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Coming and Going.

Mrs. Emanuel Hbarger and children, who have been visiting friends in Roanoke, have returned home to Hagerstown.
 Misses Birdie Myers and Blanche Stone left yesterday for a month's visit to friends at Yickers Switch.
 Miss Jeannette Bibb, daughter of Senator Bibb, has returned home after a pleasant visit to friends in Roanoke.
 Miss Daisy Wingfield left yesterday on a visit to friends in Springwood.
 Dr. Newberne, resident physician at Blue Ridge Springs, is in the city on a visit.
 P. J. Greely went to Baltimore last night to visit his sister, who is dangerously ill.
 Miss Mary Miller, of Lynchburg, is in the city visiting the family of Captain Lee on Ninth avenue s. w.
 W. J. Stanworth, of Norfolk, is among the guests registered at the Ponce de Leon.
 Rev. J. C. Holland, of Danville, is registered at the Ponce de Leon.
 R. T. Hargroves, of Norfolk county, is in the city.
 W. H. Coffman, of Bluefield, W. Va., is registered at the Ponce de Leon.
 Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Menefee and daughter, Miss Josie, of Rocky Mount, were in the city yesterday.
 Wm. Flanagan, of Powhatan, member of the State senate from the sixteenth senatorial district, is in the city, a guest at the Ponce de Leon.
 E. Wile, the Jefferson street clothier, left last night for New York, where he will purchase an up-to-date fall stock.
 S. H. Heronimus, of the dry goods firm of Heronimus & Brugh, left Friday night for the North on a three weeks' trip to purchase fall goods.
 Miss Sallie Peters, of Brugh's Mill, Botetourt county, who has been visiting Mrs. G. W. Ammen, of this city, returned home yesterday, accompanied by Miss Mattie Ammen, who will remain there three weeks or more.
 Misses Mattie and Eddie Luster, of Fincastle, Va., who have been visiting Mrs. G. W. Ammen, of the West End, left for home yesterday.
 Mrs. Nannie D. Sholes returned to her home in Lynchburg yesterday after a two weeks' visit to her daughter, Mrs. J. L. Daddow.
 Mrs. F. H. Walker and children, of Roanoke, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wilkerson - Lynchburg Press.
 J. W. Lake left yesterday on a visit to his aged parents at Bedford City.
 Willis Tinsley left yesterday on a visit to friends in Buena Vista.
 J. C. Cook went to Appomattox yesterday to spend Sunday with friends.
 Miss Eddie and Mattie Luster, of Fincastle, were in the city yesterday on a shopping expedition.
 W. J. Austin, of the dry goods department of Watt, Rettew & Clay, will leave to day for Fincastle to spend his vacation.
TO MERCHANTS.
 I keep on hand a complete line of dry goods and notion samples for Guggenheimer & Co., and invite all merchants to call, rooms No. 1 and 2, over the old postoffice on Jefferson street.
 W. H. PAULLING.

A NORFOLK MAN
 Writing to a Roanoke friend in reference to the poster we recently printed for the Labor Day Committee, said: "Printers here pronounce it one of the best pieces of printing ever turned out in this State. It can't be duplicated here."
The Stone Printing and Mfg. Co.,
 110-112-114 N. Jefferson Street,
 Oppo. Hotel Roanoke,
 EDW. L. STONE, Pres.

JUDGE STAPLES' FUNERAL.
 The funeral of the late Judge Waller R. Staples took place yesterday morning at 11 o'clock in the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg and was conducted by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Hooper. A large concourse of those who knew the deceased gathered to do honor to his memory and pay the last sad tributes of respect to all that was mortal of one of the foremost jurists of the State. After the services the remains were shipped to this city for interment, arriving here about 2 o'clock. The procession formed at the depot and the remains were at once taken to Fairview Cemetery for interment, where they were laid to rest in the Staples' burial section. The services at the grave were conducted by Rev. Dr. Hooper. The following gentlemen acted as pall bearers: Col. W. A. Waugh, Judge J. A. Dupuy, R. E. Scott, Col. Thomas Lewis, of this city; Col. R. H. Logan, of Salem; T. B. Campbell, of Blacksburg; J. R. Johnson, A. A. Phlegar and Trigg Mosby, of Christiansburg. A large number of friends and relatives accompanied the remains from Christiansburg.
 It has been learned that Judge Staples will provide that Hon. A. A. Phlegar is to administer on his estate, which is valued at \$25,000, which he has bequeathed to his relatives, it to be divided among the children of his brother, the late Judge Samuel G. Staples and his three sisters, together with their children.

Sandy P. Figgat & Co., successors to Pitman and Evans, Fancy Groceries, 116 Salem avenue w.

"STRIKES IN BELGIUM.
 Nineteen Thousand Coal Miners Were Idle in June and July.

Washington, Aug. 21.—Strikes among the coal miners are occurring in Belgium, much like those in the United States, according to a report of Consul Roosevelt, at Brussels. Through June and July the coal districts were much disturbed and 19,000 coal miners were idle. Mr. Roosevelt adds:
 "The strike lasted six weeks, causing great distress among the miners, who were unable to obtain expected aid from the socialist league. The miners have now returned to work, without having received any concessions from the mine owners."

