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LOCAL MATTERS.

Arrest of a Prominent Citizen Upon a Serious Charge.

Sergeant Dan Wren, of the city police force, upon a warrant issued by Justice W. A. Morris, of Manchester, yesterday arrested and brought to this city two young colored women named Dolly and Mary Jackson, who, it is charged, did "feloniously and maliciously, in the night time of April 22d, 1874, burn the dwelling-house of J. T. Bowman, situated in Chesterfield county." Mr. Bowman is an Englishman, and for some time about two years has been absent from this State. His place is about three and a half miles from Coalfield station, and the women lived in his kitchen. The dwelling was wholly unoccupied, and was in their charge.

Before leaving Richmond Dolly Jackson voluntarily stated to Sergeant Wren and Special detective, R. B. Craddock, that she had set up the case, that she had been accessory to the commission of the crime of which she is charged by Mr. E. D. Bohannon, well-known real estate agent of this city.

Upon arriving here Dolly and Mary were taken to the First police-station, and Justice William Hall Crew was called to examine them relative to their complaint against Mr. Eacho.

Mary Jackson and her sister, Mary, were then questioned by Mr. Crew. In substance the former stated to him that Sunday, the 5th of April, Mr. Eacho, riding in his buggy, came to Mr. Bowman's place, of which he was agent and manager, and after some desultory conversation about other matters proposed to her to burn the dwelling-house, saying to her that "money could be made out of it." Dolly declares that she was at first averse to the proposition at first, but that Mr. Eacho told her that he would give her some money to do the job, and if she kept her own counsel no harm could possibly befall her. She yielded to his solicitations, as she represents, and on Wednesday evening following the Sunday of Mr. Eacho's visit she proceeded to kindle the fire. She had previously acquainted her sister Mary with her arrangement and purposes, and about dark on Wednesday evening, with a tin can full of live coals set fire to an old stump beneath the dwelling-house floor. This done, she and her sister went on a visit to their uncle, who lived not far off, and when they returned the house had been burned to the ground. Dolly says that the agent of the insurance company who visited the premises to inquire into the circumstances of the fire, closely examined her and her sister, and seemed dissatisfied with their answers, though he did not accuse either of them. She further alleges that when Detective Craddock came to see her to talk over the matter he claimed to be the brother of Mr. Eacho, and appeared cognizant of the whole transaction, and therefore she spoke to him on all points with perfect freedom.

After hearing the statements of Dolly and Mary Jackson and Detective Craddock, Justice Crew issued a warrant for the arrest of Mr. Eacho, in which instrument it was charged that he "did feloniously conspire with the said Dolly Jackson to burn, and did burn, a certain dwelling-house, the property of J. T. Bowman, on the night of the 23d day of April, 1874, with intent to defraud the Mechanics' and Mechanics' Insurance Company out of the sum of $1,000, the said dwelling-house being then insured against loss and damage by fire by the said insurance company in the said sum, for the benefit of Edward D. Eacho."

The warrant was placed in the hands of Captain James M. Tyler, and was duly executed upon Mr. Eacho at his office. He was immediately brought before Mr. Crew, and was by him admitted to bail to appear before Police Justice White this morning, John A. Rennie, Esq., becoming his surety in the sum of $1,000.

The two young women, not asking or offering bail, were locked up at the First station-house.

Mr. Eacho has been long known as one of the most upright and honorable business men in this community. He declares his entire innocence of the charge brought against him, and his friends believe that he will be able to substantiate this declaration. At any rate, the evidence must be of the strongest, clearest, and most unequivocal character to make our people believe him guilty and to rob him of the fair name he has won by years of usefulness and unquestioned integrity.

FELL FROM A LADDER—SHOULDER BROKEN.—Yesterday morning about 8 o'clock Mr. William Ford, a carpenter in the employ of Messrs. Jarvis & Glenn, fell from a ladder a distance of some thirty feet while at work on the inside of a house which is in course of construction on Main street between Madison and Monroe streets, breaking his right shoulder and otherwise injuring himself. The injured man was taken into a neighboring house, and Dr. Newman sent for, who rendered the necessary medical assistance. He was then placed in a hack and removed to his residence, corner of Thirteenth and Franklin streets.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S BIRTHDAY.—The British settlers' celebration of Queen Victoria's birthday will take place on the 25th instant. The programme for the occasion embraces an address by J. A. St. Andrew and the formation of a permanent organization, election of officers and appointment of executive committee, dinner at the Exchange Hotel, and ball at night at the same hotel. It is said that there will also be three days' racing, under the auspices of the Virginia Riding Club. The various railroads coming into Richmond have made liberal arrangements for persons attending the celebration.

