

Ex-Pres. Harrison has been alarmingly ill with la grippe, but the late press telegrams say his condition is improved.

There are 82 cases of small pox at Hot Springs, Ark., and 18 deaths have occurred since the malady broke out.

Reed, of Maine: What is the great democratic misfit? Hill: Well, can't say—give it up. Reed: Those golden slippers numbered '96.

Nothing more difficult could be given a man to do than to find something good in the record of the late Congress.

Senator Elect Tillman has received a great many letters urging him to run for President of the United States in 1896.

China is now ready and willing for peace—in fact, she is anxious for it. No wonder; she has been whipped often enough.

Hon. Lee Fulkerson, a prominent citizen of Lee county, well known over the Ninth Congressional district, is dead.

The fact should not be overlooked that Uncle Levi P. Morton is being much talked of these days in connection with 1896.

As soon as Congress adjourned President Cleveland started out for a week or ten days' shooting and fishing, and to take a rest. Poor old fellow, he needs a rest.

Sunday's eclipse was plainly overdue. It should have occurred a week earlier when the Fifty-third Congress entered the shadow of political obscurity.

Why? Is the democratic party opposed to fair election laws? Is it opposed to honor and a duty to be an enemy of the democratic party.—Index-Appeal (Dem.)

Republican: What in the deuce has Grover done, any way? Democrat: Played the devil; lost the key to Congressman Sibley's padlock, sir.

The statue of General Grant presented to Congress by the G. A. R. for erection in the statutory hall of the Capitol, is such a ridiculous caricature that Congress will not accept it, and it has been boxed up to be sent off.

"Rotation in office" is regarded by most politicians as an extremely good thing but it does not appear to be a popular idea in the town of Richmond Vt., whose citizens elected Silas Carpenter town treasurer, March 5, to serve his fiftieth year in that office.

In speaking of the departure from Washington of senators and Representatives, an exchange heads its article "silently stealing away." They have stolen lots of valuable time recently, and wasn't so silent about it either.

We observe that the populists, republicans, etc., in North Carolina, style themselves "The Fair Elections Party." We have in Virginia a party or at least some persons, who make a like claim. All these fair-election parties so called, may be set down as enemies of the democratic party.—Richmond Dispatch.

Thursday afternoon Rev. Elijah Teller who lives on Pigeon Creek, Logan county left his home for short walk down the creek. As he did not return in due time search was made for him. This morning pieces of his body were found scattered along the road, and it is thought he was attacked by wild beasts and torn to pieces.

Venable & Co. have received thousands of dollars worth of new goods at prices that will induce you to buy. New dress goods in new style at reduced prices, clothing shoes &c.

The destitution in Nebraska has reached an acute stage in many of the counties. Dr. Klopsch, publisher of The Christian Herald, reports after a trip to that region, that in Western Nebraska there are from 30,000 to 40,000 people who are actually destitute, and in six months or before the harvests can be gathered, the number will be doubled. On February 26, general rains fell throughout most of the destitute counties. This rain will of course mend matters to some extent.

[Communicated.]

MR. EDITOR:—The Legislature of Minnesota, I think, struck a responsive chord in the breast of every patriotic American when they passed the following resolution:

"Whereas, the American people have during the 53rd congress been subjected to untold domestic misery, financial distress and political disgrace; therefore be it

Resolved, That all American patriots are invited to celebrate the hour of and rejoice in the final adjournment of this congress; thereby declaring that they have determined that never again will they place the business affairs of this great nation in Democratic hands."

The people of Minnesota have had enough of Democracy as exemplified by the 53rd congress. The people of Texas have had enough. And in fact, the whole nation are satisfied "ad nauseam."

The congress which has just adjourned can truthfully be charged with the grave and serious charge of treason to the great majority of this nation who chose them.

They have betrayed the sacred trusts placed upon them by a confiding people. This congress was elected by Democrats for the purpose of giving us a tariff for revenue only.

They have given us instead, a protective tariff highly favorable to the rich and soulless manufacturing corporations; and vitally against the interests of the great agricultural masses of this country. They have given us a tariff wholly inadequate for revenue sufficient to run the government.

They have bequeathed to us and our posterity an additional national debt of one hundred and sixty-two millions of dollars, in a time of profound peace.

They were elected to restore the status of silver as a money metal. They deliberately knocked the last prop out that supported it.

They were elected to reduce expenditures, to deliver us from the tyranny of the national banks, to wipe out the obnoxious internal revenue taxes, and to finally reduce the national debt.

