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"ANY PORT IN A STORM."

Enemies of Protection Troubled to Find a Campaign Issue.

Editor American Economist:—It is amusing to consider the various expedients that our Democratic friends have resorted to in order to weaken, if possible, the power of the great doctrine of Protection to American industries. They realize the fact that as long as the attention of the American people is directed to a consideration of their own interests, just so long will the Democratic party cease to be a prominent factor in the fight for political ascendancy. The cry of 16 to 1 was only another effort to break the power of Protection, whose principles addressed themselves to every friend of American enterprise and to every friend of American labor. How, it may be asked, have they supposed a diversion in favor of free silver would affect the sweeping and swelling tide in favor of Protection? This may be answered by the suggestion that they have nailed to the masthead of their vessel the motto: "Any port in a storm."

In 1896 they realized that if public attention was not withdrawn from the splendid results achieved and to be achieved by Protection, the great central doctrine of the Republican party, with their efforts advocacy of Free-Trade, they would have no more power to resist than a feather in a cyclone. Hence their exchange of Free-Trade for free silver, hoping, in what they supposed would be a flayed condition of the rushing upon a slumbering camp. How sweetly did they strive to harp upon the "denial of silver," "the appreciation of prices of gold and a corresponding fall in the prices of commodities produced by the people."

In Virginia and, doubtless, in every State in the Union Democratic "spellbinders," at the beginning of the campaign of 1896, contended that wheat and silver went hand in hand. Then brains seemed impervious to the suggestion that, with hundreds and thousands—yea, millions of laborers withdrawn (under their Free-Trade theory) from manufacturing industries, and turned to the cultivation of the soil, the farmer lost his best customers and the prices of farm products were correspondingly reduced. Before the close of that memorable campaign, wheat, that had been as low as fifty cents a bushel advanced to seventy cents. Silver fell to forty-three cents. Since that time, as if intended to make a mockery of Democratic platforms and Democratic "spellbinders," the market value of a bushel of wheat has been at least four times the value of the bullion in a silver dollar. From reliance upon Democratic wisdom "may angels and ministers of grace defend us!"

We cannot wonder, therefore, that New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and Maryland Democrats have ignored the stupendous folly, the monumental blunder of 1896. Here in Virginia Democratic candidates for Congress are still harping upon free silver, but the people are slow to believe that to be true, in the "Old Dominion," that bears evidences of contradiction in all the world besides. Therefore, Virginia Democratic speakers, in order to stay the tide will, sooner or later, sweep them and their party from power forever, by trying to divert the minds of men from a contemplation of the splendid influence of the splendid administration of the great apostle of Protection, William McKinley. Instead of dwelling upon the brilliant achievements of our army and navy they insist upon the exercise of dismal surmisings respecting that every feeling of charity dictates should await a full and honest investigation. Manilla and Santia-

go and their heroes, Dewey and Bagley and Hobson and Sampson and Abley and Wheeler and Shafter and Roosevelt, are sought to be obscured by the morose apprehension that, on

the outskirts of the vast and glowing plains of light, there may yet be found a cloud to darken the glory of the American army and eclipse the splendors that have rendered immortal the renown of the American navy. To the honor of our dear "Old State," let it be known that these fault finders in the midst of general rejoicing are not confined to Virginia. Let us remind these critics of the administration that

Imperfections through nature's best productions run: Angels have spots, and spots are found upon the sun.

Meanwhile let us hold up to the view of our admiring countrymen that great American, who is adding new luster to the American name. He has demonstrated to the civilized world the culmination of perfection in the Anglo-Saxon race—the glory and power of the American people. Long live McKinley!

CARTER M. LOUTHAN,
Madison C. H., Madison County, Va.
Oct. 16.

Missionary Conference.

On Oct. 19th, 1898, in the beautiful mountain town of Marion, Va., was held a conference of the Sunday School Missionaries of the American Sunday School Union, who labor in Southwestern Virginia and the Northwestern North Carolina. Steps were taken to improve the existing Sunday Schools, to place a copy of the Bible in the hands of every family and to make it easy for each child to own at least a copy of the New Testament, to place more workers in the field and to establish a new Sunday School in every neighborhood where they have none. The American Sunday School Union began its work in the year 1718 and from that date the work has continued until the present time with great success. Even during the war between the States the Sunday School Missionary could pass through the lines of both armies unmolested because officers and men knew of their good works. This society is a great forerunner of the churches. And old denominations reap the benefit of the work. One missionary reported that on his field 40 Baptist, 30 Methodist and 12 Presbyterian churches grew out of the Union Bible Schools. The Society has about 150 missionaries in the United States. Rev. D. B. Conner, Floyd, Rev. R. C. Cox, Fox, and the missionaries in Virginia. Mr. Conner works with the whites and Mr. Cox among the colored people. The society has five men at work among the colored people and the others among the whites and Indians. All persons in need of a little help for their Sunday Schools should address one of the above named missionaries.

It will not do to trust the Democratic party with power. With possession of the legislative government of the land, they are sure to plunge the country in the gravest disorders and perils. This party was unsafe enough before with its Free-Trade ideas, but now with its affirmation of the planks of the Chicago platform highly incendiary in their nature, it will be a monstrous misfortune if by any accident they obtain legislative power.—Racine (Wis.) Journal.

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CHAS. F. WASSUM.

THE FRIEND OF LABOR.

Republican Policies Beneficial to the Laboring Classes.

[Madison (Wis.) Journal.]

The political history of the last few years demonstrates beyond controversy that the Republican party is the friend of labor, and that in the enforcement of its policies lie the interests of the working classes. Under the operations of the McKinley law, and during the Harrison administration, labor prospered, but with the second inauguration of Cleveland and the passage of the Wilson Tariff bill, industry was crushed and the workmen thrown out of employment. We all sadly remember the panic of 1893 that almost overwhelmed the nation, and the poverty stricken condition of the idle thousands who filled the streets of the great cities and who were found everywhere begging for bread. The stories of idleness and poverty and hunger are fresh in the memories of us all. During the entire time of Cleveland's second administration, and existence of the Wilson law, there was depression and distress throughout the entire country.

In 1896 with the election of McKinley and the repeal of the Wilson Tariff law came better times. The operation of the "Dingley Tariff bill has brought employment to thousands, in many cases advanced wages, and given a general impetus to the business of the country. To-day the nation after its prostration brought on by Democratic policies is splendidly convalescent. In every department of business there is renewed activity and hope. No man with ordinary intelligence who will give the subject consideration can fail to see that the policies of the Republican party have been most beneficial to public and private interests. The Democratic party has proven a failure. The delusive theories of the silverites and Populists have been happily avoided. The Republican party has carried out its promise of protection to American industries. The results of such protection are at hand, and, with the other and further efforts toward betterment of the condition of the great army of workers, are offered in evidence.

A Bad Time to Change.

If the American people are just to themselves they will do nothing in the coming election to change the politics of the Congress to which they owe the greater part of the prosperity they are now enjoying. A congress controlled by the Bryan Democracy would not only disturb investment, but it would be certain to interfere with measures calculated to give the United States a monopoly of the trade of its newly acquired territories and to strengthen all our Tariff guarantees. If prosperity is a good thing to have it is an equally good thing to keep; but we may well doubt that it can be kept if its conservation is turned over to the authors of the Gorman-Wilson bill and the opponents of the plan to make the utmost, commercially, of our new possessions.—San Francisco (Cal.) Chronicle.

