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A BRAVE DEED.

Ada Carfit was decidedly the belle of Sharborough; and as that small but bustling Midland town had a reputation among its neighbors for lovely ladies, the distinction was a great one.

In figure, the girl was somewhat small and slight; but in feature she had attained almost to perfection, both of outline and of tint. She had a lofty, well-proportioned brow, around which rippled rich waves of auburn hair. She had eyes of dreamy blue, cheeks just sufficiently tinged with delicate carmine to throw into relief the pearly whiteness of her teeth.

The worst of it was, she knew that she was beautiful, and the knowledge spoiled her.

Ada was the only child of a wealthy Sharborough manufacturer, and added to her other charms that of being a very considerable heiress. Naturally she had of suitors not a few.

But Ladies Clara Vere de Vere can exist in much lower circles than that of the poet's faulty heroine, and Ada Carfit had caught the vice of a proud coquetry.

She relished her power over susceptible hearts, and did her best to extend it.

The breath of homage was a life to her.

She led her wooers gently on till the toils were all around them, and then, of a sudden, they found an impassable, impassable barrier erected, and Ada's smiles were for newer comers.

It was an amusement, half the zest of being, to her; she never wasted an anxious thought on what it might mean to her victims.

Men were strong, and must protect themselves.

The last to enter the charmed circle had been a youth from the North, who in appearance and manners was certainly at a disadvantage with those whom he quickly came to consider his rivals.

Roger Herlestone was two-and-twenty; but his thick-set, burly figure, and his abundance of beard, made him look years older.

He was heavy in feature, uncertain in movement, and awkward in address.

As the nephew of Mr. Marston, of Marston & Marsh, cotton-mill owners, his prospects were very good.

But the knowledge of this fact somehow failed to give him the needed self-confidence.

Roger's many blunders made him to a large extent the butt of his male acquaintances, and it was probably this that caused Ada Carfit, out of sheer opposition, to treat him with marked favor.

Philip Dare, the lawyer, had likened Rogers to the proverbial "bull in a china shop"; and Philip Dare should be made to bite his lip with vexation at her deference to the despised one.

But once again she was kind only to be cruel.

"I cannot tell whether she cares

Even the mirth of her other courtiers failed to do more than galvanize her into an outward semblance of interest and good-humor.

II.

It was many months later, and the forms of, perhaps the wildest winter within living memory had descended upon these Northern Midlands.

For day after day, and week after week, there was scarcely a break in the clouds or a pause in the gale.

Wind and rain, wind and rain was the dreary record, until the lakes were swollen, the streams impassable, and miles of low-lying pastures lands submerged.

Sharborough was not a pleasant place under such circumstances.

Upon the very brightest heavens its huge manufacturing chimneys hung a yellow blot; and now the funeral like pall of fog and smoke lowered overhead in a perpetual frown.

Ada Carfit grew sick of it, and be-

took herself on a visit to her uncle at Baysditch, five miles away.

There it rained still, it is true, and seemed likely to rain.

But Baysditch was in the open country, and behind it were the Porley Hills.

The girl was better contented, and could grumble there with a sense of less oppression.

Of Roger Herlestone, since her dismissal of him, she had seen very little.

He was grown graver and more reticent, it appeared, than ever.

And he had lately been taken in as a junior partner by Marston & Marsh.

That was all she knew.

But somehow his face frequently haunted her.

He had looked so resolute and manly on those Porley Downs.

She even sighed thinking of it.

Ada's own image, despite his utmost efforts, was equally present with the young manufacturer.

"I think I despise and hate her as much as I once cared for her," he told his brother; "but forget her I can't."

"Fall in love with some one else," was Martin's sage recommendation.

But Roger shook his head.

"Not yet," he said; "I have not sufficient confidence in female goodness since then. That was the greatest evil the girl did me. She destroyed faith at a blow."

"A stormy afternoon, Roger," said his uncle, two days later. "Do you mind driving to North Fulton to see about those missing orders? It will be best for one of the firm to go, as it is such a delicate question."

"I am perfectly willing, sir. I am not afraid of the weather in the least."

"Better start at once."

"So I will. I shall be back, then, by nightfall."

North Felton was over the hills, ten miles off.

The young man was quickly underway.

He had to pass through Baysditch, and he was aware of Ada Carfit's presence there.

But it was nothing to him when she saw him or not.

The state of the roads was a much more serious consideration.

How high the waters were, and still rising.

Many houses in the valley were already isolated, and unless a speedy change took place—of which, alas! there was no symptom—the result must inevitably be grave disaster.

The wind lulled for an hour or two while Roger transacted his business.

But it arose in redoubled fury as he commenced his return journey.

Darkness added to the difficulty and the danger of the route.

Turning sharply round a corner into Baysditch Valley, Roger was hailed by a terror-stricken voice behind him.

He pulled hastily up.

"What's wrong?" he asked.

"Rant, rant, rant! and then a white face with awed, dilated eyes gleamed upon him in the mist.

"Porley Dam be bursten!"

"No!—sure?"

Roger comprehended in an instant what that message meant, and his accents were as hoarse as the stranger's.

"Ay, certain. 'Tis tearing through the embankment like a cataract. Gettin' bigger every minute, and noane can't stop it."

"Then Baysditch must be flooded?"

"Yes. I be goin' to warn t'."

"Jump up here."

And Roger drove as if for his own life, instead of other people's.

The alarm soon spread, and a scene of terror and confusion ensued which might have appalled the strongest.

Water was swiftly rising in the single village street, and the mutter of the onswEEPing torrent grew louder every minute. Homeless, and sadly deficient in both food and clothing, dozens of families fled to the hillsides while there was yet time.

For Roger, or whether she does not," said Roger Herlestone to his younger brother, Martin. "Sometimes I think one thing, and sometimes another. But this I am sure of, she is all the world to me."

"Then I'll ask her, old fellow."

"But—but—she has always so many round her. Ada Carfit is the queen of a large circle, and I—"

"Have been the best of sons, the best of brothers, and I have no doubt, would make the best of husbands."

"And I," said Roger, resuming slowly, and paying no heed to this enthusiastic praise "am a rough and homely man, who has almost as good a right to dream of becoming Prime Minister as of winning such a wife."

"Nonsense, Roger! Don't be so unnecessarily modest. You are just as good as she, and the giri must know it."

"Then," and the elder's tone changed suddenly; "I'll put it to the test and see. If Ada refuses me, it will be just another dream dispelled, and I shall face the worst."

The opportunity soon came.

The two were thrown much together at a summer picnic party, and some malign genius made Ada more than ever gracious.

It seemed to her that she had succeeded in thawing the ice of her admirer's awkwardness, and the studied compliments he paid her awoke the gleam of a sunny, satisfied smile.