FEAST AND FAIR.—The ladies of the First Presbyterian church (Dr. Preston) have been busily engaged for some time past in preparing, and have almost completed their arrangements, for an entertainment, which will be given in the lecture-room of their church on Thursday night. The evening's entertainment will consist of a feast, at which all the delicacies of the season will be displayed to tempt the taste of the most fastidious. It is expected that several of the best amateur singers of Richmond will be present, who will entertain the audience with some choice selections.

HOLLYWOOD CEMETERY COMPANY.—This company was to have held its annual meeting yesterday afternoon, but a quorum not being in attendance at the appointed time the meeting adjourned until Tuesday next at 5 P. M.

PERSONAL.—Chief-Justice Waite arrived in the city yesterday afternoon and took quarters at the Exchange Hotel. He will remain here about a week, presiding over the United States Circuit Court.

HIBERNIANS.—Mr. James Hayes has been elected president of the Ancient Order of Hibernians *vice* William H. Ward, elected State delegate, and Mr. M. Byron elected financial secretary *vice* James Giblin, elected State secretary.

UNMAILABLE LETTERS REMAINING IN THE RICHMOND POST-OFFICE MAY 5, 1874.—James Barton, Laurel Station, Chesapeake and Ohio railroad, Fayette county, West Va.; Sterling Gibbs, Trenton, Randolph county, Ohio.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT, TUESDAY—*Judge H. L. Bond presiding.*—In the case of J. J. Clarke, bankrupt, on the petition of E. W. Willcox, assignee of said bankrupt and sheriff of Charles City county, it appearing that Clarke was adjudicated a bankrupt prior to the amendment of the bankrupt act of March 3, 1873, and that the liens upon the real estate surrendered by him exceed the value of said property, and that a decree for the sale of the same to satisfy said liens had been rendered in the Circuit Court of Charles City county before the filing of his petition, "The court is of opinion that said bankrupt is not entitled, as against judgment creditors, to any homestead exemption out of said property or the proceeds thereof, nor to any exemption under the bankrupt act out of said estate, and that the assignee of said bankrupt has no interest in said property until the said liens thereon have been satisfied, and that no reason has been shown why the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Virginia should interfere with the execution of the said decree of the Circuit Court of Charles City county, and doth therefore adjudge, order, and decree that the order of said District Court entered in this matter upon the petition of said Willcox October 11th, 1873, and the orders of said court of April 9th and 13th, 1873, be set aside and annulled"; that the injunction issued by the register is null and void, and that of the District Court be dissolved, and that petition of bankrupt for homestead exemption be dismissed, so far as same is asked out of property subject to these liens.

In the matter of John T. Smith, bankrupt: Ordered that the injunction of District Court be dissolved; that the order of the register, so far as it allowed to the bankrupt an exemption of $2,000, be annulled; that this cause be remanded to the District Court for proper proceedings under this decision.

The following cases were dismissed: James A. Terry *vs.* B. R. Fleming's estate; John L. Van Horn *vs.* John T. Seawell, commissioner, and *als.*

The court adjourned until 10 o'clock this morning, when the bench will be occupied by Chief-Justice Waite and Judge Bond.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, TUESDAY.—*Judge Ro. W. Hughes presiding.*—The following business was disposed of:

In the matter of Mary B. Wright, bankrupt: Ordered that so much of order of 24th of April requiring the sum of $453 to be exempted for benefit of said bankrupt be suspended, she having departed this life.

In the matter of John Allen, bankrupt: Ordered that W. H. Allderdice, assignee, pay to bankrupt $414.60 in full of specific exemption of $500. Also, that the assignee deed to bankrupt his real estate purchased by him, the same not exceeding in value the amount due him by reason of homestead exemption.

In the matter of Thomas P. Towles: Order for creditors meeting to show cause why bankrupt's real estate should not be sold.

In the matter of George Duggins, bankrupt: Upon petition of William A. Deitrick and Jacob L. Deitrick, executors of William A. Deitrick, deceased, ordered that Turner Atkinson be appointed assignee in place of John S. Saunders, deceased, and that said Atkinson convey to executors of W. A. Deitrick, deceased, 127 acres of land in the proceedings mentioned.

In the matter of Armistead & Peek, bankrupts: Ordered that a certain compromise made between R. F. Morris and the assignee be cancelled; that Morris return the receipt taken therefor to the assignee, and the assignee return the money paid him to Morris.

In the matter of Edith Jones, bankrupt: Upon payment of costs to be made, ordered that all proceedings in bankruptcy against Edith Jones be annulled.

