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Physicians' prescriptions, local or country, carefully compounded, and promptly delivered.
TO PERSONS CONTEMPLATING PAINTING
YOU have a house to paint. Is it not important that you should use the best material?
PURE PAINT, which will cover more surface, look better, and will not crack, peel, or fade, is the best material.

Medicinal

Desired Permission to Coerce a Backward Swain.
The Secret of Making Mankind.
The Lady, the Dog, and the Drummer.
Among the persons who purchased tickets at the Union ticket office yesterday was an elderly lady whose destination was St. Paul, Minn.
Jumbo on his Muscles.
The Law of Labels.
The Celebrated London Physician.
A Curious Charity.
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Strength

to vigorously push a business, strength to study a profession, strength to regulate a household, strength to do a day's labor without physical pain. All this represents what is wanted, in the often heard expression, "Oh! I wish I had the strength!"
Well, I want to bring this young man to you. He's just got to come up to the room I am in, and he'll take more than one lifetime to determine, whether he will remain in the plant state or whether it will become a human being.

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From the Detroit Free Press.
A motherly old woman, considerably troubled with the asthma, and also lame, called at the Twentieth street station the other afternoon to take her case. She made the Sergeant place his hand on a copy of Brown's grammar, which happened to be there, and she said: "I never tell anybody, and then she began: 'I have a daughter.'"

The Secret of Making Mankind

From the Washington Post.
The patent office for a patent on a recently discovered process of preserving the dead, supposed to be the long-lost Egyptian art, finally by experiment, they have discovered a certain combination of antiseptic elements which, if diffused through a dead body, would prevent the process of decomposition and convert the flesh into a cartilaginous state, the denser parts, such as the gristle part of the ear, being converted into hard, horny substance but retaining its elasticity. In proof of their experiments the inventors, by the aid of electricity, applied the compound to the body of a dead infant. Ten weeks after the body had been removed from all contact with the compound the flesh had become like rubber, the cheeks were full and plump, the hair had grown, and the body had the appearance of a living child.

How a Mistaken Theory Nearly Cost a Well-Known Minister his Life

Chicago Journal.
The following remarkable statement, made by a well known Baptist clergyman, bears witness to the manner of value it contains, will be found most interesting:
Messrs. Editors: I have always believed most firmly in the brotherhood of man, and that every human being is in duty bound to assist his fellow man to the fullest extent of his power. The relation, therefore, of any personal experience, will, I trust, prove of benefit to many thousands in this land.
My earlier years were full of health and pleasure. After the completion of my educational studies, I undertook the profession of teaching, and under the severe strain to which I was subjected, my health gradually became reduced to such a point that I was unable to continue my work. I was prostrated by a severe attack of diphtheria, which nearly cost me my life. I was confined to my bed for several months, and during this time I was attended by several of the best physicians of the city. I was told that I was suffering from a severe form of diphtheria, and that I was in a very dangerous condition. I was told that I was suffering from a severe form of diphtheria, and that I was in a very dangerous condition. I was told that I was suffering from a severe form of diphtheria, and that I was in a very dangerous condition.

Hotels and Boarding Houses

Virginia House, Harrisonburg, Va. JOHN KAVANAGH, PROPRIETOR.
This popular house now under the control of the late manager of the Farmers' Home, viz. John and Joseph Kavanagh, has been recently refurnished and put in first class order for the benefit of the public. All the latest accommodations have been supplied. The arrangements for the winter season are of a first class order.
THE BAR, Under the management of skillful and proper persons, has been refurnished and restocked with elegant appliances for the accommodation of gentlemen, and as quiet and comfortable as any in the county.
Hart Hotel, Winchester, Va. D. HABER, (OF PA.) PROPRIETOR.
Terms \$1.50 Per Day.

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THE Policy of BEST INSURANCE BEST AGAINST BEST ACCIDENTS

P-D-P-K Perry Davis's Pain Killer
This is to say,
Malaria, Chills and Fever, and Bilious attacks, positively cured by Emory's Standard Cure Pills.
KIDNEY WORT HAS BEEN PROVED THE BEST CURE FOR KIDNEY DISEASES.

THE CELLULOID TRUSS

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Best Whiskies, Choice Brandy, Select Wines, Foaming Lager, Cigars and Tobacco, Whiskies--Bumeder, Springfield, Monticello, Oriole, Virginia Club, etc.
Wines--Port, Sherry, Claret, Sparkling Champagne, etc.
Cigars--Local, and of other choice brands.
Tobacco--Fine cut and Superior Plug Chewing Tobacco.
SOUTH SIDE OF SPYWOOD HOTEL BUILDING.
Your patronage respectfully solicited, and satisfaction as to quality of goods guaranteed.
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SADDLERY HARDWARE

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RIDING BRIDLES, Hunt Briddles, etc., at A. H. WILSON'S, North Main Street, nearly opposite the new church.
FARM AND WAGON HARNESS, Call at L. H. WILSON'S, North Main St. for the best goods in the line. Jul.

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HARRISONBURG, VA. James A. Cowardin, founder and senior editor of the Richmond Dispatch, died at Richmond Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 29, in the seventy-second year of his age...

Table with 2 columns: Railroad Name and Amount. Includes Alexandria and Fredericksburg, Alexandria and Washington, etc.

No report received. One or two of the companies are exempt from taxation, and are of course not included in above.

Death of Thurlow Weed.

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The fact that General Mahone's home organ, whose editor is a member of the Board of State Canvassers, continues to include Mayo among the members elect of the next House of Representatives...

Wages and Protection.

