

MET AND TALKED

But the Joint Committees Took No Action Last Night.

MR. DAUGHERTY WAS HEARD

Enjoyable Musicals Given at the New Augusta Hotel by Mr. John Clay, the Popular Boniface, Other Matters.

The joint committee from the Town Council and the Hampton Fire Department, recently appointed to inquire into the advisability of securing a new engine and hose cart driver, met last night in the council chamber, but with the exception of a considerable amount of talking, in trying to find out where they were at, transacted very little business.

When Chairman J. F. Rowe called the meeting to order at 8 o'clock there were present from the council Messrs. S. S. Cunningham and Mayor Hope, while those from the Fire Department were Chief W. J. Weymouth, Foreman W. W. Wood and Fireman George W. Booker and E. J. Montgomery.

Chief Weymouth submitted a long list of rules governing the engine and hose cart driver that had been drawn up at a recent meeting of the department, which were accepted by the committee and referred to the ordinance committee of the council for sanction before being ratified by the council as a whole.

When the matter was disposed of Mr. Booker offered a motion that Mr. Pat Daugherty, the present driver, who was present at the meeting, be allowed the privilege of addressing the committee for the purpose of stating whether he would accept the place as engineer under the new laws. Here a question arose as to whether a member of the committee from the Fire Department had the right to offer a motion, which elicited considerable debate.

Mayor Hope thought as the two committees were appointed to look into the matter that it was proper for any one on either committee to make any suggestion that would tend to bring the trouble to an end. Mr. Wood was of the opinion that it was entirely in the hands of the council committee and that the only thing his committee had to do was to prepare the rules governing the engine. After talking over the question for some time Mr. Booker withdrew his motion, but stated that something should be done at once in order to let Mr. Daugherty know what he was to do. If they intend to retain his services Mr. Booker said the committee should say so and if they thought best to dispense with the services of Mr. Daugherty he should know so as to give him a chance to secure another position.

Mayor Hope then offered a substitute motion that the committee defer action until Monday night when Mr. J. M. Cumming, a member of the council committee, could be present, that gentleman being unavoidably detained from being present last night. Before a vote could be taken Mr. Daugherty asked that he be allowed an opportunity to say a few words, which was granted him.

He said he had been offered another position and he was very desirous of having the committee give him some definite answer as to his chances for retaining the place. The matter had been hanging fire for some time, said Mr. Daugherty, and he had been told that the position had been offered to another man which looked to him like they were simply using him until they could get someone else to take the position. He had a family to support and while he did not like to leave the department without anyone to fill his position, he would be compelled to look out for his own interests.

Mayor Hope, in answering Mr. Daugherty, said he appreciated what that gentleman had said, but as Mr. Cumming was kept from attending the meeting through no fault of his own, he considered that it would not be treating Mr. Cumming with the proper courtesy for the committee to take any final action in his absence. He again made a motion that the matter be deferred until Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

The meeting then adjourned.

ENJOYABLE MUSICALS.

Mr. John Clay Entertains His Friends at the New Augusta Hotel.

One of the most enjoyable musicals of the season was given in the New Augusta Hotel last night by Mr. John Clay, the accomplished proprietor of that popular hotel. The handsome building was brilliantly illuminated and a large number of the friends of Mr. Clay were present. The Smythe orchestra had been engaged to furnish the music and that it was thoroughly appreciated by those present was evidenced by the round of applause given each number. The program rendered was as follows:

PROGRAMME: Overture, from "Telephone Girl," Kalkor; Potpourri—"Bohemian Girl," Balte; Cornet Solo—Serenade, Schubert; March—Whistling Rufus, Mills; Overture—Pousse Cafe (Songs of the Day), Mackie; Duett, from Li Trovatore—Miserere, Verdi; Medley Ovt.—Best Ever, Tobani.

During the evening the guests were invited into the spacious dining hall where a sumptuous collation had been prepared and to which every one did full justice.

Mrs. Clay charmingly received the guests as they arrived and was the recipient of the undivided praise of all for the pleasant manner in which she looked after their comfort.

Among those present were: Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Plecker, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Barrett, Mrs. Sallie Clarke, Miss Mary Schermerhorn, and Miss Kate Hughes, and Messrs. W. W. Woodward, D. W. Thayer, J. T. Weber, George Mason, Dudley Diggs, Dr. N. C. Comfort, Prof. F. G. Rathbun and Mr. Cunningham.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT HIMSELF.

Mr. T. S. Coates Meets With a Painful Accident.

Mr. T. S. Coates, proprietor of a chock-making establishment in Phoebus, accidentally shot himself in the hand yesterday morning. Mr. Coates keeps a twenty-two calibre revolver in one of his work drawers and while at work

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yesterday he had occasion to go to the driver to get one of his tools and without looking caught hold of the revolver. In some manner the hammer became entangled with other articles and the pistol was discharged, the ball entering Mr. Coates' little finger of his left hand, fracturing the bone and passing down to the fleshy part of the hand.

Dr. R. E. Turner was summoned and cut the ball out. He then dressed the wound and rendered the other necessary medical attention. While the wound is a painful one Mr. Coates will suffer no serious loss from its cause.

MR. DARLING IN EXTREMIS.

Family Has Gone to Baltimore to Be at His bedside.