She little suspected the commotion that was working beneath the surface.

They had wandered out of sight and hearing of the rest, on pretence of examining some curiously shaped rocks.

"How still the air is, under the sun!" said Ada, stopping at a ledge that crossed the hillside.

For a moment her companion did not answer, and she cast a casual glance upwards at his face.

What Ada saw there made her start and slightly shiver.

"Yes," he said, with hoarse and mighty effort, "this is just the turn of the seasons, and this hush is frequent and very suggestive then. You and I have come to a turning-point, too, Miss Carfit, and I must break the stillness by a very important question. Can you not guess what that is—the story I have to tell, Miss Carfit—Ada?"

"No, no. We had better return, I think. We shall be lost, Mr. Herlestone."

Ada was keeping her composure wonderfully, and she hoped by this coldly spoken hint the confession she feared might be averted.

She did not know the speaker.

"Wait an instant, Ada," Roger cried, abandoning the last shelter of reserve; "I have this to tell, that you are more to me than anyone else in the wide world can ever be. I love you, Ada—surely you must have divined it? Can you love me back again, however little? Will you some day be my wife?"

His words were coming swiftly enough now, and his beseeching eyes emphasized their truth.

The man was transformed, and a faint response of admiration was raised in the girl's heart.

But he was—could be—no more than others she had rejected.

This triumph she was used to, and gloried in; though usually she had been better on her guard, and had stopped the deluded one before this stage was reached.

"I am sorry, Mr. Herlestone, you have said such things," she replied; "I thought you were above romance. That is partly why I trusted you. You seemed so—so sensible."

"It must surely be a sign of that to admire and to love."

"Pray don't, Mr. Herlestone. It is all a mistake, I assure you."

"A mistake that you can ever care for me?"

"Yes, certainly."

There was a levity about the assurance that stung the young man well nigh into madness.

He had heard rumors of the girl's heartlessness, and had paid no heed, treating them as idle scandal born of envy.

Now he could believe.

The very reality of his own love revealed the hollowness of this maiden's smiles.

"Is it also an error that encouraged me to think differently?" he asked; "that you accepted my advances?"

"It was your own fault; you did as you pleased. But you are forgetting yourself now, Mr. Herlestone."

"I admit it, and I apologize, Miss Carfit," he replied, bitterly. "It was truly my own fault that I did not understand. I do now. You will let me see you back to the party?"

The return walk was whiled away by a very constrained conversation,

and both were glad when it was over.

A strange silence descended upon Ada Carfit for the rest of the afternoon.

Where was Ada Carfit lodging? Milton Villa, old Luke Carfit's home, was some distance beyond the clustering village-roots, and Roger experienced some delay in reaching it. The inmates, only three in number besides the two maid servants, were but just alarmed, and their retreat was cut off before even Roger was aware of it. Ada was as pale as death, but strangely calm and self-possessed. Roger remembered afterwards how, at least once in that hour of awful peril, her eyes were fixed on his as if they would read his very soul. But it was a time for action and not sentiment.

From the edge of the lawn—now the bed of a roaring stream—the ground trended gently away to the uplands, and there the only hope lay. It was more than probable that the house would give way under the avalanche of water which had still to descend. "Porley Dam" was the current designation of the reservoir that supplied all Sharborough.

Roger Herlestone swam across with his horse and turned the animal loose. Then, estimating as best he could the distance and his own powers, he returned and briefly explained his plan. There was no boat within reach. Each member of the household must trust to him; and he would return for each. It was proposed that Ada should go first; but she refused, and time was too precious to be spent in haggling. Mrs. Carfit and her husband and the maids were all saved thus; and, nearly exhausted, Roger went back for the obstinate girl who still lingered.

"Whether I die or live, this shall be my revenge," he muttered to himself.

Ada was in his arms now, and the cross-current running heavily against him. It was a desperate struggle, and growing every instant more dangerous by reason of uprooted trees and other wreckage, that came swiftly down the valley.

Would he succeed? How the spectators held their breath and trembled! At last, with a faint "Hurrah!" he made terra firma with his burden. But then he fainted, and for the first time the rescued household observed that he was wounded. A tree-trunk had struck him, and inflicted a ghastly wound on the head. But for the present all they could do was to grieve, and tend him as he lay. They were outcasts, like dozens of others.

That flood will be long remembered, and not least by Roger Herlestone and the girl he saved.

Brain fever supervened, and Roger was ill for many weeks. Ada Carfit was his chief nurse, and her character seemed entirely changed, so humble and assiduous was she.

There came a day when, with a new light in his eye, Roger looked up and whispered:

"Ada!"

She averted her face. But he had caught the vision of a tear—one of thankfulness and joy. He took her unresisting hand.

"I have a confession to make," he whispered. "It was in sheer revenge I saved you. Can you forgive me, Ada? And after all—care—a little?"

"Forgive! And I—let me tell, too," she cried, brokenly, "I loved you, though I didn't know it, when you asked me first, Roger."

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

All men who think well and honestly, and who have read President ARTHUR'S message carefully comment favorably on the paper. It breathes an honest spirit throughout and recommends nothing that the storker can object to.

He speaks out for a reduction of taxation and against subsidies and private jobs. He refers to the great and constantly increasing surplus in the treasury and makes excellent suggestions as to how that surplus shall be protected from dishonest legislation. The President recommends that all internal revenue taxes, except those on distilled spirits, be abrogated, unless it is ascertained by Congress that the probable expenses of the government for the coming year have been underestimated. He gives strong reasons for such action—and estimates that \$2,500,000 can be saved in the cost of the collection of the revenue by a simplification of the machinery, and that 1,500 to 2,000 persons can thereby be retired from office.

The present system of tariff he pronounces unjust in many respects. He recommends a revision of the tariff, but says: "I am far from advising the abandonment of the policy of so discriminating in the adjustment of details as to afford aid and protection to domestic labor." Upon this point he is very clear, recognizing the necessity of protecting American labor and industries without doing injustice to any class of citizens.

He recommends that no appropriations for the improvement and repairing of rivers or harbors be made at this session of Congress, and gives strong reasons in support of his recommendation. The facts that he presents in his message while treating that feature shows the wisdom of his conduct in vetoing the notorious River and Harbor Bill passed by Congress at its last session over his veto. It will be remembered that ABRAM FULKERSON, early in the recent canvass, began to boast of having voted to pass that infamous measure over the President's veto, and denounced MARHON for not aiding to pass it over the President. ABRAM soon realized that he had better drop the "River and Harbor Swindle," and the nation in the recent election sustained ARTHUR in the position he took upon it.