And now comes the Iron and Steel Bulletin, which is a weekly publication. To-day the condition of iron and steel industries is one of marked and increasing depression...

What! Has American labor, then, become pauperized by the great system of protection to American labor? In this the outcome of a tariff of war taxes on common iron and steel...

The critical question raised by the extract we have made, however, is the question of wages in their relation to strikes and labor disturbances. A rate of wages which is almost prohibitory in normal times...

"Infant" industries which have been crying for protection for twenty years insist that they cannot stand alone, but their managers are deeply touched about the welfare of the "operatives"...

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Washington Letter.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 27, 1893. The Star-Roanoke cases will be opened in the District Court at the beginning of the story to the prosecution, the judicial atmosphere has been purified by the lightning-like removal of a number of government officials...

The most prominent candidate mentioned for the marshaling of the District is Thomas Murphy, of New York, who is also a candidate for District Attorney, upon the retirement of Major Morgan.

Now that the axe begins to fall, the friends of others in danger are very uneasy in consequence. If the President intends to turn out all those under him who have been intimate with Star-roanoke people...

When the Senate meets the President, under the law, will send notification of the suspension of the officials ordered removed, with the nominations of their successors...

On November 11, 1893, Mr. Samuel Thomas, who was born January 22, 1828, died at Montz, Rockingham county, Va., aged 64 years, 9 months and 22 days...

1893. Harper's Bazar.

This popular journal is a rare combination of literature, art, and fashion. It is a weekly publication, published in New York City...

Under your war-tariff you collected more than two hundred millions of dollars besides, so that you swept into the Treasury surplus of a hundred millions for the year 1881...

New Advertisements.

ESTRAY STEER. TAKEN up by Daniel G. Park on his land in the District of Columbia, on the 14th day of November, 1893...

PETERSBURG SAVINGS AND INSURANCE CO. In successful operation since its organization in 1860.

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE. John T. Green, Esq., vs. A. M. Hamilton, Adm'r, Ac.

Harper's Magazine. Harper's Magazine begins its fifty-sixth volume with the December number...

Harper's Periodicals. HARPER'S WEEKLY \$4.00 HARPER'S BAZAR \$4.00 HARPER'S YOUNG PEOPLE \$4.00...

Commissioner's Sale OF COAL LANDS. BY virtue of a decree rendered in the Circuit Court of Rockingham County...

Commissioner's Notice. JOHN SCANLON, Esq., vs. In Bankruptcy.

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Showalter & Thomas. Can and will furnish you the BEST AND CHEAPEST GOODS on this market.

BODINE ROOFING. is the best roofing on the market, all things considered. Persons contemplating building should not fail to examine it.

COAL, COAL. CASH, CASH. I respectfully call your attention to the fact that I have for sale, in any quantity, the very best quality of Anthracite and Bituminous Coals...

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OLD COMMONWEALTH.

THURSDAY MORNING, NOV. 30, 1889.

J. K. SMITH, EDITOR AND PUBLISHER.
Entered at the Post-Office, Harrisonburg, as second-class mail matter.

TERMS.—\$1.00 a year, \$1.00 for eight months; 75 cents for six months; 50 cents for four months; 25 cents for two months, all in advance in all cases.
ADVERTISING.—1 inch one time \$1.00; each subsequent time 50 cents. Yearly: 1 inch \$10; six months, \$5.00; three months, \$3.00. Advertisements will do no good unless they are paid for in advance. The publisher reserves the right to stop any advertisement at any time unless the full amount is paid for in advance. All advertisements are subject to the contract. Local business notices sent to the office in care of the publishers. THE OLD COMMONWEALTH, HARRISONBURG, VA.

Death of Dr. Wm. O. Hill.

On Monday morning last our citizens were pained and shocked to learn of the death of Dr. Wm. O. Hill, which occurred at about ten o'clock on Sunday night preceding, November 26th, 1889.

Dr. Hill was born in Woodstock, Shenandoah county, Va., November 1st, 1839, and was 49 years old on the first day of the present month. He was a son of the late Capt. John N. Hill, who moved to this place about 1858 from Woodstock. No one had warmer friends nor more of them than Dr. Hill, and no warmer nor more generous heart beat in human bosom. There are many among the poorer classes especially who will miss him in kindly ministrations "around the sick couches, where it was his wont to be, whether with or without hope of fee or reward" it was all the same. As a physician, he was one of the best and most skillful, and his practice was large. As a man and a citizen he was in all respects one of the best. His death is deplored by all, for he had just arrived at the age when his professional services were being properly appreciated, and he died just as a wide field of usefulness was extending before him, into what promised to be unbounded except by the limit of human endurance.

The peculiar circumstances attending his death will cause memory to take a deeper hold upon the sad event. He had no enemy but appetite, and this may in this sad case be productive of good, should the warning be heeded. After several weeks of the use of stimulants, and whilst trying to steady his nervous condition he prescribed for himself, at a time when a practicing physician should have attended him, and he misapplied perhaps his ability to stand a large dose of chloral hydrate, which probably resulted fatally.

On Tuesday, at 11 a. m., his body was committed to the grave in Woodhise Cemetery, and his funeral was attended by a very large concourse of our citizens, who thus testified their high esteem for the deceased.

Wm. O. Hill was one of that number of the Southern students at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, who succeeded in a body from that institution just before the late war between the sections began, and who went to Richmond and entered the Medical College in that city. He first went to Jefferson Medical College in 1859, and was attending that school for the second session when the class of Southern students withdrew. He completed his course and graduated with distinction from Richmond Medical College the first year of the war, and was soon after given a commission as a surgeon in the Confederate States Army, and such was his devotion to his duty that he soon took high rank as a promising young physician. He remained in the army until the surrender, when he returned to his home in this place, and soon after began the practice of his profession, with increasing patronage until death closed the pages of his life.

