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VIRGINIA—In the clerk's office of the circuit court of Smyth county, 20th Nov., 1891. Chas. J. Shannon, W. H. Shannon and John Shannon, Plaintiffs.

AGAINST The Bank of Tazewell, at Tazewell court-house, Va., and the Bank of Princeton, Va., and the Bank of Leonard, Sheriff Smyth county, Va., Defendants. **IN CHANCERY.**

The object of this suit is to have a discovery from defendants as to the rate of interest charged, and to have a decree for same in favor of the complainants. And it appearing by affidavit filed that the Bank of Princeton, at Princeton, W. Va., is a non-resident of the State of Va., it is therefore ordered that the said Bank of Princeton, do appear here within 15 days after the due publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect its interest in this suit. Teste: J. H. GOLDEN, D. C. Dickenson & Blair, p. q.

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The Message

Annual Communication of the President to Congress.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

The reports of the heads of the several Executive Departments, and the reports of the Secretary of the Treasury and the Attorney-General, furnish a comprehensive view of the administrative work of the last fiscal year relative to internal affairs. The work of the State Department during the last year has been characterized by an unusual number of important negotiations and by diplomatic results of a notable and beneficial character. Among these are the reciprocal trade arrangements, which have been concluded with several countries.

In view of the reports which had been received as to the diminution of the seal herds in the Behring Sea I deemed it wise to propose to Her Majesty's Government in February last that an agreement for a closed season should be made, pending the negotiation for arbitration which then seemed to be approaching a favorable conclusion. After much correspondence, and delays for which this Government was not responsible, an agreement was reached and signed on the 15th of June.

In my last annual message I stated that the basis of arbitration proposed by Her Majesty's Government for the adjustment of the long-pending controversy as to the seal fisheries was not acceptable. I am glad now to be able to announce that terms satisfactory to this Government have been agreed upon.

Provision should be made for a joint demarcation of the frontier line between Canada and the United States, wherever required by the increasing border settlements, and especially for the exact location of the water boundary in the straits and rivers.

It is gratifying to be able to state that Germany, Denmark, Italy, Austria and France, in the order named, have opened their ports to inspected American pork products. The removal of these restrictions in every instance was asked for and given solely upon the ground that we had now provided a meat inspection that should be accepted as adequate to the complete removal of the dangers, real or fancied, which had been previously urged.

The lynching at New Orleans in March last of eleven men of Italian nativity by a mob of citizens was a most deplorable and discreditable incident. It did not, however, have its origin in any general animosity to the Italian people, nor in any disrespect to the Government of Italy, with which our relations were of the most friendly character. It was at once represented by the Italian minister that several of those whose lives had been taken by the mob were Italian subjects, and a demand was made for the punishment of the participants and for an indemnity to the families of those who were killed. It is to be regretted that the manner in which these claims were presented was not such as to promote a calm discussion involved; but this may well be attributed to the excitement and indignation which the crime naturally evoked. The temporary absence of the Minister Plenipotentiary of Italy at this Capitol has retarded the further correspondence, but it is not doubted that a friendly conclusion is attainable.

Some suggestions growing out of this unhappy incident are worthy the attention of Congress. It would, I believe, be entirely competent for Congress to make offenses against the treaty rights of foreigners domiciled in the United States cognizable in the Federal courts. The civil war in Chili, which began in January last, was continued, but fortunately with infrequent and not important armed collisions, until August 28, when the Congressional forces landed near Valparaiso and, after a bloody engagement, captured that city. President Balmaceda at once recognized that his cause was lost, and a provisional government was speedily established by the victorious party. Our minister was promptly directed to recognize and put himself in communication with this Government so soon as it should have established its de facto character, which was done. During the pendency of this civil contest frequent indirect appeals were made to this Government to extend belligerent rights to the insurgents and to give audience to their representatives. This was declined, and that policy was pursued throughout.

The instructions to our naval officers and to our minister at Santiago, from the first to the last of this struggle, enjoined upon them the most impartial treatment and absolute non-interference. I am satisfied that these instructions were observed and that our representatives were always watchful to use their influence impartially in the interest of humanity, and, on more than one occasion, did so. We could not, however, however, that this Government was in diplomatic relations with the then established Government of Chili, as it is now in such relations with the successor of that Government. I am quite sure that President Montt, who has, under circumstances of promise for the peace of Chili, been installed as President of that Republic, will not desire, in the unfortunate event of any revolt against his authority, the policy of this Government should be other than that which we have recently observed. No official complaint of the conduct of our minister or of our naval officers during the struggle has been presented to this Government; and it is a matter of regret that so many of our own people should have given ear to unofficial charges and complaints that manifestly had their origin in rival interests and in a wish to pervert the relations of the United States with Chile.

more than two, and one as many as eighteen, stab wounds. An investigation of the affair was promptly made by a board of officers of the Baltimore, and their report shows that these assaults were unprovoked, that our men were conducting themselves in a peaceable and orderly manner, and that some of the police of the city took part in the assault and used their weapons with fatal effect, while a few others, with some well-disposed citizens, endeavored to protect our men. Thirty-six of our sailors were arrested, and some of them, while being taken to prison, were cruelly beaten and maltreated. The fact that they were all discharged, no criminal charge being lodged against any one of them, shows very clearly that they were innocent of any breach of the peace.

So far as I have yet been able to learn no other explanation of this bloody work has been suggested than that it had its origin in hostility to these men as sailors of the United States, wearing the uniform of their Government, and not in any individual act or personal animosity. The attention of the Chilean Government was at once called to this affair, and a statement of the facts obtained by the investigation we had conducted was submitted, accompanied by a request to be advised of any other or qualifying facts in the possession of the Chilean Government that might tend to relieve this affair of the appearance of an insult to this Government. The Chilean Government was also advised that if such qualifying facts did not exist this Government would confidently expect full and prompt reparation.

It is to be regretted that the reply of the Secretary of Foreign Affairs of the Provisional Government was couched in an offensive tone. To this no response has been made. This Government is now awaiting the result of an investigation which has been conducted by the criminal court of Valparaiso. It is reported unofficially that the investigation is about completed, and it is expected that the result will soon be communicated to this government, together with some adequate and satisfactory response to the note by which the attention of Chile was called to this incident. If these just expectations should be disappointed or further needless delay intervene, I will, by a special message, bring this matter again to the attention of Congress for such action as may be necessary.

A question has arisen with the Government of Spain touching the rights of American citizens in the Caroline Islands. Our citizens there, long prior to the confirmation of Spain's claim to the islands, had secured by settlement and purchase certain rights, to the recognition and maintenance of which the faith of Spain was pledged. I have had reason within the past year very strongly to protest against the failure to carry out this pledge on the part of His Majesty's ministers.

The death King Kalakaua in the United States afforded occasion to testify our friendship for Hawaii by conveying the King's body to his own land in a naval vessel with all due honors. The government of his successor, Queen Liliuokalani, is seeking to promote closer commercial relations with the United States. Surveys for the much needed submarine cable from our Pacific Coast to Honolulu are in progress, and this enterprise should have the suitable promotion of the two Governments. I strongly recommend that provision be made for improving the harbor of Pearl River and equipping it as a naval station.

