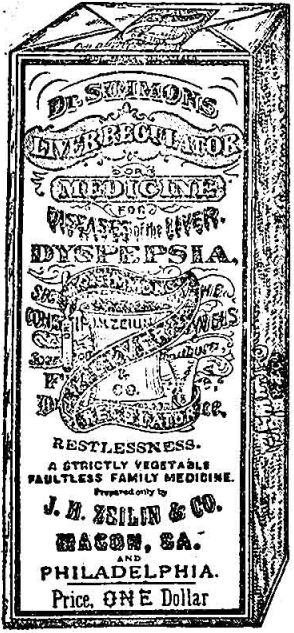


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From the Knoxville Journal.

At a banquet given by "W. A. R."
Robertson, January, 1st, to some of
his new business friends, at Mr.
Jacoby's St. Lawrence Hotel, Bris-
tol, Tenn. after the feast, under the
influence of twelve quarts of Sauterne,
six pints of Sherry and thirteen
pints of Champagne, Mr. Clark com-
plimented Mr. Robertson as follows:

GENTLEMEN—Twelve months ago
this town was a railroad centre attract-
ed as visitors, many influential and
monied men, among them our illus-
trious friend and fellow countryman,
War Robertson, and from the very
day of his arrival the wheel he at
that time set in motion has been
rolling this town forward until to-day
it stands foremost in the growing
towns of Virginia and Tennessee,
and is a banner town. His pen has
enlightened many a mind and filled
many pockets. The financial crash
that called forth the help of the
bank of England and made many
topple and fall in Wall street, and
made many a Virginian and Tennes-
sian scratch his head and think, has
not affected our generous friend, and
he now stands ready to ward off the
blow from any who may call upon
him, (aside "professionally.")

W. A. R. Robertson is an attorney
at law, having been admitted to
practice in Illinois in 1876, after
passing an examination before the
supreme court of that state.
It is reported that he is a graduate
of Harvard Law School, class of 1875-
76, and is now a member of the
Harvard Law School Association.

Before going to Bristol he worked
five years with Col. Pat Donan on
Major Edwards' live paper, the Argus,
at Fargo, adding materially to the
boom of that city by his persistent
energy and tact. Later, at Washing-
ton, we find him the first applicant
for field work on Public Opinion, in
the interest of which he made an at-
tack upon both houses of congress
for subscriptions.

While at work for Public Opinion
he heard of the great prospects of
Southwest Virginia and soon found
himself in Wise county—which he
claims is alone able, should it as-
sume to blot out the shame of the
reputed state debt—simply by
developing and utilizing the coaling
coal fields, iron mines and vast for-
est of timber. He says that Mr.
Cleveland's funding committee in-
sults the intelligent citizens of the
commonwealth when it questions the
ability of Old Virginia to pay her
debt and interest dollar for dollar.
He says that the undeveloped resour-
ces of Wise county are the richest
in the state, but that Bristol will be
the great railroad centre, and that
there is no place in the South Atlan-
tic States that is at present more
looked upon by railroad men as the
coming battle ground for railway su-
premaccy.

Mr. Robertson has been in Bristol
only ten months and has spent not
less than three thousand dollars in
advertising himself as a real estate
agent and Bristol as the best town
prosperity between Chattanooga and
Norfolk.

He is irrepressible, earnest and en-
thusiastically hopeful for Bristol,
but holds that the money manipu-
lators have "knocked purely paper
towns into as many cocked hats."

He says he only invested \$3,500
in Bristol and that after paying ex-
penses his profits for ten months
will net him five thousand dollars.

The Philadelphia News says of
him: "He is a southern man of wide
reputation," and publishes the fol-
lowing, taken from other papers and
interviews:

He favors the removal of the na-
tional capital to St. Louis. At Phil-
adelphia in 1876 he commenced the
agitation of the world's fair, to be
held at Chicago, and has persistently
encouraged every effort of whatever
nature to secure that end, and is now
rejoicing with Chicago in her victory.

"War" Robertson says that Hon.
John M. Palmer, of Illinois, will be
the next Democratic candidate for
president, and that he is the only
man in that party able to carry Illi-
nois in 1892.

He favors the conquest of the
British possessions in North Amer-
ica to a boundary line, 40° north of
50° north latitude.

He was born in Illinois, but says
he is as much at home in the south as
if he had been born under the big chair
in his real estate office at Bristol,
Tenn. He believes in "free trade be-
tween the states," freedom of speech,
press and conscience. His "war" cry
is "54° 40' or fight!"

HER VALENTINE.

BY D. BRAINERD WILLIAMSON.

Though hard she struggled with the
storm,
The driving snow that veiled her form,
And street and pavement whitened,
And deepened at each step she took,
Fair Ellen's face glowed with the look
Of one whose heart is lighted.

She knew St. Valentine had sent
His missives o'pt with sweet intent,
Though rough the day and dreary;
And now her feet were homeward
turned,
Had that warm love for which she
yearned,
Sent her a token cheery?

There had been hours of bitter pain,
Of grief of heart and rack of brain;
But still she worked and trusted
Time would her troubles some day end,
When Heaven, that true and wisest
friend,
Would have all things adjusted.

This trust rose sweetly in her thought,
As through the snow she bravely
fought,
With fresh and firm endeavor,
Resolved to walk where duty lies—
To face all obstacles that rise—
Nor faint, nor falter ever.

To all complaint her lips were dumb;
For to her life something had come
That softens all distresses—
A vital force endowed with might
To fill with every joy and light
The human heart's recesses.

What gave her this secret lease
That called forth the help of peace
That now her toiling gilded?
Earth's loving ones the cause will know,
Love in her heart, a year ago,
His sacred altar builded!

Since that glad moment life had grown
More precious in her eyes, and shown
New features sweet and tender—
Clear views of richer happiness
With one assigned by Heaven to bless,
To love and to defend her!

And yet unspoken was the word,
The vow that other maidens heard
Their wooing lovers proffer.
While here, unshaken, whispered still,
"Ere Winter goes, to thee, he will
His heart and fortune offer!"

