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## THANKSGIVING-DAY.

### RELIGIOUS SERVICES HERE.

**Pastors and People—What the Preachers Had to Say of Divine Mercies to the Country—References to the Death of Mr. Hendricks.**

There was unprecedented unanimity in Richmond in the observance of this Thanksgiving-day. Generally the public officials take holiday, the banks close, and a few churches have services, while the mass of the community follow their callings about as usual. Thanksgiving-day is an institution planted in Virginia since the war, and for a long time it had a hard struggle to live; but last year, following the election of Cleveland and Hendricks, marked a decided improvement in its observance, and yesterday there was what might be termed complete suspension of business, and the attendance at the houses of worship was very large. The announcement of the death of Vice-President Hendricks and the flags floating at half-mast in mournful reminder of that sad event gave to the day a great solemnity. People more than ever thought of their country, of the few lives that stand between it and possible trouble, and the occasion, with intensified force, suggested prayers and thanksgivings to the Almighty—thanksgivings for the numberless blessings He has bestowed upon the land; prayers that He may continue his mercies. The day opened bright and cool, but high winds rose about 11 o'clock, and the skies were soon obscured by clouds and the air got to be raw and searching.

**Methodist Thanksgiving Services.**

Thanksgiving service was held at Trinity church by the united congregations of Trinity and Union-Station Methodist churches at 11 o'clock in the morning, conducted by Rev. J. C. Reed, pastor of Trinity, assisted by Rev. H. C. Cheatham, of Union Station, and Rev. J. Wiley Bledsoe, of Petersburg, former pastor of Trinity.

The exercises opened with singing by the choir—specially arranged for the occasion—and prayer by Rev. H. C. Cheatham. The prayer was a very earnest and heartfelt invocation for the blessing of the Lord on our country, our rulers, the Christian Church, and our people at large.

Rev. Mr. Reed then read the Scriptures for the occasion from the 103d Psalm and second chapter of Paul's Epistle to the Romans.

Rev. Mr. Reed then addressed the meeting. He said we have cause to thank God for— first, our national existence, recognizing the providential care of God; second, that as a nation we have peace at home and abroad; third, that we are a prosperous nation; fourth, for national health, freedom from scourge, pestilence, and fever; fifth, for advance made in public sentiment on many important moral questions; sixth, for Christian liberty and its many advantages; seventh, for so many individual blessings.

Rev. Mr. Bledsoe spoke of what is involved and implied in thanksgiving. First, that we should realize fully our dependence on God and indebtedness to Him for every blessing—both temporal and spiritual; second, it also involves the idea of thanks-living—showing by daily obedience and faith and trust appreciation and thanks; third, fighting as good soldiers of the Cross all that is evil, that our nation may be preserved in virtue and the fear of the Lord.

Rev. Mr. Cheatham spoke of the origin of Thanksgiving-day, and of the vital necessity of integrity and recognition of God by the representatives of the people in the legislative and judicial departments of the Government. That a due observance of the laws governing the Sabbath day by the people is of vital importance to the perpetuity of this, the best government on earth.

The whole exercises were deeply interesting, and interspersed with the music.

BROAD-STREET CHURCH.

The Methodist Thanksgiving-service at Broad-Street church was largely attended by members of the churches of that denomination in the west of the city. Unfortunately all the pastors were absent from the city or sick except Rev. W. P. Wright, who was unable to come.

Rev. Paul Whitehead, presiding elder, conducted the service, aided by Revs. W. B. McGilvray and W. A. S. Conrad, local preachers.

Dr. Whitehead alluded to the peculiar circumstances which made this Thanksgiving-day more largely observed in the South and in Virginia; recounted briefly the mercies and blessings of the year; showed the ground of thanksgiving in the case of people who have suffered affliction or are now passing through trials, and especially dwelt on the inestimable blessings we enjoy as Christian people with whom the "Word of God is not bound."

Mr. McGilvray pointed out the source of praise and thanksgiving in man's nature and the adaptation of it of the universe with all its he[illegible] ments—with the [illegible] revelation, with [illegible] superadded gift of life to all be[illegible] assurance of eternal [illegible] lievers.