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INDIAN MINTS WILL NOT OPEN.
 London, Aug. 21.—The Pall Mall Gazette this afternoon says there never existed the least reason for supposing that the British government officials contemplated reopening the Indian mints. It thinks, however, that the two shilling piece and the silver dollar and wheat are respectively lower and higher than they should legitimately be.

WAR VESSELS DAMAGED.
 Plymouth, Eng., Aug. 21.—The Thrasher, a twin screw torpedo boat destroyer, and the Phœton, a second class twin screw cruiser, which started yesterday for the Pacific station, have returned to Plymouth, both being greatly damaged by the rough weather which they encountered.

CASTORIA.
 The facsimile signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* is on every wrapper.
RECEIVED TO-DAY one car load of Corn and one car load of first-class Hay. L. N. FOSTER & CO., the Feed Men, 101 Commerce street.
 Our stock of carpets and bed room furniture cannot be excelled. THE E. H. STEWART FURNITURE CO.

UNDOUBTEDLY TRUE.
 The place to buy feed is of J. A. Hoover, the feed man. He has the largest stock in the city and smallest prices. See him.
CUBA IS NEARLY FREE.
 So are my shoes, as the price on them is so low that it makes them nearly free. Shoes for big feet and shoes for little feet—all kinds of shoes in my two stores—Salem avenue and Jefferson street.
 BACHRACH.

DEATH OF THOMAS ALMOND.
 Passed Away Suddenly at Luray on Friday Night.
 Lynchburg, Aug. 21.—A telegram was received here to-day announcing the death at Luray last night of Thomas D. Almond, of this city.
 The news was a great shock to the friends and relatives of Mr. Almond. With his wife, he was on a visit to his old home, and had written only a few days ago that he was in good health and would return to Lynchburg on the 25th.
 The deceased was a brother of C. H. Almond, of the Almond Dry Goods Company, with which he was employed. He is survived by his wife and four children, Thomas Almond, of this city, Ashby B. Almond, of Culpeper; Mrs. Theodore Judd, of Washington, and Mrs. Sectt Ashley, of Alabama.
 He was 74 years old and was a consistent member of the First Baptist Church, and had a host of friends who will regret to hear of his death. He was an old Virginia gentleman, and to know him was to become attached to him.
 His remains will be interred in the family burying ground at Luray to-morrow, and Messrs. C. H. Almond and T. A. Almond left to-day to attend the funeral.

Mr. Almond had been visiting relatives and friends in Page county and was bitten yesterday by a rattlesnake at Stonyman, on top of the Blue Ridge, whether he had gone on a pleasure jaunt. Mr. Almond was cared for at Skyland Park, and local remedies were applied to the wound on his hand, and used until the arrival of Dr. Hudson, of Luray, who had been hastily summoned.

HEAT END COLLISION.
 Troy, N. Y., Aug. 21.—A head-end collision between passenger and freight cars of the Troy and New England trolley road, near Albion this morning, resulted in the death of Robert Saxby and fatal injuries to Perry Scrivens, the motorman of the passenger car. Several others on the car escaped with painful injuries.

Bonner's restaurant is growing in popularity, as evidenced by the large number he feeds every day. Nice fresh oysters can be had, as well as everything that is good to eat.

SHANER'S GUARANTEE.
 If you own a horse go to 307 Salem avenue and see what J. S. Shaner, the Kentucky horsehoeer, will guarantee to do for your horse. His work stands on its merits, and his prices are right.

JUST TAKE A PEEP
 Into Bonner's restaurant when you pass. It is certainly a thing of beauty since he made improvements. His tables are laden with everything that one wants to eat. Anything you order will be filled with dispatch by his accommodating corps of waiters. You should see it place.

It is always gratifying to receive testimonials for Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and when the endorsement is from a physician it is especially so. "There is no more satisfactory or effective remedy than Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy," writes Dr. R. E. Robey, physician and pharmacist, of Olney, Mo.; and as he has used the remedy in his own family for six years, he should certainly know. For sale by H. C. Barnes. "He puts up prescriptions."

ROASTED IN A BURNING BARN.
 Incendiary Fire Costs Two Negroes Their Lives.
 Lexington, Aug. 21.—Last night a barn belonging to Maurice Brown, who lives about two miles south of here, was burned, with all its contents. Two negroes, John Pettigrew and Charles Lee, were sleeping in the barn and before they could get out the former was burned to a crisp and the latter while trying to escape was so horribly burned that he cannot possibly live. The loss amounts to about \$500.
 The fire was the work of an incendiary, and was started in a straw stack which adjoined the building.

BLOWN TO PIECES.
 Petersburg, Aug. 21.—The Petersburg electric light plant blew to pieces to day. It is a total loss of \$10,000. A large section of the boiler several tons in weight was blown seventy-five yards, going through a barn filled with baled hay, demoralizing the barn. The cause is unknown.