Congressman Bailey will make four speeches in the Ninth Virginia district this week. He comes all the way from Texas to help defeat General Walker for re-election to congress. General Walker was a gallant confederate officer and succeeded to the command of the celebrated "Stonewall" brigade. He is now a good republican, and for that there are some people who believe that he is guilty of a crime but little below that of treason.—Knoxville Journal.

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The firm stand taken by the Republican national administration upon the financial question has restored confidence to capital, and it is once more pouring into the channels of trade; the Dingley Tariff bill has started the wheels of industry in factory and mines, and the quiet but irresistible tide of prosperity which has always followed the adoption of a Republican policy by the nation has set in and the calamity howler is a thing of the past. May we never hear his voice again!—Seattle "Post-Intelligencer."

An Odd Dispute.

One of the big ice companies of Chicago had a dispute with a patron a few days ago over the payment of a bill for its commodity. The bill is still unpaid, and as it is too small to sue for the ice people expect they will lose the sum. The customer, reports the Chronicle, is the same man who in going away last summer left the gas lighted in three rooms and had a disagreement with the gas company over a large bill. In the former case he had to pay, not liking the idea of having his gas shut off. But the ice business he regards as different. The iceman had furnished the customer's wife with a small card which was to be hung out on the back porch whenever she needed ice. The scheme worked all right until the family went to the country a month ago. The iceman would leave a lump on the porch, which a little later would be put in the icebox. The housewife forgot to take in the card when she went with the rest of the folk to the country. The iceman in obedience to the card's legend continued to leave his daily block behind the vacant house. Each lump wore its life away unheeded in the hot sunshine until the spot where it had stood was but a little puddle in the evening. The next day its successor would share the same fate and the iceman never learned his mistake until the occupants of the house returned. The customer claims the blunder was the fault of an unobservant iceman. The ice company claims the customer should have taken in his card.

OF A MARTIAL NATURE.

Short service in the Russian army is evidently not always insisted on—at least, in the case of officers, for the Muscovite war office is offering special advantages to military officers who will accept service at Port Arthur. They must, however, volunteer for 25 years' service in "Russian China."

The surprisingly bad marksmanship of the Spanish gunners has brought to light some interesting facts concerning the relative skill of the Anglo-Saxon and Latin races. It is said by those who know that a dark-eyed race never makes good marksmen, and many instances are cited.

It has become a proverb in England that no dark-eyed man ever goes on the team for the Elcho shield. A case in point is that of a family of 11 men, all gray-eyed and all good riflemen, with the exception of one, dark-eyed, who himself admits that he cannot shoot a barn, and if put inside and blindfolded would send his bullet through the only knothole.

With a view of proving that bombardments are not very fatal to human life, it is stated that in 1870-71, at the bombardment of Belfort, which lasted 73 days, 99,453 projectiles thrown resulted in only 60 deaths. At Strasburg, during 38 days, the Germans fired 193,728 shells, the number of victims being 300; while at the bombardment of Paris, which lasted 23 days, 10,000 shells resulted in 107 persons killed and wounded.

In order that she might become heiress to \$100,000 of her grandfather's money, Eetelka A. Knapp, of Oakland, Cal., has been legally adopted by her own father. The grandfather did not recognize the little girl, who is the daughter of his son's divorced wife, but provided for "future children."

Lawyers advised Mr. Knapp that he could get around this provision by the process of adoption.

Gerald O'Grady, a rough rider, writes from Cuba to his home in the state of New York that when on a scouting expedition with nothing but an unloaded pistol he was attacked by an armed Spanish soldier, who had just killed his companion, he "punched the enemy in the nose with his fist and knocked him silly." Our boys know how to handle their fists as well as their guns.

An enterprising bachelor of Old Orchard, Me., having decided to enter the matrimonial state, but having not yet selected his helpmate, recently built a small cottage, and nailed upon the side nearest the road a shingle bearing the inscription: "Wife Wanted." This advertisement has already attracted several applicants, none of whom up to date has qualified to fill the vacancy.

FOR ALL WOMEN

NINE-TENTHS of all the pain and sickness from which women suffer is caused by weakness or derangement in the organs of menstruation. Nearly always when a woman is not well these organs are affected. But when they are strong and healthy a woman is very seldom sick.



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THOS. J. COOPER, Tupelo, Miss., says: "My sister suffered from very irregular and painful menstruation and doctors could not relieve her. Wine of Cardui entirely cured her and also helped my mother through the Change of Life."

Lucky Dog.

New York doggies are enjoying themselves at the various summer resorts. Yes, it is a very unfashionable King Charles who remains in the city during these "dog days," says the Herald. In former times, when my lady went for her summer outing, she left her pet at home, under the care of a servant. But no matter how careful the attention or how trusted the keeper, there was a continual worrying and fretting regarding the welfare of the absent pet, and frequently the summer outing was shortened so that my lady might get back to home—and doggie. Now an idea has come, which enables her not only to have her little favorite with her, but allows her to develop her hobby, unrestrained by masculine protestations and criticisms. Strange to relate, the hotel people are encouraging the fad of dogs as patrons—indeed, one fashionable and exclusive hostelry has established a register book wherein only the names and pedigrees of their canine patrons may be recorded. These superb little animals can be seen on the beach, generally early in the morning, in company with a neatly attired maid; sometimes with the mistress herself. The morning plunge is followed by a lively scramble on the cool green lawn, for this favorite pet of society is an excitable, restless little beast, who likes to romp and play as well as his less fortunate little brothers and sisters. The daily massage is followed by a dainty repast; then doggie is ready for his drive. The afternoon and evening are spent in the company of his proud mistress, who exhibits the various clever little tricks and antics to admiring friends.

"I haven't seen anything in years," says a woman who was down in Tampa just before the troops left to open the Santiago campaign, to a Washington Post reporter, "that was so pretty as the great friendship between Gen. Wheeler and his eldest daughter. They are more like comrades than father and daughter, and neither seems quite happy with the other out of sight. Miss Wheeler accompanied her father whenever possible, and was often to be seen riding with him about Tampa and the camp. She was ready to go at a moment's notice, and several times I saw her riding along contentedly, wearing a muslin frock, and riding sideways on a man's saddle. She wanted to go to the front as a nurse in order to be near her father, and I think she would have been perfectly happy if she could have ridden with him into the fight."

"When that big clap of thunder came the other night," said a girl to a New York Sun man, "it woke me, as it did a great many others, out of a sound sleep. But in my case the curious thing was the effect it had upon me. Suddenly and alarmingly as the peal came, I was neither scared nor rattled. I just sat straight up in bed and began taking the curl papers from my hair. When I realized what the noise was I put the papers right on again, of course, but in that first moment my first thought was, whatever might be happening, to make myself presentable."

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REPUBLICAN TICKET.

For Congress, 9th District of Va.,
Gen. Jas. A. Walker,
Of Wythe County.

Remember to-morrow, Saturday,
is the last day you can register.

We shall have peace with Spain
even if we should have to lick her
again.

The Dingley tariff law requires no
defense and the Democratic orators
are no longer attacking it.

"Do all your work in a quiet way
so Republicans will not know what
you are doing."—Ninth District
Canvass Book.

John William Watkins! Who
ever heard of this man until he was
made an assistant Democratic candi-
date for congress.

"Worship the silver calf!" says the
Democratic leaders in a whisper, and
then they shout: "Down with the
Republican party for the conduct of
the war!"

