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### FENCES IN VIRGINIA.

**Decisions About the Rights of Individuals on Highways.**

The following article taken from a recent issue of the Virginia Citizen, Irvington, Va., is here published by request:

The Court of Appeals of Virginia, as well as the Supreme Court of the United States, have recently decided that fences are not necessary in order to sustain an action of trespass. Justice Lacy, of the Court of Appeals, renders the following opinion and cites decisions by the United States Supreme Court in substantiation of it. The highway is, generally speaking, nothing but an easement comprehending merely the right of all the individuals in a community to pass and repass with the incidental right of the public repair. This easement does not comprehend any interest in the soil, nor give the public the legal possession of it. The right of free hold is not touched by establishing a highway but continues in the original owner of the land in the same manner it was before the highway was established, subject to the easement. The public has a right to pass and repass and to repair, and anything that obstructs the use of the way is a public nuisance. Subject to this easement, exclusive ownership of the soil, the freedom and all the profits remain in him who owned the ground before the highway was laid out over it and he may maintain trespass against one who puts cattle in the highway to graze or against one who places obstructions there, or who, instead of passing along it, remains standing there as a strolling musician, refusing to depart.

These principles are well settled in most of the States of the Union, and in none more firmly than in Virginia. A public highway only vests in the commonwealth a right of passage; but freeholds and profits (such as trees upon it and mines under it) belong to the owner of the soil, who has the right to all remedies for the freeholder, subject, however, to the easement.

The easement comprehends no interest in the soil. The right of freehold is not touched by establishing a highway, but continues in the original owner of the land in the same manner it was before the highway was established, subject to the easement. Prof. J. B. Minor, University of Virginia, authority in law, says, "that the public acquire merely a right of passage. The freehold, and all profits of the soil belong still to the proprietor from whom the right of passage was acquired. He may, therefore, recover the freehold in ejectment, subject to the right of way, and maintain an action of trespass for digging the ground. If it be unknown from which of the two adjacent proprietors a highway was at first taken, or if the highway between them, they are understood to own each ad medium flum viæ."

While the opinion does not specially refer to division fences between properties, it is fair to presume (though we cannot assume) that the court's decision would have included these also if it had been a matter under consideration. And further to presume that any court of Virginia acting upon this dictum, would hold it a matter of trespass upon a freeholder not affected by easement as readily as it does upon the highway (an easement.)

The new court has overturned the famous Mary Miller decision of the former court; the question of forces, though of less import, comes directly home to the people and we would like to see it before the new court and passed upon in all its phases.—Rural Retreat Times.

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### Roanoke College Commencement.

SALEM, VA., June 15, 1899.

The exercises of the 46th Commencement of Roanoke College, which has just closed, was very successful throughout. On Sunday the Baccalaureate by Rev. M. W. Hanna, D. D., of Washington, D. C., and the address before the Y. M. C. A. by Rev. J. N. Hallock, D. D., editor of The Christian Work, N. Y., on "The Christian of the 20th Century," were able and eloquent. The contest for the medal in oratory was held on Monday evening. Five contestants entered the list and the list and the speeches were well delivered. On Tuesday evening Postmaster-General Chas. Emory Smith delivered an address of great ability on "American Patriotism and Progress." The speaker held his audience throughout by his fine language and eloquent delivery, and he was frequently interrupted by applause.

**COMMENCEMENT DAY.**

The exercises of Commencement day were held on Wednesday, at 10 a. m., in the town hall, which was tastefully decorated and was crowded with an appreciative audience. The platform was occupied by the faculty, trustees, graduating class, and distinguished guests. After prayer by Rev. Prof. J. A. Morehead of Mount Pleasant, S. C., the speakers appointed from the class were presented by President Dreher in the following order: W. J. Weddington, N. C., Latin Salutatory; J. W. McCauley, Va.; subject, "International Disarmament;" Isaac Cannaday, Va. subject, "Municipal Ownership;" Walter St. Clair, Va.; subject, "Literature as a Social Force;" J. E. B. Smith, Va.; Valedictory.

**CONFERRING DEGREES.**

The degree of A. B. was conferred on twenty-three members of the class which is the largest every graduated by Roanoke.

**MASTER OF ARTS.**

The degree of A. M. was conferred in course on the following members of the class of '98: Horace Marion Fox, of Salem, Va.; James Caddall Morehead, of Wytheville, Va., and William Grayes Shackelford, of Irisburg, Va.

**DEGREE OF D. D.**

The degree of D. D. was conferred on Rev. John Jacob Scherer. A. M., president of Marion Female College, Marion, Va.; Rev. Arthur Seldeu Lloyd, of Norfolk, Va. and Rev. John Henry Barb, A. M., of Hughesville, Pa.

**PRESENTING PRIZES.**

Prizes were awarded as follows: The Junior Scholarship in English jointly to John Heiskell Borton, of Luray, Va., and Frederick Bittle Kegley, of Wytheville, Va. The medal in Greek and the mathematics were both presented to John Carnahan Peery, of Graham, Va. The medal in Oratory was presented to Julian Goode Busby, of Salisbury, N. C.

President Dreher announced that with the Austin bequest of \$30,000, from which, after paying inheritance taxes, the College realized \$24,000; the Trustees had established twenty scholarships of fifty dollars each. He said the financial condition of Roanoke had improved and the outlook in that respect was more hopeful than ever.

The College has had a successful year, with students enrolled from sixteen States, Japan, Korea, Porto Rico, Nova Scotia, and the Oneida Indians of Wisconsin.

sociation on Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Prof. J. A. Morehead, of Mount Pleasant, S. C., was elected President, with a number of Vice-Presidents. Rev. Wm. J. Smith (class of '75), Mountain Falls, Va., and Prof. F. B. Trotter (class of 1890.) Buchanan, Va., were elected alumni orators for next year.

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We frequently hear complaints from teachers of being poorly paid. The only way to remedy this is to improve the public schools, and in order to do that, the teachers should take advantage of the opportunity to improve themselves, not only for their own benefit, but for the public good at large. The cost of attending this school is a mere bagatelle as compared with the benefits to be derived. There are no tuition fees charged and board is only twelve dollars for the month. Besides all this Pulaski City is a pleasant place to spend the hot summer months, and the people of the town are determined to make the stay of the teachers here a pleasant one. They offer to furnish, in the school-room, free of charge to the teachers, two of the finest mineral waters in the state—Hunter's Alum Water and Crabtree's Carbonated Water. This alone is worth the expense to many over-worked and physically broken-down school teachers. There are many attractions surrounding the town; beautiful scenery; the great Bertha Zinc Works, which afford a sight nowhere else to be seen in the country, not to speak of the large iron furnaces and other enterprises that are to be seen in this progressive town. All these things have today made Pulaski City one of the most popular summer resorts among the mountains of Virginia.

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**RECEIVED BY THE QUEEN.**

Our Newly Appointed Minister to Spain Kindly Greeted.

Madrid, June 17.—The newly appointed minister to Spain, Mr. Bellamy Storer, was received in formal audience by the queen regent. There were no speeches, only a few cordial phrases being exchanged. Two state carriages from the royal stables conveyed Mr. Storer from the Hotel de Rome to the palace and took him back to the hotel after the audience. Premier Silveira presented Mr. Storer to her majesty.

