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MEETINGS.

REPUBLICAN MEETING.—There will be a meeting of Madison Ward Republican Club TUESDAY NIGHT, Feb'y 14th, at 8 o'clock. A full attendance of the members of the Ward is desired, as business of great importance will be transacted.
JAMES B. CHRISTIAN,
fe 11—3t Secretary Ward Club.

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de 14—1y

CLERK'S OFFICE, HENRICO COUNTY.
The Board of Supervisors of Henrico county will meet at the Court-House on WEDNESDAY, February 22d, 1871, for the purpose of laying the levy for 1871.
All persons having claims against said county will present them in separate items, specifically made out, and verified by affidavit. All claims to be addressed to the clerk of the Board.
By order of the Board:
fe9—6t WM. J. ANNABLE, Clerk.

NOTICE TO HEIRS AT LAW.—A family named GUIDOT came from Switzerland about thirty years ago and settled in Virginia. The last one of the name, a young lady, it is supposed, died about nine years ago. It is important to ascertain in what part of Virginia the said family lived and died, and whether they left any HEIRS AT LAW. Any person who will furnish the subscriber with the necessary information as to the residence and deaths of the Guidot family will be suitably rewarded.
CHARLES L. LUDWIG,
Vice-Consul for Sweden and Norway at Richmond, Va.
All newspapers in Virginia copying this notice and sending the paper to me will be entitled to double their advertising rates on my receiving the information necessary. fe 7—3m

Evening State Journal.

Settlement of Our Difficulties with England.

The President on Thursday sent a message to Congress in reference to the settlement of our pending difficulties with Great Britain, growing out of the Alabama claims and the fishery questions in which he enclosed the diplomatic correspondence between the two governments, through Secretary Fish on the one side, and Sir Edward Thornton on the other. This correspondence, and the message of the President, as well as the paragraph in the speech from the English throne, delivered at about the same moment, in regard to the relations existing between the two countries, give the gratifying assurance that our outstanding difficulties are at length in a fair way of friendly adjustment.

The conclusions arrived at by the two governments, through their respective ministers, originated in a proposal from Lord Granville for a joint high commission to meet at Washington for the purpose of treating of and discussing the mode of settling the question as to the extent of the rights belonging to the citizens of the United States and her Majesty's subjects on the coasts of her Majesty's possessions in North America, and other questions affecting the relations of the United States to those possessions. In reply to this proposal the President suggested, as essential to the complete re-establishment of friendship between the two nations, the adjustment of the difference which arose during the late civil war, "growing out of acts committed by several vessels, which have given rise to the claims generally known as the Alabama claims," and proposed its reference also to the joint committee.

Lord Granville accepted, with a proviso that all other claims, both of British subjects and citizens of the United States, arising out of acts committed during the recent civil war, be similarly referred; and to this proviso the President gave his assent, suggesting, however, that the high commissioners shall consider only such claims of this description as may be presented by the governments of the respective claimants at an early day to be agreed upon by the commission. The appointment of members of the joint commission by the respective governments will complete this important preliminary. There can be no doubt that the great mass of the people of this country are interested in the preservation of the most friendly relations with Great Britain, and the course agreed upon not only opens the way to a thorough, equitable and honorable settlement of all differences, but rebukes the spirit that would keep alive the fires of resentment, and foolishly imperil peaceful progress and development.

The President has nominated as commissioners on the part of the United States Secretary Fish, Judge Nelson, ex-Attorney General Hoar and Senator Williams, of Oregon, and a cable dispatch states that Earl De Grey left England yesterday for Washington, as president of the commission on the part of the British government. The President submitted the diplomatic correspondence to the Senate in executive session, together with his message making the foregoing nominations. An extended debate ensued as to the immediate confirmation of the nominations, Senator Sumner leading in the opposition. The whole proceeding, otherwise, however, says the Baltimore *Sun*, is in the rational spirit which should actuate great and civilized nations in the light of this nineteenth century. The Queen, in her speech at the opening of Parliament, expresses hope in advance of a satisfactory settlement of all questions with this country.

