

A Chip or Two Here and There.

GATHERED BY THE "TRAMP."

Our friend Mr. Tompkins, or whatever his name is, is still in search of his wife and his jag goes with him to keep him from being lonesome. The city relieved him of \$2.50 yesterday morning, but did not dampen the ardor of his pursuit for his missing wife. He was on his old beat yesterday afternoon and it is likely that the city will get another \$2.50 from him this morning. A closer inspection of Mr. Tompkins' personal appearance removes all wonder at the action of his spouse, if indeed he ever had one. He says now that his name is not Tompkins but Early—General Jubal A. Early. His jag is getting in its work.

Bicycling around the city is just now rendered unpleasant by the dust and wind, which are things that will come and must be borne—but although that black dog on Salem avenue, near the corner of Henry street, is one of the things that also seems bound to come, there appears to be no reason why wheelmen should grin and bear it. This dog is a regular nuisance to bicyclists. He rushes out and snaps at their heels and tears their clothes and gets out of reach again before they can get at him. Many good ways of getting rid of him have been suggested, the easiest of which is shooting; but as a man sometime ago was fined for shooting another man's dog, which was a nuisance, no one is ready to do the deed. However, the day will come when someone will put an end to this particular canine, deeming it just as cheap to pay the fine as to buy new trousers and seek new religion.

There are street crossings in the business part of the city that are continually blocked by standing vehicles and people especially. Ladies are often forced to go around them in crossing. The crossing on Commerce street between Campbell and Salem avenues is the principal one. There is no reason for this. Ladies do not find it particularly pleasant to walk out in the street, especially after the sprinkling cart has just been along and everything is muddy. Much inconvenience would be saved if the officer on this beat would happen along occasionally and request the drivers to move their carriages. It might also be well to say that these drivers are sometimes rude and refuse to move when asked to do so by people wishing to cross.

A gentleman owning a house on Franklin road s. w., which has been vacant for two or three days, went out yesterday to look after his property and found that the house had been broken open and defaced by small boys. All the fixtures that could be removed from the bath room were gone and the back of the house had been splattered with eggs found by the boys in an old hen nest on the premises. Of course the city cannot undertake to protect all such vacant property, or property that is not vacant for that matter; but if a policeman were to walk through the outlying parts of the city occasionally he might at least get an idea as to whether people were suffering by the depredation of these vandal small boys. There are portions of the city where an officer is never seen and many people are asking why it is. It is a miracle that there are not more outrages committed in these sections than there are. Is it the city's good record in this direction that makes police protection appear unnecessary, or is it the hard times?

Not every one is gifted with a mechanical term of mind, nor is every passer-by good at guessing; hence the numerous speculations why the plate over the opening in the sewer, of all places in the world, where directly over which people have to walk, should be perforated. The disagreeable odor at the corner of Jefferson street and Seventh avenue s. w., emanates from one of these sewer man-holes in the cover of which there are about a dozen holes. What are these holes for? Certainly not for drainage, as

the water does not reach that portion of the sidewalk, and if they were for drainage the holes are too small to be of any use for that.

It is not often that we find ourselves prowling around the country in our official capacity; but we have come up on something over in Botetourt that seems worthy of a place over our name. As an instance of contradiction and inconsistency it is strikingly like the actions of some of the people we know of. A man in Botetourt towns three sheep, two white ones and a black one. One white one he named after Wm. Jennings Bryan, the black one after Mr. McKinley and the other white one after Mr. McKinley's daughter. He may have meant this as a demonstration of his opinion that no matter how dark in the wool Mr. McKinley is, we should not visit his sins upon his family. We wonder if the wool on the McKinley sheep will be of more value than the growth upon Mr. Bryan's name-sake.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

Annual Meeting of That Very Prosperous Congregation.

The annual congregational meeting of the First Presbyterian Church was held in the above church last night, commencing promptly at 8 o'clock. The meeting was opened with devotional exercises led by Dr. W. C. Campbell, assisted by A. W. Pitman, after which the reports of the various officers and societies of the church were called for and the following were read and received:

Report of the church session, read by George Glass, secretary. This report shows that during the year 63 new members were added to the roll of the church. The amount collected from voluntary subscriptions was \$3,650.50. This report makes a very good showing for the church.

