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Exports of manufacturers have reached a million dollars a day under the beneficent influence of the Dingley protective tariff law, having been \$21,975,904 in the first seven months of the present year, while in the corresponding months of the first year of the Wilson law they were \$110,399,946, or about half a million dollars a day.

It makes quite a difference whose ox is gored. Here is Governor McMillin, of Tennessee, formerly one of the most ardent advocates of States' Rights, opposing the proposition that trusts shall be investigated by States and insisting that the work shall be undertaken by the National Government.

Comparison of present conditions of commerce with those of preceding date of the year Wilson low-tariff law lay of its success, is a demonstration of raw material of manufacturers, seven months of the fiscal year 1896, under the law which made a specialty of giving manufacturers free raw-material was \$101,786,123, while that in the first seven months of 1899 under the Dingley law was \$144,114,199, an increase of nearly 50 per cent.

They did not stack arms; they did not run away; they were not serying the insurgents in the Philippines nor their sympathizers at home. They had no part nor patience with the men, few in number, happily, who would have rejoiced to have seen them lay down their arms in the presence of an enemy whom they had just emancipated from the Spanish rule and who should have been our foremost friends.

The leaders of the Martin and Tyler factions are getting the Senatorial fight to a white heat, and we believe, are about to tell the truth on each other. They are coming so near to this point that the Lynchburg News in a leading editorial of Thursday proceeds to give them a mild lecture. The News says: "We have read with a positive sense of indignation these reported charges of wholesale rascality in the Democratic party in the various counties of the State."

Now who is making these charges? No one less than a great United States Senator or the immaculate Governor of Va. and their followers. These are the people who are in control of the Democratic machinery of the State and ought to know rascality when they see it in all its hideous forms. The strange fact is we never heard anything of this "wholesale rascality" from our democratic friends until they fell out among themselves. We know it has always existed, but Republicans were laughed to scorn when they talked about the existence of such rascality and said that they reaped its fruits. Now that the Democrats are practicing it on each other they know it exists. We are glad they have found it out and if they are honest politically as they have always claimed to be let them now rise in their might and wipe off our statute books some of the iniquitous laws which make such election rascality possible. We are at least glad to know that the Martin and Tylerites are finding each other out.

When the Democrats begin their proposed investigation of the trusts of the country, will they demand information as to the amount which the silver trust has paid in behalf of Mr. Bryan during the last four years?

The distress of the fault-finders over the alleged shortage of revenue and their assertion that there will probably be need for another public loan to carry on the war will be materially modified by the discovery that the receipts of the Government in the first 29 days of August were \$3,000,000 in excess of expenditures and that during the first two months of the fiscal year the receipts were only about \$5,000,000 less than the expenditures in spite of the fact that July expenditures are always far above the average. It is quite apparent that the receipts are now averaging more than the expenditures, and that the deficit, so much desired by the opponents of the administration, is not likely to materialize during the present fiscal year.

The advantages of closer relations with Cuba, Puerto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippines are already illustrated by the increased sales of the products of our farmers and factories to those islands. An official statement just issued shows that exportations from the United States to these four islands or groups of islands during the fiscal year 1899 were double the average annual sales to them during the past three years and considerably in excess of the very large sales made to them during the reciprocity years under the McKinley act, when our markets in Cuba and Puerto Rico were greatly enlarged. The exports to each of these islands shows an increase in the fiscal year 1899 over 1898, and including the entire list amount to \$31,011,196, against \$17,102,561 in 1898, \$14,761,336 in 1897, and \$13,781,128 in 1896.

Mr. Bryan's horror of syndicates does not seem to have caused him to sever his financial relations with the great silver trust which put up such enormous sums of money in his behalf prior to and during the campaign of 1896. He posed during that campaign as a poor man, unable to live without active employment, yet nobody has heard of his legitimately earning a single dollar, aside from his infliction of his books upon the public, since the campaign of 1896 began. And his expenses meantime must have been something enormous, since he is constantly traveling and would not of course accept railroad passes. It seems not unreasonable, since Mr. Bryan insists upon the confidences of the people and appeals for their support for the highest office withing their gift, and that the people should know how he has been supported in his last three years' candidacy for a re-nomination, especially in view of the well-known fact that he was supported in the last campaign by the greatest trust ever known in this country, namely, the silver trust.