A coll[illegible] tion for the poor was taken up.

The organist and choir performed their part of the service well.

**Presbyterian.**

The Presbyterian forces rallied in full strength [illegible] yesterday at 12 o'clock, and the Grace-Street church was filled with the united congregations of the western portion of the city. The services were presided over by the venerable Rev. C. H. Read, D. D., and Mrs. J. Harvey Blair rendered an appropriate opening solo in a most effective and pleasing manner. Prayer was offered, a portion of Scripture read by Rev. W. H. McMeen (acting pastor of First church), and the whole congregation then joined in singing the one hundredth Psalm, commencing:

"Before Jehovah's awful throne
Ye nations bow with sacred joy."

filling the house with the sweet melody of thanksgiving.

Rev. A. R. Holderby, pastor of the Fourth church, preached an earnest, practical sermon from Psalm cvii., 1: "O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endureth forever." The speaker feelingly dwelt upon our national blessings as a cause for genuine thanksgiving, noting our peace, prosperity, and plenty, far beyond any of the nations of the earth; then upon the rich harvests of the husbandman, so full, indeed, that we are able to feed the world; next the general health which had crowned our entire land, and the rare exemption we had enjoyed from the scourging power of the pestilence in any form.

Our religious privileges and the great success of the Gospel during the past year were also added causes for gratitude to the Giver of every good and perfect gift. The speaker sounded a warning note as to our national sins, especially naming Sabbath-breaking and intemperance, as making rapid strides all over the land, and feared lest God should rebuke us for forsaking Him, even as he oftimes did His ancient people.

The speaker closed with the suggestion that practical and acceptable thanksgiving is best exemplified by Christian charity, in uplifting, comforting, and feeding the needy around us, and with the prayer that we might indeed be "that happy people whose God is the Lord."

Fervent and heartfelt prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Read, with touching allusion to the great sorrow in the home of the late Vice-President. This was followed by the closing hymn—

"Swell the anthem, raise the song,
Praises to our God belong"—

and the benediction by Rev. Dr. Drew.

THIRD-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

In the Third Presbyterian church, the pastor, Rev. R. R. Howison, preached on the text I. Kings viii., 66: "On the eighth day he sent the people away; and they blessed the King and went unto their tents joyful and glad of heart for all the goodness that the Lord had done for David, and for Israel His people."

The origin, design, and history of the Hebrew Commonwealth was briefly sketched in connection with the Scriptural lesson from Deuteronomy xxviii., 1-29. It was shown that they were at the very apex of their prosperity, spiritually and temporally, when the event of the text occurred; that as they had great cause for joy and thanksgiving, we, as a nation, have still greater blessings than they; and that if we, as a people, indulge in our national sins of drunkenness and debauchery and gaming and violence and fraud and selfish money-loving and idolatry and Sabbath-breaking and forgetfulness of God we may expect a worse overthrow than theirs. The unexpected death of Vice-President Hendricks was appropriately introduced and its proper lessons were presented.

The music was well selected and very beautifully rendered.

**The Disciples.**

Quite a large audience assembled yesterday morning in the Seventh-Street Christian church on the occasion of a union Thanksgiving service of the three congregations of Disciples of this city. The services, which were simple but impressive, were conducted by the pastor, Henry Schell Lobinger, assisted by Rev. William J. Pettigrew, of the Third church, Rev. Landon A. Cutler, of the Marshall-Street church, delivered a very able and eloquent address on "Occasions for Thanksgiving." He opened by a reference to the proclamation of the President, and spoke of the melancholy event in the sudden death of Vice-President Hendricks, which has cast a gloom over the country. Then followed an enumeration of blessings enjoyed by our people. While other nations, like England and Servia, had declared war, we were at peace. A description of the horrors of war intensified the feeling of gratitude for the condition of peace. We had been greatly prospered as a nation. Then, again, we had been delivered from the struggles of a political contest in a successful manner, and the will of the people had prevailed.