What's the matter after so much
boasting? Daniel, Bailey, and even
Taylor Elyson, the Democratic
State Chairman, have been imported
into the district.

President McKinley plainly enjoys
the confidence of the people. Is he
and his administration to be sus-
tained or condemned by electing a
Democratic Congress?

Farm products now find a ready
market at better prices than during
the lean years of Democratic rule.
Yet the farmer is expected to vote
for the return of that rule.

So far the critics of the conduct
of the war have not been able to pro-
duce a single witness to corroborate
their charges. Yellow journalism
and yellow statesmanship cannot
stand the searchlight.

From all over the district comes
cheering news. General Walker is
stronger with the people now than
when the campaign opened. Nothing
but fraud of the wholesale kind
can prevent his election.

Democratic friends, raise your hat
to the captain when he passes. Re-
member he has charge of you until
you have voted and your name is
checked off his book, then you can
go to sheol as far as he cares.

If the farmers and laboring men
of Smyth county will lay aside all
prejudice and political bias and vote
for their interest, General Walker
will carry the county by a larger ma-
jority than he did two years ago.

Some of our Democratic friends
seem glad that wheat is only 60 cents
a bushel. Judging from their ac-
tion they would be more highly grati-
fied if it was only 45 and 50 cents as
it was a few years ago under Demo-
cratic rule.

President McKinley is a bad man
because he sought to avoid the war
when the democrats yelled them-
selves hoarse for it, and because he
ended the war before they wanted it
ended and without our sustaining a
single defeat. That was very incon-
siderate on the part of the President.

Sitting on store boxes and derid-
ing the administration and the party
in power does not make prosperity.
The government cannot make pros-
perity, but it can give the people
conditions under which they can
utilize them, and that
The loafer never

The brother of Admiral Schley is
engaged in making Republican
speeches in Maryland and advising
the retention of the Philippines.
Neither Admiral Schley nor his
brother could make orthodox Demo-
cratic speeches and give such advice.

When the Democratic newspapers
and platforms charge the adminis-
tration with giving commissions to
inexperienced persons they reflect
upon the Governor of Nebraska who
gave the Army its most conspicuous
political Colonel.

The democrats tell the colored
voters that Thaddeus E. Harris and
John William Watkins are their candi-
dates. Did you colored voters of
Marion and Smyth county aid in
making Harris and Watkins your
candidates? No the democratic ma-
chine did this.

We tried democratic rule four years
and the business interest of the
country were ruined. Now that the
tide is turned and times improving,
let us keep our forces to the front
and battle for the election of James
A. Walker until the sun goes down
on the 8th of November.

Why did not Judge Rhea fill his
appointment at Wise court-house
last Monday? He did not want to get
another drubbing like General Walk-
er gave him at Marion. We may be
mistaken, guess he wanted to help
Texas Bailey out at Abingdon and
mingle among his watermelon bre-
thren whom he has treated so loyally.

Honest, free thinking democrats,
what is the necessity in having two
additional names on the ballot, be-
sides the regular Democratic and
Republican nominees. It is only for
purpose of corruption. Will you
endorse such work by voting for the
democratic machine candidate the
"great manipulator," as his friends
style him?

"The holder of the book of fifty
will subdivide these fifties into
squads of ten, enrolling ten names on
the cards herewith sent, and deliver
a card each, to five trusty and active
workers, who will each be in charge
of the ten voters allotted to him."

Ninth Dist. Democratic Canvass
Book.
Ministers of the gospel and labor-
ing men of the county, to whose
squad do you belong?

Guess we will get to see the chief
of fifties and the captains of tens on
election day. The Ninth District
Canvass Book says they must be "at
the poles before the time of their
opening, and will check off each
voter as he votes."

Good people of Smyth county,
Democrats and Republicans, will you
have some two-shilling "chief" as he
is styled hounding your footsteps
when you go to the ballot box to ex-
press the right of a freeman?

According to the latest reports on
the operation of the war revenue act
the burden of the additional tax-
ation falls upon bankers, brokers,
manufacturers of fermented liquors
and legacies. The industrial classes
and laborers are not feeling the tax
at all. The Democrats in Congress
proposed to increase the tax \$50,000,
000 above the amount fixed by the
Republicans and to squeeze the re-
mainder of the war cost out of the
people by depreciating the value of
their money.

The democratic candidate for con-
gress has given the people a cam-
paign of personal abuse, he has pre-
sented no issues and told the people
nothing that the democratic party
has done for the country, and the
Marion Democrat thinking it noble,
courageous and Rhea-like, could not
even give an account of the joint
discussion without abusing the Re-
publican county chairman. Well if
the Republican chairman hit the
poetic gentlemen who wrote up the
joint discussion, so hard as his langu-
age indicates, let him bray. All the
personal flings that the Democrat
can throw wont make any votes for
Rhea. But one thing you must not
do again, and especially not allow
any of your assistant campaign quill
pushers to say ugly and rough things
about the Republican county chair-
man, because "his friends" will be
grieved to hear anything of the kind,
the chairman will feel mortified that
he so disturbs the quiet of your equi-
librium as to have you give your
columns to "his friends" to throw
dirt at him.
"He whom the Gods would destroy
they first make mad."

HON. JACOB YOST ADDRESSES A LARGE AND ENTHUSIASTIC CROWD OF CITIZENS AT THE COURT HOUSE LAST MONDAY NIGHT.

Hon. Jacob Yost, Congressman
from the 10th Va. district filled his
appointment at this place last Mon-
day night. He was introduced by
county chairman R. A. Anderson,
and for one hour and forty minutes,
delivered one of the soundest and
most logical campaign speeches deliv-
ered in this county for years. Mr.
Yost is an attractive and eloquent
speaker. His presentation of the
cause which led up to the American-
Spanish war was simply sublime.
He made no invidious comparisons
of the Northern and Southern men
who fought in the war, as the Demo-
cratic candidate for Congress made
in his speech here court day. Said
it was not a Northern or Southern
war, but an American war. He
showed how the country prospered
under Republican rule; that we had
no Coxey's army of tramps, no busi-
ness panics until the country gave
us a Democratic administration.
Democrats who heard the speech said
it was the best that has been deliv-
ered here for years.

Mr. Yost is canvassing the 9th
District, and is making a fine im-
pression on the great crowds that
hear him.

BILOUS-NESS

Do you get up with a
headache?
Is there a bad taste in
your mouth?
Then you have a poor
appetite and a weak diges-
tion. You are frequently
dizzy, always feel dull and
drowsy. You have cold
hands and feet. You get
but little benefit from your
food. You have no ambition
to work and the sharp pains
of neuralgia dart through
your body.
What is the cause of all
this trouble?
Constipated bowels.

Ayer's PILLS

will give you prompt relief
and certain cure.
Keep Your Blood Pure.
If you have neglected your
case a long time, you had
better take
Ayer's Sarsaparilla
also. It will remove all
impurities that have been
accumulating in your blood
and will greatly strengthen
your nerves.
Write the Doctor.
These may be something about
your case you do not quite un-
derstand. Write the doctor freely; tell
him how you are suffering. You
will promptly receive the best
medical advice. Address:
Dr. J. C. Ayer, Lowell, Mass.