Under the protection of our flag there may be established both in the West Indies and the Philippines some form of local government which shall be at once free and stable, modeled after our own, under which the people may enjoy the advantages of civil and religious liberty, be sharers in the products of their own toil. On the restoration of peace and the re-establishment of law and order there should be inaugurated such reforms as will lead eventually to the political, industrial, intellectual and religious revolution of the people; these radical changes do not come hastily—nearly three centuries have elapsed since the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth—but come they will in time. It is our high privilege to inaugurate these reforms and supply the conditions of their progress.

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Southern Prosperity.

The Philadelphia Inquirer notes what must be regarded as an unmistakable evidence of progress and prosperity in the South, saying: "The good news comes that the amount of money being sent to the South to move the cotton crop is far less this year than has been the case for many years past. The Subtreasury in New York, which has the work of transferring the money to the South each season, explains this as the result of the good financial condition in which that section of the country finds itself. The cotton crop is a trifle larger than the average this year, but the Southern banks are in such a good condition, through the increased deposits and the good profits that they have been making during the past twelve months, that they are able to move the crop with their own surplus capital, instead of being compelled to draw on New York, as has been their habit."

This is a cheering outlook. It proves that the people of this section are beginning to diversify their industries more than ever before and are reaping a rich harvest from their new policy. The price of cotton is low, very low, but the aggregate of the crop is large and it will therefore bring an immense amount of money to the South. It is gratifying to know that whatever profit there is in it will be reaped by the Southern people. They will not have to pay tribute as formerly to Northern banks and other financial agencies. Similar conditions are said to prevail in the West. Eastern money will not be needed to more the vast crops of that section this year. Western banks can furnish all the money needed for the purpose. It is true also that many Western farmers have paid off their mortgages and are no longer compelled to work for the money lenders.

It seems that a wave of prosperity is sweeping over the whole country. North, South, East and West. The prices of nearly all the leading articles of commerce are rising. This is, itself, proof of general prosperity. The purchasing power of the people is increasing. The demands for goods of every kind is growing. Of course, competition raises prices and stimulates activity in every line of business. There is no indication of a boom such as that which swept over this country a few years ago and proved so disastrous in its after effects. But there are unmistakable evidences that the country has entered upon a period of healthy business development. Lynchburg is keeping step with the march of progress. It requires no prophet to predict the tremendous growth in the business of this city and a great increase in its population within the next five or ten years.—Lynchburg News.

The report of the Commissioner of Pensions, made public last week, shows that there are four surviving widows and seven daughters of the Revolutionary war soldiers. Of these there are two widows and one daughter from Virginia, the latter being the oldest of the three. Their names and residences are as follows: Rebecca Mayo, widow, aged 80, Newbern, Va.; Mary Snead widow, aged 83, Parkley, Va.; Ann M. Slaughter, daughter, aged 89, Mitchell Station, Virginia.

The jury of twelve was adopted because the prophets were twelve, the apostles were twelve, there were twelve Jewish judges, twelve pillars of the temple, twelve patriarchs, twelve tribes of Israel, twelve stones in Aaron's breast-plate, twelve gates of Jerusalem and twelve signs of the Zodiac. When juries were first established the judge took the jurors around with him in a cart until they all agreed. If they did not agree they were fined and imprisoned.

A disastrous head-end collision between freight trains occurred at Glade Spring, Va., on the Norfolk and Western Railway. The crew eastbound lost control of their train on a down grade, and it crashed into a southbound double-header extra.

The crews saved their lives by jumping. Engineer Gilchrist was the only person injured, and his injuries are not thought to be fatal. Both engines were seriously damaged, while a dozen or more freight cars were partially demolished. The depot building was badly wrecked, being struck by two cars. One car was hurled through the office of the telegrapher, who barely escaped. The property loss is very heavy.

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It will aid the action of the Cherry Pectoral. If you have any complaint whatever and desire the best medical advice you can possibly obtain, write us freely. Don't expect your remedy that may be of great value to you. Address: Dr. J. C. Ayer, Lowell, Mass.

WE NEED WOOD.

Those of our subscribers who want to pay their subscription in wood will accommodate us by hauling in a few loads.

