

e v e n i n g s t a r	<p><b>NEWS FROM HERNDON.</b></p> <p><b>Oppose the Scheme of Importing Destitute Londoners as Laborers.</b> Special Correspondence of The Star.</p> <p>HERNDON, Va., January 13, 1906.</p> <p>There appears to be a general and a very positive opposition on the part of the farmers and others of this section to the proposition of the commissioner of agriculture of Virginia to supply the farmers of the state with "farm hands" from the slums of London. It is not understood by our farmers why Commissioner Kolner should go to London to obtain farm laborers, men who, in fact, know nothing whatever of farm work. It is suggested that there are any number of just such laborers in our own large cities, men fully as destitute as those of London, and quite as capable of doing good work, if they can be induced to work at all. The farmers say they are indeed in desperate straits, and many have had to give up farming simply because they were unable to obtain reliable help; but they cannot see a way out of the difficulty by the employment of the destitute of London or any other great city.</p> <p>A farmers' institute will be held at Purcellville, Loudoun county, on the 17th and 18th of the present month. Great interest is being taken in these institutes by the farmers of Loudoun and Fairfax counties, the meetings being well attended. At the Purcellville meeting lectures will be delivered by Profs. Louil, Davidson and Price of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute.</p> <p>The board of supervisors of Fairfax county met at Fairfax Court House on Wednesday, those present being Mr. Auld, Mr. Burke, Mr. Pearson, Mr. Spindle and Mr. Williams. The Great Falls and Old</p>	<p>Dominion Railroad Company sent to the supervisors a check for \$24 to reimburse the county for the meeting held September 21, 1905. The check was accepted, and the amount directed to be placed to the credit of the county levy. Reports from the superintendent and the overseers of the poor were received and filed. Mr. Joseph Berry, chairman of the county road board, was directed to furnish the supervisor of each district with a statement of the money allotted and expenses in their respective districts.</p> <p>It is stated that the dam for the 25,000-horse-power electric plant at Millville is almost completed. This power plant is designed to furnish power for the Washington and Winchester railway. It is understood that no part of the road has yet been constructed.</p> <p>It is said that a large gasoline launch has been purchased by a number of Herndon gentlemen for use in hunting and fishing on the upper Potomac river.</p> <p>The superintendent of schools of Loudoun county has announced the following distribution of the school fund: Leesburg district, \$983.55; Mt. Gilead district, \$2,162.90; Mercer district, \$2,083.47; Jefferson district, \$1,567.29; Broad Run district, \$1,831.93; Lovettsville district, \$1,260.30; the town of Leesburg, \$722.95.</p> <p>The public schools of Fairfax county will receive from the commonwealth for the school year, 1905, the sum of \$9,852.06.</p> <p>The bureau of fisheries, Washington, D. C., has just placed 55,000 speckled trout in Snaky Den creek, a stream between White and Hunter on the Bluemont branch of the Southern railway.</p> <p>Rev. Mr. Hodges of Danville, Va., a retired minister of the Presbyterian Church, has purchased the Henry Jenkins place near Willard's. Mr. Hodges expects to engage in the chicken business.</p> <p>A young colored man, named Alexander Sherman, was instantly killed near Ban-</p>	<p>croft station, on the Bluemont branch of the Southern railway, early last evening. It appears that the man was walking on the railway track, and raking his way up the country, and had possibly fallen down, as the engineer of the down-train states that when he discovered him he was on his hands and knees. It was then impossible to stop the train in time to avoid the accident. The man was a journeyman barber, and had worked in a number of Washington shops.</p> <p><b>LAUREL AND VICINITY.</b></p> <p><b>Annual Election of Bank Directors—Matters of General Interest.</b> Special Correspondence of The Star.</p> <p>LAUREL, Md., January 13, 1906.</p> <p>At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Citizens' National Bank of Laurel, held at the bank yesterday, the following directors were elected: Charles H. Stanley, A. G. Thomas, Robert H. Miller, Charles G. Porter, Joseph R. Hunt, George W. Waters, Lloyd E. Dorsey, William H. Gorman, George W. Waters, Jr., Francis Thomas and Louis F. Detrich. Charles H. Stanley is president of the bank; George W. Waters, Jr., cashier; Woodville T. Ashy, assistant cashier, and Mr. George W. Morrison, book-keeper.</p> <p>A gospel temperance rally will be held in the Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church Sunday afternoon at 3:15 p. m., under the auspices of the Rechabite agitation committee of Washington. Rev. J. B. Clayton of Washington will speak and the male quartet of the People's Mission of Washington will sing. A delegation of Washington</p>
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