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WEATHER REPORT.

PROBABILITIES TO-DAY.—*Washington*, October 9.—For the South Atlantic and East Gulf States, slightly higher followed by falling barometer, rising temperature, northeasterly winds shifting to southerly and northerly, and partly cloudy weather will prevail, with occasional coast rains.

For the Middle States, falling barometer, southwest to southeast winds, increasing to brisk and possibly high, warmer, partly cloudy or cloudy weather, and probably followed by rain.

Cautionary signals continue at Cape Lookout, Cape Hatteras, and Kitty Hawk.

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY was clear, cool, and pleasant.

THERMOMETER YESTERDAY: 6 A. M., 45; 9 A. M., 58; noon, 73; 3 P. M., 68; 6 P. M., 59; midnight, 50.

LOCAL MATTERS.

POLITICAL MOVEMENTS IN RICHMOND.—At the meeting of the City Conservative Committee to be held to-night some changes in the list of supervisors recommended will probably be made, and arrangements will be concluded for holding the ward meetings on Thursday night. As it is impossible to obtain a suitable hall in Monroe Ward it is quite likely an open-air meeting on some conveniently-located lot will be determined upon. The delegates elected Thursday night will meet in convention on Friday at the Exchange Hotel to nominate a member of the House of Delegates in place of Judge Crump, resigned. The candidates so far announced are Messrs. Robert B. Berkeley, William Lovenstein, W. A. Maury, and A. S. McRae.

The colored Conservative clubs yesterday evening raised a Tilden-and-Hendricks banner over Broad street opposite their headquarters. On the blue field of the banner are inscribed the words "Tilden, Hendricks, and Reform." On the lower edge is a broad white strip containing the inscription, "Gilbert C. Walker for Congress." By the side of the banner, in affectionate proximity, is the "old flag." The colored clubs are industriously engaged in the Tilden cause, and every day their numbers increase. At an early day they will have a grand public meeting, at which there will be prominent speakers, and an exhibit of the work accomplished will be given.

The Conservative State Committee and the District Committees have secured eligible quarters at 915 Bank street, between Ninth and Tenth. The secretaries of the two committees are in daily attendance there, mailing documents, corresponding with speakers, and performing other necessary and important work of the canvass. The Irish Conservative Club will occupy a room in the same building.

The Republican State Committee have their quarters in the building northwest corner of Tenth and Main streets, on the second floor, front room.

In addition to the United States supervisors, who are generally appointed upon the recommendation of the party committees, there will be appointed (but by the United States Marshal) a number of deputy marshals. Two years ago he appointed one deputy marshal for nearly every precinct. In a few instances, the exceptions, he appointed two to a precinct.

The Old Dominion club are busily preparing for the meeting to be held at the Old Market on the 19th. The next meeting will take place in the upper part of the city under the auspices of the Excelsior Club. The final great mass-meeting will be conducted by the K. K. K. Such intermediate meetings as may be desirable or necessary will be provided for hereafter. The Excelsior Club have secured rooms in the building No. 915 Bank street, with the State Committee.

DEATH OF A VIRGINIA DOCTOR IN SAVANNAH.—Dr. Thomas Smith, a native of Virginia, and a brother of Mr. A. Austin Smith, attorney at law, of this city, died on Sunday at Savannah of yellow-fever. Deceased was in Europe completing his studies when the late war broke out, but feeling it his duty to cast his fortunes with Virginia, left there and returned home on a blockade steamer. He served in the Confederate army as surgeon, and at the conclusion of the war settled in Savannah, where he married, and in the course of a few years secured a large and lucrative practice. He devoted himself heart and soul to the care of the sufferers by yellow-fever, and for weeks previous to his illness paid as many as seventy or eighty visits in twenty-four hours. About a week ago, writing to his brother here, he stated that his health and strength were unimpaired; that he never felt better in his life, and rejoiced that he was able to discharge his duty to his numerous patients. The first intelligence of his being stricken down by the pestilence was received here Saturday, and it is presumed therefore that his sickness was of short duration.

Gentlemen here who served in the army with Dr. Smith say he was a noble-hearted and highly-gifted man. His death will be lamented by a wide circle of friends in Virginia and Georgia. He was thirty eight years of age. His wife died seven or eight years ago, and he leaves but one child—an interesting daughter—who is at this time ill from the fever, though it is hoped her condition is not very dangerous.

MR. EZEKIEL MYERS ON TRIAL AGAIN.—Mr. E. Myers, late of the firm of M. & E. Myers, distillers, of Petersburg, charged with perpetrating frauds upon the Government in some mysterious way, was put upon trial in the United States Circuit Court yesterday. Upon the former trial, which took place several months ago, the jury were unable to agree. The testimony of Mr. George S. Richards, collector of Petersburg, who seized the distillery, occupied the attention of the court yesterday, and was not entirely concluded when the court adjourned till this morning. The prisoner is defended by Captain John Lyon and Mr. John S. Wise. The Government is represented by the district attorney, L. L. Lewis, Esq., and his assistant, Mr. Hoxsey. The trial in all probability will be going on for several days. A number of witnesses from New York are present.

