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THE LYNCHBURG SCHOOL-BIBLE.

We have been following Mr. Copeland, of the editorial staff of the Richmond Times, in his tour of inspection through the State and have read his letters to his paper with real interest.

The one from Lynchburg dealt largely with the free schools of that city. Among other features of the system, which attracted his attention, and of which he made special mention for the benefit of her, Dr. Kerr, of Richmond, was the fact that in the Lynchburg schools a book has been adopted which contains various selections from the Bible, and one or more such selections are read every morning by the teacher, without comment.

Why not the Bible, the whole Bible and nothing but the Bible, by the help of God? Who made these "selections" from the word of God for the special use of teachers in the Lynchburg school, to be read by them "without comment"?

True, Mr. Copeland adds: "Catholic priests and Jewish rabbis have examined this book and have given it their entire approval," but have the Methodist priests, and the Baptist priests, and the Episcopal priests, and the Presbyterian priests, and the Lutheran priests, and the priests of the Christian church been allowed the same privilege?

And why then this "pen knife" application to God's holy word that the few may approve? There is no God-given nor God-blessed substitute for the scriptures, written by holy men taught of God, and the school children of the Christian city of Lynchburg should not be educated into any such error.

This may be followed by an attack on the Christian Sabbath to pain the approval of those who do not believe in the sanctity of the Christian Sabbath. If this was Mohammedan territory then read the Koran to the children, but if not, and they should be read to out of the Christian's Bible, and no selected nor mutilated Bible. The Bible of our fathers, our Bible, the God-given word.

Will Richmond heed the admonition of Mr. Weyer and take the immortal Clay in out of the cold?

Mr. Meredith wants to know the difference between legislative enactment and Constitutional requirement, and no one has as yet been found to tell him.

DR. FRAZER'S MAIDEN EFFORT.

We learn from the Richmond Dispatch that Dr. Frazer opened his new work, in Richmond, with an address before the Richmond Educational Association. In the last issue of the HERALD we characterized the doctor's interview with Mr. Copeland as "defeat," and having read extracts from the Richmond address, we are constrained to say that it is even more so. He not only exhibited "unprepossessing photographs" but added:

"That of eighteen country schools which he visited in Virginia last February, only one had the yard swept, and any attempt at neatness in interior or exterior surroundings. This school was taught by a negro woman, a graduate of the Normal school in Petersburg. Her clothes, through their work evidenced better instruction than the other seventeen."

"He characterized the attainments of the average county school principal as being hopelessly behind the standards of today, and said that unless education was improved Virginia and Virginia must occupy even a lower rank than that which they now hold."

The doctor doesn't say how many of these 18 schools were taught by white persons, but if any were, and he has started out to make the white people of the South believe that the negro is more interested in cleanliness of environment than the white, he had as well know just now that his energy will be spent in vain and his time worse than wasted.

This "defeat" statement and "unprepossessing photographs" of the public school system of Virginia, after 30 years of trial and many millions of taxpayers, are not likely to entice tax payers who have been "paying the freight."

The Southern noon train from Richmond will now make close connection with the N. & W. at Burkeville. This is altogether desirable and just as it should be. Corporations have rights and we are very willing to have them respected, but the traveling public has rights too, and among them the best connections possible between competing lines. Petersburg is a dear old town, and when we are not in a hurry we love to visit the hospital and his town, but no busy man in this busy age should be forced to ride 22 miles out of his way when on a busy trip.

Has our railroad commissioner been nodding for a quarter of a century?

The mere fact that taxes will be reduced under the operation of the Constitution is a relief to the people for

approval, will not of itself secure that approval. It is good so far as it goes, but it doesn't go far enough.

THE SAVING HABIT.

We are not silly enough to put ourselves on record as opposed to the habit of wise and thoughtful economy. "A penny saved is a penny made" is true today and has always been true, but since so much has been written on the subject of late by many of our contemporaries, we have been put to thinking and now feel like saying in a word or two, while young and able to work, lay by for a "rainy day." Of course, but for heaven's sake don't allow the saving habit to run into the miserly, which isn't far removed from the miserly. Economy may be abused just as any other good thing in man. When the desire to save becomes so great that it makes greed, then the passion will grow upon that upon which it feeds until old age instead of being one of ease and contentment will be like the unrest of caged animals beating against the bars for freedom. Few men after all retire from business to enjoy rationally and quietly a competency already secured, but they struggle and suffer on, and many of them agonize on until death claims them. Who can tell just what enough of this world's goods means? Did Jay Gould ever rest? or is Russell Sage or Rockefeller resting? Which of your neighbors have been heard to say: "Send, thou hast much goods laid up for many years, take thine ease?" "Daily bread" is much better than daily agony for more dollars. Think of those you have known and those you now know in business circles and say how many were not able to make a living to the last. We are perfectly persuaded that the old age of the worker is much to be preferred to the old age of the idler. No man should stop work so long as he can work, and even in old age the earnest worker can generally make enough and to spare.

