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Richmond Dispatch.

FRIDAY.....SEPTEMBER 21, 1877.

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WEATHER REPORT.

INDICATIONS FOR TO-DAY.—For the Middle Atlantic States, stationary or higher pressures, warm southerly shifting to colder northwest winds, partly cloudy weather, and areas of light rain.

For the South Atlantic States, stationary or falling followed by rising barometer, northeasterly backing to northwesterly winds, stationary temperature, partly cloudy weather, with rain areas.

For the Gulf States, stationary or higher pressure, wind mostly from the north.

In the West Gulf States, warmer, clear or partly cloudy weather; and in the East Gulf States, warmer, partly cloudy weather and rain areas, followed by clearing weather.

For Tennessee and the Ohio Valley, stationary pressure, northerly winds shifting to southerly, warmer, clear and partly cloudy weather.

Cautionary signals continue at Key West, Jacksonville, Savannah, Charleston, Smithville, Wilmington, Cape Hatteras, Cape Lookout, Kitty Hawk, Cape Henry, Norfolk, Cape May, and Tybee Island.

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY was cool, cloudy, and rainy.

THERMOMETER YESTERDAY: 6 A. M., 60; 9 A. M., 61; noon, 62; 3 P. M., 63; 6 P. M., 62; midnight, 60.

Rejoicings at Loughbrickland Rectory.

On Friday last, the occasion of the return of the Dean of Dromore and his family from the seaside, the inhabitants of the neighboring town of Loughbrickland had an opportunity they had for some time been expecting of welcoming back to his home Mr. Arthur Lefroy, accompanied by his beautiful Virginian bride. The approach to the rectory, in the absence of the family, had been tastefully and handsomely decorated, and as the carriage entered the gate under an arch of flowers and a banner bearing the words "Welcome Home," three lusty cheers were given by a large number of parishioners, who had been for some time assembled in the neighborhood of the lodge. The next night being Saturday, a large body of well-wishers, amounting to several hundred, marched up to the front of the rectory, carrying blazing tar-barrels, and, preceded by the Loughbrickland brass band, which, under the able leadership of Mr. Senior, has made such rapid strides towards perfection. The night was very dark, and as the *cortège* appeared through the trees, with which the avenue is bordered, lighted only by the weird flaming of the tar-barrels, and with no sound except the tramp of many feet keeping time with the appropriate tune the band was playing, the effect was striking in the extreme. When the house was reached the bride and bridegroom appeared, and three cheers, and then a fourth, a token as it seemed of the satisfaction unanimously felt at the fair appearance and graceful demeanor of the bride, were given with all the good-will and voice of those present. Mr. Lefroy then said a few appropriate words of thanks on his own part and that of his wife, declaring how gratified they felt at this reception, which so far exceeded in warmth all they could have hoped for, and stating his regret at not having been able to introduce his lady to Ireland during the happy month of July, which had from the first been his intention, and which had been prevented only by his wife's illness, having greatly protracted their wedding tour in Italy and Switzerland. Hereupon a number of able-bodied men lifted the bridegroom to their shoulders, and carrying him several times round the gravel lawn in front of the house, amidst loud and protracted cheering from all present, deposited him on the steps of the porch. Now the band struck up a lively tune, and, the bearers shouldering the remains of the tar-barrels, the procession retired down the avenue, and all dispersed to their respective homes, glad to have had this opportunity of showing their affection for so popular a member of the family of their much-loved and respected pastor.—*Correspondence Newry (England) Telegraph, September 8.*

[From the Wheeling Register.]

Knights of Honor.

STATISTICAL MATTER RELATING TO THIS ORDER.

A gentleman of this city gives us the following, showing the average mortality in the Order of the Knights of Honor in the United States for the past four years out of a total membership of 21,000, and the benefits paid on account thereof:

STATES.	1874.	1875.	1876.	1877.	Totals	Benefits.
Kentucky	2	1	17	6	26	$ 49,090 55
Ohio	..	3	10	6	19	38,000 00
Pennsylvania	..	4	7	2	13	26,000 00
Tennessee	..	1	5	13	19	38,000 00
Missouri	..	1	2	2	5	10,000 00
Massachusetts	..	1	2	4	7	14,000 00
Indiana	..	2	9	6	17	33,000 00
Georgia	..	..	1	1	2	4,000 00
Rhode Island	..	..	1	1	2	4,000 00
Illinois	..	..	1	..	1	2,000 00
New York	..	..	3	3	6	12,000 00
Wisconsin	..	..	1	..	1	2,000 00
Virginia	..	..	..	2	2	4,000 00
West Virginia	..	..	..	1	1	2,000 00
Alabama	..	..	..	1	1	2,000 00
Connecticut	..	..	..	1	1	2,000 00
Texas	..	..	..	1	1	2,000 00
Totals	2	13	59	50	124	$244,093 65

