

THE CITY OF PORTSMOUTH—NEWS AND ADVERTISEMENTS.

NEWS RELATED IN A PARAGRAPH.

The Latest Happenings of a Personal and General Nature.

IN AND AROUND PORTSMOUTH

Gathered on the Streets, at the Hotels, in Counting Rooms and Elsewhere, and put in Abbreviated Form for the Edification of Readers of the Virginian-Pilot—The Movements of People—Snap Shots at Events in Which the Public is Interested.

On Monday night, the 21st instant, the Park View Baptist church will hold a watch night service beginning at 11 o'clock. The public are cordially invited to attend.

The case of A. H. Evans, a watchman at the Atlantic Coast Line, which was to have been heard yesterday, was postponed until Wednesday, January 3, on account of the absence of a material witness.

The remains of Prof. Webster, who for many years taught school in this city, will be brought here tomorrow and will be interred in Oak Grove cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Robertson have issued cards to their silver wedding anniversary reception, which takes place Saturday evening, January 6, 1901, from 8:30 to 11 o'clock at their residence in the county on South street extended.

Mary Harrison, colored, an old resident of this city, is critically ill at her home, No. 1535 Glasgow street.

Brown's Bazaar is advertising gloves of all kind for men, boys and ladies, in kid, wool, etc., for one-half their value. Any desiring to rent a good house can do so by referring to our ad column.

Read what H. A. Long has to say about shoes, etc.

Miss Minnie Howell entertained a number of friends at her home Thursday night. Among the guests was Miss Maggie Clark, of New York.

If any of our patrons intend to keep open house on New Year's day, we will publish the same for them if sent in today.

Rev. R. F. Beades will not be here on Sunday to fill his pulpit.

A small yawlbout that was leaning quite badly sank out in the harbor yesterday morning. The two small boys, who were in it, were taken off.

The Virginian-Pilot's Portsmouth representatives would be glad if anybody would settle their subscription when the boys call today and start the New Year fresh and out of debt.

An attempt was made Thursday night to fire the barn of a colored man named Jerry Taylor, near Getty's station.

There was a cold, drizzly rain all day yesterday, which added much to the dullness.

The schools will open again January 2.

The funeral of Olaf Gothald, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Gustaf Bengtson, residing at 512 Fayette street, will take place from the residence today. The child died on Thursday.

The members of Magnolia Camp, Woodmen of the World, are requested to assemble at their hall tomorrow (Sunday) afternoon at 1:30 o'clock for the purpose of unveiling the monument over Charles G. Armistead.

Boards are wanted at 1214 Eppingham street. See ad.

DEATH OF A COLORED MINISTER.

The Rev. Alfred Chisholm, pastor of Ebenezer Baptist church, colored, at Eppingham and Columbia streets, died suddenly yesterday morning at 1 o'clock at his home, in Eppingham street extended. He had attended a meeting of the board of deacons of his church Thursday night, and did not leave the meeting until about 10 o'clock. At that time he appeared to be in his usual health. He became ill some time after he reached home, being stricken with what was apparently apoplexy.

Decided was a man of many sterling qualities and was popular with his flock. He came to the pastorate in 1896. He has done a useful work among his congregation and won the esteem of all with whom he was thrown in contact. A widow and several children survive him. Deceased was about 53 years of age.

SAPHO.

"Sapho" was presented at the Lyceum last night to a packed house, composed largely of ladies. The play was as represented by the management and gave entire satisfaction. If there was any disappointment it was an agreeable one. The parts were all well taken and the audience showed their appreciation of the same. Should the company conclude to repeat it the house would be unable to hold those who would attend. This afternoon "The Soldiers of Europe," which gave so much satisfaction on Wednesday night, will be presented at the matinee. At night "The Red, White and Blue," with all the magnificent scenery attached to the same, will be presented in this city for the first time.

DEED OF ASSIGNMENT.

John Beckwith, a grocer, doing business under the style of the Harrison Street Market, made an assignment yesterday to M. M. Bunting, trustee. The deed conveys the stock and fixtures of his store for the benefit of his creditors, among whom the following are preferred: Friedlin & Browne, wholesale grocers, in the sum of \$408.50 due on open account, and a note held by that firm for \$104.98; the People's Bank in the sum of \$20.58; and the Bank of Portsmouth for \$25, balance due on a note for \$176. All other debts are to be paid ratably without regard to priority.

