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THE DEBT OF VIRGINIA. CONFERENCE BETWEEN STATE COMMISSIONERS AND BOND-HOLDERS. PROCEEDINGS IN SECRET SESSION. The Governor's View of the Financial Situation. A PLAN AGREED UPON. WHAT THE BONDHOLDERS GIVE AND GET.

ceedings without authority from the conference. General Bradley T. Johnson said he felt compelled to oppose the resolution. The proceedings would take up any way they could fix it, and instead of preventing or hampering publications it would be far better to give such facilities as would insure correct and reliable reports. The matters to be considered by the conference were of the very highest importance to the people of the whole State, and it was their desire, no doubt, to know what was going on.

LOCAL MATTERS. LEVELLETT FREEBORN—JOHN C. DULL. AS HIS PUNISHMENT FIXED AT FIVE YEARS IN THE PENITENTIARY. THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.

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Mr. Coghill replied that it was not the purpose of the resolution to conceal the result of the conference. At the proper time its conclusions would be made public. But it was especially to be desired that no publications of the debates and the differences between gentlemen present should be given circulation in the newspapers. As he understood, propositions would be made looking to an arrangement of the public debt. If these were prematurely published the object desired might be defeated. Mr. Coghill especially disclaimed any desire to invest the conference with the veil of secrecy, but he wanted to know that the conference was desirable and prudent, and wished kept secret what he thought could afford no real satisfaction to the people, yet might be damaging to pending negotiations.

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Mr. Coghill earnestly urged that the resolution be adopted, as if it would not be wise for the State officers to submit the proposition in their hands until secrecy to the extent contemplated was maintained. General Johnson said if he were assured that the State authorities wanted a private consultation with creditors he would consent, though with no little reluctance; but he would first have the resolution so amended as to dissolve the injunction of secrecy entirely as soon as the conference had adjourned.

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REGISTER IN BANKRUPTCY APPOINTED.—Upon the nomination of Chief Justice Waite, Judge Hughes on yesterday appointed A. W. Chilton, of Alexandria, a creditor in bankruptcy for the Eighth Congressional District of this State, and instructed him, upon complying with the law, to enter upon the discharge of his duties.

THE CATHOLIC FAIR, which has been progressing in one of the stores in Stearns' block for some time past, was the kept open a few more days at the conference yesterday with an auction sale. There are still a number of elegant and useful articles on hand to be disposed of. Besides this, there are numerous other attractions well calculated to cause visitors to spend a pleasant evening.

THE THEATRE.—Mlle. Alcind appeared again last night in La Fille de Madame Angot. There was a fine audience present, but the charming little lady should look well to her laurels, or the many friends of Mrs. Oates will be making invidious comparisons.

MANCHESTER NEWS. AFTER SQUATTERS.—Deputy Sheriff Flournoy and Gill left yesterday for Bermuda Hundreds, where they go for the purpose of forcing a lot of negroes to vacate a piece of land in that vicinage belonging to W. H. Langley (negro). These parties have been living on this land for several years, and although a writ of ejectment has been served upon them they refuse to vacate. Whether they will obey the injunctions of the officers named remains to be seen.

REAL ESTATE SALES.—Messrs. Moody & Royall have recently sold the following real estate: A house and lot on Twelfth street, to J. H. Blair, for \$1,050; store-house and lot of same size, to P. A. Chalkley, for \$1,650; small farm in Chesterfield county to W. H. Coudy, at \$750 per acre; lot 80 feet, corner Fifth and Decatur streets, to M. Ellett, at \$5 per foot.

COUNTY COURT.—Civil business alone engaged the attention of this court yesterday. FINED FOR PEDDLING.—Justice J. M. Purdue yesterday fined a driver of a baker's wagon from Richmond \$3 for peddling sweets without a license. BOUND OVER.—Ira M. Ellis was bound over to keep the peace for six months by Justice Phillips for assaulting Samuel Dobbins (negro).

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