Why should any citizen desire to
see the present Administration
handicapped by the election of a
Democratic majority in the lower
House of Congress, if it could be
done. Has not the present Adminis-
tration been helpful to every inter-
est of the country. Has not confi-
dence been restored? Has not a goodly
measure of prosperity returned?
Is not the future bright with hopes?
With a Republican President and a
Republican Senate what benefit
could come to the country by having
a Democratic House? They would
be helpless to carry into effect any
policy, and could only obstruct the
Administration in carrying out Re-
publican policies. The consequence
would be that nothing could be done.
The Democratic House could prevent
or embarrass the solution of the
grave problems growing out of the
recent war with Spain. Remember
the Republican party has been in
power only 18 months and many of
the measures for the relief and bet-
terment of the country, owing to the
war, have not yet been perfected and
put in operation. A Democratic
House could prevent this. We have
seen the evil effects of mixed Ad-
ministrations. The policies of the
two parties are antagonistic. They
went nix. It results in a deadlock.
At this time it would be calamitous
to the country to get in this condi-
tion. A Democratic majority in the
lower House can give the country no
useful purpose at this time. A man
is more of a partisan than a patriot
who would thwart the plans and
policies of the present Administra-
tion. Seeing that its policies so far
have been highly beneficial to the
country.

Mr. Editor:—Well, General Walk-
er and Judge Rhea the respective
candidates of the two parties, have
come and addressed a large assembly
of the voters of Smyth county.
There are only two great national
issues now before the country, with
a third looming up as the result of
the war.
The Republican party, with Gen-
eral Walker, advocates—1st. A cur-
rency (gold, silver and paper money),
based upon gold as the standard of
value.

The Democrats, with Judge Rhea,
advocate—A currency (gold, silver
and paper money), based upon silver
as a standard of value.
2. The Republican party with
General Walker, advocates: A tariff
for the protection of American labor
and American industries.
The Democratic party, with Judge
Rhea, advocates: A tariff for reve-
nue only; popularly known as the
"free trade policy."

These are the two great issues
joined by the two great national par-
ties.
What light did Judge Rhea in his
two hours talk on last Monday,
throw upon these issues? Can his
democratic adherents lay their finger
upon a single argument addressed by
him to support the democratic side
of these issues? Not one. But for
some incidental remarks about Bry-
an, and old Shafter, as he styled
him, it would be difficult to say
which side he was on. It was Walk-
er this and Walker that, all the way
through. The people know General
Walker; they know his record; they
know him to be a high minded gen-
tleman. What the voters want to
know is this: Which policy, the
Republican or Democratic, is best
for the country; which will give the
greatest measure of prosperity to the
people. This is what the people
would like to hear discussed, so as to
enable them to cast an intelligent
ballot. General Walker fully iden-
tified himself with the Republican
side of the issues and supported them
with vigorous arguments which came
home to every one present. For
every one present could easily con-
trast the present times under Mc-
Kinley's Administration, with the
condition of the country only two
years ago under democratic rule. It
was what the logicians call an argu-
ment AD HOCUM address to the
interest of each voter. And yet the
beneficent effects of McKinley's Ad-
ministration are just beginning to
be felt, notwithstanding the country
has borne the burden of a costly
war. A bright future is before us
if this policy is continued. Rally,
now, rally to the support of the
policy of "Protection to American
labor and American industries, and
sound and staple currency."
SPECTATOR.

Strong, steady nerves
Are needed for success
*Everywhere: Nerves
Depend simply, solely,
Upon the blood.
Pure, rich, nourishing
Blood feeds the nerves
And makes them strong.
The great nerve tonic is
Hood's Sarsaparilla,
Because it makes
The blood rich and
Pure, giving it power
To feed the nerves.
Hood's Sarsaparilla
Cures nervousness,
Dyspepsia, rheumatism,
Catarrh, scrofula,
And all forms of
Impure blood.

"Walker's death knell."
"Sounded by the negro Republi-
can of the district." Such is the
joyful announcement of the Times-
Courier, Mr. Rhea's organ, in print-
ing the action of a few independent
colored Republicans of Pocahontas
in nominating another negro candi-
date for congress. Mr. Rhea now
has two colored assistants in the can-
vass, and Mr. Bailey from Texas
to help him down the "old confed-
erate," and still Mr. Rhea is not
happy. Young man, you've now
gone up the spout, and your trick of
colored candidates can't save you.
Why do you not hire a colored man
in each county to run for congress?
Then you would have so many names
on the election ticket that a poor
voter would be compelled to get one
of your immaculate judges of elec-
tion to fill his ticket.—Bristol News.

We Invite Your Attention to Following prices on New Heavy Weight Clothing:

Mens Suits.

Heavy Weight, black, gray and fancy
Cotton Worsteds 1.75 to 3.00.
Heavy Weight Worsted, Safinets
and Union Cassimers, 2.50 to 6.00.
All Wool Cassimers; Sacks and
Frocks, the best goods on earth for
the price, 6.50 to 8.50.
Black and Fancy Worsteds, Blue,
Black and Fancy; Cheviots in Frocks,
round and square Sacks, 3.00 to
9.00
Fine Dress Suits in latest weaves,
such as would cost 20.00 to 30.00
made by your tailor, 10.00 to 15.00.
These are tailor made garments.
It will be time well spent to see
our line of Boys and Children suits.
Junior Vestee and Reefer suits 3 to
9 years. Knee pant-suits 4 to 16
years, at 5.00 to 5.00.
School Suits 3 pieces long pants, 10
to 15 years, 2.00 to 6.00.
Complete line of Boys and Childrens
Overcoats.
Reefers and Long Coats from 1.00 to
6.50.
See our Dewey Overcoats; for boys
from 4 to 10 years.

Mens Overcoats in Long-Ulsters
Storm Collar at from 2.00 to 10.00.
Our Riding Coat, at 4.50 is a world
beater; see it.
Dress Overcoats in Beaver, Kersey,
Melton and Chinchilla at from 3.50
to 15.00.
Complete line of Rubber Goods, Me-
ltonoses, Slickers, Mens and Boys
Rubber Boots and Rubber Shoes for
everybody.
Hats and Caps
All Shapes, Colors and Prices.
Trunks, Valises, Umbrellas &c.,
Lower than any competitor.
Underweare.
See us before buying your winter
underweare. We have the best 25
and 50 cent garments to be found.
Better grades from 75 cents up. It
will pay you to see us for anything in
Gents' Furnishing Line.
Shoes.
Last But Not Least.—We call your
attention to our line of SHOES. Our

Mens Fine Shoes made by
Hutchins, in Boston, have of-
ten been seen to be appreciated. We
them in Lutes Tows and Colors
every pair of these shoes that
MONEY BACK GUARANTEE
Boots and Shoe
We have the best line of Hill
BOOTS and SHOES for Me
Boys to be found.
Our line of Women Shoes has
selected from the best manufa-
and are every pair warrant-
we cheerfully refund the m-
give you another pair when
shown to us the shoes have g-
from imperfect work or mater-
If you have not a friend,
pocket book and do so at one
are confident of the fact that
recognition of this SURET will be
mutual benefit.
Remember you
money back guar-
tee with every a-
bought from us.

B. H. BAYLOR,
MARION, VA.

(Opposite Postoffice)

Are You Pale?