HEROIC CONDUCT.—Yesterday about noon a horse attached to a light vehicle took fright on Main street near Tenth and dashed off at a rapid speed, causing considerable excitement. The buggy collided several times, but the animal kept on. When nearing the post-office Mr. Charles Phillips ran out into the street and clung to the horse's neck. At that moment two or three ladies were crossing to the opposite side of the street, and but for the timely interference of Mr. Phillips would probably have been run over and severely injured if not killed.

FATAL ACCIDENT TO A YOUTH.—Rhodes Carter, son of Dr. Carter, who lives on the Scuttletown road, while gathering chestnuts from a tree near the new reservior yesterday afternoon about 1 o'clock, fell and broke an arm. Though in great pain, he was able to walk home, when the broken bones were set, and it was thought he was doing well. Later in the day he became very ill, and about 4 o'clock died, from internal injuries, it is thought. Young Carter was about sixteen years of age.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BODY—STREET IMPROVEMENTS—RELIEF OF THE POOR—FIRE DEPARTMENT—ADVERTISING BILLS—BUSINESS FROM THE OTHER BRANCH—WHAT HAS BEEN PAID FOR HACK HIRE AND REFRESHMENTS FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS—REGIMENTAL ARMORY—SNYDER'S BUILDING TO BE RENTED—MARKET-HOUSE FOR CLAY WARD.

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held in the Council chamber yesterday afternoon, President John A. Meredith in the chair. Present at roll-call: Messrs. Bass, Beall, Cannon, Crump, Forrester, Kellam, Lipscomb, Manly, Pickrell, Scott, Spangenburg, Todd, Wagner, Williams, and Zimmer.

FROM THE COMMITTEE ON STREETS.

Mr. Todd, from the Committee on Streets, presented joint resolutions appropriating the following amounts from the street fund—viz.: $150 additional for paving the Basin bank; $53 to place granite flagging across Twelfth street at Clay street; $190 to place a granite gutter on the west side of Twenty-fifth street between Marshall and Clay streets. The resolutions were agreed to.

THE ALMSHOUSE—HELP FOR THE POOR.

Mr. Wagner, from the Committee for the Relief of the Poor, presented his usual monthly report, showing the number of inmates admitted, discharged, and died at the almshouse during the months of June, July, August, and September. Also, the quantity of meal, coffins, and burials furnished the indigent outside of the almshouse, together with the number of ambulance calls for the same period and the number of prescriptions compounded at the city dispensaries during the same time.

The report was received.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. Todd, from the Committee on Fire Department, presented a report calling attention to a deficiency in the appropriation to the Fire Department pay-rolls, which results from the fact that the steam fire-engine on Twenty-fifth street was equipped and put into service after the appropriation ordinance for the present fiscal year passed; and also from recruiting some of the other companies to the full complement of men required by the present ordinance. In order to meet this insufficiency the committee presented a joint resolution transferring $3,200 from the contingent fund to the credit of the Fire Department pay-rolls.

Agreed to—ayes, 16; noes, none.

The same committee presented a joint resolution granting permission to the following persons to erect framed buildings in the city: J. L. Taliaferro, dwelling two stories high, with wing, on Twenty-ninth street near Broad; W. J. McDowell, sheds near corner Broad and First and Seventh and Main streets, both to be removed at the pleasure of Council or Committee on Fire Department; Z. P. Hord, addition of one story to framed building No. 1849; Ann Brockett, dwelling, &c., on N street between Thirtieth and Thirty-first streets; Mrs. J. R. Dowell, addition to dwelling on Main street between Cherry and Laurel streets. Agreed to.

The committee also presented a resolution rejecting the petition of Mary A. Priddy for removal of her building. Agreed to.

ADVERTISING.

The Committee on Accounts and Printing presented a joint resolution paying $44.25 to *Daily German Advertiser* for advertising from May to September; which was agreed to.

BUSINESS FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL.

Common Council joint resolutions to carry out recommendations of the Committee on Claims and Salaries were taken up and concurred in.

Common Council joint resolutions from the Committee on Finance were taken up.

Mr. Bass moved to recommit so much of the report as reduces the percentage to the late Collector, Mr. John F. Regnault, from ten to one per cent. on the delinquent land taxes. Agreed to. The other resolutions were concurred in.

Common Council joint resolution for the renewal of lost bond of the city of Fredericksburg was taken up and concurred in.

