

TOWN OF SUFFOLK

The Wind Blows in Many Weary Willies.

Reimbursed For Losses Sustained by Fire — The Police Court Mattinee — Possibly an Elopement to North Carolina on Matrimony Bent.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Suffolk, Va., Jan. 11.—With nothing to eat but food and nothing to spend but time the army of hoboes is marching. The cold blasts to-night blew in several squads of the unwashed, and policemen were besieged with men who wanted to register at the station house. In the meantime good house wives have plenty to do with cold pie and turkey.

But the plague is not as bad in Suffolk as it used to be. The authorities have a little section in the Code which authorizes the organization of a chain gang. And hoboes, as a rule, will run into a pest house filled with smallpox or yellow fever patients rather than work. It's against their principles.

For the partial abatement of the nuisance thanks are due those signboards which greet the wayfarers before they reach town from any direction. These tell in plain language what may be expected in the way of enforced exercise on the streets.

FIRE LOSSES ADJUSTED.

The fire losses sustained by Mrs. W. T. Jones, Cypress Church, December 31st, was fixed to-day. Mrs. Jones will receive the following amounts: On dwelling, \$1,298; on furniture, \$500; on houses, \$156.31; total, \$2,054.31. Of this amount the Virginia State, represented by Harper & West, loses \$1,548.50, and the Georgia Home, by Woodward & Elam, \$505.81. The woman who appears the loss were H. Williams, of Portsmouth, for the insurance companies, and J. R. Lawrence, of Suffolk, for Mrs. Jones.

POLICE COURT.

With three subjects to engage his attention, Mayor R. L. Brewer, Jr., had a session of the Police Court, but it didn't last long.

Dempsey White was up on the charge of using profane language on the streets. He was fined \$4.00.

Then came Eli Hill. Eli was accused of striking a woman, but the evidence showed he had been provoked by the woman, who called him bad names; \$3.50.

The woman was Gertrude Botoms. Judge Brewer shows no leniency to women on charges of that kind. Gertrude had to settle a \$5.00 levy.

MAYBE AN ELOPEMENT.

A young Suffolk couple left this afternoon for Gates county, N. C. The object of the trip can not be stated positively, but their home folks think it's marriage. They are both young. Some of the young man's friends said to-night he had engaged a carriage to meet them at the station nearest the clerk's office.

WOMEN OF LETTERS.

The Suffolk Literary Club had a delightful meeting this afternoon with Miss Julia Phillips on Main street, near Bank. The club is still engaged on James Lane Allen. The selections to-day were from "Sister Seladora." The readers were Mrs. John B. Pinner and Miss Lillie Jones. Miss Elizabeth Booker, one of the readers appointed, was absent.

The next meeting will be with Miss Lizzie King, 86 Kilby street.

NEWS IN PARAGRAPHS.

Mr. C. S. Dowdy, of Richmond, Va., was in town to-day on business. Mr. C. S. Dowdy, of Richmond, Va., was in town to-day on business.

Mr. Cyrus Harris left yesterday for Baltimore, Md., on business for Messrs. Edwards & Norflet.

Mr. C. W. Smith, of Norfolk, registered at the Commercial to-day.

Miss Nora Knox, of Coudersport, Pa., who is visiting her sister, Miss Jeanette Knox, of Suffolk, will leave for her home to-morrow. She has been in Suffolk several weeks.

Seats for A. Q. Scammon's "Slide Tracked" Company will go on sale Friday morning.

Nothing of interest happened in Nansemond County Court to-day. Court is still open for business and will be till Friday, when a liquor case will be called.

Mrs. Alice Johnson and daughter.

Strike Quickly.

"On the instant when a lion shows his temper," said a famous lion tamer, "cut him quickly over the face. Don't wait until he springs at you." This is equally good advice for treat-



ing the lion of disease. Many an attack of dangerous illness has been headed off if at the first premonitory symptoms the victim would strike quickly.

Those severe coughs, bronchial affections and wasting diseases which merge into consumption would never get their savage teeth into the constitution if their early signs were headed off by Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It provides such an abundance of rich nourishing blood that tuberculosis germs have no chance to get any lodgment in the lungs. It clears the skin and purges all the impurities from every organ. It invigorates the liver to expel all bilious poisons from the circulation. It creates healthy tissues, and after nerve fiber and gives solid strength.

"I have thought for a long time," writes Mrs. Rose Petty, of Lockville, Chatham Co., N. C., "that I would not do you justice if I did not write and tell you how I was cured of that dreadful disease called consumption, by using Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. I had measles and pneumonia both at the same time, and came near dying, and as soon as I was able to go out I was taken with grip, and then followed consumption. My physician did all he could for my relief but I received none. I tried everything that I could hear of that was good for a cough but grew worse, and would have died soon had I not commenced using the 'Golden Medical Discovery.' I felt improved before the first bottle was finished. I took six bottles, and after that I felt better and stronger than in ten years before. That was six years ago, and to-day do not feel any symptoms of a return of the disease. I remain cured, and think I am the cause of a friend being cured by using the same medicine. He was afflicted as I was, and after every thing failed to cure him he took Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and was cured."

