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VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE.

TUESDAY, Dec. 12th.

House of Delegates.

House met at 12 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. C. C. Bitting, of the Second Baptist church.

Journal of yesterday read.

The Chair announced a message from the Governor, relating to the James River and Kanawha Company, which being read by the Clerk, is as follows:

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS, RICHMOND, Dec. 11th, 1871.

To the General Assembly:

I have the honor to transmit herewith, for your consideration, a memorial of the James River and Kanawha Company, together with a note from the President of the Company, and an able letter in support of the memorial from Col. H. W. Hughes. The company ask an extension of its charter, and that ample power be conferred upon a commission to be selected by you to transfer the rights, property and franchise of the company, either to the United States government or private parties, in such manner and on such conditions as will secure the early completion of the canal. I know of no way by which the now almost valueless interest in this company owned by the State, can be rendered valuable, or the objects sought to be accomplished by the investment realized, except by the completion of the work already begun. But the condition of our State and the provisions of her constitution alike forbid any attempt in this behalf on her part.

Aid must be obtained elsewhere, and it is probable that this cannot be secured except by a surrender on the part of the State of her interest therein. The vast benefits which would accrue to the States of Virginia and West Virginia from the completion of this great water line, are almost incalculable, and to secure them, it appears to me, they would be amply justified, not only in renewing the charter, but in donating the investment already made. The plan proposed in the memorial of placing this property in the hands of a commission, to be disposed of upon such terms and conditions as will insure its early completion, and with suitable reservation and guarantees as to its future use and management under all the circumstances, I cordially commend.

Very respectfully,
G. C. WALKER.

Message from the Senate—Senate bill to amend and reënact an act passed March 16th, 1860, incorporating the town of Powellton, in the county of Amherst. Properly referred.

Senate bill—An act to incorporate the Norwood Mining and Petroleum Company. Referred.

The Committee on Courts of Justice having reported against granting to a single magistrate the power to take the acknowledgement of a married women to a deed of conveyance, elicited some discussion, in which old fogyism was displayed to an alarming extent. The argument that it was an "old time custom" seemed to have more influence than anything else. We are pleased to announce the rejection of this very singular report of the committee.

Mr. Walker offered an amendment to the report of the committee, so changing it as to make it in favor of allowing the acknowledgment to be taken by a single Justice. The vote being taken, the report as amended resulted in its adoption by a vote of ayes 61, noes, 54. This came very near being first-class old fogyism.

By Mr. Stovall—

Resolved, That the Committee on Courts of Justice be instructed to inquire into the expediency of passing a law allowing debtors who file their deeds claiming the benefit of the Homestead law, the right to appeal from the decision of any lower court deciding the said law to be unconstitutional to the Court of Appeals without bond and security, as now required by law, and suspending all decrees for sale of such homestead, till the constitutionality of said law be decided by said court.

A message from the Senate announced its disagreement to the amendment of the House in reference to extending relief to tax payers until "May" instead of "March."

There seems to be great difficulty in obtaining order in the House, the members persisting in loud talking, much to the annoyance of the Speaker, and delaying business.

On the proposition that the House recede from its amendment to the relief bill, the vote being taken, resulted as follows: ayes, 59; noes, 55.

By Mr. Deneale—

Resolved, That the Auditor of Public Accounts furnish this House a statement showing the whole amount of revenue received under the tax law of 1871, setting forth the items (with the amounts) from which such revenue was derived.

By Mr. Gilman—A bill providing for furnishing to the colleges of the State, in which law schools are established, surplus law publications.

By Mr. Daniel—A bill continuing the payment of interest and dividends to the incorporated colleges or other seminaries of learning in this State.

The question of extending the time for the payment of taxes from March until May, elicited some discussion, Mr. Deneale of Rockingham, favoring the recoding of the House from its amendment. We are surprised to find any member from the Valley placing himself in opposition to this substantial relief, since such heavy complaints reach us from that section of the State, of the burthen of taxation. Upon a question to reconsider the vote, the roll stood—ayes 49; noes 69.

By Mr. Gardner—

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing be instructed to inquire into the reported "combination" among the printers of Richmond to exort high prices for printing from the State, whether or not the Superintendent is a party to said "combination," and whether or not the expenses for public printing for the past two years have been excessive.

By Mr. Bagwell—Petition of Edward L. Willis, of Northampton county, contesting the seat of Peter J. Carter as a delegate to the General Assembly from said county. Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Graham—A bill for the protection of fish in the waters of New river and its tributaries. Referred to Committee on Chesapeake and its Tributaries.

