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DEATH OF MAJOR VENABLE.

The Good Citizen, Gallant Soldier and Loyal Friend Gone.

Major A. R. Venable, Jr., died at his home near Farmville on last Friday afternoon at 2:15 and was buried in Blandford-Sidney the next day, by W. F. Hill conducting the funeral services at the grave, and the following acting as pall bearers: Judges Handley and Watkins, Capt. S. W. Chaloff and Messrs. B. M. Cox, E. J. Humbley, W. D. M. Stokes.

Major Venable was born in Prince Edward 78 years ago, was trained in the schools and graduated from Blandford-Sidney. He began business life in the city of St. Louis, Mo., and was making a success of it when disaster broke in upon all his plans and drove him to the defense of Virginia and the cause of the South. He served on the staff of that fearless, heroic cavalier, Gen. J. E. B. Stuart, as Inspector General and with the rank of Major. Was with him at the time he received his death wound, a bullet from the fatal field and was with him to the end.

It was unfortunate enough to be captured by the enemy in an engagement, but while being taken to prison escaped from a fast moving train and secured his way back to the Southern States by the "under ground route" and with the generous and thoughtful assistance of a number of friends who were in Philadelphia and elsewhere. As a soldier and a fearless soldier, and long as he lived he was as loyal to the Southern cause which to him was an ever living cause.

Major Venable inaugurated the movement for the Stuart monument in 1894 and it was a successful conclusion.

When the war ended he began life again in the country of his birth and among the people he most loved. Although an enthusiastic farmer he preferred to live in the country, though at one time he conducted a large business in Farmville. He was the pioneer and first business of this section and was first to introduce a high class of goods. For a number of years he was a prominent member of the Farmers Union and contributed by his untiring efforts to its success. He was secretary and treasurer of the Orange Fair Association, and under his direction the present buildings were erected and new life given to the famous institution, which is now a source of inspiration to the farming people of the commonwealth. Major Venable was a ready writer and spoke and wrote and sang. But while engaged with affairs temporal he never forgot things spiritual. He was a member of his church and his influence upon the attendance upon the church was his health failed and he died in a Sunday school building in Farmville. The funeral services were held in the church on Wednesday afternoon at 2:15. The body was laid to rest in the Blandford-Sidney cemetery and was given to a prominent business in the neighborhood of Lexington, and the "Minden Overland" Sunday school may be said to be his best monument.

It was a man of abounding charity. He sought to do good to the world's goods he did not wish to see the comfort and support of others than any other man we have known of. He was a worthy friend who authoritatively found out the worthy ones and tried to help and to draw upon them to meet their wants. This he did in a simple and well, and at the same time drew upon his own resources to meet the demands largely of the poor. And he not only gave to the poor, but he carried the same to the sick and the humbly, and he was asked for those things that the world can neither give nor take.

The subject of this sketch often said to the writer, "I was born with a certain amount of control, and the struggle of life has been to conquer it." He knew him best and he was the most watched this struggle of his life. He lived day by day, and he was that by the grace of God, he was many a field of glory, and he was the sweet and the serene that when the sun shined upon him at peace with the world, and he was the nearly loved his presence brightened the life of his friends and now that a vacant and a certain amount of the world as those who have known him may give him credit until the trials of life have been the triumph of heaven.

N. Y. World \$1.00, Herald and New York World \$1.00

Reception at the Conservatory of Music.

Dr. and Mrs. August Schemmel were at home to the Conservatory pupils Friday night and Saturday afternoon. About one hundred and fifty young ladies were entertained.

Dr. Schemmel delighted the guests with improvisations given in his usual happy style. Mr. Harrison sang several very effective numbers.

The refreshments were presided over by Mrs. Hugo B. Schmidt, of Davenport, Iowa, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Schemmel, and Miss Schroeder. The following young ladies assisted: Misses Willis, Page Wise, Estelle Stanley, Ruth Dabney, Hattie Copenhaver, Kate Reynolds, Patti Epes, Mary Taylor.

Death of Hon. D. Q. Eggleston.

Hon. D. Q. Eggleston, Secretary of the Commonwealth, died in the Memorial Hospital in Richmond, on last Sunday, and his remains were taken the next day to his native county for burial.

Born and reared in the sister county of Charlotte, the people of Prince Edward have rejoiced in his successful career and lament over his death just when new honors awaited him.