WORKINGS OF THE BANKRUPT LAW.—To illustrate how business integrity is debauched: A merchant bought $12,000 worth of goods on credit, and soon after had himself put in bankruptcy by a friend so he would have to pay nothing for a release, procured a friend to be made assignee, who had the stock appraised at $5,000, which another friend bought in at fifty cents on the dollar, and transferred to the original merchant on the very day he received his discharge, thus securing goods worth $12,000 for $2,500. When one of his creditors, purchasing at his store, asked a reduction on the article, giving as a reason that he had lost so much money by him, the debtor exclaimed, "Do you think I was such a fool as to go into bankruptcy for your benefit?" It will be asked, How can such things be and not come to the notice of the officers of the Court? The proceedings were regular, and the Court relies upon the oaths made before it. Even in the case of the bankrupt who has no desire to defraud, the fees attending the proceedings are so enormous that, as the law student said, "the aim of bankruptcy seems to be to make an equitable division of the assets between the officers of the court and the members of the bar." We know of an instance of a large operator in Iowa who was at one time reckoned to be worth five millions of dollars. He moved to Chicago and engaged extensively in banking, packing, and produce. He had real estate estimated to be worth three millions of dollars. He obtained from a Hartford life-insurance company a loan of one million dollars on his real estate, and then he took the benefit of the bankrupt law in so short a time that the mortgage was adjudged fraudulent as to his other creditors, and the company will scarcely realize twenty cents on the dollar of the principal sum advanced, to say nothing of the interest. In the light of common honesty this would be called an immense swindle, but it is nevertheless the legitimate workings of the national bankrupt law.—*Indianapolis Journal.*

Mars carries three revolvers. Any one might have known that the god of war would not go unarmed.—*Chicago Journal.*

LOCAL MATTERS.

Personal.

By invitation of the Chamber of Commerce, and in accordance with arrangements made by a committee of that body, ex-Governor Walker will deliver an address on the subject of the State debt at Association Hall Tuesday evening, 25th instant. The funding bill, about which there has been so much talk and such a variety of misstatements, was recommended to the Legislature by Governor Walker in a special message, and was passed during his term, and he is, therefore, able to speak about it intelligibly. His address will doubtless throw a flood of light upon the whole subject of the public debt, and be interesting not only politically but historically and commercially.

The Hanover contested-nomination case, which was submitted to the State Executive Committee (Messrs. Guy, Keiley, and Meredith) by the parties most interested—Messrs. Gaines and Campbell, and Dr. Bledsoe—has been decided in favor of Mr. Gaines and Dr. Bledsoe. Mr. Campbell will therefore retire from his candidacy.

Mr. M. Glennan, of the Norfolk *Virginian*, is in attendance upon the Catholic Benevolent Union as a delegate. Colonel William Lamb and Colonel D. J. Godwin, of Norfolk, are also in the city on business.

Mr. W. C. McBride, of the Washington *Star*, after delighting the newspaper-men of the city with his presence for three days, left for Baltimore yesterday. Good luck to him.

Gentlemen just from Washington, who have had opportunity to know whereof they speak, say that the authorities are perfectly satisfied with Dr. Mills's course in the Vaden matter, and have no disposition to remove him from office.

Mr. M. F. Pleasants, clerk of the United States Circuit Court, returned to the city from New York yesterday morning, to which place he had been on business connected with the Atlantic, Mississippi and Ohio railroad case and other court matters.

A number of gentlemen left the city by the York River cars yesterday for the soramarshes. Mr. D. G. Yuengling, who went down on such an expedition a few days ago, said that he never spent a pleasanter day in his life. His party bagged about 250 birds.

It is understood here that Hon. Marshall Hanger has consented to become a candidate for reelection to the House. All who have business with the House will be glad to have him back there, for his equal as Speaker would not be easily found.

General Harry Heth, of Richmond, responded in happy terms to the sentiment "Virginia and Massachusetts" at the Union soldiers' banquet in Boston on the 17th.

