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LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. M. W. Mercereau and family have gone to Vestal New York to visit Mr. Mercereau's relatives. Mr. Mercereau will return in a few days, but Mrs. Mercereau will spend some time there.

Miss Madeline Hissey has returned from a visit to friends at Lyndhurst.

Mr. Jacob Wehn left last night for Cincinnati.

Mr. W. V. Bartram and baby of Pittsburgh, Pa., are visiting Mrs. V. L. Hildebrande in the country.

Mrs. W. B. Anderson went to Clifton Forge yesterday to visit relatives.

Mr. Robert L. Hawver of Philadelphia is spending a few days here.

Mr. Theodore Shuey arrived from Washington last night, on his way to his home, at Lure Fountain.

Mrs. Bessie Crawford Porter who was operated on for appendicitis at Memorial Hospital, Richmond, last Friday by Dr. Horsley, is reported as doing nicely.

Rev. J. M. Frost, D. D. spent yesterday here with Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Bradley and left last night for his home, in Nashville, Tenn.

Mr. H. A. Walker is spending a few days with Mrs. Walker at the Hot Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Meyer of Washington are here for a few days.

Mr. Whitton Norris reached home last night after leaving school in Baltimore he went to Boston to visit relatives.

Miss Pattie Mathews of Washington is visiting Mrs. J. R. Grey.

Miss Lucy Hope is spending a few days with Prof. and Mrs. W. A. Bowles.

Mr. J. Fred Effinger went to New York yesterday.

In the absence of the pastor Rev. J. L. Philip Harner, Rev. J. M. Shrock will preach at St. John's Reformed church near Middlebrook, on next Sunday morning July 10 at eleven o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Tams went to New York yesterday and on next Saturday will sail, on the steamer Caronia, or the Cunard line for Liverpool, to spend some time traveling through England, Ireland and Scotland before going to the continent.

Earl VanFossen has returned from Clifton Forge.

Mr. A. Sidney Johnston of Washington who spent the Fourth here with friends, left on No. 2 this morning for his home.

Mr. R. A. Palmer of Baltimore is visiting his sister Mrs. J. N. Opie.

Mr. Robert Bissell is spending a week in Monterey.

Mr. Thomas Bolling, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Bolling was operated on for appendicitis on Monday and is reported to be getting on very nicely.

Miss Louise Mehrun has returned to Washington after spending a few days here with her mother and brother.

Mrs. Frank Myer and Miss Adelaide Moer who had been living in California for some time have returned to Virginia and are now visiting Miss Ellen Greene.

Miss Edith McClung left yesterday after a visit to Prof and Mrs. C. L. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Terry have returned from Lowmoor.

Miss Page Andrews who was the guest of Miss Estelle Duval left yesterday for her home in Shepperton, W. Va.

Mr. Sidney Crawford has returned to Roanoke after a visit to his mother on North Lewis street.

Mr. Ernst Hoge of Frankfort Ky., is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hoge and has, as his guest Mr. Al Lillard.

Miss Helen Davis of Waynesboro is the guest of Miss Martha Hancher.

Rev. H. A. Young and family have gone to Higginsville, Mo., to visit Mr. Young's parents. His father is now 88 years old and his mother 83.

Mr. A. G. Robertson reached home yesterday, after spending some months in the west, looking very much improved.

Miss Stella Martin is the guest of Miss Sueie Perry.

Mrs. C. G. Craig and son have returned to Craigsville.

Mrs. C. A. Herr has reached home after a visit to relatives in King William county.

Misses Janet and Page Hughes have returned from Norfolk.

Mr. L. G. Strane leaves, on the early train this morning, for New York and will sail Saturday, on the steamer American of the American German line, for a trip abroad.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Simpkins are spending week at the Kalorama while Mr. Simpkins is arranging the details of opening a branch of Swift and Company of Chicago.

Circuit court will reconvene this morning and the case of Arch Brown charged with murder will come up.

Mr. John Crosby left this morning for Monterey where he will spend a few days.

Miss Mary Atkinson has returned from the Warm Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Kemper of Ivy are visiting Miss Mary Kemper at Hotel Augusta.

Miss Myrtle Coffey has gone to Amherst county to visit her parents for two weeks.

Mrs. Homer Henkle and Bob Bryan have returned from their fishing trip on the Bull and Calf Pasture Rivers. Their plans were altered somewhat by the heavy rains.

Master Philip Young of Louisville is visiting his aunt Mrs. Edward Echols'.

Mr. Robert Robertson and Miss Mildred Robertson have gone to Atlantic City to spend some time.

Col. E. L. Edmundson went to Richmond yesterday.

MURDER NEAR WAYNESBORO

Colored Man Killed in Bed—No Clue to Murderer

Captain J. A. Patterson of Waynesboro was here yesterday and told the particulars of the murder of William McCutcheon. Captain Patterson held an inquest on Tuesday but postponed further investigation until later in the week.