The bones and clothing of a man was found three miles from Big Stone Gap last week in a thicket. The person had been dead, it is thought, at least two months, and the vultures had cleaned the bones of flesh. From his clothing and a letter found in his pocket he was identified as a peddler by the name of Brogan, who has traveled from Bristol through this country for years. It is not known how he was killed. When last seen alive he was at Norton, having spent the night there at the Nichols hotel. When he left Norton he had \$100 on his person.

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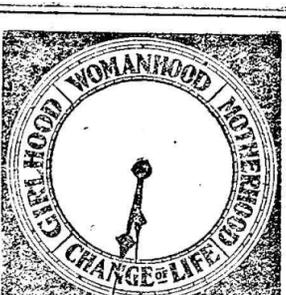
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Fatal Wreck at Narrows. Roanoke, Va., Sept. 7.—One of the most serious accidents in the history of the Norfolk and Western occurred this morning near Narrows, a station on the Radford division. Two coaches of an eastbound passenger train jumped the track and rolled down a 30 foot embankment. Two persons were killed and twenty-eight more or less injured.

The dead: A. B. Luck, a contractor, of Roanoke. An infant, name unknown, Bluefield, W. Va. All the injured will recover. Their wounds are mostly cuts and bruises. They were able to be moved to Roanoke tonight and received the necessary attention.

It is said the spreading of a rail caused the accident. The wrecking train with physicians from Roanoke was sent to the scene of the wreck this noon. Traffic was delayed only a few hours on account of the wreck.



The Time Comes to every elderly woman when an important functional change takes place. This is called "The Change of Life." The entire system undergoes a change. Dreadful diseases such as cancer and consumption are often contracted at this time. McELREE'S Wine of Cardui strengthens and purifies the entire system, and brings the sufferer safely over these pitfalls. Its effects have been wonderful. It is good for all menstrual troubles, but is especially recommended at this time. Ask your druggist for the famous Wine of Cardui. \$1.00 a bottle. For advice in cases requiring special directions, address the "Ladies' Advisory Department," The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

Hot Water.

Hot water has far more medical virtues than many believe or know. Because it is so easily procured, thousands think it valueless. The uses of hot water are, however, many. For example, there is nothing that so promptly cuts short congestion of the lungs, sore throat or rheumatism as hot water when applied promptly and thoroughly. Headaches almost always yield to the simultaneous application of hot water to the feet and back of the neck. A towel folded several times and dipped in hot water and quickly wrung out and applied over the painful parts in toothache or neuralgia will generally afford prompt relief. A strip of flannel or napkin folded lengthwise and dipped in hot water and wrung out and applied around the neck of a child that has croup will sometimes bring relief in ten minutes. Hot water taken freely half an hour before bedtime is helpful in the case of constipation, while it has a soothing effect on the stomach and bowels. A goblet of hot water taken just after rising, before breakfast, has cured thousands of cases of indigestion, and no simple remedy is so widely recommended by physicians to dyspeptics. Very hot water will stop dangerous bleeding.

The Christian's Arithmetic. Notation: "I will put my laws into their hearts, and on their minds will I write them."

Numeration: "So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." Addition: "Add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge, temperance; and to temperance, patience; and to patience godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity."

Subtraction: "Let us put off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light." Multiplication: "Mercy unto you and peace and love be multiplied." Division: "Wherefore come out from among them, and be separate, saith the Lord and I will receive you."

Virginia and Southwestern Railway. Natural Tunnel Route.

Through Sleeping car service between Bristol and Cincinnati, Ohio, on following schedule: Leave Bristol, 4:00 p. m. Arrive Cincinnati, 7:30 a. m. Leave Cincinnati, 7:55 p. m. Arrive Bristol, 1:00 p. m. The route is through the Natural Tunnel, the beauties of which must be seen to be appreciated, via Big Stone Gap, Middlesborough, Corbin, Richmond, Winchester and Paris. At Cincinnati connection is made for all points North and Northwest. For information call on any agent of V. & S. W. Rr. or address, W. B. EMMERT, Gen'l Passenger Agent. M. D. CHAPMAN, General Manager.

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Resolutions Adopted by Holstein Mills Sunday School.