THE CHANNEL OF COMMERCE.—A railroad that shall lessen the time consumed and the money spent in going between Richmond and Washington, is a want of the people at both ends, and along the line, that must be supplied either now or at some future but not remote time. That the inclinations of the people tend in that direction is just as evident as two and two make four. It has always turned out, sooner or later, that what the people want they will have. It has been well said: Modern commerce is mathematical. Given the latitude and longitude of departure and consignment, and a right line produced between them, whether by land or water will be the channel of commerce. Any attempt to divert this trade by competing lines making any angle at all will be a failure. The hypothenuse of any trade triangle will carry the commerce; the chord of any arc will supersede the arc.

Goochland.

We admit into our columns, a communication from Mr. Hughes, who seems to be a Democrat, giving the other side of the silly controversy which has been raised in Goochland. We trust this will close the contes, as our columns are too valuable to be devoted to these petty squabbles. We think a little giving way on both sides would have a more salutary effect in restoring peace and good feeling and put an end to this constant war. The Republicans may be to blame in many cases, but if the Conservatives were a little less proud and resentful, and would show a more peaceful disposition, there would be less cause for trouble. The rights of all must be equally respected.

THE SELMA "DAILY REPORTER."—We welcome this revived journal to our exchange list. It is edited by Mr. James P. Armstrong, assisted by R. E. Baker, Esq., and shows much journalistic ability. During and before the war it was one of the best papers in Alabama. It fell a victim to the flames in 1865, during Gen. Wilson's raid; and now, after a lapse of six years, rises Phœnix-like (that blasted bird again!) from its ashes. The present leading editor and proprietor was an apprentice in the old office, and considers that he has legitimately fallen heir to the name and fame of the cinderous ruins. The new paper is liberal in tone, and, typographically, presents a very handsome and business-like appearance. We wish the enterprise success.

Freezing the Convicts.

Would it not be well enough for the Legislature to proceed to hold a grand inquest over the convicts in the penitentiary who were almost frozen to death lately while laboring on the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad? It is said a whole gang of them were recently so badly frozen that it is probable they will be disabled for life. They were at once conveyed from the cars to the penitentiary, and nothing further has been heard of them. Is freezing to be inaugurated along with the whipping-post, in our humane efforts to reform criminals? Humanity would substitute burning at the stake.

Letter from Goochland.

GOOCHLAND, C. H., February 8th, 1871.

To the Editor of the State Journal:

I observe in your paper of a recent date a letter over the signature of "Goochlander," in which the writer refers to another over the signature of "W," in which letters the writers claim to portray "the terrible political status of this county," to give an account of, what they are pleased to call, a political persecution of a private citizen of this county to impeach the *integrity* of the "Great Grand Jury" for finding this indictment, inaugurating thereby an intense excitement which these new fangled political prophets proclaim will result in bloodshed, and intimating a purpose on the part of the instigators to gratify a base revenge for a political defeat.

Now, Messrs. Editors, when you allow your columns to be used to cast such aspersions upon the character of a people, I think we may reasonably ask you to open them to a reply. If the "political status of this county" is so deplorable, pray let these gents tell us who caused it? How did it come about? Is it because we have low, incapable men in office? If so, who put them there? Have these correspondents forgotten that the Radical party is in an overwhelming majority in the county and in every township? Could such officers have gotten in except by radical support? But perhaps they mean that the body politic here is so corrupt as to be incapable of fair, honest dealing. Now it is too well known, that in every political contest in this county the radicals have come off victorious, and if any villainy is upheld by the decision at the polls, then it must have been borne off in triumph upon radical shoulders, and not ours, for they defeat us in our aims. Now, sir, I believe the colored people of this county, when left to their impulses, mean well, and if we could chase the political vagabonds of this county who seek to sow discord between the white and colored people of this county—which they prophesy will end in bloodshed—*then*, I think, "the political status of this county," will be *greatly* improved.