The Democratic leaders are as much at loss to know what issues to fix upon for the next Presidential campaign as they ever were. Outside of 16 to 1 they are not agreed upon anything except that they are opposed to trusts, but they find the Republicans also opposed to trusts, so they do not know how to make an issue of it. On the question of expansion they are badly divided. What will they do? Time will answer the question.

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MARION, VA., JUNE 23, 1899.

The Buying of Votes. Lynchburg, Va., June 12, 1899. Editor of The News:

In our recent county elections it is claimed that votes were bought and sold openly and publicly. One man stated that it would be a good idea to abandon county elections and let the county sell the offices to the highest bidder. If this is true, it is a grievous truth, and no right-thinking citizen can view such a situation with the least degree of approval.

J. W. O. Lynchburg News.

"THE BUYING OF VOTES." Pocahontas, Va., June 16, 1899. Editor of The News:

In to-day's issue you have a letter from J. W. O. with reference to the buying of votes in the recent county election. I write to endorse what he says on the subject, and like him to condemn in no uncertain terms the abominable evil.

That such a demoralizing practice was carried on by no one who had eyes to see could fail to discover. When men who hold remunerative county offices [I will not except municipal officers] stay at or near the voting place all day buying up the votes of the miserable wretches, it is time for the decent men to open their eyes.

Let good men think of these things, and like Balaam's ass, open their mouths and speak, and the results will surely come to pass.

J. M. N. Lynchburg News.

We positively assert, and we believe nine-tenths of our readers will agree with us, that a new law is needed in Virginia, that will insure honest and fair elections. We mean, a law that will put a stop to vote buying, and other forms of ballot box robbing. The Walton election law, or any other law; the present right of suffrage, or any system of suffrage, which admits of such perversion and thievery as we have now all over the country, is an evil which should be stamped to death.

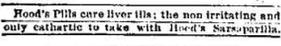
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right to vote.—Cinch Valley News, (Dem.)

"The press throughout the State," says The Page County News, "bears testimony that the recent contest for county officers was unprecedented in respect to the large amount of money used. At the present rate," it goes on, "it will not be long before a public office will cost the successful candidate more than the salary amounts to. There is no denial possible that the evil is steadily on the increase."

The South Boston News goes so far as to say that "the money question was the only issue of the election in Halifax," and that "the money issue was the winner." This is a most deplorable state of affairs. We cannot possibly have a pure government so long as there are bribery and corruption in our elections.—Richmond Times.

The above clippings are taken from Democratic journals. The last legislature was solidly democratic, but there was no reform in the election laws of our State so as to prevent bribery and corruption. We presume the Democrats intend to elect the next Legislature; we will await with anxiety to see if "the Democratic press throughout the State" will lend its influence to correct the corrupt practices which it now says were put in operation in the recent contest for county officers all over the State.

The people of Smyth county saw the bad and pernicious effect of "vote buying in the recent election, and we believe that the mass of our good people irrespective of party affiliation would welcome a law which would correct these evils. The last two Legislatures have been pledged to a law that would give us fair elections, and one that would do away with the corrupt use of money, but the machine rules the Democratic caucus and the will of the people is smothered in the hearts of their representatives who are ruled by the caucus.

The people of the Southwest should look to it that they elect representative who will use all their influence to enact an election law that will correct the corrupt practices which flow from the present system.

Several of the towns now impose fines for spitting upon the sidewalks. If Lebanon wants to follow suit let her do so, we can "chaw baccer" and spit across three blocks and hit a fly nine times out of ten.—Lebanon News.

Southwest Virginia.

Items of Interest Gathered from Our Exchanges.

It is probable that a home for superannuated ministers of the Virginia conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will be added to the orphanage which it was decided to establish in Richmond.

The most certain thing in the political future is that McKinley will be re-nominated and re-elected. The next most certain thing is that Bryan will be renominated and defeated.

Even the Alexandria Gazette surrenders and now admits that general prosperity is in command. It has even captured Alexandria, according to our contemporary, and that, too, without the aid of free silver. The next time Mr. Bryan makes any enquiry about general prosperity just send him to Alexandria.—Petersburg Index-Appeal.

The Virginia Iron, Coal and Coke Company, have increased the wages of their workmen at the Johnson City and Embreville Tennessee furnaces from 5 to 10 per cent. and have reduced their prices on all commissary supplies. It is also stated that this company will soon erect churches, school houses and lodge rooms for the free use of their employees at Toms Creek.

A few days ago a terrible tornado passed over the city of New Richmond, in Wisconsin, and almost swept the town out of existence. Over a hundred persons were killed outright and many more wounded, and yet there are people who are foolish enough to want to leave such a country as this and to live in a country of tornadoes, blizzards, grasshoppers and droughts.

For many years the free Traders have endeavored to inculcate the idea that a Protective Tariff fosters monopolies and favors Trusts, and they are still at it, although the facts are all against them. England, which is a free trade country, was the birth place of trusts, and, according to population and wealth, there are more trusts in free trade England than in protective tariff America. Again, it is well enough for those who talk so glibly about a protective tariff creating trusts to remember that the two most gigantic trusts in the United States are the Anthracite Coal Trust and the Standard Oil Trust, and yet there is not a cent's worth of tariff on anthracite coal or on petroleum.

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Skeleton in a Cave.

Jose Heranda, a Mexican sheep herder, in the employ of McLeod Brothers, while rounding up horses in the Sweet Grass Hill, 20 miles north of Columbus, Minn., discovered a large cave, the opening of which has been concealed by heavy underbrush. The cave, 70 feet in length, 35 feet in width and 10 feet in height was out in solid rock. In the centre, lying side by side, were the well-preserved skeletons of five human beings. These skeletons measure from 7 to 7 1/2 feet in length. Three knife blades, evidently made of hardened cepper, two bowls hardened out of two granite blocks, two stone hammer heads and some broken fragments of pottery were also found in the cave.

All kinds of Dress Shirts at M. WEILER'S.

WISCONSIN CURE FOR CONSUMPTION

How Old She Looks

Poor clothes cannot make you look old. Even pale cheeks won't do it. Your household cares may be heavy and disappointments may be deep, but they cannot make you look old.

One thing does it and never fails. It is impossible to look young with the color of seventy years in your hair.

Ayer's Hair Vigor

permanently postpones the tell-tale signs of age. Used according to directions it gradually brings back the color of youth. At fifty your hair may look as it did at fifteen. It thickens the hair also; stops it from falling out; and cleanses the scalp from dandruff. Shall we send you our book on the Hair and its Diseases?

The Best Advice Free. If you do not obtain all the benefits you expect from the use of the Vigor, write the doctor about it. Probably there is some difficulty with your general system which may be easily removed. Address, Dr. J. C. AYER, Lowell, Mass.

The deaths in Havana from June 1 to June 15 were 318. During the corresponding time last year the number of deaths was 2160. This decrease in the death-rate is the one overtopping advantage resulting from Yankee administration. There has been only a tolerable resumption of business, and a partial restoration of order; but longer life has certainly been assured.

What Is The Cause.

We hear continual good reports of the improved business conditions of this section as well as every other part of the Union. Here in our immediate neighborhood we find the coal and coal business assuming proportions it has never before held. There was never such a demand for lumber, and the prices that are being realized are so substantial that the lumbermen have their faces wreathed in happy smiles. The farmer is also bright and happy. He is producing nothing for which there is not a heavy demand and a cash market at hand. He has already disposed of his lambs at prices that make his purse much heavier, and cash buyers are hunting him up to purchase his wool at prices that make the production of that staple once more a leading feature of our country.