In the matter of Andrew Cornwell, bankrupt: Ordered that the sale of land in Clarke county made on the 13th of April, 1874, by order of this court, be set aside, and that same be resold by the trustee.

In the matter of James M. Carneal, bankrupt: Ordered that an offer of $200 for bankrupt's choses in action be accepted.

In the matter of Francis Martin: Injunction restraining the Sheriff of Richmond and George Carr from collecting the execution on attachment mentioned in bill of assignee.

In the matter of W. G. R. Frayzier, bankrupt: Order dismissing the petition of E. & H. T. Anthony and directing the First National Bank to deliver to executrix of T. B. Starke two notes of $1,000 each deposited in said bank by assignee.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock this morning.

CHANCERY COURT OF RICHMOND—*Judge E. H. Fitzhugh.*—The following cases were disposed of yesterday:

Cullen *vs.* Adams, &c.: Decree making final adjustment of the matter in controversy and directing commissioner to convey the property therein mentioned to the defendants, S. H. & J. F. Adams, and to take a deed of trust to secure the balance found to be due, with interest.

Richards *vs.* Richards, &c.: Decree directing deed to purchaser, who has paid in full, and providing for distribution and investment of the fund.

Barrett's administrator *vs.* Barrett's legatees, &c.: Decree confirming report of Commissioner William J. Hughson as to expenditure of fund for building purposes, and authorizing the investment of residue of fund in additional building.

Harrison, &c., *vs.* Caskie, &c.: Opinion of court overruling exceptions and confirming report of commissioner. Decree ordered accordingly.

Goddin, &c., *vs.* Andrews, &c.: Decree in conformity with the opinion of the court overruling exceptions and confirming report of commissioner, and directing other accounts to be taken by a commissioner.

DOINGS OF THE HUSTINGS COURT YESTERDAY. The Hustings Court yesterday disposed of six jury-cases, that of Thomas Collier, mentioned elsewhere, and the five following:

Louis Davis, charged with breaking and entering the house of Valentine Heckler; guilty, and his term assessed at five years in the penitentiary. In the other two cases, one for aiding in the assault of policeman Hobson, a *nolle prosequi* was entered.

Henry Holden, for breaking and entering the carpenter-shop of Green & Allen; guilty, and sentenced to jail and labor for three months.

William Johnson, for breaking and entering the Danville Railroad Company's depôt, was found guilty and sent to the penitentiary for one year.

George Coleman, for breaking and entering the hen-house of J. B. Powers, was found guilty and his punishment assessed at confinement and labor in the city jail for six months.

John S. Coots, charged with breaking and entering Jennie Henderson's dwelling-house, was found guilty and sent to jail and chain-gang for three months.

POLICE COURT, TUESDAY—*Justice White.* The case of William H. Cronie, charged with an assault upon Isaac Green, was continued until Wednesday.

Adolphus Cook and Agnes Whitfield (negroes) were fined for being drunk and disorderly on the streets.

Tobias Eacho, guilty of trespass upon the premises of James B. McAuley, and threatening to kill him, was placed under bonds to keep the peace for six months.

THOMAS COLLIER, THE ASSASSIN, SENT TO THE PENITENTIARY FOR TEN YEARS.—Thomas Collier, the man who assaulted and shot policeman Hobson some time ago, was yesterday arraigned, tried, and found guilty of shooting the officer above named, and his punishment assessed at ten years in the State penitentiary. In the other two cases against Collier a *nolle prosequi* was entered.

Collier having already served one term in the penitentiary will have five years added to his present term.

MORTUARY REPORT.—The following is the mortuary report for the week ending Saturday, May 2, 1874, compiled from sextons' returns received at the office of the Board of Health:

CAUSE OF DEATH.

Consumption (1 white, 3 colored)	4	Inflammation of bowels	1
Dropsy	1	Inflammation of stomach	1
Empyæmia	1	Marasmus	1
Erysipelas	1	Old age	2
Fever—Childbed	1	Pneumonia	2
Fever—Typhoid	1	Tuberculosis	1
Fever—Gastric	1	Unknown	1
Heart disease	3	Whooping-cough	1
Imperfect developm't	2		
Infantile lockjaw	1		
Total			26
Still-born (2 white, 3 colored)			5

SEX.

Males	12	Females	14

COLOR.

White males	6	Colored males	6
White females	7	Colored females	7

AGE.

1 day to 30	4	40 years to 50	3
6 months to 12	1	50 years to 60	1
3 years to 5	2	60 years to 70	1
10 years to 20	5	70 years to 80	2
20 years to 30	3	80 years to 90	1
30 years to 40	2	Unknown	1

CONDITION.