With these glad thoughts she stopped
before
The lowly home, the humble door,
In snowy crystals sheeted.
"Was opened by a matron fair,
With gentle face and whitened hair,
Who thus her daughter greeted:

"Thank God, you're safely home, my
child!
He is a shield when storms are wild
To shelter and guide us—
To be a present help in need,
A faithful comforter indeed,
Whatever may betide us!"

"True," Ellen said, "I thank Him, too,
For health and will my work to do,
And in it find a pleasure,
The more that it is done for thee,
And that I feel thou art to me
My only earthly treasure!"

With light the widow's eyes were filled;
Her heart with quickened pulsing
thrilled,
As, looking on her daughter,
She wondered whether Love had been
To Ellen's heart admitted in,
And his sweet lessons taught her.

"The mail," she said, at noon, my dear
Brought you a letter. It is here;
And do you know the writer?
The hand is strange—" "Yes, ma, to
you;
To me it is not wholly new;
And then her face grew brighter,

As, boldly signed, she saw the name,
While cheek and brow were now as
same
With swift, succeeding flushes.
"Read, Ellen; let me know the news
That can so deep your face suffuse
With these unusual blushes."

"Oh, mother, mother!" Ellen cried,
"I am so happy! Do not chide,
Or say I failed in duty!
Love for a year has owned my heart,
Made easy toil, made care depart,
And filled the world with beauty."

"St. Valentine, this very day,
Lest birds and lovers give away
The love at their disposal.
So I will read his note to me,
Who pray that I his wife will be,
For this is his proposal!"

"A word I have, my dear, for thee!
In love's sweet thoughts we both agree.
I know your youth and long to folk
Thee to my heart and there to hold
Thee ever dear and close for life,
If thou wilt be my darling wife.
Hark to this humble prayer of mine,
For I am thy true Valentine!"

Then spake the dame in softened
mood,
"This Robert is both fair and good.
I knew his father's brother—
But that is past. Take Robert's hand,
My blessing, and God's own command,
That ye love one another!"

Wide open now the door was flung,
To Robert's neck sweet Ellen clung,
And two dear hearts were blended.
"My love," he cried, "my gold is thine.
I thank the good St. Valentine,
Thy toils this day are ended!"

Lige Collins.

AN UNCONTAMINATED BORN GENTLE-
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"The whiskey of the blue-grass re-
gion," he repeated, "had a particular
flavor—a something all its own; and
so far as my experience goes, that
something is not to be found in any
other whiskey in the known world."

A solemn pause, and a slight
moisture observed in the colonel's
eyes.
"Ah, me; it is many, and many,
and many a day since I have seen a
drop of pure, unadulterated old bour-
bon."

At length—gallantly recovering
himself from an eloquent silence, into
which he had been betrayed by the
insufficiency of language—he said:
"I was thinking—in fact, I was re-
minded by the subject—of Lige Col-
lins."

"Come now," we all said, thinking
to lead him into a happier frame of
mind. Come, tell us about Lige."

"Well, Lige was a born gentleman
—a regular fire-eater; he boasted
that he had never touched dirt, and
he swore he would go to his grave
uncontaminated. Oh, he was proud,
I can tell you."

"Go on—go on, colonel; we want
to hear of Lige Collins, the uncon-
taminated."

"In Kentucky, in the good old
days before the war, the two oppos-
ing candidates for office used to meet
and make their speeches on the same
day, at the same place, one following
the other. J. B. and S. F., respec-
tively whig and Democrat, were run-
ning for office, and were to speak
from a rustic platform built expres-
sly for the purpose, in Jim Paine's
woods—that being a central point,
and convenient to the voters living
in the little settlements scattered
around about."

"Following the custom of that
period, the two candidates amicably
sent to the grounds several barrels
of genuine bourbon whiskey, which
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benchmen who had put into each
barrel several handfuls of mint, suf-
ficient sugar, just the right quantity
of ice, and placed cups beneath the
faucets—became public property,
and free to every one coming there
to hear the differences of political
principles discussed, or for any other
purpose whatever. Every man
knew he had the liberty of drinking
as much and so often as he liked,
and no one stopped short of his
privileges."

"About half past five in the after-
noon, Jim Paine said to his black
boy: "What on earth will I do with
these drunken men scattered about
here? You know the woods are full
of hogs, and a drunken man is an
awful temptation to a hog."

"Dunno, Massa Paine,—can't yo'
sober 'm up no how?"
"Sober 'm up! They won't sober
before to-morrow night, and it isn't
my business to get them home."
"No, sah; yo' mount 'em up."
"This seeming to be a feasible
plan, Jim Paine directed his boy Abe
to call out a number of daakies and
put them to work immediately, as
night was fast coming on. All the
men found lying near each other were
—irrespective of their different con-
ditions in life—dragged and thrown
together in a sort of heap, and penned
in by a rail fence sufficiently high to
protect them from the hogs, who
had been suspected by Jim Paine
of possessing the weakness of yield-
ing, under strong temptation, to the
demands of their lower nature."

"So after a while, all bound through
the woods might have been seen pens
containing drunken men, ranging in
numbers from ten to twenty in each,
—for there had been thousands on
the grounds, come from far and near
to sample the whiskey, and—let us
charitably hope—to hear the speech-
es:

"But Lige Collins—the uncontam-
inated?" we asked.
"Oh, Lige was seen huddled in a
pen with two free niggers and of
white trash, seven men, all told; and
they say that next morning early,
when he opened his eyes and saw
what had happened, he lifted up a
voice so charged with thunder that
most of the sleepers heard it in their
dreams, and wakening suddenly,
sneaked off home. Poor Lige—bar-
ring his faults of pride and boasting—

EFFECT OF A PROTECTIVE TARIFF.

English Woollen Manufacturers
Removing Their Plants to the
United States.

Mr. William Burgess, United
States consul at Tunstall, England,
writes to the Trenton Gazette that
he overheard the following conversa-
tion between two Englishmen in the
coffee room of an English hotel:

"That McKinley bill did it. We
there really has not been a wheel
moved in that mill since that abomi-
nation went into effect. There was, as
you know, rush enough up to that
time to last for six months; there
was an enormous amount of goods
turned out."

"You mean to say," said the other;
"that the whole of that large plant is
stopped?"