With the manufacturers the same kind of good conditions are found. They are all crowded with work and are giving their employees better wages and more constant employment. The iron and steel trade has reached such enormous proportions as even to startle the men who are engaged in its manufacture.

Can these splendid, these happy conditions be the result of chance, or do they come from the spirit of confidence kindled by restoration of the Republican party to power?—Tazewell Republican.

Wit and Wisdom.

The law of love has no statute of limitation—except the divorce court.—Orange Observer.

The best way to scald your lips is by the constant use of concentrated lie.—Ex.

No lawyer is able to obtain a stay of proceedings in Judge Lynch's court.—Orange Observer.

Gold has such a glamour that few people can resist the temptation to make it a god.—Orange Observer.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of J. C. Ayer & Co.

WALKER'S CRIME.

Gen. James A. Walker, of Wytheville, Va., is an old man—some seventy years old. In the ordinary course of nature, he cannot expect to live longer—a half a dozen at the most. Take his life from the time he was a smooth-faced soldier boy on his way to the army, up to the present, with his hair silvery white, and it is one teeming with interest and excitement.

On the battle-field he was a conspicuous figure, where the bullets were thickest, there was seen "Mr." Walker. His bravery and courage won the admiration of all, soldier and officer alike.

At the bar of Pulaski county he was a towering figure, and the country folk, far and near, came to the county seat to hear Gen. Walker "plead," and as they went on their way homeward late in the evening, they would resolve with a sense of great pride, that their sons should be a "big lawyer" like Gen. Walker. His name was a household word in Pulaski county, and represented the people's conception of ability and greatness. After this mould many a mind has been moulded in this country. Great and abiding has been the influence of this one man. At no fire-side was his name mentioned reproachfully, but those even whom he prosecuted, respected him as they feared his ability. Whether he prosecuted or defended, he did it fairly and manfully. And during his long life of active practice, no one has been able to say that Gen. Walker ever did aught but his duty—a record as clean as the man who made it.

Time rolls on, and in the evil hour, he commits a crime that blackens his whole life—he turns republican! According to the southern code of ethics, it is not honorable to be a republican; but to be a democrat and then turn republican is a crime which cannot be palliated or excused. His crime is the more heinous because of his prominence and ability. When a criminal becomes a leader he is despised and feared; when he becomes a successful leader, he can no longer be tolerated by decent people, but must be at once decapitated.

The outside world will be interested to know that this same Gen. Walker will, at the July term of the corporation court of the city of Bristol, Va., be tried for his liberty. Able lawyers from two states have been employed by unknown parties to assist an already able prosecuting attorney, to send Gen. Walker to the penitentiary ten years, if possible, at least for a period co-extensive with the few remaining years of his life. His liberty is in the hands of his enemies. He must be tried in a court whose clerk, James A. Stone, is the democratic manager of the district, and his mortal enemy. He must be tried in the city where his enemies are thickest; where the most daring frauds and crimes have been committed against him and which he has exposed to the public to their utter disgust and shame. We understand that a motion for a change of venue will be made at the calling of the case in July. Judge Stewart has already offered to give Gen. Walker a jury from Montgomery county, which we understand is a preliminary motion for a change of venue. We do not believe that he will, under the circumstances, refuse an absolute change of venue.

Surely General thinks he would not get a fair trial at Bristol, else he would not ask for a removal. He is most interested, and in the best position to know. Besides he is able to back his judgment by numerous affidavits. Why would they refuse a removal? Who would be harmed by it? The interest of the commonwealth would not be jeopardized by it. The base should be removed without hesitation.—Southwest Republican.

Ask Your Druggist CATARRH ELY'S CREAM BALM. Contains no cocaine, mercury nor any other injurious drug. COLD IN HEAD. It is quickly absorbed. Give Relief at once. It opens and cleanses the Nasal Passages. Allays Inflammation. Heals and Protects the Membrane. Restores the Senses of Taste and Smell. Full Size 50c.; Trial Size 10c.; at Druggists or by mail. ELY BROTHERS, 56 Warren Street, New York.

Increase of Wages.

Within the past four months the wages of thirty thousand men in Chicago have been increased from ten to thirty per cent. This has not been accomplished by means of strikes, but has been the voluntary act of employers who are paying increased wages because their business is better and because they can afford to pay it. It shows that all employees are not the grasping rascals that some agitators would make them appear.

The same story comes from every direction and reports to that effect are received every day. The increase of wages is now putting millions of dollars annually into the pockets of wage-earners. They pay it out for the necessaries and luxuries and it goes into the channels of trade. This is what is making times better. It is prosperity and there are not many people who are ready to run off after the vagaries of agitators who are either very selfish demagogues or very visionary and untrustworthy leaders. Prosperity is with us and is growing and spreading every day.—Knoxville Journal and Tribune.

Republican Conditions.

The news of the advance in wages of woodworkers which has just taken place in Cincinnati is in line with what has been going on in other fields of industry all over the country for the past few months. All the wages lost in the successive reductions during the Democratic panic days of 1893 and afterward, have been recovered, and in many instances increases have been made on the amount received before the cuts took place. There are fewer idle persons in the country now than were ever known before. Everybody has work he wants it, and wages are up to the highest mark of the past, or above it. These are great Republican conditions.—Lewisburg (Pa.) "Saturday News."

A DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

Both Parties to an Affray Killed Near Pulaski.

Pulaski, Va., June 19.—Yesterday morning about 11:30 while our town was chiming her Sunday morning bells, a fearful tragedy was taking place a few miles from here up on the Peck Creek railroad. Matt Pratt and Johnson Reines were swimming in Peck Creek, Reines accused Pratt of stealing a sheep. Words followed and Reines fired first and his shot took effect in Pratt's breast. Pratt, though fatally wounded, succeeded in snatching a pistol from a friend who stood by and fired twice. Reines after shooting turned to run, which accounts for his mortal wound in the side, Pratt's other shot went wide of the mark. Five minutes after the shooting Pratt died, and at four Reines followed. Dr. Chas. E. Peyton was sent for, but arrived too late to render any assistance. Neither party was over 19 years of age.

Finance and Trade.

The condition of the wheat crop is a most important factor in all the markets just at this time. There is much uncertainty as to the yield, some statisticians figuring it from the Government reports at a minimum of 500,000,000 bushels, and others, supposed to be just as accurate, make the total 68,000,000 bushels in excess of that figure. As the last harvest was 675,000,000 bushels, there is a shortage in sight of 100,000,000 bushels at least, with a possibility that it may reach half as much more. Of course, this affects the value of railroad shares materially, as it means a loss in earnings of noticeable magnitude.

In connection with the unfavorable reports from the home fields comes the intelligence from Russia that the crop outlook is extremely unfavorable in the southern part of that great wheat belt. This would indicate a foreign demand for our surplus sufficiently strong to make a decided advance in price, and the first step in the advance came during the week, when wheat went up two cents.

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Look in Your Mirror

Do you see sparkling eyes, a healthy, tinted skin, a sweet expression and a graceful form? These attractions are the result of good health. If they are absent, there is nearly always some disorder of the distinctly feminine organs present. Healthy menstrual organs mean health and beauty everywhere.

