Richmond Dispatch.

MONDAY..... OCTOBER 2, 1876

PETERSBURG.

POLITICS IN THE DISTRICT—THE CONSERVATIVE MEETING IN GREENSVILLE—PERSONAL ITEMS—JORGENSEN IN EFFIGY—HEAVY LOSS OF MONEY—MONTHLY STATISTICS—HINTON'S SUCCESSOR IN THE SENATE—RECEPTION OF A MINISTER—ILLNESS OF AN OLD CITIZEN.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

SEPTEMBER 30, 1876.

The Conservatives of Greensville had a fine rally at Hicksford to-day. The crowd was composed of people from all portions of the county, and many from Sussex. The attendance of colored voters was also good. Speeches were made by Captain Hinton, Col. Cameron, Messrs. W. B. McIlwaine, and W. R. McKenney, of this city, and several others. It has been a noticeable feature about all the meetings thus far held in this district that they have been well attended by the colored people, who have been patient and attentive listeners to the speeches of the Conservative orators. In some instances they have adjourned their own meetings to attend ours.

Jorgensen's committee have made appointments for speaking throughout the district, extending from October 1st to the day of election.

Major John W. Daniel, of Lynchburg, is announced to speak in this city on the 11th of October.

Rev. Dr. William H. Platt, formerly of Petersburg, but now of Louisville, arrived in the city this afternoon, and will preach at St. Paul's church to-morrow morning and night.

An effigy of Dr. Jorgensen, one of the Republican candidates for Congress, was last evening raised to the top of the pole erected on Halifax street by the Conservative Club of the Sixth Ward. It is stated that none of the members of the club had any hand in raising the effigy, but that it was an impromptu business gotten up by outsiders for amusement, and to show how Jorgensen would "go up" on election-day.

Mr. R. B. Willcox, of Prince George county, while shopping on Sycamore street to-day, dropped her pocket-book containing about $150. At this writing it has not been recovered.

Mayor Cameron disposed of 124 cases in his court during the month of September, of which two-thirds were for infractions of the peace. The fines collected during the month amounted to $153.

Licenses issued by the commissioner of the revenue for September amounted to $1,054.57 for the State, and $536.36 for the city; total, $1,590.93.

Rev. Mr. Hobday, the new pastor of the Byrne-Street Baptist church, had a reception at the church last night, and was formally introduced to the members of his congregation. The occasion was otherwise rendered very pleasant by refreshments, which had been provided. Mr. Hobday delivered a brief address.

Mr. Thomas R. Adams, a venerable citizen, was taken seriously and suddenly ill yesterday by reason of over-exertion. He is regarded as somewhat better to-day.

The city almshouse has fifty-six inmates—whites, 26; colored, 30. The expenses of the institution for this month were $413.54, and the income from the farm, $102.42. The deficiency will be made up by the Council.

The senator from this district to succeed Hon. William E. Hinton, who will be elected to Congress, will most probably come from Surry county. It is the impression that Surry is entitled to the honor. The matter is already being canvassed.

Nine marriage-licenses were issued in Petersburg this month—seven of them to colored couples. Twenty-five deeds were admitted to record. Business slim in both respects.

ROBIN ADAIR.

CHRISTIANSBURG.

A COLD SPELL IN THE MOUNTAINS—THE REFORM WAVE NOT FROZEN—SPEECH OF JUDGE ALEXANDER COCHRAN—HE ASSERTS THAT THE NEGROES OWE THEIR FREEDOM NOT TO THE RADICALS BUT TO THE DEMOCRATS—TILDEN AND HENDRICKS COLORED CLUB.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

SEPTEMBER 28, 1876.

After leaving the charming city of Richmond with all its hospitable gentlemen and beautiful ladies, and its mild climate, it is very hard to content one's self with the mountains. More especially as the thermometer is down to six degrees above zero. It really seems as if King Winter has assumed his throne again.

But I am happy to say that all the cold has not frozen the great Tilden wave that is sweeping over Southwest Virginia. All that we have to do is to work, and success will crown our efforts.

Our people in the Southwest see that avarice and rascality, like the phosphorescent light that rises from the muck, has led the Republican party into inevitable mire. Even our negroes are getting tired of the Administration, and are asking, "Whar dat forty acres and a mule"?