Common Council ordinance concerning a record of births, &c., was taken up, and, on motion of Mr. Bass, laid on the table.

Common Council ordinance amending the ordinance concerning the Fire Department was taken up and concurred in.

NEW BUSINESS PRESENTED.

By Mr. Scott: Reports of Auditor and Treasurer for August and September. Referred.

By Mr. Manly: Resolution as to expediency of gravelling streets newly made on Navy Hill. Referred.

By same: A resolution requesting the City Engineer to report as to cost of putting a neat but inexpensive fence around the old City Hall lot and removing present fence, and further improving the lot by grading, sowing grass-seed, and planting shrubbery. Referred to Committee on Grounds and Buildings.

By Mr. Crump: A resolution paying Mr. John Wren $100 for ferreting out and arresting William Jackson, Thomas Holmes, and John Adams, three notorious burglars. Referred to the Committee on Claims and Salaries.

By Mr. Pickrell: A proposition from Mr. Snyder to rent the hall formerly used by the First Virginia regiment, for an armory, for one year at an annual rental of $900; also, a resolution authorizing the Committee on Grounds and Buildings to rent the hall for the period specified. Agreed to.

Mr. Kellam presented the following:

Resolved, That the City Auditor is hereby instructed to report to this body as soon as practical all amounts of money that have been paid from the city treasury since the 1st day of July, 1874, under the following circumstances:

1. All and every amount that has been paid for hack hire for the use of any committee, the date, the name of the party to whom paid, and upon whose order paid.

2. All and every amount that has been paid for refreshments; if any has been paid, the date, when paid, and to whom paid.

3. All and every amount that has been paid on account of the travelling expenses of any member of the Council, or of any city officer travelling on business for the city.

Agreed to.

By Mr. Zimmer: A resolution for curb-stones on east side of Eighteenth street from Broad to Venable. Referred.

By same: A resolution for iron grating across the gutter on Franklin street between the meat and vegetable market, &c. Referred.

By same: A resolution for grading and paving alley between Main and Cary and Twelfth and Thirteenth streets. Referred.

VACANCY FILLED.

Mr. Bass moved to go into an election to fill the vacancy occasioned by the election of Mr. Carrington as Mayor. Agreed to.

Mr. Bass nominated Mr. James T. Gray, and he was duly elected.

CLAY MARKET-HOUSE.

Mr. Todd moved to take up his resolution, laid on the table at the last meeting of the Board, in relation to a market-house for Clay Ward, &c. Agreed to.

Mr. Todd made a very clear and forcible statement as to the importance of building a market-house in Clay Ward, and read from the annual reports of the city for 1875 that the First Market had paid, clear of all expense, about $1,900 into the city treasury, and that the Second Market had paid over $2,000 net profit into the city treasury.

Mr. Cannon said he thought that the market-house ought to be located on Broad between Adams and Henry. At all events, he thought it would be inexpedient to fix the location at present at the corner of Pine and Cary streets. He moved to strike out so much as related to that location.

Mr. Todd said personally he preferred the market-house to be located on Broad and Henry streets, but he would agree to a modification.

Mr. Manly favored the scheme to build a market-house in Clay ward, but not a market-house for the "West End." He thought the market-house ought to be located so as to accommodate citizens in Monroe, Clay and Jackson Wards.

Mr. Cannon moved to amend the resolution by adding the following:

Provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorize the selection of any location for said market-house until a further report from the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, and the approval thereof by the City Council.

The proviso was agreed to, and the resolution passed by the following vote:

AYES.—Messrs. Bass, Beall, Cannon, Crump, Forrester, Kellam, Lipscomb, Manly, Pickrell, Spangenburg, Todd, Wagner, Williams, Zimmer, Meredith—15.

NOES.—Mr. Scott—1.

COMMITTEEMEN NAMED.

The Chair announced that Messrs. Gray and Pickrell would serve on the Board of Public Interests.

He also appointed Mr. Gray to serve on the Committees on Police, Health, and Retrenchment and Reform.

Adjourned.

THE LATE DR. BITTLE—MEMORIAL MEETING.—A meeting in memory of the late Rev. Dr. D. F. Bittle will be held in the Piedmont and Arlington building, corner Ninth and Main, to-morrow (Wednesday) at 8 o'clock P. M. All former students of Roanoke College who may be in the city are invited to be present.

DEATH OF A RETIRED NEW YORK MERCHANT AT FORD'S HOTEL.—Mr. C. Remington, a retired silk-importing merchant of New York, died at Ford's Hotel yesterday evening. Being in bad health, it was his habit to come here to spend a good portion of the fall and winter months, and he thus became acquainted with many of our people, to whom he endeared himself by his pleasant disposition and great benevolence. He was about sixty-five years of age, and, it is stated, leaves a large fortune. His body will be removed to New York to-day.