McELREE'S Wine of Cardui

makes women beautiful and healthy. It strikes at the root of all their trouble. There is no menstrual disorder, ache or pain which it will not cure. It is for the budding girl, the busy wife and the matron approaching the change of life. At every trying crisis in a woman's life it brings back strength and happiness. It costs \$1.00 of medicine dealers. For advice in cases requiring special directions, address, giving symptoms, "The Ladies' Advisory Department," The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

MRS. ROZENA LEWIS, of Oenaville, Texas, says: "I was troubled at monthly intervals with terrible pains in my head and back, but have been entirely relieved by Wine of Cardui."

A CATERER'S TOUT.

He Has a Regular Profession of His Own in London and Makes Lots of Money.

Few business men pay more in the way of commission tips, "sweetening" and so on, than do refreshment contractors, caterers and providers for banquets and entertainments given by great firms and societies, says London Answers. "First of all," said a great London caterer to the writer, "employees of ours swallow a small fortune in paying the fees to join various orders, societies, minor clubs, smoking concert committees, angling bodies and the like. There is no society in any district with any considerable number of members that has not some member who is paid by us. With regard to societies likely to yield us a return we instruct our agents to push themselves forward as much as possible and help them with funds. We get an immense amount of business in this way and always give a commission to any official of any club or society that gives us the contract, for in our business 'sweetening' is universal. "We keep one smart clerk whose sole duty it is to register all convivial and other clubs and societies and the date of their probable feasts and extra events. He makes out lists months before the events and then we are a-see them. I have personally paid thousands of pounds in subscriptions and fees to all sorts of bodies, and one of my active partners is a paying member to over 300 bodies of one kind or another. He turns up at scores of their meetings—an hour here and an hour there—and he spends money freely among fellow-members."

Old Mortality's mission is looked after systematically in these modern days: The New England Historic Genealogical society has undertaken to preserve and restore inscriptions or old tombstones in the eastern states. One recently brought to their attention was found eight feet below the surface of a central street in Boston. It bore the inscription: "Here lies the body of Adam Deanna, aged 69 years; died July 8, 1722."

At a Young Men's Christian association dinner in New York a few days ago one of the speakers, a lawyer, told of a client who every time he wrote to him inclosed a tract, and said that the last letter, recently received, instructed him to collect the money due on a mortgage, and if it wasn't paid in 30 days to foreclose. The tract-accompanying that letter was headed: "He that giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord."

A skunk got into the ventilating flue of the Methodist church at Sherman, N. Y., a few days ago and gave the audience a little annoyance during a series of revival meetings. After several efforts to get him out he was finally chloroformed in the flue and then removed without increasing the offensive indication of his presence. The opening of the flue will now be covered with netting.

A newborn baby in Dover, Me., received as his first gift the following timely outfit from a friend of his parents: A bunch of toothpicks, a toothbrush and a shaving mug. The friend doubtless thought every little shaver ought to have a mug.

Corncob pipes are made by the carload in Missouri, and sell for 25 to 27 cents per bushel. The industry is also an important one in Indiana, and one factory at Brightwood turns out between 4,000 and 5,000 a day.

It is reported that 500 men scoured Webster county, Ia., recently on a wolf hunt, and caught one jack rabbit. That bunch of ninerods just missed being "skunked" by a hare's breath.

No Pine Ultra. She—He's old enough to be a father. He—Yes; there's no fool like a fool who marries a young fool!

Compulsory Profanity. "Benedict Jones is a damn't he?" "He has to be; he's a damn't he!"—Chicago Record.

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Makes the food more delicious and wholesome

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## MARION NEWS

### Local Items.

Supervisor Jno. D. Barnes, of Broad Ford, paid our office a call last Monday J. J. A. Powell, of Wytheville, was in attendance on County Court last Monday.

Tears are the mustard plasters of the heart—they draw when nothing else will.

A. L. Robinson, Esq., of Friendship, was attending county court last Monday.

E. S. Repass and lady and little son Carl, of Rural Retreat, spent last Monday in Marion.

Prof. B. E. Copenhaver is in Augusta county this week, working in the interest of his school.

In the last three years the United States has sold abroad \$1,300,000,000 more than it has bought.

Dr. J. J. Scherer left Thursday for Craig county, where he goes to dedicate a new house of worship.

Mr. Chas. J. Kesner, of Bristol, spent court day here in the interest of the Bristol News.

This is harvest week in Smyth county, but the wheat crop is shorter than for several years.

Dr. R. F. Young and J. H. Rouse, of St. Clair Bottom, were registered at the Valley House Monday.

Pants of all kinds at  
M. WEILER'S.

Paulsey Surber, and aged citizen who lived near St. Clair Bottom died at his home last Friday.

Congressman Richard P. Bland, of Missouri, died at his home near Lebanon, that State, last week.

Straw, Crash and Fur Hats at  
M. WEILER'S.

Mrs. Dr. Hamilton, of Stanton, has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. L. Scherer, for the past week.

Dr. Tanner, of Chicago, the celebrated 40 days faster, was in town last week registered at Hotel Holston.

For every day or Sunday suits go  
M. WEILER.

Capt. J. B. Whitehead, H. Harmon and W. B. Tilson, of Olympia, were in attendance upon county court this week.

You know what that tired feeling is and you may know what will cure it by giving Hood's Sarsaparilla a fair trial.

Umbrellas of all kinds at  
M. WEILER'S.

Mrs. Willie Anderson, who has been teaching at the Ryland Institute, Norfolk, has returned home for the summer.

Ben Goble, the down town Barber, has moved his shop from upstairs in the Richardson building to the old Post Office building on Main street.

Black and Tan Shoes at  
M. WEILER'S.

Mr. J. Alfred Williams, of Nashville, a practical white barber, has opened a tonsorial parlor in the Valley House. Everything nice, new and tidy. He solicits your patronage.

Mr. H. G. Francis moved his family and household effects to Saltville last Friday. We regret to lose them from our community, but trust he and his good lady will be well contented in their new home.

Best Sweet and Sour Pickles Catchups &c., at MRS. CROUCH'S.

A charter has been granted to the promoters of the Abingdon and Damascus Railroad for its extension from Damascus through Shady Valley, Johnson county, Tenn., a distance of about fifteen miles.

MRS. CROUCH keeps all kind Bicycle Sundries.

Mr. V. S. Wilson and sister Miss Noonie, who have been spending the winter in Burks Garden, returned to their home near Holstein Mill, last Thursday. Their parents and many friends welcomed them back to the old homestead.

Go to the Farmers Protective Union for the Brown Plow, only \$2.40.

Mr. Ralph Dickinson, son of Dr. S. W. Dickinson, carried off the honors in the competitive examination at Wytheville and has received the appointment to the U. S. Military Academy at West Point. Mr. Dickinson is a young man of fine talent and of much promise.

Pure Cider Vinegar at MRS. M. CROUCH'S, 25cts per gallon.

Your Bowels With Cascarets. A gentle, pure, cathartic. All drug stores, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

### They Like It.

"My daughter has taken Hood's Sarsaparilla as a blood purifier and tonic, and likes it better than any other medicine. It creates a good appetite and strengthens the whole system. One of my friends who took Hood's Sarsaparilla says it is the best medicine in the world."—Mrs. G. W. Foster, Shallowford, N. C.