They were elected to do this. They promised the people to do this. The Democrats had both the Legislative and the Executive branches of our government and there was no man or power to say nay to the closing of all this.

There has been no serious attempt made by this congress to do any of these things which were promised the people. This congress has thoroughly discredited before the country and the world the great political party which they represented. No man of common sense will hereafter place any faith whatever in the promises of the leaders of that party. The leaders of that party have proven inconsistent, void of patriotism, and have degenerated into contemptible cuckoos.

For thirty years the great Democratic party has been fighting for the rems of government. They have held those reins for two years. They now get off track, and as a noted Democratic senator prophesied during the extra session of congress in 1893, "There is left only a smell of hell, brimstone and Wall street," to remind us of the once great and proud Democratic party."

J. L. CLUTE.

Deafness Cannot be Cured by local application as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed. Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Circulars free F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c.

Don't Forget to Remember that impure unhealthy blood is present in all, and the direct cause of many diseases from which we suffer, Scrofula, rheumatism and Specific Diseases which have ravaged the earth and poisoned the blood of nations for generations, and the evil parents of indescribable horrors are under absolute control of P. P. P., the only infallible blood purifier known.

The P. P. P. Blood Cure has positively cured numerous cases of Scrofula and Salt Rheum in a short time, where all other blood purifiers have failed.

Pleasant to take, applicable to diseases in infancy or old age.

Another Wall.

The Richmond correspondent of the Petersburg Index Appeal of the 4th, gives out a wall of financial distress in the near future, as the result of democratic administration and extravagance. It reads:

"The report of the auditor of public accounts, which was made public today, is an interesting document. It states that unless the assessments of real estate now being made shows considerable increase the expenses of the state government will have to be reduced. During the last fiscal year the receipts were about half a million less than expenses. On October 1st, 1893, the amount in the treasury was \$651,655.85; during the year the receipts were 3,083,151.11, and disbursements, \$3,602,570.97 leaving balance of only \$132,235.99 at the beginning of the present fiscal year.

RICHARDSON & CO.

REMEMBER, we are now doing a cash and produce business OLD MAN CREDIT died in our store on March 1, 1895.

We want all kinds of good produce.

REMEMBER—you can save 25 per cent, by paying cash or produce for your good.

Get our CUT PRICES! on all goods before buying.

RICHARDSON & CO.

From Blue Spring.

March 11, 1895.

Editor Southwestern News:—I will give the readers of THE NEWS a few items from this little valley. We have some two or three miles of road in this part of the county that have been impassible with a wagon since the 29th of December, owing to the drifted snow. We pray that the Hon. Judge of our county court will order the surveyor of roads to throw this snow out at once, as the farmers have put up their fences and notices forbidding the public from trespassing under penalty of the law.

DIED.—At her home near Cedar Spring, Mrs. Helen A., wife of E. M. James, about 5 o'clock Thursday, 7th inst. Mrs. James had been confined to her bed with that dread disease consumption for some months. She leaves a husband, five children, and one sister to mourn their loss. Mrs. James joined the M. E. Church nearly 30 years ago, and leaves a bright record of her future "home" in her last days said she didn't mind death were it not for her infant children. Bro. Duval conducted the funeral services and her remains were laid at rest in the cemetery at Blue Spring chn. ch. We offer our sincere sympathy to the lonely husband and motherless children.

Bro. Duval, P. C., and Bro Steffey are conducting a series of meetings at Blue Spring church. We hope our Bros. will accomplish a great deal of good, as we haven't had but little preaching here this winter. The devil is getting close after some of us.

We learn that Mrs. J. O. Killinger is very ill from second stroke of paralysis.

H. Stephen Horne has bought the farm near Cedar Spring formerly owned by Wm. L. Mitchell, deceased, and will on it some time during the next week.

A CONSTANT READER.

Nervous

People should realize that the only true and permanent cure for their condition is to be found in having

Pure Blood

Because the health of every organ and tissue of the body depends upon the purity of the blood. The whole world knows the standard blood purifier is

Hood's Sarsaparilla

And therefore it is the only true and reliable medicine for nervous people. It makes the blood pure and healthy, and thus cures nervousness, makes the nerves firm and strong, gives sweet sleep, mental vigor, a good appetite, perfect digestion. It does all this, and cures Scrofula, Eczema, or Salt Rheum and all other blood diseases, because it

Pure Blood

Results prove every word we have said. Thousands of voluntary testimonials fully establish the fact that

Hood's Sarsaparilla

"I have taken Hood's Sarsaparilla for scrofula and the result is that I am permanently cured." CLAUDE R. DORSON, Richie C. H., West Virginia.