Judge Cochran, of Staunton, spoke here yesterday. The greater part of his speech was to the negroes. He told them that it was *not* the Republicans that freed them, but that it was through the instrumentality of the Democrats. He explained how it was that "Father Abraham" had offered to compromise with the South, allowing us to keep our slaves. He asked them from whom they got their support, who visited their sick, who kept them from absolute beggary and want, and then wound up by telling them who cheated them, and who stole their hard-earned money. His speech had a good effect, and I have the assurance that many votes were changed.

The negroes are to organize a Tilden-Hendricks and Pridemore club here in a few days.

YORICK.

Virginia Items.

Rev. J. Y. Ashenhurst, of Mecklenburg, who has been quite sick for the past two weeks, is slowly recovering.

A colored horse-thief named Aleck Wilson, while being pursued by Dr. Finch, was drowned in the Roanoke near Taylor's ferry a few days ago.

The freshet washed out a culvert near Lock 46. We understand that it will take five or six weeks to pass boats. Navigation is all right between Tye river and Richmond.—*Scottsville Courier.*

Mr. John Brooks, residing near Brownsburg, Rockbridge county, while having his wheat crop threshed last week, attempted to step over the tumbling shaft of the machine. His leg caught and was broken in three places. Some of his ribs were dislocated also.

A residence belonging to Mr. J. Frank Alsop, in Spotsylvania county, and occupied by William Tibbs (colored), took fire from the chimney about sundown on Thursday evening and was totally destroyed. It was insured in the Virginia Fire and Marine, of Richmond, for $800.

The proposition to subscribe $100,000 to the Washington, Cincinnati and St. Louis railroad will be voted on by the people of Rappahannock county, Va., on the 14th of October. Page county, on a similar proposition, will vote on the 17th of the same month.

The post-office at Deep Creek, Norfolk, Va., is reestablished, with William J. Baxter as postmaster. A new post-office is established at Woodside, Henrico county, Va., on Trevillian's depôt to Richmond with A. H. Perkins as postmaster. A new post-office is established at Cook, Wyoming county, Va., on the route from Logan Courthouse to Oceana, with C. F. Cook as postmaster. Nimrod Tennant is appointed postmaster at Statler Run, Marion county, W. Va.

At Suffolk Park, Philadelphia, Friday, the republic race for $1,200 to the first horse, $650 to the second, $400 to the third, and $250 to the fourth, resulted in favor, respectively, of Sadie Bell, Woodford Chief, Edora, and Montezuma over the others. Sadie's best time, 2:34. Between the heats Sam. Purdy made trial with a running-horse, and Blackwood, Jr., two trials for the one-thousand-dollar national cup. Purdy made the mile in 2:46; Blackwood's time in the first heat, 2:23; dead heat, 2:23½.

John Brown, the Assassin.

TRIAL FOR ATTEMPTING TO KILL MISS EMILY WHELAN—SENTENCED TO THE PENITENTIARY.

[Baltimore Sun, Saturday.]

John Brown (negro), twenty-two years old, indicted for a deadly assault on Miss Emily Whelan with an axe while in bed asleep, at her home, No. 113 Biddle street, May 17, 1876, was yesterday tried before Judge Brown, in the Criminal Court, without a jury, by his own choice. The charge of burglarious entry into the house of Mrs. Henrietta Whelan, mother of the young lady, where the assault was committed, was stetted. The prisoner, though of adult years, looks rather like a boy of seventeen, and is rather small in size. He appeared with his head tied up in a white handkerchief on account of ear-ache, had no counsel and no witnesses in his behalf, though the Court took care that his interests were protected.

Miss Emily Whelan, the next witness, who sat at the stand while giving her testimony, is an interesting young lady, pale and delicate. Her face showed no scars. The marks of her terrible wounds are hidden under her hair, and she wore her hat. She testified she awoke in perfect consciousness from the assault, and did not at first know she had been struck. There was a bright light in the room, and by it she saw a man standing in the door as if in the act of entering the room. She looked straight at him and he at her a moment, and then she screamed murder or something like it. At that the man ran out. The door of her room was not locked. She had been sick, and kept a light burning and the door open in order that her mother might enter at any time. As her mother entered, the man had just turned the corner of the hall stairway. She did not realize that she was hurt until her mother took up the bloody axe from the bed. She then sat up in bed, and the blood streamed down over her face. [The witness pointed out the place of the wounds on her head.] She had seen Brown pass her window several times, but he had never seen her until that night. She told the police next day that her assailant was the cook's brother, John Brown. The next day when Brown was brought before her she could only see out of one eye, but was fully conscious, and recognized Brown distinctly as the man, as she did then in court. Her head still feels badly at times.