POWDER EXPLODES—BOY HURT.

Willie Hutchinison, a 10-year-old son of Mr. Wm. Hutchinison, of Leekie street, Park View, was considerably injured about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon by an explosion of gunpowder. The flash burned the boy's face badly and it is feared injured his eyesight.

DEATH OF MRS. MARY J. SHEA.

Mrs. Mary J. Shea, wife of Michael Shea, died at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon at her home on Third street. She was in the 55th year of her age. Three children survive her. The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon.

The best remedy for headaches and La Grippe—Hick's Capudino.

DEATH OF DR. MARTIN.

Former Pastor of Central M.E. Church, Portsmouth, Expires Suddenly. Telegraphic information has been received of the sudden death yesterday of Rev. Joseph E. Martin, at Clarksdale, Mississippi, where he was visiting his son, Dr. Edward H. Martin. The news of his demise was particularly surprising, as a letter was received here but a few days ago in which he dwelt upon his fine health.

Dr. Martin was a native of Pennsylvania and was about 65 years of age. He came South about the time of the breaking out of the civil war, and although all of his kinsmen and family interests were at the North, he linked his fortunes with the Confederacy. He was at first employed in the mechanical department at Richmond, but became a Methodist minister, and was a chaplain in the Confederate army. He joined the Virginia Conference, M. E. Church, South, and was first stationed at what is now the Denny Street church, in Richmond. He was also sent to Dinwiddie circuit, Appomattox circuit, and then, in 1867, he was sent to Wesley chapel, Portsmouth, and during his four years' pastorate of that congregation he built the present Central Methodist church. He was considered one of the best pulpiter speakers ever in Portsmouth. From here he went to Charlottesville, and from there was transferred to a Western conference. While in the West he went from the Methodist to the Episcopal communion, and was in the latter denomination about twenty or thirty-five years, receiving during that time the degree of D. D. and LL. D., being at the time of his death rector of St. Luke's church in Jackson, Miss. He also served several other Episcopal churches, one of them being at New Orleans, and he was one of the officiating clergymen at the ceremonies over the remains of Jefferson Davis, President of the Southern Confederacy.

His oldest son, Edward, who was a lad in Portsmouth, is now one of the most prominent physicians in the South, having been president of the States Medical Association, and has also had considerable success with cotton plantations in which he has invested since his residence in Mississippi. The deceased's youngest son, Albert—who was born in Portsmouth—is an Episcopal clergyman, and rector of a fine church in Yazoo City, Miss. He preached at Trinity church, here, several years ago while in this city with his mother.

The deceased, while in Jackson, Tenn., and not long since, declined excellent calls to Nashville and Memphis, desiring lighter rather than heavier work, and in a letter received here only last evening from his son, Dr. Martin, the latter said that his father had been thinking of leaving Jackson for lighter duties elsewhere.

It is presumed, from the telegram received here announcing Rev. Mr. Martin's death, that he had gone to Clarksdale to spend the Christmas holidays with his son, Dr. Martin. The funeral takes place in Jackson, Tenn., tomorrow.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

At a regular meeting of Peabody Council 106, held Thursday night, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: B. B. Bradley, councillor; F. B. Grant, vice-councillor; F. L. Christie, recording secretary; J. L. Trevey, assistant secretary; C. P. Ruid, financial secretary; E. L. Pollard, treasurer; W. N. Stafford, conductor; N. O. Taylor, warden; C. C. Fanning, inside sentinel; W. R. Joyner, outside sentinel; B. H. Lassiter, past councillor; C. E. Temple, trustee for eighteen months.

Installation ceremonies will take place next Thursday night.

At a meeting of Atlantic Lodge No. 24, K. of P., held Thursday night, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: E. P. Lash, chancellor; T. A. Brightham, vice-chancellor; E. N. Chisholm, prelate; E. Robie Sturtevant, master of work; E. E. Warren, keeper of records and seal; W. A. Culpepper, master of finance; F. Frank Vaughn, master of exchequer; A. G. Thomas, master at arms; W. Otis Boston, inner guard; C. H. Sturtevant, organist; C. P. Brownley, B. E. Vaughn, W. C. Corbitt, trustees; R. E. Warren, representative to Grand Lodge to be held in Hampton, Va., the third Tuesday in February.