Hood's Pills cure all liver ills, constipation, biliousness, sick head-ache, indigestion, &c.

Harry Hayward Sentenced.

Minneapolis, Minn., March 11.—Harry Hayward, convicted of the murder of Miss King, was to-day sentenced to be hanged three months from date.

THE GENUINE MERIT

of Hood's Sarsaparilla wins friends whenever it is fairly and honestly tried. To have perfect health, you must have pure blood, and the best way to have pure blood is to take Hood's Sarsaparilla. The best blood purifier and strength builder. It expels all taint of scrofula, salt rheum and all other humors, and at the same time builds up the whole system.

Hood's Pills are prompt and efficient. 25c.

Canned Goods.

We are headquarters for canned goods. We have just received a fresh supply of California peaches, apricots, Bartlett pears, graded and sliced pine apples. We keep the very best brands of tomatoes and corn. Give us one trial is all we ask.

C. M. WOLFE.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria. When she became a Girl, she clung to Castoria. When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

French prunes, 10c. for best; cheese 18c. rolled oats, 12c. packages of 2 pounds; matches 5c. per doz boxes at W. P. Francis.

Peaches, 3 lb., 18c. per can at W. P. Francis

AVOID Bulk Soda!

Bad soda spoils good flour.

Pure soda—the best soda, comes only in packages.

bearing this trade mark never spoils the flour—always keeps soft. Beware of imitation trade marks and labels, and insist on packages bearing these words



ARM AND HAMMER SODA

Made only by CHURCH & CO., New York. Sold by grocers everywhere. Write for Arm and Hammer Book of valuable Recipes—FREE.

ANNOUNCEMENT

As the old firm of Rhea & Co. has been dissolved, by Mr. G. T. Hull retiring, I have resumed my old business at the old stand, where

I shall keep good and reliable goods and sell them as low as the lowest.

Parties Owing Debts

to the old firm have all been notified to settle with me AT ONCE. I now again notify such that if said notes and accounts are not paid by MARCH 1st they will be placed in the hands of an officer for collection, as the business of

THE OLD FIRM MUST BE CLOSED UP.

In exchange for goods I will pay the highest price for all kinds of Good Merchantable and Non-Perishable Produce.

Mr. Frank F. Francis is again with me. He and I will be pleased to have our old friends and customers to call and see us when in need of goods, assuring, all such,

Polite Attention AND EVERY COURTESY

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

J. B. RHEA, MARION, VA

Near Brick Mill,

Keep it on Hand.

If you will break up a cold or check a disease in its first stages, you can find nothing equal to

Compound Oxygen.

You will avoid disease, as well as expense, by keeping this remedy on hand. If your disease has gained a hold upon you already,

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which has cured so many desperate cases, is the best remedy. If you wish further information send for book of 200 pages, with testimonials and records of surprising cures of various diseases, both chronic and acute. The book is sent free of charge.

Home or Office Treatment, Consultation free. Drs. STARKEY & PALEN, 1529 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Use Dr. Miles' NERVE PREPARATION FOR SPINAL WEAKNESS. All druggists sell 'em for 25c.

Dr. Miles' Pain Pills, "One cent a dose."

No morphine or opium in Dr. Miles' Pain Pills. CURE All Pain. "One cent a dose."

A Veteran of the Mexican War.

Oak Harbor, Ohio.—I met Geo. O. Momeny, an old veteran of the Mexican war, on the streets to-day, who told me that after reading about Simmons Liver Regulator he bought a bottle, and the first three doses gave him immediate relief.—Geo. Momeny Your druggist sells it in powder or liquid; the powder to be taken dry, or made into a tea.

During the Past Fifty Years Mrs. Winslow's 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 diarrhea. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" and take no other kind. Twenty five cents a bottle.

VIRGINIA:—In the clerks office of circuit court of Smyth county 14 February 1895.

J. C. Blevins, who sues for the benefit of Eli Blevins..... plaintiff,

vs. Nathaniel Childress and Selina Childress his wife.....defendant,

IN CHANCERY

The object of this suit is to compel Nathaniel Childress and Selina Childress to execute a deed to 50 acres of land upon which Eli Blevins now lives, conveying said land to Eli Blevins all which is set out and described in a title bond given by Nathaniel Childress and wife to J. C. Blevins on 17 day of March 1891. And it appearing from affidavit filed that Nathaniel Childress and Selina Childress are non residents of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that they do appear within fifteen days after publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect his interest in this suit.

