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Mrs. Laura C. Phoenix, Milwaukee, Wis.

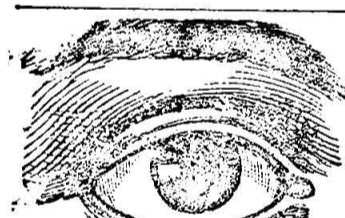
"Katon of a Benevolent Home and knowing the good Dr. Miles' Nervine has done me, my wish to help others, overcomes my dislike for the publicity, this letter may give me. In Nov. and Dec., 1893, The females had the 'La Grippe,' and I was one of the first. Beginning duty too soon, with the care of so many sick, I did not regain my health, and in a month I became so debilitated and nervous from sleeplessness and the drafts made on my vitality, that it was a question if I could go on. A dear friend advised me to try Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine. I took a bottle and am happy to say, I am in better health than ever. I still continue its occasional use, as a nerve tonic, as my work is very trying. A letter addressed to Milwaukee, Wis., will reach me. June 6, 1894. Mrs. LAURA C. PHOENIX.

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A Lieutenant's Mistake

AN EPISODE OF THE FRANCO-GERMAN WAR.

It happened during the siege; we had been fighting all day at the outposts, in the neighborhood of Bourget. That evening, after roll call, just as I was preparing to take some rest, my Captain came up to me and said, 'Lieutenant, I have got another job for you. Before you lie down take a few men with you and have a look around the battlefield. Above all things be prudent and go without lanterns. The night is clear; the reflection from the snow will allow of your seeing around about you for a good distance. Yesterday's reports indicated the presence of a band of night prowlers. Those birds of prey must be hunted down. Corpses have been robbed of their clothes, and were discovered lying in the grass this morning stripped. Here are the orders that the Colonel has requested me to communicate to you. You are to bring into the camp any of these scoundrels whom you may capture and let fly a bullet into the backs of any who attempt to escape. All's fair in war. No quarter is to be given to the rascals. Go, and be good luck go with you.'

My little company set out quietly with loaded rifles. An icy wind was whistling round us, whirling clouds of snow into our faces. We crossed the line and were soon in the open country. The Captain had spoken truly, the night was splendid and the moon shed her rays over the fields, her pale light gilding here and there on the pools of blood. Not a sound. Away on the horizon we could distinguish the Prussian encampment. For a quarter of an hour we marched along with stealthy footsteps, holding our breath, mute and alert, when we saw moving about under a tree a black figure. 'There's one of them,' I murmured the corporal, bringing his gun to his shoulder. 'Let no one stir,' I replied, and I advanced alone. At the foot of the tree lay an officer of the Marine Infantry, his forehead shattered by a bullet. The blood had run down his face and soaked his uniform, and trickled on in a long rivulet over the snow. In his hand was still clasped a discharged revolver, and I noticed that he wore on his finger a costly ring. I saw that that ring now—a ruby surrounded by diamonds. Bending over the dead man and holding his hand was a dark and withered form. It was an old woman, with masculine features and glaring, sinister eyes. She was dressed in dark colored rags, and her head was covered with a dreadfully dilapidated hat. 'What are you doing there?' I demanded, touching her on the shoulder. 'The old woman looked up, and in a hoarse voice, which will haunt my ears to my dying day, answered roughly, 'Leave me alone.'

This angered me, for there was not the slightest doubt that she was a thief, and a most shameless one. Otherwise, why was she holding the officer's hand between both her own if not to steal the ring from it? 'Come, now, none of your insolence!' I cried, forcing her to rise to her feet, and as I spoke I drew my revolver out of its case. 'What are you doing here?' She lunged her head and made no reply. 'Why are you here, alone, at midnight, on the field of battle?' No answer. Her silence exasperated me. 'You are afraid to answer, but I will tell you what you are here for. You are a 'night bird,' and you have come to rob the dead.'

'No,' she replied, quietly. 'Well, then, come with me. I don't believe you. As you will not tell me why you are here alone at this hour, you must come to the camp and give an explanation to the Colonel.'

'No I will not,' she answered. 'I am watching him.'