"Yes as far as woollen goods are
concerned; they are doing a little
in the cotton factory; but, as I say,
the other mill has been shut down
these three months past."

"But what is he going to do about
it?"

"Why, he is going to do the only
thing he can do, or any one in the
American trade can do; he is going
to move his plant to the states. What
else could he do? There is no other
opening. All the other markets are
over supplied, as you well know."

"Do you mean to tell me he is really
thinking of going to America?"

"He is not only thinking of it, but
(looking at his watch) I suppose he
has gone by this time, as he sails
from Liverpool to-day on a prospect-
ing trip, and if he is assured that
there is no probability of the McKin-
ley tariff being removed, he will lo-
cate his mill and have his machinery
shipped at once."

"Well," said the other, "I believe
this is just what those Yankees had
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to go and settle down there."

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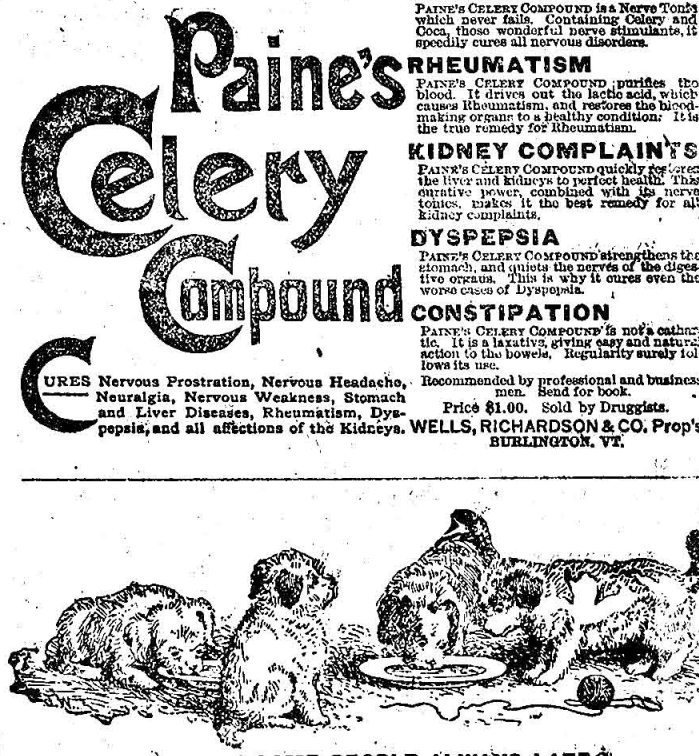
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COL. RICHARD F. BEIRNE, formerly editor of the Richmond State, died Sunday night at his home in Ashland, Va.

In protecting American industries during the last thirty years wages have increased more than twice as rapidly as they have done in free-trade England.

FRIENDS of Senator ALDRICH say he will leave the Senate because he is too poor to stay there. Poor men are beginning to feel lonesome in that body.

The estimate sent to Congress by the Secretary of war for the deficiency appropriation shows the expenses of the Sioux Indian campaign just ended foot up about \$2,000,000.

UNDER a protective tariff our export of cattle have increased from \$12,246,000, in 1885 to \$31,261,000, in 1890. The protective tariff is a dreadful thing for the farmer, isn't it?

OUR exports of domestic provisions have increased from \$97,000,000 in 1885 to \$136,264,000 in 1890. Should we wonder at the howl of alien free trade enemies of American prosperity?

The first shot under the new tariff law in regard to reciprocity comes from Brazil. It is a center shot, too. The McKinley bill will soon be found to be a great success. Great is Blaine.

THOUGH beset by newspaper reporters for his views on the silver question, MR. CLEVELAND maintains the dignified silence of an oyster. A word from him on this subject at present would command attention.

TWELVE members of the present Congress have died—one Senator and eleven Representatives—and the death roll is the largest of any Congress since the foundation of the government. The state of Pennsylvania has lost three members of the House.

JUST twenty years ago a woman living in Atchison, Kan., stood sponsor for the infant son of a neighbor and spanked her little godson when he howled during the baptismal ceremony. Last week the god-mother married her godson. It takes a Kansas woman to wait such a long, long time to "get even."

ARNOLD B. SANFORD, treasurer of the Globe Yarn Mill, Fall River, Mass., is authority for the statement that the firm of Ashworth Bros. of Manchester, Eng., will begin early next spring to erect in that city a factory for the manufacture of patent cards, and also general machine works. The new concern will give employment to 200 or more skill mechanics.

SENATOR INGALLS is said to have had these offers under consideration: Twenty thousand dollars from a publishing company for a book to be called "Twenty Years in Congress," \$15,000 to edit Arkell's illustrated weekly; \$5,000 for a review for his views on closure and the Elections bill; \$15,000 to edit the Detroit Tribune, and \$10,000 from a literary syndicate to write a satirical novel on Washington life.

MR. FOLGER was the first Secretary of the Treasury to die in office, and Mr. Windom the second. Mr. Manning, in President Cleveland's Cabinet, was in failing health for some time, and died soon after leaving the service. Messrs. Webster and Upshur died while in office as Secretary of State; Mr. Rawlins while Secretary of War, and Mr. Brown and Mr. Howe while Postmaster General. The Presidents who died in office were W. H. Harrison, Zachary Taylor, Abraham Lincoln and James A. Garfield.

E. Reeves & Co. have just received a nice line of general Hardware, cutlery, nails, etc.

Among the deaths which that of Mr. Windom recalls, owing to some resemblance thereto, are those of the Earl of Chatham, who fell into fatal convulsions while protecting against the attempt of Great Britain to subdue the American colonies; of ex-President John Quincy Adams, who sank into his seat in the House of Representatives at Washington in the midst of an impassioned speech, and of Senator "Zack" Chandler, who died suddenly in bed at a Chicago hotel a few hours after delivering a brilliant speech in McCormick Hall.