THE FRIENDS.—The half-year's meeting of orthodox Friends in Virginia which has been in session here for several days adjourned yesterday. The usual queries were all satisfactorily answered, and the summary made up and ordered to be forwarded to the yearly meeting, which convenes in Baltimore on Saturday week. Messrs. John B. Crenshaw, Dr. J. J. Hawks, Richard A. Ricks, John Pretlow, and Z. Doyle, were appointed to represent this branch of the meeting in Baltimore.

MORE HELP FOR THE SAVANNAH SUFFERERS ASKED.—The secretary of the National Association of Fire Engineers having received an appeal from the Metropolitan Benevolent Association, of Savannah, Ga., asking for contributions of money, provisions, and clothing for the afflicted of that city, has addressed a communication to Captain George A. Ainslie, chief engineer of the Richmond Fire Department, asking prompt aid. Captain Ainslie will no doubt receive a handsome sum for the yellow-fever sufferers from our own worthy firemen in Richmond.

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE SUFFERERS.—In addition to the amount collected by the Madison Ward canvassers Mr. N. W. Nelson, Esq., has handed in $19.75 for the Savannah sufferers. The "Gesangverein Virginia" has paid in $60 for the same object.

A NEW PAPER.—At the instance of numerous railroad and steamboat companies Messrs. A. W. Garber & Co. will publish in a few days the first issue of a new weekly paper, *The Official Railroad Guide*. It will contain the official intelligent schedule of arrivals and departures of trains and steamers on all railroad and steamship lines passing through or centring in Richmond (and branch lines), together with a correct table of distances and rates of travel to all points North, South, East, and West, and Europe *via* all lines. The latest orders as to change of schedule, rates, &c., will be carefully noted and promptly published.

THE FIRE ON SUNDAY EVENING.—On Sunday evening, a few minutes after 7 o'clock, a kerosene-oil lamp was turned over upon the carpet in one of the rooms at Rev. F. M. Baker's residence, corner of Third and Franklin streets, and an alarm of fire was turned in at Station 5, at Third-Street engine-house. The carpet was partly burned. Damage slight.

SUDDEN DEATH AFTER A WHIPPING.—Campbell Brady (colored), residing a short distance west of the corporate limits, severely flogged his son, aged seven years, on Sunday. The boy died soon afterwards, from the punishment received, it is thought.

YUENGLING'S BREWERY GUARD.—Mr. George W. Robinson, superintendent of the James River Steam Brewery, returned to the city on Sunday from New York, where he has been to represent the Richmond branch of Mr. David G. Yuengling's brewing business in the first annual parade and pic-nic of Yuengling's Harlem, Manhattanville and Richmond Brewery Guard. The occasion was one of unusual interest, and showed the extent of the business conducted by the owner of the James River Brewery. There was a very long procession, with Leonard Michel, lately of Richmond, as captain of the Guard and chief marshal, having as one among his many other aids Lieutenant Otto Marxhausen, son of John Marxhausen, Esq., of this city. The procession was headed by a squad of twelve mounted policemen, followed by two four-horse barouches, the first containing Mr. Yuengling and his partners, the second containing Mr. Robinson and the Richmond delegation. Then came a band of music and twelve carriages, containing the prominent dealers with Mr. Yuengling. Then followed thirty-eight four-horse beer-wagons, containing over one hundred and fifty employés of Mr. Yuengling's different breweries. A prominent feature in the procession was a tremendous beer cask, upon one end of which was painted a fine picture of Gambinus. The wagons were all handsomely decorated with evergreens and flags. The line of march was taken through the city *via* the different avenues, Broadway, and the Bowery, and ended at Harlem River Park. Here there was a grand pic-nic and shooting match. Captain Michel, of Richmond, won the first prize, a handsome silver service set, and Lieutenant Marxhausen also won a first-class prize. Besides many prizes in silverware, there were many issued in greenbacks to the amount of over $1,800. The affair was a very brilliant one, and Richmond took a prominent part therein. Mr. Yuengling, who is proprietor of our James River Brewery, is one of the largest brewers in the country, and deserves the following compliment from one of the prominent New York dailies:

Mr. Yuengling is a practical brewer, having been engaged for many years in the brewing business at Pottsville, where he made for himself a most excellent reputation not only as a brewer, but as a strictly upright, honest, enterprising go-ahead business-man, which reputation he brought to New York with him, and has not only sustained his well-earned laurels, but has added materially to his reputation.

His brewery here is one of the prominent institutions of Richmond, and deserves encouragement and success.

THE DOLLAR SAVINGS BANK.—We are informed by the trustees of the Dollar Savings Bank that there is no probability of a second dividend being declared for some time.

NO DAY NAMED.