The office he held is one of the most attractive in the State and will be eagerly sought after. May his mantle fall on worthy shoulders.

Unique Entertainment.

Normal School Auditorium, Friday night, October 22nd. An evening with the best musicians interspersed with lively readings. Tickets 25 cents.

THE PIANO CONTEST.

NOTE THE FOLLOWING CHANGE: NO BALLOTS WILL BE COUNTED, WHETHER OBTAINED THROUGH THE ANDERSON DRUG COMPANY'S STORE OR AT THE HERALD OFFICE, THAT ARE NOT DEPOSITED ON OR BEFORE SIX O'CLOCK P. M. OF THE WEDNESDAY FOLLOWING DATE OF ISSUE.

- Below will be found the count in the Piano Contest of all votes issued up to Wednesday evening at 6 o'clock: Miss Mary Lee Badgett..... 6937 " Irma Rice..... 5578 " Mary Baldwin..... 2867 " Emily Selden..... 2599 " Jesse M. Crowe..... 2215 Mrs. W. P. Venable..... 462 Miss Etta Pillow..... 359 " Jennie Tabb..... 336 " Alberta Poole..... 200 " Hattie Bugg..... 173 Mrs. W. E. England..... 157 Miss Elva G. Flippin..... 100 " Lelia R. Carter..... 100 " Mattie Doyae..... 100 Mrs. A. B. Hughes..... 100 " Geo. E. Cox..... 100 Miss Julia May Paulett..... 50 " Agnes Burger..... 45 " Susie Ligon..... 35 " Bessie Thackston..... 20 Nick Johnson..... 13 Miss Marion West..... 10 " Lurline Moring..... 10

For full particulars of the contest please read the advertisement to be found on page 3.

Proclamation.

To the Citizens of Farmville:

As Friday, October 22nd, has been set aside as Farmville day during the Fair. All the merchants, schools, manufacturers, &c., are requested to close their places of business from 2 p. m. to 5 p. m. in order that all may witness the races, tournament and balloon ascension.

W. T. BLANTON, Mayor.

Let there be hearty and unanimous response to the above. Farmville has done much for us and we will give a day to Farmville.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him.

WALBING, KINNAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

The Bed-Rock of Success

lies in a keen, clear brain, backed by indomitable will and resistless energy. Such power comes from the splendid health that Dr. King's New Life Pills impart. They vitalize every organ and build up brain and body. J. A. Harmon, Lizemore, W. Va., writes: "They are the best pills I ever used."

At White Drug Co.

THE BURGLAR CAUGHT.

MONEY "TO BURN" AND WATCHES.

PocketBook Identified As That of Baldwin & Sons.

Chief Fogus went to Norfolk on the early train of last Saturday and returned that night with one John Rivers, a colored tramp who was arrested in Norfolk, and from information which was sent out from Farmville, was thought to be connected with the breaking in of our stores.

Being badly wounded in the chest, he has not been encouraged to talk, though a pocketbook found on his person has been identified as that of Baldwin & Sons, and some of the money also fastens the Farmville burglaries on him. He had \$336.13 in money, some of the notes being that of the First National Bank, Farmville, while some of the small change may have been taken from the cash drawer of Mr. C. E. Chappell.

The man, when arrested, said he was shot at Farmville, but Chief Fogus believes this was done at Wellville while attempting another burglary. The man is safely lodged in jail, and we are glad that suspicions have been lifted from Farmville's suspects. Of course the money will be returned to the rightful owners, and the law will deal with the bold, bad man.

A Word About Our Library.

Editor Herald.—Permit me through your columns to say a word for our library. And in the beginning I would urge that we should not be discouraged by reason of the fact that we can't hope to begin with a large library. A few well selected books in my opinion would be the better. I have been in many of the large library buildings of the country and never enter one that I do not feel that I am in some mammoth mausoleum. The few persons seated at the tables looked like ghosts delving into the realms of mystery for the mysterious.

The great body of people never visit them save to look and retire. We want a home-like library, books to be read and not to remain on shelves as dust-gatherers.