As to "the political persecution," the facts are these: At the November term of the county court the grand jury, composed of twelve white and six colored, made a presentment upon the testimony of about a half-dozen gentlemen. At the January term last a *nolle prosequi* was entered on this, and an indictment, setting forth more formally the same offence as in the presentment, was sent before the grand jury with about the same witnesses as before, and they returned it a true bill. Now, I leave it to any fair-minded man to say, that if a lie is out, or a "base", political prejudice is sought to be gratified, who is guilty of it; whether it is upon these half-dozen witnesses and thirty-six grand jurors who spoke upon their oaths, or upon these gentlemen who write newspaper paragraphs under assumed names? These gents failed to give us a single fact upon which they found so gross an assertion upon those concerned in this "persecution." We have their bare assertion and nothing else; and that, too, against the oaths of these grand jurors and witnesses.

Considering these articles in your paper disgraceful efforts on the part of these correspondents to assail the integrity of the people of this county, when on their oaths as witnesses, jurors or officers, it is not my purpose to go beyond these correspondents and in vindication of the people of this county. These gents failed to tell us how it appears that this matter was founded on political prejudice only, and not upon good cause shown. If a white man's political opinions are such as to render him odious to the white citizens of a county, and he should commit an offence, and the grand jury present him, does it follow that it is done from political prejudice? Is such a one to go exempt from presentment, or if made, are the grand jurors to be accused of violating their oaths? Any delay in making such presentment only proves the unwillingness of those who know of the offence to voluntarily go before the grand jury.

If any politics are dragged into this matter, I feel quite sure that it will come from them who assail those "concerned in this prosecution." The first intimation that I heard of politics came from those in sympathy with the accused and professing his politics.

I boldly assert that it has been the effort of the Conservatives here to promote union and allay prejudice between the two races. Any efforts otherwise have come from the other side.

In conclusion, I do hope that "Goochlander" and "W." will be able to find some more profitable employment of their time than to use it in such attempts to throw their slime broadcast upon the people of this county. If they honestly believed their own representations of the depraved condition of the people here, they must either be very fond of such society, if they stay in it, or else they will "bid adieu to this county forever"—much to the gratification of the good people in it.

Respectfully, yours,
GEO. P. HUGHES.

THE LEGISLATURE.

RICHMOND, February 11.

Senate.

The president pro tem., in the chair.
Prayer by the Rev. A. E. Dickinson.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES.

In relation to the partition of lands (with amendments).

To amend section 9, of chapter 184 of the code in relation to the fees of commissioners in chancery.

In relation to the payment of clerks of county and corporation courts.

THE ALEXANDRIA AND RICHMOND R. R.

bill was taken up and discussed at length. The substitute of Mr. Herndon was defeated by a vote of 10 to 28.

House of Delegates.

House met at 12 M. Speaker Turner in the chair.

CHANGE OF HOUR OF MEETING.

Mr. Lovenstein offered a resolution that, on and after Tuesday next, the House meet at 11 o'clock, until further ordered.

Agreed to; ayes 56, nays 45.

THE USE OF THE HALL

of the House, on motion of Mr. Stevens, colored, was granted to Col. R. W. Hughes, and Gen. S. C. Armstrong, principal of the Hampton (colored) Institute, for the purpose of delivering addresses on the plans and purposes of said institute, on Tuesday next, 13th inst.

SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST MEMBERS.

Mr. Pannill offered the following resolution:

Whereas charges have been made involving the dignity and character of this representative body, to wit: That certain members have received pecuniary compensation for their votes upon certain proposed railroad charters, and have been retained by certain railroad companies, or their agents, as feed counsel to advocate certain railroad polices upon this floor; therefore be it

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed with instructions to examine into the validity of such charges, and report the result of their investigation to this House.

The resolution was amended by authorizing the committee to send for persons and papers, and then adopted.

TAXATION.