Few men get rich and you needn't fret that you are not of the few. The richest of earth are often heard to say: "Vanities of vanities," and it is a sad wail. Do your best, be cheerful, charitable, liberal and you need not have much concern for the time of old age. "Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof." Mind you, we said do your best, that means in saving as well as in making, but avoid the greed of gain as you would pestilence, famine or the sword. And don't fold your hands because you are past three score and ten. We know a sturdy blacksmith who nears the four score milestone, and yet who makes a good and honest living day by day. All old preachers are not "laid on the shelf," and though this is emphatically the day of young men, there is place and work for those who "wear the gray."

Better far be forced to work hard until the day of death, than to nurse the passion for gain, that old age will be rendered miserable by the agonizing cry of "give, give." Better live and die poor than live and die clutching at gold, to the neglect of wife, children, neighbors and God.

Make all you can, save all you can, but in the mean time don't starve your soul.

We are indebted to the Richmond Times for the Massachusetts method of dealing with corporations. The five commissions, appointed by the Legislature have entire control of the corporate life of the old Bay State, and their recommendations have all the force of decrees of courts. No corporation in Virginia should ever protest against what is proposed by the Convention in this State when they know what is being done at the "Hub." And in Massachusetts they have fallen into the good habit of not only controlling corporations by commissions but of making the corporations pay the salaries, and they are good ones.

HEROISM.

Is the day of heroes dead? On the contrary there never was a brighter day in all their history than the one in which we are living. Recall some of the incidents associated with the recent timely disaster in New York, and you may read the pages of romance and not find more of unselfish devotion or unflinching daring.

A Catholic priest braved more than the dangers of bloody battle to minister to the dying. Railroad employees sacrificed themselves to save others. One poor fellow, crushed beneath the weight of an overturned car, bones broken and in great agony, cried out: "Leave me alone until you have rescued others." All this and more occurred in midnight darkness, but the pages devoted to heroism will be illumined by them. Have you forgotten the two trained nurses, who up in New York, were sent out to nurse cases of smallpox, with no protection from severe cold but the walls of a tent, and who, finding one of their patients, whose disease was most pronounced, suffering from the cold, deliberately got in bed on either side of her and there remained through the dark, dreary night?

Did Florence Nightingale dare more? or Joan of Arc? or Esther, when she went unbidden into the presence of the King?

We have read with interest and pleasure the 16th biennial report of the superintendent of public instruction of the state of Arkansas submitted by its worthy and efficient superintendent, J. J. Doyle, a Farmville "boy" who has long since "sown his spurs" in the educational circles of the country.

The report is in book form, profusely and artistically illustrated, replete with the spirit of enthusiasm and good hope. We tender our congratulations to Mr. Doyle, and to the State of his adoption in securing his loyal and valuable services in the cause of education.

IN SESSION AGAIN.

The legislature met again on Wednesday, in their accustomed places in the capitol, the Convention having vacated the hall of the lower house and gone to Mechanics Institute. In passing it may be remarked that the members are not pleased with their new quarters and may seek other meeting place.

Governor Montross's message was not read, and nothing of importance was done on the first day. The message was read on yesterday, and dealt largely with the subject of good roads, improvement of the penitentiary and the public schools.

By limitation of law the regular session of the legislature expires on the 31st of March, and what ought to be done should be done quickly. It can be done and without undue haste, if the members will only work as farmers do when they are engaged in planting tobacco. Sixty members, by their votes, can extend their session for 30 days, and already this seems quite over, tall.

If our brother of the Petersburg Index-Appel means to say that there were as many crazy negroes in Virginia before the days of freedom and free schools as there are now, and that the old masters took care of as many such as are now cared for by the State, we are simply amazed and have no more to say to him on the subject save and except that the "oldest of our citizens" in this thickly settled negro section never even so much as heard of a crazy colored person until they began to vote and go to school. We will not discuss whether or not it is the noon hour when the hands of a well regulated time-keeper point to 12 'clock.

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Just outside the pearly gates the spirit paused for a moment and, lo! the roses had withered and were dead, the baby's smile had vanished, but, strong and faithful and serenely beautiful as ever, the mother's love remained; and he cast the others aside and took this and hid it at the foot of his master as the most lovely and lasting thing on earth.—E.C.

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