As Christians we had cause to be grateful. From every quarter cheering tidings are received of conversions to Christ. Christians are coming into closer contact, colleges and schools are receiving better support, Sunday schools are increasing, houses of worship are being built, Christianity is showing a more aggressive spirit, the missionary spirit is rising and growing, the Disciples as a religious people are awakening to the need of missionary work in foreign lands, and cheerfully do longer exert the power of other days. We are in the vanguard of this progressive movement.

We have occasion for thanksgiving as individuals. What material blessings do we enjoy? Have we health? Let us give thanks. Have we sound minds? Let us be grateful. Have we food and raiment and friends? Thousands have not. We should therefore be thankful because we are so richly blessed. But over and above all these are spiritual blessings. We are adopted into God's family. We have the hope of heaven. We have the hope of final victory through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Episcopal.**

Rev. H. M. Jackson, rector of Grace church, preached a fine sermon from the text "Praise is comely"—Psalm cxlvii., 1. In his opening remarks he gave what he regarded as the true definition of "praise," and among other things for which man should give praise to God he enumerated the following:

1. Creation. The man is to be pitied who fancies the day he was born; he is to be envied who can truly be grateful for the privilege of being.

2. Preservation. The upholding providence of God—the protecting care which, if you had eyes to see it, has been over you through all your life.

3. All the blessings of this life.

4. The gift of His Son.

5. The means of grace.

6. The hope of glory.

These are the things which in the prayer of thanksgiving we are caught to be grateful for. But ours to-day is a special service of thanksgiving.

7. The fruits of the earth. The harvest is over; man's industry has been rewarded; the outcome of a year's work has been gathered into barns. To-day we thank God for the fulness of the year's bounty. We thank Him for the peculiar blessings which this year has brought us; for the peace and prosperity in our borders; for the evidences of improvement we see everywhere among our impoverished people.

8. But some of you in the year that has passed have deeply suffered. You say this has been a black year to me. Shall I tell you, then: Be thankful for your sorrows. This is what faith whispers. She would tell you that these are the greatest blessings of all, and but you wait the day when this astounding paradox shall be verified.

The Christian character is never complete except as it is adorned with the comeliness of praise. Gratitude is the best standard I know of for testing the Christian life. In it if all other graces are not included, at least without it all other graces are impossible. Learn to be grateful. Learn to join the comeliness of praise with the beauty of holiness.

ST. PAUL'S.

There was a very full congregation at the services at this church. Rev. Mr. Gravatt said morning prayer; Dr. Minnigerode the ante-communion service. The singing of the choir, composed of about twenty young ladies from the Sunday school, was not only pleasing, but almost irresistibly awakened a devotional spirit. Dr. Minnigerode's sermon was able and eloquent in his allusion to our country, our Church; and then, coming nearer, to Richmond, and to the congregation of his own particular church. He referred most becomingly to the venerable Dr. William Norwood, the first rector of St. Paul's church. Mr. W. H. Gesst sang effectively at the offertory, which was for the poor.

The present condition of our country, united and happy in the return of honest men to office and the overthrow of political dictators who despise national harmony and only rejoice in the outgrowth of party hate and sectional bitterness was regarded as a great cause of thankfulness. Let us thank God for the past and ask for the continued guidance of the God of Nations in this, our blessed country.

MONUMENTAL CHURCH.

Divine service was held at noon, Dr. Newton, rector, officiating. The regular service set apart for Thanksgiving-day was read, consisting of the ninth selection of Psalms; the first lesson from Deuteronomy, 8th chapter, which recalls the goodness of God to Israel of old and the mercies shown the ancient people. The second lesson was from First Thessalonians, 5th chapter, 12th to 24th verses.

The hymns selected were the 301st and 306th, from those having reference to the ingathering of the crops and the harvest-home.

The offering was for the poor of the parish and was very liberal, judging from the collection and the large congregation present.