Teste:—J. H. GOLLEHON, D. C. Dickenson & Goodell p. q.

IN NEW QUARTERS.

I am now in my new store house with the best line of groceries and confectionaries that can be found in the town. If you want nice, fresh and clean goods come to headquarters.

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BEAUTIFUL LINE of TRIMMED HATS and BON

NETS at one half their value.

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NEW HARDWARE and GROCERY STORE

W. C. 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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Our stock of LADIES DRESS GOODS is superb, and at prices as low as the lowest.

Goods New, Fresh & Seasonable.

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: Thanking you for your kind support and the confidence reposed in me in the past, I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election for the office of sheriff.

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

FOR COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE. To the Voters and Citizens of Smyth county: I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Commissioner of Revenue for the County of Smyth.

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E. B. Wright keeps salt. Circuit court next Monday. Go to the Opera House tonight. E. B. Wright offers you first-class groceries.

The farmers are busy with their spring plowing. J. B. Lansdel, of Atlanta, was in the city Sunday. See our offer on THE NEWS and New York Tribune.

Treasurer A. F. Stone went up to Wytheville Monday. Venable & Co. want poultry, eggs, etc. little prices paid. High Hazel Francis has been quite sick for the past week.

Good Prizes 10c. lb; canned tomatoes 8c. at Groseclose Bros. W. H. Sprinkle, we are sorry to learn, is quite at home near Groseclose. Judge A. P. Cole has removed his law office to his old stand, opposite Jackson's store.

If you come to court Monday by all means come and see us, it will pay you to do so. M. WEILER. C. M. Wolfe is adding to the appearance of the front of his new store by another coat of paint.

The snow at some places near Pleasant Hill on last Sunday was still from two to three feet deep. Some of our farmers seem to think there has been as many as 500 lambs lost in this county during the recent cold snap.

Mr. T. J. Wygal, who sold his farm near town a weeks since, has moved into the 10 ham property on Iron street. A petition signed by 400 citizens has been presented to Radford Haas court, asking for an order for a local option election.

Those candidates who have failed so far to pay for their announcements are requested to call in next Monday and settle for the same. Mrs. R. M. Goodell left Tuesday morning for Wytheville, having received a telegram that her daughter, Mrs. U. W. Browning, was very ill.

When so many people are taking and deriving benefit from Hood's Sarsaparilla, why don't you try it yourself? It is highly recommended. Rev. Dr. R. G. Waterhouse, of Emory and Henry College, will preach in the Methodist church at this place Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Dr. Wm. Richardson, formerly of this county, but now of Kansas City, Mo., has been here for several days on a visit to his many relatives and friends. 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.

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

5000 yards calico and yd. wide domestic 5c. yd. at VENABLE & Co's. NEW YORK MUSICAL COURIER. WHICH IS AMERICA'S AUTHORITY ON PIANOS—THIS PAPER'S OPINION OF THE MARSHALL & WENDELL

High Standard. "It is gratifying to find, particularly in these days of depression of grade and quality, and the accompanying tendency to cheapen products, a piano factory in which effort and nerve are strained to their utmost to turn out instruments of musical merit."

The new scales of the Marshall & Wendell uprights are among the most successful modern upright scales we have tested, scales that are even throughout each register and that evince the touch of the scientific piano artisan.

The local taken from the Musical Courier on the Marshall & Wendell piano and published elsewhere in this paper is clear and to the point in stating it is a high grade piano, possessing real artistic merit.

M. Weiler returned yesterday from the eastern cities where he has been for the past two weeks buying his spring and summer stock of clothing, gent's furnishing, etc.

Last Friday, in the presence of 500 people, Sam Marshall paid the penalty of his crime by hanging by the neck until he was dead. The execution was neatly performed and death was instant.

Prof. Ira Hicks has sent out 111 contribution to the March weather literature, as follows: "Reactionary storms due about the 11th and 12th, making a prolonged period of general and violent disturbances."

Photography is Advancing Rapidly. A chemical light which can be operated in any size room of a house when daylight is gone and electricity not to be gotten, families and parties are to be taken by flashlight without moving an inch to the artists gallery.