The President recommends a reduction in the rate of postage on first class mail matter. He says the postal service now yields a large surplus, and the policy of the government, we think, should only be to make it self-sustaining; therefore this suggestion of the President we consider eminently wise and proper. His array of facts and figures is strong and convincing.

These are the features of the message that interest our people most; but there are many others of importance that he treated with care, frankness and ability. No intelligent, unprejudiced man will say that the President has not written a message that is full of instruction, and one that is replete with patriotic spirit. The President has done well.

A small boy was riding a hobby-horse with a companion. He was seated comfortably on the horse's neck. After a few minutes he said, "I think if one of us gets off I could ride much better."—E.

We commend this to our two judges—Federal and State—now riding the election hobby, and suggest that if Judge Hughes would only get off, Judge Christian could ride much more comfortably.—Richmond State.

The trouble is that Judge HUGHES is in the saddle, and your poor, pitiful, partizan Hastings Court Judge CHRISTIAN is holding on to the tail of the horse. He will either have to let go his hold or have his partizan brains kicked out for his impertinence.

In the recent election the Readjuster candidate, JNO. S. WISE, carried 62 counties; and the Funder candidate, JNO. E. MASSEY, carried 38. Of the counties carried by MASSEY 12 were carried last year by the Readjusters on Legislative tickets. The election this year was a national one and these twelve counties were carried against us by small majorities, but next year they will all be carried by the Readjusters, when a Legislature is to be chosen.

The proclamation of Governor CAMERON, declaring the adoption of the Constitutional amendments that restore free suffrage to the citizens of Virginia, will be found in another column. The amendments are now a part of the State Constitution, and will govern at future elections. Let the people return thanks for their freedom from a restricted ballot.

WESTERN LUNATIC ASYLUM.

Last week we had occasion to visit Staunton, and at that place the Western Lunatic Asylum. During our visit there the Board of Directors was in session, and we had an opportunity to see the earnest desire which every member of the Board felt and exhibited for making the great charitable Institution useful and efficient in caring for the unfortunate ones who are placed there for safety and treatment. The Board is composed of true, earnest men, and no better evidence of its capacity and honesty could have been given than the selection it made when Dr. R. S. HAMILTON was elected Superintendent of the Asylum. He has measured up fully to the demands made upon him in the management of the Institution. Under his Superintendency the improvements have been so constant, decided and striking that those who, for political reasons, have sought for something to criticize have been baffled and constrained to keep silent. Even political enemies have been forced to admit that the Institution was never in better condition—some saying that it is doing better than ever before in its history. The buildings and grounds are in thorough repair, many additions for comfort, convenience and economy have been made, and every feature shows marks of progress and improvement that could only result from able and honest management. Dr. HAMILTON has gathered around him efficient assistants, officers and attendants, every one zealous and anxious to do his or her duty. The patients are satisfied and as happy as they could be under the unfortunate circumstances that placed them there, the number there for treatment being greater than ever before. The people of Virginia may rest satisfied that the present management will not turn the Institution over to successors in a confused financial condition, with a heavy floating debt, or in a horrid state of repair. Let the most punctilious and doubting Funder visit the Asylum, and give their honest convictions after doing so, and everything we have said will be verified.

We have said this much, because, when our charitable Institutions were reorganized, Funderism tried to educate the public mind up to the belief that something awful and unholy had been done by the party in power, when in fact, our humane Institutions were being relieved from careless and inefficient management. If the other Institutions have gained as much, comparatively, by the change (of which we have not the slightest doubt) as the Western Asylum, then much good has been done, and Funder criticism and predictions are proven groundless and unprovoked.

AN ATTEMPTED OFFSET.

Funderism became alarmed at the exposures JNO. S. WISE was making with regard to the methods the Funder employed in the recent election in Richmond city.

They thought they must do something to counteract the feeling that would be created in the public mind when the frauds they had perpetrated on the ballot-box had been fully unearthed. In the Judge of the Hastings Court they found a ready assistant. He has placed himself in the attitude of witness, prosecutor and judge. Upon the head of our efficient and honorable Auditor, S. BROWN ALLEN, has the pent up wrath of this partizan Judge descended. Availing himself of a most trivial circumstance he has exhibited a feeling of venom and spite that could not be satisfied except by seeking to besmirch the name of a man whose integrity is far above most of those who cry so much about honor, and whose honesty no one but the bitterest political hater would ever think of questioning. But desperate Funderism does not stop at anything. In violation of law, facts and decency it will ever commit outrages for the purpose of restoring, if possible, itself to public favor. In the past, its desperate acts have only served to sink it lower in public estimation; and this last act of its partizan judge will not result more favorably for it. Funderism has brayed itself hoarse for a non-partizan judiciary; and yet, at the very time, almost for his exit from the bench, uses one of its judges for the meanest partizan work.

Since writing the above we have the intelligence that the case of Auditor ALLEN was called in the Hastings Court, of Richmond, on Tuesday, and that the Funder-Commonwealth Attorney insisted on proceeding with the trial though the link with which the indictment was written was hardly dry, the first indictment being defective and new ones having been framed. Col. ALLEN'S

counsel asked for a continuance and Judge AIKEN, of Danville, a fair judge, was presiding, and granted a continuance.

Congressional.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—SENATE.—The Senate on motion of Mr. Hoar adopted a resolution directing the Postmaster-General to transmit as soon as possible the last report on the administration of the postoffice in New York. Also a resolution directing the Secretary of the Treasury to transmit the report of Mr. Edward O. Grimes on the administration of the custom house, naval office and surveys office in New York.

At the close of the morning hour Mr. Beck proposed to call up his resolution investigation of the political assessment, but owing to the absence of Mr. Edmunds, whose motion to refer to committee on Judiciary was pending, Mr. Beck agreed it should be laid aside temporarily. The Senate then proceeded to consider the bills upon the calendar.

Mr. Beck introduced a bill to prevent political assessments, which was referred to the Judiciary committee. It is as follows: "Let it shall not be lawful for any person holding an office under the United States or any employed thereof, to contribute or pay to any committee or person or into any fund, any money, property or valuable thing for any political purpose whatsoever, or percentage upon income or position for any political purpose, or to give, lead, advance or pay any money, property or any other valuable thing with intent, or with assent, permission, or understanding that same may be applied to for any political purpose whatsoever, or to himself or to herself apply the same to any political purpose, or head of department or other superior officer shall himself collect, or permit or allow any other person to collect, or receive from any officer or employee in his department, or under his supervision, or from any other officer or employe whatsoever any assessment, percentage, contribution, gift, loan or advance of any money, property or valuable thing with intent, understanding or permission that the same shall or may be used for any political purpose.