'Watching whom?' 'Him,' she repeated, pointing to the corpse. 'Nonsense! Do you take me for a fool! It is not the usual thing for beggars to be watching dead bodies on a battle field. I don't believe in such noble sentiments. Especially when corpses wear such rings as that on their fingers.'

SIXTY MEN KILLED.

FULLY TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY CHILDREN RENDERED HOMELESS.

Evanston, Wyo., March 21.—An explosion occurred at 6 p. m. yesterday in the Rocky Mountain Coal and Iron Company's mine No. 5, at Red Canon. Up to noon to-day fifty-nine deaths were known to have resulted. There are fifty widows and fully 250 orphan children in the camp to-day as the result of the disaster. There is no fire in the mine, and the work of recovering the dead bodies is proceeding as rapidly as possible, but will probably not be completed to-day. The interior of the mine is badly wrecked, caved-in in many places, and full of foul air.

The work of recovering the bodies goes steadily on, night and day, rushed forward by volunteer squads of miners and other citizens, who relieve each other from time to time. A little boy, who had come to the mine with a horse and buggy to take his grandfather, Henry Burton, home at the close of the day's work, was driving over the slope near its mouth on the public highway the moment of the explosion. He and the horse and buggy were thrown almost perpendicularly in the air fully twenty-five feet, and all fell in a heap into the mouth of the slope, where the buggy was demolished. The boy was picked up, unhurt, and the horse, an hour later, was rescued, not much the worse, although badly signed and stunned. The shock of the explosion was felt for miles around, and was distinctly heard at Evanston, eight miles away.

The scene about the mine last night and to-day was heart-rending. The air was filled with the agonizing screams of fifty widows and 250 orphans, as they gathered about and saw the distorted features and mangled remains of father or husband, son or brother, or realized at last that there was no hope of seeing their loved ones rescued alive from the mine's cruel depths. Help and succor have been tendered from all sources. The mules that were in the mine were killed, as were the men. The explosion blew out or loosened all the timbering and supports, and cracked and shattered the walls and roof of the interior of the mine, so that the search for the dead is attended with great peril. The work of recovering the dead becomes more difficult as the work parties advance toward the severe level, where they have not been found were gathered to await the coming of the fast unmap of the day which was to take them to the surface. Sixty men perished in the disaster, thirty-eight of whom are still in the mine. About thirty of the dead belonged to the A. I. O. U. M. W., and were insured for \$2,000 each.

Tried to Kill Li Hung Chang. Simonoseki, March 25.—As Li Hung Chang, the Chinese peace envoy, was returned to his lodgings in his lodgings in this place yesterday after having attended a conference with Count Ito and Viscount Mutsu, the Japanese peace plenipotentiaries, a young Japanese freed a pistol at him. The bullet sped straight, but, most fortunately, did no more harm than to inflict a wound in Li Hung Chang's face. The attempt to assassinate the representative of the Emperor of China caused the most intense excitement, and on every side there were expressions of deep regret. The would-be murderer was arrested. It is believed that he was prompted to the crime by misguided patriotism.

Nearly Two Million Shortage. Chicago, March 25.—The report of the experts who have been investigating the whisky trust accounts states that a discrepancy of \$1,924, 120 exists, which is chargeable to the manipulations of officers and directors of the company. The report is very sensational.

Willing to Compromise. A colored preacher of Martletta married a couple a few weeks ago. He told the groom the fee was \$5. He pleaded inability to pay just then. A week or so thereafter the preacher dunned him again, and told him that if he didn't pay it he would take his bride away from him. The negro groom replied: 'All right, if that will settle the debt, take her.'

The eagle teaches self-reliance to its young. When the little eagles are able to fly they are banished from home.

THE STAIR CARPET.

Things to Be Done to Lay Out Correctly and Quickly.

Few people know how to lay a stair carpet correctly. The average man or woman begins at the top landing, some even start at the bottom, and fill each step with enough tacks to hold a house down. If the carpet happens to be a little scant in length they can't stretch it, and the first time they move they find their carpet has been badly injured by being overtacked. They then begin to ruminate internally over the entire uselessness and expensiveness of stair rods, anyhow. If the carpet is bought of generous length, and laid in the manner described below, the tacks at the top and bottom can be drawn as often as desired and the fabric moved a few inches up or down so as to completely equalize the wear.