Single	18	Widows	6
Married	2		

NATIVITY.

United States	25	Unknown	1

LOCALITY.

Marshall Ward	2	Clay Ward	2
Jefferson Ward	4	Jackson Ward	5
Madison Ward	4	Almshouse	5
Monroe Ward	4		

BY WHOM CERTIFIED.

Regular practitioners 25 | Irregular practi'ners 1

COMPARATIVE WEEKLY MORTALITY.

	Week ending May 4, 1872. W.	C.	May 3, 1873. W.	C.	April 25, 1874. W.	C.	May 2, 1874. W.	C.
Total deaths	13	17	9	12	8	15	13	13
Still-born	1	1	1	2	1	3	2	3

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL CAUSE—INTERESTING MEETING IN CONTEMPLATION.—Rev. G. A. Peltz, of New Jersey, and Rev. H. C. Trumbull, of Connecticut, will be in Richmond towards the close of the week. These gentlemen are well known as among the most efficient Sunday-school workers in the Union. Their visit is connected with the Sunday-school work. They will address a general meeting of the friends of Sunday-schools on Saturday night at the First Baptist church. Arrangements will probably be made by the Executive Committee of the City Sunday-School Union for general meetings on next Sunday. Mr. Peltz is favorably known in Richmond. Mr. Trumbull is a Congregationalist minister and an officer of the American Sunday-School Union.

THE LADIES' HEBREW MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION.—A meeting of this association was held yesterday evening, Miss R. H. Myers, president. An election was held for officers for the ensuing year, when the following ladies were chosen: President, Miss R. H. Myers; first vice-president, Mrs. E. Cohen; second vice-president, Mrs. N. Ezekiel; third vice-president, Mrs. Alfred Moses; secretary and treasurer, Miss R. C. Levy. Managers: Miss Ella Myers, Miss Clara Myers, Miss Julia Myers, Mrs. Sol. Sycles, and Mrs. Sol. Benjamin. The 28th instant was selected as decoration day, and the officers and members of Oakwood and Hollywood Associations were invited to participate in the ceremonies.

VIRGINIA OPERA-HOUSE.—MacEvoy's Hibernicon is a novel entertainment, and drew a large house last night. The panorama gives a faithful representation of the principal cities, the unrivalled lakes, mountain scenery, river views, with gorgeous sun and moonlight effects of the Emerald Isle. While interesting to all lovers of the beautiful and historic, it must necessarily prove specially attractive to every Irishman. The Emerald Isle with its beautiful green vales, calm waters of mysterious legend and tradition, towering mountains of tenderest associations alike recall much that is most dear in the treasured recollections of the land. It is truly the best *Hibernicon* we have ever seen. The paintings, numbering over fifty, appear faithful and natural. The music, lecture, and other features are entertaining and instructive. Mr. Burns as "Barney the Guide" proves himself a rare Irish comedian and excellent vocalist. Miss Mary MacCray, Miss Kate Reilly, and Miss Kate Byrnes, in their respective *rôles*, afford amusement for every one. And Mr. Ames as "Fritz" and "Old Black Joe" is a success.

MANCHESTER NEWS.

ANNUAL BALL.—The second anniversary of the M. T. F. and F., of Manchester, will be celebrated by a ball and supper at the Planter's Hotel Friday night. The entertainment is intended only for the Club and invited guests. Committee of Arrangements: W. A. Gibbs, C. S. Wells, and W. R. Bass.

RELIGIOUS NOTICE.—Rev. Wm. H. Christian will preach at the Methodist church tonight. This gentleman, now stationed in Lynchburg, was at one time pastor of the church in this city.

THE COUNTY COURT.—At the ensuing term of this court the most important cases are those of George Williams for assault with intent to kill and Frank Thacker, grand larceny.

THE RAINFALL.—The heavy rains of the past few days have rendered brick-making impossible, suspended a portion of work on the water-line, and on many buildings in course of erection, and rendered the back streets almost impassable.

BLEACHED AND UNBLEACHED SHEETING retailed at New York wholesale prices at LEVY BROTHERS'.

GO AND GET A FINE PINEAPPLE from PIZZINI.

DRESS GOODS at all prices, to suit everybody, at LEVY BROTHERS'.

FRESH TOMATOES at PIZZINI'S.

A GREAT BARGAIN IN PURE BLACK MOHAIRS at $1 a yard at LEVY BROTHERS'.

FINE STRAWBERRIES received to-day at PIZZINI'S.

HAMBURG EDGINGS at 12½ and 15c., a specialty, at LEVY BROTHERS'.

