

The Legislature.

As the Petersburg Post says, the Legislature has been in session a month...

And then, after this grave question has been disposed of, there will come the election of circuit judges...

There are the three most important duties devolved upon the legislature, and they should be disposed of with wisdom and promptitude.

PROGRESS OF FISH CULTURE.—There are now twenty-seven States whose commissioners of fisheries receive, hatch and distribute the eggs of fishes...

Gov. HOLLIDAY'S INAUGURAL.—Krause, on the inaugural address of Gov. Holliday, of Virginia, the Philadelphia Times says: "The opinion that Virginia acted wisely in repudiating the regulators by taking Holliday instead of Mahone for Governor is confirmed by the former's sensible utterances in his inaugural address."

A ROMANTIC SUICIDE.—A suicide of an unusually romantic nature occurred in Cincinnati Monday. Two years ago a young Italian named Marco Benuo arrived in that city direct from Italy, bringing a moderate capital. He opened a fruit store and was apparently on the way to wealth, until he fell in love with a young Italiane, Maria Larvia, living at ease with her father in a fashionable quarter of the city.

THE GOVERNOR'S RECEPTION.—Gov. Holliday's reception at the gubernatorial mansion last Tuesday night was attended by the flower of Richmond's society, and all agreed that it was the most enjoyable social event of the season.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT.—At Norfolk, on last Thursday, a little boy named Willie Miles, about ten years of age, was run over by the cars and had both of his legs cut off just across the thighs.

DEATH OF STEPHEN WINDING.—One of the leading butchers of Norfolk, Mr. Stephen Winding, died last Thursday. This poor man never recovered from the nervous shock to his system given by the tragic death of his daughter, Molly E. Winding, who was shot by her insane lover William Godfrey.

EARTHQUAKE.—Wednesday evening about 6 1/2, in many portions of Hanover and Louisa counties, a distinct shock of earthquake was felt. It was accompanied by a noise that to many sounded like the roaring of a burning chimney.

THE LEGISLATURE.—In the Senate on Wednesday considerable time was consumed in the discussion of the motion of Mr. Smith to have 1,000 copies of Gov. Holliday's inaugural address printed for the use of the Senate.

A LESSON TO YANKEES.—The Russian Mennonites who have settled in Nebraska have given the Yankee inhabitants of that young State a lesson they will not soon forget on the subject of cheap grass, both for heating and cooking, in iron furnaces specially constructed for the purpose.

THE ANAIGAMATION BOLLARD.—Hon. A. M. Stephens, of Georgia, chairman of the committee on coinage, weights and measures, has sent to the Philadelphia Mint an order for specimens of the gold coin for the use of the sub-committee having in charge the present silver quarter, and the gold quarter will be a trifle larger than the present silver dime.

Large and Beautiful Cake.—The military companies from the Valley that escorted Gov. Holliday to Richmond on Monday last week were the guests whilst in Richmond of the "Richmond Light Infantry Blues."

Adopted—aye, 55; nays, 32. The resolution was then adopted. In the Senate Friday, House bill for the extension of the time limited for the completion of the Buchanan and Clifton-Forge railroad from twenty months to five years was passed, after considerable discussion, by a vote of 26 to 8.

Mr. Koher thought this was a day of progress, and he was opposed to granting so much time for the construction of the bill which gave the exclusive privilege of the right of way for thirty years.

Mr. Frazier's bill repealing the Rock-bridge sheep-law and providing for the disposition of the funds heretofore collected was passed—aye, 45; nays, 40—on division. Motion to reconsider rejected.

In the House on Saturday, the resolution of Mr. Graves that the Committee for Courts of Justice be instructed to report a bill which shall provide for the re-division of the judicial circuits in the State...

One in the past, one in the present, one in the future, is the motto of the day. Gladly had a Governor from a remote section of our State, that we may receive and foster him in our midst with the same hearty welcome as we do to our own.

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RECEPTION BY RICHMOND OF GOVERNOR HOLLIDAY.

The following amendment, offered by Mr. Walker of Chesterfield, was adopted: "That this special committee ascertain the precise amount received by the State of Virginia as interest upon the same to the end of the present fiscal year."

On the arrival of Gov. Holliday and the accompanying military from the Valley at the depot at Richmond on Monday evening of last week, Judge Lay introduced Governor Holliday to the citizens of Richmond as follows:—

Mr. McMillan moved to amend the resolution by striking out "five" and inserting the "Committee of Finance."

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE NATIONAL BANK AT STAUNTON, IN THE STATE OF VIRGINIA, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, DECEMBER 31, 1877.

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LAND SALES.

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