The best and only way to lay a stair is to tack the carpet under the fabric that covers the landing; begin at the top end of the carpet nicely in the center of each step, securing it in its place by a single half-driven tack in the upright board. Then start again at the top, putting on the rod and fixtures at the same time. The securing tack should be drawn and the carpet properly stretched as each rod is placed. In this way a straight stairway can always be accurately and smoothly covered. The most popular rod at present is the seven-eighths or inch plain brass, with invisible fastenings. For stairs where the carpet covers the whole width of the step a special rod and fastening is made. This fastening is tacked right on the face of the carpet and the rod is dropped in a little slot at the top.

There is nothing which makes a hallway look more attractive on entering than a tier of bright brass or nickel stair rods against a rich dark carpet.—American Carpet and Upholstery Trade.

SIGNING THE NAME. A Word of Advice to Young Ladies About Letter Writing. Now and then a young girl in writing a note signs herself "Miss Jane Smith," or "Jane Smith," as she should, Jane Smith. It is not her fault that she has perhaps never had the opportunity of learning that no person, man or woman, should ever sign a letter with any title prefixed. The greatest of men and women sign their letters with the utmost simplicity. Mr. Lowell, with a number of honorary titles conferred on him by the greatest universities and learned societies of the world, would sign simply James Russell Lowell. Rev. Dr. Brooks, also, with several honorary titles conferred on him, and so soon to be also a right reverend and the bishop of Massachusetts, would sign himself, only, Phillips Brooks. When a young woman in business employment has occasion to write a note and sign herself "Miss Jones," or "Miss Mattie Brown," the recipient always wants to tell her, in a friendly way, to sign her name only, as that alone is well-bred. In the case of a married woman she may, at times, when necessary to give her true name, put it in a parenthesis, as "Mrs. Jane Hunt-Wilson, but never otherwise. To write a thoroughly well-bred note or letter is always a most desirable thing, as it marks the difference between good breeding and the lack of its opportunities, and a little care will enable one to acquire polite and accepted forms.—Boston Budget.

Her Mother Knows. Mother—And so you engaged your self to that young man at Idlewild Springs, did you? Daughter (sheepishly)—Yes, ma, I promised to become his wife. Mother—It was on a beautiful moonlight evening in June. Daughter—Why, yes, ma, how did you know? Mother—And the hotel band was playing a delightful waltz by Strauss. Daughter—Why, yes. Who told you? Mother—And you two were in the arbor on the lawn? Daughter—Yes. Mother—And the fountain sparkled in the moonlight, and made music which seemed like a fairy echo to the sweet melody which floated out from the distant orchestra? Daughter—Yes, how— Mother—And the lake with its fleet of pretty boats gliding about the softly illuminated waters seemed like a bit of lovely Venice dreaming at your feet? Daughter—Yes, yes. But how do you know it this? Mother—I knew it must have been under some combination of circumstances that he proposed, or you would never have said 'yes' to such an ad-lib-pated nonsensicality as that.—N. Y. Weekly.

The wings of the owl are lined with a soft down that enables the bird to fly without making the slightest sound. A Philadelphia oculist who has been studying the human eye for thirty years declares that all great men of equipart and present had or have blue or gray eyes.

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Wythe Republicans

Wytheville, Va., March 23.—The Republican county convention to-day nominated the following candidates: For sheriff, I. R. Aarkrader incumbent; Commonwealth's Attorney, J. L. Gleaves, (who has occupied the office eight years); Treasurer, F. A. Groves; Commissioners of Revenue, J. B. Shaffer and Frank Lindamood. Gen. Walker addressed the convention at length. The attendance was very large. Major W. C. Sanders was to-day agreed upon as the Democratic candidate for treasurer.

Rejoicing at the Decision.