I began life, Mr. Editor, with a burning desire to get together many books, an impressive library at least in size, but a providence as shocking as it was sudden broke in upon all of my life plans when I had arranged on the shelves of my library but a few hundred volumes. But they were well chosen and I keep them in close touch and read and re-read them. I have long since learned that a book worth reading one time is worth reading many times. With the limited number I am tempted to read them again and again. Who ever tired of Macaulay, Milton, Bacon, Goldsmith, Scott, Dickens, Hawthorne, George Elliott, Wadsworth, Miss Mitford, Buckle, Tennyson, Victor Hugo, Byron, Poe and other kindred spirits? I have not mentioned the Bible nor Shakespeare and yet in my "five foot" library they do find room and no dust is allowed to gather on them. I spend an hour each morning with the Bible, the first reading of the day, while mind and body are refreshed by sweet sleep, and with pencil in hand, and no commentator to aid me, I read and re-read, and mark and remark. If this life is to end all I still recommend the Bible as the "book of books."

Let Farmville be satisfied with a few books to begin with, books selected wisely and well, and with the books the best of the current literature of the day, and Dr. Kerlin and his co-workers have done great things for us as a people.

Hives, eczema, itch or salt rheum sets you crazy. Can't bear the touch of your clothing. Doan's Ointment cures the most obstinate cases. Why suffer. All druggists sell it.

At a meeting of the Farmville Tobacco Board, a motion was made and carried that there will be no sales of tobacco during the week of the Fair. Sales close October 15, reopen 25. J. W. Hubbard, Secretary.

Notice to Taxpayers Town of Farmville.

At a regular meeting of the Council held September 14th, 1909, the following resolution was adopted: Resolved, That the Sergeant be and he is hereby allowed sixty days to collect all DELINQUENT TAXES. At the expiration of which time all the delinquents must be published according to law.

R. D. MILLER, Serg't.

If people with symptoms of kidney or bladder trouble could realize their danger they would without loss of time commence taking Foley's Kidney Remedy. This great remedy stops the pain and the irregularities, strengthens and builds up these organs, and there is no danger of Bright's disease or other serious disorder. Do not disregard the early symptoms.

An Educational Meeting.

All persons interested in the cause of education are cordially invited to attend the Teachers' Institute of Prince Edward, which will be held at the High School in Farmville on the 29th and 30th of October. Every effort has been made to arrange an interesting and instructive programme.

As yet the preparations along this line are not complete, but the speakers who have already promised to be with us at that date are: Mr. R. L. Blanton, editor of the Virginia School Journal, Mr. Jackson Davis, examiner for the Second circuit; Dr. Robt. Frazer, of the Southern Educational Board; Mr. R. C. Stearnes, of the Department of Public Instruction; Mrs. D. W. Read, representative of Webb & Ware drawing in Virginia; Miss Haliburton, Prof. Hodge and Miss Andrews, of the State Normal School. Several others have been communicated with, but no definite reply has been received.

On Friday, the first day of the meeting, the exercises will begin at 10:30 o'clock and will consist of speeches and round-table discussions. The last named feature will be given considerable prominence on the programme and every teacher is urged to bring to these discussions all the questions upon which he or she desires information, and likewise to aid in so far as he may be able in the solution of the "other man's" problems—in short to come with the purpose of exchanging views and ideas and not as a silent auditor.

On the second day the exercises will commence at 9:45 o'clock and close about two in order that those from a distance may leave on the afternoon trains. That day will be largely devoted to speaking, as several speakers could not arrive sooner.

The school authorities are very anxious that the meeting be largely attended, especially the teachers, and to that end urge that every teacher do all in his or her power to attend the various sessions of the institute. Matters of vital importance will come up for consideration, so don't fail to be on hand to give us the benefit of your views.

P. Tulane Atkinson, Supt.

SPECIAL SERVICES CLOSE.

TWO WEEKS OF EARNEST GOSPEL PREACHING.

Eternity Will Reveal the Results.

Dr. Needham, an earnest Evangelist, and, as we believe, a consecrated man of God, has come and gone, and we return to our respective churches and to our regular church services.

The meeting, and singing, and praying, and listening together, with denominational differences made bonds rather than boundaries we should resume the work for the Master under our several church banners with renewed courage and hope, and with larger and fuller and deeper conceptions of the "Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man." The co-denominational services have failed of best results unless the Christian people of Farmville and of the surrounding country have learned that they differ in the small things and agree as to the greater. The Christ banner waves high above the church banner.