This Government has occasion to express, in a friendly spirit, but with much earnestness, to the Government of the Czar, its serious concern because of the harsh measures now being enforced against the Hebrews in Russia. The Hebrew is never a beggar; he has always kept the law—life by toil—often under severe and oppressive civil restrictions. It is also true that no race, sect or class has more fully cared for its own than the Hebrew race. But the sudden transfer of such a multitude, under conditions that tend to strip them of their small accumulations and to depress their energies and courage, is neither good for them nor for us. A decree to leave one country, is in the nature of things, an order to enter another—some other. This consideration, as

well as the suggestions of humanity, furnishes ample ground for the remonstrances which we have presented to Russia, while our historic friendship for that Government can not fail to give the assurance that our representations are those of a sincere well-wisher.

The annual report of the Maritime Canal Company of Nicaragua shows that much costly and necessary preparatory work has been done during the year, and that the work of canal construction has made some progress. I deem it to be a matter of the highest concern to the United States that this canal, connecting the waters of the Atlantic and Pacific oceans and giving to us a short water communication between our ports upon those two great seas, should be speedily constructed and at the smallest practicable limit of cost.

It is this work is to be promoted by the usual financial methods and without the aid of this Government, the expenditures, in its interest-bearing securities and stocks, will be twice the actual cost. I am quite willing to recommend Government promotion in the prosecution of a work which, if no other means offered for securing its completion, is of such transcendent interest that the Government should, in my opinion, secure it by direct appropriations from its Treasury.

International copyright has been secured, in accordance with the act of March 3, 1891, with Belgium, France, Great Britain and the British possession, and Switzerland, the laws of those countries permitting to our citizens the benefit of copyright on substantially the same basis as to their own citizens or subjects. The general interest in the operation of the Treasury Department has been greatly augmented during the last year by reason of the conflicting predictions, which accompanied and followed the tariff and other legislation of the last Congress affecting the revenues, as to the results of this legislation upon the Treasury and upon the country.

It is not my purpose to enter at any length into a discussion of the effects of the legislation to which I have referred; but a brief examination of the statistics of the Treasury and a general glance at the state of business throughout the country will, I think, satisfy any impartial inquirer that its results have disappointed the evil prophecies of its opponents and in a large measure realized the hopeful predictions of its friends. Rarely, if ever before, in the history of the country has there been a time when the proceeds of one day's labor or the product of one farmed acre would purchase so large an amount of those things that enter into the living of the masses of the people. I believe that a full test will develop the fact that the tariff act of the Fifty-first Congress is very favorable in its average effect upon the prices of articles entering into common use.

During the twelve months from October 1, 1890, to September 30, 1891, the total value of foreign commerce (imports and exports combined) was \$1,748,806,406, which was the largest of any year in the history of the United States. It is interesting, and to some will be surprising, to know that during the year ending September 30, 1891, our imports of merchandise amounted to \$824,715,270, which was an increase of more than eleven million dollars over the value of the imports of the corresponding months of the preceding year, when the imports of merchandise were unusually large in anticipation of the tariff legislation then pending. The value of free imports during the twelve months ending September 30, 1891, was \$118,092,387 more than the value of free imports during the corresponding twelve months of the preceding year, and there was during the same period a decrease of \$106,846,508 in the value of dutiable merchandise.

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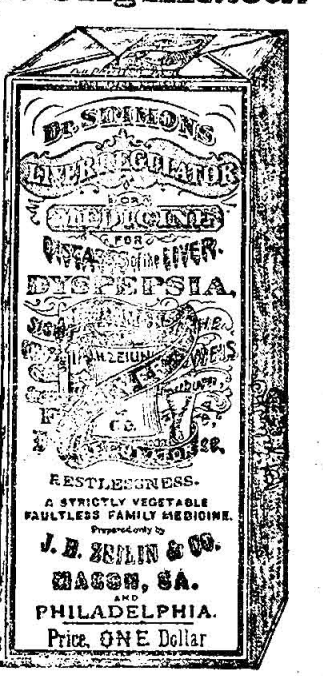
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THE MESSAGE.

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value the exports of merchandise during any year in the history of the Government.

It may be argued that our condition would be better if tariff legislation were upon a free trade basis; but it can not be denied that all the conditions of prosperity and of general contentment are present in a larger degree than ever before in our history, and that, too, just when it was prophesied they would be in the worst state.

I think there are conclusive evidences that the new tariff has created several great industries which will, within a few years, give employment to several hundred thousand American working men and women.

The report of the Secretary of the Treasury shows that the total receipts of the Government, from all sources, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1891, were \$58,544,233.03, while the expenditures for the same period were \$421,304,470.46, leaving a surplus of \$37,239,762.57.

Under the law of July 14, 1890, the Secretary of the Treasury has purchased since August 13, during the fiscal year 48,393,113 ounces of silver bullion at an average cost of \$1.045 per ounce. The highest price paid during the year was \$1.2025, and the lowest, \$0.9636. In exchange for this silver bullion there have been issued \$50,577,498 of the Treasury notes authorized by the act. The lowest price of silver reached during the fiscal year was \$0.9636 on April 22, 1891; but on November 1, the market price was only \$0.96, which would give to the silver dollar a bullion value of 74 1/4 cents.

The Government is now buying and putting aside annually 54,000,000 ounces, which, allowing for 7,140,000 ounces of new bullion used in the arts, is 6,640,000 more than our domestic product available for coinage. I hope the depression in the price of silver is temporary and that a further trial of this legislation will more favorably affect it.

I am still of the opinion that the free coinage of silver under existing conditions would disastrously affect our business interests at home and abroad. I believe it is the earnest desire of a great majority of people, as it is of mine, that a full coinage shall be made of silver just as soon as the co-operation of other nations can be secured and a ratio fixed that will give circulation equally to gold and silver.

The cash surplus in the Treasury on March 1, 1889, was \$183,827,190.20. The policy of applying this surplus to the redemption of the interest-bearing securities of the United States was thought to be preferable to that of depositing it without interest in selected national banks. There have been redeemed since the date last mentioned of interest-bearing securities \$259,079,350, resulting in a reduction of the annual interest charge of \$11,684,675.

The result of this policy, of the silver legislation, and of the refunding of the 4 1/2 per cent. bonds has been a large increase of the money in circulation.

The report of the Secretary of War exhibits the results of an intelligent, progressive and business-like administration of a Department which has been too much regarded as one of mere routine. The separation of the Secretary Proctor from the Department by reason of his appointment as Senator from the State of Vermont, is a source of great regret to me and to his colleagues in the Cabinet.

In the administration of army affairs some especially good work has been accomplished.

We shall be greatly embarrassed in the proper distribution and use of naval vessels until adequate shore defenses are provided for our harbors. The adoption of a smokeless powder and of a modern rifle equal in range, precision and rapidity of fire to the best now in use will, I hope, not be longer delayed.

In the report of the Postmaster-General some very gratifying results are exhibited and many betterments of the service suggested. The revenues of the Department show an increase of over five millions of dollars, with a deficiency for the year 1892 of less than four millions of dollars, while the estimate for the year 1893 shows a surplus of receipts over expenditures. Eight thousand miles of new postal service has been established upon railroads. I concur in the recommendation that the free-delivery system be at once extended to towns of 5,000 population.