REPRESENTATIVE HOLMAN, of Indiana, the well-known Democrat, who has been many times mentioned for the presidency, said last week, in the course of an interview: "I knew the President's father, the son of Gen. Harrison. He came to Congress as a Know-nothing about 1854. He was an upright man, and the Harrisons have all been honest men that I have known. These three in line were men of different individuality, yet a thread of appearance of character connecting them all. I suppose that President Harrison now living has more intellectual nature than his grandfather. He has a more decided countenance, I think, than either of his predecessors in that family. To some persons and at some times, he is not fascinating. I think, however, that he is a good magistrate, and that he is honest in his convictions." He said further: "The assemblage of qualities in Harrison constitutes his strength; in this or that he may not please, but since time and occasion have made him his party leader he has become firmer and firmer, until he has got to reply upon his own judgment very much, and I think he will leave the presidential office by no means the least among our presidents." This from a Democrat who lives in Indiana, and whose knowledge of public men and public measures has come from active participation in the politics of the nation for forty years. Is it as interesting as it is valuable.

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July.	2.00	2.40
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Sept.	1.95	2.55
Oct.	1.95	2.40
Nov.	1.85	2.30
Dec.	1.75	2.25

WHO PAYS THE TARIFF? As a result of the new American Tariff, English manufacturers, particularly in Sheffield, are reducing the wages of their employes. The hope thus to partially neutralize the effect of the increase in duty. Does not their action throw a ray of light on the question. Who pays the Tariff?

Gen. Sherman Dying. NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Gen. Sherman is believed to be dying.

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MR. EDITOR:—Most of your readers have heard of the many glowing accounts of the fortunes, big and more so, that have been made in that wonderful Virginia City—the phenomenal city of Roanoke—the city of booms and boomers. That is only one side of the picture. That city is now passing through an experience that will add very much to its far-known fame. It is now in a floating liquid muggy conditions of mud! mud!! The dear mother's and daughter's dresses can have but one trip to market, shopping or a visit, and then to the laundry. A horrid affair occurred on the 30th ult., as a jolly lot of school children—boys and girls—were crossing South Jefferson street the whole flagging gave way beneath their feet—down they went to their waists—two stylishly dressed ladies in the act of crossing with the children—were engulfed with them into the black soaking filthy mud, and for twenty feet from all sides, the mud rushed in upon the mud-engulfed victims as from some subterranean suction force. The agonizing shrieks of the ladies and the frantic cries of the children—very soon the affrighted citizens rallied to their rescue—a goodly number of men of the vigilant fire company, also a few of the reel and ladder company, came valiantly to the rescue. At a glance they took in the situation, and with a rush to action, with their ladders laid across the street and with planks yanked from a passing lumber wagon, they soon had a platform around the submerged muddy victims. It required a great deal of struggling and twisting and lifting by the strong arms of the fire ladders to raise them up and onto the improvised platform. To the sad plight of the ladies it was anything but a romantic and poetic status of affairs. One of them, from the depths of her agonized heart and muddy body, shrieked out: "Oh, my! Oh, my! Oh, dear! My brain new silk dress is now utterly wrecked and ruined!" And then her fellow-suffering friend yelled out from the depths of her muddy torments: "Oh, yes, and my new seven-dollar patent-leather gaiters, and my new silk tights are—Oh, my soul! If I had—if I had had Mayor Bill Evans in here with us I'd chuck him down and feed him on this muggy mud!" A most remarkable feature of this calamitous affair which give color of fact to the adage "that misfortunes come not single handed." But a few moments before the downfall befell the ladies and children, a heavily loaded lumber wagon drawn by four mules, passed over the same crossing and had gone on but about 200 yards when down the wagon crashed through the road bed up to the axles, and before the mules could think how to get in or out a kick, down they crashed through the shell of the road-bed up to their stomach bellies, and as at the crossing for 50 yards from front and rear the mud-rushed in upon the team. The theory was suggested by some of the wise philosophers—lookers-on—present that the broken road bed was certainly a continuation of the subterranean caven that took in city reservoir. City Engineer Dunlap came in a rush calling for help—for the rescue of the mud-engulfed team—the way he went to work it appeared evident he must have had practical experience laying pontoons for Stonewall Jackson or to get out his way. The loaded wagon furnished planks and scantlings for a platform and road-way, and with block and tackle suspended from the house-tops on either side of the street, he, after a great struggle because of the subterranean suction, got the team and wagon out of the cavernous mud onto the platform and improvised plank road.

Mayor William Evans extorted the sympathy of most of the people present, some of them squeezed out their malediction through clenched teeth, the mayor presented the appearance of an official of the great and new Virginia City, was enveloped into too much mud for proud reflections. The calamitous condition of the ladies and children and the mule team forced him, rushing from point to point, with rapid strides, wringing his hands, a perambulating picture of agonized distress—coming up bubbling from his true inwardness—muttering loud and in accents of a mind distressed. O, this mud! this mud!! this mud!!! Just then behind the mayor appeared two good big benevolent brotherly sympathizers in the persons of Major A. G. Pendleton and Major Andrew Pitzer, with their hands on each other's shoulder, honestly to comfort Bro. Evans, they shouted out in good old camp-meeting style: when o'er these streets of mud we roam— Happily just then the chief of police separated them and commanded the Majors to dry up. They subsided.

Adwolfe Items. ADWOLFE, VA., Feb. 9, 1891.

Thinking a few words from my "quill" will be of some interest to your many readers, will endeavor to give the briefs and personals of the surrounding neighborhood.

Messrs. John and William Cook, of Tenn., who have been visiting their relatives and friends since Christmas, left for their home last Monday, to the regret of many. The merry time is now over. We all know the best of friends must part. Will's "best gift" said "there's one great consolation when friends come to part." Guess what it was? Well, she said "distance could not change the heart." She must think the boys have mighty true hearts, or else her boy hasn't anything like a girl where he lives. Dr. C. C. Copenhaver, of Bluefield,

W. Va., who has been spending several days amongst his relatives and friends, has returned home. He made his home while here at his uncle's Mr. Wm. H. Copenhaver's.

Mr. F. L. Peirce has returned home again from Max Meadow, where he has several teams at work.

Miss Melissa Copenhaver and Mrs. Frank Peirce are visiting Misses Belle and Abby Anderson.

Mrs. I. C. Anderson and Mrs. Wm. H. Copenhaver are on the sick list. We are glad to learn that Mrs. D. C. Gollehon is able to be out again, after a severe spell of sickness.

Oak Point High School is booming. Prof. Anderson says he has a nice lot of boys and girls.