Are your cheeks
hollow and your
lips white?
Is your appetite
poor and your di-
gestion weak? Is
your flesh soft
and have you lost
in weight?
These are symptoms of
anemia or poor blood.
They are just as frequent
in the summer as in the
winter. And you can be
cured at one time just as
well as another.
Scott's
Emulsion
of cod liver oil with hypo-
phosphites will certainly
help you. Almost everyone
can take it, and it will not
disturb the weakest stom-
ach.
It changes the light color of
poor blood to a healthy and rich
red. It nourishes the brain; gives
power to the nerves. It brings
back your old weight and strength.
All Druggists, 50c. and \$1.
Scott & Bowdler, Chemists, New York.

THE BIG DRYGOOD STORE

L. M. KOHEN'S

To-day we will begin a sale of
Dress Goods
which for high qualities and low
prices, will surprise any yet offered
this season. The goods in this sale
are the freshest and most of this sea-
son's styles, at
SPECIAL LOW PRICES.
First Special.—Five pieces fancy
black goods, beautiful patterns and
stylish, this season's goods and
bought to sell for 40c, but we are
going to make a special run on them
at 25c.
Second Special.—18 pieces all
wool dress goods, 36 inches wide
worth 35c, we will sell for 25c.
Third Special.—Twelve beautiful
dress patterns worth 75c, go for 50c.
Fourth Special.—Eight pieces of
plaid in blue, red and garnet, all
wool, from 12 1-2 to 40c.
We have this week received 18
pieces of beautiful colors in mixed
goods, all wool 36 inches wide, worth
35c, we cut to 25c.

Cloakes and Capes.

We have just received a big line of
Cloakes and Capes Plush and Beaver,
with and without braid.
Capes and Cloakes that should sell
for \$5.00 \$5.50, we will sell for \$3.00
and \$3.50.
Capes from \$1 to \$10.
24 Beautiful Plush Capes trimmed
in braid and jet worth
\$8.00, we will sell for \$5.00
Ladies and Men's Shoes
to \$5.
We have just received a
of Men's and Boys Clothing
we will sell at prices that
prise you.

1897
W. C. Seaver & Sons
Are still in the front with a larger and cheaper line of
FURNITURE,
Hardware, stoves, tinware and house-fu-
ing goods generally than ever before
We will take pleasure in comparing the quality and prices of our goods
house in the southwest. We study to please our customers both as to
prices of everything in our lines. Good produce taken in exchange for
Come and see us. Respt.
W. C. SEAVER & SON

Local Items.

THE SALE OF THE VENABLE PROPERTY ADVERTISE TO TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY, OCTO. 29th, UNDER DEED OF TRUST TO SECURE MARION BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, IS POSTPONED UNTIL FRIDAY, NOV. 18TH, 1898, AT 2 P. M. AT THE PREMISES. A. T. LINCOLN, P. C. MARION, Trustees.

In this week's issue of the Marion Democrat you will find lengthy articles advertising and giving prominence to T. E. Harris one of the negro candidates for congress. A few weeks ago Hon. Geo. W. Murry, a colored congressman from South Carolina made a few speeches in the 9th Dist. to colored people, and because he was advocating the election of General Walker for congress, the Democrat said, "what are we coming to, that old Virginians must have a cockeyed South Carolina negro come among them as a teacher of politics." And in the same connection the Democrat said it wanted to "put on its fighting coat," and away with the cockeyed S. C. negro. But alas! alas! the mighty have fallen, these blue blooded aristocratic democrats with Rhea the great manipulator, as their candidate, now have two assistant democratic negro candidates for congress in the 9th Dist. Just one month ago they could not tolerate a negro to speak in the Dist. Now they are hugging Thad Harris and John William Watkins to their bosom, and rolling their names as sweet morsels under their tongues. Smyth county Democrats, what think you of such a set of leaders. Rhea the political demagogue, Thad Harris and John William Watkins, his hired assistants. Choose ye whom ye will follow. We have heard of no colored man in Smyth county who will support either of the above named candidates. No they are the standard bearers of Rheaism, and no colored voter who is true to his Republican principles will give either one of the trio his support.

It Did the Work.
"I had sore eyes and was troubled with chills and rheumatism. I was in bed three weeks. I bought three bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and began taking the medicine and now I can go to work every day. When suffering from malarial chills I took Hood's Sarsaparilla and it did the work." W. W. Hedrick, Silver Hill, N. C.

Hood's Pills are the only pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla. 25c.
I am getting in new goods every day and my prices are the very lowest. See my ten cent coffee.
D. H. MITCHELL, Depot Store
Nice hominy flake at C. B. Francis.

The best way to avoid sickness is to keep yourself healthy by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great blood purifier.

A PRETTY WEDDING.
Miss Octavia Etter Becomes Mrs. A. M. Stone. Many Present.

"Quite a number of friends and relatives gathered at the home of Mr. S. S. Etter last Wednesday the 19th inst. to witness the ceremony that linked the lives of Mr. A. M. Stone, of Atkins to Miss Octavia, daughter of Mr. S. S. Etter. The ceremony took place at 2 o'clock with Miss Bessie Baumgardner as maid of honor and Mr. Jas. Groseclose as best man. Rev. G. A. Maiden performing the ceremony in a solemn and impressive manner. Among those present were the family of Mr. A. F. Stone, Dr. W. F. Etter, of Cheek, L. T. Messers, C. P. Atkins, Joe Gillespie and Chas. Wassum, of Atkins. Many useful and valuable presents were presented to the young couple. After the ceremony a most sumptuous repast was served, and on Thursday a reception was tendered the couple at the residence of the groom's father, Mr. A. F. Stone, at Mt. Carmel. That blessings may follow their footsteps is the sincere wish of the host of friends both in this and the adjoining county—Rural Retreat Times.

We join in extending congratulations to Mr. Stone and his happy bride. Meek is one of Smyth county's popular young men, full of energy, possesses sterling business qualities. He is one of the leading merchants in the the eastern section of our Co., was educated at E. and H. College, and promises to be a useful citizen in his community. The best of success to you and yours is the earnest wish of the News.

The very best boots and shoes ever offered for the money, at J. B. Rhea's.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

C. C. LINCOLN, Esq., Chairman &c.
DEAR SIR:—Replying to your favor of the 24th, inst., I beg to say that I was requested to run as an independent Republican candidate in the 9th congressional district, by an offer made to me on behalf of the managers of the democratic party in Virginia.
I was shown a telegram from Bristol, signed "S," which I have since learned meant JAMES A. STONE. This telegram read, "CLOSE DEAL WITH PROPER PARTY FOR \$500."
Another telegram signed J. T. E., from Richmond, urged the same party to complete arrangements looking to the same end.
Having always co-operated with the Republican party from whom my race received the right to vote, I could not be a tool in the hands of the Democracy to defeat my own party.
You may make any use of this communication that you see fit.
J. M. RICKS,
627, K St. N. W.

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.
ROYAL BAKING POWDER
Absolutely Pure
ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

Our esteemed Elder J. F. Maiden, paid our office a pleasant call last Tuesday. He had with him a few samples of sweet potatoes; he left some with us, the largest of which weighed 3 pounds and 10 ounces. Brother Maiden has a few of these fine potatoes for sale. Call again old friend, you are always welcome.

The Editor and foreman of the News staff desire to return their thanks to the popular host of the Valley House, for a nice treat of oysters and a splendid supper last Monday evening. This popular house has made extensive improvements recently by remodeling their old building, and adding a number of new rooms, water closets and bath rooms, and other modern conveniences. We expect to give our readers a fuller notice of this popular house soon.