The next report was that of the Woman's Missionary Society, read by Mrs. A. L. Wright, secretary. From the report it is apparent that this organization has made good progress during the past year and the outlook is very encouraging.

The report of the Westminster League was read by Chas. R. Strother. This is an organization composed of the young people of the church and the report shows the league to be in a healthy and prosperous condition.

The report of the Louise Dalby Missionary Society was read by Miss Elva Luck. This society which, as its name indicates, is a missionary society composed of young ladies and is doing a splendid work for the cause of missions.

The board of deacons reported that the total receipts for the year was \$2,673.37 and the finances of the church in grand condition and all obligations paid.

The report of the Cheerful Workers, a society composed of little girls between the ages of 4 and 15 years, was read by little Miss Hobbs. This society has raised over \$80 during the past year and has a membership of sixty.

The report of the Sunday-school was read and showed the school to be in a prosperous condition and increasing its membership.

The report of the Self Help Society, which is an organization to help the poor, showed that a great deal of good had been done since its organization.

The report of the Boys' Brigade was read by the secretary. This brigade is composed of small boys and is intended to instruct them in the Bible and other religious matters. The brigade is hearty and growing.

The report of the Ladies' Aid Society was read by Mrs. Glass. This is one of the most useful adjuncts to the church, and the report shows the society, still engaged in the work of aiding the church with encouraging prospects.

This concluded the reports of the different societies, after which a short historical address on the Presbyterian Church was delivered by Rev. W. C. Campbell, the pastor of the church, which was much enjoyed by all present. Among other historical facts brought out in his address, Dr. Campbell said that he had been informed that at one time John Brown, who is so celebrated in the South and was finally hung in Charlestown, Va.,

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE National Exchange Bank, at Roanoke, in the State of Virginia, at the close of business, May 14, 1897.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$306,665.28
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	67.50
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	25,000.00
Premium on U. S. bonds	1,297.50
Stock, securities, etc. (Roanoke city 65)	2,500.00
Banking house furniture and fixtures	3,588.73
Other real estate and mortgages owned	9,975.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	2,540.53
Due from State banks and bankers	2,781.12
Due from approved reserve agents	2,570.80
Checks and other cash items	1,141.84
Notes of other National banks	1,456.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	903.75
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:	
Specie	\$20,596.25
Legal tender notes	25,596.25
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 p. c. of circulation)	1,125.00
Total	\$387,214.86
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$130,000.00
Surplus fund	20,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	3,681.15
National bank notes outstanding	22,500.00
Due to other National banks	5,623.34
Due to State banks and bankers	1,692.02
Individual deposits subject to check	125,208.43
Demand certificates of deposit	82,168.68
Certified checks	1,327.49
Cashier's checks outstanding	13.75
Bills payable	25,000.00
Total	\$387,214.86

State of Virginia, City of Roanoke, ss: I, Junius B. Fishburne, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JUNIOUS B. FISHBURNE, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of May, 1897.
E. W. TINSLEY, N. P.
Correct—Attest:
W. K. ANDREWS,
J. B. ANDREWS,
W. C. STEPHENSON,
Directors.

now (W. Va.) at one time preached in the old church now used as a lecture room.

At the conclusion of the address the audience adjourned to the session room of the church, where refreshments were served by the Woman's Missionary Society.

WAS CAPTURED HERE ALSO.

The McDowell, W. Va., Free Press has a lengthy account of the capture of Bill Redd, colored, who killed Tage Terrell at Keystone, W. Va., about three years ago. After the killing Redd made his escape and came to Roanoke where he was captured by Officers Ware and Eanes not over twenty-four hours after the deed had been committed. The authorities were notified but did not act promptly, and after staying in jail here for about twenty days he was released on a writ of habeas corpus. Officers have been on his track ever since but he succeeded in eluding them until last Sunday, when he was captured in Pittsburg, Pa.