YELLOW BANANAS at PIZZINI'S.

ALL OF THE MOST STYLISH DRESS GOODS very low at LEVY BROTHERS'.

FINE FIGS AND EATING-PRUNES at PIZZINI'S.

LEVY BROTHERS offer dress goods in great variety at very low prices.

GO TO PIZZINI'S and get some delicious Strawberries.

JUST LOOK AT THOSE JAPANESE POPLINS, 25c. a yard, at LEVY BROTHERS'.

PINEAPPLES.—PIZZINI has the finest in town.

A FINE STOCK OF DIAGONAL COATINGS and FRENCH CASSIMERES at LEVY BROTHERS'.

SODA, KISSENGEN, VICHY, EXCELSIOR SARATOGA WATER, OTTAWA BEER AND GINGER ALE, all on draught, at GEORGE SCHEN'S cigar and tobacco store, corner Main and Eleventh streets.

SODA-WATER FOUNTAIN and APPARATUS for manufacturing soda-water, perfect and first-class, for sale at a great bargain at 1402 Main street.

IF in search of some good book,
Teaching how to court or cook,
Or what else you wish to know,
To SCHAAP'S news store you should go;
You find Yankee notions there,
As select as anywhere;
If you wish a handsome cane,
Or umbrella, or a chain,
Pretty buttons, nobby studs,
Breastpins (some just made for bloods),
Stylish collars (which don't choke),
Or a charming chew or smoke,
Go to SCHAAP'S, No. 1402 Main street.

HUDSON'S PACIFIC
Seed-Corn.
JOHN W. EISON,
909 Main street.
Flower seed in all varieties on hand.

GENTLEMEN'S SPRING STYLES.—Messrs. E. B. SPENCE & SON, 1300 Main street, have put in a choice and beautiful collection of Cloths, Cassimeres, and Vestings, which they are making up in the latest styles at the very lowest prices. In their Ready-Made Clothing Department they have a fine collection of Business and Dress Suits. In Underwear their stock is unsurpassed. In a word, their stock is large in every department, and, as they are determined to sell, they have marked down their goods to the very lowest living prices. Give them a call.

DON'T FORGET THAT LEVY BROTHERS sell the best wide WASH POPLINS at a shilling per yard.

JAPANESE SILK POPLINS, new spring styles, at 50, 60, and 75c., just received at JULIUS MEYER'S, 603 Broad street.

PURCHASE YOUR DRESS GOODS now at LEVY BROTHERS'. Their stock is the best in the city.

LOOK FOR THIS NO. before you buy or have your WORK done—613 BROAD STREET.

R. FERRANDINI, manufacturer of hair goods. Fashions imported direct from Paris. The largest stock of fans, fancy goods, toilet articles, perfumeries, &c., &c.

FOUND AT LAST—The long sought-for place where you can get money loaned on your diamonds, watches, jewelry, silverware, &c. Call at A. HARRIS'S Loan Office, 1322 Main street, and you will learn all about it. All transactions strictly confidential.

REMOVAL.—A. HARRIS'S Loan Office (established in 1865) has been removed to 1322 Main street.

BLACK SILKS at bottom prices. They never were so cheap as they are now offered at LEVY BROTHERS'.

TRANSFER PRINTING-INKS for copying letter headings, statements, way-bills, &c. Can be copied in the ordinary letter-press book. Send your orders for printing in these inks, and for all other descriptions of printing, to the *Dispatch* Printing-House.

ALE FOR FAMILY USE—ENGLISH ALE, CREAM ALE, AND PORTER.—To supply a demand from his many countrymen here, HENRY BOWLER has now an ale that he flatters himself will fairly compete with their home beverage both in flavor and quality, and with his universally-approved "cream ale" and porter will enable him to please the palates of all. Orders to Spring Park Brewery promptly filled.

I have analyzed the whiskey known under the brand of "B-Select," controlled by Messrs. WALTER D. BLAIR & CO., Richmond, Va., and find it free from fusil oil and other impurities, and recommend its use for medicinal and family purposes.
J. B. MCCAW, M. D.,
Late Professor of Chemistry Medical College of Virginia.

LABORATORY OF DR. W. H. TAYLOR, ANALYTICAL AND CONSULTING CHEMIST.—The result of a careful chemical examination of "J. Semmes's Pure Rye Whiskey" enables me to confidently recommend it to those who desire an article of unquestionable purity for use as medicine or as a beverage. The samples subjected to examination represent a lot of one hundred barrels, and were selected by myself. WILLIAM H. TAYLOR,
Analytical Chemist.