The boys say we may look forward to the coming of another public debate. We say hurray for you, boys! Its perfectly right and eminently wise for the public to have the pleasure of seeing you all reap the harvest of your school days!

As old Mr. Grund Hog saw his shadow, I will not inflict.

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Alice Wilson Pryor, to whom the assassin Guiteaupaid attention, and was supposed to have proposed marriage, has recently died at Jasper, Tenn. She was of good family, and natively gay and spirited, but the crime and execution of Guiteau shattered her nerves, and made a recluse of her.

Dyspepsia Makes the lives of many people miserable, and often leads to self-destruction. Distress after eating, sour stomach, sick headache, heartburn, loss of appetite, faint, "all gone" feeling, bad taste, coated tongue, and irregularity of the bowels, are some of the more common symptoms. Dyspepsia does not get well of itself. It requires careful, persistent attention, and a remedy like Hood's Sarsaparilla, which acts gently, yet surely and efficiently. It tones the stomach and other organs, regulates the digestion, creates a good appetite, and by thus overcoming the local symptoms removes the sympathetic effects of the disease, banishes the headache, and refreshes the tired mind. "I have been troubled with dyspepsia, I had but little appetite, and what I did eat I digested me, or I did me little good. In an hour after eating I would experience a faintness, or tired, all-gone feeling, as though I had not eaten anything. My trouble, I think, was aggravated by my business, which is that of a painter, and from being more or less shut up in a room with fresh paint. Last spring I took Hood's Sarsaparilla—took three bottles. It did me an immense amount of good. It gave me an appetite, and my food relished and satisfied the craving I had previously experienced." GEORGE A. PAGE, Watertown, Mass.

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VIRGINIA—IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE of the circuit court of Smyth county 5th February, 1891: B. C. Wilson, Plff. AGAINT MARY V. WILSON, D'Et. In Chancery.

The object of this suit is to obtain a decree dissolving the bonds of matrimony heretofore solemnized between the complainant and the defendant. And it appearing by affidavit filed that Mary V. Wilson, the defendant, is a non-resident of the state of Virginia; it is therefore ordered that she do appear here within 15 days after the due publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect her interest in this suit. Teste:— J. H. GOLDBROOK, J.C. A. M. Dickenson, p. q.

N. & W. Norfolk Western R.R. TIME TABLE IN EFFECT JAN. 11, 1891. Trains leave Marion: EASTWARD—MAIN LINE. No. 2. No. 4. No. 12. 2:10 A. M. 7:29 P. M. 11:18 A. M. WESTWARD—MAIN LINE. No. 1. No. 3. No. 11. 11:52 A. M. 9:50 P. M. 2:34 P. M.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

Briefs and Personals.

To purify Your Hood. Take Hood's Sarsaparilla. County court next Monday. Next Saturday is St. Valentine Day. Bring your job work to this office. Fresh oranges and lemons at C. M. Wolfe's. If you want good coffee, go to C. M. Wolfe's. Red Snappers next Tuesday. E. F. Grossclose & Co. Baskets! Baskets!! Baskets!!! at W. E. & F. W. Leonard's. Henry Grossclose, Esq., of Bland county, was in town to-day. A fine lot of chewing and smoking tobacco at E. Reeves & Co. According to the Chinese calendar, this is the year 27,910,342. By all means go to see the Musical Phonograph at Venable & Co's. Mr. W. P. Francis left for Roanoke Tuesday morning on a business trip. Just received a nice line of trunks and valises. W. E. & F. W. Leonard. Bed Comforts, beautiful patterns, will be sold at cost, by E. Reeves & Co. C. M. Wolfe has the largest line of tobacco and cigars in town. Call on him. Pills often leave a person constipated. Simmons Liver Regulator never does. E. F. Grossclose & Co. will have another lot of Red Snappers next Tuesday. Excellent blankets, some very fine, are now offered at cost. E. Reeves & Co. Quite a number of farmers around this place are preparing to raise cabbage this year. Dyspepsia in all its forms is not only relieved but cured by Simmons Liver Regulator. C. M. Wolfe has a large assortment of canned goods and is selling them cheap. Call on him. For an unpopular President the remedy is the ballot; out for impure Blood A. B. C. Alternative. We want all the dressed turkeys and chickens we can buy, bring us what you have to sell. Venable & Co. Misses Kate and Grace Guntner, of Bristol, who have been visiting their relatives in this place, returned home Monday. A blizzard of great severity and large proportions is prevailing out west, stopping travel and embarrassing trade. Our Musical Phonograph is working nicely, and we have lots pretty new pieces. Come and hear it. Venable & Co. Mrs. M. J. Britton left last Thursday for Anniston, Ala., to visit her son George and family, and will be absent several months. If you owe us anything please come and pay us. We must have money. A hint to the wise is sufficient. Venable & Co. There are said to be sixty-three new storehouses and dwellings in course of erection and under contract at Big Stone Gap. E. Reeves & Co. are now selling Boots and Shoes at or about cost. Call in and examine them and you will be sure to purchase. E. Reeves & Co. have a lot of nice saddles, cheap. Fresh candies just received at C. M. Wolfe's. We will pay 11c. lb. for dressed turkeys, 8c. lb. for dressed chickens, 10c. lb. for dressed ducks, 6c. lb. for dressed geese. Venable & Co. Highest of all in Leavening Power.—U. S. Gov't Report, Aug. 17, 1889.