The State's attorney, Mr. Knott, made no remarks on the case, but asked for a conviction.

Judge Brown said: "John Brown, stand up. You have been convicted of a very grave offence, which is clearly proved and fully admitted by yourself. You assaulted a young lady with intent to murder her. That such was your wicked purpose is established by the murderous instrument used—a large and heavy axe, intended for splitting wood. You struck her two violent blows on the head while she was lying asleep in her bed in her own home, entirely at your mercy. A person you had never saw before, and one who had never given you the slightest provocation. It is a very strange and unaccountable crime, and indicates a very wicked motive on your part. The Court is bound for the protection of society, and in the interest of the lives of its members to mete out to the perpetrator of such a crime a just punishment, and to impose the severest sentence allowed by law, which is ten years' imprisonment in the penitentiary."

Brown exhibited not the slightest emotion, his face wearing a stolid, unappreciative look of cold indifference. There was a slight ripple of excitement among the spectators when sentence was pronounced, which was quickly suppressed. Ten years is the limit of imprisonment for the crime.

The Pennsylvania-Day Illumination.

The Philadelphia *Inquirer* furnishes the following description of the illumination on the evening of "Pennsylvania-Day" at the Centennial:

On one of the balconies at the east end of the building an orchestra was stationed, and from this came floating the strains of the national airs. Suddenly a lurid glare appeared among the buildings at the extreme eastern end of the grounds, and clouds of smoke rolled upward, as though the destructive flames were playing havoc with some of the buildings and their precious contents. About the time that nearly everybody was convinced that it was really an accidental fire that caused the smoke and the glare, the pyrotechnists on George's Hill commenced to discharge ærial martoons, a sort of rocket, which ascended to a great height and then burst with a cannon-like explosive sound. While a hundred of these salutes were being fired the glare at the eastern end of the grounds paled before a dazzling white light, and then was joined by a most beautiful blue.

These lights, by which the entire grounds were illuminated, caused volumes of beautifully tinted red, white, and blue illuminated clouds to float above for sometime, one hundred large colored signal rockets being at the same time sent up from different parts of the ground. Next there ascended gracefully three gas balloons, to the cars of which were attached magnesium lights, which illuminated the scene below with dazzling brilliancy. The lights as they slowly floated away toward Memorial Hall, changed from one beautiful color to another, and finally discharged colored fireworks in the air. One hundred Chinese tourbillons were then sent up, after which an immense fire-work portrait of Washington, a most accurate delineation of the immortal Father of his Country, was sent off.

This superb piece elicited enthusiastic applause from the multitude of spectators. Fifty batteries of soucissons were then discharged, followed by an amethyst and ruby cloud, produced by the simultaneous discharge of fifty 5½-inch shells. Then fifty fiery pigeons were shown flying to and fro from their cote; stars, which would die out and reillumine with vari-colored magnesium light, were showered into the air, and a device composed of very pretty geometric figures, eighty feet in height, was set off. The other features of the already-published programme followed in succession, the country about for miles being sometimes almost as light as day with the brilliancy of the display.

Hearty applause was bestowed on a device which symbolized the United States giving "Welcome to all Nations," and on a couple of very beautiful gold and silver cascades which followed. Even after the display had been entirely concluded, thousands remain-where they had been standing, as though unsated with what they had been given; but after George's Hill had remained for some minutes enveloped in darkness they gradually left their places and sought the exit-gates.