Dr. Newton took no text, but spoke of the day and the wisdom of the Church in setting apart one day for returning thanks to God for past blessings and mercies. The Constitution of our country does not acknowledge God, and we should be thankful that our Chief Magistrate acknowledges the overrulings of the Almighty in the affairs of the country, and confesses that we have the "King of kings for our ruler." As a people we have many things to be grateful for—wealth, happiness, peace, and the other great blessings bestowed upon our State and country.

CHRIST CHURCH.

Services at Christ church were well attended. After the usual preliminary exercises for Thanksgiving-day the rector, Rev. J. B. Funsten, preached from the text (Psalm ciii., 2), "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits."

He said in substance: We are too apt to look at second causes and forget the great first cause; we should bless the Lord; we should thank Him for all that comes to us; recognize His personality back of all secondary causes. We are apt to forget God's mercies. The history of humanity is a forgetting of God. We ourselves too often are forgetful of this blessing. The Psalmist says forget none of his benefits.

There are temporal benefits. We live under a free government; no great pestilence has come to our shores in the last year. Our land is blessed with peace; family blessings; individual blessings.

Spiritual blessings, how many they are. We can thank God for living in a land where the everlasting Gospel is preached. The man who accepts Christ is blessed indeed, for this is the greatest of all benefits.

**Baptist.**

The Baptist churches of Shockoe Hill united with the Second Baptist church in a service which proved to be one of great interest. The spacious audience-room, lower floor and galleries, was filled with deeply-attentive worshippers. Rev. Dr. Landrum, Rev. W. J. Shipman, Rev. C. P. Scott, and Dr. J. William Jones participated in the conduct of the preliminary service.

Dr. Landrum read first selections of Scripture that were appropriate to national thanksgiving, and then selections suited to individual thanksgiving.

Dr. Jones, in the thanksgiving prayer, after mentioning "fruitful seasons, abundant harvests, and returning temporal prosperity," thanked God for returning good feeling between the different sections, and prayed that the day may be hastened "when the bitter memories of a stormy past shall be forever banished, and real peace and fraternity between all sections of our common country shall smile upon and bless the land once more." He made feeling allusion to the death of Vice-President Hendricks, prayed that the bereaved family might have the sympathies and prayers of a weeping people, and that the affliction might be sanctified to the good of all concerned. But he thanked God for the honest, blameless life of the distinguished statesman, and, above all, for the fact that he had taken Christ as his personal Saviour, had lived the life of an humble Christian, and had died in the full assurance of the Christian's faith and the Christian's hope. He prayed that his colleagues and late associates might be "followers of him as he also was of Christ." He prayed for the President of the United States and all in authority under him; the present Governor of the Commonwealth, and the one soon to be inaugurated; for all of our rulers, that they may be God-fearing men, and for all of our people, that they may be a God-serving people, and ours in reality, and not simply in name, a Christian land.

Rev. Dr. George Cooper, pastor of the First Baptist church, had been selected to preach on the occasion.

After a tender and eloquent allusion to the national sorrow which had just fallen on the people in the death of their distinguished Vice-President, he welcomed the congregation to that season of thanksgiving, spoke of its appropriateness, and announced as his text: "Except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain." (Psalms cxxvii., 1.)

Bringing out in chaste and beautiful style the circumstances of the text, and giving a clear exegesis of it, Dr. Cooper deduced as the theme he proposed to discuss "The Preservative Forces of Our City—Faith, Righteousness, and Love."

1. Faith. Every city has had its belief. Time was when one could scarce live in Rome without believing in the Pope; in Geneva without believing in John Knox; in London without subscribing to the "thirty-nine articles"; or in New England without belonging to "the orthodox Church." The day was when men could not hold office without belonging to the Church. He was glad that this day had gone by, never to return. But he had no sympathy with the opposite extreme which would blot out all faith from our public life. He would have a city to express its faith, not in statutes and ordinances, but in the daily life and spirit of its people. He thanked God that Richmond had a faith—that "Egypt's warehouse" was incorporated into a town, and the first prosperity of our beautiful city began in the days when Whitefield's eloquent voice was ringing along our southern coast as far as Charleston and Savannah, and the great revival, which gave shape to our subsequent religious history, was sweeping through the land, and that from that day Richmond has been a Christian city. He made an eloquent appeal to all citizens who love the traditions of the past, have grown with the city's growth, and who rejoice in her prosperity, and to strong young men, on whom must rest the future welfare of the city, to believe something—to put their trust in God, not only for their own sake, but for the sake of the city in which we live.