In November, 1870, or 1871, he was married in this place, to Miss Willlette, daughter of George W. Effinger, Esq. He was by his industry in his profession, his prudence and care in investments, and his inheritance from the estate of his father, possessed of a comfortable property, and he had the means at command to make life enjoyable outside of the revenues derived from his professional labors.

We knew him well, as intimately perhaps as most of our citizens, and more so than many. We knew the aspirations that possessed him, we knew of the manly and high resolves of his generous nature. It was not, however, necessary to know these even to admire the glowing and ardent nature of the man and the superior traits of his splendid character. Fobles he may have had, as have all, but as a man, as a citizen, as a neighbor, a sympathetic friend, the grandeur of his nature, the high order of his talents, and his aspirations never found such appreciation as they deserved. Now that he is gone, that the grave has closed over his form forever, many there will be who will recount his noble deeds and draw useful lessons from his life.

On Monday a jury of inquest was summoned and testimony taken as to the cause of his death. Below we give the

VERDICT OF THE JURY OF INQUEST.

An inquisition, taken at the residence of Dr. Wm. O. Hill, in the corporation of Harrisonburg, in the county of Rockingham and State of Virginia, on the 27th day of November, 1889, before A. S. Byrd, J. P., acting Coroner of the said county of Rockingham, upon the view of the body of Dr. Wm. O. Hill, there lying dead.

The jurors sworn to inquire when, how, and by what means the said William O. Hill came to his death, upon their oaths to say:

That the said Wm. O. Hill came to his death from the direct effects of an overdose of chloral hydrate, administered to the said Wm. O. Hill at his request, by his wife, Mrs. Willlette Hill. In testimony whereof, the said coroner and jurors have hereunto set their hands, this 27th day of November, A. D. 1889.

A. S. Byrd, J. P., Acting Coroner; Fox, A. A. Dainberger, Herman Wise, M. O. Orsbill, Geo. W. Shaver, D. M. Switzer, P. F. Southwick.

The Church Societies and Parish Concert, under the auspices of the Ladies' Recovery Fund Association, will be held at the residence of Judge Harris, on Friday evening, December 1st. A varied and pleasing program will be presented, and it is earnestly hoped that the ladies and gentlemen of the town and vicinity will avail themselves of this opportunity for an evening of rare enjoyment.

Meeting of the Joint R. R. Committee.

In pursuance of the call of the proper authorities, the county and town committees to work in the interest of the branch connection with the Shenandoah Valley R. R., met in the council chamber of this place on Thursday last at 10 o'clock, the hour appointed.

There were present of the Town Committee; Messrs. P. Bryan, chairman, W. M. Hazlegrove, secretary, J. L. Sibert, Jacob Messrore, Herman Wise, P. F. Southwick, C. A. Sprinkel, J. Wilton, J. L. Avis, O. B. Roller, ten, and of the County Committee: J. P. Houck, G. E. Sipe, Dr. E. A. Herring, H. M. Roadbush, Solomon Burner, and S. B. McFall, J. S. Loose, coming in late, making seven, a total of seventeen of the two Committees.

On motion, Mayor Bryan was made Chairman of the joint meeting, and Geo. E. Sipe, Esq., Secretary. The Chairman partially explained the action of the town and the county meetings in appointment of co-operating Committees, and in concluding called upon G. E. Sipe, Esq., to make further explanation. J. P. Houck, Esq., also called upon Mr. Sipe to report any correspondence had with the authorities of Shenandoah Valley R. R., in reference to the branch connection, &c. Mr. Sipe stated that the correspondence had been but slight on the subject, but would state that from letters received certain things were necessary as a preliminary to anything of a definite character. That he had not held out the idea of much help financially from our people; and that a petition from the people of the town and county was a prerequisite necessary to show that our people were much interested in the scheme, and as an evidence of favor to the R. R. Co.; and secondly it was absolutely necessary that statistical data should be furnished to the officials of the R. R. Co., as a basis upon which to estimate the probable business of the branch road when built. No propositions have as yet been made from either the people or the Railroad Company, and no proper statistics to show probable business, &c.

The privileges of the floor were granted to J. W. F. Allamont, Esq., who was present, upon motion of J. P. Houck, Esq., by unanimous consent. Mr. A. returned thanks, and subsequently made some remarks, tending his good wishes and his services as far as he could in furthering the scheme of a branch connection with the Shenandoah Valley R. R. running East and West through Rockingham county, and hoping to see it even extended far beyond the county lines.

The County members of the Committee were appointed to collect statistics in their respective neighborhoods, and to report at the next meeting of the General Committee.

A skeleton of a memorial for signatures was read by Col. O. B. Roller. After amendment it was referred to a subsequent meeting, to be held at night in council chamber, for adoption. Messrs. Loose and Herring, from County Committee, were added as members of the memorial committee, appointed heretofore by Committee from town.

The town Committee on statistics as appointed for the town, were named as follows: Messrs. C. A. Sprinkel, W. M. Hazlegrove and J. Mesario.

The General Committee decided to meet again at same place on Monday, December 4th, at 11 o'clock, to hear reports of sub-committees and take such action upon them as may be proper. The town Committee was called to meet in Council Chamber at 7:30 this evening.

On motion adjourned.