SUICIDE OF CHARLES BUDKE—UNREQUITED LOVE THE SUPPOSED CAUSE OF THE RASH ACT.—Yesterday morning Charles Budke, well known in this city, put an end to his existence by throwing himself into the river, off the end of the boat used as the rooms of the C. P. Brown Boat Club, anchored at the lower end of the wharf, near the mouth of Wheeling creek. Mr. Budke at the time of his death was in the employ of his brother, Mr. F. W. Budke, merchant tailor on Twelfth street, and usually carried the key of the store, his rooms being in the building. About 6 o'clock yesterday morning he left the store, locking the door after him, and immediately proceeded to the river, where he committed the rash act above mentioned. The actions of the suicide, fortunately, were noticed by a man named William Brunell, who was near by at the time, and informed Budke's friends of the fact, and steps were at once taken to recover the body of the unfortunate man, which object was soon after accomplished by the aid of a seine and grappling-hooks.

There are various stories as to the cause of Budke's making way with himself, one of which is that he was laboring under a temporary aberration of mind; and another that unrequited love was the cause. On his person were found a store-key and a letter addressed to John Clycker, in which is mentioned the names of two young ladies in north Wheeling, with one of whom it is supposed he had become infatuated, and she not reciprocating his affection he determined to end his existence.—*Wheeling Register, 28th.*

STEAM FOR STREET-CARS—INTERESTING EXPERIMENTS IN BALTIMORE.—The probable use of steam as a motive power on street railways and its effect upon the business and appearance of the city has become the subject of much conversation since the commencement of the trial of the little engine "F. C. Latrobe" on the line of the Citizens passenger railway in Baltimore. Rapid, safe, and comfortable travel to distant points in the city and to and from the suburbs are matters in which almost all classes of citizens are interested.

Mr. Hagerty, president of the Citizens Railway Company, says that thus far the use of steam on the street-tracks promises success. The difficulties to be overcome are such as ordinarily beset new machinery and a new experiment. The motor is a ten-to twelve-horse-power eight-inch cylinder locomotive engine, and weighs 7,000 pounds. It consumes its own smoke. It was made at a cost of $3,000, the only guarantee given being that it should be noiseless and capable of pulling a fully-loaded car up the steepest grades of the line.—*Sun.*

General Sherman is one of the men who remembers Ralston, the banker, with friendly and pitiful feeling. In a balcony speech, at San Francisco, the other evening, he said: "I know you Californians have a kindly feeling toward me, and I reciprocate it with my whole heart. I remember when we used to take our own blankets from different taverns, and sleep out in the open air, and pay three dollars for the privilege, and now I come to this beautiful Palace Hotel, which I pronounce superior to the grand hotels of Paris and Vienna, which I have visited. All honor to the strong men of muscle and brain, who have brought this city out of its chaos and made it what it is. I will say a few kindly words of Billy Ralston. No matter what he has done, I hope he has gone to heaven. He did much for your city, and you can see the many memorials of his work around you."

The New York *World* says: "There was a good deal of grumbling throughout the post-office on Thursday when it was announced that two and a half per cent. was to be deducted from the monthly salaries for political purposes. All the clerks and carriers were furnished with the usual notices, signed by the committee authorized to collect assessments from all Federal employés in the city. Many of the clerks, who find it difficult to support their families on the salaries received from the post-office, at first objected to the assessment. They were immediately informed that their refusal to pay would be followed by instant dismissal. One thousand and twenty-six employés paid the tax."

The French are showing great energy in their preparations for the Paris Exhibition of 1878. The Champ de Mars is now being inclosed, and foreign commissions have been requested to send one of their number to represent them at Paris, with power to transact all matters in which his countrymen may be interested, such as the allotment of space.

The Board of Health of Charleston, S. C., are very vigilant in their efforts at hygiene, and the streets have been sprinkled with carbolic acid.

Rats and flies have descended to the lowest levels of the Nevada silver mines, and there subsist upon the food thrown away by the miners.

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TELEGRAPHIC.

Alarming Illness of both the Pope and Cardinal Antonelli.

EX-GOV. VANCE.

The Herald Apologizes for Attributing Rebellious Words to Him.

NAVAL AFFAIRS.

North Atlantic Squadron Preparing for the Winter Cruise.

A NEW CONVERT.

A Prominent Presbyterian Minister Joins the Baptist Church.

HURRICANE.

Destruction of Lives, Shipping, and Crops in Porto Rico.

MISCELLANIES.

Babcock Acquitted---The Yellow Fever---Terrible Accidents---Destructive Fire.