Hood's Pills are non-irritating and the only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Rev. E. A. Repass, of Gettysburg, Pa., will preach in the College Chapel Sunday at 11 a. m.

Mr. Graham Hull, left Marion yesterday morning and will be gone for a week looking after important business.

Farmers Protective Union will sell you the celebrated Headrick Grain Cradle at \$3.75.

Mrs. Prie Copenhaver, we regret to learn, is quite ill at her home, one mile north of Marion, with Pneumonia fever.

The distillery of M. Gutman, located in Poor Valley, Washington county, near Saltville, was destroyed by fire last week. Loss \$1,000. No insurance.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Copenhaver are visiting relatives in Bristol city this week.

Mr. John Blumett caught a German carp from Bull's dam Wednesday which weighed 11 pounds. Mr. Press Allen caught one the same day which weighed 10 pounds.

Get your Fruit Jars and Stone-ware at the Farmers Protective Union. All first-class.

Mr. Blaine Richardson, son of Sheriff elect Jas. V. Richardson, has taken up his abode in the city and besides assisting his father in his official duties will spend his spare time in studying law. We wish our young friend much success in his chosen profession.

Fresh and Best Groceries received at MRS. CROUCH'S every Wednesday. When you want anything nice and fresh call on her.

If you want the best piano or organ you can get it by dealing with The Hobby Company, of Roanoke, Va., as they do not handle any cheap shoddy instruments. They sell on easy payments, without interest and guarantee lowest factory prices. Write for catalogue, prices and terms. Go to Farmers Protective Union for your binding twine, 1 1/2 cents. Pure "risal" oil 30 cents per gallon.

Death of an Aged Lady.

Mrs. Mary Morris aged 90 years and 3 months, died at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. Charles Morris, in this place, last Monday evening. She possessed a quiet, amiable disposition and had been a member of the Lutheran Church for 60 years. Her funeral services were conducted at the home by Rev. J. J. Scherer after which her remains were laid to rest in Round Hill Cemetery.

200 dozen Fruit Jars for sale cheap  
D. H. MITCHELL.

The following County and District Officers qualified before G. H. Fudge, Judge of Smyth County Court on Monday last, 19th instant:

W. C. Sexton, County Clerk; Jas. V. Richardson, Sheriff; Geo. W. Richardson, Com. Attorney.

MARION DISTRICT.  
D. D. Hull, Supervisor; Jno. L. Gollehon, Com. Revenue; T. J. Wrgal, A. B. Snavely and C. W. Snavely, Justices; F. Johnson, Overseer of Poor; W. H. Crouse, F. G. Davis, H. M. Rector and Wm. A. Scott, Road Surveyors.

RICH VALLEY DISTRICT.  
Jno. D. Barnes, Supervisor.  
C. M. Shannon, Com. Revenue.  
A. H. Poff, H. H. Cook, T. B. Ward, Geo. W. Gilbert, D. M. Scott, Justices.  
A. F. Chapman, C. M. Shreves and J. A. Campbell, constables.  
R. F. Clear, Overseer of Poor.  
B. P. Walker, J. H. Bowling and S. R. Clear, Road Surveyors.

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT.  
Jas. F. Scott, Supervisor.  
Jno. M. Williams, Com. Revenue.  
Thos. Wilkinson, J. J. Kirk, W. J. Chisenhall and G. B. Blankenbuecker, Justices.  
E. W. Wampler and S. W. Keesling, constables.  
James H. Freeman, Overseer of Poor.  
Mathew Bennington, M. T. Steward and Jno. Calhoun, Road Surveyors.

We want Tan Bark and Cross Ties. Will pay full price for ties after the bark has been taken off. Bring ties in June and July, not later.

D. H. MITCHELL.  
Notice! Notice!  
Parties wishing either Salt or Plaster, or both can be supplied with the very best by calling on  
HULL & STALEY,  
At the Brick Mill.

Beauty Is Blood Deep.  
Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets—beauty for ten cents. All drug stores, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

Farmers Protective Union still keep grass, clover, timothy and millet seed.

Governor McMinn, of Tennessee, returned last week to Nashville from a trip to New York, where he made arrangements to borrow \$600,000 from the City National Bank at 3 1/2 per cent., with which to meet notes of the State due July 1st and Jan. 1st.

I want Chickens and Eggs, in fact all good produce. Highest price paid in cash or goods.  
D. H. MITCHELL.

Virginia will not have an opportunity to elect a Senator by popular vote. The machinery in the hands of Senator Martin was altogether too effective for Fitzhugh Leg's untrained forces. Still, Mr. Martin is a good business man and a careful Senator. If the State can not send a good Republican. Mr. Martin is not far from the next best man.—Olin-cinnati Tribune.

Farmers Protective Union is still in the lead with Fertilizer, \$12.00 \$13.00 and 13.50 per ton. Always on hand.

A few days ago near Ringgold, Ga., W. G. Overby, a prosperous young farmer, took a wife. He and his bride settled themselves at home in anticipation of a long and happy life, but on the very next day after the ceremony was performed Mr. Overby was struck by lightning and instantly killed.

Over one hundred were registered at the Valley House last Monday. This hotel is deservedly popular, and is regarded as one of the best hotels in Southwest Va. A barber shop has just been opened in connection with the hotel under the management of Mr. J. A. Williams, of Nashville, Tenn., who is a master of his art.

A country editor in Illinois lately sued thirty subscribers in arrears for the paper. He obtained judgment against each one for the full amount of his claim. About one-half of them then came up and made oath that they had no more property than the law allowed them as exempt from execution. He had the lot arrested and sent to jail. The new postal law makes it a larceny to take a paper and not pay for it.

The immense brick plant which is being erected near Hilton's Va. is rapidly nearing completion, and when finished will be one of the largest in the two states. Mr. Hedgecock, the proprietor, has already completed nine dwelling houses for his employes, and others are under construction. The brick plant will be completed within about thirty days. So far they have received contracts for 40,000,000 of vitrified brick.

Pastor J. M. Dunnaway delivered last Sunday night to a well filled house the 5th in his series of discourses, "The relation of wives to their husbands." The sermon was a good one, full of practical truths and wholesome advice for all who heard it. Mr. D. is a forceful speaker and holds the ear of his audience well. The discourse next Sunday night will be addressed particularly to FATHERS. The parents of Marion should hear him.

At a meeting of Marion Lodge, No. 31, A. F. & A. M., the following officers were elected and installed for the ensuing year:

P. C. March, W. M.  
W. G. Dunlap, S. W.  
J. B. Neal Jr., J. W.  
Z. T. Atkins, Treasurer.  
H. B. Staley, Secretary.  
Jas. White Sheffey, S. D.  
S. A. Snider, J. D.  
J. J. Scherer, Chaplain.  
E. J. Haller, S. and T.

NOTICE! NOTICE!  
On and after July 1st, 1899, bills will accompany all orders for meat. It takes money to buy cattle and we are just forced to do this or we would soon be closed up. We hope no one will become offended, as this is simply business, and we can not sell on credit any longer.

Respectfully,  
PAINTER & ATKINS.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.  
Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c. \$1. All drug stores.

NELSON DINGLEY'S SUCCESSOR.  
A Sweeping Republican Victory Won by Charles E. Littlefield in Maine.