In pursuance of the ocean-mail law of March 3, 1891, advertisements were issued for 53 lines of ocean-mail service. It was not, of course, expected that bids for all these lines would be received. It was hoped that a line to England and perhaps one to the Continent would be secured; but the outlay required to equip such lines wholly with new ships of the first class and the difficulty of establishing a new line in competition with those already established deterred bidders. It is hoped that a way may yet be found of overcoming these difficulties. I do not think there is any reason for disencouragement or for any turning back from the policy of this legislation.

The report of the Secretary of the Navy shows a gratifying increase of new naval vessels in commission. Some of the vessels now under construction, it is believed, will be triumphs of naval engineering. I commend to your favorable consideration the recommendations of the Secretary. There should be no hesitation in promptly completing a navy of the best modern type, large enough to enable this country to display its

flag in all seas for the protection of its citizens and of its extending commerce.

The report of the Secretary of the Interior shows that a very gratifying progress has been made in all the bureaus.

The work in the Bureau of Indian Affairs was perhaps never so large as now. The provision of adequate school facilities for Indian children and the locating of adult Indians upon farms involve the solution of the "Indian question."

The relation of the five civilized tribes now occupying the Indian Territory to the United States is not, I believe, that best calculated to promote the highest advancement of these Indians. It seems to me to be inevitable that there shall be before long some organic changes in the relation of those people to the United States. What form these changes should take I do not think it now desirable to suggest, even if they were well defined in my own mind. They should certainly involve the acceptance of citizenship by the Indians and a representation in Congress.

Since March 4, 1889, about 23,000,000 acres have been separated from Indian reservations and added to the public domain for the use of those who desired to secure free homes under our beneficent laws.

The administration of the Pension Bureau has been characterized during the year by great diligence. The total number of pensioners upon the roll on the 30th day of June, 1891, was 676,160. There were allowed during the fiscal year ending at that time 250,565 cases. Of this number, 102,387 were allowed under the law of June 27, 1890. The issuing of certificates has been proceeding at the rate of about 30,000 per month, about 75 per cent of these being cases under the new law. The Commissioner expresses the opinion that he will be able to carefully adjudicate and allow 350,000 claims during the present fiscal year. The appropriation for the payment of pensions for the fiscal year 1890-91 was \$127,685,793.39 and the amount expended \$9,155,144.64.

The Commissioner is quite confident that there will be no call this year for a deficiency appropriation, notwithstanding the rapidity with which the work is being pushed. The legislation of Congress for the repression of polygamy has, after years of resistance on the part of the Mormons, at last brought them to the conclusion that resistance is unprofitable and unavailing. The power of Congress over this subject should not be surrendered until we have satisfactory evidence that the people of the State to be created would exercise the exclusive power of the State over this subject in the same way.

If the establishment of the Department of Agriculture was regarded by anyone as a mere concession to the unrighteous demand of a worthy class of people, that impression has been most effectively removed by the great results already attained. Its home influence has been very great. The inspection by this Department of cattle and pork products intended for shipment abroad has been the basis of the success has attended our efforts to secure the removal of the restrictions maintained by the European governments. It is a source of general congratulation that success has at length been attained. The Secretary of Agriculture estimates that the restrictions upon the importation of our pork products into Europe lost us a market for \$20,000,000 worth of these products annually.

The grain crop was the largest in our history, 50 per cent. greater than last year, and yet the new markets and larger demand have sustained prices to such an extent that the enormous surplus will be marketed at good prices. I recommend that the appropriation for the Civil Service Commission be made adequate to the increased work of the next fiscal year.

I have twice before urged the attention of Congress to the necessity of legislation for the protection of the lives of railroad employes, but nothing has yet been done.

The method of appointment by the States of electors of President and Vice-President has recently attracted renewed interest by reason of a departure by the State of Michigan from the method which had become uniform in all the States. Prior to 1832 various methods had been used by the different States and even by the same State. In some the choice was made by the legislature; in others electors were chosen by districts, but more generally by the voters of the whole State upon a general ticket.

Gerrymanders for Congressional purposes are in most cases buttressed by a gerrymander of the legislative districts, thus making it impossible for a majority of the legal voters of the State to correct the apportionment and equalize the Congressional districts. I believe it would not be impossible to constitute a commission, non-partisan in its membership and composed of patriotic, wise and impartial men, to whom a consideration of the of the question of the evils connected with our election system and methods might be committed with a good prospect of securing for removing or mitigating those evils. The Constitution would permit the selection of the commission to be vested in the Supreme Court, if that method would give the best guaranty of impartiality.

This commission should be charged with the duty of inquiring into the whole subject of law of elections as related to the choice of officers of the National Government.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1891.

Daniel Re-elected. RICHMOND, VA., Dec. 15.—The Legislature today re-elected John W. Daniel United States Senator without opposition.

To the Secretaries of the Sub-Alliances. The next quarterly meeting of Smyth county farmers alliance and industrial union will be held in the alliance hall, Marion, on the second Friday (8th) in January, 1892. Please report promptly as required by Sec. 3, Article 26, page 33 of revised constitution. W. M. H. HUGHES, Chatham Hill, Va., Co. Sec.

Notice to the Public. Mr. L. C. Wright is no longer authorized by the firm of E. Reeves & Co., to make debts, purchase goods, or make collections in their name. All debts now due the firm of E. Reeves & Co., must be paid at their store. The firm will continue the general mercantile business at their present stand and would be pleased to serve their friends in and the public as heretofore. Respectfully, E. REEVES & CO. Nov. 23rd 1891.

New Meat Market. Geo. A. Pruner has fitted up a room on Main street, one door west of Seaver's furniture store, where he will sell fresh meats at stated times every week. Nothing but the very best fat cattle, hogs and sheep will be butchered, and sold at very reasonable prices.

Beef will be sold and delivered to customers at 2c., 3c., 5c., 6c. and 8c. per pound, choice at 8c. per pound. Market days: Tuesdays and Fridays, commencing at 5 a. m.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Valley House Arrivals. Win Shepherd, H C Blevins, T V McVey, Dr Huffard, Jno M Poston, T J Richardson, S C Johnson, O L James, H P Coppenhaver, M R Buchanan, P L Peirce, I C Anderson, Jno Shannon, T H Thurman, A B Pafford, J B Whitehead Jno F James, Franklin Cregar, H F Cole, Nicholas Staveley, co.; S B Murriss, Lynchburg; Jas. C Hayton, Hazleton, Ind.; H N Garrett, Richmond; Capt. F. S. Blair, Sheriff Harkrader, Wytheville; A L Robison, Abingdon; Dr. E T Jones, Bristol; J B Hamilton, Abingdon; John Atkins, Tilsons Mills; J Winton Repass, Rural Retreat; E McG Phelps, R P Blackwell Dr W P Nye, C Trinkle, Wytheville.

Did you ever buy a horse and not have some misgiving as to his points till they were fully tested? Not so with Ayer's Sarsaparilla; you may be sure of it at the start. It never disappoints those who give it a fair and persistent trial.