A Letter from Governor Kemper on the Centennial Exposition.

HE DECLINES TO ISSUE HIS PROCLAMATION ANNOUNCING A VIRGINIA DAY—HIS REASONS FOR THAT DETERMINATION—THE POVERTY OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE REFERRED TO—A GLANCE AT THE POLITICAL CONDITION OF THE COUNTRY.

The following letter from Governor Kemper in reference to the Centennial Exposition was made public yesterday:

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE,
RICHMOND, October 7, 1876.

J. E. Peyton, Esq.:

Sir,—According to the promise I made to you some days ago, I respond now to the very cordial and flattering invitation you then bore to me from the Centennial Commission.

In behalf of the Commission you propose that I issue a proclamation inviting the people of Virginia and their descendants and relatives in other States to meet me, in my official character, at a reception to be held within the Centennial grounds on the 19th instant, the anniversary of the British surrender at Yorktown. You express the opinion that such a proclamation, and the reception held in pursuance of it, by the Governor of the oldest of the original thirteen States, would attract a vast concourse, perhaps one or two hundred thousand persons, or more, to our national exhibition, and would produce results of enduring and patriotic interest to the entire country.

Duly and most respectfully appreciating the honor of this invitation, and anxious to decide rightly every question connected with it, I have reserved the matter for a brief period of reflection.

I beg you to be assured, sir, that I am ever ready to devote all my humble means and abilities to the task of restoring peace and propagating fraternal good-will over our common country, and I have not failed to contribute the utmost in my power to the success of the Centennial Exhibition and celebration.

You are aware that in my last annual message to the Legislature of this State I earnestly urged that body to make such appropriation for the purpose as would convey an official recognition by Virginia of the Centennial enterprise, and at the same time insure a full exhibition of our resources in connection with it. That recommendation was thoroughly considered, and finally rejected. It was thought the State could not honestly afford an appropriation even for such a purpose. This Commonwealth had been the principal theatre of the recent four-years' war, and in the course of it, had been scourged, stripped, desolated, and trampled by more than a million of armed men. Our losses and sufferings very far exceeded those of any other State. Struggling ever since with adversity, borne down with heavy public and private indebtedness, and unable even yet to meet all the interest accruing upon it, Virginia declined to incur the cost of taking part in the Centennial because her poverty, and not her will, forbade the diversion of any portion of her revenues to that object.

This adverse action of the Legislature was in response to the question I submitted for its determination. To contravene it now would involve not only a breach of the faith in which the submission was made, but disrespect towards the department whose judgment I invoked.

If I should accede to your request; if the part proposed to be borne by me could avail anything; and if our combined efforts should succeed in drawing to Philadelphia such a concourse of Virginians as you expect, then I would be partly instrumental in causing this impoverished people to spend, in connection with the Centennial, and beyond their State, a very large sum of money; whereas the same people, through their law-making power, have just declared their inability to contribute even a small sum to that object. I would be assuming to do, or to join others in doing, on a great scale in one form what I have been authoritatively forbidden to do on a small scale in another form. I would be assisting in the indirect application from this State of some millions of dollars to an object substantially the same, or cognate to the same, for which the Legislature refused a direct appropriation of a few thousands.

Nor, in my opinion, is it right in itself that I should exert any supposed official influence in stimulating the people of Virginia to increase the contributions they are now making with a liberal hand in this direction. They are doubtless well-wishers of yourself and your associate investors in the Centennial enterprise; but whatever might induce them to incur the extraordinary expenditure now proposed would serve but to diminish unduly the reduced means they have in order to augment your comparative abundance. Those really able to visit the exhibition have gone, or will go, and their going is very properly determined without regard to any movements of mine. None others, in justice to themselves, can go; and I would not, if I could, attract to Philadelphia those who, in view of their necessities at home, ought not to go at all.

Moreover, while such a proclamation as you suggest seems to be warranted by usage in some of the States, it would be notable in Virginia as extra-official and without authority, and it would contravene rules and limitations which here for a hundred years have been held inviolable.

In declining to participate officially in the Centennial exercises I am content to know that neither my presence nor absence affects any inter-State, or inter-sectional, or political relations or interests. Nevertheless, I hold myself free to change any of my conclusions whenever it becomes proper to do so. You and others inform me it is proposed that the chief executive officers of all the States and Territories shall meet together in Philadelphia before the close of the Centennial, and that such representatives of all the States, other than Virginia, are expected to be present. In that improbable event, I would not be willing that exceptional absence on the part of Virginia should cause her to be misunderstood or should mar the completeness of such an occasion.