Pulaski, Va., March 23.—Special.—The people of this town are delighted at the unanimous opinion and judgment of the Court of Appeals rendered yesterday, deciding that it (Pulaski) is the county seat, while the Newbenites are correspondingly depressed. It is conceded that this decision ends this hard-fought fight, which was begun about a year ago, in which time there have been held two courthouse elections and an injunction has been sued out in the Circuit Court and an appeal to the Supreme Court of appeals of Virginia taken and decided. It is thought the next county court will be held here; a building will be selected temporarily, and during the summer a fine court-house and jail will be erected. This will add much to the prosperity of our town. The circuit court is now in session at Newbern, but will adjourn Monday.

Dr. Yonce Falls Dead.

THE NOTED AND POPULAR VIRGINIAN SUCCEUMS TO APOPLEXY.

Roanoke, Va., March 22.—Rev. Dr. William Brown Yonce, professor of ancient languages at Roanoke college, dropped dead from apoplexy about 8 o'clock this evening at the Lutheran church in Salem, just before the commencement of the services. He was apparently in his usual health at the time of his death. He was 68 years old and a native of southwest Virginia. He has been a professor at Roanoke college since 1855. Dr. Yonce was a widower and leaves three grown sons.

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No Verdict in the Pamill Case

Lynchburg, Va., March 23.—Argument in the Pamill trial was concluded this morning and the case given to the jury at 11:20 o'clock. At 5 o'clock this evening they came into court and, not having arrived at a verdict, were locked up for the night. It is rumored that the jury stands eleven to one for conviction.

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Political Notes.

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Thanking one and all for past favors, and soliciting a continuance of the same, Very Respectfully,

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VICK'S COLUMBIAN RASPBERRY. You need a rasping over, perhaps this season, and especially so if you have never used VICK'S COLUMBIAN RASPBERRY. Extremely vigorous, reds druggists' preparation by this, no success; fruit very large, on long stem; best berry for eating, rich, juicy, sweet, and favors long season of fruiting; high quality of late fruit; fruit adheres to the stem, not dropping; does not crumble in picking, excellent shippers; wonderfully prolific; over 8,000 quarts per acre; very hardy. Proved by YEARS' TRIAL, AND TESTED BY DIFFERENT EXPERIMENTAL GARDENS AND FRUITERS FROM FOLLOWING: Single Plants 50 cents; One Dozen Plants \$5.00. Circular giving full particulars mailed free, or description will be found in VICK'S FLOWER GUIDE for 1895, which contains colored plates of VICK'S Flowering Aster, Sweet Peas, Verbenas, Hibiscus and Gold-Floored. Finest illustrations; descriptions that describe, not mislead; hints on sowing and transplanting. Printed in different colored ink. Mailed on receipt of 10c, which may be deducted from first order. VICK'S SEEDS CONTAIN THE GERM OF LIFE. JAMES VICK'S SEEDSMEN, Rochester, N. Y. \$2500 for a Name. See Vick's Floral Guide.

NEW SPRING GOODS
 Are Now Being Received Daily
 BY
W. E. & F. W. LEONARD,
 —ALSO—
 BEAUTIFUL LINE of TRIMMED HATS and BONNETS at one half their value.
 Come and See Us:

NEW HARDWARE and GROCERY STORE.
W. G. Seaver & Sons,
 Have recently opened a large and well selected stock of Hardware, Cutlery, Heating & Cooking Stoves, Tinware, Mechanics' Tools, Garden Tools, etc. We also carry in stock an excellent assortment of FAMILY GROCERIES and CONFECTIONERIES, which we are selling as low as the lowest for cash or country produce. We also keep a large stock of FURNITURE. Our stock of Furniture is made up of all the newest styles and finishes, and embraces, in addition to furniture of our own manufacture, the choicest selections of the largest and best manufacturers of this country. Bedroom Suits in greatest variety in all woods and finishes. PARLOR SUITS in all the latest and most desirable covering and best of upholstery. Dining room furniture, hat racks, fancy chairs, lounges, tables, wash stands, mattresses, picture frames, mouldings, window shades, carpeting, etc. We are also UNDERTAKERS, and as such we are prepared to attend calls on very short notice. We have an excellent hearse and a good team of horses. Coffins, caskets and robes of all grades and sizes always on hand.
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 REPAIRING A SPECIALTY. SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.
 Good merchantable produce taken in exchange for work. Also green beef hides for which I will allow 3c. per lb.
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 Main Street, Marion, Virginia,

ZERO PRICES ON ALL SUMMER GOODS.
 Spring and Summer Goods, Notions, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Underwear, etc., at
 Our stock of LADIES DRESS GOODS is superb, and at prices as low as the lowest.
 A Full stock of Family Groceries always on hand. All kinds of country produce taken in exchange for goods. Call in and see our goods and get our prices, and you will be sure to deal with us.
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Local Camera.