The Pulpit and the Stage. Rev. F. M. Shront, Pastor United Brethren Church, Blue Mound, Kan., says: "I feel it my duty to tell what wonders Dr. King's New Discovery has done for me. My lungs were badly diseased, and my parishioners thought I could live only a few weeks. I took five bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery and am sound and well, gaining 26 lbs. in weight."

Arthur Love's manager Love's funny folks Combination, writes: "After a thorough trial and convincing evidence I am confident Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, beats them all, and cures when everything else fails. The greatest kindness I can do my many thousand friends is to urge them to try it." Free trial bottles at S. W. Dickinson's Drug Store. Regular sizes 50c. and \$1.00.

An excellent remedy for dyspepsia—Simmons Liver Regulator.—C. Master son, Sheriff of Bibb Co., Ga.

Keep your liver active and thus ward off disease. Take Simmons Liver Regulator in time.

The Best Authorities.

Such as Dr. J. P. Lewis, Prof. Gross, and others agree that Catarrh is not a local but a constitutional disease. If there fore requires a constitutional remedy like Hood's Sarsaparilla, which effectually and permanently cures catarrh. Thousands prove it.

Hood's Sarsaparilla cures liver, jaundice, biliousness, skin diseases, constipation and all troubles of the digestive organs.

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Corns, Warts and Bunions Removed quickly and surely by using Abbott's East Indian Corn Paint.

MARKET REPORT

Of Prices we Pay for Country Produce, Subject to Change Each Week as Market Rates. Butter, 16 1/2 c. lb.; eggs, 20c. per doz.; turkeys, undrawn, 9c.; drawn, 10c. lb.; chickens, undrawn, 7c.; drawn 7 1/2 c. lb. Poultry will pay much better undrawn. VENABLE & CO.

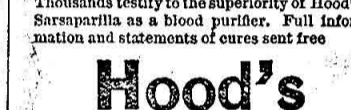
Purify Your Blood

The importance of keeping the blood in a pure condition is universally known, and yet there are very few people who have perfectly pure blood. The taint of scrofula, salt rheum, or other foul humor is hereditary and transmitted for generations, causing untold suffering, and we also accumulate poison and germs of disease from the air we breathe, the food we eat, or the water we drink. There is nothing more conclusively proven than the positive power of Hood's Sarsaparilla over all diseases of the blood. This medicine, when fairly tried, does expel every trace of scrofula or salt rheum, removes the taint which causes catarrh, neutralizes the acidity and cures rheumatism, drives out the germs of malaria, blood poisoning, etc. It also vitalizes and enriches the blood, thus overcoming that tired feeling, and building up the whole system. Thousands testify to the superiority of Hood's Sarsaparilla as a blood purifier. Full information and statements of cures sent free.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Sold by all druggists. \$1.50 per bottle. Prepared only by C. I. HOOD & CO., Apothecaries, Lowell, Mass.

100 Doses One Dollar



Crystalized Lenses

Combined with Great Refracting Power. THEY ARE AS TRANSPARENT AND COLORLESS AS LIGHT ITSELF. And for softness of endurance to the eye cannot be excelled, enabling the wearer to read for hours without fatigue. In fact they are Perfect Sight Preservers.

Testimonials from the leading physicians in the United States, governors, senators, legislators, stockmen, men of note in all professions and in different branches of trade, bankers, mechanics, etc., can be given who have had their sight improved by their use.

ALL EYES FITTED

And the Fit Guaranteed by O. C. SPRINKLE, MARION, VA.

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BRISTOL, TENN. ESTABLISHED IN 1872.

The tobaccos of Southwest Va. and East Tenn. no longer an experiment as a fine chew. Dealers and consumers should call for REYNOLDS TOBACCO.

His success as a manufacturer speaks volumes for the quality of his goods.

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Call for Reynold's Tobacco, And be convinced that this wonderful country of ours leads the procession in tobacco as well as the great industrial movement.

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It is a SAFE CERTAIN and SPEEDY cure for sore eyes of every kind, will relieve AT ONCE. Cures granulated lids. It is a PAINLESS, HEALING and SOOTHING REMEDY.

Sample by mail 25c. Ask your Merchant for it. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

W. D. DICKEY DRUG CO., BRISTOL, TENN.

DEC. 1st, 1891, Walter Noel will open a first-class Photograph Gallery in Richardson & Blackwell's fine new building, opposite postoffice, Marion, Virginia.

Wait for Him!

The gallery will be a credit to the town, and Mr. Noel challenges comparison of his work with that done anywhere. Pictures from the smallest to full life size. No tin types or cheap John work, but the very

Finest Pictures at Most Reasonable Prices. See a few samples at the P. O.

HEADQUARTERS

FOR Groceries, Candies, Fruits, Tobacco, Etc.

NICKELS & ATKINS.

They have a full line of STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES, Fruits and Nuts of all kinds and at Bottom Prices. In candies they have about 250 different kinds to select from, and from the cheapest to the highest. SPECIAL PRICES TO SCHOOLS. Fire crackers and fire works by the thousand. A fine and choice line of HOLIDAY GOODS—Albums, photograph and autograph, China cups and saucers, mugs, baskets, vases, etc., dolls, tapes, toys, Christmas cards, toilet sets, writing desks, box paper, pens, pen-holders, etc., and a thousand things too numerous to mention. Come and see us before buying your Holiday Goods and we will save you money.

NEW WINTER GOODS.

Are just in receipt of a large and the best selected stock of new winter goods consisting in part of Dry Goods, Notions, Boots & Shoes, Hats & Caps, Groceries, Queensware, Tinware, Etc.

Ever brought to Marion. Our goods are first-class and we will sell them as cheap as any house in the place. As an evidence of what we say call and examine our goods and prices.

Mt. Carmel Roller Mills

Have recently put in new sharp Rollers, and have a new set waiting for the new crop. CUSTOM WORK A SPECIALTY. Accommodations and Satisfaction Guaranteed to Customers.

All Grain shipped to me at Marion with freight prepaid will be ground and returned promptly. A. F. Stone.

Established 1880. H. W. Powers. Lato with W. W. Woodruff & Co.

MITCHELL, POWERS & COMPANY, Bristol, Tenn.-Va.

Hardware and Cutlery.

Sash, Doors, Blinds, Mantles and Grates, Agents. MITCHELL WAGON, OLIVER CHILLED PLOWS.

HEADQUARTERS FOR IRON ROOFING and SIDING, WROUGHT IRON PIPE, Etc.

All inquiries are cheerfully answered whether sales follow or not. Ochsley

New Schedule. Sinclairs Bottom Roller Mills NEW ROLLS

We are now putting in, and from this date the following weights will be guaranteed, wheat in proper condition: For 60 lbs. prime wheat, 35 to 38 lbs. flour, 12 to 15 lbs. offal.

Our Family Flour Stands Unrivaled. A. ROUSE, A. P. COLE. June 10th.

WM. C. SEAVER & SONS, FURNITURE, Chairs, Mattresses, Carpets, Rugs, Etc., Etc.