By Mr. Graves—

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance inquire into the expedience of amending the 5th section of an act approved July 9th, 1870, providing for the reassessment of lands throughout the Commonwealth, so as to allow any person feeling himself aggrieved, by the assessment of his lands or lots to apply to the court of his county or town to have the assessment of his lands or lots corrected.

By Mr. Hanger—Petition of John Wine, asking to be relieved from erroneous assessment of taxes. Referred to Committee on Finance.

By Mr. Head—A bill to amend and reënact section 5 of an act approved July 9th, 1870, entitled "an act to reassess the lands throughout the Commonwealth." Referred to Committee on Finance.

By Mr. Bishop—

Resolved, That the Committee on Privileges and Elections be requested to inquire into the expediency of so amending section 2 of article 7 of the constitution, so as to provide for an election once in every *two years*, instead of *every year*, in townships; also

Resolved, That they be requested to take into consider that so much of the Governor's message as recommends the holding of elections for State and county purposes on the 4th Thursday in May.

By Mr. Thomas—Memorial of directors of Front Royal Turnpike company.

By Mr. Keyser—A bill to amend and reënact section 19 of an act entitled "an act to amend and reënact sections 19 and 26 of chapter 441, of acts of 1869-'70, in relation to roads," approved March 26th, 1871.

By Mr. James S. Gilliam—

Resolved, That the Committee on Claims inquire into the expediency of allowing a certain claim of T. Griffith, crier of Westmoreland county court, for the sum of $40 50, with interest from March 1st, 1871, until paid, and that said Committee, upon examining the papers accompanying the resolution shall report by bill or otherwise.

By Mr. John G. Brown—

Resolved, That the Committee on Immigration be requested to confer with the different railroads in regard to reduction of fare to parties wishing to purchase land and to actual settlers.

By Mr. J. W. B. Matthews—A bill to repeal an act approved July 11th, 1870, authorizing chain-gangs.

By Mr. Warner J. Jones—Petition of citizens of Gloucester county for the reassessment of lands in said county.

By Mr. J. Thompson Brown—Memorial of Committee of Richmond Academy of Medicine, praying the establishment of some institution for the care and reformation of inebriates.

By Mr. Tidball—

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance inquire into the expediency of exempting the Agricultural societies of the State from taxation.

By Mr. Bouton—

Resolved, That the Committee on Schools and Colleges be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 250 of the acts of 1869-70, as to prohibit submitting to voters of counties and townships the question of school tax and to provide for payment of expenses now met by county and district taxes, out of the State school fund.

By Mr. Cummings—

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending 5th section, chapter 188 of acts of 1869-70 so as to define with more certainty the mode of fixing the county levy in the different counties of the State.

By Mr. Butler—

Resolved, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to equalization of taxes be referred to the Committee on Finance, with the request that they report upon same.

By Mr. Smith—

Resolved, That Committee on Schools and Colleges be instructed to inquire into expediency of reporting a bill to make available to the counties of Nelson and Albemarle the Dawson fund.

By Mr. Taliaferro—

Resolved, That Committee on Courts of Justice inquire into the expediency of so changing the law as that there shall not be more than one judge for every senatorial district of this Commonwealth.

By Mr. Smith—

Resolved, That the Committee on Roads and Internal Navigation inquire into the expediency of passing a general railroad law.

By Mr. Minor—

Resolved, That the 8th rule of the House be so amended as to require the clerk to furnish stationery to each member, not to exceed ten dollars per session; to take effect from the beginning of next session.

By Mr. McMullen—

Resolved, That the Committee on Courts of Justice be instructed to ascertain and report, if any, what separate legislation is needful, or what amendment or amendments to an act approved June 27th, 1870, entitled an act "to prescribe in what manner and on what conditions a householder or head of a family shall set apart and hold a homestead and personal property for benefit of himself and family, exempt from sale for debts," are necessary to secure to every householder or head of a family, the full benefits of the homestead and other exemptions guaranteed in the constitution, without the cost of setting them apart (as now provided by said act of June 27th, 1870,) to all householders and heads of families, the amount of whose property, both personal and real, is worth less than the amount exempt from sale for debt under the provisions of the 11th article of the constitution.

By Mr. Beaton—

Resolved, That the Committee on Courts of Justice be instructed to inquire into the expediency of enlarging the jurisdiction of justices of the peace, so as to allow to act on claims not to exceed $100, and also, if necessary, report what other legislation is needed pertaining to their offices.