PRESBYTERIAN MINISTER CONNECTED WITH THE BAPTIST CHURCH—ATTEMPTED ESCAPE OF PRISONERS.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

PETERSBURG, VA., September 30.—Rev. Dr. Morrell, a distinguished Presbyterian minister of New York, who has been regularly supplying the pulpit of the Tabb-Street church, in this city, during Rev. Dr. Witherspoon's absence, united himself with the First Baptist church to-night, and was received by the unanimous vote of the congregation. He will be baptized by Rev. Mr. Eaton Sunday afternoon. Dr. Morrell delivered a brief address on the occasion, explaining the reasons for his course, and said it had long been his desire to join the Baptist Church. The matter caused the more surprise because so unexpected.

A bold attempt was made to cut through the walls of the jail this evening by eight negro men awaiting trial before the Hustings Court for felony. The plot to escape was discovered, and the parties were placed in the dungeon and ironed.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT ON THE MIDLAND ROAD—ONE MAN KILLED, ANOTHER FATALLY INJURED.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., September 30.—This morning while an extra Virginia Midland freight train was passing under a bridge one mile north of Shadwell, two brakemen, J. R. Walker and Walter Burgess, of Alexandria, Va., who were standing upon the top of the cars and failed to stoop, were struck by the bridge. Burgess was instantly killed and Walker so badly injured that it is thought he will die.

NEW YORK ITEMS.

NEW YORK, September 30.—John and Nicholas Collins have been arrested for stealing $6,000 worth of opium from Johnson & Co.'s bonded warehouse.

There was a slight run to-day on the Dry-Dock Savings Bank. The deposits are $10,000,000. The secretary says the resources are ample for any emergency.

A meeting was held here to-day of representatives of the Grand Trunk, Baltimore and Ohio, Pennsylvania and Erie roads. It was the unanimous opinion of those present that the differences ought to be settled at the earliest possible moment, but it was impossible without the concurrence of the New York Central, and that company was not represented. It is believed an early settlement will be secured.

THE NORTH ATLANTIC SQUADRON.

WASHINGTON, September 30.—The vessels of the North Atlantic squadron are assembling at Hampton Roads preparatory to distribution among the West Indies for the winter cruise. The Huron, Adams, Ossipee, Monongahela, and Hartford are already there. The Plymouth, Shawmut, Essex, and Swatara are expected soon. These vessels will remain in Hampton Roads until the disappearance of the yellow-fever from the southern coast. Meantime they will drill daily.

WASHINGTON ITEMS.

WASHINGTON, September 30.—One hundred and eighty thousand dollars in four-and-a-half per cents was substituted to-day.

The national-bank circulation outstanding in currency notes is over $332,000,000; gold notes, over $2,000,000.

Babcock and Somerville have been acquitted. The jury was out two hours.

Among the vice-presidents of the Soldiers Union Reform Association are General Don Carlos Buell, of Kentucky, and General John B. Mulford, of Virginia.

RIFLE-SHOOTING AT WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, September 30.—Major Fenton won the Irish prize, Slade won that for the Australians, and Roe that for the Scotch, they having made the best scores of the respective teams.

Events of the Campaign.

AN AMENDE FROM THE NEW YORK HERALD TO EX-GOVERNOR VANCE.

WASHINGTON, September 30.—The New York *Herald* makes the following *amende:*

"We spoke severely the other day of ex-Governor Vance, of North Carolina, in the belief that he had really uttered some brutal words which were imputed to him in local newspapers, and we were led to trust these reports by some passages in Judge Settle's reply to Mr. Vance which seemed to refer to the language imputed to Mr. Vance. A dispatch which we print elsewhere this morning shows, on the testimony of Judge Settle, Mr. Vance's opponent, that Mr. Vance did not use the language imputed to him, but that he quoted from one of the 'bloody-shirt' speeches of Mr. Ingersoll, a Republican speaker, who is doing a good deal to make sensible men vote the Democratic ticket all over the country. Mr. Vance and Mr. Settle are stumping North Carolina together. They are rival candidates for the governorship. Judge Settle heard and replied to Mr. Vance's speech, and he at once, on being asked if the report was correct, said it was not. That is sufficient and the best evidence Mr. Vance did not say what was imputed to him, and of course our remarks had no cause, and fall to the ground."