2. Righteousness. Every city has a moral character. He eloquently and vividly illustrated and enforced the idea that just as every city wants such a character ideal for health, social and business advantages, as will attract visitors and make residents, so it is even more important that by wholesome laws and a high religious and moral sentiment a city should have such a character that men would be willing to allow their sons and their daughters to come thither for education, for business, or for pleasure. He drew a hopeful picture of the moral and religious condition of Richmond, but said it was far from being what it ought to be, and made an eloquent appeal to business-men to keep the business-life of the city "four-square honest," and above reproach; to the fathers, mothers, sisters, and brothers to keep home pure and the social circle stainless; and to all that we give the people not only education, but moral and religious training as well.

3. Charity; love. With right belief and right action, will come a deeper love for humanity, and quick readiness to help. He clearly brought out and vividly illustrated the point that all of the great charities which bless our suffering humanity are the outgrowth of Christianity, and beautifully alluded to our local charities and earnestly enforced the duty of sustaining them. He discussed briefly but clearly the question of how best to dispense our charities, and said that on this day, when we review our mercies and feel grateful for all God has given us, we should thank Him for our goodly city. Let us not look upon it as a mass of houses, a crowd of men, a machine of trade, but a collection of lives kept together by faith, righteousness, and love, more and more capable of thus promoting her stability, her honor, and her glory.

The sermon was chaste in style, lofty in sentiment, and evangelical in tone, and which delivered without MS. and in Dr. Cooper's graceful, earnest style, produced a very fine impression on the deeply-interested crowd who heard it.

A good collection was taken for the Baptist "Aged Women's Home."

The music on the occasion was very fine.

Mr. Rodell Jenkins presided at the organ, and a chorus choir of twenty-five well-trained voices rendered the following well-selected programme: Voluntary, "Oh, Lord, Thou Art My God," Dudley Buck; chant, Jubilate Deo, Mornington; offertory, Bonum Est Gregorian; hymns, National Hymn, America.

The whole occasion passed off most delightfully, and was voted one of the most delightful thanksgiving services ever held in Richmond.

LEIGH-STREET BAPTIST.

Yesterday was the first time a national thanksgiving has ever been observed in this church. The service was interminted upon rather suddenly, but yet a good congregation assembled at 11 A. M. There was appropriate singing by the choir with organ accompaniment. The pastor, Rev. John Pollard, D. D., preached from Psalms cxlvii., 1: "O, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good." The minister spoke of the reasons for thanksgiving as appearing in creation, providence, and redemption as well as in the nature of the exercise itself.

## THE GAME OF FOOT-BALL.

**Contest Between Students of Richmond College and Randolph-Macon College.**

The match-game of foot-ball between Randolph-Macon and Richmond colleges, on the Richmond-College campus, yesterday afternoon, was witnessed by a considerable number of ladies and gentlemen.

The game was called at 3:30 P. M., eleven men on each side: Richmond-College Team—Captain, Will. A. Harris, with Messrs. Brown, Dickinson, Harris, Haley, Hill, Cutler, Hatcher, Bostick, Stearns, and Wilbur as rushers, goal-keepers, &c.

Randolph-Macon Team—Captain, M. Shackelford, with Messrs. Pace, Winfree, Patton, De Leon, Bailey, Dolley, Bennett, Lynch, and Talbott.

The first game—best three in five—was won by Richmond College.

The second, best two in three, was won by Randolph-Macon.

The first was the regular match, but was won so quickly that the second was extemporized by mutual consent. The Randolph-Macon team wore spiked shoes, which gave them the advantage on the field. The entire contest was spirited, and showed pluck and muscle.