2nd. That any person who shall violate any provision of this act shall be deemed guilty of misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be punished by imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, and in the discretion of the court, or fine not exceeding \$5,000; and on conviction shall be forever thereafter disqualified from holding any office of honor, profit or trust under the United States. Any officer of the United States who shall violate any provision of this act shall in addition to such imprisonment and fine be deemed and taken to have vacated the office held by him.

At the close of the morning hour Mr. Beck offered to call up his resolution in relation to political assessments during the last campaign, but agreed that it should be laid aside on account of the absence of Mr. Edmunds, whose motion to refer the resolution to the Committee on Judiciary is pending.

The Senate then took up and passed the bill for the relief of W. W. SCRUES.

Mr. Pendleton's Civil Service bill was taken up. The amendment reported from the Committee on Civil Service Reform was agreed to.

Mr. Pendleton then spoke at length in advocacy of the bill.

HOUSE.—The Postoffice, Military Academy and Agricultural appropriation bills, were reported and referred to the Committee on Whole.

Mr. Page, of California, presented a petition of the citizens of California, recommending an increase of duty on chicory. Referred.

Mr. Henderson, of Ill, chairman of the committee on military affairs, reported back the resolution calling on the Secretary of War for information as to what action had been taken under the act Aug. 7th, 1882, to relieve certain soldiers from charges of desertion. Adopted.

Mr. Randall offered a resolution, requesting the President to transmit to the House a statement showing the aggregate amount which has been expended in the improvement of rivers, and harbors, since the beginning of the government to the present time; the amount annually expended and aggregate annual expenditures in the improvement of each river and harbor, accompanied by referees to the law authorizing each of such expenditures.

BY THE GOVERNOR! A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas by an act of the General Assembly approved March 3, 1882, the officers conducting the general election that was held the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1882, were directed to open a poll to take the sense of the qualified voters of this Commonwealth upon the ratification or rejection of the amendments to the Constitution of Virginia, contained in joint resolutions (approved) February 9, 1882, proposing "an amendment to the 1st section of article 3 of the Constitution concerning the elective franchise;" and whereas the Board of State Canvassers have in accordance with law examined and made statement of the whole number of votes given at said election, by which it appears that one hundred and seven thousand and three hundred and thirty-two (107,332) votes were given for the amendments to the Constitution; sixty-six thousand and one hundred and thirty-one (66,131) votes were given against the amendments to the Constitution; of which said statement an official copy, certified under his seal of office, has been delivered to the Executive by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

and, this 8th day of December, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighty-two, and of the Commonwealth one hundred and seventh.

WILLIAM E. CAMERON, By the Governor, W. C. ELAM, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR SUBMISSION TO THE PEOPLE OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF VIRGINIA IN REFERENCE TO THE ELECTIVE FRANCHISE AND QUALIFICATIONS FOR OFFICE.

(Approved March 3, 1882.) 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia, That it shall be the duty of the officers conducting the elections directed by law to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1882, at the places for holding the same, to open a poll to take the sense of the qualified voters of this Commonwealth upon the ratification or rejection of the amendments to the Constitution of Virginia, in joint resolutions proposing amendments to the State Constitution in relation to the elective franchise and qualifications for office, and directing a submission of said amendments to the people for their approval and ratification.

2. Strike from the Constitution of Virginia the first section of the third article in reference to the elective franchise and qualifications for office which is in these words: ARTICLE THIRD. Elective franchise and Qualifications for Office.

§1. Every male citizen of the United States twenty-one years old who shall have been a resident of the State, twelve months and of the county, city or town in which he shall offer to vote three months next preceding any election, and shall have paid to the State before the day of election the capitation-tax required by law for the preceding year shall be entitled to vote for members of the General Assembly and all officers elected by the people, provided that no officer, soldier, seaman, or marine of the United States army or navy shall be considered a resident of this State by reason of being stationed therein; and provided also that the following persons shall be excluded from voting: First, Idiots and lunatics.

Second, Persons convicted of bribery in any election, embezzlement of public funds, treason, felony or petit larceny.

Third, No person who, while a resident of this State, has, since the adoption of this Constitution, fought a duel with a deadly weapon, sent or accepted a challenge to fight a duel with a deadly weapon, either within or beyond the boundaries of this State, or knowingly conveyed a challenge or aided or assisted in any manner in fighting a duel, shall be allowed to vote or hold any office of honor, profit, or trust under this Constitution.

And in lieu thereof insert the following: §1. Every male citizen of the United States, twenty-one years old, who shall have been a resident of this State twelve months and of the county, city, or town, in which he shall offer to vote three months next preceding any election, shall be entitled to vote for members of the General Assembly and all officers elected by the people; provided, that no officer, soldier, seaman, or marine of the United States army or navy shall be considered a resident of this State by reason of being stationed therein; and provided, also, that the following persons shall be excluded from voting:

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Third, No person who while a citizen of this State has since the adoption of this Constitution fought a duel with a deadly weapon sent or accepted a challenge to fight a duel with a deadly weapon, either within or beyond the boundaries of this State, or knowingly conveyed a challenge or aided or assisted in any manner in fighting a duel, shall be allowed to vote or hold any office of honor, profit or trust under this Constitution.

SCHEDULE. 2. At such election it shall be the duty of the officers conducting the same to prepare a separate ballot-box for each of the several States, and to deposit in each of the boxes the ballots of the then qualified voters who desire to vote on the constitutional amendments. The ballots shall be respectively as follows: "For the amendments to the Constitution;" "Against the amendments to the Constitution." That immediately after posting the polls the said officers shall count the ballots deposited at each election for and against said proposed amendments, and shall make return thereof in the time and in the manner prescribed by law as in the case of other elections; and it shall be the duty of the clerks and commissioners of election of each county respectively to make out, certify, and forward an abstract of the vote cast for and against said proposed amendments, in the manner now prescribed by law in relation to votes cast in general elections.

3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and of the State Board of Canvassers to open and canvass the said abstracts of returns, and to examine and make statement of the whole number of votes given at said election for said proposed amendments, and against said proposed amendments, respectively, in the manner now prescribed by law in relation to votes cast in general elections.

4. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Commonwealth to certify the statement in his office, and, without delay, to make out and transmit to the Governor of the Commonwealth an official copy of said statement, certified by him under his seal of office.

5. The Governor shall, without delay, make proclamation of the result, stating therein the aggregate vote for and against the amendments, to be published in such newspapers in the State as may be deemed requisite for general information; and if a majority of said votes be cast for the ratification of said amendments, he shall annex to his proclamation a copy thereof, together with a copy of these resolutions.

6. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall cause to be sent to the clerks of each county and corporation as many copies of these resolutions as there are places of voting therein; and it shall be the duty of said clerks to deliver the same to the sheriffs for distribution, whose duty it shall be forthwith to post the said copies at some public place in each election district.