The words attributed to Vance—really quoted by him from one of Ingersoll's speeches—are: "Remember that all the brave southern heroes who dipped their hands in Union blood, and their leaders in the South, are for reform and Tilden."

The Yellow-Fever Sufferers.

MACON, GA., September 30.—Felix Corput, Grand Chancellor of Georgia, appeals to Knights of Pythias throughout the United States for assistance for the Knights of Savannah who are suffering the epidemic. Relief is needed immediately. The lodge in Savannah has exhausted its means and calls for aid from abroad. The suffering is very great.

NEW YORK, September 30.—A Washington dispatch announces that the collector of the port of Savannah and two of his clerks, who were respectively authorized to act temporarily as collectors, are down with the fever.

SAVANNAH, September 30.—Total interments to-day, 26; of which 17 were from yellow-fever.

Twelve of the burials were colored persons. J. F. Pelot, merchant, and Thomas Watts, printer, died.

NEW YORK, September 30.—New York has subscribed $23,914 for Savannah and Brunswick.

Indian Affairs.

NEW YORK, September 30.—A Bismarck (Dacotah Territory) dispatch of September 29th says a gentleman who left Fort Peck last Sunday, and who traded with Long Dog and Ink Paduty when they were here, arrived last evening. He says Long Dog was within twenty miles of Wolf Point when General Terry was there, and that he had been into Fort Peck repeatedly since then. On Saturday Lone Elk and Fast Dog came in from the hostile camp. They announced that the hostiles were coming into Fort Peck, but they wanted the agent and his outfit to go away. They did not want annuities or rations, but wanted the trader to remain and to have plenty of ammunition. They made presents to the agency Indians, and brought in two horses belonging to the Seventh cavalry, also carbines and saddles belonging to that regiment.

Fires and Accidents.

WAGON-WORKS DESTROYED.

TOLEDO, September 30.—Melburn's wagon-works, with one thousand finished wagons and many unfinished ones, were burned last night. Loss estimated at between $350,000 and $400,000, with about $135,000 insurance. Three hundred and fifty operatives are ousted. The origin of the fire was spontaneous combustion.

Colonel Edward M. Hubbard, lumber clerk of the wagon factory, perished in the flames.

THE SPRINGFIELD DISASTER.

SPRINGFIELD, MASS., September 30.—Only two out of seven persons in the wrecked building escaped alive. Two bodies only have been recovered, horribly crushed.

FOREIGN NEWS.

SPANISH AFFAIRS.

LONDON, September 30.—A dispatch to the Reuter's Company from Pampeluna says an appeal to arms in defence of the Fueros, signed by the Basque and Navarrez committees, is circulating in Navarrez and the Basque provinces.

LONDON, September 30.—A dispatch to the *Times* from Madrid says: "The decorations and illuminations which were prepared to greet ex-Queen Isabella on her arrival here have been removed for fear of a disturbance."

SERIOUS ILLNESS OF THE POPE AND CARDINAL ANTONELLI.

NEW YORK, September 30.—A dispatch from Rome to-day reports the very serious, even alarming, illness both of the Pope and Cardinal Antonelli.

EGYPTIAN COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF AND STAFF REPORTED CAPTURED.

LONDON, September 30.—The correspondent of the *Times* at Alexandria telegraphs: "I have reason to believe there is truth in the report that Ratib Pasha, the Egyptian commander-in-chief, and his staff have been taken prisoners by the Abyssinians near Massowah."

ENGLISH NOTES.

LONDON, September 30.—George Alfred Lawrence, the author, is dead.

Fifty thousand pounds' worth of American eagles were shipped to New York today.

DESTRUCTIVE HURRICANE AT PORTO RICO—SHIPPING DAMAGED, LIVES LOST, AND CROPS RUINED.

WASHINGTON, September 30.—The consul at San Juan, Porto Rico, reports a very violent hurricane on the 13th instant, commencing at 4 o'clock in the morning and lasting until noon. Rivers were swollen and bridges swept away. The schooner William J. Byrne was driven ashore, but the crew was saved. Eight strange schooners were stranded and a number of lives lost. The capital has also suffered, and in the surrounding country, as far as heard from, scarcely a house was left standing. What with the rise of rivers and the hurricane the cane, rice, and coffee estates are all ruined for the coming crop.