Mr. James F. Darling is critically ill at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, and the members of his family have gone to Baltimore for the purpose of remaining at his bedside until a change takes place. Mr. Darling went to Johns Hopkins Hospital several weeks ago to be treated for heart disease, and until yesterday it was said he was greatly improved. In fact, his physician was so much encouraged with his improvement as to cause him to believe he would be well enough to return to Hampton in the near future. Yesterday a decided change for the worse took place, and a telegram was at once sent to his home, informing him of his father's illness, and advising that the members of his family come to Baltimore at once. Last night Mr. and Mrs. Darling and Mrs. J. M. Cumming went up to the Monumental City. They will stay with Mr. Darling until he improves. Mrs. Darling was already with her husband. Mr. Darling's many friends in Hampton will be greatly distressed by the announcement of his extreme illness for he is beloved by everyone for his charitable and happy disposition. It is the earnest prayer of Hampton people that he be allowed to return to his home and take up his residence among them.

ANOTHER MYSTERIOUS FIRE.

Small Frame House on Locust Street Destroyed Yesterday Morning.

A small frame warehouse in the rear of Mr. W. W. Wood's grocery store, on the corner of Locust and Queen streets, was destroyed by fire at an early hour yesterday morning. An alarm was turned in and the Fire Department responded very quickly. The fire was soon extinguished with slight damage to the owner.

How the blaze started is a mystery and it is the general opinion that it was the work of an incendiary. For some time mysterious fires have been occurring here and the police have put forth every effort to secure some clue as to the identity of the person who would commit such a crime. If captured the penalty should be severe.

ENJOYABLE SAILING PARTY.

A number of young ladies gave a pleasant sailing party to their young gentlemen friends Thursday night. The party left Hampton wharf on the sail boat "Tug Jones" and after enjoying the delightful breeze from Symbye light house to a point near Newport News, returned to the starting place, reaching here about 11:30 o'clock. Those in the party were: Misses Margaret Duncan and Katie Duncan, of Kentucky; Annie Bartlett, Annie Richardson, Winnie Richardson and Messrs. W. W. Richardson, Samuel Addison, John T. Bentley, Wilkie Barnes, of Norfolk; and Dr. T. S. Howell. Mrs. Wilkie Barnes chaperoned the crowd.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The Men's meeting Sunday will be at 5 P. M. Secretary A. G. Irons will lead. Thursday at 8 P. M. is the date for the annual meeting and election of members of the board. All members are cordially invited to be present. Prof. Rathbun and others will furnish a musical program and the Ladies' Auxiliary will serve refreshments. Let it be a rallying time for the year's work before us. The committee on selection of a new secretary are looking over the field carefully and hope to be able to fill the place with just the right man in the very near future. In the meantime all workers should rally around the president and maintain the work vigorously.

NEW REAL ESTATE FIRM.

Messrs. Taylor and Kelley, two prominent gentlemen of Phoebus, have branched out in the real estate business and will have their office in the rear of their grocery store on Mellen street. Since opening up the firm have made many good real estate deals, among them being the sale of a house and lot on Ransone street to Mr. R. W. Seymour for \$1,000 and three lots on Kelley street to Mr. J. F. Boyhan at \$500. These gentlemen are capable business men and their new undertaking will doubtless be very successfully conducted.

TO BE MARRIED.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Seldon, of Hampton, have announced the approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Belle R. Seldon and Mr. Jacob Halsey, a prominent young man of Orange. N. J. The ceremony will take place in old St. John's Episcopal church, Wednesday afternoon, October 11th. No cards.

BRIEF NOTES.

Mr. Frank G. Lytton, of Staunton, Va., is in the city to spend several days. Misses Georgia Gilbert and Miss Jennie Parker, of Berkeley, who have been visiting Mrs. George Brown, on Queen street, returned to their home in Norfolk.

Miss Mary H. Stewart, who has been the guest of Mrs. Holliday, returned to her home in Baltimore last evening.

PHILADELPHIA

AWFUL FATE OF A MISER.

Murdered, With His Housekeeper and Hired Man, by Robbers.

(By Telegraph.) CUMBERLAND, Sept. 22.—The residence of Absolom Kesler, a miserly farmer, aged 80, living on the West Virginia side of the river near Papaw, was discovered on fire at 1 o'clock this morning. Neighbors hurried to the scene and were horrified to find Kesler and Albert Gross, his hired man, lifeless in the yard. The housekeeper, Anna Doman, was also murdered, but her body was consumed in the flames.

The object of the crime evidently was robbery. Kesler was known to keep a large sum of money about the house, but a few weeks ago was persuaded to put most of his money in bank here. The robbers secured about \$200, it is thought. After beating the two with a blunt instrument, as they supposed, to death, the robbers set the building on fire to cover up their crime, but the men had life enough left to crawl out into the yard.

Officers claim to have a clue which they are working on.

Loss Estimated at \$300,000.

(By Telegraph.) CHICAGO, Sept. 22.—Officials of the Union Stock Yards and Transit Company decided today that the loss by yesterday's fire was much greater than was at first supposed. The total loss will probably be close to \$300,000. Insurance will not cover more than fifteen per cent. of the loss.

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Quoting from a well-known musical journal published in New York city: "It does not need a great deal of argument to show that in all human industry the great item of expense is not so much the cost of production as it is the cost of bringing the goods to market, and then to the home of the consumer. Who has not heard the statement that it cost as much to sell a piano as to make it?"

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