Undertaking a Specialty

We carry a full line of Rugs, Window Shades, and Plain, Fancy and Bronze Window Rods. The ladies are respectfully invited to visit our Ware room in the Opera House Building and examine our stock of Rockers, Easy Chairs, Sofas, Lounges Bric-a-Brac of all sorts.

NEW GOODS. At Lowest Prices! Call and See Us!

A nice line of ladies dress goods, hats, hoods, shawls, gloves, hosiery, &c. New stock of shoes for ladies, misses and children.

Cloths, casimeres, jeans, underwear, dress shirts, for men and boys. Hats, caps, boots and shoes for all ages and sizes.

Hardware, Queenware, Glassware

GROCERIES & CONFECTIONERIES always on hand. Have for sale the very best Coffees and Sugars. We will take in exchange all kinds of good country produce at highest market prices. Our prices will be as low as the lowest, and all who will favor us with their trade will meet with polite and accommodating salesmen. Give us a call.

W. E. & F. W. Leonard, MARION, VA.

Central Hotel,

Opposite C. H., MARION, VA. R. C. Ashworth, Prop.

Good fare, clean and comfortable beds. Polite and attentive servants. Board by the day, week or month. Tobacco and cigars always on hand.

FRESH LINE OF Spring and Summer GOODS

J. L. GROSECLOSE'S COMPRISING

Henriettas, Cashmeres, Pan Americaines, Brocades, Persian Stripes, English Debrige, Pacific Fancies, Flanellettes, Ootting, Ginghames, Chambrag, etc., etc.

Prices on these goods are too low to allow discounts.

Price List OF Wines, Liquors & Beer, IN EFFECT MARCH 1st 1891.

S. G. KELLER, Jr., Bristol, Tenn.-Va.

Thomas House Bar, Hamilton House Bar. Main street, Opposite Depot. C. RITCHIE, W. M. MARKS, J. L. KELLER, Salesmen.

CASE WHISKIES.

Sherwood pure rye, 1881, pints, \$1 00 O. F. C. Taylor bourbon, quarts, 1 50 Paul Jones XXXX Monongahela, 1883, quarts, 1 50 Paul Jones 4 star bourbon, 1881, qts, 1 50 Bob White bourbon, 1881, quarts, 1 50 Bell Nelson, 1884, quarts, 1 25 Cutter A1 bourbon, 1885, quarts, 1 25 Springdale Rye, 1884, quarts, 1 25 Sam Keller's Best, 1884, quarts, 1 25

IMPORTED CASE GOODS.

V. S. O. F. Brandy, quarts, \$2 00 Ramsay's Scotch whisky, quarts, 1 50 Mumm's extra dry, pints, 2 00 Pomeroy and Green's extra dry, pints, 2 00 Rhine wine, quarts, 1 09 Holland Gin, quarts, 1 50 Geneva Gin, quarts, 1 50 California wine, pints, 1 00

Sarrel Goods by the Gallon.

Paul Jones XXXX Monongahela, 1885, 5 00 Paul Jones 4 star bourbon, 1884, 5 00 Hunter Baltimore Rye, 1884, 5 00 Old Baker Rye, 1885, 4 25 Springdale Rye, 1885, 4 25 Paul Jones XX Monongahela, 1886, 3 50 Planter's Friend, 1886, 2 00 Cutter Kentucky Rye, 1886, 2 25 Gibson Rye, 1885, 4 00

EXPORT BEER, PER DOZEN.

Jos Schütz Extra Pale Milwaukee, \$1 75 Budweiser, 1 50 Bergner & Engle, 1 50 Bavarian Baltimore Beer, 1 50 Cincinnati Lion Brewer Co., 1 25 Chattanooga Brewing Co., 1 25 Tannhauser Extra Pale, 1 50

W. & W. Norfolk & Western R.R.

TIME TABLE IN EFFECT Dec. 6, 1891. Trains leave Marion Daily: EASTWARD—main line.

Table with 3 columns: No. 2, No. 4, No. 22. Rows for 7:22 p. m., 8:49 a. m., 4:31 p. m.

WESTWARD—main line. No. 1, No. 3, No. 21. 1:16 p. m., 10:15 p. m., 9:50 a. m.

No. 2—for Roanoke, Lynchburg, Richmond, Norfolk, also (via Roanoke) for Washington, Hagerstown, Harrisburg, Philadelphia, and New York. Pullman sleeper Radford to Norfolk, also from Lynchburg to Richmond, also to New York via Hagerstown, and to Washington, via Sheandoan Junction.

No. 4—for Roanoke, Lynchburg, Richmond, Norfolk, also (via Roanoke) for Hagerstown, Philadelphia and New York. Pullman sleeper to New York. Parlor car Roanoke to Norfolk.

No. 22—for Radford—no connection beyond. No. 1—for Bristol and all points beyond. Pullman sleeper to Memphis and New Orleans via Knoxville and Chattanooga.

No. 3—for Bristol and all points beyond. Pullman sleeper to Memphis via Chattanooga.

No. 21—for Bristol—no connection beyond. NEW RIVER BRANCH—Leave Radford Daily 11:05 a. m. for Bluefield, Pochontas and all points on Flat Top. Also for Clinch Valley Division; also for Louisville and all points on L. & N. R. R. via Norton, Pulman sleeper Radford to Louisville, and 8:05 p. m. for Bluefield, and Pochontas.

NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION—Leave Pulaski 8:10 a. m. (daily except Sun day) for Betty Baker, and at 7:00 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. daily for Ivanhoe and Gosson.

CLINCH VALLEY DIVISION—Leave Blue field daily 7:00 a. m. for Norton, and 2:05 p. m. for Norton, Louisville and all points on L. & N. R. R. via Norton. For tickets, time cards and all information, call on Agent Norfolk & Western R. R. W. B. BEVILL, Gen. Passenger and Ticket Agent, Roanoke, Va.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

Briefs and Personal.