That whereas the all-wise Creator has removed from our midst our beloved daughter, sister, classmate and pupil, Lula J. Blankenbeckler, who departed this life Aug. 14th 1899. In her death the Sunday School has lost a faithful pupil, her family a dutiful daughter and loving sister. In her death Heaven has gained a gem, and the world is poorer. Lula was a model girl, performing all the duties of the household in woman-like manner. In her daily walk and conversation she was exemplary, giving evidence that she was walking with the Master. In her last hours of affliction she bore them with the fortitude of a model christian and said she was trusting in the Master who doeth all things well.

Resolved:—1st. That we bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well and said suffer little children to come into me and forbid them not for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven.

Resolved:—2nd. That we extend our condolence to the father and brothers in this sad bereavement and pledge our aid and sympathy.

Resolved 3rd. That the secretary be directed to set out these proceedings in full on our records as a memorial to our departed daughter, sister and pup il.

Resolved:—4th: That the Secretary furnish copies of these proceedings to the Marion papers for publication and that he transmit a copy to the father of our deceased sister.

Lula thou was mild and lovely, Gentle as the summer breeze, Pleasant as the air of evening When it floats among the trees. Peaceful be thy silent slumber, Peaceful in the grave so low; Thou no more will join our number; Thou no more our song shall know.

Dearest Lula thou hast left us, Here thy loss we deeply feel; But 'tis God that hath bereft us. He can all our sorrows heal.

Yet again we hope to meet thee When the day of life is fled; 'Then in Heaven with joy to greet thee,

Where no farewell tears is shed. Mrs. JENNIE BLANKENBECKLER, " MARY J. TILSON, " PHEBA ELLIOT, " EMILY ELSWICK, " FLORENCE HENRITZ, Committee.

OUR FLAG. It wared o'er our fathers In years long gone by, When for home and for country They went forth to die— Our beautiful flag, With its stripes and its stars, Its gleamings of blue And its brave crimson bars. —New York Tribune.

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George W. Richardson, Real Estate Agent, MARION, VA.

1. About three hundred acres of the choicest of Smyth County's choice lands on the R. R. near depot, stores, churches and schools. Splendid large brick house located on a beautiful eminence, overlooking one of the finest valleys in South west Va. Large barns and good tenement houses. Good neighborhood and healthy locality. Will be sold at a bargain.

2. 110 acres in the splendid agricultural and mineral sections of Smyth County, 11 room frame house, in good repair. Good barn and outbuildings. Fine spring about 20 steps from kitchen door. Good fruit and garden. Lies on the place a small storehouse dwelling combined with which is now occupied. In a good neighborhood close to churches and schools. If desired acres of good unimproved land, mineral reserve will be sold in connection with the above.

3. 130 acres of good land, nicely located in a good neighborhood, close to churches and schools, with a small storehouse and grainery thereon. Splendid spring, good building site and a small orchard. A nice place and will be sold at a reasonable price and on reasonable terms.

4. 4 acres of land, about 2 miles southwest of Marion. All cleared and south land. Good fruit, garden, &c., 4 room house. School house in sight and lays along the public road. Possession given between now and Christmas. Price \$250 each.

5. 380 acres. Eight room frame house, good stable and outbuildings. About 150 to 175 acres cleared; about 200 acres timber. Good water, good farming land. In mineral belt and 10 miles from R. R. Price \$15 per acre.

6. 80 acres of land on the McCann road, about 2 1/2 miles east of Marion at \$20 per acre. This is a nice piece of land and a rare opportunity to those wanting land conveniently located. For further information call on.

7. About 377 acres of desirable land within 2 1/2 miles of Marion at \$15.00 per acre. Comfortable 4 room log house celled and weather boarded. Good water and all necessary outbuildings &c. A desirable place.

8. 310 acres of land about three miles from Emory will be sold at right figures Write for particulars.

