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A VENGEANCE.
 Virginia has for years been making a high reputation for dealing out swift, sure, and ample punishment to those who violated her criminal laws. It has not been regarded as safe to commit murder in Virginia. The fact was made conclusive in the trials, and execution of Cluverius of Richmond, of the Mayor of Charlottesville, of Beaty, and in the trial of Floyd Allen and his son Claud Swanson Allen. These are all to the credit of this great Commonwealth, but a minister with a decided yellow streak running through his theology, has been preaching a sickly sentiment to the effect that the Allens were getting it to tough in the neck, and so a jury trying Sidney Allen last Friday at Wythville, Va. brought in a verdict of guilty and fixed the punishment at fifteen years in the penitentiary. Unless Sidney has been much lied upon he deserves to go to the electric chair as much as any of the others who took part in that bloody tragedy at Hillsville, Virginia.

An effort has been made to have it appear because some of the Carroll County officials were armed that day, (and the Allen gang did not know it until they commenced shooting) that it furnished full and satisfactory excuse for the murder of Judge Massie and several others in the court house.

What if Dexter Goode was armed, and when the firing began did what he could to get in an effective shot on his assailants? He knew the characters of the men the court had to deal with, and in his feeble way tried to prepare him self for dealing with them.

The Allens are fanged beast, of their own will, and volition, they had gone beyond the pale of law. The first pistol shot in Hillsville court house was an open aggravated defiance of the law. The world has no use for that class of people, and we have no more sympathy for them, than we would have for Quantrels Jayhawkers, for Frank and Jessie James train robbers, for Bob, Bill, Emett and Gratz Dalton, highwaymen, and general all around bad men. The Richmond preacher would have found it uncomfortable praying ground for him if he had undertook the job on the Western plains when the crowd we have mentioned were in the saddle.

Virginia has been making an enviable reputation in weeding out her murders and should have kept it up despite the mouthing of a yellow streaked, orthodox, sensational, sentimentalist. Winstons noted criminal lawyer who was employed for the defense, was in full accord with the preacher.

PURER MEAL.
 The State and Nation is exercising a commendable interest in the cultivation of corn. Every incentive is offered to encourage the raising of large crops on a small area, but there is an other question seeming to us more vitally important, that is entirely overlooked. To explain, corn meal cooked in its many ways is used largely as a food, its an important food, and enters upon the menu of many tables. This being true every effort should be made to secure the purest, and most wholesome meal for table use. Is it done? By no means. All most as little care

or effort is made to have the corn out of which meal is ground pure fresh and sound as is the corn that is fed to the hogs. If there are decayed grains on an ear of corn it is ground, if there is decayed ears in the lot, it is shelled and goes into the hopper with the sound grains, and all ground together, giving those little black specks in meal that you invariably see, which perhaps after all may be the poison that starts the pellagra germ in ones system.

It should be a matter for State consideration, there should be inspectors at mills, they would prove of vast more importance than the high priced political eleemosynarys services do for the examination of the Standard Oil products.

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STAND BY HOME INSTITUTIONS.
 Every man who does a business in a town, or city wants and should have what support that town, or city can give. Patronize home industries is the slogan of progress. Your merchants can not succeed if you send to other cities to buy your goods, your butcher would have to go out of business if you bought your beef in other towns, it therefore is to your interest to support home institution. Sending job

work to or ensure that your home office could do not helping to build up your home printing shop. And thus it goes. Civic pride is a virtue that lives alone in progressive towns. Oh yes you can blunder along, other places have blundered along for a while, and then have very near lost their identity, but the town that succeeds is the town that appreciates and supports its home institution. It's a fact too well known to require emphasis.

HAMMER THEM TO A STAND STILL.

Austria has done all she could to precipitate trouble with the Servians, has sought every pretext to stick her mouth in the Balkan difficulty. It is quite evident that through her emissaries she is doing what she can to prolong the settlement between Turkey and the Balkan States. She wants and opportunity to play a hand in the Balkan before their is a final adjustment.

We had hoped the matter could be settled without further bloodshed, but it seems impossible, now we trust if Austria does take a hand that Russia and England will join and hammer the Austrians to a stand still. If through Austrias pertinacity there does come a general European war we shall want to know before it ends that Austria is pounded to powder, and learned a lesson that other powers can profit by. We hope it will not be a repetition of Bosnia.

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