Let no man do Virginia the wrong to suppose that she measures the value of the Centennial or estimates current events by any selfish or merely material standard. It is true that, passing through a period of embarrassment, she recognizes the obligation as one of paramount importance to enforce the sternest economy in order to pay her debt and vindicate her plighted faith; yet Virginia is no step behind her foremost sisters in advancing the progress, the peace, and the liberties of a Union now constitutionally indissoluble. With regretful composure, without abating her known spirit of conciliation, she beholds the untimely sectional animosities and reproaches which, provoked by no act of hers, tend to mar the noblest design of the Centennial celebration. All the world knows that no laggard heart inspires Virginia. Her absence from Philadelphia shall speak for her with not less significance than her presence. Standing beside her own ancient hearth-stone; scarred, afflicted, poor; but with her brow uplifted; with pure, unfaltering faith, and with unbroken pride, Virginia speaks centennial greetings of affection to all her sister States. To Massachusetts she gives greeting in the name of her son who first unsheathed his sword on Cambridge common as leader of the armies of the Revolution. She greets Philadelphia, the cradle of independence, the birth-place of American liberty, to which a Virginia statesman gave the grandest of its historic glories. And in the voice and spirit of a hundred years ago, she speaks for a union of patriotic and heroic hearts; for our common liberties; for a government deriving its just powers from the consent of the governed; for equal right and impartial justice to all States and men; and she craves of all that, for the support of these principles, "with a firm reliance on divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor."

I have the honor to be, sir,
Yours respectfully,
JAMES L. KEMPER.

PERSONAL.—Rev. Dr. Hoge, who has been at Saratoga Springs and visiting his friend ex-Governor Randolph at Morristown, N. J., is expected to return to Richmond some time this week. From all accounts he has very much improved in health and strength.

Mrs. Oliver J. Schoolcraft has been quite sick at Frederick, Md., where she and her husband went to attend the fair, but it is not thought her sickness is at all serious.

Captain J. J. Fry is in the city, and proposes to resume his residence here.

Colonel Thomas J. Evans has gone to the Centennial Exposition.

Mr. E. P. Hubbard, of Buckingham, who recently found a boy bearing a strong resemblance to Charlie Ross, passed through the city Sunday on his way to Philadelphia. Mr. Hubbard intended to go to the Centennial anyhow, and it occurred to him that it would be just as well to take the boy along, so that he might be seen by Mr. and Mrs. Ross. The boy gives a very confused and unsatisfactory account of himself, and for his life cannot tell whether he is Charlie Ross or somebody else.

Through Alexander Cameron, Esq. we learn of the death of Mrs. Anna Parker Cary, wife of Colonel R. Milton Cary, of Glassendale Park, Liverpool, England, and formerly a well-known citizen of Richmond. She died at Llanduduo, North Wales, on the 25th of September.

J. H. Peay, Esq., Superintendent Public Schools, will leave this city on Wednesday afternoon to inspect the Washington, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and New York public schools, with a view of observing the workings of the system in these cities.

AN ENRAGED BULLOCK AT LARGE ON BROOK AVENUE.—About 7 o'clock yesterday evening, while a drove of cattle was on its march out Brook avenue to the scale-house, and when between Clay and Leigh streets, a bullock left the ranks and made a raid down one sidewalk, clearing it of people and creating a great panic. A colored man who was attacked gave the enraged animal a heavy thwack with a stick, which caused it to turn off in another direction and devote its attention to other people. Squire Isbell, who was walking along with leisure and judicial dignity, was routed at the first onslaught, and compelled to seek shelter in a door-way. Mr. Leigh R. Shell, while crossing Brook avenue on Clay street, was gored by the bullock, knocked down on the pavement, and quite badly injured. The horns struck him on the head, knocking off the skin, and one horn entered his mouth, slightly tearing the tongue. His clothes were almost stripped from his back. The city ambulance was telegraphed for from the Third station-house, and soon arrived in charge of Dr. Bryant and Assistant Superintendent Epps. Mr. Shell was conveyed to his residence, No. 500 Laurel street. The bullock was finally induced to return to the drove, and in somewhat subdued mood was carried out to the scale-house. In all likelihood some steaks from his ample proportions will to-day grace the tables of our well-to-do citizens.

SECOND AUDITOR'S OFFICE.—Learning that Messrs. Howard and Poiteaux, two of the clerks in this office, were to retire from service at an early day, our reporter called at headquarters to know the facts in the case. General Rogers said that in consequence of the non-payment of interest, and for the further reason that nearly all the public debt has been funded into new stock, under the provisions of the funding act, he felt it his duty to notify Messrs Poiteaux and Howard, the two junior clerks, that their services would not be needed after the close of the current month. He said that this action was taken from a sense of official duty, and not on account of any complaint of the gentlemen thus relieved, who are both men of long experience and high qualifications for the positions they hold.