7. The expenses incurred in conducting this election shall be defrayed as in the case of the election of members of the General Assembly.

8. This act shall be in force from its passage. No 9-11.

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Call and See My Stock Before Buying for Xmas

For you will Certainly be Pleased with my Stock of

Fancy Goods, Toys, Jewelry, Fire Crackers,

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Which is very complete. I am determined to close out my entire stock of Christmas Goods during the Holidays so I will sell as CHEAP as the CHEAPEST.

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GREGORY'S SEED CATALOGUE

MAKES HENS LAY

An English Veterinary surgeon and Chemist, now traveling in this country, says that most of the Hens and Cattle Powers sold here are worthless trash. He says that Sheridan's Condition Powders are absolutely pure and immediately valuable. Nothing on earth will make hens lay like Sheridan's Condition Powders. Does 1 teaspoonful to pint food. Sold everywhere, or sent by mail for 5 letter-stamps. L. S. JOHNSON & CO., BOSTON, MASS.

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Roofing and Sheet Iron,

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Having just purchased a large lot of Stoves at reduced prices, on account of the fall in Iron, we are able to offer them to the trade cheaper than they have ever been offered.

Call at the old stand of G. G. Goodell, near the depot for anything you want in our line.

A choice lot of tire Iron on hand, at our shop.

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Dec. 7-18.

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Offer for sale at low prices

LAW, SCHOOL, MEDICAL, AGRICULTURAL, MISCELLANEOUS.

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And all kinds of Stationery and Fancy Goods.

Kranich & Bach Pianos—the best in the market, at very moderate prices and on the most favorable terms. The least expense to keep in order, as they stay in tune longer than any other piano made. Send for catalogue and prices. mh23ts

A. PICKEN, JR. WATCHMAKER, JEWELER, DESIGNER AND ENGRAVER, (Opposite the Court-house) ABINGDON - VIRGINIA.

Has just returned from New York with all the latest styles and designs in Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Silverplate Tableware, etc., etc.

Everything suitable for a pretty and useful Christmas Gift can be found at his store.

Orders by mail will be as conscientiously filled and forwarded as promptly as though the customer were present. Goods not approved of will be exchanged with pleasure. d6167

AGENTS Wanted for handsome illustrated standard works of character, great variety, low price, in price selling fast, needed everywhere. Liberal terms. H. F. Johnson, 215 Broadway, N. Y.

COLONNADE HOTEL, ALEXANDRIA, VA. CHAS. HARRIS, PROP. FORMERLY OF SALTSVILLE, VA.

Having leased the above-named Hotel, I respectfully invite my friends and the traveling public, to give me a call, and I promise to do all I can to make their stay comfortable and pleasant. may13-17. CHAS. HARRIS.

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And are prepared in every respect to do the

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Ever carried on in Marion. Capt. Geo. F. Crush has just returned from the Eastern markets where he purchased a

VERY LARGE STOCK OF GOODS

And at prices which will

DEFY ALL COMPETITION

Their stock now embraces a full line of

DRY GOODS

NOTIONS,

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Hardware, Queensware,

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And in fact everything usually kept in a first-class Dry Goods house.

DRY GOODS.

Bleached and Brown Domestic, Flannels, Waterproofs, Calicoes, Ladies' Fine Dress Goods, Blankets, Shoodas, Cashmeres, Dress Flannels, Dolmans, Cloaks, Shawls, &c.

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A large assortment of Staple and Fancy Notions, Combs, Buttons, Pins, Ribbons, Hosiery, Scarfs, Laces, Hamburgs, Plaques, Picture Frames, &c., &c.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

In this department they still stand where they have always stood—at the head! A full and complete line of Ladies' fine shoes, Gents' fine shoes and boots, Children, Misses' and Boys'—they cannot be beat in this line—and defy competition both in price and quality of goods. If you want anything in the line of Boots and Shoes call on us.

CLOTHING

Their stock of Clothing is very large and carefully selected. All the latest styles and no shoddy. They do not propose to sell cheaper clothes than any one else, but they do contend, that taking quality of grades into consideration, they have decided advantage over any one else. A full line of Gents' Furnishing Goods.

Hardware—Locks, Hinges, Carpenters' Tools, Knives and Forks, Pocket Knives, in fact, a complete assortment.

QUEENSWARE—The largest and best assorted stock of Queensware ever brought to this market. It cannot be described, but must be seen to be appreciated. If you need anything in the general line be sure and call at Geo. F. Crush & Co's.

GROCERIES—It is needless to call attention to their stock of Groceries, as everybody knows that they keep the best assortment and the cheapest. Coffee and Sugar at Northern prices.

This is only a brief outline of their large stock of goods, but everybody must call and see for themselves. No trouble to show goods. Everybody invited to call.

Terms—STRICTLY CASH or good marketable PRODUCE. Strictly one price—that the LOWEST—and no deviation. nov30y

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R. M. HEPTINSTALL,

Has the largest and best assorted stock of

COOKING AND HEATING

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'EXCELSIOR'

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STOVE.

Heating Stove

ALL STYLES.

AT PRICES WITHIN THE REACH OF EVERY ONE.

TIN EMPORIUM.

My Tinware department is complete in every particular and at prices which defy competition. Will duplicate any Northern bill, both in price and quality. A liberal discount given to merchants.

Will give my personal attention to all Out-door work, such as Roofing and Guttering and guarantee satisfaction. Don't buy a Stove or contract for Tinware till you have seen me, as I am determined to stand head and defy competition. nov30y

R. M. HEPTINSTALL, MARION, VIRGINIA.

The Election of Wise over Massey

Is an assured fact if you can believe the Returns; but it is not a fact that any merchant in Southwest Va., does sell or will sell

Goods at the Same Figures

that I do. I have on hand

\$2,000 worth Clothing

Which must be closed out in the next

THIRTY DAYS

Every dollar will be closed out at

COST & CARRIAGE

As I have determined to quit keeping Clothing. Remember that I have the largest and best assorted stock of

BOOTS AND SHOES

in the town of Marion and they will be sold at figures that will astonish you. Everything else sold cheap usually kept in stock. If you would secure bargains

CALL AT ONCE!

Have highest cash price paid for all produce and I will pay cash for anything that you have to sell. Eggs are worth to-day 22c and butter 25c. spt27y

A. C. HILL, Marion, Va.

Local News.

Briefs. Fresh Christmas goods, arriving daily, at Iron & Co.

Next Monday Judge Miller will commence the December term of his court.

The skies cleared up to-day and the weather is once again bright and beautiful.

The finest raisins, nuts, candies and other confectioneries at Pendletons Drug Store.