JUST RECEIVED—200 pounds old-fashioned Marsh Mallows, the best; good for sore throat. In half-pound boxes, 20 cents; one-pound boxes, 40 cents. J. J. CATOGNI.

DON'T BE SHODDILY SHOD
BACHRACH, the twin store shoe man, can sell you the best shoes in town for the least money. Fine stock in both stores, Salem avenue and also on Jefferson street.

It's Startling!

Our Competitors Don't Enjoy It, But It's a Boon for You.

The Indications are that Clothing will be higher, but the great purchase made by us makes it possible for you to purchase Fine Clothing, made in the latest styles, at 50c on the dollar. To prove it you have only to price Clothing elsewhere; then come to us and you'll find your dollars to do double duty.

Men's Suits, elegantly made and trimmed in latest patterns, plaids and mixtures; would be cheap elsewhere at \$7.50, but here they are at \$3.90.

Men's Plaid Suits, very latest patterns, trimmed and made in the best manner; others would call them cheap at \$15, here they are at \$7.50.

Elegant Black and Blue Fancy Worsteds, absolutely all-wool, at \$6.50 to \$12.50, that would cost 50 per cent. more elsewhere.

Busy parents, we claim your attention, if there are any boys to fit out, if there are dollars to be saved, if garment, strength and worth are to be considered.

Children's Suits in wash goods begin at 50c, Cassimere Suits at \$1.50, and Boys' at \$3.50 up. They are good values.

All men who ride a bicycle, and who wish to look genteel, should wear one of our \$5 Suits. They are absolutely unapproachable.

We show the very latest in Men's and Boys' Crash Suits. The best grade for

Boys at \$3.50 and Men's at \$5. You want to see them.



We're selling the best Shirts in the city for the price. The "Emery" stands for best. They're in the latest patterns, made from the finest materials, cut extra long, different sleeve lengths, and are perfect in fit. 50c and 75c buys good ones, and \$1 buys the best.

Of one thing be assured, we'll not permit anyone to sell good clothes for less money than we're doing. Your money refunded if not satisfied with any purchase made at our store

PHILADELPHIA ONE-PRICE CLOTHING HOUSE.

Gail Borden Eagle Brand CONDENSED MILK. BEST INFANT FOOD.

Ice cream soda and strawberry sherbet at JOHNSON & JOHNSON'S.

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HEIRONIMUS & BRUGH'S.

The Season is Here When We Enter Upon Our Great Closing Sale of Woolen Dress Stuffs.

Bargains galore may now be had in Summer Dress Fabrics of all kinds.

Numbers of economical shoppers took advantage of our announcement of this sale a few days ago. Join in with the majority and avail yourself of this opportunity.

Here Are Some of the Reductions Made. Note the Decided Cuts:

At 19c, instead of 25c the yard, five pieces 36 inch wide All-wool Fancy Mixtures and Checks. All new desirable stuffs.

At 29c, instead of 45c, four pieces of 40-inch wide All-wool Checked Dress Fabrics; worth fully 45c. Our cut price to close, 29c.

At 39c, instead of 59c, six or eight pieces of full 36 inch Novelty Effects in stylish colorings.

At 69c, instead of \$1, all the remaining Fancy Novelties, Checks, etc. It will pay you to see this great stock.

Black Dress Goods Reduced.

At 28c, instead of 39c, five pieces of 40-inch absolutely All-wool Black Storm Serge. Has been 39c; cut to 28c.

At 38c, instead of 49c the yard, five pieces of 34-inch All-wool Black French Serge. Very desirable at this season.

At 79c, instead of \$1 the yard, balance of our stock of Wool Canvas Weaves or Grenadine Effects, which have been \$1. Our cut price, 79c.

Big lot of Skirt and Dress lengths in Black Goods to go at a decided reduction.

Special Cut in Price of Black Figured Mohairs.

Five pieces of Black Figured Mohairs, regular 69c values, full 48 inches. Prettiest and most stylish figures in our stock; have been 69c, to go at 49c the yard. These will be very desirable for summer wear.