Miss Retta Johnson, of Scotland Neck, N. C., are in Suffolk, as guests of Mrs. John L. Gay, No. 17 Kilby street. Mrs. Johnson is Mrs. Gay's aunt.

Principal W. C. Morton, of Public School No. 1, who had been ill about a week, is able to discharge his educational duties again.

County Treasurer S. T. Ellis returned to-day from Waverly, where he had been to see his father, Mr. J. S. Ellis. The sick man was some better to-day.

Misses Alma Elam and Lizzie Booker left to-day to visit in Norfolk.

Mr. James M. Gallagher, of New York, an official of the Old Dominion Steamship Company, on yesterday visited Mr. J. H. Stewart, local agent.

Miss Lizzie Nurney will leave soon for an extended stay with friends in Rocky Mount, N. C.

The farm owned by the late A. W. Oliver, near Suffolk, was this week sold at auction for \$5,030. It was bid in by some of the deceased's sons.

R. R. Smith and wife have sold to Jesse E. Rawles one lot on Jackson avenue; consideration, \$150.

NEWPORT NEWS

First Spanish Prize Ship Here to Unload.

A Handsome Gift to St. Paul's P. E. Church—Death of Mrs. Mary F. Johnson — Hymeneal — Montreal Harbor Commissioners Coming.

Newport News, January 11.—The steamship Buena Ventura, the first prize taken in the war between the United States and Spain, she having been captured by the trim little gunboat Nashville, which was built by the Newport News shipyard, arrived here to-day to load cargo. She came directly from New York. The Buena Ventura was sold by order of the United States Court, and brought \$5,000.

GIFTS TO ST. PAUL'S.

Mr. A. A. Low, of New York, has given the congregation of St. Paul's Episcopal Church here a valuable piece of Washington avenue property, worth \$18,000. It was given to the church for building purposes, but it had previously purchased other lots on a side street, and it is understood that the church will sell its newly acquired property. The news of Mr. Low's munificence was greeted with enthusiasm among the Episcopalians of the city. They are now determined that when their new church is built it will be complete in every detail, and a subscription list has been started to raise funds for the purchase of a pipe organ. It is hoped to put in a fine instrument, and the list has been started. Mr. James Abbe opening the list with a gift of \$100.

DEATH OF MRS. JOHNSON.

Mrs. Mary F. Johnson, relict of Dr. Thomas J. Johnson, formerly of Scottsville, Albemarle county, but for many years a resident of Newport News, died this morning, January 11, at 9:15 o'clock at the residence of her son, Mr. B. W. Johnson, on Twenty-seventh street.

Deceased was in her eightieth year; is survived by eight children—Mrs. George E. Via and Messrs. Thomas J. and E. W. Johnson, of this city; Mrs. M. M. Polindexter, of Lynchburg, Va.; Mrs. S. J. Thompson, of Illinois; and Mrs. M. J. Thomas, of Oklahoma.

The funeral services will take place from the Washington Avenue Methodist Church this afternoon at 3 o'clock, and the interment will be made in Green Lawn Cemetery.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

Mr. John E. Thompson, who for some years past, conducted a grocery store with Mr. C. A. Wilson on Forty-second street, between Washington and Lafayette streets, left the city a few days ago for Los Angeles, Cal., where he will start in business of some kind. Mr. Thompson's family will not follow him until he has purchased an interest in some line and is comfortably settled in his new home.

Mr. James Ryland Saunders and Miss Mary Mariah Waller were married at 8 o'clock last night at No. 1125 Twenty-third street, R. C. J. Mackay, pastor of the Second Baptist Church, officiating.

The Board of Harbor Commissioners of Montreal will visit Newport News in a few days. They are on a tour of inspection of docks, harbor improvements and terminal facilities of seaports of the United States, in order to gather ideas to apply in Montreal, which is about to spend seven million dollars in similar works.

Work is being pushed on the new yard by the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company between piers 7 and 8. There will be three tracks to be used in the handling of the Norfolk business, which has increased to a large extent lately.

Mr. J. Ed. Byers has sold his interest in the Allegany Inn to his partner, Mr. R. L. Cooke, and will leave to-night for New York to play with a stock company at the Third Avenue Theatre.

Packed Examinations.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)
Richmond, Va., January 11.—Following are the names of the four gentlemen who passed the Supreme Court examination for license to practice law: S. S. Harrison, Richmond; Percy S. Stephenson, Norfolk; Gustavus Brown Wallace, Fredericksburg; Aubrey Ellis Stroe, Amherst. Eighteen failed.