McCutcheon had worked for Mr. James Craig, at Rose Cliff Fruit farm for seven years and was a good workman. He had had trouble with his wife and lived alone. On July the 4th it was known that he went with a woman to Fishersville, but they did not appear there. He did, however, go some where in his buggy and returned at a late hour and retired. He was evidently shot from a window, one bullet going in his shoulder and one in each temple. He had about \$30 in the morning, but only \$1.00 was found on him after he was dead. His trunk had been searched and his clothes thrown around the floor. The murder took place just outside the corporate limits of Waynesboro, on the night of the 4th.

TRAVELING FOR PLEASURE

Without Money and Without Price Stopped Last Night in Staunton

Messrs. Rover, Forbush and Terry Elmendorf who left New York on May 23, for a 20,000 mile stroll, reached here yesterday afternoon. Mr. Forbush was unfortunate in having a sore heel but after being fixed by Dr. Hodges head and given a comfortable show by Mr. George Weston he was in a talkative mood and proceeded to tell a representative of the DISPATCH of their plans. They are not traveling on a wager, they carry 25 lbs. of luggage but no money and say they have met with only kind and generous treatment. They are now the guests of Mr. Craig at Hotel Augusta. Both gentlemen are lovers of nature and they are taking their time in enjoying sights of the country. Just now they are most enthusiastic over the beauty and wonder of the Endless Cave, near New Market. Mr. Rosenberger gave them the keys and told them to explore as long as they cared to, and they spent at least half of a day there. The Lake of the Fairies, a name they gave a most remarkable part of the cave where there is a large lake of clear water around which are beautiful stalactites. This part of the cave seemed their hobby.

They also had a specimen of oil found on Massanutten mountain. They expect to visit every state in the United States and return to New York in about three years from the time they left. They stop long enough to enjoy life as they go and are engaged in writing articles for a prominent magazine, but will not receive any money until the accomplish their entire journey. Both are courteous and cultured gentlemen and are sure to make friends where ever they stop.

MR. R. M. BYERS PASSES THROUGH CITY

Mr. R. M. Byers of Fort Defiance spent yesterday in the city. He drove throuth from Altavista to STAUNTON, a distance of 165 miles, where for a number of years he has been employed in the capacity of Civil Engineer for the firm of Lane Brothers who are doing considerable construction work at that place. Mr. Byers will spend about a week at his home in Fort Defiance, from which place he expects to depart for Colorado for the double purpose of following his calling and improving his health. He will be remembered here by quite a number of his old friends as V. P. I. student in the class of 1905.

MARRIAGE LICENSE ISSUED

A marriage license was issued Monday to George A. Crawford, son of Richard and Bettie A. Crawford, and Bessie Madison daughter of James O. Madison and Clara C. West. Both parties are 18 years of age, and marry with the full consent of their parents. The prospective groom is a farmer and a resident of Rockingham. The young lady is a resident of Augusta county.

SHOT FIVE TIMES

Asheville, N. C., July 5.—Stealthily approaching his victim from the rear, J. B. Allison, aged 45, former janitor at the city hall, fired five shots into the body of F. M. McGhee, driver of the city patrol wagon, this afternoon, every bullet taking effect. After his victim had fallen, Allison beat out the former's brains with a ten-pound hammer. Allison surrendered and is now in jail.

In litigation runs high among the citizenship, and tonight there is talk of lynching.

KILLED IN CALIFORNIA

R. E. MURRAY VICTIM OF RAILROAD ACCIDENT

A telegram was received here yesterday stating that Mr. R. E. Murray well known in this city had been killed in a railway accident at Trucker, Cal., yesterday. Mr. Murray was in the plumbing business when he lived here. He was very popular and was a man of splendid physique. He was a member of the choir at St. Francis Catholic church. The particulars of the accident could not be learned, nor could the disposition of his body be ascertained. His many friends here will be sorry to hear of his untimely death. He was about 42 years of age.

SEND WIRELESS MESSAGE

On Monday Master Winston Holt celebrated his birthday by sending his father Judge H. W. Holt a wireless message from the steamship Philadelphia, on which he and his uncle Hon. A. C. Braxton are now on their way abroad.

CHILDREN WHO ARE SICKLY

Mother who values your own comfort and the comfort of your children, we send you Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children for use throughout the season. They break up Colds, Coughs, Croup, Convulsions, Headache and Stomach Troubles. THESE DRUGS NEVER FAIL. Sold by all Drugstores. A trial package will be sent FREE to any mother who will address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N.Y.

COUNCIL MET LAST NIGHT

MUCH BUSINESS OF IMPORTANCE WAS TRANSACTED

The Common Council met last night, in regular session with president present were, Dr. Neff and Messrs. Byers, Peyton, Fauver, Flavin, Greaver and Glenn.

Report of the treasurer was read and referred to the finance committee. Report of the auditing committee was read and adopted.