Dr. James F. Pendleton is enjoying a brief furlough visiting his friends in Marion.

You will find a splendid stock of Christmas goods at Pendletons Drug Store. Many novelties.

A nice lot of Ladies cloaks, shawls and dress goods at J. B. Rheas. The cheap store. Oct. 12, 2m

The streets of Marion are unusually muddy. Stepping stones should be placed at all the cross streets on Main street.

Mr. Jno. A. Blount, who has been engaged for several months past at Pochahontas, is now on a visit to his family at this place.

Iron & Co., warrant their Candies to be free from all adulteration, such as Glucose, Starch, Analine, and all other poisonous stuff.

W. P. Francis, F. H. Cowden and Geo. W. Richardson are attending the Grand Lodge of A. F. A. Masons now in session at Richmond.

The citizens of Marion failed to take advantage of the freeze last week and fill their ice houses. We trust they did not act unwisely.

Our merchants are now having a fine trade from Grayson and North Carolina. The streets are daily enlivened by numbers of covered wagons.

There are very few idlers around Marion now, none but the chronics being seen. Every body seems to be at work. What better evidence of good times?

U. S. Marshal Jno. G. Watts was in Marion Monday night, en route for Harrisonburg, where he goes to attend the District Federal court to be held this week at that place.

Our friend Mr. W. W. Peery, of Tazewell county, has been appointed a member of the Board of Visitors of the Va. Military Institute, in place of Judge G. W. Ward, resigned.

Wm. Crockett, who murdered Joseph Hurt some months ago in Wythe county, has been brought back from Indiana by the Sheriff of Wythe, and is now in jail at Wytheville.

Capt. R. A. Richardson will leave for Richmond Saturday and will remain there until he enters upon his duties as one of the Judges of the new Court of Appeals, which will be the 1st of January.

J. B. RHEA has just returned from buying his fall and winter goods and now has opened one of the largest and cheapest stocks of goods ever exhibited by him. All are cordially invited to give him a call. p7-3m.

A. C. Hill sells goods as cheap as the cheapest, and pays the highest prices for good produce. He is constantly receiving bargains from the east, and no one who comes to his store goes away dissatisfied or disappointed.

We want some Christmas money for our own use and for our printers; and we hope every one who owes the office will come to town next Monday prepared to pay a part of their indebtedness, at least. Remember this kind friends, we have been very indulgent.

C. E. Iron, of the firm of Iron & Co., has just returned from the city, where he has purchased the largest and most complete stock of holiday goods that has ever been in the town of Marion. Everybody is cordially invited to call and examine.

IMMENSE REDUCTIONS IN ALL KINDS OF GOODS. A LARGE STOCK OF ELAUNT CLOTHING, OVER COATS AND SHAWLS WILL BE SOLD FOR 60 DAYS, AT ABSOLUTE COST AND FREIGHT. Let the people now come and get the GREATEST BARGAINS ever offered, by Dec. 7th, 2m. J. B. RHEA.

Notice to the Boys. After advising with the town council I have determined to allow the boys to fire pop-crackers on the streets Christmas day; but they are not to light or burn them in any house in the town: If they should do so they will be held responsible and fined under the town ordinance. THOS. M. RIDER, Mayor.

Fresh Oysters, at Iron & Co. Seedless Raisins, and Florida Oranges, at Iron & Co.

Who can Beat It. Mr. A. J. Williams, of Rye Valley, in this county, gathered this year from one apple tree eighty bushels of fine winter fruit. This is the largest yield we have ever heard of where the fruit was good. Who can beat it.

Daring Robbery at Bristol. On the night of the 12th inst., while the ticket agent of the Norfolk & Western Railroad, at Bristol, was counting money at the window of his office, a bold tramp broke a hole in the glass with his hand, seized \$129, and made his escape. This is one of the boldest acts of the season.

Death of another County Citizen. On last Thursday Mr. A. T. Harris died at his home in Chilhowie. He had been in ill health for a number of years, and his death was not unexpected. Mr. Harris at the time of his death was about forty-eight years old. He was a worthy man, with no enemies and many friends.

Fisher & Wyles. We publish this week the card of Fisher & Wyles. "Farmers Agents and Commission Merchants," Richmond. It is a most excellent firm, worthy in every respect of confidence. Our farmer friends can confidently entrust their business to them. They are not only responsible but prompt in their returns. Send your produce to them.

A Few Facts. Headache, constipation, biliousness may be relieved by the use of Dr. Hart's Antibilious Discovery. Coughs by using Symphyx, Rheumatism and neuralgia by Dr. Hart's Relief, sprains and bruises by Dr. Hart's Nerve and Bone Liniment; with these remedies at hand almost any of the ordinary ills may be promptly and effectually cured.

James Vick. From the appearance of Vick's Floral Guide, which is on our desk, we should judge that the young Vicks are "chips of the old block," as the Floral Guide with its lithographed cover is handsome enough for the parlor table. It is printed on the best of paper, has three colored plates of Flowers and Vegetables and full of useful information. Those who send 10 cents for it cannot be disappointed, as the plates alone are worth the amount. Address, as in past years, James Vick, Rochester, N. Y.

Notice. OFFICE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS, Nov. 30th, 1882.

Table with 4 columns: Dist., Popu., Capt., Amount. 1st. 1440, 96.18c, \$1,354.99. 2nd. 1744, " 1,677.37. 3rd. 896, " 862.77. 4th. 620, " 500.15.

No commissions allowed. Terms for disbursing this fund. Drafts will be drawn on me for these amounts. A. G. PENDLETON, Superintendent.

A Frolicsome T. HEADQUARTERS, NEW YORK CITY, 1 December, 5th, 1882.

To our true and trusted servants, George F. Crush & Co. You are ordered to report at these Headquarters and take charge of the Xmas goods for our subjects in Southwest Virginia.

By order of SANTA CLAUS. HANS, Secretary. I obedience to the above orders, our Senior has gone to New York and we will soon have a large stock of Xmas novelties for all classes and conditions, without respect to race, color previous condition of servitude.

Very respectfully, GEO. F. CRUSH & Co. If you want a nice Suit, a good Suit, or a cheap Suit of clothes, J. B. Rhea, can suit you to a "T."

The finest on the market is Rosenheim's celebrated Springdale Whiskey. For sale by R. D. Candler, Rural Retreat.

If you desire a pure Whiskey, distilled from Rye only and of great age call for Rosenheim's Springdale. For sale by R. D. Candler, Rural Retreat.

Springdale Whiskey has a world wide reputation and can be had of H. Rosenheim, Baltimore, he being the exclusive patentee, and proprietor of that celebrated brand. For sale by R. D. Candler, Rural Retreat.