Road Ford, Va., Oct. 14.—The colored Republican voters of Broadford precinct met in mass meeting Oct. 22nd 1898. The meeting was called to order by J. W. Williams, the precinct chairman, after a few remarks by J. W. Williams and John F. Smith. A Walker club was organized, and the following officers elected:

CHAS. H. SMITH, Pres.
THOS. HAYS, Vice-Pres.
THOS. J. CYRUS, Sec.
Committee—Jerry Smith, J. F. Miller, Thos. Broady, Edward Hunt, John F. Smith, R. G. Hays, Obediah Harper.
Look out for Broadford.
CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

Headquarters
Republican Congressional Committee,
Ninth District of Virginia.
Marion, Va., Oct. 26th, 1898.

TO THE REPUBLICAN VOTERS OF THE NINTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT!

As the time is near at hand when every freeman is to exercise the right of suffrage, it behooves every Republican voter to be alert to the interest of his rights as a citizen, and to see that there is a free and fair ballot on election day.

Every obstacle that can hinder, impede and prevent Republicans from casting their ballots for JAMES A. WALKER, is threatened to be placed in our way.

It is admitted by some of the leading machine Democrats that a free ballot means the certain election of GENERAL WALKER to Congress.

As an example of Democratic trickery thus far, we learn that there will be four candidates upon the ticket, to-wit:

James A. Walker, William F. Rhea, Thaddeus E. Harris and John William Watkins. We are informed the last two names are colored men, and "Assistant Democrats." This is the work of the Democratic machine, and trust you will see that every Republican voter who cannot prepare his ballot, tells the election judge he wants to vote for JAMES A. WALKER, the Republican Candidate, and not say that he wants to vote the "Republican Ticket."

SEE THAT THE PEN OR PENCIL MARK EXTENDS THROUGH THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF EVERY NAME EXCEPT JAMES A. WALKER.

If the voter doubts that his ballot has been properly marked, "he may expose it, before folding it, to any person near enough to see its contents, and such exposure is a legal method for the detection of possible fraud."

Very Truly Yours,
C. C. Lincoln,
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The News joins with their host of friends in extending sympathy to the bereaved husband and family.

MARRIED—H. Gale Francis, and Miss Carrie Sanders, both of this place were quietly united as husband and wife at the Baptist parsonage last Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Pastor J. M. Dunaway officiating. Mr. Francis is our popular Deputy Postmaster, and is a young man of fine business traits. Miss Sanders is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Sanders, and one of the business and accomplished young ladies of the town. The News wishes them prosperity and plenty, as they journey along life's uneven pathway.

A very attractive line of dress goods can be found at J. B. Rhea's. Fresh evaporated peaches, pines and apples, received today by C. B. Francis. Also keg fresh mackerel.

Evangelist Thomas Needham, closed his series of meetings at the Baptist church last Sunday night. Mr. Needham is one of the strongest gospel preachers that ever held a meeting in Marion. Most every service was well attended, and we trust, much and lasting good accomplished. We have not been able to learn the number of professions made during the meeting. Mr. Needham and Mr. Flanders, who led the singing, rendered themselves very popular with our people, and they will always receive a welcome in Marion.

SYRUP OF FIGS
NEVER IMITATED IN QUALITY!

THE EXCELLENCE OF SYRUP OF FIGS is due not only to the originality and simplicity of the combination, but also to the care and skill with which it is manufactured by scientific processes known to the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP Co. only, and we wish to impress upon all the importance of purchasing the true and original remedy. As the genuine Syrup of Figs is manufactured by the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP Co. only, a knowledge of that fact will assist one in avoiding the worthless imitations manufactured by other parties. The high standing of the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP Co. with the medical profession, and the satisfaction which the genuine Syrup of Figs has given to millions of families, makes the name of the Company a guaranty of the excellence of its remedy. It is far in advance of all other laxatives, as it acts on the kidneys, liver and bowels without irritating or weakening them, and it does not gripe nor nauseate. In order to get its beneficial effects, please remember the name of the Company—
CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL. NEW YORK, N. Y.
LOUISVILLE, KY.

Wonderful bargains in slightly used pianos are now being offered by Hobbie Piano Co. of Roanoke. If you want one cheap, now is your opportunity. Write them at once for particulars. They will surprise you at the low prices at which they will sell you a fine piano.

Resolutions of Respect.
WHEREAS, Almighty God in His wisdom has taken from this world, the companion and helpmeet of our brother, J. J. Scherer, therefore be it resolved,

1st. That Thompson Lodge, No. 88, I. O. O. F. extend to brother Scherer, our condolence and sympathy and pray that the Grand Master of the Universe, may give to him and the sorrowing children, grace and consolation in their sore bereavement.
2nd. That by her death our community has lost a noble christian and our lodge a good and true friend.
3rd. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to brother Scherer and also spread upon the minutes of our lodge.
4th. That a copy of these resolutions be published in the MARION News and Marion Democrat.
GEO. W. RICHARDSON,
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J. H. GOLLEHON,
R. A. ANDERSON,
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Letter From Atkins.
Mr. Editor:—Several weeks have elapsed since we have been heard from through the columns of your paper, so here we are again with our small bit of news.
Our farmers are about done sowing wheat; that which has been sown for several weeks is doing well.
Some corn has been shucked and it is found damaged some by the recent heavy rains.
Our public schools are now in full blast with a good attendance. The teachers, Rachel Copenhaver, at Bear Creek, Miss Annie Davis at Cedar Grove, Mr. Benj. Eller at Aker, and Mr. Geo. Davis at Lampie, are giving good satisfaction.
Quite a number of our people are gathering in a good supply of chestnuts; the crop in the mountain is abundant.
Mr. Taylor Musser is ill at his home near here with typhoid fever. He is under the care of Dr. Atkins, whose skillful treatment is bringing him O. K. again.
"Aunt Betsey" Groseclose, who lives with Mr. Jas. Hoofnagle, unfortunately, fell and broke her thigh some time since—Her condition is critical.
Mr. A. M. Snavely has purchased the Jeff. Lambert property, and will make extensive improvements thereon at once. Mr. Lambert has erected a dwelling for himself on his farm near here.
Mr. J. E. Caney who had the Mrs. Stone property rented last year, has moved back to Wythe county, and is engaged in teaching school at Crocketts. Mr. Jno. Snavely is his successor on the above farm.
Revival services began at the Baptist church last Sunday. We hope much good will be done. MANCHEIFF.

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Eli Landreth vs. G. W. Hiner.
Pursuant to a deed entered in the above cause, Aug. 20, 1898, by the J. of Smyth Circuit Court, I will offer at sale to the highest bidder, at the door of Smyth Co. Court House on 21st, 1898, (being first day of Nov. of Smyth county court), the tract of 103 acres formerly owned by Eli Landreth and by him sold to G. W. Hiner, the sale being for balance of purchase money, said land is situated on Sine creek, Smyth county, south of Sine Bottom. The mineral interest in said land is reserved.
Terms of sale—cash in hand sufficient to pay costs of sale, commission, &c., and the balance on six, twelve and eighteen months time, in equal payments with interest from sale. Payment giving bond with good personal security.
A. P. COLZ, Clerk.
I certify that bond with security has been given in the stated cause, as required by law.
W. C. SEXTON, Clerk.

WANTED—SEVERAL TRUSTWORTHY PERSONS in this county to manage our business in their nearby counties. It is mainly office conducted at home. Salary \$1000 a year and expenses—definite fee no more, no less salary. No \$75. Reference. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. Herbert E. Prest, Dept. M. Chicago.