Mr. Bell, of Augusta, offered a resolution instructing the Auditor of Public Accounts to report to the House the value of real and personal property subject to taxation in the State, the estimated amount that will be raised by taxation from all sources, upon the basis of the tax bill of 1870; the amount of surplus that will remain from the taxes of 1870, together with an estimate of the amount that will be required for the support of the government for the next fiscal year, and the amount that will be required to pay the interest on the public debt for one year. Agreed to.

SENATE BILLS REPORTED.

To authorize the county of Washington to borrow money to redeem and pay off railroad and court-house bonds falling due in 1872; to amend the act in relation to boards of supervisors; to authorize the voters of Hanover to vote on the question of removing their court-house to Ashland (with amendments); appropriating money for the extension of the Eastern Lunatic Asylum.

THE ALEXANDRIA AND FREDERICKSBURG RAILROAD

bill was again considered, and was under discussion as we close.

DEATH OF MRS. MARTHA HAYNES BENNETT.—The painful intelligence that this lady breathed her last in New York on Wednesday has reached her family, and will surprise the community as much as it did us. The last time she was in Norfolk her appearance indicated the most robust health, and few who saw her then thought that the roses of health on her cheeks would soon be succeeded by death. In person Mrs. Bennett was handsome and distinguished; in manners affable and attractive, and her loss will be severely felt by a large circle of friends, both literary and personal, at the North and South.—*Norfolk Virginian.*

In 1841 Great Britain raised £21,808,845 by duties by 1,163 articles. In 1862 she raised £24,063,000 by lower duties on only forty-four articles.

The Portland (Me.) *Press* speaks discouragingly of the health of Senator Morrill. He will not be able at present to return to Washington.

The new Governor of Maine has just appointed his predecessor in office a justice of the peace.

A marble statue of the late Jas. Guthrie, of Kentucky, made in Italy, is to be set up in Louisville.

An Indianapolis girl doesn't allow the loss of one leg to prevent her dancing the Virginia reel on crutches.

An editor out West says he is so short-sighted that he frequently rubs out with his nose what he writes with his pencil.

Governor English, of Connecticut, heads a petition to the City Council of New Haven to allow the running of the street cars on Sunday.

The planters of Mississippi, almost without exception, say they intend to put in more corn and raise more stock feed the present year.

James Sims, colored, has been appointed a Judge in Georgia.

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General European Intelligence.

Reported Exclusively for the State Journal.

Versailles, Feb. 8.—Yesterday 80 field guns and 140,000 rifles were delivered at Ivey and Vanvres.

Things look gloomy to-day, and an explanation of the cause is precluded.

Paris may be entered before the 19th instant. Preparations are making for a heavy bombardment should possible complications occur. The attitude of the army is apathelic, and a reaction is expected.

The arrangements for supplying food are working tolerably well.

Should the Assembly reject peace, the war will be resumed with unspairing vigor, and Paris will be heavily mulcted.

Bismarck is again unwell. His condition causes grave uneasiness.

London, February 10.—According to a report in the *Gaulois*, M. Favre has gone to Antwerp to communicate with one of the Orleans Princes. A dispatch received from Brussels states that Favre arrived in that city on Thursday night.

Hussien Bey has left Tunis for Florence, with power to settle the question at once between Tunis and Italy.

From Utah.

Reported Exclusively for the State Journal:

Salt Lake City, February 10.—Brigham Young returned to this city to-day from the Southwestern part of the territory where he has been spending the winter.—He was escorted into town by a mounted body-guard.

Much activity prevails in mining matters here, discoveries of extraordinary richness being made almost daily. Capitalists are interested, and much property is changing hands.

From California.

Reported Exclusively for the State Journal:

San Francisco, Feb. 10.—The entire press of California is calling loudly on the government for protection for the people of Arizona against the Apaches.

Washington News.

Washington, Feb. 11.—The following nominations were conferred by the Senate yesterday: Hamilton Fish, Secretary of State; Robert C. Schenck, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plempotentiary to England; Samuel Nelson, Associate Justice of Supreme Court of the United States; Ebenezer R. Hoar, of Massachusetts, and George H. Williams, of Oregon, to be commissioners on the part of the United States in a joint high commission between Great Britain and the United States for the settlement of claims pending between Great Britain and the United States; also Bowen Mattock to be Appraiser of Merchandize at Cincinnati. This confirmation is made to correct a clerical error in the confirmation of February 2d.