J. B. RHEA has a most complete stock of Boots and Shoes, Hats, Dress Goods, Clothing, Woolen Nubias, Shawls and socks at remarkably low prices. sep7-3m.

Choice Seeds for Sale. 10,000 Bushels Choice Seed Wheat. New York White Flint, German. Amber Lancaster Canadian. Balghout and select Fulz.

3000 Bushels new crop Randall grass seed. 3000 " " Orchard " " 1000 " " Evergreen " " 500 " " Herds " " 500 " " Kentucky blue " " 500 " " Timothy seed " " 500 " " seed Rye " " 1000 Tons Pure Raw and dissolved Bones Sables Bone meal or seeds by mail on application. Lee Taylor & Co. Dealers in Field seed and Raw Bone Fertilizers. Lynchburg Va. Sept. 21, 1882.

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State News.

J. E. Powell dropped dead in Amherst last week. W. F. Slater has been appointed postmaster at Wytheville by the President.

Wm. Dinwiddie, of Greenwood, Albemarle county, is dead. The Index says Petersburg is to have twelve feet depth of water in the Appomattox.

A Warren county sportsman says he killed seven wild turkeys Monday at a single shot. The mail is now conveyed from Charlottesville to the University by special messengers.

Haj. Samuel M. Yost has been re-appointed postmaster at Staunton by President Arthur. A case of small-pox is reported in Alexandria. The patient brought it from Pittsburgh, Pa.

Four frame houses were burned in Alexandria Saturday morning. Loss covered by insurance. Ike George, of Tazewell county, killed an eagle last week measuring seven feet. It was getting away with a lull.

Rev. W. C. Woodbridge, recently of Vicksburg, Miss., has been tendered a call to the Presbyterian church at Warrenton. Erasmus Harris, of the Pines, killed last week a bear and deer in the Blue Ridge mountains, near Greenville, Augusta county.

About 13,000 stock cattle have been carried to Fauquier county from Southwest Virginia and Tennessee since the 1st of September. There were three elopements in the State last week of high-toned couples—one in Albemarle, one in Essex, and the last in Botetourt.

Rev. H. J. Handy has resigned the charge of the Northampton Baptist churches, and will take charge of a school in Pococomico city. The Scott Banner can boast of more recent improvements in the town of Estillville than any other place of its size in the the South-west.

The storehouse and contents of Mr. Trammell of Wallace's Switch, nine miles west of Abingdon, were burned to the ground on Sunday night last.

Rev. J. L. Carroll, late pastor of the Baptist church, Lexington, has received and accepted a call to the pastorate of the Orange and Gordonsville Baptist churches. The grading on the Valley railroad is nearly finished. The convict force of Mason, Gooch & Co., will finish the work in about six days, which makes the bed ready for silks between Greenville and Staunton.

R. R. Andrews, Esq., United States storekeeper and ganger at J. Bumgardner & Sons, has been promoted by the authorities to a position in the Collector's office at Harrisonburg.

A telegram from Petersburg says that Jeremiah Andrews, a colored passenger on the steamer Chipoax, fell overboard Friday morning while coming up James river, and was drowned.

The report of the Superintendent of the Rockingham Poorhouse for last year shows that the average number that the county cared for at that institution was thirty male and female.

The approximate gross earnings of the Norfolk and Western railroad for the month of November were \$246,468, being an increase as compared with the actual gross earnings of the corresponding month of last year of \$17,173.

Roonoke Leader: In excavating in the machine shops last week for the purpose of laying the steam pipes, the workmen struck a deposit of copper ore. A sample has been sent to Philadelphia for analysis.

James Munford (colored), aged 8 years, was found frozen to death in a small boat in the James River, below City Point, Friday. He started across the river the night before in search of wood and was overcome by the cold.

Accomac Enterprise: Benjamin U. Doughty of Willis wharf Northampton county, during the summer months bought 120,000 clams, from which at present prices he can realize a net profit of \$300 or more.

Job Brittain, of Tazewell county, together with several others, had an exciting chase after a wild hog on last Thursday. The hog killed two dogs and scared a negro till he turned pale as snow before the pursuers succeeded in killing it.

Willie Kessler, a young man of sixteen years, of Montgomery, was attacked by a negro last Sunday night with a knife. Kessler had money with him, and while he was struck at twice he managed to evade the knife and drew a pistol. He fired at the negro but he escaped.

A Donation Declined. The Georgia Legislature has declined Senator Joseph B. Brown's donation of \$50,000 to the State University, because of the conditions of the gift, some of which were considered by the legislators unconstitutional. Senator Brown refuses to modify the condition and says several other States are ready to receive the gift for educational purposes with the conditions annexed. South Carolina among them, and the gift will probably go to that State, of which Senator Brown is a native.

Mr. Z. Cook, Richmond, Va., says: "I can recommend Brown's Iron Bit- ters as an excellent remedy."

Washington Notes.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Senator Mahone's desk in the Senate was decorated with a basket of flowers to-day.

House committee on the reduction of letter postage will probably report to-morrow. It is said the Bankrupt bill now before the Senate and all its amendments will be voted down.

The Senate Committee on public lands to-day agreed to Mr. Van Wycle's bill to tax unpatented Government lands.

The indications are that the questions of tax reductions and civil service reform will be the main features of this session of Congress.

The second trial of the "Star-Routers" began to-day. Judge Wiley decided that S. W. Dorsey's presence in court was not essential.

The House Committee on Education and Labor has agreed to report a bill appropriating \$10,000,000 annually for the purpose of promoting education in the States and Territories, the sum to be divided by ratio of percentage of illiteracy in the Territories and States.

Elections of State Senators, by reason of vacancies and expiration of terms, will occur next year in all the even-numbered districts and the Thirty-first and thirty-third. All the counties of the Second went for Wise in the recent election; in the Fourth (Hale's) district went for Massey by a majority of 102;—but the district will be regained; the Eighth (Rockingham) went for Wise and Paul by a large majority; the Tenth was solid for Wise and Readjustment; the Twelfth will elect a Funder; the Fourteenth, now represented by a Funder, will probably remain Funder; all the counties of the Sixteenth went for Wise; the Eighteenth gave Wise a large majority; the Twentieth (now represented by a Funder) may go either way next year; the Twenty-second (Bedford) gave a large majority for Massey; the Twenty-fourth is Funder; the Twenty-sixth (Franklin) went against Wise this year, but can be easily regained; the Twenty-eighth is solid for us; the Thirtieth went overwhelmingly for Wise; the Thirty-first gave Wise a good majority; the Thirty-second is Readjuster largely; the Thirty-third gave Wise several hundred majority; the Thirty-fourth (Hanover and Caroline) is doubtful, though now represented by a Republican of Funder proclivities; the Thirty-sixth is Readjuster by a large majority; and so is the Thirty-eighth district.