Quite a large number of the Randolph-Macon men came down, and all seemed to enjoy the game so much that it is understood the Richmond-College team has accepted an invitation to play another match in Ashland at an early day.

**No Foul Play.**

Coroner Taylor was called upon yesterday to view the body of Mary Carter (colored), lying dead at No. 16 Creek street, a short distance west of Brook avenue.

The deceased was sixteen years of age and had been in ill health for a long time. On Sunday night a difficulty occurred in her room between her mother and Ann Gibbons, and the latter pushed the former down on the sick girl. Both women were arrested, and while the mother was in jail the daughter died. Both of the women were before the Police Court yesterday morning and were discharged.

The investigation of the coroner showed that death was from natural causes—heart- and lung-diseases. He thought an inquest was unnecessary.

Deceased was the step-sister of the woman (Mary Harris) who fell dead in the street night before last.

**Runaway Accident.**

Yesterday afternoon, while Mr. Saunders, son of Policeman Saunders, was out driving with a young lady, his horse became frightened and ran. The buggy was upset at the corner of Belvidere and Franklin streets and the occupants thrown out. The young lady was slightly bruised and the young gentleman badly hurt.

**Camilla Urso To-Night.**

To-night will be the only opportunity our people will have of hearing Madame Urso, the renowned lady violinist, of whom it is said "she is a master." The comments of the press of the world over are unanimous in according her the highest praise. This eminent artist will be assisted to-night by Miss Alice May Raty, the charming soprano; Miss Janie G. Savage, the celebrated reader; Signor Carlo Russo, primo tenore (from San Carlo Opera-House, Naples); and Mons. Augusto Sarrat, the noted French pianist. It is safe to predict that a concert by such artists will not only attract a large audience, but will be more than satisfactory.

## MANCHESTER MATTERS.

**Marriage of E. F. Morrisette and Miss Reams—Fire and Other Items.**

One of the prettiest marriages which has taken place here for some time was that of E. F. Morrisette, Esq., to Miss Bettie Reams, at the Clopton-Street Baptist church yesterday afternoon. This attractive edifice, the shutters of which were closed and the lamps lighted, was packed with the friends of the contracting couple. The ceremony, which was very impressive, was performed by the pastor, Rev. Decatur Edwards. At a few minutes past 2 o'clock, while Mr. Kirk Mathews played the Wedding March, the party entered the church in the following order: The ushers, Mr. J. C. Snellings with Mr. S. B. Woodfin, and Mr. Willie Toler with Mr. Chester Reams, brother of the bride; bride- and groom-elect. The bride was becomingly attired in a beautiful brown suit, and in her hand carried a lovely bouquet mostly of white flowers. After the ceremony the happy pair received many congratulations, and left on the 3:25 P. M. train for Clover, their future home. The bridal presents were numerous, handsome, and useful. Mr. Morrisette, the groom, is the oldest son of Professor E. Morrisette, of this city, and is now connected with the running department of the Richmond and Danville Railroad Company. The bride possesses rare personal charms, and is too well known here to need further mention, except that she will be greatly missed by hosts of friends. The young couple have the wishes of many friends for a peaceful and prosperous journey through life.

The most disastrous fire experienced in this city during the present year occurred yesterday afternoon, resulting in the burning to the ground of two dwelling houses situated on the eastern end of Tenth street. One of the houses was the property of and was occupied by Mr. E. O. Angel; the other belonged to the estate of the late Samuel Owens, and was occupied by the families of Messrs. James L. Branch and John H. Eanes.

About 6 o'clock Mr. Branch, who had been out hauling, arrived at his home with his team and noticed a bright light in Mr. Angel's kitchen, a detached building, about ten feet from the back of the dwelling. The fire grew with such rapidity that Mr. Branch became certain that the house was on fire, and immediately set to work to extinguish it but was greatly deterred from so doing, the house being locked up and all of the family from home. Mrs. Angel and children had gone out to spend the day and had not returned, and Mr. Angel had just gone out on the street, leaving a lamp burning in the kitchen. It is therefore supposed that the fire was the result of a kerosene-lamp explosion, though it may have caught from the stove. The alarm was turned in immediately after the fire was discovered, and the Alert company responded promptly; but the fire was under such headway, and the supply of water in that neighborhood is so limited, that the houses burned to the ground inside of an hour, and others were in imminent danger, and were only saved by the strenuous efforts of the firemen and other citizens.