At 7:30 p. m. Thursday, the Town Committee met, nine of the members present. The report of the memorial Committee was read, amended and adopted, and one hundred copies ordered printed for circulation, and the memorial Committee directed to furnish them to members of the General Committee throughout the county as speedily as possible.

Several members of the County Committee were present at this meeting. Various points and modes of action were informally discussed, showing that there was a great interest felt in the success of the effort to build a branch from some suitable point on the Shenandoah Valley Railroad westward through this county.

The meeting adjourned, subject to the call of the Chairman, or until the meeting of the General Committee on the 4th of December.

So far so good. Let the good work be pushed along by every available means that can be made to bear upon or work to the advancement of this enterprise.

In the above report of the meeting of Thursday last we have made a mere synopsis, from the fact that many valuable suggestions were made but definite action was taken upon but a few, many being held in reserve until the two most important matters shall be fully attended to: the petition for signatures and the statistical reports are presented. These are of great importance as no forward move can be made until these are made up and placed before the officials of the Shenandoah Valley R. R.

Nor must the public expect the action to be speedy, as there are many matters of detail to receive attention. Besides our first duty is to present our desire in proper form by petition duly signed, and secondly, to lay before the President and Directors of the S. V. R. such data for their information as will enable them to form correct conclusions as to the feasibility of the work.

In the meantime all interested should give time and attention to the work of informing the people of the county as to the importance of this enterprise to the welfare of the people of the whole county.

Upon this subject we have written and published a good deal. We solicit, again the aid and co-operation of the friends of the enterprise throughout the county, and hope they will avail themselves of the columns of the COMMONWEALTH to advance the interests of this important work. Let us hear from all.

As a means of development in Rockingham no railroad scheme could be of more

importance. It would traverse a portion of the county where no other railroad exists, and which would furnish a great deal of carrying trade to the rail. Besides it would develop sections now undeveloped, whose resources and capabilities are without estimate for the reason. It would bring to us more directly a large trade from counties West of us. It would stimulate business of all kinds; would utilize the splendid water-power of the Bridgewater section and promote the establishment of manufacturing industries; would add largely to the general wealth and population of Rockingham county, thus benefiting all; would furnish more readily accessible and cheaper transportation for the products of our county, whether in the shape of cereals or stock, or the development now going in lead, coal and iron mines, marble quarries, or lumber shipping. In fact in every way benefits would accrue to our people, and whilst all sections would not be reached by this one branch, yet the benefit of one section would be to benefit the whole, by increase of population, wealth and general industries.

Push on the work, and we are sure the people of our whole county will aid in any way they can in promoting the work of building this Western branch from the Shenandoah Valley R. R. through Rockingham county and westward.

Business.—A couple of days since we sauntered out to the vicinity of the depot, and concluded to visit some of the business houses of that section. In some respects we found business quiet, but proceeding leisurely by some who were preparing for the next season of activity, whilst others were engaged in the wheat traffic, and though not very brisk were yet moving along satisfactorily. Business of no kind is brisk apparently at present, and we may reasonably look for dull times for a few months ahead.

We were looking rather to what had been done, than what at present was doing. We made inquiry of Mr. HAZLEGROVE as to the quantity of fertilizers sold by him for fall seeding. He promptly said "over 300 tons." Remember this was for the fall seeding alone. Then we thought of the coal he received, of the hundreds of car-loads of wheat he ships. His receipts of coal, wheat, corn, wood, &c., and his shipments require from two to eight cars per day, loading and unloading. This is a big business and requires a great deal of labor in freight handling, weighing, &c. Mr. Hazlegrove is one of our largest wheat-buyers, but the low prices of wheat recently have made his transactions moderately light for some time.

We next went over to the agricultural and farm machinery and fertilizer house of Messrs. SHOWALTER & THOMAS. Upon inquiry we learned that they had sold about 300 tons of fertilizers for fall seeding. We knew that they were doing a fine business, but really did not think they were in the fertilizer trade to such an extent. We could not help but ask ourselves who could use all this fertilizer? If these two houses alone sell over 550 tons in one season, what must really be the sales at all other agencies throughout this county? But this represents but a small part of their extensive trade. Already they are preparing for the spring trade in fertilizers, and Mr. Showalter is in Ohio and other parts of the West, arranging for agricultural machinery for the season of 1889.

The past season this firm sold between thirty and forty reapers and mowers, and other farm machinery in similar proportion. By reference to their advertisement, printed elsewhere, a mention of their stock in gross will be found.

In addition to the above we hear that Messrs. Yancy & Kent expect to grind this winter and have ready for spring sales about 600 tons of plaster.

It is worth a trip to the depot, when business gets dull down town, to see what is doing and look at the general activity in that section, to keep a person from getting discouraged by the outlook in what is called (erroneously) the business part of town.

Religious Notes.—Rev. G. P. Holt is conducting a revival meeting of interest in Dayton.

Rev. J. D. Donovan is in the midst of an extensive revival in Martinsburg, W. Va., many having professed conversion, and more than a score at the altar nightly.

The Chewsville, Md., U. B. Church will be re-opened December 24. It has been thoroughly refitted under the labors of Rev. I. M. Underwood. Bishop Dickson is expected to officiate at the re-opening.

Revival services are now being held at Mt. Clinton.

Eleven conversions have occurred at a meeting now in progress at Otterbein Chapel, near Mt. Jackson, under the labors of Rev. J. W. Hicks.

Snow.—On Sunday last for a couple of hours we were treated to a snow squall, which, however, was so slight in effect, it having melted as fast as it fell, as to barely lay the dust of the streets. Monday was a rather pretty day, but on Tuesday morning we awakened to find the earth whitened by the descending snow-flakes. It continued to come down slowly with but slight intermission all day. On Wednesday morning it was two inches deep.