By Mr. Powell—

Resolved, That a committee composed of seven members of the House of Delegates and five members of the Senate be appointed, whose duty it shall be to take into consideration and report to the General Assembly such amendments as ought to be made to the constitution of Virginia

By Mr. Douglas—

Resolved, That the Superintendents of Public Instruction be requested to furnish the House of Delegates, at the earliest day practicable, a full statement of the amount of the Glebe fund, in the State, and also information as to the present application of said fund.

By Mr. Taliaferro—

Resolved, That the Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns inquire into the expediency of repealing the 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16 sections of chapter 441, of acts of 1869-'70, and substitute a capitation tax for the two days labor as provided by section 15, and requiring Township Collectors to collect said tax and the property tax under orders of the Township Board.

By Mr. Smith—

Resolved, That Committee on Courts of Justice take into consideration the justice and propriety of so amending the statutes as to provide that all sales of land to be made under decrees of courts be made on ten years' time in equal annual instalments, bearing interest from day of sale, unless defendant should prefer sale on shorter time.

By Mr. Walker—A bill to amend section 7 of an act to provide for dividing the counties of the State into townships.

At half-past one o'clock the House adjourned—a slight improvement.

Senate.

The Lieutenant-Governor in the chair.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr. J. L. Burrows of the Baptist church.

Messrs. Patterson, Quesenbury and Meem appeared at the clerk's desk and took the oath required by law.

The President laid before the Senate a communication from the Governor, referring to the James River and Kanawha Canal Company, which was read, and with the accompanying papers, was laid on the table.

COLLECTION OF TAXES.

Senate joint resolution extending time for the collection of taxes in counties and towns in the Commonwealth for the year 1871, with amendments proposed by the House of Delegates, was taken up and after a brief discussion the amendments were disagreed to, and M. Johnson was instructed so to inform the House.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Herndon, from the Committee on Courts of Justice, reported without amendment—

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Virginia in relation to the clause in respect to and entitled "Usury," and directing a submission of said proposed amendment to the people for their approval and ratification.

Senate bill to expedite the execution of the will of Wm. Barrett, deceased, which was subsequently passed; also,

A bill to amend and reënact section 10 of chapter 199 of the code of 1860, concerning crimes and punishment.

Also a bill to amend and reënact section 2 of chapter 174 of the code of 1860, in relation to the removal of causes pending in one court to another.

Mr. Anderson, of Rockbridge, from the Committee on Public Institutions, reported, with an amendment, Senate bill providing for the payment of the debt due by Washington College to the Literary fund, [which was subsequently recommitted to the Committee on Finance.]

Mr. Johnson, from the Committee on General Laws, reported, without amendments, Senate bill to amend and reënact section 9 of chapter 87 of the code of 1860, as amended by act of April 29, 1867, entitled an act to amend certain sections of chapter 87 of the code of 1860, and in relation to the inspection of tobacco. Subsequently passed.

MEMORIAL PRESENTED.

Mr. Lewis presented a memorial from the citizens of King George county praying for constitutional amendments, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee for Courts of Justice.

ADDITIONAL STANDING COMMITTEES ANNOUNCED.

To Examine Clerk's Office—Messrs. Perrin, Fitzpatrick and Smith.

On Executive Expenditures—Messrs. Patterson, Meem and Lewis.

To Examine Office of Auditor of Public Accounts—Messrs. Taylor, of Loudoun, Lackland and Greene.

To Examine Office of Second Auditor—Messrs. Terry, Hundley, and Nutting.

To Examine Register's Office—Messrs. Latham, Pridemore and Graham.

To Examine Treasurer's Office—Messrs. Penn, Boykin and Massey.

Joint Committee to Examine Official Bonds—Messrs. Nowlin, Halladay and Lathrop.

BILLS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

By Mr. Nowlin—To provide for the protection of fish in the waters of New river and its tributaries.

By Mr. Fitzpatrick—To prevent mischievous and roguish animals from going at large.

RESOLUTIONS OF INQUIRY PRESENTED AND ADOPTED.

By Mr. Connally—Into the present condition of the Armory grounds and buildings, and as to the expediency of making sale of the same at this time.

By Mr. Ward—Of so amending sections 21 and 22 of chapter 179 of an act "prescribing the duties and compensation of county officers," approved July 11, 1870, as to extend the time of paying the State taxes to the county treasurer to the 1st of December, instead of the 1st of September of each year.