Most of the furniture in each house was gotten out, but was very badly broken by rapid and rough handling. Mr. Branch had a lot of corn in his house, all of which was burned. The two houses were worth about $2,500. Mr. Angel's house was insured in the Virginia Fire and Marine Company for about one third its value, and the Owens building for $2,000 in the Agricultural Company. E. B. Bowle, agent. Neither the value of nor the insurance on the furniture and household goods was learned last night. The result of this fire shows the great need of a good fire department and the extension of the water facilities.

Yesterday was generally observed here as a national day of thanksgiving. There was a general suspension of business, the schools were closed and the post-office was only open from 10 to 11 A. M. and from 4 to 5 P. M. The usual thanksgiving services were held at the Meade-Memorial Episcopal church, and the rector, Rev. J. J. Clopton, preached a sermon appropriate to the occasion. The attendance was large. During the day a pound party, for charitable objects, was held at the rectory, and the ladies of this church held a supper at Cersley's Hall last night. Both were well patronized.

The *musicale* at Cersley's Hall last night was an entire success. Miss May Thomas, of Lynchburg, appeared for the second time on the stage in this city and was received with the most flattering applause. She sang several solos with great satisfaction to her auditors and also appeared to advantage in other numbers. Miss Robina Shanks had to come before the curtain several times in response to the encores. The instrumental duet by Misses Mollie and Maggie Evans was a good condition, and so was their *encore* number. The two quartettes by Misses Shanks and Thomas and Messrs. Woodfin and Mathews were first-rate.

William Johnson (colored) was before Justice Purvis yesterday morning on the charge of stealing iron from the Richmond and Danville Railroad Company. He was given ten days in jail.

**Briefs and Personals.**

R. Powell Dunn arrived safely from England in the steamship City of Berlin, after a stormy passage.

Hundreds of our people were out hunting yesterday.

In the suit of Perrin ex. C. H. Page, now being tried in the City Circuit Court, the charge is "malicious prosecution," but this allegation Mr. Page denies, and the facts are to be decided by the jury.

**Ambulance Call.**

Yesterday morning a colored man who was driving his team up Eighteenth street accidentally fell off of his wagon. At first it was thought he was seriously hurt, and the ambulance was called, but the man recovered before the ambulance arrived and went on his way.

**Reading at Moore-Memorial Church.**

Professor Willoughby Reade will give a reading at Moore-Memorial church to-night. There will also be singing by a well-known quartette of the city. The proceeds of the entertainment will be devoted to the building fund of the church.

**Leaf Out, Boys.**

For some time past the principal of the Colored High and Normal School has been excessively annoyed by a set of boys, some of whom have been expelled from the school and others common loafers.

Wednesday afternoon a warrant was sworn out against Milton Dabney, John Smith, John Mitchell, and two others (all colored), who have been conspicuous in their annoyance, and yesterday morning the Police Justice bound over Dabney, Smith, and Mitchell in the sum of $200 each to keep the peace and to remain away from the public schools of this city. This decision will doubtless prevent future annoyance at the public-school buildings.

**Arrest of an Alleged Thief.**

Mary Coleman (colored) was arrested yesterday afternoon by Policemen Sinclerger and Walton on the charge of stealing $65 worth of articles from Mrs. N. L. Gentry. She was locked up in the Second police station, and will be before the Police Court this morning.

**Police Court.**

The following cases were disposed of yesterday:

Elizabeth Smith (colored), assault. Dismissed.

Simmie Lomax *alias* Brady Davis, injuring and destroying the city property, insulting ladies in the street, and resisting the officers. Fined $20 and security required for twelve months.