The house formerly owned by Mr. Cyrus McCue, at Willow Spout, Augusta county, but now owned and occupied by Mr. Wood, was burned, with all its contents, except a piano and some fruit, on the night of the 26th inst. The fire was the work of a vile incendiary. Bad, indeed, must a man be to take such advantage of sleeping occupants. The loss is \$2,000 or \$3,000 dollars, but is fully covered by insurance.

Spring Dale Whiskey has a world wide reputation and can be had of H. Rosenheim, Baltimore, Md., he being the exclusive patentee and proprietor of that celebrated brand. For sale by John J. Lamb & Bro., under Spotswood Hotel, and John Kavanaugh, at the Virginia Hotel, B. R.

The schools of the county are about all now vacated, with teachers, only two or three vacancies being reported.

Revised.

Oyster. Mince pie. Buckwheat cakes. This is turkey Thursday. But nobody has "said turkey" to us. Better luck at Christmas, let us hope. Sausage by the yard in shop windows. Has a practising wood-hauler any conscience? Dog-gone the comets. Another one is said to be coming. Joe Loewner has the handsomest Christmas window in town. Ernest Strayer's old bush still stands, as a public nuisance and annoyance.

Boys look up your skates and see that the straps or screws are all right. Butter is nearly as high as the late comet, and traveling at some high speed. Keeping a sharp look out on the coal and wood piles is a preventative of chills at this season.

The cold makes one nose just as red as another. This is, therefore, a good season for topics. By the way, against carrying concealed weapons. Highest end put at the mercy of the notoriously bad.

Eggs are eggs now, and nobody but Vanderbilt or Jay Gould can afford an egg-nogg at Christmas. The "savers" are crowding the County Treasurer's office now to pay their taxes, and save five percent.

Four inches of snow up to Wednesday morning. Sky looks like made of lead, indicating more snow.

The B. & O. train killed a fine cow for K. S. Conrad, Esq., on Saturday morning last in this town.

Snow squall on Tuesday. Cold on Monday. More snow Tuesday. Cold and threatening on Wednesday.

Let those keep thanksgiving who have the turkeys, etc. We are not in receipt of either an invitation or a turkey.

Phil. Witts has discovered that rabbits are now ripe, and he is pulling his. He gets in a hundred or two a week.

Frying fish with Stonebraker's rat exterminator for lard, is hard on the delicate stomach. It kills rats though.

It is the tosy thing now for young ladies who slap their fellows in the face, to do so only with a perfumed kid glove.

Give extra care and attention to your stock—horses, cattle, &c.,—as the weather is getting down to zero with a sort of rush.

The confectioners are preparing for Christmas. The pavements are almost blocked with infant wagons and other toys.

Most any fellow can hold on to the "hind" end of a wagon if he can't do it drunk. When he can't do that he's pretty far gone.

It won't save your yard flowers to cover them with old newspapers. Jack Frost has come to stay. Put the flowers or Jack will get 'em.

John Wallace looks quite proud on top of his new red wagon, riding about the streets. We say you, and besides can prove it by Mac.

When a rich miser tells you that he can't spare you any money, but that he will carry you in his heart, it is safe to conclude that you will soon be in a very tight place.

The third quarterly conference of the M. E. Church South was held in this place on Monday night last. Rev. Dr. John S. Martin, P. E. of this District presided.

Our National Bank had so much gold on hand last week that they had to ship it away. Greenbacks seem to be good enough about here—but they are most confounded scarce.

The Methodist parsonage has been made much more comfortable and convenient by the addition of a "study" nicely finished. The work was done by S. J. Jones, contractor.

If every gobbler sold in a "gobble" up a two dollar bill, there will be a scarcity of gobblers on the tables of the people, for the two-dollar bill scarcity has already set in. And we feel the pressure.

It takes over one hundred pairs of gloves to assuage the grief of the Brooklyn officials over the death of an alderman, whose life might have been saved by a single bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

The jury in the Hartman murder case on Monday, we learn stood one for conviction and eleven for acquittal. The unanimous majority for Hartman don't clear him, though. The case will be tried again.

Friend Boyer will have to yield the palm as the first "snow presser." He has for years we believe always been the first to open the sleighing season. But Arch. Huston takes the chrome this year. He made his first medical visit sleigh bells Tuesday night.

How It Now.

Some of the papers in this section made quite a sensation by their reports of the shooting affray, which occurred in Shenandoah county, participated in by S. W. Bailey and an Iowa detective who came here to arrest him, some months ago. The facts of the matter are, coming to the front now, and the object of blank-mail begins to appear pretty clearly. Mr. McCord, the officer, allowed himself to be made the instrument of a set of perjurers, and hence he approached the man he came to arrest with drawn pistol and on a half-run.

From the *Sheldon (Iowa) Mail*, we get the following, which shows that the case bears a different face from that put upon it here on the representation of McCord:

THE SHOOTING OF J. W. BAILEY.