LOCAL NEWS.

Religious Services To-morrow.—We note the following special appointments:

First Baptist Church—Rev. J. R. Garlick at 11 A. M.

Leigh-Street Baptist—Rev. J. L. Burrows, D. D., at 11 A. M.

Belvidere Baptist—Rev. A. M. Poindexter at 11 A. M. Rev. J. L. M. Curry at 7½ P. M.; after which the ordinance of baptism will be administered.

Fulton Baptist—Rev. John M. Butler at 11 A. M. Rev. J. T. Whitley at 7½ P. M.

Trinity Methodist—Rev. J. P. Garland will preach at 7½ P. M. the first of a series of sermons to young men.

Clay Street—Bishop Doggett at 11 A. M.

Broad Street—Rev. J. E. Edwards, D. D., having recovered from his indisposition, will fill his pulpit as usual.

Third Presbyterian—Rev. E. T. Baird, D. D., at 11 A. M. Rev. M. D. Hoge, D. D., at 7½ P. M.

Methodist Episcopal—(United States court-room)—At 11 A. M. Rev. W. F. Hemenway.

Trial of a Fire-Escape—Accident.—A large number of citizens assembled this morning about 11 o'clock, in front of the Theatre, to witness the trial of a fire-escape. As soon as the rope, a mere sash cord apparently, was affixed to a front third-story window of the "Temple of the Muses," the operator, Mr. Sam Nichols, commenced the "morning exercise" by appearing at the upper end of the rope, and after attaching himself thereto, sliding down in an apparently very agreeable and cosy manner. The experiment was repeated several times successfully by him. It was then proposed to show how the thing worked by Nichols starting from a third-story window, and gathering up on his way down a man from each window below him. For this purpose Messrs. Charles Straylor, a young man who lives at Sauer's Hotel, Broad street, and Geo. Mountcastle volunteered their services to elucidate the descending principle sought to be inculcated by the illustration being given by Professor Nichols. The latter weighed about 150 pounds avordupois; young Straylor about 100, and Mr. Mountcastle about 400. All parties being in position, Nichols commenced his descent, and, arriving at the second story, safely hitched on Straylor, and continued his downward course. Arriving at the first story where Mountcastle stood, that gentleman was also made fast to the rope, and amid the cries of some of the bystanders that the rope would break, the three swung over the stone parapet and dangled for a moment in the air. As they commenced moving downward, a sharp, quick snap was heard, and in a second all three were seen coming toward the pavement with all the force allowed by the attraction of gravitation. The rope had broken?

The crowd paused for an instant, horror-struck at the spectacle, and then made a rush for the recumbent figures on the pavement. They were speedily lifted up and their injuries examined into. Mr. Nicholas was found to have both his ankles badly sprained; Mr. Strayler had the small bone of his right ankle broken, and Mr. Mountcastle, very luckily for him, had only been very severely jarred, though the bricks on which he fell were subjected to a compound comminuted fracture.

The success of the apparatus would have been assured had it not been that the rope was unable to stand 650 pounds weight.

Court of Appeals.—Appeals have been allowed in the following cases:

Gregg vs. Jones—from the Circuit court of Loudoun county.

Anderson's executrix vs. Anderson—from the Chancery court of Richmond.

Hambrick vs. Stewart. Appeal dismissed on motion of appellant.

Kelley vs. Love's administrator. Appeal.

Robinson vs. Braxton. Decree of Circuit court of Henrico reversed.

Kelley &c., vs. Love's administrator. Decree of Washington county Circuit court reversed.

The next session, at Staunton, will be held on the 10th of August, and at Wytheville the 10th of June next.

The penitentiary operatives are trying to straighten the lines of trees on the Capitol Square by cutting down all those not in the right place. Their places are to be supplied by young trees.