Moonshiners Murder Informer.

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)
Richmond, Va., Jan. 11.—A special from Roanoke says it is reported from Floyd county that a man by the name of Underwood, who was suspected of being an informer on moonshiners, was seized by a gang of the latter and his throat cut. He was then thrown across a log and decapitated with an axe.

THE ERRATIC EGG.

Procure three glass bottles, and fill them with liquids as follows:
A, fresh water.
B, well salted water.
C, salt water containing only half the quantity of salt used in B.

Now take a fresh egg and place it in jar A, and the egg will sink to the bottom.

Now take another egg and place it in jar B, and it will remain on the top of the liquid.
If a third egg be placed in jar C, it will sink into the center of the water and there remain. To the ordinary on-looker this appears astonishing, but of course the varying densities of the liquids account for the erratic actions of the eggs.

SHIPWRECKED CREW.

SCHOONER FANNY ARTHUR LOST AT SEA—TALE OF DISTRESS.

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)
New York, Jan. 11.—Steward R. R. Lanier, of the schooner Fanny Arthur, which was wrecked while on her way to Philadelphia from Salt Key during December, to-day told the story of the loss of the schooner. He and ten of his companions arrived here on the North German Lloyd steamer Ems. They had been rescued at sea and taken to Gibraltar. From that port they were sent to New York by the United States Consul. The Arthur was abandoned December 14 in latitude 36, longitude 65. The four-masted schooner Fanny Arthur sailed from Norfolk on September 22 with a cargo of coal, bound for Port of Spain, Trinidad. She arrived there on the 10th of October. The schooner was on the 10th of October. The weather was rough and four days after the schooner sailed the provisions ran low and the men were put on short rations.

RAN INTO STORM.

On the 15th the schooner ran into a storm which badly crippled her. On the 25th the food supply was almost gone, and each man was allowed one biscuit and a piece of salt beef a day. On December 7th the schooner was within fifty miles of the Cape of Delagoa, and the captain lay to until morning. When daylight came the wind shifted and the schooner was blown out to sea. Shortly after midnight, on the 11th, the fore and main masts went over the port side with a crash. Shortly after the mizzen and the jigger masts fell. The coal ran out and rubbish and parts of the vessel were burned to keep the steam pumps working.

FOOD GAVE OUT.

On the 10th the food gave out entirely, and from that time until the 25th, when the men were rescued, they had nothing to eat.

"The night of the 10th," said Steward Lanier, "when our spirits were indeed low, we sighted a steamer. Flashes of red light were burned and guns fired to attract attention. The vessel came close and to make sure that they would understand our situation the captain burned signal lights. As soon as the steamer passed we saw our signal she steamed away. Afterward when we were rescued the captain found out that his signal, according to the code, meant 'in distress, but need no assistance.' Shortly after 12 o'clock on the morning of the 11th we sighted the steamer Cape Cod, sent out her boats and took us off."

ANTARCTIC EXPLORATION.

The Present is a Singularly Opportune Time for It.
[Chicago News.]

Beyond all question, the present time is peculiarly opportune for the prosecution of antarctic research, says the London Spectator. For it must be borne in mind that in that vast and almost unknown area, more than twice the size of Europe, one expedition, however well equipped, cannot in the nature of things hope to do more than select a portion of the problems that silently await solution. What is undoubtedly indicated is the need of the treatment of the antarctic question is the establishment of an international polar commission such as attacked arctic problems in 1882. A cordon of expeditions surrounding the southern polar regions, representative of all the great civilized powers, and working in harmony upon preconcerted lines toward definite ends, would add more in one season to the needed data for a solution of the world problems involved than isolated efforts could do in a great many years. But since there are now two separate parties at work in the antarctic, and a third will, it is hoped, shortly be on its way thither, there must be much valuable collaboration, as well as many thousands of simultaneous observations taken at far distant points. This might have been the case at the time of Capt. Ross' voyages, and the French and American expeditions were both in high southern latitudes. But the opportunity was missed. Since then science has made such gigantic strides in the direction of instrumental equipment for such work, to say nothing of the invaluable adjunct of steam, that even with only four parties attacking the problem on differing meridians, the most momentous results may be expected.