ON A STRIKE.

Yesterday morning there came near being a row in front of the market between a white man and about fifteen colored men who had been working at the chemical works at Pinner's Point. The white man saw the men who had been working for him, stepped up and said, "Well, boys, how is this, you have not gone to work?" One of the men acted as spokesman and said: "Mr. (calling the gentleman by name), you have been paying us 10 cents an hour, and some days we do not get more than from one to three hours' work at that price. If the work was steady we would not mind it so much, but we don't, and have to pay our fare to get down there; but if you will pay us 15 cents an hour we will chance the job again."

At this point the white man became exasperated and used some very ugly language to the men, who were working themselves up to fever heat, and would no doubt have caused trouble had not the crowd been dispersed.

TRANSFERS OF COUNTY REALTY.

The Willoughby Beach Company to H. L. Basist, lot in Norfolk county; \$550. J. Saunders Taylor to Byrd, Baldwin & Baldwin, lot in Norfolk county. Real Estate Investment Company to J. E. Porter, lot in Norfolk county; \$100. W. E. Hazlewood and wife to Abbott Morris et als., two lots in Norfolk county; \$1,000. W. E. Hazlewood, lot in Norfolk county; \$1,000. W. E. Hazlewood, lot in Norfolk county; \$1,000.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENTS.

The Christmas entertainment of the Court Street Baptist Sunday school was held yesterday afternoon in the lecture-room and was largely attended. Mr. W. N. White played the part of Santa Claus and appeared on the improvised stage driving a real horse in lieu of the traditional reindeer. The entertainment was a pronounced success. There were presents for everybody.

The children of Trinity Episcopal church also had their Christmas entertainment. There was a big Christmas tree and lots of presents. Master Milton Hudgins played St. Nicholas.

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AN ASSAULT CASE.

The Charge Against Well Known Young Man Dismissed.

The Statement of the Young Lady Who Made the Complaint—The Father's Statement—An Encounter Interrupted By a Policeman—The Accused Testifies.

A gentleman, who was charged with accosting a young lady on the street the evening of Christmas Day, was arraigned in Police Court last evening at 6 o'clock. The case was tried by Justice Charles H. Nash. The lady who made the charge came to court in company with her father. She was youthful in appearance, apparently not yet 20, and was decidedly pretty and attractive. Her bearing was modest, and her evidence, while stated clearly, was given in a voice slightly tremulous and displaying some emotion.

According to her statement, she came from Norfolk with her father, who, upon leaving the ferry, stepped into H. O. Pearson's store to get a cigar. She remained outside, and walked along slowly toward High street, expecting her father to catch up with her.

While walking thus some one touched her on the shoulder, and accosted her with the question, "Aren't you lost?" Glancing up she found she had been spoken to by a man whom she did not know. She was much frightened. A few moments later her father came up, and she pointed out to him the person who had accosted her.

The father told Justice Nash that as he came out of Pearson's he thought he saw some one walking with his daughter; that when he joined her he asked her who it was. He then noticed that she seemed very much agitated, and it was several moments before she could speak. She told him that she had been insulted by a gentleman whom she pointed out to him. The father returned and struck the man.

The encounter was interrupted by Police Officer J. E. Diggs, who placed both parties under arrest. While the policeman was endeavoring to restrain the enraged parent the other party in the affair disappeared. The gentleman who made the attack was carried to the station-house and released on his promise to appear in Police Court the next morning. Officer Diggs later saw the gentleman who had been attacked and asked if he wished to make a charge against his assailant. He replied that he did not.

This ended the evidence for the prosecution.