County court Monday. Rev. Dr. Kennedy is on the sick list. Best Rio coffee 22cts. E. Reeves & Co. Mrs. Minnie Cole is quite sick this week. Gents fine cloth overgaiters at Weiler's. Best lemons 20c. per doz. E. Reeves & Co. Candy, the very best, 8 cts. lb. Venable & Co. An epidemic of the grippe is raging throughout Virginia. Canvass, coduroy and leather leggings at Weiler's. Don't dally with the grip, or the grip will dally with you. Fresh beef from 2c. to 8c. choice pieces at 5c. per pound, at Pruner's market. Rev. G. A. Maiden is out again after a severe case of the "grip." Mr. and Mrs. Walter Noel and their little son are at the Valley House. Just received a large assortment of trunks from 50cts. to \$8.00, at M. Weiler's. Dyspepsia and its attendant ills are quickly cured by Simmons Liver Regulator. The question of another local option fight is being agitated in Lynchburg. Robt. Allison, U. S. Commissioner, of Gypsum, this county, was in town yesterday. If you never had the grip ask W.D. Wilmore what his experience is with that disease. Have you seen C. M. Wolfe's nice line of gold watches? If not, go see them at once. Fire considerably damaged the drug store of A. P. Walker in Wytheville Sunday night. The holiday season is getting itself in trim for an early arrival and a long stay in Marion. Clothing, overcoats, boots, shoes and winter goods of all kinds, lowest prices, at Venable & Co's. Wm. Leonard, Esq., of 7 Mile Ford, was circulating among his many friends in town Monday. Fresh candies, lemons, oranges, bananas, malaga grapes, nuts, cakes, crackers, at C. M. Wolfe's. Read the advertisements in the News carefully, and then go out and do your Christmas shopping. Remember competition ain't in it at all with us. We name prices, others try to follow. Venable & Co. The Marion Democrat was sold last week to W. H. Tomney, of Glade Spring. We wish him much success. J. Winton Reppas, of Rural R. treat the kind-hearted Treasurer of Wythe county, called in to see us last Friday. "It leads them all," is the general reply of druggists when asked about the merit or sales of Hood's Sarsaparilla. Mrs. Humphrey, of 7 Mile Ford, who is visiting her daughter Mrs. W. E. Williams in this place, is quite sick with the grip. Sample line overshirts, under-shirts, hosiery, pants, handkerchiefs, towels, scarfs, etc., at wholesale prices. E. Reeves & Co. Go to C. M. Wolfe's for raisins, currants, citron, figs, dates, coconuts, spices, flavoring extracts, etc.—all nice and fresh. It this weather keeps up, Santa Claus may come prancing down the chimney in flannel trousers, a striped blazer, and a tennis cap. A census just taken of Radford shows a population of nearly 5,500. A city charter is to be obtained and a hustings court organized. Last Monday evening Jos. F. Keller, of this place, sold 13 mules to Osker L. James, of Valley View, this county, for the sum of \$1300. A chicken hawk was killed in Roanoke Friday, which measured 48 inches from tip to tip, 20 inches high, and 24 inches from beak to tail. If you want to know what the weather will be, call on M. Weiler and get a card with the explanation of whistle signals, free of charge. Remember C. M. Wolfe has over three thousand pounds of candy, and is going to sell it cheap. Don't fail to see him before buying Christmas candy. No wife who loves her husband will buy him cigars for a Christmas present. That is one thing in this world which she cannot do with success or impunity. A disease supposed to be "blind staggers," is playing havoc with cattle in portions of Tazewell county. The disease is believed to proceed from the eating of dry grass. Our Christmas stock is now in, and we have never had such a stock of plush goods, albums, fancy goods, toys, etc., as we now offer. Remember our prices are the lowest. Venable & Co. There will be a meeting of the Board of Trustees of M. F. College Saturday 19th Dec. at 2 o'clock, p. m. Business of VITAL IMPORTANCE will be considered. You are urged to attend. By order of Pres. Feeble and capricious appetites are best regulated by the use of Ayer's Cathartic Pill. They do not debilitate, by excessive stimulation; but cause the stomach, liver, and bowels to perform their functions properly. As an after dinner pill, they are unequalled. Best candy 15c. per lb. E. Reeves & Co. Gingham, Alpaca and silk umbrellas at Weiler's. Best grain pepper 20c. per lb. E. Reeves & Co. If you want good lamp oil go to Venable & Co. Best Florida oranges 20c. per doz. E. Reeves & Co. Big bargains in childrens and boys suits at Weiler's. It is to be hoped that the grip is playing its farewell engagement in this country. Don't fail to call on C. M. Wolfe, and examine his beautiful stock of Xmas goods. We want dressed poultry, drawn or untrawed, will pay cash or goods. Venable & Co. Virginia must not hide her light under a bushel when the World's Fair comes along. Mr. A. Sheerwood, one of the substantial farmers of South Fork, was in town yesterday. Misses wool hose 15c., ladies wool hose 20c. and the very finest quality at 40 cts at Weiler's. There are many cases of the grip in Marion at present, but so far there are no serious cases. C. M. Wolfe has the largest line of dolls ever brought to Southwest Va., and he defies competition both as to price and quality. The St. James Evangelical Lutheran church near St. Clair Bottom will be re-dedicated the 4th Sunday, Dec. 27th. Rev. J. B. Griener will preach the dedicatory sermon. The year 1891 has been phenomenal in every way—in its harvests, its prosperity, its horrors and its storms. It has given the world the good and the bad in very large quantities. Don't forget that now, before things are picked over, is the time to get your Christmas presents and other advertisements in the News and you will know where to go. Dr. Spencer, a celebrated cancer doctor, is now treating several persons who have cancers. His first patient here was Mrs. R. H. Richardson, who is now nearly cured of a large cancer which she had on her face. Walter Noel, the artist, requests us to state that he has taken charge of his gallery, up stairs, in the Richardson-Blackwell building, and is now fully prepared to take any kind of photographs in the best style. Three bills of exception have been entered in the county court at Salem in the case of Watkins, the condemned wife murderer, but it is not probably that anything further will be done to save his neck from the halter. Have you seen C. M. Wolfe's nice line of jewelry? The latest styles of ladies' lace pins, scarf pins, bracelets, plain and set rings, cuff buttons, collar buttons, shirt studs. Also some nice watches. Call and see for yourself. We just received another large assortment of mens frock and sack suits from the cheapest to the best. It will be to your interest to come and see us if you wish to buy a good suit at a low figure. M. Weiler, the clothier. Mrs. Done, of Rich Valley, this county, had a fat hog killed a few days ago, and the man who killed it, in taking out its entrails, found a case knife among them which belonged to Mrs. Done. The hog had swallowed the knife when it was drinking slop several days before. We have sold a great many overcoats which is due to the low prices at which we sell them, and the large assortment we keep. We still have a nice line of them left and are determined to sell them at way down figures. If you want any boys or mens overcoats be sure and call on Weiler. When you find a merchant who does not advertise you may be sure he has nothing worth your attention. Those who have fine large stocks of goods are very anxious to have the public come and buy of them, and their advertisements through the papers are their invitations to the people. Do not forget that the main offices and warerooms of the Hobbie Music Co. have been moved to Roanoke, Va., therefore all letters and remittances must be directed to Roanoke, Va. A piano or an organ would make a nice Christmas present. Write for prices to Roanoke, Va. Catalogues mailed free. Charming people, these exceptional people! Here's a medicine—Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery for instance, and it's cured hundreds, thousands that're known, thousands that're unknown, and yet yours is an exceptional case! Do you think that bit of human nature which you call "I" is different from the other parcels of human nature? "But you don't know my case." Good friend, in ninety-nine out of a hundred cases, the causes are the same—impure blood—and that's why—"Golden Medical Discovery" cures ninety-nine out of every hundred. You may be the exception. And you may not. But would you rather be the exception, or would you rather be well? If you're the exception it costs you nothing, you get your money back—but suppose it cures you? Let the "Golden Medical Discovery" take the risk. Go to Venable & Co. for Xmas goods. They have the stock, their prices are the lowest.