Navy Blue Wool Canvas or Grenadine Effects Reduced

One piece Wool Grenadine Effect, 44 inches wide; has been 59c, to go at 42 1/2c. Navy blue.

At 59c, instead of 79c the yard, one piece Navy Blue very fine Iron Frame Grenadine Effect Dress Goods.

Special Bargains for a Short Time in Table Linens.

Ten pieces of regular \$1 value in fine quality Full Bleached Irish Table Damask, 66 inches wide; worth \$1, at 79c.

Thin Fabrics for the Hot Days. Rare Assortments—Pretty, Robby Styles—Prices the Very Lowest—Printed French Organdies.

50 styles of the newest and most stylish Printings out in this surpassingly cool and beautiful fabric. The finer goods go along with the others now. You may have a choice of these at 39c the yard. Many of them have been 39c.

At 73 1/2c the yard, one case of Fine Printed Dimities, neat printing.

Fine Sheer Cloth, worth 12 1/2c, our price, 7 3/4c.

At 9c, the 100 styles of Jaconet D'Alsace; very cheap; worth 12 1/2c.

At 12 1/2c, we give you the choice of all the thin Wash Fabrics formerly sold at 15c and 16c. Over 100 styles of these.

At 10c per yard, 15 pieces of Wool Challies, made to sell at 25c. This lot goes at 10c. Neat, pretty styles for housedresses and children.

At 9c, 10 pieces of Real Linen Home-

spun for Skirts and Suits. This is a great bargain. See it.
At 5c the yard, large assortment of new things in Gingham; finest quality; worth 12 1/2c.

Great Bargains in Domestic.

Best quality Indigo Blue Prints, 4 1/2c.

Lancaster Apron Checked Gingham, 5c; best quality; full pieces; not damaged, remnants.

At 5c, Simpson's Best quality Mourning Prints. Good assortment of styles.

At 6 1/2c, "Fruit of the Loom" 4-4 Bleached Cotton.

At 6c the yard, 4-4 Bleached Androscoggin Cotton.

At 14c, good quality 10-4 Unbleached Sheeting.

At 20c, Good Quality Heavy 10-4 Bleached Sheatings.

At 5c the yard, 25 pieces of excellent quality Checked Nainsook for Aprons; worth 8c.

At 3 1/2c, 50 pieces good quality Cotton Crash for dish towels.

Men's Goods at Special Bargain Prices.

At 39c, one case Men's Dalbriggan Shirts and Drawers, regular 50c quality.

At 25c, Men's very good quality Shirts and Drawers, worth 39c.

At 93c, Men's good quality Night Shirts, nicely trimmed and finished. Full sizes.

At 98c, everything new in Men's Negligee Shirts. Soft finished Madras with cuffs to match and Percale fronts, in the newest and noblest styles. All made in first-class manner. See the assortment.

Great values in Men's Tan and Black Half Hose, at 12 1/2c, the usual 20c grades. See the assortment.

Laces! Laces!

Now ready, 500 pieces of new Valenciennes Laces in all the newest patterns, for trimming thin dresses, 2c to 25c yard.

50 styles of new Butter Colored Laces in the fine Net Tops and light pretty designs, from 10c to \$1 the yard.

Twenty styles of the newest things in Embroidered Chiffon Laces, all shades, 30c to 50c the yard.

COMMENCEMENT FIXINGS.

Two-yard wide French Organdie.

100 pieces French Organdie in all qualities at 25 per cent. less than former prices.

At 42 1/2c, 2 yard wide White Organdie, worth 50c.

At 50c, 2 yard wide White Organdie, worth 69c.

At 60c, 2 yard wide White Organdie, worth 75c.

All the necessaries in the way of Fans, Gloves, etc., open this week.

Finest and Best Goods in the City.

WE ARE READY FOR THE SUMMER SEASON WITH EVERYTHING PERTAINING TO THE TIMES. SEE OUR GREAT STOCKS OF NEW GOODS.