POLICE COURT, YESTERDAY—*Justice J. J. White presiding.*—H. Rosenberg, charged with violation of the sample-merchants' law, was sent on to the Hustings Court. In this case it was decided that though a sample-merchant who takes out a license may sell goods of any description in his own name he cannot sell in the names of others, and that where sales are made the bills should be rendered in the name of the sample-merchant. Rosenberg had a license in his own name, yet presented the cards of several northern houses, and sold for them on commission, the purchasers looking upon Rosenberg as a mere drummer of the northern houses.

Paul Danna, a young white man, was up charged with feloniously stabbing Robert Faircloth. The difficulty occurred on Franklin street near Seventeenth, and the weapon used was a common pocket-knife. Faircloth was cut on the neck and on the left breast, but only slightly injured. Accused was sent on and bailed in the sum of $2,000.

It appearing from the evidence in the above case that the young men had purchased drinks from Consani & Bernichi on Sunday, summons was issued against the firm to appear and show cause why they should not be fined for thus violating the city ordinance.

Harvey Anderson, charged with being a vagrant, was ordered to leave the city at once.

Mary Scott (colored) was committed to jail for twenty-four hours for assaulting Cynthia Hamilton.

A large number of cases of trifling importance were disposed of by justices at the station-houses.

THE ALBUMS FROM THE WALKER LIGHT GUARD FOR THE PHILADELPHIA LADIES.—As an evidence of the high regard entertained by the Walker Light Guard for Mrs. J. P. McClintock and Mrs. H. J. Maris, who were very attentive and kind to the Richmond soldiers while in Philadelphia this summer, the company has purchased two splendid photographic albums, beautifully bound in morocco, with the names of the ladies for whom intended printed in gilt upon each one. The albums contain forty pictures of Imperial size of the members of the company and a photograph of Governor Walker, for whom the company is named, on the front page.

"OLD FIRST VIRGINIA INFANTRY."—A regular quarterly meeting of the "Old First Virginia Infantry Association" was held at the Hustings Court-room last night. The Historical Committee made a gratifying report, and the prospects are that it will be a most important document to the future historian.

The Association have rented a room under the Exchange Hotel and propose to fit it up in a comfortable manner as a headquarters for the Association.

MILITARY.—Company B decided last night that it would be impracticable to visit Staunton at this time, but passed resolutions of thanks to the West Augusta Guards for their kind invitation. The Walker Light Guard declined the invitation because the time was too short for the company to get ready to leave the city.

YOUNG GUARD.—The Young Guard will hold a special meeting of great importance at the rooms over Wolf's saloon, on Broad street, to-night.

TO BE PAID.—Deputy-Sergeant Holzinger is to pay all the petit jurors for September who call upon him to-day at his office, in the City Hall.

CHURCH NOTES.

INTERESTING SERVICES ON SUNDAY—REVIVALS IN HENRICO AND CHESTERFIELD COUNTIES—ADDITIONS IN THE METHODIST CHURCHES—MEMORIAL SERVICES AT THE FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN—ADDRESS BY DR. RUFFNER—METHODIST, BAPTIST, AND PRESBYTERIAN SUNDAY-SCHOOL MEETINGS.

BAPTIST CHURCHES.

At the First Baptist church Rev. E. W. Warren, the pastor, preached in the morning. At night Rev. Ker B. Tupper, of Charlottesville, preached a very impressive discourse.

Prayer-meetings will be held in the lecture-room of the church every morning this week at 7 o'clock, and preaching every night at a quarter to 8 o'clock.

At the Second Baptist church Rev. Ker B. Tupper preached in the morning to a large congregation. After the sermon Mr. J. T. Ellyson, corresponding secretary of the Education Board of the Baptist General Association, delivered an address on behalf of the Board, and took up a collection of over $300.

At Grace-Street Baptist church, in the absence of the pastor (Rev. Dr. Hatcher), who was in Buchanan to preach the dedication sermon of the new church there, Rev. Harvey Hatcher preached in the morning to a large congregation an excellent sermon. At night the house was crowded with a deeply-interested congregation, to whom Dr. Curry preached a sermon of great power before the Missionary and Library Society of the church. Two candidates for baptism were received last week.

At Venable-Street Baptist church, after communion, the pastor of the church (Rev. George F. Williams) received two persons into the fellowship of the church.

The meetings at Bethlehem Baptist church, Henrico county, closed Sunday with the reception of thirteen candidates for baptism. The meeting has been conducted by Rev. J. S. Bethel. Rev. Dr. Dickinson preached on Sunday.

On Friday Rev. Harvey Hatcher baptized twenty persons, making thirty-one additions in all as the result of the recent revival at Bethlehem church, in Chesterfield county.

