

GETS OFF WITH "CALLING DOWN"

President Seems to Have Accepted Captain Stuart's Coincidence Story.

RESULT OF INVESTIGATION

Local Collector of Customs Directed to Refrain from Pernicious Activity in Politics and to Reinstated Dismissed Democrats if Business of His Office Requires Increased Force.

According to information received here last night President Roosevelt has acted upon the report of the civil service commission concerning the investigation of charges against Captain J. E. B. Stuart, collector of customs for Oyster Bay and it says that the local collector, who was charged with unjustly discriminating against civil service employees for political reasons, is to get off with a mild "calling down."

It is understood that the powers that be accepted Captain Stuart's explanation that it was only a "coincidence" that four Democratic inspectors were dismissed from their positions and two Democratic deputy collectors were reduced to the rank of ordinary inspectors, while two staunch Republican allies of the collector were raised to the rank of deputies.

The report says that Captain Stuart is only to be taken to task by the president for the activity of himself and several of his employees in the recent Republican State convention. He is to be admonished against being so indiscreet in the future.

Besides this the collector is to be directed to re-employ the men dismissed if the business of his office should make the employment of additional assistants necessary. This order might be considered almost superfluous, as the civil service regulations require that employees dropped from the service shall have their positions back if business justifies it within a year.

FOOTBALL TEAM TO BE ORGANIZED

Dr. Loeb Calls Meeting of Players for Friday Night—Joe Curtis to Coach.

Dr. Louis Loeb, manager of the Newport News Athletic Association, stated last night that he had called a meeting of the football players of this city to be held at the Pocahontas hotel Friday night at 8 o'clock, when plans for the organization of a football team for this city will be formulated.

Joe Curtis, formerly quarterback for Dickinson College, of Carlisle, Pa., has been engaged as coach for the team, and under his direction a strong eleven should be organized this fall.

Mr. Curtis is well known in football and baseball circles in this and other States and is said to be a first class coach as well as player.

Among some of the old players who will be seen on the checker board here this season are J. W. Gullick, who was at one time on the first team of the University of North Carolina; Forrest Sutton, Charles Sutton, Eldridge Betts, William Maloney and a number of others.

IN A BAD WAY.

Many a Newport News Reader Will Feel Grateful For This Information.

When your back gives out; Becomes lame, weak or aching; When urinary troubles set in; Your kidneys are "in a bad way" Doan's Kidney Pills will cure you. Here is local evidence to prove it:

Mrs. F. Lochstamper, of 534 Thirty-third street, says: "For six months pain in my back, if not constant at first, gradually increased until I was scarcely able to stoop, and to lift anything or any overexertion hurt so that I was often in misery. Even the slightest cold increased the suffering and morning after morning I was so lame and sore across the loins that I could hardly attend to the slightest household work. I never was successful in getting anything which brought permanent relief until I went to Allen's drug store for Doan's Kidney Pills. In a very short time, considering the nature of my case, they stopped the attack."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

park, where all local games between the team and out of town elevens will be played.

Mr. Joe Curtis stated last night that he was anxious to get all of the candidates out at practice as soon as possible so that the team might be organized and in good playing order when the football season opens.

ON FISHING EXPEDITION.

New York Firemen Guests of Justice Brown and Chief Stow.

Police Justice J. D. G. Brown and Fire Chief W. K. Stow, of this city, and Deputy Chief Denana, Battalion Chief Ross and Captain Hennessy, all of the New York City fire department, left last night for Williamsburg where they will spend several days hunting and fishing.

The firemen from New York have been in this city as the guest of Chief Stow for several days and during that time they have been on several fishing excursions around James river.

Social-Personal

Misses Mattie and Grace Harwell, of Norfolk, are the guests of their cousin, Mr. J. G. Harris, 1135 Twenty-seventh street.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Locke have returned from a visit to Woodstock.

Miss Eva Chesson, of North Carolina, is visiting Mrs. L. H. Creasy, on Twenty-ninth street.

Mr. Charles J. Healey has returned to his home in Philadelphia after visiting his mother, Mrs. F. A. Healey, on Thirty-eighth street.

Mrs. T. J. Barham and children have returned from a visit to relatives in Surry county.

Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Aylett and Miss Elizabeth Morecock have returned from a visit to Cape May.

Mrs. J. G. Latimer and little daughter, Glenna, have returned from a visit to Christiansburg.

Mr. J. W. Kellum has returned from Accomac county, where he spent ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Moore are spending a week in New York.

JOE CURTIS IN CITY.

Clever Young Ball Player Will be Seen With Shipbuilders.

Joe Curtis, the well known baseball player, who has been playing shortstop for the New London baseball nine in the Connecticut State League this season, arrived here yesterday and is now the guest of his mother.

The Connecticut League closed last Saturday and nearly all of its players have returned to their homes. Mr. Curtis will be seen on the local diamond with the Shipbuilders Saturday. His appearance in a uniform of the local team will be hailed with delight by the local fans who know him to be an exceptionally fast ball player.

Theatrical

Another large audience greeted Hal Mordant and his company at the Academy last night, witnessing the production of "For His Child's Sake," a melodrama. Mr. Mordant and Miss St. Clair as well as the other members of the company again gave a performance which pleased.

Tonight Bartley Campbell's "Hearts of Gold" will be the attraction and Thursday evening "Thou Shalt Not Kill," by Tolstol, will be presented here for the first time.

REMARKABLE RUN OF THE POWHATAN

Chesapeake & Ohio Freighter Made Lizard From This Port in Nine Days.

According to advices received here yesterday the British steamship Powhatan, of the Chesapeake & Ohio fleet enroute from this port for London passed Lizard, England, Monday after having made the trip across the Atlantic in the remarkable time of nine days. This is said to be one of the fastest runs ever made between this port and Lizard by any of the ocean freight steamships plying in the Trans-Atlantic trade out of this port.

The Powhatan is the fastest ship of the Chesapeake & Ohio fleet and holds the record for runs between this port and London, having on one occasion made the trip in a little over ten days.

The vessel is heavily loaded on the present trip and has about 2,500 tons of steel rails loaded at Baltimore on board besides her regular miscellaneous cargo of exports loaded here.

Unless some accident occurred the Powhatan has already arrived in London, but no report of her arrival has yet reached this port.

VAN WHITING AT LARGE.

Notorious Young Negro Escapes From Chain Gang.

CRASHED INTO CAR

N. E. Cofer Seriously Hurt in Runaway.

PEARSON'S WONDERFUL ESCAPE

Young Man Was Thrown on Top of Horse and Did Not Get a Scratch.

Obstreperous Negro "Laid-Out" by Policeman.

Nathaniel E. Cofer, bookkeeper for the local branch of the Hooper Brewing Company, was seriously injured by being thrown from his buggy at the corner of Jefferson avenue and Twenty-fifth street last night about 9:30 o'clock. In the buggy with Mr. Cofer was his roommate, Mr. Pearson, who escaped without being hurt.

Those who witnessed the accident declare that it is remarkable that both of the young men were not killed. Mr. Cofer's horse is a very spirited animal and only a few days ago he ran away and smashed a buggy. Last night while the young men were driving on Twenty-fifth street near Roanoke avenue the horse became frightened and started to run. Mr. Cofer strained every nerve to control the runaway and when the horse approached Jefferson avenue he was traveling at a frightful rate.

Standing on the north side of Twenty-fifth street, just west of Jefferson avenue, was a wagon loaded with lumber, while coming down Twenty-fifth street from the bridge was an Ivy avenue route street car.

Seeing the horse racing up the street with the driver shouting and tugging frantically at the reins, the motorman of the street car reversed his motor and brought the car to a standstill just after it passed the wagon.

The car had hardly stopped when the horse dashed up. Swerving to the right, the horse missed the car and swung the buggy against it with great violence. The vehicle turned upside-down and smashed into pieces, its occupants being hurled into space.

Mr. Cofer, clinging to the reins, was thrown and dragged for twenty-five feet or more, striking upon the asphalt pavement, where he lay unconscious. The more fortunate Pearson, who has only one arm, landed upon a horse hitched to the lumber wagon. When he finally reached the pavement he found that beyond a few minor bruises he was unhurt.