The above-mentioned whiskey, made in 1869, can be had for three dollars per gallon at
ARCHER & BOOKER'S,
No. 735 Main street.

AUCTION SALES THIS DAY.

GODDIN, WARREN & CO. will sell at 5 P. M. three building lots on Clay street, in rear of Spring Park Brewery.

W. GODDIN, 5 P. M., six building lots in Brown, Page & Gamble's plan of lots near thereto.

S. N. DAVIS, 4½ P. M., commissioner's sale of valuable house and lot on Twenty-sixth between O and P streets, with dwelling house and other buildings.

ISBELL & SON, 4½ P. M., two vacant lots on the east side of Fifth street between Duval and Baker.

N. M. LEE, 4 P. M., three lots on the north side of Centre street, and one lot on the corner of Centre and Spring streets, in the plan of Lewis.

GRUBBS & WILLIAMS, 5½ P. M., two building lots southeast corner of Fourth and Byrd streets, Gamble's Hill.

GRUBBS & WILLIAMS, 4½ P. M., sale of the large and elegant private residence, and the lots adjoining, situated at the northeast corner of Third and Cary streets.

H. MCCORMICK, 10 A. M., household furniture, crockery, glassware, &c.

A. B. DUESBERRY, H. C. R., 12 M., at No. 912½ Main street, between Ninth and Tenth, two printing presses.

AMUSEMENTS.

VIRGINIA OPERA-HOUSE.

ONE WEEK ONLY.

MATINEES—THURSDAY and SATURDAY, 3 P. M.

FRANK MACEVOY'S
NEW HIBERNICON
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IRISH COMEDY COMPANY,

pronounced by the press "the most amusing and popular entertainment of the day,"

combining
IRISH COMEDY,
IRISH SCENERY,
SONGS, DANCES,
WIT, and HUMOR,
and concluding with the screaming farce
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POPULAR PRICES:

Admission	50c.
Reserved seats	75c.
Gallery	25c.

Matinee Prices: Adults, 25c.; Children, 15c.
Reserved seats on sale at CAMPBELL & CO.'S Art Gallery. my 6

ENTERTAINMENTS.

SECOND ANNUAL MAY BALL AND FLORAL FESTIVAL OF PROFESSOR H. F. LAUBE'S DANCING ACADEMIES will take place at the Exchange Hotel THURSDAY EVENING, May 7th, 1874.

The exhibition programme is replete with new music and dances, and presents in part the Paris Quadrilles, Sailor's Hornpipe, Floral Polka, Zingarella, Cracovienne, La Favorite, "Little Bunch of Roses," double song and dance, La Violette, Grand Ballet, Cachuca, Irish Jig, Grand May-Pole Dance, German, Chinese Carnival, Five-Step Waltz, Highland Schottish, Esmaralda, and many others.

Professor KESSNICH'S full orchestra, with new overtures and music.

A limited number of tickets will be sold, and can only be had of me at Professor KESSNICH'S, No. — Broad street, between Eighth and Ninth.
my 5-3t PROFESSOR H. F. LAUBE.

MILLINERY.

THE LATEST SPRING STYLES.

EMPORIUM OF FASHION.

LAST SEASON IN RICHMOND.

Madame DEMELMAN, returning her thanks to a generous public for the liberal patronage she has received for the past twenty years, announces that this will be her last season in Richmond. Having just returned from the North, she offers a very large and superior stock of HATS, BONNETS, FLOWERS, RIBBONS, STRAW GOODS, RUSTIC HATS, &c., which she will sell at very low prices, being compelled to close out her entire stock this season at any sacrifice. Milliners who have not made their spring purchases may obtain unprecedented bargains at MADAME H. DEMELMAN'S,
ap 8-3m No. 1323 Main street.

HAIRWORK, &c.

631 BROAD STREET.

JULIUS WILDT.

The ladies are respectfully invited to call at my store and examine a new style of BRAIDS—the best gotten-up work ever offered in the city. Particular attention is paid to making up of COMBINGS. By a process entirely my own I can straighten the hair, and, if desired, get all the roots one way without any waste. This enables me to make a larger braid of a given quantity of hair than any one who works without these advantages. Ventilated and all other kinds of WIGS and TOUPEES made at short notice. Fit guaranteed. Prices as low as anywhere in this or any other city of the United States. J. WILDT,
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The subscriber would call the attention of the public to his stock of French, English, and American
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ROOFING, GUTTERING, and SPOUTING done at short notice. AUG. ARSELL, Jr.,
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BY TELEGRAPH.

THE NORFOLK MASONIC GIFT CONCERT.