At Rest. After living 78 years and 3 days, John Snider quietly and peacefully fell asleep March, the 12th, 1895. He was one of the oldest members ann a trustee of Mt. Carmel church.

READ THIS! SAVE MONEY! We know we do not exaggerate when we say that we have the largest and best stock of goods ever offered in the county.

We call Especial Attention To our stock of Ladies and Children's CLOAKS. We have over 200 cloaks and we are selling lots of them. Come early and get choice of the stock.

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 children's clothing.

VENABLE & CO.

Death of Mrs. Mariah Sexton. Mrs. Mariah Sexton, mother of our county court clerk, W. C. Sexton, died at her son's residence, 2 1/2 miles west of town, on last Sunday morning, aged 84 years.

All Debts due Jno. W. Richardson & Co., must be settled! Don't allow yourselves to be called on a third time, but come up like men and settle!

A Generous Contribution. Mrs. J. Hood Wright, of New York whose husband was a partner in the firm of Drexel, Morgan & Co., upon visiting the Railroad Young Men's Christian Association Building at Clifton Forge, Va., and observing the workings of the institution, has signified her intention to send \$300 a year through Mr. M. E. Ingalls, President of the C. & O. (and under whose direction the Clifton Forge Association became a reality), to be used for the purchase of books for the library.

So Simple. Nine times out of ten whenever we are out of sorts our troubles can be removed by that reliable old medicine, Brown's Iron Bitters.

Brown's Iron Bitters, which for more than 20 years has been curing many people of Dyspepsia, Biliousness, Malaria, Impure Blood, Neuralgia, Headache, Liver and Kidney troubles.

Virginia:—In the clerk's office of the circuit court of Smyth county, 14th February 1895— Josephine R. Hutton.....Plaintiff, Against Samuel Hutton.....Defendant

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are the product of skilled workmen, and rank with Victor Bicycles in quality. We make the best baseballs, baseball bats, baseball gloves and mitts, tennis rackets, tennis balls, tennis nets, racket presses, racket cases, boxing gloves, footballs, football suits, football and gymnasium shoes, gymnasium supplies, sweaters, etc. We guarantee better goods for less money than asked by other manufacturers. If your local dealer does not keep Victor Athletic Goods, write for our illustrated catalogue.

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In addition to the above named articles we carry in stock a large line of base casings, steps, mantels, plumb and other blocks, ballusters, columns, newels, pickets, post, railing, hand rail, porch supplies, window and door frames, lime, shingles, interior and exterior finish, sash cord and weights, pilings, blinds, hinges, screws, nails, etc., etc.

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 Have a complete line of sporting goods,

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RIFLES, PISTOLS, CARTRIDGES,
 Empty and Loaded Shells,
 And all kinds of ammunition. A large lot of E. C. Shultz and American Wood Powder, the best in the world. Call and us—we will not be undersold for cash.
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THE MAIDENHAIR FERN

BY OLIVER HESS.

Years ago there lived in a mountain village a little girl with her parents. She had golden hair, and everyone called her Goldenfleece. Little Goldenfleece was only five years old at the time my story begins, but she made herself useful in many ways. She was so good and unselfish that even the fairies loved her.

She would often go to the woods which were a long distance from her home, but she was not afraid, for the fairies took care of her. One day however, they went to a party in dell, and she was left alone in the woods. She was sitting on a rock by the brook, when a large snake came out of the water and bit her on the hand. She tried to get home, but had only taken a few steps when she fell dead.

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A negro identified as Walter Page, from Lunenburg, who was stealing a ride on a N & W freight train, jumped from it at Nottoway Court-house, and was so badly injured that he died in an hour afterwards at Crowe.

A sensational story is being circulated in the city to the effect that a railroad man who had been paying considerable attention to some married women has been whitewashed by the husbands of the latter and that he is now smarting under the castigation—Alexandria Gazette.

Mr. Jack L. Burke died suddenly at Burkeville Tuesday morning after eating breakfast. He was sitting in a chair and died unexpectedly, though he had been suffering for some time with heart trouble. Mr. Burke was a faithful soldier and belonged to company C, Eighteenth Virginia Regiment.

The State of Virginia received less than \$50,000 last year from the tax on incomes. To be exact the amount derived from this source was \$40,943.41. Of this the negroes paid but \$31.45, of which \$10 is credited to Pulaski, \$8 to Charlottesville, \$7 to Richmond, \$4 to Henrico and \$3.45 to Petersburg.

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