9. A 3-room house and one fourth acre lot on Lee Street, Marion, Va., price \$500. 10. A new frame store and 8 room dwelling house combined, and 39 acres of good land in a good state of cultivation. Well located for a store. Close to high school, post office and churches. Price \$2,000. 11. A three room house, with good spring close, and about 12 acres of land, 1-2 cleared, 1/2 miles from Atkins at \$450 \$300 down and residue at 1 and 2 years. 12. 5 room house and lot on River St. \$700. 13. 1-4 acre lot on River St. \$125.00. 14. Nice house and 1/2 acres of land at \$650—\$200 cash and 1 and 2 years. 15. Harmon & Hubble mill property in Rich Valley. Dwelling and 2 acres of land, \$1600. GEO. W. RICHARDSON, Marion, Va.

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### Local Items.

#### Take Notice Republicans!

There will be a Mass Meeting of the Republican Voters of Smyth County, at the Court House, Marion, Virginia, Monday, September 18th, Court day, for the purpose of determining the advisability of naming a candidate for the Legislature to represent the counties of Smyth and Bland. If it is decided best to make such nomination, the meeting will proceed then and there to elect delegates to a convention. The time and place of holding such convention and the basis of the representation will be announced on the day of the Mass Meeting, if such action is taken. The meeting will be called together at 1 p. m.

R. A. ANDERSON,  
Rep. Co. Chairman.

Bristol is now in telephone connection with Glade Spring and Saltville.

Go to Hull & Staley's for your Grass Seed. They handle the best grades.

Mr. James Preston, of Bristol, is visiting his uncle, Dr. R. J. Preston, at the Hospital this week.

If you want bargains don't fail to call on

COLLINS BROS.

Mr. W. P. Francis and Mr. Fred Painter are spending this week at that national summer resort, Atlantic city.

James White Sheffey, a prominent young attorney, of our town, spent last Monday in Bristol on professional business.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wolfe died last Monday night about 8 o'clock. It was only a few weeks old and was very fragile and delicate from its birth.

Hull & Staley are selling nice fine salt 150 pound sacks at 60 cents per sack. If you need salt go to them for it.

Hon. I. T. Gollehon and wife and Mrs. Laura Copenhaver came over from Bland last Saturday to place their daughters in Marion Female College.

J. D. Barnes, of Denver, Colorado, was registered at the Valley House this week. Mr. Barnes is on a mineral inspecting tour through this section.

Col. S. Brown Allen, U. S. Marshal for the Western Dist. of Va., spent last Friday and Saturday in Marion the guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Scherer.

Postmaster C. C. Lincoln returned Wednesday evening from a business trip to Richmond, Norfolk and Fredericksburg. He reports it very hot down east.

Mr. Paul Scherer, Emigration Agent of the N. & W. Ry. was in the city Wednesday interviewing our live Real Estate Agent, Judge Geo. W. Richardson.

A bright boy in the Marion High School was asked yesterday how he liked his new teacher. His reply was, "I do not know, I have not misbehaved yet."

Dr. J. S. Kenedy, formerly pastor of the Methodist church here, was a notable figure on our streets last Friday. The Doctor is always a welcome visitor to Marion.

Alfred N. Smith, son of our townsman Geo. D. Smith, arrived in the city Wednesday from Washington, D. C. He left Washington Monday and came through on his wheel.

The picnic at Mt. Carmel last Saturday, we learn was a success. Large attendance, plenty to eat and everybody well pleased. We return thanks for an invitation, but regret we could not attend.

The proprietor of the Valley House says he breaks the record. 450 arrivals during the month of August. We doubt if there is another hotel in the state in a town of like size that can make this showing. Dick is a hustler.

Pastor Dunaway announced last Sunday that he would preach next Sunday night on the subject of "Free Schools." We expect to hear this subject well handled and insist that the general public go out to hear the sermon.

Mrs. W. G. Dunlap and her son Stephen, returned from Mouth of Wilson, Grayson county, Wednesday, after a pleasant sojourn of several weeks.

Pastor Dunaway exchanged pulpits last Sunday with pastor C. T. Taylor, of Glade Spring. Mr. Dunaway preached at Riverside in the morning and Mr. Taylor here Sunday night.

Black and Tan Shoes at  
M. WEILER'S.

All land owners on public highways should read the notice published by the Supervisors in this issue of the NEWS. Section 946 of the code of Va. says: "Every road shall be 30 feet wide."

Umbrellas of all kinds at  
M. WEILER'S.

Bland county has elected delegates to the democratic convention to nominate a candidate for the House of Delegates. No instructions were offered, but we learn a majority of the delegates favor Martin for the Senate.