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RYHMES OF THE TIMES.

The Fighting Yankee Tar.
The ships have changed and the guns have changed, but the spirit has altered not. For the lessons we learned in the days long gone we conformed with each shrieking shot. And for those days, where our frigates sailed, no matter how near or far, they made a name and it's still the same, for the fighting Yankee tar.

Our grandfathers lived and our grandfathers fought with colors that to the mast; and we follow the lead, in the days now here, they gave in the living part. Laid yard to yard, they fought to fight where their cannon would leave their scars, and they made the name and it's still the same, with the fighting Yankee tar.

For it's open wide the 12-inch breech and "load" her with her shell. Then "prime" her when you get the word and see you "point" her well. "Ready now!" "All hands stand clear!" until the word of "Fire!" When the gunner jerks the lanyard taut for another funeral pyre. —Philadelphia Times.

The Yankee Volunteer.
Aye, boast, old England, if you will. Of valor fierce and wild, And flaunt the emblem of your king, On whom the War God smiled. With you, we take the goblet up, And toast it off with cheer. You name your monarch—glass to glass, We name our volunteer!

All hail a nation's proud applause Shall spur him to his goal—The blood of patriots is his, And freedom thrills his soul. No drafted braggart he to turn, Or slat a coward's fear. The pillar of our nation's strength is he—our volunteer!

Wherever dark oppression rules— 'Tis there he takes his stand— "Liberty or death," his cry, Has rang from land to land. Great England, take your goblet up, Your monarch toast with cheer. Now, drink with us a double health— "The Yankee volunteer!" —Mabel Houghton Brown, in Washington Star.

The Old Brigade.
The new brigades are mighty fine—the boys are brave as true, As the gray is marchin' side by side with them that were the blue; I see 'em on the hilltops—they're drillin' in the glades, But we won't forget the old boys, who made the old brigade.

We won't forget the fellows that fought on land an' sea, An' followed "Stonewall" Jackson, an' charged with old Bob Lee! An' Grant's an' Sherman's fellows—their memory never fades; We won't forget the old boys, who made the old brigade.

They're thinnin' out—the old boys—they're few now on the sod; They're crossin'—crossin' over the campgrounds of God. I see the young boys marchin' on hills an' fields an' glades, But we won't forget the old boys, who made the old brigade. —Frank L. Stanton, in Atlanta Constitution.

Loveless.
All the lonely day we listen for the music of a voice. That to me with accents tender may our grief-bowed hearts rejoice; Listen vainly for a footfall—but those feet for aye are still— Never more we'll greet their coming with rejoicing hearts athrill.

We must still go tolling, struggling through life's "wildering maze," Weeping in the lonely midnight, sorrowing through the weary days; They have gained the summit, reached the rare and radiant height, Of the fair celestial City—home of everlasting light.

No, "not dead, but gone before" us—Father they may meet them in the morning, They are happy in Thy presence, breathing Heaven's life-giving air; Give us courage that we faint not, pressing on to gain that shore Where we know they wait our coming, and where partings are no more. —Meta E. B. Thorne, in Banner of Gold.

In the Corner.
So often, poor weak rogue, they sent His little heart to banishment, So oft his blurred angelic face Was wall-ward turned in dire disgrace.

That, moved with pity for his sake, What does his granddad do but take Palette and brush, and fill with bloom That penal corner of the room?

Small women share the culprit's grief; Fairies peep out from flower and leaf; His heart the droll brown squirrel cheers, And sets him smiling through his tears.

"Grandpa," they cried, "You spoil the child!" Mine kindly wife, the old artist smiled; "Pain often hardens—have a care! God does not leave our corners bare." —Good Words.

Drudgery.
The work I sought not, nor the duty chose, And o'er the task reluctantly I bent; Within my thought no sprightly visions rose, Nor chaste ambition to my labors lent.

Above were clouds I did not understand; Beyond, for me, no bright achievement stood; I was the chisel in the workman's hand, Bearing the stroke, perceiving not his mood.

But one day, Love, in passing, came to me, By simple chance it was, I thought— He came to stay, and sweetly since have we Transformed the workshop into a studio. —John Trioland, in Youth's Companion.

The Cedar.
When maple boughs flame green with May, When the elm sheds flimsy seed, When all the trees keep holiday, The cedar takes no heed.

The willow casts its caquins free, The apple-blossoms untried, No feels, beyond their revelry, The coming of the cold.

When maple branches shiver bare Against the sky's chill blue, The sturdy cedar's boughs glow fair, The russet winter through; Philosopher of trees, he knows What circling days shall bring; Forsores, in spring, the winter snows, In winter tells of spring. —Herbert Bates, in Youth's Companion.

Our Battle Cry.
Not for revenge—albeit Spain Destroyed the Maine— Not for her islands, near or far, Wage we this war. We solely for our Cuba's need Do our souls bleed; But to solve questions which were gray To the dead eyes! For we, who set ourselves, are set on a path that leads on!

Reduction of Grades.
Something of an idea of what is involved in railroad building over the Alleghany mountains may be had from the reduction and improvements of grades on the Baltimore & Ohio line. It is now stated that the receivers of that road have turned their attention to the improvement of the grades on the third division from Cumberland to Grafton, or rather that portion which lies between Altamont, the top of the 17-mile grade, and Terra Alta, where the Crauberry grade begins to descend. The line passes through Deer Park and Oakland and crosses what is known as the "Glades" of the Alleghany mountains. The grades are short and choppy, some of them being 80 to 85 feet to the mile. One of the first pieces of work to be done is now in progress at No. 58 cut, where the grade is being reduced from 81 feet to 42½ feet per mille, with equations for curvature. It is expected that the cutting down of this grade will enable the receivers to increase the train load from 1,000 tons to 1,300 tons on east-bound trains. One mile of the roadway will be lowered, and it is expected that the work will be completed by the middle of October.

It is reported that fear of Spanish ships led the Bangor (Me.) board of trade to get the war department to fill the narrows at Bucksport with mines. When the engineers got the mines all laid they issued a set of regulations which constituted a practical blockade of this port. Immediately went up a howl of indignation from the shipping people. Finally, after much telegraphing and writing, it was promised by the war department that a channel 200 feet wide should be opened through the mine field for steamers, and the storm subsided, while the shipping people recommended that the board of trade disband or confine itself to such harmless functions as its annual dinner. The mines have not yet been removed, but soon will be, and meanwhile a big fleet of vessels is waiting for a chance to get to sea.

"If there was ever any question as to the effectiveness of colored troops it will be silenced since the battle of El Caney. The troopers of the Tenth fought like demons and withstood the rigors of the tropical climate uncomplainingly. The officers of the regiment could scarcely restrain the men in their enthusiasm to reach the enemy. When the order finally came to charge the earthworks a wild yell rose from the ranks, and the troopers, after pouring a murderous fire into the enemy, rushed at them like fiends. Scores fell under the fierce volley firing of the Spanish, but undaunted, the Tenth pressed on till they drove the enemy from their position. When the stars and stripes were raised over the trenches the wounded, who lay on the field about me, raised themselves on their elbows and united in a cheer."

Not long ago Thomas H. Johnson, of New Albany, an employe of the Illinois Central railroad, running on a freight train between Louisville and Central City, was killed while leaning out from the top of a car. Before the widow even knew all the particulars of his death letters were showered in upon her by lawyers along the line of the road. In due time the coffin bearing the remains of the unfortunate man reached the mourning widow. It was opened, and to the coat sleeve of the dead man's grave clothes was pinned a note written by a lawyer near the scene of the accident offering to prosecute the road for a percentage of the damages. It is hard to get ahead of that for gall and hustle.