Best candy 15c. per lb. E. Reeves & Co. Gingham, Alpaca and silk umbrellas at Weiler's. Best grain pepper 20c. per lb. E. Reeves & Co. If you want good lamp oil go to Venable & Co. Best Florida oranges 20c. per doz. E. Reeves & Co. Big bargains in childrens and boys suits at Weiler's. It is to be hoped that the grip is playing its farewell engagement in this country. Don't fail to call on C. M. Wolfe, and examine his beautiful stock of Xmas goods. We want dressed poultry, drawn or untrawed, will pay cash or goods. Venable & Co. Virginia must not hide her light under a bushel when the World's Fair comes along. Mr. A. Sheerwood, one of the substantial farmers of South Fork, was in town yesterday. Misses wool hose 15c., ladies wool hose 20c. and the very finest quality at 40 cts at Weiler's. There are many cases of the grip in Marion at present, but so far there are no serious cases. C. M. Wolfe has the largest line of dolls ever brought to Southwest Va., and he defies competition both as to price and quality. The St. James Evangelical Lutheran church near St. Clair Bottom will be re-dedicated the 4th Sunday, Dec. 27th. Rev. J. B. Griener will preach the dedicatory sermon. The year 1891 has been phenomenal in every way—in its harvests, its prosperity, its horrors and its storms. It has given the world the good and the bad in very large quantities. Don't forget that now, before things are picked over, is the time to get your Christmas presents and other advertisements in the News and you will know where to go. Dr. Spencer, a celebrated cancer doctor, is now treating several persons who have cancers. His first patient here was Mrs. R. H. Richardson, who is now nearly cured of a large cancer which she had on her face. Walter Noel, the artist, requests us to state that he has taken charge of his gallery, up stairs, in the Richardson-Blackwell building, and is now fully prepared to take any kind of photographs in the best style. Three bills of exception have been entered in the county court at Salem in the case of Watkins, the condemned wife murderer, but it is not probably that anything further will be done to save his neck from the halter. Have you seen C. M. Wolfe's nice line of jewelry? The latest styles of ladies' lace pins, scarf pins, bracelets, plain and set rings, cuff buttons, collar buttons, shirt studs. Also some nice watches. Call and see for yourself. We just received another large assortment of mens frock and sack suits from the cheapest to the best. It will be to your interest to come and see us if you wish to buy a good suit at a low figure. M. Weiler, the clothier. Mrs. Done, of Rich Valley, this county, had a fat hog killed a few days ago, and the man who killed it, in taking out its entrails, found a case knife among them which belonged to Mrs. Done. The hog had swallowed the knife when it was drinking slop several days before. We have sold a great many overcoats which is due to the low prices at which we sell them, and the large assortment we keep. We still have a nice line of them left and are determined to sell them at way down figures. If you want any boys or mens overcoats be sure and call on Weiler. When you find a merchant who does not advertise you may be sure he has nothing worth your attention. Those who have fine large stocks of goods are very anxious to have the public come and buy of them, and their advertisements through the papers are their invitations to the people. Do not forget that the main offices and warerooms of the Hobbie Music Co. have been moved to Roanoke, Va., therefore all letters and remittances must be directed to Roanoke, Va. A piano or an organ would make a nice Christmas present. Write for prices to Roanoke, Va. Catalogues mailed free. Charming people, these exceptional people! Here's a medicine—Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery for instance, and it's cured hundreds, thousands that're known, thousands that're unknown, and yet yours is an exceptional case! Do you think that bit of human nature which you call "I" is different from the other parcels of human nature? "But you don't know my case." Good friend, in ninety-nine out of a hundred cases, the causes are the same—impure blood—and that's why—"Golden Medical Discovery" cures ninety-nine out of every hundred. You may be the exception. And you may not. But would you rather be the exception, or would you rather be well? If you're the exception it costs you nothing, you get your money back—but suppose it cures you? Let the "Golden Medical Discovery" take the risk. Go to Venable & Co. for Xmas goods. They have the stock, their prices are the lowest.

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Royal Baking Powder ABSOLUTELY PURE

The people of Smyth county have come nearer paying their taxes in advance this year than ever before. Over two-thirds of the taxes were paid before December 1st, and not a single coupon was tendered. Invitations are out for the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Venable on the 21st instant. They are indeed peculiarly blessed in their old age, having raised ten children, all of whom are married, and there has never been a death in their family. There are about sixty of the children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and they all expect to attend the golden wedding. Several of their children live in Arkansas and Tennessee. Only two are living here—Cor. Richmond Times. A Moonshiner Shot and Killed by a U. S. Deputy Marshal. J. H. Carico, U. S. Deputy Marshal, who lives near this place, went to Independence last week, under orders, to bring to the jail of this county, a man by the name of Findley, who was then in the county jail of Grayson, for violating the revenue laws. Carico, with the prisoner, came through the mountains, the nearest way from Independence to Marion. On their way, near Blue Springs, this county, last Friday evening they met two men by the name of Nelson from Grayson county, who were reported as being blockaders, one of the men had a keg supposed to contain liquor. Carico and the older (Nelson) brother became involved in a controversy about the illicit traffic. Both were armed with pistols, and it is said Nelson attempted to draw his pistol, when Carico drew his pistol and fired first, the ball entering the left breast, killing him almost instantly. Then with his prisoner, Carico came on to Marion and committed him to jail and went out to his home, 2 miles from town. On Saturday morning he was arrested and put in jail. An investigation of the case will be held in a few days when the facts will be fully known. It is Now Judge Fudge. On Wednesday our townsman G. H. Fudge was elected county Judge by the two Houses of the General Assembly. Mr. Fudge is a good lawyer of many years practice, and will no doubt make an excellent Judge. The people of Smyth county will be pleased with the appointment. Wreck at the Ford. There was quite a serious wreck on the Norfolk and Western railroad at 7 Mile Ford early Sunday morning. A through freight train going west jumped the track, derailing the engine and twelve cars, injuring a man named Heflinger, a brakeman on the train, right badly. His arm was broken and it is thought he has received serious internal injuries. A Little Disfigured but Still in the Ring. I am now ready for work in my new gallery on Main street, and will make pictures any style desired. Give me a call and I will take pleasure in waiting upon you. When cash is not convenient I will take produce, such as wheat, corn, bacon, lard, chickens, eggs, in exchange for pictures. Pictures made any kind of weather and satisfaction guaranteed. No steps to climb,—so come and have the baby's picture taken. Very Respt. J. L. THORNTON. NOTICE! I hereby warn all persons not to trespass upon any of my lands, either by hunting, fishing, riding, walking, hauling, or in any other way, without written permission. Jno. M. PRESTON, 7 Mile Ford, Nov. 20 1891. Thieves at Chillowic. Last Saturday night while Mr. W. H. Adams, section-master at Chillowic, and family were attending church, some person or persons broke into his house and stole a number of valuable articles. On the same night K. B. Greener & Co.'s store at Chillowic was broken open and goods to the value of about \$125.00 were carried away. Death of Mrs. Catron. Mrs. W. W. Catron, daughter of Mr. A. J. Hubble of Olympia, died at her home in Richlands on the 18th inst., aged about 20 years. Her remains were brought to Olympia and buried on Thursday, the 10th. She leaves a kind husband and two sons to mourn their loss. Sheep Killed by Dogs. Mr. Wayman M. Copenhaver, who lives 3 miles west of town, had 15 fine Southdown sheep killed by dogs on the night of the 10th inst. Mr. Copenhaver says that the sheep were well worth \$6 each before they were killed. Masonic. Stated communication of Marion Lodge No. 31. A. F. & A. M. next Monday evening, at 7 o'clock. Work in the Master's Degree. D. C. MILLER, Sec. At the regular convocation of Lynn Commandery, No. 9, held in their Asylum, last Friday night. Companions Clarence Trinkle and R. P. Blackwell, of Wytheville Chapter, Dr. Robt. Blackwell, Rev. F. T. McFaden, and J. H. Gollebon, of Marion Royal Arch Chapter No. 54, were dubbed Knights Templar Masons. Attending this meeting were Sir Knights C. A. Pobst, R. R. Hughes, of Abingdon, E. McG. Phelps, W. P. Nye, of Wytheville, J. Winton Reppas, W. J. Pickle, of Rural Retreat. Wor. Geo. W. Wright, Grand Lecturer, attended the Grand Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Masons at Richmond this week. A complimentary banquet will be given by Lynn Commandery to the Sir Knights, their wives and grown daughters on Xmas evening. A good time is looked for. Death of Deputy Treasurer Scott. Mr. W. G. Scott, late deputy treasurer of this county, died at his home in Rye Valley Tuesday night of la grippe, aged about 38 years, leaving a widow and 4 children to mourn their loss. Fresh Beef. Wolfe & Henegar, butchers, will have fresh beef on sale at their market house regularly on Wednesdays and Saturdays, and at prices as low as can be had in Marion. They will also have fresh pork and mutton at times which will be made known hereafter. Nothing but the very best meats will be sold by us. We pay cash for young heifers. MARRIED. By Rev. Geo. A. Maiden, on the 9th inst., Mr. W. J. Widener and Miss Mary E. F. Wolfe, all of this co. On the 10th inst., Mr. David Clark and Miss Mary L. Eller, of Walker's Creek, this county; Rev. Geo. A. Maiden officiating. For Holiday Presents. Scarfs, ties, cuffs, collars, gloves, suspenders, silk and cashmere mufflers, silk and linen handkerchiefs, hose, pulse warmers, ear muffs, cuff buttons, scarf pins, watch charms and chains, and too many articles to mention. Prices on all goods are reasonable; call and see us. M. WEILER.