Pants of all kinds at  
M. WEILER'S.

One second hand Kuba piano, full size, 7-1-3 octaves, in perfect order and tune, and fully warranted for five years, for sale by the Hobbie Company, Roanoke, for \$175.00, on easy payments. This is, without doubt, one of the best bargains ever offered. Write for full description at once.

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

A letter was received at Governor Tyler's office Wednesday from A. L. Rice, of New York, asking about the the iron furnaces and ore lands of Virginia. In the letter Mr. Rice stated he had parties worth millions who were anxious to buy such property in this State. He has other parties who wish to invest in manganese ore.—Lynchburg News.

For every day or Sunday snits go to  
M. WEILER.

We are reliably informed that supervisor, James F. Scoot is making great improvements on the roads of his district, notably the turnpike leading from the W. K. Brooks farm to the top of the Iron mountain. This is a thorough fare leading to Grayson and North Carolina, and should be kept in first-class condition. We congratulate the supervisor on the reputation he is making.

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

Geo. W. Richardson, our bustling Real Estate Agent here sold the house and lot on River street belonging to Mrs. Alma V. Noel, to Jno. L. and Jailer S. C. Lindsey, at the price of \$550.00. He offers this week a three room house and 12 acres of land near Atkins Tank for sale at \$450.00. Atkins is the place where the land has been yielding \$100.00 worth of cabbage per acre this year.

New lot of Black Skirts at COLLINS BROS. Call and see them when in town.

Who is to Blame. Women as well as me are made miserable by kidney and bladder trouble. Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy promptly cures. At druggists in fifty cent and dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail free, also pamphlet telling all about it. Address, Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

Organdies, Piques, Lawns &c., now at cost at  
COLLINS BROS.

Perhaps the oldest Confederate soldier in the world is Seymour Garner, who lives in Wilcox county, Ala. Though one hundred and eight years old, he is still alert and full of old-time Confederate spirit. He is remarkably well preserved, and was told a few years ago by Dr. McDaniel, of that place, that he would surely live to be one hundred and ten years old. He is now far on the way.—Bristol Courier.

WANTED!—One hundred white or colored miners or laborers by the Thacker Coal and Coke Co., Thacker, W. Va. Highest wages are paid since the increase in mining.

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### Attention Farmers.

Hull & Staley will grind or exchange any amount of wheat for you. Take your wheat to them if you want nice flour. They don't grind musty wheat for any one. If you let them grind your wheat you will be sure to get good flour.

We are glad to note that undisputed signs of prosperity are getting near and nearer at home. This week work has been resumed under the management of W. F. Culbert, of our town, in Carrin Valley. The Carter syndicate has leased the mines and Mr. Culbert hopes to soon employ a hundred hands in mining iron ore. Mr. Culbert says he feels confident that the quantity of ore is to be found and the only question is as to what the quality may prove to be. The scream of the whistle will be again heard on the M. & R. V. railroad, and several hundred tons is expected to be put out daily. Let the good work go on until every laboring man in the land will have an opportunity to earn his \$1.00 per day and the calamity howler will be drummed from the face of the earth.

I want Dried Apples and Dried Apple Peelings and Chores.

D. H. MITCHELL,

### Marion Graded School

Opened last Monday and the enrollment is about 150 to this date. This school is probably under better organization this session than it ever was. A thorough and systematic course of study has been arranged running through ten years. It is complete, and when finished, will render the student well prepared for any college. Prof. Hill, the principal, is a splendid organizer, a good disciplinarian, and with the able corps of assistants will give Marion a first-class Graded School. The principal desires to impress upon the parents the importance of regular and prompt attendance. If the people of the town will give the teachers their hearty co-operation we feel sure the school will be a success.

I want Chickens, Butter, Eggs &c., Best prices,

D. H. MITCHELL,

Marion Female College Opens with Large Attendance.

The next session of this flourishing school bids fair to be the best in her history. The attendance was good on the first day and a number of students have since been enrolled. Many others are expected. The College has an able and efficient faculty for this session which insures success in every department. A larger number of boarders than usual are in attendance up to this date.

I want Cross Ties, all I can get.