No one can justly find fault with the methods of Dr. Needham. He seems to be absolutely free from the religious fads of the day and his presence with us has brought a blessing. The Christians here were revived and the careless converted.

The Evangelist has gone, but the Word remains with us and preachers gifted and consecrated. Why not a continual revival?

Money Comes In Bunches

to A. A. Chisholm, of Treadwell, N. Y., now. His reason is well worth reading: "For a long time I suffered from indigestion, torpid liver, constipation, nervousness, and general debility," he writes. "I couldn't sleep, had no appetite, nor ambition, grew weaker every day in spite of all medicinal treatment. Then used Electric Bitters. Twelve bottles restored all my old-time health and vigor. Now I can attend to business every day. It's a wonderful medicine." Infallible for Stomach, Liver, Kidneys, Blood and Nerves, 50c. at White & Co's.

Can't look well, eat well or feel well with impure blood feeding your body. Keep the blood pure with Burdock Blood Bitters. Eat simply, take exercise, keep clean and you will have long life.

Both Boys Saved.

Louis Boon, a leading merchant of Norway, Mich., writes: "Three bottles of Foley's Honey and Tar absolutely cured my boy of a severe cough, and a neighbor's boy, who was so ill with a cold that the doctors gave him up, was cured by taking Foley's Honey and Tar." Nothing else is as safe and certain in results. Sold by all druggists.

CONGRESSMAN GLASS SPEAKS.

CONGRESSMAN LASSITER WITH US

And Introduced the Speaker.

Hon. Carter Glass, of Lynchburg, addressed the citizens of Farmville on Friday evening of last week. Owing to the services at the armory the speaking did not begin before 9:30, and for this reason the crowd was a small one, and for the same reason Hon. F. R. Lassiter, who was also present, only presented the speaker to the audience. The speech of Mr. Glass was a calm, convincing and conclusive defense of Democratic rule in Virginia and a scathing arraignment of Republicanism as it is known in Virginia history. Like his own private business and that of all other branches of business, the speaker emphasized the fact that that of Virginia had grown, and it was not to be wondered at that it cost more to run it. If this be treason make the most of it.

Mr. Glass admitted that he lost out at the primary but with enthusiasm exclaimed: "We will win out on the 2d of November."

Owing to the lateness of the hour the speech was condensed and we regret that we could not have heard it in its entirety. Enough was said however to drive to the conclusion that Virginia's best friends are of the Democratic faith, and that it would be madness to commit her interests into the hands of Republicans whose history is known and read of all men.

Mr. Wanamaker's Sunday School.

It is known to our readers, we presume, that Mr. John Wanamaker, the merchant king of Philadelphia, is Superintendent of one of the largest Sunday Schools in the country. We read recently an interesting account of its management in detail, but only desire just now to call attention to an opening feature, mention of which very much impressed us. After the teachers and scholars gather in the hall, Mr. Wanamaker steps to the front of the elevated platform, and as he does so, teachers and scholars unite in saying, "good morning Mr. Wanamaker." And then the Superintendent says, "good morning, teachers and scholars." And then the Superintendent, teachers and scholars face the gallery assigned to visitors, and unite in saying, "Good morning, good friends. We are glad to welcome you to our school."

The custom strikes us as one of courtesy and beauty, and we don't know that it wouldn't be as courteous and as beautiful in Farmville as it is in Philadelphia.

POLITICAL SPEAKING.

A Princely Banquet Followed—Postmaster Garnett The Host.

Congressman Gaines, of West Virginia, and Hon. Mr. Rivercomb, candidate for Attorney-General on the Republican ticket in Virginia, addressed the voters of Farmville on Wednesday night, and delivered speeches which were spoken of by many of the Democrats present as the best they ever heard from the Republican stand point. The audience was largely composed of Democrats who gave respectful attention to the speakers for some three hours.

Mr. Gaines confined himself to questions of national import, is a man of engaging personality, and with many of the gifts of the orator. Mr. Rivercomb dealt with State matters and used Democratic thunder to fire at Democrats.

After the speaking, Postmaster Garnett had a large number of friends attend a banquet given in honor of his distinguished guests, a majority of those who sat at the table being still Democrats, true and tried. The occasion was unique in the history of Farmville, and pleasurable in its every feature. The supper was a sumptuous one, and came from the hands of a queen among house keepers.