A member of the Seventy-first New York volunteer regiment, of Lakeland, Fla., writes north that, while the food he gets is the worst he ever saw, the government is not to blame. "I know this," he adds, "because the regulars are well fed, as I have 'dined out' among them several times, and had an excellent meal each time." This information shows that the character of the officers and the organization of the regimental commissariat has a great deal to do with the comfort of the rank and file. The regular army officers know how to look out for their men.

Nine horses owned in Ventura, Cal., have just made a remarkable journey. A few months ago T. S. Cook took them to Inyo county, 300 miles from there, on account of the lack of pasture here. A few days ago they reached home, having escaped from the pasture and traveled the entire distance without driver or herder. They were seen traveling on a trot, and must have covered the first 200 miles or more from the pasture without water, feed or rest, as there is absolutely no feed on the way, and water must be bought and paid for at a good round price.

A Topeka (Kan.) exchange reports that a physician of that city recently sent a bill to a private at Camp Leedy for "sergical services" rendered. Another charge was \$15 for damages to his clothes at the camp, which garments the surgeon says were "knew."

In the New York cavalry at Camp Alger two troopers, named respectively Moon and Angel, are intimate friends and seldom seen apart. The soldiers call them "The Heavenly Twins."

An aeronaut says that there is the same difference in the air at the earth's surface and at an altitude of half a mile that there is between water in a muddy puddle and the purest spring water. He states that for a time one feels, after coming down from an ascent, as if one were breathing "solid

A Wonderful Scholar.
From time to time articles have appeared in newspapers and magazines of the remarkable versatility of Helen Keller, the blind mute, who is going through Harvard. Dr. Edward Everett Hale, "the grand old man of Massachusetts," as he is known to many, recently had an opportunity of conversing with this girl and became more than interested in her. He was visiting the pretty village of Wrentham, Mass., for quiet and rest, reports an eastern contemporary, and was the guest of an old friend and parishioner. Miss Keller and her teacher, Miss Sullivan, were also stopping at this resort at the summer home of a friend, and before he left Dr. Hale called on Miss Keller. It was exceedingly interesting to witness the meeting between her and the good doctor. They conversed for a long time, her fingers upon his lips—and her wonderful cultivation was brought out and shown by this interview. Dr. Hale repeated slowly a few lines of Greek poetry; she immediately finished the verse in a clear and distinct voice. So keen is her touch and so wonderful is her memory it is said she never forgets a person and will call anyone she has ever met by name, recognizing them merely by a touch of the hand. She can repeat line upon line of poetry, and is familiar with all the English and American poets. She is already ahead of her class at Harvard. Her English is remarkable for its purity. This fact was a wonder to Dr. Hale. Miss Sullivan told him it could be accounted for when it is remembered that she has never heard any bad English. Helen is interested in all the sports and many of the games for young people. Besides working a typewriter with wonderful facility, she plays a remarkable game of checkers. She swims, rows a boat, can climb a tree and is learning to ride the beautiful double wheel lately given her by a bicycle company. Every movement she makes is graceful, and her table manners are faultless. Added to all these accomplishments, her disposition is most lovely and her heart pure. Her affection for Miss Sullivan—who, by the way, is almost as much of a wonder as Helen herself—is tender and charming to behold.

In Brooklyn they play a new game called military euchre. A drum is used instead of a bell as the signal for beginning and ending rounds. The tables are called forts, and the favors are colored pennants. Military euchre is not progressive, the players changing forts only upon orders from headquarters. The commanding officer will, for example, detail a couple from one fort to go to another in an attempt to win a pennant. The other couple of the quartette remain at home to defend the home pennant against another pair of visiting players. This gives a fort an opportunity to win two pennants in one game, if both couples of the quartette are the victors. The trophies are hung on a line stretched above each table. Prizes are given to the players at a victorious fort. In a large company it is not uncommon for a fort to win 15 to 20 pennants.

Report comes from the northern mining country that war extras sell at five dollars each in Dawson City. They are over two months old, and the miners are just beginning to learn of the battle of Manila on May 1. The safes of Dawson City are full of gold dust and it is estimated that \$30,000,000 will be brought down by the treasure ships this season. The fast gunboat Wheeling has been dispatched to convey these vessels from Alaskan waters to Puget sound. Rumors of Spanish privateers off our northwest coast have caused consternation among the miners up there. The absence of American warships on our Pacific coast undoubtedly gave rise to the rumors, but the war department evidently placed enough credence in it to detail the 20-knot ship Wheeling to look after that district.

"Gen. Merritt," says one of our dier boys in San Francisco, "put on as much style as some militia captains. When he left on his ship, the Newport, the other day, he did not even take a trage from his hotel to the dock and climbed on a street car and nickel for the ride. After he boarded he waved off all those who were trying to make a great ceremony of his departure, and said to the captain: 'Come on; let's go this.' Then he waved his hand to some good-looking women dock and went into his cabin to his grip."

A Kalamazoo crockery dealer just closing up his store for the season reports an exchange, when one customer, a grocer, came in a great hurry. "Here," said packed this jar full of butter, jar split from top to bottom. "Oh, yes, I can," was the reply. "The butter was strong the jar."

A report from Carlisle, Ky., says five prisoners were taken at the Christian church. That must be either a very good or an awfully bad jail.

A St. Louis physician says: "I attribute many colds contracted in summer to the new hot-weather luxury—electric fans. Artificial ventilation is seldom healthy. The swift draught of an electric fan not infrequently closes the pores of the skin, resulting in severe colds."

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Notice of Sale of Valuable Town Property.
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TERMS OF SALE.
Cash sufficient to pay the amount due the said Marion Building and Loan Association and the costs and expenses of sale including commissions, and as to any residue over and above that amount such terms of credit as shall be stated on day of sale, bonds with good security bearing interest from the day of sale to be given by the purchaser for the deferred payments.
A. T. LINCOLN, P. C. MARCH, Trustees.

Commissioner's Sale.
Under and by virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of Smyth county, entered in the Chancery cause of Josie Fouse, against Martha Rogers, et al., on the 1st day September, 1898, the undersigned commissioner will proceed on **MONDAY, THE 17TH DAY OF OCT.**, that being the first day of county court of Smyth county, Virginia, at the front door of the court-house 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 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. Beatie 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 purchases bonds 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 case of Josie Fouse vs. a rtha Rogers and others. This 22nd day of Sept. 1898.
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Take notice that by virtue of authority of a deed of trust executed on the 29th day of March 1895 by C. S. Snider and wife to the undersigned trustees, we shall as such trustees, on Monday the 31st day of October 1898, offer for sale to the highest bidder at public outcry, on the premises the following property: A certain lot or parcel of land with its appurtenances, being one and one quarter of an acre lying on the Middle Fork of Holston River in Smyth county, Va., north of the N. & W. railroad track, and near Mt. Carmel church, about three miles east of Marion, Va. The lot to be sold is the same conveyed to the said C. S. Snider by Levi Brown and wife. The deed from Brown to Snider to the trustees are of record in Smyth county Clerk's office and to those deeds reference is made for a more complete description of the property. This property is now occupied by V. W. Brinkley and is a desirable property for a home.

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