D. H. MITCHELL,

The Board of Supervisors were in session last Monday and Tuesday and along with other important business transacted, laid the tax levy for next year as follows: For county purposes, 60 cents; for state, 40 cents; for school, 20 cents; for roads in Rich Valley and St. Clair districts 30 cents, for Marion district 20 cents. This makes the levy \$1.50 in Rich Valley and St. Clair districts and \$1.40 in Marion district. The difference is because of a surplus of road funds in the Marion district.

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Aug. 24th, '99.

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I will teach this year a private class. Those who desire to enter such a class, under my tuition, will please consult me at their earliest convenience.

V. J. HILL.

Sept. 1st, 1899.

### Take Note!

All claims presented for payment, whether transferred or otherwise, will first have all Taxes deducted against the person for whom the claim was originally drawn.

GEO. W. WRIGHT,  
Sept. 1, '99. Treasurer.

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Headquarters Gibson-McCreedy Camp, Confederate Veterans, Marion, Va., Sept. 6, 1899.

The fourth annual re-union of Gibson-McCreedy Camp, Confederate Veterans of Smyth county take place at Marion, Va., on Monday, Oct. 5, 1899. Monday, September 18, 1899, has been fixed for a meeting of the camp to appoint all necessary committees to arrange a programme and to formulate such plans as will make this re-union the best and happiest event of our existence as an organization. Let each veteran and his friend do his duty and success is sure.

J. H. GOLLEHON,  
Adjutant.

### A Free Trip to Paris

Reliable persons of a mechanical or inventive mind desiring a trip to the Paris Exposition, with good salary and expenses paid, should write  
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Married.

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The News wishes them much joy and unalloyed happiness as they journey through life's uneven pathway.

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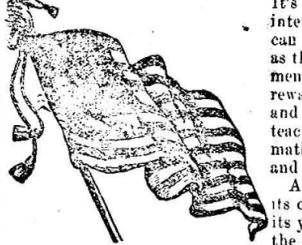
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### Financial Wonders.

"Henry, think of paying \$2,000 for a dog!"  
"I'll think of being able to pay \$2,000 for a dog!"—Pack.

### Members of the State Law and Order League of Connecticut attempted one day lately at Canaan to put some 3,000 gallons of hard cider where it would do "no more harm" by smashing the barrels containing it in front of the town hall and letting the stuff run away. Much of it found its way across the square and into the basement of Christ church, where it threatened to ruin the carpet of the Sunday-school room. A vestryman stopped the smashing of the barrels after a wordy war with the smashers, in which nearly the whole town took sides.

### This is how "Sam" Jones, the evangelist, preached the Gospel in Louisville the other day: "There will be deaths in Louisville within 30 days that will startle the town from center to circumference. God will punish you and the awful words I now speak will come back to you with shocking vividness." Then a woman in the church fainted and fell, injuring herself so badly that they had to send for an ambulance.

### Among the best of the letters written by the Kansas boys from the seat of war are those contributed to the Minneapolis Messenger by Sergt. King. In one of them he writes: "A most distressing accident befell a boat load of ignorntes not long since. It was in this wise: The monitor Monadnock lies just off Malabon and at night lights up the whole country with its searchlight. The wild men did not exactly admire this method of competing with the sun, so he thought themselves a plan to capture the floating fort. Accordingly a large rowboat was procured and speedily filled with an aggregation of these patriots. Having approached within a hundred yards the barbarians discharged a volley of steel-tipped arrows and waited patiently in the hope of seeing the ship sink. The Monadnock discharged a three-inch gun in return. It is feared that some of the natives were injured."

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I know all about it; it's DYSPEPSIA. Take one of these; it will cure you in ten minutes.  
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...the Men  
...some sup-  
...y absurdity,  
...but has its  
...who ought to  
...writer in Apple-  
...Monthly. A year  
...brought from Ohio  
...of Iowa an innocent  
...te, black fungus. It  
...alcohol. Why? De-  
...An honest mechanic  
...lost his fingers  
...geon's knife. The ampu-  
...s were neglected, but  
...discovered and duly buried  
...den. The following spring  
..."identical spot" upon a  
...hand, black without, white  
...The hand was a perfect main-  
...re for that sensation-loving com-  
...ity. The matter was discussed in  
...spapers. A long and careful  
...of the wonder was prepared, put  
...print and circulated among the  
...friends of the deceased—fingers! "What  
...fools we mortals be!" For sheer su-  
...perstition and crass stupidity who may  
...say that the nineteenth century may  
...not yet discount the days of the vir-  
...gin queen?