Announcements.

FOR SHERIFF.

To the Voters of Smyth county: I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Smyth county.

To the Voters of Smyth county: Thinking you for your kind support and the confidence reposed in me in the past, I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Sheriff.

To the Voters and Others who are Interested in the Discharge of the Duties of the Treasurer's Office of Smyth county, Virginia:

I most respectfully tender you my sincere thanks for your kind support and the confidence reposed in me in the past.

To the Voters and Citizens of Smyth county: I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Commissioner of the Revenue for Marion district.

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One fish-line, hook, cork and sinker for 1c. at C. M. Wolfe's. Mr. J. B. Rhea is in markets buying his spring and summer goods. 5000 yards calico and yd. wide domestic 5c. yd. at VENABLE & CO'S.

Rev. E. W. Moore left for Richmond Tuesday morning to visit his son. Miss Sallie Preston, of 7 Mile Ford is in the city visiting Miss Mary Miller. Jailer J. B. Harsh, of Wytheville, paid us a pleasant call yesterday evening.

Mrs. R. M. Goodell is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Charles Browning, in Wytheville. Astronomically speaking, gentle spring has arrived, but hang on to thy flannels. \$3.50 childrens suits only \$2.50 and an extra pair of pants with them at Weilers.

Mr. J. H. Ernest, has purchased a part of the John M. Preston farm at Seven Mile Ford. W. E. Williams went to Bristol Tuesday and had an artificial eye fitted by Dr. Peavler. Base balls and baseball bats, croquet sets, hammocks, fishing tackle, marbles, etc., at C. M. Wolfe's.

Judge Williams, of Wytheville, was here several days of this week holding court for Judge Sheffey. Attention is called to the announcement of Jno. M. Poston for commissioner in Rich Valley district. Nice Oranges 25cts per doz at W. P. Francis'

Miss Mattie Lincoln has returned home from Glade Spring, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. A. F. Horne. Rev. F. T. McFaden has been in Staunton attending the Royal Arcanum convention which is in session in that city. Go to E. B. Wright's for Oranges, Bananas, Sweet Potatoes and everything else that is kept in a first-class stock of confectioneries.

Rev. J. J. Conner will preach at Ebenezer church next Sunday, at 11 a. m. The Sunday school will be reorganized at 10 a. m. You can buy goods this spring 15 to 25 per cent cheaper from us for cash than any other house in town or in Southwest Va., M. Weiler. Have you ever noticed how your system seems to crave special assistance in the spring? Just the help required is given by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

We will be compelled to call on every one owing us to pay us something on account on or before the 20th inst. We will be compelled to have this. VENABLE & CO. Very few (if any) oysters have been sown in this section, and the gardeners are only waiting for a few more bright days and the gardens will be made.

The address to be made to the Southwestern Hospital at this place will cost about twenty five thousand dollars. The contract will be let about the 1st of April. All accounts due Jno. W. Richardson & Co. are balanced up ready to settle. Those owing them will call and settle, without further delay. This is the last notice. Mens fine shoes 90cts at Weilers. Miss O. M. Sprinkle has a beautiful line of Dress Goods and TRIMMINGS, also a nice variety of Chinawash and Wash Silks for waists. You should see her stock before buying.