By Mr. Hundley—As to repealing the Funding Bill and ascertaining what proportion of the interst hereafter to become due on State bonds can be discharged under the present system of taxation; also as to providing by law for payment, in full, of all interest due, or to become due upon bonds of the State, which were on the 30th day of March, 1871, *bona fide* held by, or in trust for, schools, colleges and other public institutions, also upon bonds held by, or in trust for, widows and infant children, who are citizens of this State.

ELECTION OF STATE OFFICERS.

The joint resolution fixing a day for the election of certain State officers was taken up, on motion of Mr. Penn, and so amended as to embrace Superintendent of Penitentiary, General Agent and Storekeeper of the Penitentiary, Register of the Land Office and Superintendent of Public Printing, and then laid on the table. The resolution fixes the 16th inst. for the election of all the State officers, as amended.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

—The Appomattox river is very low.

—About 25 new houses are in process of erection in Staunton.

—Alexandria claims to be the first manufacting *town* in the State. How is it for *city*?

—Philip Phillips was in Alexandria Friday night, and delighted a large audience by his sweet songs.

—The Potomac river is still filled with ice, but so broken as not to impede navigation to any considerable extent.

—A colored nurse, employed by a gentleman of Petersburg, recently disappeared very mysteriously, leaving nearly a month's wages due her.

—A Republican delegation is in Washington from Norfolk to urge the removal of certain officials connected with the navy-yard there.

—Receipts of tobacco at the Liberty Bedford County warehouse were good during the past week, in spite of cold weather, and prices obtained eminently satisfactory.

—Carroll county has paid her entire tax for the current year, with the exception of some five hundred dollars, and that is the tax on lands owned by non-residents.

—The court-house of Bedford county has recently undergone much needed repairs, and is now a comfortable place for holding court. This is as it should have been years ago.

—G. W. Shellcup, a fireman of Portsmouth, died at his home last Friday night. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon, and was attended by the firemen of Norfolk and Portsmouth.

—The Norfolk papers complain of rude conduct of boys attending the Opera House, who nightly annoy the well-behaved portion of the audience. Boys will be boys, "'cepen'" you lick 'em.

—On Thursday last, a race came off in Portsmouth, between a horse named "Minnie Ball," owned in Norfolk, and an unknown, belonging to Dan Rice's Circus. The race was declared a draw.

—A little daughter of Rev. E. P. Hawkins, in Louisa county, was, a few days ago, by a sad accident, so dreadfully scalded as to occasion her death after lingering a short time in unspeakable agony.

—The Petersburg Agricultural Association recently held quite a stormy meeting, and, if we are permitted to judge of its proceedings, one would imagine it near about harvest season—considerable *threshing* going on.

—Some wretch has robbed the *Index* office of its clock. Served 'em right; had no business with a clock, when it is known that those employed about a newspaper have to work all the time, regardless of hours.

—The Petersburg *Index* declares that *foreign* immigrants, the majority of whom are poor, are not the class that Virginia needs or wants; and yet Gov. Walker never said Northern emigration once in his lengthy message.

—Delaware Jones, a colored man of Alexandria, in attempting to get on the Washington train while it was in motion, near the canal basin, Friday morning, was dragged a considerable distance, knocked down and badly hurt.

—The press generally throughout the State speak in the highest terms of the Governor's Message. Our neighbor of the *Whig* stands alone in its opposition to portion of it. 'Tis better to be right, than with the majority.

—A stray horse was picked up in the streets a few nights ago, and has since been in the public pound awaiting claimant. He had on a bridle at the time he was taken up.—*Norfolk Virginian.*

The man that "picked" him up, must have been a second Sampson, and the "bridle" a stout one, to be sure.

—A daring attempt at murder was made at the White Sulphur Springs, on Friday night last. The attack was made by two negroes on Mr. Sprowl, a bar-keeper, who was shot twice through the head. The wounds are serious but not necessarily fatal. The would-be assassins made their escape.

—A Prussian, so very drunk he could not sit up, was lying in the street in Dumfries, Prince William county, on Saturday, with a gold draft for $1,500 in his pocket, which he had received in a registered letter the previous night. He could not speak English. Had the gentleman been unfortunate enough to be laying around loose in Richmond, with that amount of money in his old clothes, we think its retention doubtful.

POSTOFFICE AFFAIRS IN VIRGINIA. At Thornton's depôt, Fairfax county, Jas. T. Robey is appointed postmaster, vice W. J. Powell, removed; at Deertield, Augusta county, G. W. Gabbert is appointed, vice Susan Shover, resigned; at Waverly station, Sussex county, Geo. B. Chappell is appointed, vice B. Henderson, failed to qualify, and at Hunter's Lodge, Fluvanna county, George A. Payne is appointed, vice R. W. Gentry, resigned.