THIRTY-FOUR THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE TICKETS SOLD.

THE PRIZES SCALED FIFTY PER CENT.

Mr. James Reid, of Norfolk, Gets the $25,000 Gift.

OTHER PRIZES.

Particulars of the Drawing, &c., &c.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

NORFOLK, May 5—*Midnight.*

The Grand Gift Concert in aid of the Masonic Relief Association of Norfolk, Va., which came off to-night, was under authority of a special act of the General Assembly of Virginia, passed March 8, 1873, conferring corporate privileges upon the Association.

On the 13th of January last the secretary of the Board of Directors of the Association, Mr. Henry V. Moore, published a card to the Masons and the public generally, announcing that the Gift Concert had been postponed from the 15th of January to the 5th of May, on account of the financial panic which swept over the country and paralyzed so many business enterprises. The panic interfered very materially with the sale of tickets, and this alone, in the opinion of the Board, prevented the entire success of the undertaking at the appointed time.

The following gentlemen composed the board of

DIRECTORS OF THE ASSOCIATION:

John L. Roper, president; John B. Corprew, treasurer; James Y. Leigh, Walter H. Taylor, George S. Oldfield, John A. Rosson, Daniel Husted, William H. Wales, M. H. Stevens, S. Weil, John T. Redmond.

The above list comprises some of the best citizens of Norfolk, well known as "solid men," distinguished in the community by energy, intelligence, and integrity, and in the craft by their devotion to the tenets of the Order.

In addition to the directors there were also associated with the board the following gentlemen, constituting an

ADVISORY BOARD:

His Excellency ex-Governor Gilbert C. Walker, Colonel Kader Biggs, P. H. P.; John R. McDaniel, P. G. Commander; J. J. Burroughs, Captain Samuel L. Watts, Virginia Legislature; Robert E. Withers, G. M. G. H. P. and D. G. C. of G. C.; Colonel Thomas F. Owens, P. G. M.; John B. Whitehead, Esq., ex-Mayor; Colonel W. H. Taylor, State Senator, J. G. Bain, G. C. G. G. C.

Some of these gentlemen reside in other parts of Virginia, and the high reputation of all, both as men and Masons, is a guarantee that the enterprise was conducted on honorable principles, and that everything connected with it was done "on the square."

TO PROVIDE MEANS FOR THE CONCERT

it was proposed to issue 100,000 tickets of admission at $5 each, and to be sold, numbering from 1 to 100,000 respectively. Every whole ticket consisted of two halves, each having the same number, and could have been divided into its two fractional parts by cutting through the divisional spaces left in the tickets for that purpose.

The purchaser of a whole ticket, under the original plan, would have been entitled to admission to the concert and to the whole of any gift that might have been awarded to his number. So the holders of half tickets would be entitled to admission to the concert and to one-half of any gift that might have been awarded to their respective numbers. Thus, should two halves of the ticket on which was the number that received the award of the fifty-thousand-dollar gift be held by two different individuals each one would be entitled to twenty-five thousand dollars on presentation of his respective half ticket at the office of the Gift Concert; and so of all other gifts. The payment of gifts will commence on the fourth day after the drawing, and will continue for three months; after which time a gift not claimed will revert to the Association.

It was originally proposed to distribute 10,000 cash gifts, aggregating $250,000 to ticket-holders, as follows:

LIST OF GIFTS.

One grand cash gift of $50,000, one of $25,000, one of $12,500, one of $10,000, one of $5,000, one of $2,500; 24 cash gifts, $500 each, $12,000; 50 cash gifts, $250 each, $12,500; 80 cash gifts, $200 each, $16,000; 100 cash gifts, $150 each, $15,000; 150 cash gifts, $100 each, $15,000; 590 cash gifts, $50 each, $29,500; 9,000 cash gifts, $5 each, $45,000. Total, $250,000.

THE CONCERT

was held in the Opera-House, which was crowded to its utmost capacity by a fashionable and highly intelligent audience. It was under the immediate supervision of the directors, and was a grand affair.

THE DRAWING

was by blindfolded children from two glass wheels, the contents of which could be seen by the audience. One wheel contained the gifts on printed slips in sealed circular tubes and the other leather tags with numbers on them corresponding to all tickets sold. After the contents of both wheels had been thoroughly mixed by revolving, the child at the first drew a number therefrom, and then the child at the second wheel drew a gift therefrom, and the gift thus drawn belonged to the number drawn immediately before it. Thus this process was continued until the gifts and numbers were drawn. The official registry of the gifts as drawn was kept by four of the most accurate bank tellers that could be obtained, and when the drawing was finished the great wheel containing the leather tags was placed in the hands of a committee acting on the part of the ticket-holders, who examined for themselves to ascertain whether all the tickets sold were represented in the drawing.