Rockland, Me., June 19.—Charles E. Littlefield of Rockland was elected today to succeed the late Nelson Dingley in the Second Congressional district by a majority now estimated at more than 10,000. He will have more than 1,700 majority in Knox county, which formerly was nearly always Democratic.

To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic, 10c or 25c. If C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

Geo. W. Blankenship, Census Supervisor, for 9th District.

The Hon. Geo. W. Blankenship, of Lee county, has been appointed by Director Merriam, Supervisor of the Census, for the 9th Congressional District of Va. Mr. Blankenship is a lawyer of ability, a good Republican and well qualified to fill the responsible position which has been tendered him. The 9th District was justly allotted to the Republicans and General Walker, we understand, recommended Mr. Blankenship. He will have the appointment of 75 (100) enumerators in the various counties of the district. The work of taking the census will not commence until June 1st, 1900. We congratulate Mr. Blankenship on his preferment and predict that he will make a successful and popular Supervisor.

WHILE THERE IS LIFE THERE IS HOPE—I was afflicted with catarrh; could neither taste nor smell and could hear but little. Ely's Cream Balm cured it.—Marcus G. Shantz, Rahway, N. J.

THE BALM reached me safely and the effect is surprising. My son says the first application gave decided relief. Respectfully, Mrs. Franklin Freeman, Dover, N. H.  
The Balm does not irritate or cause sneezing. Sold by druggists at 50 cents, or mailed by Ely Brothers, 56 Warren Street, N. Y.

Our Retiring Treasurer.

Smyth county will have a few Treasurer after July 1st. We may have something to say of him later on.

What we desire to say is concerning Mr. A. F. Stone, the outgoing county Treasurer. Mr. Stone has held the position for 8 years and declined to be a candidate for a third term. We do not hesitate to say that to our knowledge, he has been the best Treasurer the county has ever had. County warrants during the past 8 years have been the same as cash and money has always been in the Treasurers' office to meet the demands made upon it. No school teacher, juryman or road employee have ever been necessitated to have their warrants shaved in order to get the cash on them. We doubt if there has been many Treasurers in the State whose records have equaled that of A. F. Stone's.

Besides being a good official, he is a genial gentleman, a benevolent man in his church and community and a most enterprising and useful citizen in the county. We return thanks to him for past courtesies and join with the citizens of Smyth county in congratulating him upon the splendid official record he has made during the past 8 years.

Tribute of Respect.

To the Eminent Commander and Sir Knights of Lyuu Commandry No. 9, K. T.:  
Your committee appointed to take suitable action with reference to the death of our lamented frater, R. M. Goodell, respectfully made the following report:

The Supreme Grand Commander on the morning of the 3rd of June, 1899, called from his earthly pilgrimage to the Grand Encampment above our beloved Sir Knight and brother, R. M. Goodell. After a long and painful illness, borne with more knightly fortitude, he has laid aside his staff and scrip, completed his terms of warfare and penance and been welcomed to the society of those valiant and magnanimous Knights who by their deeds of charity and pure beneficence have entitled them to participate in the honors and rewards that await the Valiant Templar.

By his death, Lynn Commandry has lost a member devoted to the sublime principles of our ancient and honorable order; our town a public spirited and honored citizen; his family a devoted husband and father. To his family we extend our sympathy and assure them of our knightly aid and comfort. We commend them to the protection of the Supreme Commander of the Universe, who alone can comfort them in this hour of sore bereavement.

We recommend that the sword of our Knights be draped in mourning for thirty days, that this tribute of respect be spread upon the records and that our Recorder be instructed to send a copy to the family of our deceased brother.

G. H. FUDGE,  
J. A. GROSECLOSE,  
E. J. HALLER,  
Committee.

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Chicago, Ill., June 19.—Harry Beno awoke from his sleep of nine days last night and walked out of his living grave. His first act was to eat a dainty meal of chicken broth, boiled eggs and crackers, after which he declared that he was feeling well. Beno is the man who has driven files and awls into his head and hung chairs on them; who has eaten arsenic and smoked a cigar for dessert.

Beno was not underground during the entire eight days, as the grave in which he was buried became flooded during the heavy rains. He was not removed from the coffin, but the box was taken out of the ground on Wednesday and a platform put under it. When he was released from the coffin he mounted a platform and old the story of his life to a crowd of 3000 people.

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Sale of Valuable Real Estate.

Eli Landreth vs. G. W. Hines.  
Pursuant to a decree entered in the above cause, August 20th, 1898, by the Judge of Smyth Circuit Court, I will offer for sale to the highest bidder, at the front door of Smyth County Court House on July 17th, 1899, (that being the first day of July court), the tract of land of 108 acres formerly owned by Eli Landreth and by him sold to G. W. Hines, the sale being for the balance of purchase money. Said land is situated on St. Clair's Creek, Smyth County, South of St. Clair Bottom. The mineral interest in said land is reserved.

TERMS OF SALE:  
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Under and by virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of Smyth county, entered in the Chancery cause of Josie Fouts, against Martha Rogers, et al., on the 1st day of Sept. 1898, the undersigned commissioner will proceed on the 17th day of July (that being the first day of county court of Smyth county, Va.) at the front door of the courthouse in Marion, Va., to sell at public outcry to the highest bidder, the following described real estate:

A house and lot on the east side of Iron Alley, situated near the colored school building, known as lot No. 15, in a plan and sale made by A. P. Cole, commissioner in chancery cause of Hopkins, Hull and Atkinson and others vs. A. B. Beatty to William Rogers, trustee, for Flora Rogers, his wife. Said lot contains one quarter acre, a dwelling house and a good orchard is located thereon.

TERMS:—Cash in hand to pay costs of suit, commission and expenses of sale and the residue on a credit of six, twelve and eighteen months, taking from the purchaser bond with approved security for deferred payments.  
R. A. ANDERSON,  
Commissioner.

I hereby certify that R. A. Anderson has executed the bond required of him in the case of Josie Fouts, vs. Martha Rogers and others. This 22nd day of September 1898.  
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WHEN MOTHER CAME HOME.

Carl came in from the baseball game. When he heard the clock strike two, he had to put on his Sunday clothes. As the train would soon be due. His good sister fixed his best blue tie. Then took from the china bowl a pink, like one the president wears. And put it in his buttonhole. For mother was coming home. He ran all the way to the station. For fear that he might be late. But the baggage man smiled and told him he had a whole hour to wait. Which made him feel very impatient. An hour at a station, you know, is twice as long as anywhere else. Carl thought it would never go. When mother was coming home. The days that had been such long, long days. Since the mother went to town, and her boy, somehow, kept "seeing things". At night-time when he lay down. Then every unkind word said dead. When the moon shone in his window, seemed To be written on the wall. But mother was coming home. Then his arms he'd throw about her neck. While he kissed her o'er and o'er. And promise he'd never make Her dear heart ache any more. But what if the train ran off the track! He paced the wide station round, And in his heart he prayed to God To bring it in safe and sound. For mother was coming home. Soon he heard the shrill whistle at the bend. Then the engine plunged in sight, And the fastest train over the road Thundered in on time, all right. When the mother from the chair car stepped. Her dear heart was full of joy To see the glad look upon the face Of her waiting, loving boy. Because mother had come home. -Susan Teal Perry, in Evangelist.

The Story of Irene.