Royal Baking Powder ABSOLUTELY PURE

A fresh lot of cakes and crackers at C. M. Wolfe's. Hominy and oat meal for sale by E. Reeves & Co. Red Snappers at E. F. Grossclose & Co.'s next Tuesday. Go to W. E. & F. W. Leonard's for horse collars, bridles and saddles. February weeps one day and smiles the next. It gives equal chances to the mackintosh and the overcoat, to the umbrella and the walking-stick. Go to Messrs. Venable & Co.'s store and hear the greatest invention of the age. They have one of Edison's Automatic Phonograph Musical Machines in operation there now. It's a great curiosity. Messrs. E. F. Grossclose and Geo. L. Harman spent last Saturday and Sunday in Rich Valley and Bland county. Eli says he was close to where he took his first spoonful of paragonic. Mr. Jno. R. Venable has returned from the eastern cities, where he purchased a large stock of spring goods. Persons coming to court next week will find a complete stock of goods at Venable & Co's. Mr. C. E. Richardson, of this place, has gone to Graham where he expects to locate and practice law. Mr. R. is a model young gentleman and will make friends wherever he goes. We wish him much success in his practice. Lynn Commandery No. 9, K. T., of this place, will have a parade on Main street at about 2 p. m. next Saturday in full dress uniform to receive and escort Right Eminent Senator Withers, Beck and R. E. G. M. Lynn to their quarters. We are going North in a few weeks to purchase a very large stock of spring goods. In order to reduce our stock still more you can buy any goods in our line at lower prices than you ever bought them in Marion before. M. WEILER, The Leader of Low Prices. Roanoke will soon have glass works in operation. The \$10,000 subscribed by the Roanoke Real Estate Exchange fixes the matter definitely. The next industrial plants that the exchange will endeavor to secure are a wrought iron pipe manufactory and a wholesale shirt factory. The best piano on the market is Knabe. The best organ the Estey. This piano or organ with other makes, all of which are guaranteed, are sold at factory prices either for cash or installment by the Hobbie Music Co., of Lynchburg and Roanoke, Va., and Knoxville, Tenn. An entertainment will be held by the colored Methodists at the Opera House on the evening of the 19th inst, for the purpose of raising money to purchase a chandelier for their church in this place. Beautiful tableaux and other interesting acts will be performed. Rose Sherwood and Egbert Chesterfield's parting by the sea side will be performed. The white ladies and gentlemen are earnestly requested to patronize the colored people in their efforts on that occasion. Good order will be observed. COMMITTEE. The Pulpit and the Stage. Rev. F. M. Shroat, Pastor United Brethren Church, Blue Mound, Kan., says: "I feel it my duty to tell what wonders Dr. King's New Discovery has done for me. My Lungs were badly diseased, and my parishioners thought I could live only a few weeks. I took five bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery and am sound and well, gaining 26 lbs. in weight." Arthur Love's Manager Love's funny folks Combination, writes: "After a thorough trial and convincing evidence I am confident Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, beats them all, and cures when everything else fails. The greatest kindness I can do my many thousand friends is to urge them to try it." Free trial bottles at S. W. Dickinson's Drug Store. Regular sizes 50c. and \$1.00. For Over Fifty Years. Mrs. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over fifty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething, with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind.

The Lover's Lament. Your face is like a drooping flower. Sweetheart! I see you fading, hour by hour, Sweetheart! Your rounded outlines waste away, In vain I weep, in vain I pray, What power Death's cruel hand can stay? Sweetheart, Sweetheart! Why, nothing but Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It imparts strength to the failing system, cures organic troubles, and for debilitated and feeble women generally, is unequalled. It dispels melancholy and nervousness, and builds up both flesh and strength. Guaranteed to give satisfaction in every case or money paid for it refunded. The Concert. The Pianoforte Lecture Recital, at M. F. College chapel, Tuesday night, by Prof. Edward Baxter Perry, of Boston, was well patronized by our people, and enjoyed by all lovers of scientific music. The pieces rendered were all performed with perfect time and accord. Miss Hattie Fulkerson of the college is entitled to much credit for securing the services of Prof. Perry. Alliance Meeting. A call meeting of the county alliance will be held in the Alliance Hall in Marion on the 2nd Saturday in February. The regular delegations are earnestly requested to attend, as matters of grave importance are to be considered. Meeting to commence at 10 a. m. sharp. By order of the Superintendent County Alliance. Valley House Arrivals. J. C. Ryburn, H. C. Blevins, Chas. M. Williams, Sam'l McCluse, Walter Pennington, R. Hopkins, A. F. Cole, Dave, Geo., Eli, Dow, Asa, Una and English Pennington, Jas. Barlow, H. H. Lockhart, E. H. Buchanan, Jos. F. Keller, John Shannon, E. P. Dudley, Mrs. Dr. P. P. Hays and daughter, Co.; Barney Thompson, J. M. McCarty, Emory; H. G. Hopkins, Ironton, O.; T. F. Main, Wytheville; R. J. Haynes, Scott Co.; R. Kidd, Bland Co.; Ed. H. Sanders, Rural Retreat. Masonic. Messrs. E. J. Haller, Geo. W. Wright and W. T. Dickey, who are very bright working companions of Marion R. A. Chapter, No. 54, went to Wytheville Tuesday evening to assist in conferring the R. A. degrees on a number of Masons at that place. MARRIED. At the residence of Mr. Henry Sayers, on the 5th inst., Mr. Jno. P. Prater and Miss S. Kate, daughter of Mr. S. M. Williams, Rev. W. P. Hudde officiating. Fair View Items. FAIR VIEW, Va., Feb. 2d, '91. Mr. Clayborn Hankla is still confined to his room with rheumatism. There are several cases of measles in this vicinity—known as Wassum's Valley. Mr. Elijah Faris is busily engaged preparing houses and barns for men and their horses when they come to work that marble which they bought of him some time ago. Miss Sallie Miller, of Clover Hollow, Giles county, is visiting her sister Mrs. H. B. Copenhaver, who has been quite sick for several weeks. We are glad to state that she is now much better. Mr. Jacob Wolfe, who was paralyzed about 12 months ago, and who has been unconscious ever since, is now very well. Mr. Robt. Allen left for Graham last Wednesday, where he will work at the carpenter's trade. Messrs. J. R. Anderson and L. C. Cole left this morning for the same place. Mr. Adam Rosenbaum, one of the oldest citizens of this county—91 years of age—can go to the barn and feed his horses and cattle, chop wood and do most anything that a man of 30 years can do. BILL NEY. A man who has practiced medicine for 40 years, ought to know salt from sugar; read what he says: TOLEDO, O., Jan. 10, 1887. Messrs. F. J. Cheney & Co.—Gentlemen:—I have been in the general practice of medicine for most 40 years, and would say that in all my practice and experience have never seen a preparation that I could prescribe with as much confidence of success as I can Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by you. Have prescribed it a great many times and its effect is wonderful, and would say in conclusion that I have yet to find a case of Catarrh that it would not cure, if they would take it according to directions. Yours truly, L. L. GORSUCH, M. D., Office, 215 Summit St. We will give \$100 for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured with Hall's Catarrh Cure. Taken internally. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props. Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists. 75c. When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria. When she became a Miss, she clung to Castoria. When she had Children, she gave them Castoria. E. Reeves & Co. have a large stock of Liverpool salt.