Election in Boston—Prince Alexis, &c.

Boston, Dec. 11.—Mr. Gaston, the Democratic and citizens' candidate, was reëlected mayor to-day. Party lines were generally ignored in the election, both as regarded the mayor and the two branches of the city council.

Prince Alexis has remained quiet to-day, suffering slightly from ague in the face. This evening he gave a private banquet to some twenty-five gentlemen, including Governor Claflin and Mayor Gaston.

LATEST NEWS.

THE PRINCE OF WALES.

The Bulletins Yesterday—Death Imminent, all Hope being Abandoned—Distress at Sandringham—The Prince Unconscious Since the first of the Month.

London, Dec. 11, 5 a. m.—It is now manifest, from the expressions of sympathy everywhere and prayers for the Prince of Wales, that the symptoms of death are very imminent, and that all hopes of his recovery have been abandoned. The Queen and Princess Alexandra are bearing the fatigue well, and the latter hardly leaves the sick room.

London, Dec. 11, 2 p. m.—A dispatch bearer who left Sandringham at 12.30 p. m. told outsiders that he did not expect to find the Prince alive when he returned, and the members of the royal family and others have given up all hopes of his recovery.

London, Dec. 11, 3 p. m.—An unofficial telegram dated Sandringham at 1 p. m., says it is evident from the distress which prevails there that the last hours of the Prince of Wales are approaching. The whole household has been thrown into the deepest gloom by the words of a special messenger who left the sick chamber shortly after noon with dispatches for London. He declared unreservedly to bystanders as he passed out of the house that he did not expect to find His Royal Highness living when he returned. The dispatch adds that expressions dropped by the members of the royal family and others in attendance on the Prince confirm the statement of the dispatch-bearer. It is evident that all hope has been abandoned.

London, Dec. 11, 3 p. m.—It is reported on good authority that, with one exception, the Prince has been unconscious since the first of the month. The Prince's children, the Queen, and other members of the royal family were repeatedly summoned to the bedside of the Prince yesterday and to-day.

London, Dec. 11, 6 p. m.—The following is the latest official bulletin:

Sandringham, Dec. 11, 5 p. m.—The Prince was very restless during the afternoon, but his exhaustion is not increasing. Signed by Sir Wm. Jenner and other physicians.

Sandringham, Dec. 11—10 *o'clock P. M.*—The Prince did not sleep during the evening, but his general state continues unchanged.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Supreme Court Decision—Investigations in the Treasury Department — Mexican Claims.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The Supreme court to-day rendered a decision in the case of Ward vs. The State of Maryland. In this case the plaintiff in error was indicted in the State court of a violation of the statute against sales by sample, by non-residents, without license, and the court affirmed the right of the State to exact the license.

The Supreme court holds that the statute of Maryland is in violation of that clause of the constitution which guarantees to the citizens of each State all the rights, privileges, &c., of citizens in the several States, and that it is therefore void; but the view is taken that it is not a violation of the commercial clause of the constitution if the tax on residents and non-residents is equally laid.

Justice Clifford delivered the opinion of the court. Justice Bradley concurred in the opinion as to the first branch of the decision, but dissented from the second, holding that the statute is a violation of the commercial clause of the constitution, because it is a regulation of commerce between the States, and that it is repugnant to this clause without regard to the equality of the tax.

The Treasury of the United States, at the request of Treasurer Spinner, has been placed in the hands of a committee appointed by Secretary Boutwell. The investigation will consume several months. In the meantime, however, there will be no interruption to business, as the committee will from day to day supply Mr. Spinner with the funds needed.

The Senate has ratified the supplemental treaty with Mexico, extending the time of the present commission for settling claims.

The Trial of Mrs. Wharton—Tracing the Tartar-Emetic.