The Public Schools in Henrico.—These schools, we are pleased to say, are making very gratifying progress indeed. The county superintendent, Dr. John N. Powell, is an active, energetic gentleman, and fully impressed with the fact, that what is done in this long neglected matter of education should be done quickly—at least in Henrico. The following admirable school books have been furnished for the use of these schools by Messrs. West & Johnston, of this city, viz: Davies' Arithmetic, McGuffey's Speller and Reader, Mitchell's Geographies, Goodrich's Histories, Smith's Grammar, Webster's Dictionary, Payson, Dunton & Scribner's copy-books.

We append a statement on the subject of these schools, which will exhibit their present condition:

HENRICO COUNTY, February 6th, 1871.

To the State Superintendent of Public Instruction:

SIR—In obedience to a request in the "Educational Journal," I send herewith the information desired.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
JOHN N. POWELL,
County Superintendent, &c.

BROOKLAND DISTRICT.

Ten schools have been located, and out of that number the following are in operation:

No. 1, white	11	scholars
2, colored	33	"
3, white	21	"
6, "	30	"
10, "	31	"
Total	131	"

Two schools, one white and one colored, will commence this week or early the next. More colored schools would have been in operation, but there has been great difficulty in procuring teachers for them. All the schools in this district are rapidly increasing in the number of pupils, and the system is working as well as could be expected, in view of the difficulties incident to the season of the year, and the lack of money which the clerk of one of the Boards of Trustees, (whose letter I shall transcribe in another part of this communication) informs me is a great hinderance to the progress of the work.

TUCKAHOE TOWNSHIP.

School No. 1, white, at Harvie, 2 teachers, 67 scholars. No. 2, 18 scholars and daily increasing. No. 3, at Harvie, 2 teachers, 56 scholars in attendance, and increasing. No. 5, at Harvie, 27 scholars. (No Not given), colored, 50 scholars, probably increase to 45. Total—198 scholars.

In Mr. Moncure's letter, he makes the following remarks upon the prospect, after giving the result of the number of schools in actual operation, "School No. 6, not yet opened, but expects to be in a few days. Arrangements have been made for the starting of two more colored schools, as soon as teachers can be procured. I hope you can furnish me two or more competent teachers to take charge of them. The schools now in operation are progressing finely, and daily growing into public notice and favor. I am often appealed to, to start more in other sections of the district."

Mr. Hugh A. Watt, clerk of Fairfield District, writes me in relation to my enquiries, upon the subject as follows:

FAIRFIELD DISTRICT, HENRICO CO., Feb. 4, 1871.

DR. J. N. POWELL: Dear Sir—In compliance with yours of the 3d inst., you have herewith the information you wish. I would remark here that the Board have been greatly retarded in their operations for the want of money (which although the township has authorized a levy for the purpose of building the houses, purchasing school furniture, yet no money has reached their hands) to purchase furniture, make repairs to houses, and to obtain houses to open the schools in.

Yours respectfully,
HUGH A. WATT.

One colored school is in operation in Fulton with an attendance of from 20 to 27 scholars and on the increase. Five school houses rented, and when the necessary alterations and repairs can be made and the furniture procured, we have the teachers and scholars ready to begin with. And two other districts in which, as yet, they have not been able to procure houses, but where they are endeavoring to do so. The township has been laid off in districts, and the remaining districts will have the schools opened as soon as possible.

Yours,
HUGH A. WATT,
Clerk Fairfield Township.

I regret to inform you that no school has been opened in Varina Township, though steps are now being taken to put several into operation, which I think will be done in a week or two more.—The people in this township did not seem to appreciate the importance of the subject, and were reluctant to vote an appropriation by taxation, at the time of the election. But I think, if the thing were to do over again, they would act differently. A better feeling prevails among them now, and from the estimation and interest evinced on the part of the trustees, and other prominent citizens, I augur a favorable result in a very short time.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,
J. N. POWELL,
County Superintendent for Henrico county.