Many of our readers have no doubt read of the shooting of J. W. Bailey, brother of Mr. B. Bailey of this city, by an officer in Marshall county, and the charge that Mr. Bailey was implicated in a large cattle steal perpetrated in Hancock county, this State. The *Mail* has hitherto refrained from making any mention of the matter out of deference to the wishes of Major Bailey, who desired first to ascertain all the facts in the case. From the *Major*, who returned from Garner yesterday, where he was defending his brother in his examination, we learn the following facts:

J. W. Bailey has, for the past three years, herded cattle for Garner in Marshall and Story counties, and it appears that this season a number of cattle were missing from various causes, and all of which the owners of the cattle had full knowledge. Long before the herd was delivered an effort was made to hold Mr. Bailey civilly liable for the cattle, and failing in this the alleged owners of stock, or two or three of them, instituted a criminal action against Mr. Bailey, who at the time was visiting in Virginia among his relatives, and in the meantime his whereabouts being fully known to all his friends here and in Marshall county. To make capital, however, and for the purpose of scaring the Major's brother into paying for the shortage in cattle, one Milton Elliott filed an information in the criminal court of Hancock county, causing a warrant of arrest to be issued, employed a self-officious individual in Marshall county, (who as night policeman of Marshalltown for the past four years, has been bullying and thumping drunken men over the head with a billy), to cause the arrest of Mr. Bailey whom he represented to be a desperado from the Southern army. This aspirant to be Sheriff of Marshall county (at the expense of the blood of a drunk man and innocent citizens) goes to Virginia, and without making known to Mr. Bailey who he was or what he had begun shooting at him on sight. Several shots were exchanged, each receiving slight wounds. Mr. Bailey being shot three times, though not seriously. At the examination at Garner Tuesday, the charges preferred by Elliott were dismissed, as the case of the prosecuting witness and another complaint filed by one Nichols, which charge was waived, and a nominal bail fixed, which will be promptly furnished. A complaint is lodged against Elliott for perjury, as he knowingly and willfully swore false in causing Mr. Bailey's arrest. Action has been begun against McCord and his bondsman for damages for injuries from the shooting, and a criminal charge will be preferred against him in Virginia for assault with intent to commit murder. Hon. Tim. Brown, who was employed by the prosecution, has become disgraced and withdrawn from the case, leaving these injured innocents to paddle their own canoe. The young man Gill, who was also arrested on suspicion, has his examination the 29th, and Major Bailey having been implicated in a gigantic cattle steal involving the loss of about fifteen carloads. The bottom has fallen out of the case, and thirteen head of cattle comprise the entire loss as identified by the owners. The sheriff who did the unwarranted and unbecoming thing of shooting together with his bondsman, will be sued for damages. The prosecuting witness has a charge of forgery preferred against him and a decided new turn of affairs has been taken all around.

Maj. Bailey finds no difficulty in establishing his brother's innocence and proposes to make it overwhelming hot for his prosecutors.

So after all, this "tempest," which came near resulting in a couple of deaths, turns out to be a small affair, as the COMMONWEALTH said at the time would be found out to be the case. Mr. Bailey was arrested here and treated as a felon of deep dye, and Mr. McCord was magnified into quite a hero. But now it happens the tables are turned. Mr. Bailey was well-known at his home as a gentleman of high integrity, and an effort was made to compel him as herder to pay for cattle, the owners declared to be lost, although the cattle had been made way with on the quiet to default certain creditors of the dealers. This was a high-handed outrage, especially when perpetrated through the agency of a set of unscrupulous men who have been proven to be guilty of perjury, and who will probably be meted out the punishment that is justly due them.

The Iowa officer who did the shooting will probably be indicted before the Grand Jury of Shenandoah county, in this State, and when the proceedings have been flashed up in the Iowa Court, the conclusion of it will be had here.

Maj. P. R. Bailey, brother of Mr. J. W. Bailey is an able and eminent lawyer of Iowa, and as the *Sheldon Mail* (his home paper) remarks: "The Major is determined to fight the matter to the bitter end, and those who know his disposition and ability as a lawyer, have no fears of his lack of sand or his indomitable perseverance."

A SHORT TALE WELL TOLD.—Mr. Gwynn Harris, Health Officer and Inspector of Marine Products, living in South Washington, drew \$15,000 for one dollar spent in The Louisiana State Lottery yesterday. The lucky number was 35,195.—*Washington (D. C.) Star, Oct. 11th.* The next drawing will occur December 10th. Full particulars can be had of M. A. Davenport, No. Orleans La.

For SALE.—A good second-hand Piano. Easy action; three string; square; sweet tone. Apply at once at THIS OFFICE.

Personal.

Isaac F. Wine returned home from the West last week, arriving on Friday.

Wm. E. Sipe, son of Emanuel Hill, is doing business at Clover Hill. Billy is a clever TOMMY MAN, as the people of that vicinity will soon find out. Good luck to you, young friend.

Our friend J. F. Rinker, Esq., late of Mt. Meridian, Augusta county, is now with the firm of Sanger Brothers, Bridge-water.

J. A. Loewenbach came home on Saturday from a trip to Baltimore and New York, where he purchased a second Fall supply of goods.

At the recent session of the Virginia Conference, Rev. L. S. Reed was appointed Presiding Elder of the Farmville District. He is well fitted for the station, both as a preacher and by business qualifications.

Dr. W. W. S. Butler, Jr., assistant surgeon at the Western Lunatic Asylum, arrived here with his bride, from Fauquier county, on Friday afternoon last.

Chas. W. Fellows and family removed to Richmond some weeks ago.

Henry K. Sprinkel and family have moved to the Kern farm, recently bought by Mr. S., at Cross-Roads. Mr. Sprinkel has for the second time become a granger, and we wish him much prosperity.

Mr. Ambrose Cramer, who has been at his home in this place for some months on a visit, has resigned his position in the U. S. Navy and accepted a lucrative position in the engineer department of a wealthy Western railroad, with headquarters at Terre Haute, Indiana.

Mrs. Fannie R. Bear, of Staunton, was in town from Saturday until Monday.