During the past week very large congregations have attended the Ashland Baptist church, and meetings of deep interest held every night. Fifteen persons have professed conversion. Rev. Dr. Garlick preached two evenings, and Rev. O. Ellyson has assisted the pastor (Rev. J. William Jones) every night. The meetings are being continued this week with good promise of fruitful results.

METHODIST CHURCHES.

At Union Station Methodist church on Sunday, Rev. P. A. Peterson preached in the morning and Rev. H. C. Cheatham at night.

At Clay-Street Methodist church Rev. H. C. Cheatham preached at 11 o'clock A. M. to a large congregation. At night the pastor, Rev. P. A. Peterson, preached.

Services will be held in this church on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday nights of this week, beginning at 7½ o'clock.

At Broad-Street church the pastor, Rev. S. A. Steel, preached morning and night. Two persons were received by certificate. At Main-Street church there were eight additions and three baptisms on Sunday. At Oregon church two persons were received by profession, and at Nicholson-Street Methodist church two persons were received on profession.

LUTHERAN—MEMORIAL SERVICE.

At the First English Lutheran church the pastor preached in the morning. At night the memorial services upon the death of the Rev. D. F. Bittle, D. D., were held. An unusually large congregation was assembled, in which all denominations were represented. The pastor stated the object of the meeting, and introduced Dr. Ruffner, Superintendent of the Public Schools of Virginia, who delivered a most eloquent eulogy upon the life and services of Dr. Bittle. He portrayed with striking truthfulness the sources of power in that truly good man. He pronounced Roanoke College the most remarkable success achieved in the history of Virginia. The congregation was so pleased with the address that at the close of the services they requested Dr. Ruffner to furnish it for publication.

Rev. E. Huber followed in a few earnest and appropriate remarks.

Owing to the lateness of the hour, Rev. W. C. Schaeffer postponed the delivery of his address to next Sunday night.

EPISCOPAL CHURCHES.

At the Monumental church the rector, Rev. George Woodbridge, D. D., read the service and preached in the morning. In the afternoon the rector read the service, and the Rev. James W. Shields, of King George county, preached.

At St. James in the morning the service was read by Rev. Henry B. Lee, and sermon preached by Rev. Dr. Peterkin. In the afternoon Dr. Peterkin read the service and the Rev. Mr. Lee preached.

METHODIST SUNDAY-SCHOOL SOCIETY.

The regular monthly meeting of this Society was held at Centenary church Sunday afternoon at 3½ o'clock—Asa Snyder, vice-president, in the chair, C. P. Rady and J. L. Sims, secretaries.

The meeting was opened with singing by Centenary school and prayer by Rev. P. A. Peterson.

Rev. J. P. Otis, of the northern Methodist Church, was then introduced and addressed the audience. Subject: "Doing Good." It is said that Jesus went about doing good, and the footprints of his labors are seen all over this sin-stricken world of ours. His voice still rings through the earth, calling the dead to spiritual life. But Satan has left his footprints also, and they may be seen in the effects of the intoxicating bowl, Sabbath-breaking, and evil-doing of all kinds. Sunday-school teachers, under the Providence of God, have the best opportunity to make impressions that will live through eternity. They should have no hesitation in endeavoring to get into the youthful heart first, and preëmpt its virgin soil for Jesus. They should labor to leave their foot-prints for good every Sabbath day. The works of men may die, the footprints of men may fade away, but the word of the Lord shall never fail. The sweetest joys of Sunday school workers will be the reflection that they have tried to imitate their Divine Master, going about doing good.

This is the first time the Rev. Mr. Otis has addressed the Sunday schools of the city since the adoption of the resolutions of fraternization. His remarks were deeply earnest, and made a fine impression on the entire audience. He was welcomed by all the ministers of this denomination who were present.

Mr. Asa Snyder, superintendent of Centenary school, then introduced Johnnie Granbery Wilson, a pupil of this school, about seven years old, who recited in perfect style the lesson texts and golden texts of all the lessons studied during the past quarter. The recitation showed the proficiency of even the smallest scholars of this school.

Rev. P. A. Peterson then addressed the meeting. Subject: "Leading design of the Sunday school." The main object and purpose of the Sunday school is so to teach the Scriptures that the scholars may be brought to Jesus. The scholars of the Sunday school should be taught the experimental power of religion. It is a gratifying fact that of late years this great object has been so impressed on the minds and hearts of the teachers that many thousands of the children have been brought into the Church of God. This being the fact, Sunday school teachers should have this idea always before them, both in preparing and also while teaching. Teachers should themselves feel the saving power of religion, and then teach as believers in the principles designed to be inculcated. Teachers should also be careful to adap their language to the comprehension of the scholars, and the truths of the Bible are so beautiful that they will sink deep into the heart.

The next meetings of the Society will be held as follows: Nicholson-Street church, Rocketts, Sunday October 15th; Main-Street