Take Hood, Alliance Men! A scientific agriculture is one of the last attainments of even enlightened nations. In most cases this is the effect of a bad system of land tenure, but in all cases the defective intelligence and superannated methods give rise to this. Experimental farming is left to editors and lawyers, who have less practical knowledge than is required for the undertaking; have needless failures they might have been brilliant successes in the hands of men who united a large intelligence with a large experience. The young men who grow up on the farm, learn to regard agriculture as a soulless, mindless, routine of hard work with no chance of using any higher power than the muscles. They carry their brains to the best market, some become preachers, others politicians, others professional men, others merchants. All these lines of activity are crowded with men of more of less intelligence and mental power who begin life in a farm house, and might have been more successful and useful in life, had sufficient inducements been offered to end it there. Now to obviate this, Alliance men should bring about legislation to create technical schools; to educate their sons and this technical education of the farming class should begin in the public schools and with the earliest years of study, in country schools that teaching should take the following: The useful branches of Natural History, and the Natural History and Habits of the domestic animals, and of cultivated vegetables and the agricultural geology of the district should be among its themes. The child should be taught at once the rightful respect for his father's mode of life as concerns with the most valuable of human sciences, and also to thirst for a more extensive acquaintance with those sciences as bearing on that occupation. In a word you should have a preparatory school for your sons that they may be prepared for the agricultural college. In the College your sons should receive at once liberal culture that will fit them to associate on terms of equality with educated men and the special scientific and technical training that will enable them to practice a scientific agriculture, as farmers and alliance men you should hold county fairs, agricultural institutes and associations, meet periodically, compare past results, devise better methods for the future. In such meetings thoroughly educated farmers would soon hold a prominent place and become educators of others, but mere associations will not accomplish what we need but do not use the order for political purposes, political optimism is one of the vices of the American people, probably not more than one in a hundred of our population questions the security of our future. Thoughtful men see perils on one political horizon. Think of the \$15,000 men, large majority of foreign birth, now plotting to control mines and labor in general, the masses all ignorant. Leading, designing men, hence we should educate and spare no time as a severe strain upon any fabric may be born with safety if evenly distributed which, if concentrated would ruin the whole, so with illiteracy we allow it to collect in colonies and the illiterate to be dispersed over our territory and we shall have lost our stronghold. There is no doubt that the Anglo-Saxon is to exercise the commanding influence, then let us weld together in a chain the various links of our Alliance lodges as set forth in our declaration of principles. LOOK AHEAD. Epoch. The transition from long, lingering and painful sickness to robust health marks an epoch in the life of the individual. Such a remarkable event is treasured in the memory, and the agency whereby the good health has been attained is gratefully blessed. Hence it is that so much is heard in praise of Electric Bitters. So many feel they owe their restoration to health to the use of the Great Alternative and Tonic. If you are troubled with any disease of kidneys, liver or stomach, of long or short standing, you will surely find relief by the use of Electric Bitters. Sold at 50c and \$1 per bottle, at Dr. Dickinson's drug store. Ulcerated sore leg, with a running sore of several years' standing, which the doctors thought incurable, and amputation was regarded as the only relief, the patient scarcely able to walk before, now runs, apparently well. The cure was made by P. P. P. and is known throughout Savannah as one of the great cures that P. P. P., the wonderful blood medicine, has made. What a Change. Is wrought in people who suffer from rheumatism when they take Hood's Sarsaparilla. The acidity of the blood, which causes the disease, is neutralized, the blood is purified and vitalized, the aching joints and limbs rest easily and quietly, and a feeling of serene health is imparted. Hood's Sarsaparilla has recompensed wonders for thousands subject to rheumatism. Try it yourself. E. Reeves & Co. have a large stock of Liverpool salt.

Communicated.] We have just completed taking inventory. We find we have too many goods. Now is your chance to Buy Goods Cheap! Clothing, Shawls and Cloaks, Hoods, Boots and Winter Goods, etc., go less than cost. Come and see us. VENABLE & CO. NOTICE: To All Buyers of Bargains NOTICE: We intended giving a regular price list of some goods. Our stock is too large and complete yet, and wishing to make room for a big stock of spring goods we will sell from this day on all OVERCOATS AT COST! All heavy suits for men, boys and children at cost price. All heavy boots, shoes, hats, caps and woolen underwear, also overshirts, gloves, etc., at positive cost price. Come and see, and be convinced that what we advertise through the columns of this paper can be proved to you at our store. M. WEILER, The Clothier, AND LEADER OF LOW PRICES VIRGINIA—IN THE CLERK'S Office of the Circuit Court of Smyth Co., at Rules held for said Court the first Monday in Feb., 1891. Andrew Whisman, a deaf mute, who sues by his next friend Jas. W. Nelson, Plaintiff. AGAINST F. W. Leonard, adm'r. of Jacob K. Whisman, dec'd, A. Shupe, Wm. L. Whisman, W. H. Whisman, John L. Whisman, Joseph Blankenbeckler and Senora his wife, Ella Whisman, Oscar A. Whisman.—Defendants. MEMO.—The object of this suit is to enforce the collection of a bond executed by Jacob K. Whisman and A. Shupe for \$300.00, which is executed before the County Court of Smyth Co., Va., for moneys and funds belonging to Andrew Whisman. And it appearing by affidavit filed that Oscar A. Whisman is a non-resident of the State of Virginia. It is ordered that said Oscar A. Whisman do appear here within 15 days after due publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect his interest in this suit. Tests:—Jno. R. Sexton, D.C. A. M. Dickenson, p. q. VIRGINIA—IN THE CLERK'S Office of the Circuit Court of Smyth County, 29th January, 1891. JAMES E. JOHNSON, Plaintiff. Against F. W. Leonard, adm'r. d. b. n. of A. C. Hill, dec'd, Lucy V. Havelly, who was Lucy V. Hill, and James Havelly, her husband, Robert C. Hill, Charles E. J. White and Emma White his wife, who was Emma Hill, John A. Blount and Sallie Blount, his wife, who was Sallie Hill, and N. C. St. John, Com'r in chancery cause of Geo. W. St. John vs. Geo. W. Sprinkle, adm'r, et al.—Defendants. IN CHANCERY. The object of this suit is to subject a house and lot near the depot, Marion, Va., of which A. C. Hill died seized and possessed, to the payment of certain judgments against said A. C. Hill. And it appearing by affidavit filed that James Havelly and Lucy V. Havelly, Robt. C. Hill, Charles E. J. White and Emma White his wife are non-residents of the State of Virginia. It is ordered that they do appear here within 15 days after the due publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect their interest in this suit. Tests:—J. H. GOLLEHON, D.C. G. W. RICHARDSON, p. q. 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Robinson, his wife and Douglas Robinson, Jr., are non-residents of the state of Virginia, it is therefore ordered that they do appear here within 15 days after the due publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect their interest in this suit. Tests:—J. H. GOLLEHON, D.C. A. M. Dickenson p. q. VIRGINIA—IN THE CLERK'S Office of the circuit court of Smyth county, 5th February, 1891: GUM-ELASTIC ROOFING FELT costs only \$2.00 per 100 square feet. Makes a good roof for years, and anyone can put it on. Send stamp for sample and full particulars. Gum Elastic Roofing Co., 39 & 41 West Broadway, New York. Local Agents Wanted. ROOFING. Combined with Great Refracting POWER. THEY ARE AS TRANSPARENT AND COLORLESS AS LIGHT ITSELF. And for softness of endurance to the eye cannot be excelled, enabling the wearer to read for hours without fatigue. In fact they are Perfect Sight Preservers. 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LITERATURE NEAR THE POLE.