The accused said he had just come out of the ferry gate and was going toward High street when he saw a gentleman whom he took to be an acquaintance from Gloucester county, whom he had met in the course of a business transaction. This gentleman seemed to be hurrying as if to catch the ferry boat. The accused said to him, "Aren't you lost," but no attention was paid to the remark, and a second glance showed the accused that he had been mistaken in the man's identity. The accused said he noticed then that he was almost abreast of, and close to a young lady, who turned and looked into his face; that he saw she thought his remark was addressed to her; that not wishing her to believe he had intended to accost her, or had any intention of joining her, he slackened his pace and fell to the rear. He denied that he touched her on the shoulder, or that he intended his remark for her. He said also that his reason for not making a charge against the young lady's father for assaulting him was that he wanted to avoid any notoriety the affair might occasion.

This, in detail, was the history of the occurrence. Justice Nash, in disposing of the case, said there were but two witnesses as to what actually occurred, the young lady and the accused, the father of the girl not having seen her accosted. He (the justice) could not undertake to say which was right, as the evidence of one about balanced the evidence of the other. He, therefore, dismissed the charge.

THE CHURCHES SUNDAY.

Park View Baptist church, Rev. W. P. Hines pastor: Bible school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. The public cordially invited.

Park View Methodist church: Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor, Rev. J. N. Latham. Subject at night, "Are the Angels Ministering Spirits?"

First Presbyterian church, corner Court and King streets, Rev. R. E. Eggleston pastor: Services Sunday—Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., Prof. W. H. Stokes, superintendent. Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. All seats free and a cordial invitation to these services.

Port Norfolk M. E. church: Preaching by Daniel H. Merritt, at 11 a. m. subject, "Flight Into Egypt from Herod." 7:30 p. m. subject, "Looking Unto Jesus." Epworth League at 3:30 p. m.

Sunday services Owens Memorial church: Divine service and sermon by the pastor, Rev. J. C. C. Newton, D. D. Subject of sermon at 11 a. m., "How Much Owest Thou Unto My Lord." At 7:30 p. m., subject of sermon, "What I Owe to the Church." Sunday school at 9:15 a. m., Mr. J. T. Owens, superintendent. The Christmas tree, with an interesting program of exercises, will be given Tuesday night.

FUNERALS YESTERDAY.

The funeral of Mrs. Catherine Gillerman took place yesterday afternoon from St. Paul's Catholic church. The services were conducted by Rev. Father Hanley. The remains were interred in Oak Grove cemetery.

The funeral of Miss Elizabeth Bunting took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of Mr. R. B. Powers, No. 427 Clifford street. Rev. E. H. Rawlings conducted the services. The remains were interred in Oak Grove cemetery.

THE MOSQUITO FLEET.

Most of the vessels which are to compose the mosquito fleet, shortly to sail for Asiatic waters, are now assembled in Hampton Roads awaiting sailing orders.

The gunboats Annapolis and Frolic and the tug Wampanatuck have recently been repaired at the navy yard, and the tug Piscataqua, now at the yard, will leave for the Roads this morning. The fleet is expected to get under way within the next few days.

DEATH OF MR. JOS. W. TAYLOR. Mr. Joseph W. Taylor, father of Mrs. W. H. Newell, of this city, died at his home, in Habers, Ga., yesterday evening at 7:30 o'clock. A telegram announcing the sad event was received last night by Mr. Newell from his wife, who has been at the bedside of her father for the past week, and who will accompany the remains to Wilmington, N. C., where, the interment will take place tomorrow afternoon.

Mr. Taylor was about 65 years of age and was formerly engaged in the lumber business in Wilmington, in which city, as well as in Portsmouth, he had a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

LOST—STRAYED FROM HOME Christmas Day, two pointer dogs, one marked brown head, white body; other brown head, large brown spots on body. Liberal reward for return of one or both to 315 COURT ST., Portsmouth. de29-31

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ATTENTION, W. O. W.—MEMBERS OF MAGNOLIA CAMP No. 4, Woodmen of the World—are requested to meet at their Camp-room, Rosenbaum Hall, at 1:30 o'clock TO-MORROW (Sunday) AFTERNOON for the purpose of attending unveiling of monument to Sovereign Chas. J. Armistead. C. H. HERBERT, Con. Com.

At Auction. The balance of the stock of the PORTSMOUTH JEWELRY COMPANY, will be sold at auction beginning SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29TH, and continuing while the entire stock is disposed of. The sale will continue in business at the same place after the building has been remodelled. PORTSMOUTH JEWELRY COMPANY, 208 Crawford Street.

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