The greatest town-building record in Oklahoma has been won by Mountain View, Washita county, at the western terminus of the Rock Island extension from Chickasaw. Friday the town site was prairie land. The same day it was surveyed and platted and a large portion of it sold and settled upon. The Washita was bridged and a vast amount of accumulated freight moved and located. In one day the town became a settled city of 800, with W. H. V. Yates as mayor, Senator G. W. Bellamy as treasurer and Col. John Kerfoot as police judge, with a full complement of councilmen and minor officers of an organized town. This is about the best record outside of "opening rushes" that Oklahoma can boast. Some of the lots sold as high as \$300 within 30 minutes from the time the surveyor drove his stakes. Mountain View is the western terminus of the Rock Island extension across the Comanche and Apache country, and is in the famous Wichita valley at the foot of the mineral-bearing Wichita mountains.

There was a country wedding out in Ford county, Kan., the other day which was attended by 300 guests, and the following paragraph from the Dodge City Reporter gives an idea of the spread that was placed before them: "One large beef had been slaughtered and cooked, three hogs had been roasted, 75 pies and 50 cakes had been baked, 15 gallons of canned peas had been prepared, ten gallons of pickles were set before the happy throng and 30 chickens were cooked, and besides there were bread, ham and vegetables in proportion." That layout was doubtless sufficient to provide all the wedding guests with "a square meal."

It would seem that Lieut. Hobson is taking the salutes for which, equally with the Merrimac exploit, he is famous, by proxy these days. The other day he was showing a party of American women over the Spanish prize ships now lying in dock at his port. Said the hero of the Merrimac, pointing to a large hole in the casing of one of our vessels: "That was done by one of our shells!" For a few moments his companions gazed in admiration on the havoc wrought by the projectile, then, giving away to their feelings, they fell on their knees and hysterically kissed the jagged edges of the aperture.

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...coming to Brown  
...bel's delight was  
...The sisters looked  
...fair and plump, with  
...and brown hair. Mabel  
...made 10.  
...will be just between us,"  
...id, gleefully, "for she is 11.  
...have such good times. We can  
...with our dolls and dishes and—"  
...with Leon, too," interrupted Maude.  
...sure he is the very best thing we  
...have."  
...Just then the baby brother, who was  
...only big enough to talk in cunning  
...broken words, ran in and was delighted  
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...It was a week before Irene came. In  
...this week the little girls were very  
...busy. All the clothes of their numerous  
...dolls were washed, and the two play-  
...houses were put in perfect order and  
...adorned with the little maidens' choicest  
...possessions. One of these play-  
...houses was upstairs in what was called  
...the "wing chamber," and the other out  
...under the wide-spreading branches of  
...an apple tree.

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

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

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

...The dew lay heavy on the grass of  
...the orchard, so Mrs. Brown told them  
...to go to the playhouse upstairs. They  
...ran away to the long, low room, whose  
...walls were covered with rough, gray  
...plaster. There was little furniture ex-  
...cept trunks and boxes. The single  
...window was shaded, like those below,  
...by the branches of the pear tree, and  
...the sun peered through the gently wav-  
...ing leaves, making an ever-changing  
...pattern of light and shade upon the  
...bare floor.

...Mr. Brown had kindly brought up the  
...box containing Irene's toys and re-  
...moved the cover. Mabel and Maude  
...were very anxious to see the contents of  
...this box, but as Irene hurried for-  
...ward to the corner near the window  
...where the playhouse was, they politely  
...brought out their treasures to show  
...her. Irene was much interested.

..."Are these yours?" she asked Maude,  
...as the little girl brought forth a minia-  
...ture tea set decorated with pink rose-  
...buds.

...At Winfield, Kan., every arrangement  
...had been made for a funeral when the  
...gravedigger came rushing in and an-  
...nounced that he had struck solid rock  
...in the grave and would require consid-  
...erable time to blast through it. The  
...funeral was postponed for a day.