Court Proceedings.

COUNTY COURT, NOVEMBER TERM, 1889.

Wm. A. Will and D. M. Beam qualified as administrators of Deborah Bare, dec'd.

John S. and Hiram W. Bare qualified as administrators of Samuel Bare, dec'd.

L. C. Whitecaver qualified as Notary Public.

The will of Matthias Minnick was admitted to probate and administrators qualified.

D. B. and Samuel F. Showalter qualified as administrators of Hugh Swope, dec'd.

Samuel F. Showalter qualified as guardian of his infant children, Charles S. and Hugh M. Showalter.

Jacob F. Neff qualified as executor of Josiah Neff, dec'd.

The Grand Jury found the following indictments: against Robert Early for felony; against Abraham Hartman for felony.

The estate of Nicholas Miller, dec'd, was committed to the Sheriff for administration.

Julian Laurent was admitted as a citizen of the United States.

In the case of the Commonwealth vs. Robert Early: jury: verdict of guilty, and sentenced to thirty days in jail and a fine of \$30.

In the case of Abraham Hartman, the jury failed to agree.

Geo. E. Sipe qualified as administrator of the estate of Wm. R. Sipe, dec'd.

Retail and bar-room liquor license was granted to Wm. Kain.

Retail liquor license was granted to Wm. E. Logan.

COWS AND ENGINE.—There's some things a cow can do, and then there's some things she had better give up.

On the locomotives on the B. & O. R. they have cow-catchers, and if a cow gets anywhere near they catch her, and they don't care much where they catch her, nor what kind of a cow it is.

She may be a good butter cow, but her better stay off the B. & O., or they will certainly "alp up" on her.

She may be a good milk'er, but those engines drink milk or water.

She may be fine stock, but those engines are rolling-stock, and they roll over all the stock they can; and if she has a belt around her body they are sure to "belt her."

They have a way of hunting cows up, and if they see one on the track, they track her till they knock her out of her tracks.

They always get them (according to the engineers) on the "down grade." So, no matter what she was before, she is always a grade cow when they hit her, and a great loss to her owner.

When the cow and engine get together on the track, one must leave, and it is generally the cow—what they leave of her. Which is why we say she had better "give up" the charges and "git up and git" when she sees an engine coming.

More Courts.—Judge McLaughlin, of the Augusta Circuit, began a special session of the Circuit Court for this county on yesterday, (Wednesday) at Judge Bird, who was not able to hold a protracted term of his Court, which began in October and adjourned early in November, on account of ill-health. Judge Bird is becoming feeble, but hopes are entertained that he may recover from his present bad health, and complete his term of office. He has been an excellent Judge and is highly esteemed by all who know him for his many excellent qualities.

R. R. TIES FOR FIREWOOD.—The prospects for the building of the Narrow Gauge Railroad must have "gone glimmering," or passed "through a hole in the sky," as we learn that the ties that have for several years been lying piled up along the line of the road are being sold for firewood. The selling price is low, so much, as we learn that \$2.00 per cord is all that is demanded.

The attention of the chief-of-police is especially called to the dangerous condition of the plank walk on High street, owing to some loose and displaced planks. Attend to it at once and save damages for a broken leg.

A remedy resting on the basis of intrinsic worth demands the confidence of all. Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is known and used most satisfactorily throughout the land, as is attested by its great sales. Your druggist keeps it.

The next meeting of the State Sunday School Convention will be held in Richmond in 1895.

Canvassing the Vote of Virginia. Special Dispatch to Baltimore Item.

RICHMOND, VA., Nov. 27.—The State board of canvassers have been in session nearly all day canvassing the returns of the late election for Congressmen. In the first district Mayo, coalitionist, contests the election of Garrison, democrat, who has a majority of 66 in the district. Mayo bases his claim to the certificate upon informality in the returns from Gloucester county. If the board concede his claim and throw out the vote of that county, Mayo will obtain the certificate by one vote. A decision on this case was postponed until tomorrow. The board went through all the districts, and awarded certificates as follows: Third district, George D. Wise, (dem.) fourth, Hooper, (coalitionist); fifth, Tucker, (dem.); sixth, Paul (coalitionist); eighth, Barbour, (dem.). In the ninth district, there being no objection, that certificate will be awarded to Bowen, (coalitionist). The first, second and fifth districts and the Congressman at large, being in the contest before the board, were postponed until tomorrow.

It Was Immediate and Constant. 375 7TH STREET, LOUISVILLE Ky., } H. H. WARNER & Co.: Sires—the effect produced by your Safe Kidney and Liver Cure, which I took for a severe kidney difficulty, was immediate relief and constant improvement until it effected a permanent cure. Mrs. BRIZA A. RAH.

A correct idea of the conditions this country has reached under radical rule may be found from the uncontroverted statement that Senator Kellogg was not prosecuted for the reason that his trial would have divulged such extensive corruption that it would have been a national scandal, and that the Attorney General is afraid to bring the star route bribers to trial on account of his doubts of the integrity of the grand jury of the District of Columbia.

The finest on the market is Rosenheim's celebrated Springdale Whiskey. For sale by John Kavanaugh, at the Virginia Hotel, and by Lamb Brothers, Harrisonburg.

OLD COMMONWEALTH.

HARRISONBURG, VA., THURSDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 30, 1893.

A Victim of Mahone and Hubbell.