Annapolis, Md., Dec. 11.—The court met at 10 o'clock. Professor Aiken resumed his evidence, which concluded Saturday with a narration of the search for strychnine, all traces of which were wanting. He now proceeded to detail his analyses and tests for arsenic in the material which had been left after the search for strychnine, resulting in a brown precipitate, a portion of which he tested with aqua ammonia, which satisfied him that no arsenic was present. He then proceeded to the portion of the material which had not been used in the test for arsenic. The result led him to suspect the presence of antimony, which is established by two or three results characteristic of an antimony and of nothing else; the test for antimony produced such results that he could not entertain doubt of its presence. Witness here detailed the process and treatment for determining the presence of antimony; he made tests to ascertain in what particular compound antimony was present; the only certainty was the presence of an antimonal containing that particular ordinary article of commerce known as tartar emetic; the result of compound obtained was sulphide of antimony; the quantity could not have been less than 20 grains; and if you call the article tartar emetic there were fully twenty grains or more; the ten grains of sulphide of antimony present would make twenty grains of tartar emetic. Witness was examined concerning the sediment found in the tumbler at Mrs. Wharton's. A tumbler containing a sediment was placed in his hands by Dr. Chew, which he tested for tartar emetic; verified his tests and found not less than ten grains of tartar emetic in the sediment; thinks the quantity was twelve grains; it was not less than ten.

FROM SPAIN.

Indignation at President Grant's Message—A Bearer of Dispatches Sent to Washington—Diplomatic Correspondence.

London, Dec. 10.—Tremendous excitement prevailed in Madrid on receipt of President Grant's message relating to the Cuban difficulty. The government has resolved to maintain a firm attitude. Reinforcements of 4,000 men, two generals, and four iron-clads will be immediately dispatched to Cuba.

New York, Dec. 11.—A special states that the result of the full Cabinet Council of Spain at Madrid, has been the sending of an attaché to Washington with dispatches to the Spanish Minister. These dispatches contain instructions respecting the attitude of the United States towards Spain in Cuba, and are said to refer to the course of the American government as likely to effect the Alabama claims in the Geneva conference by furnishing precedents in favor of the British government in the cases of the Hornet and Florida. Several interviews have been held between the Spanish Foreign Minister and British Minister at Madrid. Dispatches on the subject also passed between the Cabinets of Madrid, Florence, and Berlin, the Spanish government evidently being engaged in securing the neutrality of the United States in Cuban affairs.

The Wearing of the Red in New York.

New York, Dec. 11.—Large numbers of International workingmen attended the Jefferson Market Police court to witness the trial of their brethren arrested yesterday. Red ribbons, red feathers, and red neckties were conspicuous. On being brought into court, Judge Shaudley promptly discharged all of them, six in number, remarking that they had been punished sufficiently for their crime, if they had committed any, by being kept in prison over night. The policemen arresting them failed to make any charge against them, other than they feared that a breach of the peace was imminent. The crowd outside greeted the released men with great enthusiasm. Their red flag was returned to them. A mass meeting and procession on some evening is projected.

The Revolution in Mexico—Juarists Losing Ground.

New York, Dec. 11.—A special from Matamoras, dated the 10th, states that Trevino, commander of the revolutionists, telegraphs that the city of Saltillo, with all the government troops, arms, etc., has surrendered.

Cortina arrived at Matamoras on the 10th. In the municipal election Matamoras favored the anti-Juarists. Cortina was to have a conference with the government officials on the night of the 10th. The rebel General Quiroga has recruited five hundred men in Nuevo-Leon to march on Camargo.

Progress of the Ku-Klux Trials.

Columbia, Dec. 11.—The United States Court, when it sentences the prisoners who pleaded guilty, will render a decision as to which section of the Ku-Klux law fixes the punishment.

In the case of Avery and others, charged with murder, the defense moved to quash the indictment. This case will go to the Supreme Court upon a division of the Circuit Court.

National Board of Trade.

St. Louis, Dec. 11.—The National Board of Trade closed its session to-day. In the proceedings Mr. Wright, of Chicago, offered a report from the committee on warehouse receipts, memorializing State legislatures to enanct such penal laws as will adequately punish the issuing or negotiating spurious warehouse receipts, to protect holders of property covered by such receipts, and make warehouse receipts like other commercial paper.

BANKRUPT NOTICES.

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DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES for the Eastern District of Virginia—In bankruptcy.

In the matter of William Miller vs. John T. Johnson, bankrupt.

A warrant in bankruptcy has been issued by said court against the estate of John T. Johnson, of Henrico county and State of Virginia, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on the petition of his creditors; and the payment of any debts, and the delivery of any property belonging to said bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law: That a meeting of the creditors of said bankrupt, to prove their debts, and choose one or more assignees of his estate will be held at a court of bankruptcy to be holden at the office of the Register, in Richmond, Virginia, before W. W. Forbes, Esq., Register, on the 14th day of December, A. D. 1871, at 10 o clock A. M.

DAVID B. PARKER,
de 1—F2w U. S. Marshal.