At Nuquabo the American brig Valencia was driven ashore and is a total wreck. The George Latimer was stranded, and is also a total wreck. Consular agents along the north coast all report great damage. The consul hopes the southern coast may not have suffered so much as the north.

99-CENT STORE.

THE 99-CENT STORE,
having had fifteen feet added to its depth to make room for the immense new fall stock, is also much better lighted, and now shows to its customers
75 dozen LADIES' HATS—fifty different styles;
50 dozen new styles MEN'S HATS;
New style COLORED SHIRTS;
More of the same style WHITE SHIRTS;
75 dozen UMBRELLAS;
An elegant line of VASES and TOILET SETS;
Novelties in SMOKING-STANDS;
LAVA and GILT ORNAMENTS;
20 dozen VALISES;
10 dozen BIRD-CAGES;
A splendid line of DOLLS;
New WATER SETS,
MIRRORS, CAKE-BOXES, LAMPS.
Call at 503 Broad street and see what 99 CENTS will buy. se 23

BUSINESS CHANCES.

MONEY TO LEND.
Several thousand dollars—in sums of $500 to $5,000—TO LEND on Richmond city real estate.
RICHARDSON & CO.,
se 26-1w 1113 Main street.

A RARE CHANCE FOR A GOOD BUSINESS MAN.—Stock of GOODS, GOOD-WILL, and FIXTURES, FOR SALE, and store-house for rent, on line of one of the principal railroads, and in one of the best neighborhoods in the State. Present owner having determined to discontinue mercantile business, offers the above on good terms. A good business has always been done here, and the place has peculiar advantages. There is no better country stand in the State. For further particulars apply to PEACHY G. HARRISON,
Commission Merchant, Cary street, Richmond, Va.
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INSURANCE COMPANIES.

D. N. WALKER & CO., GENERAL INSURANCE AGENTS, 1014 MAIN STREET, RICHMOND, VA., representing the
NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY, of London and Edinburgh Capital, $10,000,000 gold.
AMAZON INSURANCE COMPANY, of Cincinnati, Ohio—assets over $1,000,000.
MANHATTAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY of New York—assets over $800,000.
ATLANTIC INSURANCE COMPANY, of Brooklyn, N. Y.—assets over $500,000.
PHŒNIX INSURANCE COMPANY, of Brooklyn, N. Y.—assets over $2,500,000.
PORTSMOUTH INSURANCE COMPANY, Portsmouth, Va.—assets over $50,000.
Deposited with the Treasurer of Virginia, $150,000. Losses equitably adjusted and promptly paid at this agency. Applications solicited, and immediate attention given thereto. oc 16

FURNITURE.

NEW FURNITURE. Just finished and now in my warerooms, the largest stock of the BEST made and most fashionable styles of PARLOR, CHAMBER, and DINING-ROOM FURNITURE now for sale in the city. Coteline satteen reps and hair-cloth upholstered in latest styles and of the best materials. Also, a large lot of Parlor and Fancy Chairs at the lowest prices; with a full stock of low-price goods. E. GATHRIGHT,
se 21-3m No. 16 Governor street.

OWING TO THE GENERAL DEPRESSION IN BUSINESS, I have been enabled to purchase FURNITURE at very low figures. I am now receiving and am selling at such extraordinary low prices that it is really astonishing. Purchasers can be convinced of this fact by calling on me and seeing for themselves.
J. D. GATEWOOD,
319 Broad, between Third and Fourth streets.
jy 25-3m

SPECIAL NOTICE.
I beg to announce that I have reopened business again in my own name at my old store, No. 328 Sixth street, between Broad and Marshall, and I am prepared to suit my old customers and the public generally this season with a large stock of DRY GOODS, BOOTS, SHOES, HATS, GROCERIES, &c., and would be pleased to have a call from them.
oc 2-1t* SOLOMON HECHENGER.

SPICES FOR PICKLING, CELERY SEED, CORIANDER-SEED, CLOVES, CINNAMON, MUSTARD-SEED, BLACK PEPPER, WHITE PEPPER, LONG PEPPER, GINGER, ALLSPICE, MACE, NUTMEGS, and TUMERIC.
L. WAGNER, Druggist,
au 11 629 Broad street

BILL-HEADS, $7 to $10 PER REAM, at the DISPATCH PRINTING-HOUSE.