By Hope Darling. "REALLY, truly coming to live with us, mamma? Oh, how glad I am!" said Mabel Brown. Mabel and Maude Brown had just entered the sitting-room of their farmhouse home, after spending a long summer afternoon with a playmate. Their mother had told them that a letter had been received from the guardian of their cousin, Irene Brown. Irene's parents had died a year before, and the little orphan had continued to attend school in the city where she had always lived. Now she was coming to Brown Farm to stay. Mabel's delight was shared by Maude. The sisters looked much alike, being fair and plump, with merry blue eyes and brown hair. Mabel was 12 and Maude 10. "Irene will be just between us," Mabel said, gleefully, "for she is 11. We will have such good times. We can play with our dolls and dishes and—" "With Leon, too," interrupted Maude. "I'm sure he is the very best thing we have."

Just then the baby brother, who was only big enough to talk in cunning broken words, ran in and was delighted at the return of his sisters. He was a pretty child, his face all pink and white like an apple blossom, and his hair clustering around his head in tiny golden curls. It was a week before Irene came. In this week the little girls were very busy. All the clothes of their numerous dolls were washed, and the two playhouses were put in perfect order and adorned with the little maidens' choicest possessions. One of these playhouses was upstairs in what was called the "wing chamber," and the other out under the wide-spreading branches of an apple tree.

Irene reached the town, four miles distant, late in the afternoon. Mr. Brown met her there, and it was sundown when they reached the house. Mrs. Brown and her daughters hurried down the path to meet the newcomer. She was slender and dark with black eyes and black hair, which was woven into two long, heavy braids. She timidly returned the caresses of her aunt and cousins. It was not until they started for the house that she spoke. "Be careful, that is mine," she cried, taking from Mabel the pink silk parasol she had started to carry to the house.

Mabel flushed a little. Leon came toddling down the path, and Irene dropped everything to hold out her hands to him. "Oh, what a dear, sweet baby! Is he my cousin? Will he let me kiss him?" Leon did this after a little coaxing. Irene was tired and was glad to soon go with her aunt to the large upper room which she was to share with Mabel and Maude. The traveler was no sooner in the small white bed which had been prepared for her than she fell asleep.

The next morning was clear and warm. Irene's face was bright when she took her place at the table. The windows of the dining-room opened directly onto the branches of the tall pear tree where the bluebirds had built their nests for many years. The little stranger enjoyed the huge red raspberries, the oatmeal and the creamy milk. She laughed over Leon's funny ways, and when she sprang down from the table she nodded gaily in response to Maude's invitation to "go play."

The dew lay heavy on the grass of the orchard, so Mrs. Brown told them to go to the playhouse upstairs. They ran away to the long, low room, whose walls were covered with rough, gray plaster. There was little furniture except trunks and boxes. The single window was shaded, like those below, by the branches of the pear tree, and the sun peered through the gently waving leaves, making an ever-changing pattern of light and shade upon the bare floor. Mr. Brown had kindly brought up the box containing Irene's toys and re-

noved the cover. Mabel and Maude were very anxious to see the contents of this box, but as Irene hurried forward to the corner near the window where the playhouse was, they politely brought out their treasures to show her. Irene was much interested. "Are these yours?" she asked Maude, as the little girl brought forth a miniature tea set decorated with pink rosebuds. Maude looked a little puzzled. "They are ours, Mabel's and mine. Why," and her round face grew thoughtful, "they are yours, too, cause purl will mean you now." Irene made no reply. Instead she took up one of the dolls and began to change the Turkey red Mother Hubbard for a party dress of pink cambric. Mabel helped her, handing her the various articles and chatting merrily. Maude, left somewhat to herself, advanced to the box of Irene's toys and lifted the cover. The child never dreamed that her act might be considered rude. Irene was one of them now, and were not all things, by the law of love which ruled that household, "ours?" She lifted a layer of paper, and a rapturous exclamation broke from her lips. "Oh, what a beautiful doll!" she cried, carefully lifting out a fancifully dressed Chinese doll. "Irene, I think you—"

The sentence was never finished. Irene sprang up and snatched the doll from Maude. "Don't touch that or anything else. They are mine." "But you have our things," Maude replied, spiritedly. "Why shouldn't I see these?" "Because they are mine," Irene said, putting the doll back in the box. "I never let anyone have my things." Maude's cheeks were very red. "Then you needn't ever touch ours. I think you are selfish, Irene Brown, and I'm sorry you've come here to live, so there!" Irene began to cry, and Maude rushed down to tell the story to her mother. Mrs. Brown was much grieved and tried to show both little girls their mistake. Irene opened her big black eyes in wonder. "Why, they are mine, Aunt Marie, and my things are just for me." To Mabel and Maude this was a new idea. Mabel tried to excuse Irene, but impulsive Maude refused to overlook her cousin's conduct. There was no quarrelling; Mr. and Mrs. Brown would not allow that, but there was an entire lack of the sweet spirit of generosity and oneness which had hitherto governed that home. Irene loved Leon and would sometimes allow him to use her toys. Again, she would snatch something from him, crying: "That's mine, Leon." There was no trace of justice in her selfishness, for she never hesitated to join in the pleasure of others. A month passed. One hot August afternoon, when the fields were lying all parched and brown under the fierce rays of the sun, Baby Leon woke, crying, from a brief sleep. He was feverish and fretful. Before night it was evident that he was really ill. The simple remedies given him by his mother did not relieve him, and a doctor was summoned. He shook his head gravely. The little girls did not care for play. They tried to help in various ways, especially delighting in doing little things for Leon. Almost unconsciously Irene was learning the beauty of doing for others. The days went by and there was no change. On the evening of the fifth day Irene stole softly into the room where her aunt sat by Leon's crib. The little form was wasted, and fever had burned the freshness from the rosy tinted face. Irene stooped and put her hand on the tiny one that lay on Leon's breast. Slowly the golden lashes lifted and the blue eyes looked into her face. "Do you, 'Irene,' Leon lisped; "Irene say 'mine' to baby." He closed his eyes. Mrs. Brown looked into the face of her little niece. Notwithstanding her own grief, the mother's heart went out to the startled child. She put out her arms and drew Irene to her in a close embrace. "Is it true, Aunt Marie?" the little girl asked when tears had relieved her and she could speak. "Does my wanting my own things for myself keep Leon, and all the rest of you, from loving me?" Very gently Mrs. Brown tried to show Irene that a selfish life could not be a happy one. She told her of the heavenly Father's love for all, and His command that we love one another. Irene listened in silence. A little later she went out on the porch where Mabel and Maude were sitting. "Please, girls," she began, the crimson light of the setting sun staining her face with its glow, "please, won't you let me say 'ours,' our little Leon, and everything? I haven't any 'mine' now. It is all 'ours.'" Mabel and Maude were ready to forgive their cousin and assured her that they would commence over. When they went downstairs the next morning they found that Leon was better. He smiled up in their faces with something of his old sunniness, and did not draw away when Irene pressed many kisses upon his lips. Irene's lesson was well learned. Her joys are not alone her own now, but in common with those of the entire family. -Detroit Free Press.

A Poser. A small father of some six summers whose father is accustomed to supplement his dose of church catechism by Sunday evening readings from the old Bible stories, found theological difficulties presented by the tale of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego. He presented to his mother for solution one Monday morning the problem that had vexed his mind during the night. "I can't see why it is, mamma. I don't bend my knee to false idols or worship strange gods, and yet even if I put even the tiniest tip of my finger in the fire it burns it." -Harlem Life.