Attention is called to the advertisement of C. M. Wolfe. He has a beautiful line of hammocks, and all kinds of sporting goods. His stock of groceries, confectioneries, etc., is hard beat. The first rehearsal of the cantatas "Ruth the Moabitess," being gotten up by Mrs. W. U. Pendleton for the benefit of the Methodist church, was held at Mr. Pendleton's residence on Tuesday evening. "Now good digestion wait on appetite. And health on both" says the great Shakespeare, but he did not have in mind a coated tongue or torpid liver, with all the symptoms of biliousness, so common in this country. All this, and more, can be cured by Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, a purely vegetable compound, which restores the action of the liver, gives tone to the flagging energies of the dyspeptic's stomach, and thus enables "good digestion to wait on appetite, and health on both." By druggists. Asthma, and Hay Fever cured, by a newly discovered treatment. Address for pamphlet, World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report ROYAL Baking Powder ABSOLUTELY PURE

Try our 25ct coffee guaranteed to give satisfaction. W. P. Francis' See our offer on THE NEWS and New York Tribune. You can buy 1 lb. of good baking powder for 10c. at C. M. Wolfe's.

Cabbage seed from 5c. packet to any quantity, and 1000 packets of garden and flower seeds to select from, at Groseclose Bros. Mrs. John R. Pafford, who has been visiting relatives and friends in Sherman, Texas, for the past three months, returned home last week. She was much pleased with her trip to the Lone Star State.

Judge Robt. Jackson has tendered his resignation as a member of the Board of Visitors of the Southwestern Hospital at this place. It is rumored that Dr. Moore, of Wythe county, will be his successor. Mr. C. R. Joyner has opened an excellent stock of groceries and confectioneries in the Pioneer storehouse on Depot street, and solicits a share of the patronage of Marion and surrounding country. Call in to see him.

A little child of W. T. Fore, who lives near Glade Springs, was scalded to death by having a pot of boiling water fall on it. The water was swung on a wooden crane. The crane was burned in two, turning the water on the child. "For a long time I suffered with stomach and liver troubles, and could find no relief until I began to use Ayer's Pills. I took them regularly for a few months, and my health was completely restored.—D. W. Baine, New Berne, N. C.

The meeting of the committee of Southern Methodists from the Abingdon and Wytheville districts, held at Saltville Saturday morning proved quite satisfactory. There is no longer any doubt that a \$10,000 church will be erected to the memory of Madam Russell at Saltville. Sub-committees were appointed to raise money and arrange to have the plan carried out. The church will be built at Saltville and on the lot where the Russell residence stood.—Glade Spring Citizen.

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Archibald Barnett, of Ceres, Bland county, committed suicide at his home at that place, Monday at Mid-day. There is no cause assigned for the rash act, except probably declining health. Mr. Barnett had been subject to paralytic strokes for some years, but on Monday he attended to his usual duties about his place. At the time named he went to his barn, took a piece of rope and hanged himself. The deceased was 67 years of age.

The closing exercises of Marion colored free school, taught for the past six months by Prof. Charles G. Richardson, as Principal, and Miss Cordie McLanahan, as Assistant, took place at the Opera House on last Monday night, with a very interesting programme, the execution of which showed the thoroughness of training of the pupils participating therein, and was very creditable indeed to the teachers and gratifying to the patrons. Mens suits from \$1.65 up at Weilers

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We call Especial Attention To our stock of Ladies and Childrens' CLOAKS. We have over 200 cloaks and we are selling lots of them. Come early and get choice of the stock. We also have the largest and finest stock of MILLINERY we have ever shown. We beg to name a few prices and ask you to see our entire stock and get prices. We show a very large stock of mens and childrens' clothing. \$1.25 will buy a splendid pair of mens' boots. All calicoes 5c a yard; heavy and Sea Island domestic 5c a yard; blankets 75c to \$3.50 per pair. 12 and 12 penny nats 8c pound. Axle grease 5c box. Pepper and spice 10c pound. Everything cheap. We also pay the highest prices for all kinds of country produce. We ask you to come and see us.

VENABLE & CO.

Siebert & Jewel, PHOTOGRAPHERS, Marion, Va. Richardson Building. ROOM No. 4.

Spring is the best time of the year to have a picture of your home taken. only \$1.50 for the first copy, size 10 x 12. A half life size portrait, 16 x 20, at the reduced rate \$5.00 for the first copy. We guarantee the work, a perfect likeness of yourself. You can get it by calling at the Gallery, respectfully SIEBERT & JEWEL.