Our sailors of Whaling Ships in the Arctic Ocean Get Their Reading Matter.

"What do we do with so many old papers? Send them up to the Arctic Ocean!"

It was the proprietor of an outfitting store on Pacific street, and he was answering the inquiry of the reporter as to what he wanted of 5,000 old pictorial and story papers, for which he had advertised.

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"We send them up to the sailors on whaling vessels. About 500 sailors go through us, and up there ever half the year, and to each one of these we send at least fifteen papers every season. They are glad to get most anything in the shape of a paper, but most of the men like magazines better than anything else."

"Do you depend entirely on the answers to your advertisements for your stock of papers?"

"No; we go to each one of the newspapers in this city, both weekly and daily, and get back numbers. And then we send to each of the sailors a few of the current issues of the city papers. These papers come here in answer to our advertisement, and he put his hand on a stack three feet high. Some of the numbers dated back eight or nine years."

"Here is another stack of papers," and he pointed to a heap of paper two feet tall. "That is ready to be assorted and done up in bundles, one for each ship."

"These letters, do they also go?"

"A box full of yellow envelopes, each with a superscription to somebody on some whaling ship, 'Arctic Ocean,' lay beside the papers."

"Yes, we send each year one letter to each man. Of course they like to know what is going on here, and we write a general account of matters of interest and personal gossip, and whatever we think the men would like to know."

"You don't write a different individual letter to each man, do you?"

"Oh, no. We bunch them as much as possible and make the same letter in duplicate for several men. These letters are all ready to be sent up next week on the Bear, but it will be about a month before the papers and letters are all fixed up and started off. The men exchange their papers and letters, so that what we send keeps the entire fleet in reading matter through the season."—San Francisco Examiner.

SATAN AND THE BISHOP.

A Good Story of a Popular Superstition.

All over the north of Europe the greatest aversion is felt to be the first to enter a new building or go over a newly built bridge. If to do this is not thought every-where and in all cases to entail death, it is considered supremely unlucky.

Several German legends are connected with this superstition.

The reader, if he has been to Aix-la-Chapelle, has doubtless had the rift in the great door pointed out to him, and has been told how it came there. The devil and the architect made a compact that the first should supply the plans and the second gain the kudos, and the devil's pay was to be the first who crossed the threshold when the church was built.

When the building was nearly complete the architect's conscience smote him, and he confessed the compact to the bishop.

"We'll do him," said the prelate; that is to say, he said something to this effect in terms more appropriate to the century in which he lived and to his high ecclesiastical office.

When the procession formed to enter the building for the consecration, the devil lurked in ambush behind a pillar, and fixed his wicked eye on a fat and succulent little chorister as his destined prey. But, alas, for his hopes, this fat little boy had been given his instructions, and as he neared the great door, loosed the chain of a wolf and sent it howling.

The evil one uttered a shrill rage, snatched up the wolf and rushed away, giving the door a kick as he passed it that split the solid oak.

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THE NOTE-TAKER IN HONDURAS.

Where the People Seem To Be Destitute of Energy.

I have observed that the people are, if the most part, honest. One finds little downright stealing. They live in one single generation after generation.

They are lazy, and if they have made money enough the first three days of the week to last them for the next four, you may be sure they will do no more work. They work when they must, never when they feel like it. The latter case is unknown.

When they think it about time to stop work, they stop. Our American way of a day's work for a day's pay is something entirely and absolutely new to them. Clocks are unknown, but they tell the time accurately by the sun; and they do have a great deal of sun, as a rule 94 degrees in the huts at noon.

They do not seem to marry; they believe in the doctrine of free love. There are no priests for miles around.

The maxim of these people, and they live up to it, seems to be "mammas" (Godmother). Everything is mammas, and we would put it in English, "Do not do to-day what you can put off to-morrow."—San Francisco Chronicle.

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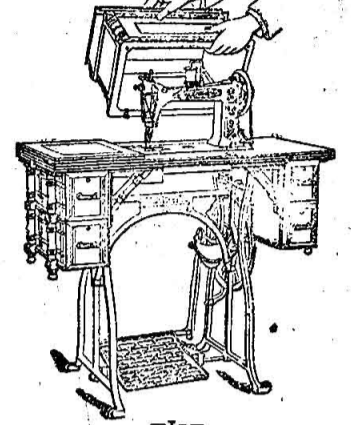
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