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THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—That on the 28th day of Nov., 1871, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued out of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Virginia, against the estate of P. W. Hawthorn, of Lunenburg county, and State of Virginia, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts, and the delivery of any property belonging to said bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of said bankrupt, to prove their debts and choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a court of bankruptcy, to be holden at the office of the Register, in Richmond, Va., before W. W. Forbes, Esq., Register, on the 25th day of December, 1871, at 10 o'clock A. M. DAVID B. PARKER,
de 1—F2w U. S. Marshal.

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THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE:—That on the —— day of ——, 1871, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued out of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Virginia, against the estate of M. M. Lafoon, of Lunenburg county, and State of Virginia, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts, and the delivery of any property belonging to said bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of said bankrupt, to prove their debts and choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a court of bankruptcy, to be holden at the Register's office in Richmond, Virginia, before W. W. Forbes, Esq., Register, on the 28th day of December, 1871, at 10 o'clock A. M. DAVID B. PARKER,
de 1—F2w U. S. Marshal.

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THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE:—That on the 28th day of November, 1871, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued out of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Virginia, against the estate of Sylvanus Johnson, of Petersburg city and State of Virginia, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition:—That the payment of any debts, and the delivery of any property belonging to said bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law:—That a meeting of the creditors of said bankrupt, to prove their debts and choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a court of bankruptcy, to be holden at the office of the register, in Richmond, Va., before W W. Forbes, Esq., register, on the 28th day of December, 1871, at 10 o'clock A. M. DAVID B. PARKER,
de 1—F2w U. S. Marshal.

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THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—That on the 28th day of Nov., 1871, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued out of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Virginia, against the estate of Eugene W. Spratley, of Greenesville county, and State of Virginia, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts, and the delivery of any property belonging to said bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of said bankrupt, to prove their debts, and choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a court of bankruptcy, to be holden at the Register's office, in Richmond, Virginia, before W. W. Forbes, Esq, Register, on the 28th day of December, 1871, at 10 o'clock A. M., before W. W. Forbes, one of the registers of said court in bankruptcy, at his office in Richmond, in said district, is the time and place assigned for the hearing of the same, when and where you may attend and show cause, if any you have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted.

You are also hereby notified, that the second and third meetings of the creditors of the said bankrupt will be held at the same time and place.

W. W. FORBES,
Register in Bankruptcy for the
de 11—M2w 3d Cong'l Dist. of Va.

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THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE:—That on the 28th day of Nov., 1871, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued out of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Virginia, against the estate of W. W. Spratley, of Greenesville co., and State of Va., who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition:—That the payment of any debts, and the delivery of any property belonging to said bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of said bankrupt, to prove their debts and choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a court of bankruptcy, to be holden at the office of the register, in Richmond Va., before W. W. Forbes, Esq., register, on the 28th day of December, 1871, at 10 o'clock A. M.

DAVID B. PARKER,
de 1—F2w U. S. Marshal.

4300

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—That on the 28th day of Nov., 1871, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued out of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Virginia, against the estate of John S. Spencer, of Greenesville county, and State of Virginia, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition:—That the payment of any debts, and the delivery of any property belonging to said bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law:—That a meeting of the creditors of said bankrupt, to prove their debts and choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a court of bankruptcy, to be holden at the Register's office, in Richmond, Virginia, before W. W. Forbes, Esq., Register, on the 28th day of December, A. D. 1871, at 10 o'clock A. M.

DAVID B. PARKER,
de 1—F2w U. S. Marshal.

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THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—That on the 8th day of December, 1871, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued out of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Virginia, against the estate of John S. Gathright, of Goochland county, and State of Virginia, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition: That the payment of any debts, and the delivery of any property belonging to said bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law: That a meeting of the creditors of said bankrupt, to prove their debts, and choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a court of bankruptcy, to be holden at the Register's office, in Richmond, Virginia, before W. W. Forbes, Esq, Register, on the 27th day of December, A. D., 1871, at 10 o'clock A. M.

DAVID B. PARKER,
de 11—M2w U. S. Marshal.

BANKRUPT NOTICES.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES for the Eastern District of Virginia.

In the matter of Langston Arvin, bankrupt—in bankruptcy.