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and can't tell you all we would love to. Don't get scared if you find our place crowded with customers. You shall be waited on. The reason we are crowded is, we sell goods cheaper than others, and if you want to save money follow the crowd. You know we would not do the business we do if we did not sell goods cheaper than you can buy elsewhere, and we buy all kinds of produce at highest prices. Don't pay any attention to a few weak minded croakers who have not judgment enough to know how to save a dollar. They will tell you we sell a few leaders cheap. That is bosh. We sell every line of goods for less than you can buy elsewhere. Competition Ain't in it at All. We name prices on all kinds of goods, Others try to follow. Our Christmas Stock Is now in, and we have the stock and we name low prices. CANDY, 8 cts. per lb. Don't forget our stock of dress goods, clothing, boots, shoes, etc. We ask you to come and see us. Our stock was never so large, our prices are the lowest. Bring us dressed poultry and all kinds of produce. We will treat you right. Truly Yours, Etc. VENABLE & CO. Dec. 10, 1891. ON TO CHRISTMAS! Lowest Prices. Immense Stock! AT C. M. WOLFE'S. 1,000 People will Quickly Grasp this Opportunity to purchase Holiday Presents at our store, and we have goods to suit each one. EXAMINE OUR GOODS: Now we are on the "home stretch." We have the store literally filled with HOLIDAY GOODS—The kind you want to buy—serviceable, giftable goods that are sentimental and useful all at once. Until Christmas you will be busy with the most enjoyable phase of shopping—buying for somebody else's pleasure. Getting to give. Everybody is in the highest mood—and if you will breathe the atmosphere of fresh completeness that fills every corner of our store—it will quicken your energy—and lighten your task even if it is a "labor of love." Almost everything you see here will appeal to your good judgment—and it is only a question of singling out the MOST appropriate. MANICURE SETS.—In leather, satin lined, with oxidized and silver metal trays. In metal and plush boxes of many hues. WORK BASKETS AND STANDS.—Large and small sizes; lined and unlined—with and without flowered ornamentations; furnished and unfurnished. COMB AND BRUSH SETS.—In metal boxes—oxidized and silver—with and without silver mountings. LEATHER GOODS.—Purses for everybody, in plain and oiled calf, Morocco, seal and alligator—plain and embossed, and with collodid memoranda tablet. CARD CASES of kangaroo, real and imitation seal, alligator—plain and embossed, Morocco, and calf—enamelled painting decorations. Correspondence cases, patent ink stand and stamp box combined, pocket books "for all the folks"—Plain leather or with oxidized and silver clasps and corners. "KNICK KNACKS."—Smokers' sets of polished horn, whisk brooms and holders, handkerchief and glove cases of satin and hand painted ornamentations, combination of ink stands and letter scales, collar and cuff boxes, wall pockets and paper racks, hand and stand mirrors, pocket match safes in metal, memorandum tablets, soaps in boxes, puff boxes, picture frames, bon bon and stamp boxes, pin cushions, tooth and nail brushes, etc. etc. If you want anything nice for your girl, brother, sister, father, mother, uncle, aunt, cousin, or friend, I've got it. My line of jewelry consists of the latest style Ladies' Gold Watches, Bracelets, Solid gold plain and set rings, scarf pins, ladies lace pins, ear rings, cuff buttons, watch charms, etc. You must see this line of goods. EVERYTHING FRESH AND NEW! TOYS, TOYS, TOYS. In an Endless Variety for all the Little Children. Come and see them. TIN SETS. Toy Tea Sets, Chairs, XMAS BOOKS. DOLL CARRIAGES, WAGONS, Cribs, trunks, hammocks, Swings. BUILDING BLOCKS, A B C Blocks. PUZZLE BLOCKS, Picture Books. CHRISTMAS TREE Ornaments, TOY PISTOLS, GUNS, HORNS, DRUMS, TOY WATCHES, and Toys of every kind; all cheap. CHRISTMAS CARDS. The Handsomest Line Ever Offered in Marion. DOLLS! DOLLS! FULL GROWN DOLLS. FOR ALL THE CHILDREN. OUR FIRE-WORKS DEPARTMENT IS FULL COMPLETE. An immense line of PLAIN and FRENCH CANDIES, Lemons, Oranges, Bananas, Grapes, Figs, Dates, Raisin Citron, Currants, Coconuts, Apples, 12 LBS. PLAIN CANDY \$1.00. AUTOGRAPH and PHOTOGRAPH 10 LBS. FRENCH CANDY \$1.00. ALBUMS. SCRAP BOOKS, ETC. THESE GOODS WILL BE SOLD AT THE LOWEST PRICES Call and Examine Our Goods. And so forth we could repeat a hundred times. We have just commenced to mention the variety we have provided. A hint is as good as a volume. If you will take it and follow it up every step will open up to your gaze new souvenirs of the season. Ours is a CHRISTMAS STOCK—but the prices are as common-place as they can be. We never inflate our prices to cover any occasion or celebration. So you will buy easily here—and most satisfactorily to donor and recipient. C. M. WOLFE,

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