So out of twenty-one Senators to be elected in 1883 we are certain of fourteen on the vote cast for Wise, and we shall probably carry three of the others, if no more. Of the districts now represented by Funder's that hold over, the Twenty-ninth went for Wise by good majorities.

Certain of the House of Delegates by a large majority, we shall elect a working majority in the Senate next year—albeit Newberry and Lybrook hold over.—Whig.

Fashionable Fancies. Geometrical designs predominate on woolen dress goods; arithmetical ones on the bills.

The etab is a favorite bonnet or nament. And the bonnets, like the crabs, are moving backward.

Gray satin slippers, with very high heels and finely-cut steel buckles, are liked for bondoiir wear.

Initials embroidered on napery are padded with heavy cord, so that they stand out in strong relief.

Black silk stockings are considered the most desirable for home wear, with low slippers of black satin or fine kid.

Fashionable bracelets are exact fac-similes of hand-cuffs, and may be either gold or silver and worn above or below the elbow.

The queer yellow known as "mustard" is still favored by brunettes, who doubtless consider it seasonable all the year round.

Linen handkerchiefs are of a deep red, with a narrow hemstitched edge, are liked when stuck in a bodice of a terra-cotta costume.

Notwithstanding the numerous efforts to effect a change, the hair is considered most fashionably arranged when it is low on the neck and brow.

Smooth-fitting basques of velvet in the various grenat and terra-cotta shades are worn over black, brown or green skirts of any desired material.

Fashionable mourning paper is of dull gray, with a black border, and displays the day of the week in heavy black letters on the upper right hand corner.

A very rich skirt of black silk is flounced to the waist with the same material, each flounce being overlaid with one of Spanish lace of the same depth.

Leather bands about an inch wide are seen on Alpine hats, in the same position as that occupied by the silk cord. Their only beauty is their durability.

In buying mousquetaire gloves it will be found greatest economy to get good makes; for inferior kid toars just at the wrist, where one wants it to look its best.

There is no happy medium in the fashionable fan. It is either extremely large or extremely small. In the latter case it is usually of tortoise shell, point lace or amber.

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The Grand Lodge of Virginia Masons.

This body met at St. Albans' Hall Richmond, on Monday night in grand annual communication.—Met Worshipful Reuben Murrell Page, Grand Master, presiding. There was, says the Dispatch, a very large attendance, nearly every Blue Lodge in the Commonwealth being represented.

The Grand Lodge being opened in ample form, including prayer, the list of delegates was verified, and Grand Master Page read his annual report, which gave a highly encouraging account of the progress of the order in Virginia.

After the appointment of the customary committees the Grand Lodge went from labor to refreshment. During the evening Grand Master Page stated his regret that business would compel his absence from the work of this meeting of the Grand Lodge. His report was a succinct and carefully-prepared resume of Masonic progress during the lodge year just ending.—Lynchburg News.

It is reported that Judge Christian will not preside in the trials of Auditor Allen and Mr. Snelling. From what we gather about the matter, we suppose that Judge Christian will select the Judge to sit in these cases, and will then come to the witness stand to testify to the law and the facts (as he sees them through his jaundiced eyes) for the benefit of the presiding judge, and will then testify to the fact and the law (as a red-hot partisan) for the benefit of the chosen jury.

After all, we doubt if any judge but Christian will allow the ridiculous indictments to reach a jury.—Where will he find such an ignorant and prejudiced jury? Auditor Allen is indicted under section 35 of an act approved April 1, 1870—which section provides for the appointment of collectors of arrears of taxes (not of delinquent taxes), and that before attaining they shall give bonds, &c., which shall remain filed in the Auditor's office. But Snelling was appointed collector of delinquent taxes under another section, which makes no such provision. Besides it is always understood that even official bonds must be surrendered to principals and sureties, on demand, when the conditions have been complied with.

Mr. Snelling is indicted for antedating a bond—a most common practice in law and business;—it being generally held that in such cases the principle of *non pro tunc* operates and causes the document and its full completion to relate back to the date. Certainly it was left for Judge Christian to discover criminality in the practice. In the present case, however, as no bond was required, and as no fraud upon the State or anyone concerned was intended or could be accomplished by it, the charge of forgery is as puerile as it is malicious and preposterous.—Whig.

We fail to see how the Bourbons can make party capital out of their attitude on the internal revenue. The Readjuster party is the only party in the State advocating principles which will remove from the citizens of Virginia the enormous weight of internal taxes. Mahone has been fighting for this, and we know it. The opposing views of the different Bourbon factions in the State would always hinder this so-called Democratic party from uniting on any line of policy which would relieve the people. The Readjuster party is for the present protective tariff on imports which yields a revenue nearly sufficient for the Government's needs, and for the nearly total abolition of internal taxes which this protective tariff admits. The opposing Bourbon party is for playing the devil generally with the present system of taxation; half the party advocate "free trade," the other "protection." How the internal revenue taxes can be dispensed with unless they consent to agree to allow the present tariff, which has made this possible, to remain unaltered, we fail to see.—Tidewater Liberal.

We wonder if it is held by the Bourbon-Funders that United States Senator Johnston, of Virginia, acted as a corrupt partisan when, in 1873, he voted with seventeen other Bourbon Senators to throw out the whole electoral vote of the State of Arkansas because the certificate of the vote was attested only by the seal of the Secretary of State, instead of by the seal of the State of Arkansas?

By a vote of 28 Senators to 24 it was resolved to throw out the vote of a State in that case, although bearing the seal of the Secretary of State, because it did not bear the State seal, as the law required. The Virginia State Board of Canvassers, abiding by law and precedent, threw out the vote of Gloucester county because the abstract did not bear the seal required by the statutes.—Whig.

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Too Previous.

Morally, we have no doubt but what the Mahoneites practised fraud in the late election wherever they could; but we must confess to an inability to appreciate the gratuitous folly of the much too previous doughty Democrats who commenced yelling fraud! fraud! at the top of their voices as soon as the result was ascertained, and, when summoned before a court of justice to give the evidence upon which they based their charges, all with one accord begged to be excused upon the mortifying plea that they didn't know anything of their own personal knowledge, and most of them didn't know anybody who did. Such tactics are worse than childish. One thing is certain: Wise beat Massey, by fair means of foul, and if we can't prove the latter, at least, make out a fair prima facie case, common sense and common decency, it strikes us, demand that we hold our tongues and grin and bear it, instead of playing a part of political "last tag" by bandying epithets like a parcel of school boys.—Hampton Monitor (Funder).

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