At Richmond, on the 9th day of December, 1871.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Please to take notice hereby, that a petition has been, to wit: on the 1st day of November, 1871, filed in said District Court by Langston Arvin, of Lunenburg county, in said district, who has been heretofore duly declared bankrupt, under the act of Congress entitled "An act to establish a more uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States," approved March 2d, 1867, for a discharge and certificate thereof, from all his debts and other claims provable under said act, and that the 27th day of Dec., 1871, at 10 o'clock, A. M., before W. W. Forbes, one of the registers of said court in bankruptcy, at his office in Richmond, in said district, is the time and place assigned for the hearing of the same, when and where you may attend and show cause, if any you have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted.

You are also hereby notified, that the second and third meetings of the creditors of the said bankrupt will be held at the same time and place.

W. W. FORBES,
Register in Bankruptcy
de 11—M2w for 3d Con'l Dist. of Va.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES for the Eastern District of Virginia.

In the matter of Anthony & Co., vs. George L. Bidgood, bankrupt—in bankruptcy.

At Richmond, on the 9th day of Dec., 1871.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Please to take notice hereby, that a petition has been, to wit: on the 22d day of Nov., 1871, filed in said District Court by Geo. L. Bidgood, of Richmond, in said district, who has been heretofore duly declared bankrupt under the act of Congress entitled "An act to establish a more uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the UnitedStates," approved March 2d, 1867, for a discharge and certificate thereof, from all his debts and other claims provable under said act, and that the 27th day of December, 1871, at 10 o'clock A. M., before W. W. Forbes, one of the registers of said court in bankruptcy, at his office in Richmond, in said district, is the time and place assigned for the hearing of the same; when and where you may attend and show cause, if any you have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted.

You are also hereby notified, that the second and third meetings of the creditors of said bankrupt will be held at the same time and place.

W. W. FORBES,
Register in Bankruptcy for the
de 11—M2w 3d Cong'l Dist. of Va.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES for the Eastern District of Virginia.

In the matter of R. A. Kidd, bankrupt—in bankruptcy.

At Richmond, on the 9th day of December, 1871.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Please to take notice hereby, that a petition has been, to wit: on the 1st day of Nov., 1871, filed in said District Court by R. A. Kidd, of Brunswick county, in said district, who has been heretofore duly declared bankrupt under the act of Congress entitled "An act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States," approved March 2d, 1867, for a discharge and certificate thereof from all his debts and other claims provable under said act, and that the 27th day of December, 1871, at 10 o'clock A. M., before W. W. Forbes, one of the registers of said court in bankruptcy, at his office in Richmond, in said district, is the time and place assigned for the hearing of the same, when and where you may attend and show cause, if any you have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted.

You are also hereby notified, that the second and third meetings of the creditors of the said bankrupt will be held at the same time and place.

W. W. FORBES,
Register in Bankruptcy,
de 11—M2w for the 3d Cong'l Dist. of Va.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES for the Eastern District of Virginia.

In the matter of T. M. Fleming, bankrupt—in bankruptcy.

At Richmond, on the 9th day of December, 1871.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Please to take notice hereby, that a petition has been, to-wit: on the 10th day of Nov., 1871, filed in said District Court by T. M. Fleming, of Goochland county, in said district, who has been heretofore duly declared bankrupt under the act of Congress entitled "An act to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States," approved March 2d, 1867, for a discharge and certificate thereof, from all his debts and other claims provable under said act, and that the 27th day of Dec., at 1871, 10 o'clock A. M. before W. W. Forbes, one of the registers of said court in bankruptcy, at his office in Richmond, in said district, is the time and place assigned for the hearing of the same; when and where you may attend and show cause, if any you have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted.

You are also hereby notified, that the second and third meetings of the creditors of the said bankrupt will be held at the same time and place.

W. W. FORBES,
Register in Bankruptcy for the
de 11—M2w 3d Con'l Dist. of Va.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES for the Eastern District of Virginia.

In the matter of Sandy Hurt, bankrupt—in bankruptcy.

At Richmond, on the 9th day of December, A. D. 1871.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Please to take notice hereby, that a petition has been, to wit: on the 25th day of November, 1871, filed in said District Court by Sandy Hurt, of Lancaster co., Virginia, in said district, who has been heretofore duly declared bankrupt under the act of Congress entitled "An act to establish a more uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States," approved March 2d, 1867, for a discharge and certificate thereof, from all his debts and other claims provable under said act, and that the 27th day of December, 1871, at 10 o'clock A. M., before W. W. Forbes, one of the registers of said court in bankruptcy, at his office in Richmond, in said district, is the time and place assigned for the hearing of the same; when and where you may attend and show cause, if any you have, why the prayer of the said petition should not be granted.

You are also hereby notified, that the second and third meetings of the creditors of the said bankrupt will be