Mr. Massey told a good story in his speech last Monday illustrating the Mahone-Hubbell assessment system. It seems that one of the men who had been with a man in one of the Southwestern counties for political work, procuring him a county postoffice and \$40 a month for his services. The man was appointed postmaster, and the first month sold four cents worth of postage stamps—a postage stamp and a postal card. He received himself, however, with the thought that the \$40 promised him would pay him pretty well, and wrote to the department stating the terms of the contract and requesting that the amount should be forwarded at once. In reply the department wrote that it knew nothing about the \$40, and that he must take his pay from the sale of stamps, in which 60 per cent was allowed. In a few days he received one of Hubbell's circulars, requiring 5 per cent of his income for campaign purposes, and this was quickly followed by one from Mahone requesting 10 per cent of the same. The man came to the conclusion that 5 per cent of 10 per cent of 60 per cent of four cents wouldn't afford him a living, gave up the postoffice and went to work for the Democrats.

Use of Lemon.

For all people, in sickness or in health, lemonade is a safe drink. It corrects biliousness; it is a specific against rheumatism, and may be mixed with water and sugar, and used as a drink. Lemon juice is the best anti-scorbutic remedy known; it not only cures disease, but prevents it. Sailors make a daily use of it for this purpose. A physician suggests rubbing of the gums daily with lemon juice to keep them healthy. The hands and nails are also kept clean, white, soft and supple by the daily use of lemon instead of soap. It also prevents chills. Lemon used in intermittent fever is mixed with strong hot black tea or coffee, without sugar. Rheumatism may be cured by rubbing the most affected with lemon. It is valuable also to cure warts and to destroy dandruff on the head, by rubbing the roots of the hair with it. In fact its uses are manifold, and the more we apply it externally, the better and more healthily we shall find ourselves.

A Cross with Jaws of Gold.

From an interview with the Hon. J. H. Schetz, we learn that he is a man of many talents. He says, do you know anything about alligators? An alligator has a decayed worm in its tongue. It lies with its jaws open and takes in everything—everything. Everything crawls in there to eat upon that decayed worm. When it is full of worms, it is a 1,700-foot alligator. He is lying in Wall street with his jaws open, taking in everything. Some of these days his jaws will close, and oh, what a crush this country will see!

Barnum is overworked with his acquisition.

The baby elephant—why do you call it a baby? He offers \$75,000 for the insurance of the life of the infant for 52 weeks. Surely if he knew the full value of Peruna and Manalin, he would do no such foolish thing, as they are the most successful protective medicines that have ever been introduced by the human family. No one can take any disease while taking Peruna before each meal, and keeping the bowels regular with Manalin. Ask your druggist for the book on the "His of Life."

Dr. Schetz's Vow.

When the leading "Bee" published an account of the election of J. H. Schetz, as a candidate for Governor, Dr. Jacob H. Schetz, a well-known citizen and physician of this town, made a vow that he would purchase no more chewing tobacco nor use any until the Democrats succeeded in electing their candidate for Governor. That he is still keeping his vow for sixteen long years is a fact, and is a thoroughly satisfied that Pattison had been elected, he stepped into a tobacco store and purchased the weed by the pound.

Eating the Bonquet.

At a hotel in this city a couple from the country of Milledan extraction, took seats at the dinner table. Directly after a young country seated themselves opposite, and the young man took a stalk of celery from the dish and commenced eating it. The old lady opposite looked at him a moment with an air of disgust, and then, judging her husband, said, in a stage whisper, "By my word the blackguard is eating the bonquet."

Why should They.

No man or woman can do satisfactory work when the brain is dull, the nerves unsteady, the system relaxed and they feel generally wretched. Why should anybody drag through their work in this condition, when a bottle of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will restore to them the strength and will to perform their duties satisfactorily.

An Explanation.

The delicate, flowery and lasting fragrance of Florida Water explain why it is such a favorite with the ladies.

Time to die.

A Respectable Cow once approached a Butcher with the remark: "Will you kindly kill me, for I am getting very old and my milk is getting thin." "And why?" asked the Butcher in Amusement. "Do you desire to Perish?" "Because," replied the Cow, "I am Overwhelmed by the Awful Thought that I am a 'Boss'—Denise Tribune."

Look at you!

"Look at you!" shrieked Mrs. Ecomi, as the nurse led the baby off over the second balcony. "Two inches nearer the wall and that child would have smashed a \$50 statuette and the baby lamp." And then they picked up the baby.

Not too funny.

"Daw was school enough, but tree was too blondy," remarked Hans when his best girl asked him to take her mother along with them to a dance.

A German who was lately married says.

It was easier to make a walk out a camel's eye than for a man to get der last word mit a vroomus."

Medicines, Etc.

Advertisement for 'Lemon Liver Cure' with an illustration of a person.

The leading Scientists of to-day agree that the most serious disease of the Liver is Biliousness. It is a disease that causes pain in the liver, perfect health will be the result. It is a disease that is cured by the use of Lemon Liver Cure.

Advertisement for 'Peruna' with an illustration of a person.

Advertisement for 'Manalin' with an illustration of a person.

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PREPARE FOR IT AT ONCE BY SUPPLYING YOURSELF FROM OUR IMMENSE STOCK. OVER COATS, UMBRELLAS, BUSINESS SUITS, DRESS SUITS, PANTS! PANTS!

Boys' and Children's Clothing! HATS, HATS, HATS, HATS, HATS, TRUNKS, UMBRELLAS, SATCHELS, RUBBER GOODS, LAP ROBES, AND A COMPLETE LINE OF GENTS FURNISHING GOODS.

ALL AT BOTTOM PRICES. It can't be denied that we have, by far, the best stock of goods in the county, and that we are selling them at shorter profits than any other house.

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