Cofer was carried into a drug store, where he was made as comfortable as possible until Dr. R. R. Gary arrived. He soon recovered consciousness and was able to walk to the doctor's buggy to be driven to his home. He is badly bruised up, but unless there are internal injuries it is probable that he will be all right in a few days.

After disposing of the buggy, the horse continued his flight up the street, crossing the bridge and going on to his stable on Twenty-fourth street near Washington avenue.

Quite a crowd was attracted to the scene of the accident in a few minutes. Police Officer Pearson undertook to keep the crowd back and in doing so was bitten upon one hand by an obstreperous negro. The officer used his blackjack, stretching the negro upon the pavement. Several negroes in the crowd threatened to attack the policeman with clubs, but the arrival of Officer Woodward and Special Officer Bedford prevented trouble.

When the negro, who started the disorder had recovered consciousness, he said that his name was Felton Wright. He was sent to the station and held on the charge of disorderly conduct.

CONTINUED UNTIL SATURDAY.

Negroes are Charged With Being Walking Saloons.

The cases of Junius Hatton and George Stows, the two negroes arrested in Rocketts Monday night on the charge of selling liquor without a license, were continued until Saturday by Justice Brown in the police court yesterday morning.

Hatton and Stows are said to belong to a gang of alleged "hip-pocket" saloon men, who have been operating in Rocketts for some time. The scheme of the "hip-pocket" saloon is a very simple and yet ingenious one. The members of the gang purchase a quantity of cheap whiskey at a saloon and then peddle it on the streets, selling it from the bottles.

It is said that the gang has been doing a flourishing business among the dusky lovers of the spirit that crows in Rocketts after the saloons are closed at 11:30 o'clock.

FIRST FOOTBALL GAME.

St. Vincent's Academy Boys Open Season With Lively Contest.

With great excitement the football season was ushered in yesterday on the grounds of St. Vincent's Academy. The baseball and mit, with their few adherents, quietly took their departure to be replaced for the coming few months by the football and its strenuous enthusiasts.

The game yesterday was replete with good plays, despite the fact that the game of "association" is somewhat of a novelty at the academy and many of the participants were not thoroughly familiar with the rules.

CORPORATION COURT.

Civil Cases Set for Trial by Judge Barham—Insurance Suit.

Judge Barham, of the Corporation Court, has set the following cases for trial this week:

Thursday, September 14—Central Realty & Investment Co. versus Rosa E. and W. C. Walker; Walker & Hilden versus Elizabeth W. Koch, et als.; George G. Ware, Jr. versus Central Realty & Investment Co.

Friday—Daily Press Co. versus D. V. Seaman; R. P. Gill versus R. E. Redding; R. W. Newman versus C. W. Haines.

Saturday—W. B. Vest versus The H. J. Lewis Co.

Judge Barham yesterday heard argument upon a demurrer to the evidence in the case of Mary Wilson against the Royal Benefit Society, Col. J. W. Friend and Mr. R. M. Lett appearing for the plaintiff and Messrs. R. M. Hudson and O. D. Batchelor for the defendant.

The judge reserved his decision.

Ice Cream advertisement featuring 'I & A Plate' and 'Ice Cream Powder' with an illustration of a child.

Stearns' Electric Rat and Roach Paste advertisement with an illustration of a rat.

Do You Need Good Laundry?

Hotel Warwick Laundry advertisement with contact information.

Best work, best service, best prices—That is for you. Reliability and promptness is our motto, and we live up to it, as all of our customers will testify. Drop us a postal or call 'phone No. 10.

SPECIAL PRICES

- List of wire screens, doors, and ice cream freezers with prices.

Geo. M. Richter & Co. 2908 WASHINGTON AVE. NEWPORT NEWS, VA.

CAPITAL DRY GOODS HOUSE advertisement for a temporary location at 2907 Washington Avenue, featuring a great removal sale.

The Columbia Visible Standard Typewriter advertisement with an illustration of the typewriter and details about its features.

Continued Underselling advertisement for Spraker Bros. featuring various household goods like hall racks, ranges, and chinas.

A Woman's Beauty advertisement for R&G Pills, featuring an illustration of a woman and text about skin and health.

Daily Press Ten Cents a Week!