The New Hampshire band discoursed some excellent music to the audience in the opera-house, the building being literally packed.

THE PRIZES SCALED.

After the concert was ended the drawing was commenced, and everything carried out in conformity with the programme. Mr. J. L. Roper announced from the stage that there had been sold 34,925 tickets, and the prizes would therefore be scaled fifty per cent. This announcement of course created a good deal of disappointment, and the scaling was anything but approved.

THE LUCKY NUMBERS.

The following is the list of tickets which drew prominent prizes, as scaled, up to midnight:

$25,000 prize	77,509
$12,500 prize	39,649
$6,250 prize	3,803

The following drew $250 each: 7,243, 39,171, 25,246, 309, 745.

The following drew $125 each: 31,777, 26,022, 17,513, 77,479, 43,607, 10,532, 2,678, 68,981, 86,686, 73,586, 53,127, 98,780, 7,409.

William B. Diggs, of this city, drew the $12,500 prize.

No. 77,509, which was held by Mr. James Reid, a baker of Norfolk city, drew the capital prize of $25,000; No. 39,649 drew $12,500—holder of ticket not known; No. 3,803 drew $6,250; and No. 2,178, $2,500.

The Latest.

NORFOLK, 1 *A. M.*—The drawing is still going on, and will continue until 3 o'clock. Prizes ranging from $25 to $125 are very numerous.

The Norfolk and Liverpool Steamship Line—Arrival of the Nestorian—Stormy Weather, &c.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

PORTSMOUTH, May 5.—The steamship Nestorian, Captain Watts, of the Allan line of steamships plying between Norfolk and Liverpool, arrived this morning from Liverpool *via* Halifax, to Colonel William Lamb, the agent of the line. She brings a large number of passengers and considerable freight for this city, mostly importations made by Norfolk merchants. The Nestorian reports heavy weather outside, the wind blowing strong from the northward and eastward.

A dispatch from Captain Stoddard, of the wrecking steamer Resolute, this morning, dated at Key West, mentions her safe arrival at that port, and that she would start to work on the steamship Mississippi this afternoon.

It has been storming here for two days, and the weather prospect is still unfavorable. The farmers are very despondent.

Meeting of Petersburg Merchants to Consider the Tax Bill.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

PETERSBURG, May 5.—At the meeting of merchants called for to-night to take action on the tax bill, Major A. M. Tanner was called to the chair, and Mr. R. T. Meade acted as secretary. Messrs. S. T. Plummer, R. T. Arrington, and J. A. White were appointed a committee to draft resolutions to be presented to an adjourned meeting to be held at the Tobacco Exchange to-morrow night.

Latest News from Washington.

Congressional.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—*Senate.*—The bill regulating customs collections, regulating fines and penalties, and abolishing moieties was placed on the calendar.

Mr. Morrill, of Maine, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported a bill for the relief of the sufferers by the overflow of the Mississippi increasing the appropriation from $90,000 to $150,000.

Mr. Edmunds moved an amendment that the provisions of the bill shall not apply later than September 1, 1874.

Mr. Pease said that great destitution existed in Mississippi, and the authorities of the State were utterly unable to afford the necessary relief.

Mr. Alcorn said that in affording relief under this bill care should be taken for the proper and judicious distribution of the food and clothing. He alluded to the telegram in the morning papers that the negroes around Memphis were now refusing to work, alleging that the Government intended to feed and clothe them. The difficulty to be apprehended was that the labor of that whole country might become demoralized. He believed the newspapers had exaggerated the suffering, but had no doubt that there was a great deal; but he wanted the Secretary of War to have absolute control of the relief fund. If the idea gets out among the negroes of that region that the Government intends to feed them, the whole country will be demoralized, and no more work will be got out of the negroes this year. He thought, however, that relief should be extended to the people of Arkansas, who had suffered quite as much as those of Mississippi. He would move an amendment that the additional appropriation be $100,000 instead of $60,000, and that the State of Arkansas be included.

Mr. Conkling said before hearing the Senator from Mississippi he would have voted for the bill, but as that Senator had stated the State was able to care for its own poor, any aid that Congress should give should be in the nature of an advance, to be returned to the Government hereafter.

Mr. Tipton, of Nebraska, said when the discussion on the bill commenced he was told the people of Mississippi were suffering. It had been kept up so long that he now had serious apprehensions that they had expired, and therefore he thought the appropriation had better be made for funeral expenses. [Laughter