Greatest Act of Devotion. Maj. Marchand, the explorer, having received from the French Academy of Moral and Political Sciences the Audiffred prize of 15,000 francs "for the greatest act of devotion of any kind." About the same time the French government bestowed upon his sister, Mlle. Marchand, the right to keep a tobacco shop in the Rue de la Tour d'Auvergne, in Paris.

THE WISHING WELLS.

A Strange Old Scotch Custom That Is Handed Down From Father to Son. In Scotland old customs die hard, especially in the highlands, as was evidenced on the first Sunday in May, when the time-honored practice of paying a visit to the wells, the waters of which are known for their healing virtues, was observed by hundreds of persons. Young and old journeyed from Inverness during the day to St. Mary's well, which is situated near to the blasted Culloden heath, and after drinking the water a coin was dropped into the well. This act is supposed to be an earnest of good health and success during the year. The practice of visiting "wishing wells" has descended from father to son, and despite the fact that many ministers point out that it is not conducive to keeping the Sabbath holy, and is only fit for superstitious barbarians, still the numbers who go to the well never diminish. Not only was the practice observed in parts of Inverness-shire, but in Ross-shire also numbers of people visited the famous healing well of Craigchew, deposited their coins and returned apparently satisfied that trouble and sickness had effectually been guarded against in the coming year.

ONLY ONE TRIPLE HERE. The Only Saloon in the World Where You Can Buy But One Drink. London boasts of a saloon where a man can have only one drink—and no smoke. It is located just off Bishopsgate and in rather a low street. Nor may that one drink be a horn of plenty. Printed rules adorn the wall, and no rule has ever had a single exception. After one drink the tippler who wishes another must go away—go far away and out of sight—and not come back until after the lapse of at least 30 or 40 minutes. No one who shows sign of having had too much may have a drink at any price. Then, too, the hours of closing are far more civilized than those of most public houses. Of course, over and above the regular customers many people are attracted to this inn out of pure curiosity. The sight-seeing and novelty-hunting American finds it out in his rambles. Should the curiosity-monger, however, try to coax the men servers behind the bar into a breach of their stern laws he is courteously refused. You must play the game, or nothing. In fact, the list of carefully compiled rules concludes with an intimation that such customers as do not care to conform thereto are "respectfully requested to transfer their custom to some other establishment."

WHY SOME FOLKS ARE POOR. Curious Facts That Have Been Brought to Light in a New England Town. The statistics relating to the care of the poor are often interesting. In a certain New England city, says a writer for the New York Times, they allow the people who need the city's aid three dollars a week, and they order at certain stores what they please up to that sum weekly, and the bills are sent to the city auditor. The auditor, as he reads the bills, is greatly enlightened as to the diet of the poor. There are frequently raisins, citron and things that are not usually supposed necessary to support life, but one poor woman broke the record when in the bill for one week's supplies it was found that 26 pies had been purchased. That, at ten cents a pie, exhausted \$2.60 of the city's money and there remained 40 cents to supply the family with necessities. Another poor woman had purchased at the expense of the city a pair of corsets. "I don't know that I believe in dress reform for women," commented the auditor as he read that item, "but it seems to me that this creates a precedent that may make it rather hard on the city." However, being a man, the auditor could hardly be expected to know what are the necessities of life for a woman.

CRATER BATHING. Hazardous Nature of a Californian Sport That Is Very Popular. Crater bathing is a leading sport in Mexico and California, where volcano baths are frequently taken on account of their recuperative and invigorating properties. The bathers do not plunge into either hot water or lava, as neither exist in the craters used for baths, nor do any flames or sulphurous vapors arise from the hollows. The substance into which the volcano bather lowers himself is fresh-mixed mud, of the consistency of freshly-mixed mortar. These volcanoes, which are among the wonders of California, are fairly numerous, there being 25 in the Mendocino district, which throw up mud instead of lava when they are in eruption. The method of bathing is simple, if not comfortable, and is attended with risk. A sapling, cut from the forests and stripped of its branches, is placed over the crater so that its extremities rest upon firm ground. The bather crawls along this sapling until the middle of the crater is reached, and then lets his body into the mud, and hangs suspended by the hands from the strip of wood. If this grasp were relaxed by any chance the bather would in all probability sink into the mud and disappear before help could be rendered.

Shaming Delinquents. Russian photographers shame delinquent customers by hanging their pictures upside down in their glass cases. This method soon compels them to pay up.

Europe's Blind. More women than men go blind in Sweden, Norway and Iceland; more men than women in the rest of Europe.

France's Presidential Terms. Of seven presidents of France, only one has served a full term. He, Grevy, resigned early in his second term.

WHAT ENLISTED MEN GOT.

They Were Allowed to See the Beautiful Pictures on the Beer Barrels. One of the returned sailors from Manila—a gunner's mate and much sworn at aloft, a gentleman and a wheelman ashore—was sipping amber refreshment in a roadhouse, two tables over from the apt of the brewing company, says the Chicago Chronicle. "I see you wear the cap ribbon of the McCulloch on your handle bars," said the agent, coming over. "Were you at Manila?" "Yes." "May 1?" "Yes—and to December, for the matter of that." "We sent 50 barrels of this beer over there to you fellows right after the big fight. Got there about the first of August, I guess."

"Yes, I think I remember." "How did you like it?" "Fine stuff, I'm told." "Taste good in that hot country?" "I don't know. You see—" "Do you mean to say that you didn't get any good of that shipment?" "Oh, yes, I got good of it. You see, in every barrel were two pictures—lithographs of a pretty girl sitting on earth and looking down, for she was ashamed of her shirt waist. The officers sent one of these pictures forward and we enlisted men were allowed to look at it."

KIPLING WANTED DETAILS. Incident That Shows the Author's Thirst for Exact Knowledge on Every Point. "Kipling's methods of absorbing detail are curious and interesting," says Mr. Lyman D. Bentley, formerly of the Baldwin Locomotive company. "Some years ago, while he was visiting the shops at New Haven, he met a skilled mechanic named Cressy, and immediately proceeded to pump him about engine building. Cressy did not fully appreciate the honor that was paid him, but he was flattered by the novelist's interest, and the two went all over a big eight-wheel express flyer that was standing in the yard. Kipling said he had lots of books on the subject, but they didn't tell him the things he wished to know. What he wanted was a real engineer or builder's idea of the machine, and he was particularly eager to learn the colloquial names of the parts. He took no notes, but about a month later he was in New Haven again, and hunted up the mechanic. 'Look here, Cressy,' he said, producing a rough sketch on a card of one of the valves of the brake-gear. 'I wish you'd tell me again just how this thing works.' Cressy explained, and Kipling laughed delightedly. 'I've got it now!' he exclaimed. I mention the incident because it seems to throw some light on his astonishing command of technicalities."

Game Laws Down East. A down east editor has drawn up some new game laws which he wants adopted. The following is a summary: "Book agents may be killed from October 1 to September 1; spring poets, from March 1 to June 1; scandal-mongers, from April 1 to February 1; umbrella borrowers, from August 1 to November 1, and February 1 to May 1, while every man who accepts a newspaper two years, and, upon being presented with his bill, says: 'I never ordered it;' may be killed on the spot without reserve or relief."

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