After all, this planet of ours under the distance destroying touch of these latter days has divided into very small places. And it seems preposterous that a region like the antarctic should have been allowed to retain so long the secrets it undoubtedly holds. The habitable sea of stormy waters that rolls its unshinied way right around our globe, where no busy keel ruffles the wave or smoke of panting steamship mingles with the pure, keen air—how strange that it should so long have been allowed to maintain its primitive seclusion! These appalling barriers of apparently eternal ice along which Ross sailed for hundreds of miles waiting with an indescribable fascination the baffled billows hurl themselves against the glittering cliffs that rose sheer from the sea for hundreds of feet—what lies beyond them? Those burning mountains flaming high amid their frozen fastnesses and lighting up the gloomy sky for many leagues throughout the long winter night—have they no story to tell? And, in spite of all belief to the contrary, it may be that a land of fauna will be found, that some animals have been fitted to live in that wonderful country, which, as far as is yet known, is absolutely sterile. Many firmly believe that a warm polar region exists at the southern end of the earth's axis, but with recent light upon the theory of a warm arctic sea within the encircling barrier of ice there can be little expectation that any such marvel will be found in the Antarctic. The expeditions will be fired with the thought that, whatever their hardships, a virgin field lies before them if by any means they can get behind the icy barrier that seems to shut off Antarctica from a prying world, and that alone, apart from any discoveries they may make, is sufficient inducement to adventurous men to make them face any hardship.

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IMPORTANT DISCOVERIES.

Documents in Vatican Bearing on History of Norse Colonies.

A Laurel (Md.) special to the Baltimore Herald says:
Mrs. Marie A. Shipley, the author of "The Icelandic Discoveries of America," writes to a friend in Laurel from Chexbres, Canton de Vaud, Switzerland, that there has been recently discovered in the Vatican archives, at Rome, a mass of documents "that completely reshape and greatly enlarge the history of the Norse colonies, which constituted the first American Republic, prior to the founding of the 'original thirteen' by the English." Mrs. Shipley, who is an American woman, married an Englishman in 1888, published at Boston her book, which is an ingenious argument tending to show that Columbus enjoyed undeserved honors as the discoverer of America; that he had gained whatever knowledge and inspiration he had of the existence of land beyond the western ocean during a visit he made to Iceland, the "Thule" of his day. It has been suggested that this voyage of Columbus, about which little is known, and the authentic record of which—now an exceedingly meagre one—is found in a letter written by him to his son, was undertaken in the interest of the Roman Church, and that Columbus may have brought back with him traditions and Norse manuscripts, which have since lain hidden in the archives of the Vatican. Mrs. Shipley says in her letter in relation to the discovery of the documents of which she speaks, that "never were swept away at a single stroke such a heap of delusions and imaginings, falsely called historical facts," and that "perhaps no event that has ever occurred within the domain of literary effort has endowed historical research with such extraordinary vitality and power over present conditions and views as the finding of these documents."

Mrs. Shipley has made a proposition to the Smithsonian Institution, as well as a formal one to Secretary of State Hay to secure from Congress an appropriation for the transcribing and publication of the documents she speaks of. Mrs. Shipley has spent years

In investigating the Icelandic discovery of North America, a region Columbus never saw nor knew to be in existence, and she has aroused some interest in a proposed celebration of the 1,000th anniversary of the Norse voyages and settlements (982-85) in 1895. She alleges that the Roman missionaries and priests, who, from the earliest days, penetrated to all parts of the known world, were in Iceland in the times of the Norse dominion over the seas, and knew of the settlements in Greenland, Labrador, Nova Scotia, Rhode Island, Massachusetts (Vinal), when these were in commercial intercourse with Iceland, and that these facts 500 years after led to the westward voyages of Columbus, supported by the church.

Mrs. Shipley herself did not discover the documents in the Vatican, but says that "one well qualified for the task" did, thus "proving more fully than I ever deemed possible the absolute correctness of my deductions," referring to her book published ten years ago.

EGYPTIAN DANCING IN EGYPT.

Chicago Record.
The genuine native dancing girls perform in the little cafes that abound in the Arabian quarter. These places are usually small, and about thirty men squatted around the seats that line the walls make a full house.

Here the Arabs come to smoke and drink coffee and hear the music, while in the center of the cafe the dancing girls perform. The places are filled with the smoke of the narghileh and cigarettes, and the dreamy natives who lounge along the walls puff everlastingly on, barely noticing the girls who are weaving and swaying in the sinuous undulations of the dance to the time of a groggy tontom and the mellow drone of a reed whistle. The dance is about the same as the one seen at the World's Fair in Chicago, divested of most of its offensive trimmings. There it was designed to startle and shock and come up to Western notions of Oriental depravity, while here on its native heath it is simply a dance that is as old as the country itself, and to those who have been accustomed to it through generations of familiarity it is probably as tame as the one seen at the World's Fair in Chicago, divested of most of its offensive trimmings. There it was designed to startle and shock and come up to Western notions of Oriental depravity, while here on its native heath it is simply a dance that is as old as the country itself, and to those who have been accustomed to it through generations of familiarity it is probably as tame as the one seen at the World's Fair in Chicago, divested of most of its offensive trimmings.

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