A petition was read from the citizens of Plunkettsville offering to form a volunteer fire company, if the city would appropriate money for a building and buy 500 feet of hose. Referred to finance and fire committee. Petition from the citizens of North Augusta street for an additional fire alarm box was read also a report from the fire committee saying they had investigated and thought \$400, would be sufficient to cover the request made by the citizens of Plunkettsville and N. Augusta street. Referred to finance committee.

Report of police justice showed \$18.46 for fines, collected during June. A communication was read from the Mayor regarding establishing a swimming pool and suggested, that a sum not to exceed \$100, be appropriated for the necessary work and that the Y. M. C. A. be requested to furnish some one to look after the bath house and also the play grounds which would be attached.

A communication from Messrs. Barkman and Shultz regarding Beverley theatre for another year, on the same term as last was read, and laid on the table.

The general penalty ordinance was adopted. This cover defects in certain ordinances where no penalty is fixed for noncompliance. A petition was read from the Working Men's Fraternal associations asking for an appropriation of \$50 to be used for decorating the city on Labor day and for the street teams on that day. Referred to street and finance committee.

A communication was read from the Mayor of Knoxville asking the city bodies to cooperate with them in making the Appalachian Exposition a success in showing the resources of that region. Referred to general manager and finance committee. Report of the health officer was read and approved.

FROM GREENVILLE

Greenville, Va., July 2—Sunday last was Children's Day at old St. John's reformed church. The day was bright and fair and the large church was filled to its full seating capacity. The pastor Rev. J. P. Harner opened the service with prayer. The exercises consisted of recitations, vocal and organ music. The program was called off in succession by the Superintendent, Mr. B. O. Shultz. The organ music was rendered by Mrs. Cora Shultz assisted by Miss Lottie Price. The vocal was led by Prof. David Price. Mr. Price said it was a most difficult program, but the children rendered their parts without a blunder. The little tots who rendered their recitations, reminded one of the verse in our school books.

"If I should fall below Demosthenes or Cleo, don't me with a critic's eye, but pass my imperfections by." The pastor's address was full of good historical instruction. He reviewed the history and origin of children's day from its beginning.

One day this week, Mrs. Mary McClure aged about 79 years, who lives with her son J. Marshall McClure, by whom she was caught by Charles A. Johnson, a young man from STAUNTON, who held him fast until two officers took him in charge and hurried him to jail, where he was placed behind the bars; none too soon.

GOVERNOR HUGHES OF N. Y.

May Be Appointed Chief Justice To Successor Justice Fuller

Washington, D. C., July 5.—It is understood here that President Taft will select Gov. Hughes of New York, to succeed to the high place made vacant on the Supreme Court bench by Justice Fuller's death. Gov. Hughes was recently appointed an associate justice, to take the place caused by the death of Associate Justice Brewer, but it is believed President Taft will send his name to the Senate as successor to Chief Justice Fuller as soon as Congress meets next December.

NOW AT WORK

Charles S. Hunter, of STAUNTON, recently appointed Assistant State Bank Examiner, arrived in Richmond last night to begin his duties. He was at the Jefferson Hotel.

Mr. Hunter was formerly connected with the National Valley Bank, of STAUNTON. He is well known in banking circles. His reputation as an expert banker and accountant are said by his friends to qualify him for the important work which he has undertaken.

A very singular, and what might have been a serious accident occurred here one day this week. The clothing of the little 11 year old daughter of Mr. W. A. Shaver, while in her father's mill became caught by an upright revolving shaft which completely divested her of every stitch of apparel, but strange to say did the child no harm. Her clothing being of light texture gave way.

Mr. R. W. McClure met with a serious mishap. His fine iron grey mare went out in pasture at night was either kicked by another horse or slipped and dislocated her stifle joint. The animal was still alive at last account and is now in jail.

Our townsmen, Mr. Frank Merritt has purchased an automobile to make his trips to the N. and W. station where he is one of the agents.

MT. SOLON NEWS

Mr. Solon July 6.—The Rev. Charles Kiracofe of Indiana is spending some time with relatives and friends in Virginia. He filled the pulpit at Olivet last Sunday and there were many attentive listeners.

Mrs. Will Daggy who has been sick for the past year is improving now since undergoing an operation at the University Hospital at Charlottesville.

Mrs. Ethel Horn is very much complaining at this writing.

The Presbyterians have organized a Sunday school at Oak Hill church which is doing good work with Mr. Cyrus H. Cline, Sup't.

Mr. and Mrs. Clatterbaugh of STAUNTON spent last Sunday with Mrs. Clatterbaugh's brother, Mr. Ami Showalter. A number of our people went to Harrisonburg Monday to be present at the 4th of July festivities.

Mrs. Henry Masineup spent Thursday with her daughter Mrs. W. E. Knuckley.

Mrs. Gertrude Rapp was visiting friends in this section last week.

Mr. Walter Knuckley killed a rattle snake yesterday within a few feet of his kitchen door. The snake measured 2 feet 5 inches and had four rattles.

This is the nearest to any house, rattlesnakes have ever been seen around here.

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