Alimony For Mrs. Howard Gould.

The formal decree in favor of Mrs. Katherine Clemmons Gould, granting her a separation from Howard Gould, was filed in New York. The decree awards Mrs. Gould \$3000 a month permanent alimony and \$3683 costs. It was said that Mr. Gould would appeal.

Frightful Fate Averted.

"I would have been a cripple for life, from a terrible cut on my knee cap," writes Frank Disberry, Kelliber, Minn., "without Bucklen's Arnica Salve, which soon cured me." Infallible for wounds, cuts and bruises, it soon cures Bursas, Scalds, Old Sores, Boils, Skin Eruptions, World's best for Piles. 25c. at White Drug Co.

Call for Prince Edward Cigars

THE FAIR GATES OPEN.

ATTENDANCE LARGE ON SECOND DAY.

Farmville's Sixth Agricultural And Mechanical Fair Opens Under Bright Skies and Favorable Auspices With Splendid Exhibits.

On Wednesday, the sixth Farmville Agricultural and Mechanical Fair was inaugurated with exhibits all in position, and the entire machinery in full motion. No one had been promised a World's Fair, nor a Hudson-Fulton function, nor even a State Exhibition, but those who were present will agree that they have been presented with the most complete District Fair it has ever been their privilege to attend. A visitor who had been to the other Fairs of the season held in the State pronounced our agricultural exhibit as superior to them all, the State Fair at Richmond excepted. It made one proud of Southside Virginia soil to look upon the varied products which had come out of it. On such soil it is idle longer to say that farming doesn't pay. And then when one looks at the farmers and their families he is impressed with the fact that the noblest profession known among men, that of the preacher excepted, is not only profitable, but pleasant as well, health preserving and a generous contribution to the sum of human happiness.

The cattle stalls were not crowded, but Mr. W. B. Gates was there with a herd of cows, fit companions of those of purest blood and of the best. The hogs were of the finest breed and gave evidence of having come from farms upon which abundant crops of corn are grown. The sheep were limited in number too, but when it is remembered that Mr. E. E. Hundley, beginning twelve months ago with a flock of five, and had doubled the flock, and in the mean time, out of the profits, had bought a handsome buggy robe and carpet, it must be agreed that the farmer is distinct loser who doesn't keep some sheep.

Looking over the poultry section again with one who knows the value of a chicken, he remarked that no branch of farm work had made larger advances than that of chicken culture. It made one feel a thrill of new pride for this section of Virginia to move from coop to coop.

The handiwork of the ladies was conspicuously in evidence, and never did the needle work more of marvels. The counterpane of small squares was a brilliant success. But to go into detail would require more space than we have at our command.

The apple display was of genuine interest, and now that we know what can be done on this line, surely the orchard will never be neglected again. At our next Fair the Green nursery will be on hand to give new interest and new life to fruit culture in this and adjoining counties.

Those of us who have attended larger Fairs will recall the fact that when hunger seized us on the grounds, our one and only relief was found in brown bread and switzer, small links of sausage and the pies such as mother never made, but at our home Fair, the home-prepared food was in reach of all. The ladies of Cumberland were there with the Brunswick stew, such as they only can make, and we have some times thought that it may be that King Edward has never tasted of one, and when we think of it, our heart goes out in pity to him.

And the ladies of the Methodist Church were there who having first learned to feed their own preachers know how to feed the rest of the world. And there were the Episcopalians represented by cooks who have enjoyed peerless records from the days of the Apostles until now. Don't forget that these tables will be crowded with substantial and delicacies to day. And then the prices are most reasonable. Be it said to the credit of the merchants of the town that Main street was well decorated, and to our country friends we beg to say that they should see Farmville after the shadows fall and she is all aglow with electric lights.

From time immemorial the children of men have had their pulse beats quickened as they have watched the contests of the race track. Whether the racers are of the 2:40 class or the 2:02, interest never flags and old and young, men, women and children enter into the spirit of the sport which doesn't tire until the curtain falls. Quite a good crowd gathered at our race track on Wednesday afternoon and were happy in the sunshine and delighted with the track, every yard of which can be plainly seen from the grand stand and which was in good condition. Below we give official score:

First Race—Gentlemen's Trotting and Pacing, best two in three, mile