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 With a larger number of teachers than ever before. This school now takes a high rank among the educational institutions of the state, because it has been MARKEDLY SUCCESSFUL in the training of boys, throwing around them influences that will inspire to better and more useful lives and act as incentives to continued progress and a successful career.
 Our boys are taught how to study and their minds are cultivated so that they may be prepared for any useful life the future may open for them.
 Parents cannot afford to neglect the opportunity Alleghany offers for the best educational advantages.
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STARTING THE FALL WITH A RUSH!
The "Big Store" is Alive to the Wants of the People!
 New Goods for Early Fall Arriving Daily. Summer Things are Dying Away at the Most Diminutive Prices. Grand Values in Store for Everybody.

<p>Be Sure to See These. Magnificent line new fall styles, Russian Fleece for dresses, wrappers, dressing gowns and the like—highest grade and very choicest styles (see big double show window). Only 10 cents. New Fall Styles Celebrated Empress Outings, twenty styles to pick from, all the choicest things, usually 10c, here For only 8 cents. Beautiful "Teazle Down" Outings in the rarest styles for fall, choicest line ever offered. Only 10 cents. Domestics. This department is never lacking for big values. Case 36-inch Fine Percales in the new fall styles, including the pretty "blue and gold" printings, Case excellent grade Bleached Muslin, well worth 7 1/2c, this week Only 10 cents. New Turkey Red Prints, worth 5c usually, here Only 4 cents. Best Indigo Blue Prints, 5c. Black, white and silver grey Prints, only 5c. Fine Sea Island Unbleached Muslin, full yard wide, great value at 5c Lancaster Mills Checked Gingham, only 5c.</p>	<p>New Draperies. The new things in Draperies for Curtains and Cushion Covers and fancy work of all kinds. Here are some rare values: 36-inch Denims in pretty Oriental styles, really worth 17c, here this week, 12 1/2c. 36-inch Denims, reversible, both sides figured, a regular 25c quality, this week, 15c. 36-inch Denims in plain colors, 12 1/2c. 33-inch heavy Corded Denim, choice colorings, only 22c. 28-inch Printed Plush Draperies for Curtains and Portieres, very pretty, only 12 1/2c. Table-Linen Department. No end to the great values here. Linens from Austria, Germany, England, Scotland, Ireland, and some made at home. The new fall line now ready. 60-inch fine Turkey Red Damask, made in Scotland—oil boiled and warranted unfading. actual value, 65c—this week, 50 cents. 60-inch Turkey Red Damask, excellent quality, 25c. 72-inch fine Bleached Linen Damask, made in Ireland; you've paid 98c a yard for the like of this often—elegant value here, 75c. 72-inch fine grass bleached Damask, soft finish, made in Germany, worth \$1.25—this is our brag bargain, only \$1 yard. Ask to see the elegant line of Napkins. You will surely get great value here.</p>	<p>Last Chance at These. This is your last opportunity—take advantage of it. 36-inch Linen Homespun for Separate Skirt in the "Herring-bone" weave; worth 25c, now 15c. 33-inch Striped Linen Batiste for Waists; was 25c, now 17c. Lace-Striped Linen Batiste; was 15c, now 10c. Linen Batiste with colored stripes, the 19c sort, now 12 1/2c. 12 1/2c Lawns and Dimities now 5 cents. Ladies' Waists. Last chance at them. We will have no more this season. Great bargains. All Waists that were 75c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.39 and \$1.50 now only 49c. Small lot excellent Waists, laundered, good enough for 50c, now 25c. Trunks and Bags. Greatest line of Trunks in the State. Our prices average less than manufacturers'. \$1.68 to \$12. Nearly a hundred styles and sizes. Dress Suit case wonderfully cheap. Telescopes, we have the most genteel ones made. Fine Tan Japanese Duck, bound with Russel Leather. 14 to 26 inch. The cheaper ones are here too.</p>	<p>White Goods. Now's the time to make up the little white dresses for the little folks. Nice things and great big values always at the "big store," famous for White Goods. New soft-finished Nainsooks in the dainty Dimity effects—tiny cords and dots—special value at 12 1/2c. Pretty, Dainty Dimities in little checks and stripes, 12 1/2c, 15c, 17c, 20c, 25c and 33c. Plain, Soft French Nainsooks, 36-inches wide, 17c, 20c and 25c. Fine Long Cloth, 12-yard pieces, at \$1.15 and \$1.50. Special values in Sheer Fine India Linens, at 8c, 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 17c and 20c. 40-inch India Linens, 8c, 10c, 12 1/2c and 15c. Pretty Lace Striped White Goods, 12 1/2c. Pretty lace-stripes with dots for yoking, 20c. Good Checked Muslin, 5c. Counterpanes. If you want a bargain in White Counterpanes come to see us. Two wonderful values this week at \$2.50 and \$2.75. Special in very Fine Satin Damask ones worth \$6.50 for \$5 each. Two superb bargains at 98c and \$1.25. Silks and Dress Goods. New Black Goods for fall—biggest values in America. New Black Silks and Satins for fall. New Colored Silks for fall. New Taffeta Silks—see the new color combines.</p>
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THE BIG STORE---UP-TO-DATE.
WATT, RETTEW & CLAY'S