silver gray, reseda, fawn color, cream, beige, apricot, magnolia, white and some of the pale yellow shades. The latter mixture is like the "honeysuckle melange" of colors used a year ago. Pink and yellow French roses, jonquils and geranium blossoms are massed upon some of Virot's round hats of black or dark green openwork straw.—New York Post.

**Solid Cookery.**  
"I made these biscuits myself, Billiger," said Mrs. McSwat, with honest pride.  
"They look very nice, Lobelia," replied Mr. McSwat, picking one of them up and making an effort to split it. "And they are still hot. How long ago did you—ah—cast them?"—Chicago Tribune.

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**For Bargain Hunters.**  
FROM \$1,000 to \$1,200 worth of James O. Hobbs, stock of shoes, stationery and notions remains unsold. Commencing with to-day and continuing until it is sold, the people of Roanoke who want to save every cent they can these hard times, can get ladies' \$4 fine shoes, best makes, for \$2. Gents' \$5 shoes at \$3. Ladies' and gents' \$3 shoes for \$1.75; \$1.50 for 90c and \$1; \$1.25 for 85c and 90c; \$1 shoes for 65c. Children's shoes at \$1.75 for \$1; \$1.50 for 85c and 90c; \$1.25 for 75c and 90c shoes for 50c. Two pairs ladies' 15c hose for 10c; 10c hose for 5c pair. Best 25c tablets for 13c; 20c ones for 10c and 15c ones for 8c. Nice 30c box paper for 10c box. All other goods in same proportion. You'll never again have a chance of getting as good goods for as little money as now. Call at once and get your choice, for they will go fast at above prices. J. P. WOODS, Trustee for J. O. Hobbs, 114 Salem ave.

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The Cafe at Crystal Spring is run on first-class principle.

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ARE prepared to issue Fidelity bonds of every character; go security for parties holding positions of trust; give bonds for public officers. Make a specialty of court bonds for guardians, administrators, special commissioners, etc. Call on them for rates.

Artistic Piano Tuning and Repairing.  
WALTON NELSON, piano and organ tuner and repairer for the Hobbie Piano Co., is now ready to make annual tuning contracts for piano tuning. Prompt attention and first class work guaranteed. Best of references from manufacturers and numerous patrons of high musical standing in Roanoke. Call or leave orders at the Hobbie Piano Co., 157 Salem avenue.  
DROP in Jones' bakery for a nice plate of ice cream.

Letter writers in Spain receive about 10 cents a page for writing letters. If required to take extra pains, as with a young woman's love letter they charge 15 cents.

Out of the Ordinary.  
Man (at a restaurant)—What sort of chicken do you call this, waiter?  
The Waiter—That, sir, I believe, is a Plymouth Rock.  
Man—Ah! I'm glad I've got some historical interest. I thought it was just an ordinary cobblestone.—Pick Me Up.

How soft the music of those village bells, falling at intervals upon the ear in cadence sweet! now dying all away, now pealing loud again and louder still, clear and sonorous it opens all the cells where memory slept.—Cowper.

# HEIRONIMUS & BRUGH,

206 COMMERCE STREET.

## BIG REDUCTIONS

on several lines of goods for Monday. Some rare bargains to be offered in new and desirable goods. Call in and look them over. Here are a few:

### Silks Reduced.

We will offer Monday balance of our stock of Printed Warp and Persian Silks as follows:  
Silks which were \$1.25, \$1.39 and \$1.50 the yard will all be sold at 90c per yard. Some choice things here.  
Silks which were \$1 will go at 60c the yard.  
Silks which were 60c and 75c will go at 49c.  
A lot of India Silks which were 50c will go at 39c.  
A lot of Printed India Silks, real imported, fine silky quality, which were 65c per yard, go at 39c the yard.  
A few pieces of Printed India Silks, which were 29c the yard, go at 15c the yard.