Katie Walker and Rosa Gray (both colored), disorderly conduct on the street. Fined $5 and costs each.

H. L. Voss, George Meyer, James Bahen, and Julius Stands, selling liquor to minors. Sent on the grand jury.

Zack Buford (colored), assault and battery. Dismissed.

Joseph Bailey, unlawful assault. Continued till to-day.

William Rayburg, assault. Dismissed.

Henry Clay, drunk. Fined $2 and costs.

Thomas H. Hyde (colored), trespass. Fined $5 and costs.

Harriet Jones (colored), assault. Dismissed.

Henry Smith (colored), obtaining money under false pretenses. Sent to jail for thirty days.

Sylvia Smith (colored), trespassing on the premises of and assaulting and threatening to kill Elizabeth Smith. Fined $10 and costs.

Alice Goode (colored), assault. Dismissed.

Stephen Ratcliffe (colored), misdemeanor. Dismissed.

William Winfree (colored), drunk, disorderly, and fighting in the street. Fined $5 and costs.

Joseph Hamilton (colored), assaulting and beating George Johnson in the street. Fined $10 and costs.

Dick Carter (colored), larceny. Dismissed.

Ann Gibbons, Rosa Anderson, and Julia Burphy (all colored), fighting in the street. Fined $5 and costs.

**The Best Internal Remedy.**

Brandreth's Pills, the best medicine known for all diseases. They are purely vegetable. The same dose always produces the same effect; other purgatives require increased doses, and finally cease acting. They purify the blood. They invigorate the digestion and cleanse the stomach and bowels. They stimulate the liver and carry off vitiated bile and other depraved secretions. The first two or three doses tell the story. The skin becomes clear, the eye bright, the mind active, digestion is restored, costiveness cured, the animal vigor is recruited, and all decay arrested.

**Attention, Gentlemen.**

The ladies of the Pink Tea, at Armory Hall, will furnish lunch to-day from 12 to 1 o'clock. No charge for admission.

**A Rare Chance**

FOR THE PURCHASE OF HOLIDAY GIFTS.

We now have on hand the largest stock of goods ever offered in this city, consisting of *Diamonds, Watches, Sterling Silver Ware* in cases for bridal presents, *Marble French Clocks, Brass Mirrors, Bronzes,* and *Silver Plated Ware* of every description. Preparatory to moving into our new store, No. 807 Main street (Pace's Block), we will offer the greater part of our stock *At and Below Cost* for cash, in preference to carrying it with us. We have rearranged our stock, and are now offering *Bargains* never before heard of in this city. A line of fine Seal-Rings are marked *Fifty Per Cent. Below Cost,* and many other articles in the same proportion. An examination will convince all of this grand opportunity to buy holiday presents.

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**Parties in Security**

therefore, for Coughs, Colds, Consumption, Bronchitis, and any affection of the Throat and Lungs, use only the purest and best—Dr. David's Cough Syrup, of pure pine tar, horehound, wild cherry, &c., &c.

Everybody is going to the Pink Tea.

**Perfectly Marvelous.**

yet very effective, Dr. David's Cough Syrup in curbing Coughs, Colds, Consumption, Bronchitis, and all Throat and Lung diseases. Don't fail to try it.

Go and see the Oriental Curiosities at the Pink Tea. New things entirely.

Go to the Pink Tea for delicious creams and cakes.

You'll find the finest Oysters at the Pink Tea.

No young lady must leave the Pink Tea without some of Rudolph's Philadelphia Roses.

**Overcoats.**

Overcoats at bottom prices at 901 Main street. E. B. SPENCE & SON.

If you fail to buy some packages of teas and coffees in pink papers you'll be sorry. You'll see they come from Joseph M. Blair's, and of course must be the best.

Mr. Walter D. Moses has loaned us a magnificent Hardman Grand Piano, so you'll hear good music besides the band at the Pink Tea.

There will be Tarragin-Stew at the Pink Tea to-night.

In fact, at the Pink Tea there is *ever