Police Court.—The following cases were disposed of by Police Justice White this morning:

Henry Schwartz, charged with attempting to defraud Caroline Smith, was discharged.

James Archer, colored, charged with stealing a lot of wearing apparel, valued at $80, the property of Henry Raw. Case dismissed.

Caroline Clark, charged with breaking open one trunk, the property of Dr. Fairfax. Case continued until Monday.

Thomas Clark, colored, charged with bigamy. Case continued until Monday.

Ellen Fowles, charged with trespassing on the premises of Francis Roane and with refusing to leave when ordered. Case dismissed.

Andrew J. Jones, charged with being drunk and disorderly and with exposing his person in the street. Discharged.

Solon Johnson.—This well-known colored Conservative is now a resident of New York city. He says in reply to something about himself contained in the New York *Democrat*, "will you permit me to state that my object in coming to this city is to earn a livelihood, and not to engage in politics, and that I shall be glad to get a position as janitor or porter, either in a hotel, store, or club-house."

Pardoned.—Marshal Parker received yesterday the President's warrant for the pardon of Thomas W. Rochef who was tried by the United States Circuit Court last March, and sentenced to imprisonment in the Albany penitentiary for one yea. His term of imprisonment would expire on the 21st of next monsh.

Old Dominion Lodge.—The committee appointed by this Lodge of Knights of Pythias, to procure a picture of the late Samuel H. Hines, will meet at Rees's gallery this evening at four o'clock, for the purpose of examining the one procured by order of the Lodge.

Forgery.—We are informed that a noted clothing merchant of this city gave to an ex-deputy clerk of the court of an adjacent county a suit of clothes, and forty or fifty dollars, in change for a check purporting to have been drawn by the vice-president of one of our leading railroads. Said check proved to be a forgery.

Tableaux Vivant.—A series of tableaux vivant and statuary will be exhibited at Virginia Hall, Ninth street, on Tuesday, the 21st instant, under the auspices of Marshall Lodge Knights of Pythias. Thirty-six ladies and gentlemen will take part in the exhibition, which, among other things, will illustrate various scenes from Damon and Pythias.

Hustings Court.—The following cases were acted on in this court yesterday evening: Wm. Curtis, felony, case continued; Freeman Jones, misdemeaner, 90 days in jail; William Young and James Kinney, petty larceny, 30 days in jail.

The citizens of Madison ward are much indebted for the cleanliness of the streets, to the efficient and energetic ward scavenger, Mr. Samuel Preston.

The weather just now is all that could be desired, cool, bracing, airish, agreeable and healthul, and with just enough of spring in its composition to make it entirely seasonable.

A false alarm of fire was cause by a large light seen in the eastern suburbs of the city. The alarm was given from box 21, on Church Hill.

The stable of Tobias Eacho, who lives at Seven Pines, Henrico county, was entered by a lover of horse flesh last night, who carried off a blooded mare belonging to E. D. Eacho of this city.

A New Paper.—We understand that "Hembold's Buchu" will commence the issue of a daily paper in this city shortly.

Rates of Advertising.

Advertisements will be inserted in the EVENING JOURNAL at the following rates:

One square, one insertion	$ 75
One square, two insertion	1 25
One square, three insertions	1 75
One square, six insertions	3 00
One square, twelve insertions	5 50
One square, one month	10 00
One square, two months	18 00
One square, three months	

For quarterly and yearly Advertisements special arrangements will be made.

Another Masquerade Ball.—The Gesangverien Virginia will give a grand masquerade ball at the Assembly Hall (Skating Rink) on the 20th of this month. The committee of arrangements have made the greatest preparations to ensure a brilliant occasion.

William Curtis, colored, was sent to the penitentiary by the Hustings court for 3 years, for forgery. The case of Thos. Williams, for horse stealing, was on trial when we went to press.