FINANCIAL.

RICHMOND STOCK EXCHANGE.

SATURDAY, September 30, 1876.

State Securities.—Virginia consols, 67⅝ bid; Virginia consols, new, 31½ bid; Virginia fundable, 25 bid; Virginia deferred, 6⅝ bid, 7⅝ asked; Virginia interest certificates, 15 bid; Virginia tax-receivable coupons, 87 bid, 87½ asked.

City Securities.—Richmond city 8's, 114 bid; Richmond city 6's, 99 bid, 100 asked; Petersburg city 6's, 84 asked; Lynchburg city 8's, 107 bid; Fredericksburg city 6's, 86 bid; Manchester 8's, 90 asked; Manchester bridge 6's, 105 asked.

Railroad Bonds.—Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad 6's, gold, M. and N., 25 bid; Virginia Central Railroad third mortgage 6's, J. and J., 76 bid; Virginia Central Railroad fourth mortgage 8's, J. and J., 90 bid; Richmond and Danville Railroad consolidated 6's, M. and N., 72½ bid.

Insurance Companies.—Virginia Fire and Marine, 25 par, 36½ bid; Virginia State, 25 par, 27½ bid; Virginia Home, 100 par, 90 bid, 95 asked; Old Dominion, 100 par, 78½ asked.

By Telegraph.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, September 30.—*Noon.*—Stocks active unsettled, and feverish. Money, 1½. Gold, 110⅛. Exchange—Long, 483; short, 484½. States quiet and nominal. Governments dull.

Evening.—Money closed easy at 1½. Sterling steady at 483. Gold, 110. Governments dull and steady. States quiet and nominal.

BANK STATEMENT.

NEW YORK, September 30.—Loans increased $500,000; specie decreased $2,500,000; legal tenders decreased $1,000,000; deposits decreased $4,000,000; reserve decreased $3,375,000.

BALTIMORE.

BALTIMORE, September 30.—Virginia 6's, deferred, 6⅝; consols, 67⅝; second series, 32.

COMMERCIAL.

CORN AND FLOUR EXCHANGE.

RICHMOND, September 30, 1876

OFFERINGS.

WHEAT.—*White,* 678 bushels. *Red.* 4,006 bushels.
CORN.—*White,* 2,016 bushels. *Mixed,* 252 bushels.
OATS.—322 bushels.
MEAL.—50 bushels.
BACON.—15,000 pounds.

SALES.

WHEAT.—*White,* 50 bushels at $1.18; 96 bushels common on private terms; 222 bushels prime at $1.30; 82 bushels at $1.22; 16 bushels very good at $1.28; 90 bushels common at $1.15; 102 bushels very good at $1.30; 20 bushels at $1.25—total, 678 bushels. *Red,* 100 bushels very good at $1.30; 862 bushels prime at $1.30; 420 bushels very good at $1.28; 78 bushels at $1.26; 300 bushels very good at $1.27; 302 bushels at $1.25; 164 bushels at $1.05; 126 bushels at $1.17; 110 bushels good at $1.23; 90 bushels at $1.10; 132 bushels at $1.20; 206 bushels at $1.22; 300 bushels at $1; 376 bushels at $1.18; 38 bushels at $1.27; 12 bushels at $1.15—total, 3,716 bushels.

CORN.—*White,* 140 bushels prime at 60c.; 1,158 bushels at 58c.; 482 bushels at 57c.—total, 1,780 bushels. *Mixed.* 30 bushels very good on private terms; 214 bushels common at 55c.; 38 bushels prime at 60c.—total, 282 bushels.

OATS.—104 bushels prime winter at 40c.; 46 bushels fair spring on private terms—total, 150 bushels.

BACON.—15,000 pounds on private terms.

RICHMOND TOBACCO EXCHANGE.

RICHMOND, September 30, 1876.

The breaks to-day comprised 42 hogsheads, 3 tierces, and 5 boxes. The offerings on 'Change were 60 packages: 41 of which were taken in, and the remainder sold at prices ranging from $2 to $40.

By Telegraph.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, September 30.—Cotton dull and unchanged; 11@11 5-16c. Flour, 5@10c. better and more doing; other kinds without decided change; $5.10@$6.25 for common to fair extra