### Black Seamless Hosiery,

worth 12½c, to go at 10c the pair.  
Fifty pieces Plaid White Goods, worth 8c the yard, to go Monday at 5c the yard.  
Five pieces Heavy Figured Marseilles worth 20c the yard, to go at 10c.  
Twenty-five pieces best quality Mourning Prints, worth 6c the yard, to go at 4½c.  
Ten pieces Tidy Scrims, worth 15c the yard, to go at 7c the yard.  
One case full size White Counterpanes, good wearing quality, worth 88c, to go at 60c.  
100 Umbrellas, black or natural loop handles, silk gloria covers, paragon frames, at 99c.  
100 Umbrellas, great variety of pretty handles, in all the latest styles, covered with silk gloria that will wear, at \$1.30, worth \$1.75.  
Fifty fine Twilled Silk Umbrellas, very fine handles, the \$3 sort, to go at \$2.25.  
One case Ladies' Fine Jersey Ribbed Vests, fine quality, good clean perfect goods, at 5c.

### Ready-Hemmed Sheets.

9-4 extra heavy sheets, already hemmed, at 50c each.  
10-4 extra heavy sheets, already hemmed, at 60c each.

### Organdies! Organdies!

Just two numbers in Organdies:  
- At 40c the yard, 54 inch wide French Organdie, worth 50c.  
- At 50c the yard, the best thing in French Organdie ever offered at the price. Full 72 inches wide. Worth 65c. Our price 50c.

### Silk Mitts!

At 15c the pair, fifty dozen Ladies' Silk Mitts. Extra Value.  
At 25c, Black Silk Mitts. Extra weight and finish.

### New and Popular Things Now Ready.

Old Kentucky Tow Linen, for Ladies' and Gentlemen's Summer Suits, at 35c a yard—36 inches wide.  
25 pieces "Tulle Chateleine," a new pretty sheer fabric in the new stylish printed warp or Persian effects, at 13½c the yard.  
100 pieces of Dimities, Organdies and pretty Printed Warp Fabrics, from 7½c to 37½c the yard—now ready.  
New lot of the popular Linen Gros Grain Battiste, 32 inches wide at 15c the yard. Very popular.  
At 7c the yard, fifty pieces of the new Percales, full 36 inch wide. Unusual value.  
At 12½c the yard, 100 pieces of the newest things out in finer grade Percales.

### Gloves! Gloves!

At 75c the pair, 8-button length Mouquetaire Washable Chamols Gloves—all sizes.  
At \$1 the pair, the new two-clasp White Washable Chamols Gloves, either white or black embroidery. The latest fad.  
At 79c, a lot of undressed 4-button Gloves, in white, tan and black, worth \$1.

### Towels! Towels!

300 dozen Towels now ready at 10c each. Extra large heavy Turkish Bath Towels.  
At 12½c, 18c and 25c each, the best things you ever saw in Towels at the prices.  
At 10c, extra large 32x45 inch all Linen Huckaback Towels, worth 12½c.  
At 5c each, 100 dozen Cotton Towels.

### Black Dress Goods.

At 50c, special value in fine high lustrous plain Mohair.  
At 50c the yard, 50 inch wide Scottish Mohair. Special value at the price.  
At 50c the yard, some new things in Black Figured Mohairs for Skirts.  
At 25c, 29c, 42c, 50c, 59c and 75c, special values in light weight Serges for Summer wear.

### Shirt Waists Reduced.

We find we have too many Shirt Waists and propose to let a few out at decided reductions. They are all new, bishop sleeves, the latest styles of the season. 84 Shirt Waists, have been \$1, will be offered Monday at 79c each. See them early and get a choice.

### Laces! Laces!

We have now ready a great line of Laces of every description—just the sorts you will need for Summer wear. Everything in Valenciennes, Point de Esprit, Honiton, Chiffon, and Novelty Laces of all kinds. See the line for Laces.

### Collars! Cuffs!

At 20c, three for 50c, Fifty dozen of the newest things in Ladies' Linen Collars.  
At 25c the pair, 25 dozen Ladies' latest style Linen Cuffs.

### Ladies' Ready-to-Wear Wrappers

We have now on sale a big lot of Ready-to-wear Wrappers for Ladies. These are all well-made garments. They come in a variety of styles and materials—cheaper than you can make them.  
At 69c, Ladies' full length Calico Wrappers, made of best quality prints.  
At \$1, pretty quality Ladies' Wrappers, made of Percales, cut full, well made, good styles.  
At \$1.50, pretty things in Ladies, Lawn Wrappers—extra full, fast colors and very pretty designs. See them.

Call and look through our great stocks.

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