A Fight on the Dock.—Two colored men had a misunderstanding on the Dock at noon to-day, culminating in an appeal to arms. While the contest was raging United States Marshal Parker rode by and separated the combatants. About one hundred persons had gathered around in the meantime. The parties having gotten their second wind closed in for a renewal of the performance, when some friendly party whispered into their ears who Parker was when the whole party scattered at once. They evidently did not want to fall into the hands of any of Uncle Sam's representatives.

Judge John C. Underwood is at present in Charleston, S. C.

The blooded stallion Eutaw will be raffled off this this evening, at 7 o'clock, at John T. Johnsen's restaurant, Twelfth street. Those who have taken chances would do well to be on hand.

THE HAIR COLORING PREPARATIONS DOOMED.—Beware of bottled dyes in the shape of silver hair dyes and sediment fluids. They are all pestiferous and dangerous. PHALON'S VITALIA OR SALVATION FOR THE HAIR, a perfectly pure, transparent, harmless and agreeable preparation, is the only agent that will change grey hair to its natural color without risk of any disgusting consequences.

E. F. B. paints the pale, soothes the nervous, and cures the Hysterical.

THURSTON'S IVORY PEARL TOOTH POWDER is strongly recommended as the best dentifrice known. It cleanses and preserves the teeth, hardens the gums, sweetens the breath; and, containing no acid or gritty substance, is perfectly harmless, and can be used daily with great advantage. Sold by all druggists. Price, 25 and 50 cents per bottle.

ANY father having a sickly wife or daughter, should buy English Female Bitters.

JOUVEN'S INODOROUS KID GLOVE CLEANER.—By its aid gloves can be quickly and repeatedly cleaned and made equal to new; even when badly soiled they can be readily restored. It is easy of application and is perfectly free from any odor. For sale by druggists and fancy goods dealers. Price, 25 cents a bottle.

THE most powerful Iron and Vegetable Tonic, is English Female Bitters.

THOMPSON'S POMADE OPTIME, as a dressing for the Hair is all that is required; purely vegetable and highly perfumed, it softens, improves and beautifies the Hair, strengthens the roots, and gives it a rich, glossy appearance. or sale by all druggists Price, 35 and 75 cents per bottle.

RATTLE the drum, play the fife,
Use English Female Bitters, save your life.

DR. L. CONGDON, the Indian physician, claims to have successfully treated quite a number of patients in this city, and we hear of those who testify to the fact. It is fortunate that there are many physicians with different systems of practice for the cure of almost endless diseases. The Doctor is confident of the merits of his mode of treating the sick, and invites those afflicted to consult him and judge for themselves of his ability to cure. He can be found at his office in Manchester, next to the post-office and may be "interviewed" during the day or evening.

FOR chronic female complaints, nothing equals English Female Bitters.

DIED.

CARTER.—On Friday, February 10th, in the 18th year of her age, Mrs. REBECCA CARTER, wife of John H. Carter, of this city.

The funeral will take place TO-MORROW (Sunday) at the First Baptist church, colored, at 10 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

By Paine & Co., Auctioneers.

IN THE MATTER OF FISHER & GOLDSTEIN, Bankrupts.

By virtue of an order from the United States District Court for the District of Virginia, in the above cause, I shall proceed to sell, for cash, at auction, on
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH,
at 10 o'clock A. M., at the auction rooms of Paine & Co., a large and desirable stock of
DRY GOODS,
BOOTS, SHOES,
GROCERIES,
SHOW-CASES,
SHOVELS, SCALES, &c.,
embracing the stock of a country store, as well as the firm in this city.
DAVID B. PARKER,
fe 11—td U. S. Marshal.

CONVENTION OF SOCIETIES.

The Presidents of all the benevolent societies are respectfully requested to send TWO DELEGATES to a CONVENTION to be held at Hewlett's Church, on Seventeenth street, on MONDAY, the 27th instant, at 7 o'clock P. M. Delegates will be furnished with proper credentials from their respective societies. Business of great importance to be transacted. Many eminent speakers will be present.
Done by request of five societies:
R. W. JOHNSON, Chairman.
J. H. CARTER, Secretary. fe 11—1t*

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States for the District of Virginia.
In the matter of