Assignment. Capt. Jno. B. Whitehead, of Olympia Woolen Mills, made an assignment about twelve days ago, to secure the creditors of Jno. B. Whitehead & Co., and also to secure what few debts he owes individually, with G. E. Goodell as trustee. We understand that his assets far exceed his liabilities.

New Dress Making Establishment. Mrs. C. M. Ward has opened up a first-class Dress-making establishment over the store of W. P. Francis where she is prepared to cut and make ladies, misses and childrens' dresses in the most fashionable manner and approved style. Wedding and party dresses a specialty. Her prices will be found reasonable. Give her a trial.

New Notice. As spring is near at hand you will want new Dress Goods, Domestic, Cotton Checks, etc. If you will go to E. B. Wright's you will find a full stock of all kinds of Dry Goods and Notions.

MARRIED. At the Valley House in this place Thursday, March 28th, 1895, by Rev. S. D. Long, Mr. Wm. Oury, of Birmingham, Ala., and Miss Ella, daughter of Mr. C. J. Dungan, of 7 Mile Ford.

In New Quarters. We wish to say to our friends and patrons that we are now located upstairs in the Hall building, corner Main and Church streets, where we will be glad to see all.

Thanks. We return our thanks to Miss Hattie Jennings for the loan of her organ, also for her services as organist at the entertainment Monday night. C. G. RICHARDSON, Prin. CORDIE McLANAHAN, Asst.

GO TO RICHARDSON & CO. For all kinds of garden and flower seed. For sweet potatoes. For corn meal. For dried apples and peaches. For onion sets. For lemons. For bananas. For Sakers celebrated extracts.

TO THE PEOPLE OF SMYTH and adjoining Counties:

Before our departure to the northern markets a few weeks ago, we promised to give you lower prices this spring than ever. We can truthfully say we have succeeded in buying even better goods for less money than ever before in business experience of 19 years. A close inspection of our Immense stock of Goods will convince all fair minded people that we carry by far not only the best assorted stock of clothing in Marion, but our line of Gents' Furnishings, SHOES, SLIPPERS, and HATS can't be beat by any other house nor cannot be touched any house in Marion. We make a specialty in CLOTHING!

buy more and in larger quantities, and it is no boasting to say that we sell you many goods this spring at retail for less than our competitors can buy them wholesale. We know how & where to buy, and for cash can buy cheaper than parties who buy on long time. WE NAME A FEW SPECIAL PRICES:

Table with 3 columns: Item, Price 1, Price 2. Mens suits at \$1.65, worth \$7.50. Mens wooler suits, \$3.50, 4.00. Mens blue flannel, 3.00, 4.50. Mens black chevrot, 2.75, 4.25. "fine", 4.75, 6.50. "nearly all wool", 6.25, 8.00. "nice fine wool", 7.00, 9.50. "real fine wool", 9.00, 12.00. "best black and other colors", 11.00, 15.00. Childrens suits from 50c. to best. No such assortment ever shown. Long pants suits for boys from \$2.00 to the best. Pants from 15c. to \$6.00. Mens shorts from 15c. to \$1.50 You can save big money in buying your shirts and other furnishing from us.

We have over \$3,000.00 worth of the best and cheapest BOOTS, SHOES and SLIPPERS that has ever been shown in town. Good solid-wearing goods and for less than any one can or will sell them. Our assortment of Soft and Stiff Hats can't be matched. Also a handsome line of childrens, boys and mens caps. Big assortment of umbrellas very cheap. Trunks and Valises way down. If you need any goods now or before long, come and see us. It will pay you. We've got the stock, and it must be sold.

M. WEILER, The LEADER IN BARGAINS

LOOK

TO YOUR INTEREST!

We have just received a large stock of new goods, bought much cheaper than we have ever been able to buy them before, consequently we are enabled and will give our customers the benefit of this and sell them cheap than ever. We have a beautiful line of Dry Goods & Notions, and call especial attention to our line of Hats and Shoes. A full line of Family Groceries always on hand. Don't fail to come and examine our stock when in want of anything in our line. Produce of all kinds wanted. GROSECLOSE BROS.