Mr. L. W. Reilly, of the *Catholic Mirror*, of Baltimore, is in the city.

Colonel H. M. Smyth, editor of the *Clinch Valley News*, published at Jefferson, Tazewell county, is on a visit to this city.

The Governor has commissioned Mr. Charles T. Loehr a notary public for this city.

Rev. John E. Edwards, D. D., and the Rev. P. A. Peterson left the city on yesterday to attend a church festival in Gloucester county to-day, for the purpose of delivering public lectures and addresses. They will return in time to fill their respective pulpits on next Sunday.

FIRE ON MAIN STREET LAST NIGHT.—Shortly before 11 o'clock last night Sergeant Wren and Policeman Colgin, while walking up Main street, on the south side, discovered smoke in the store No. 1533, occupied by A. Hirschberg as a clothing-house. The alarm was given from Box 2, at the First station-house, and the Fire Brigade were in a brief time on the spot. The door was opened, after some delay, and flames found arising from the shelving. The fire was quickly extinguished, but not until the water from the firemen's hose had greatly damaged the stock.

Chief-Engineer Ainslie and his assistants made a close investigation, but were unable to determine positively the origin of the fire. As well as could be ascertained, it commenced in a drawer and ascended the shelving near the flue on the west side of the store. There is an opening in the flue above the shelving, but it was not marked with smoke. It may be that a match left in the drawer or on the floor was ignited and caused the trouble.

Mr. Hirschberg, with his family, used the rooms above the store as their residence. Mr. Hirschberg had been sick for a week or more, and he and his wife and children were asleep, or at least had retired, when the fire was discovered, but were aroused and apprised of the danger by the police officers, and, without unnecessary delay, moved out.

The building is owned by Joseph Strause, and is insured in the Mutual Assurance Company. Damage slight.

Mr. Hirschberg's stock of goods and household furniture were insured in the agency of Millhiser & Strause for $4,000. The loss will be considerable.

Chief Ainslie, upon entering the store when it was well filled with smoke, saw what appeared to him a man, standing erect, quietly contemplating the situation. Placing his hand on the shoulders of the object, he demanded, "Where's the fire." He got no answer. But he soon found out that he was talking to one of Mr. Hirschberg's dummies—a wire frame, made in the form of a man, to show off clothing. This little joke on the Chief was told confidentially by the firemen to a number of gentlemen, and is repeated here in the same confidential (and it is hoped) good-natured way.

THE MOZART LAST NIGHT.—For over a year the Mozart audiences have enjoyed a singular immunity from the annoyances of bad weather; but in the last few months it has rained nearly every Thursday evening. Last night was no exception to this, but, in spite of the fact that it rained considerably, a large audience was present upon the occasion of the seventy-first *musicale* of the Association. The orchestra played the overture "Tancredi," by Rossini, "Amaryllis," by Louis XIII., and the beautiful waltzes by Gungl, "Dreams on the Ocean." Miss Bennett, of Springfield, Mass., took the audience quite by surprise in her rendition of the march from "Tannhauser," arranged by Lizst. Her performance exhibited thorough training and splendid execution, and elicited the warmest applause.

Messrs. Kessnich and Reinhardt played a grand duo from "Les Huguenots" for the violin and piano. The parts of both performers were difficult and brilliant, and were executed with finish and precision. Mr. Taylor made his first appearance last evening, and sang a charming tenor song, "Nancy Lee," by Stephen Adams. He was rapturously applauded, and was compelled to violate one of the rules of the Association by responding to an *encore*. Mr. E. S. Grant (brother to W. H. Grant) sang most acceptably two baritone songs, "The Standard-Bearer," by Lindpainter, and "A Father's Love," by Wallace. He has a voice of great compass and power, and his reception was cordial.

THE THEATRE LAST NIGHT.—Miss May Howard appeared at the Theatre last night as Lady Isabel in the familiar play of East Lynne. She is a lady of very handsome appearance, and made a good impression in the character represented. Mr. Fannin, who was the leading man in the Richmond stock company some years ago, acted the part of Sir Francis Levison. The company make no pretensions to greatness.

The reörganized orchestra was highly complimented last night. It promises to fulfil the expectation of the public and the pledges of the management in furnishing good music in spirited style.

To-night will be presented Bartley Campbell's emotional play of "Hearts," which is new to many of our people, and likely to command a fair audience.

THE PINTA GONE.—The United States steamer Pinta left this port yesterday morning at 8 o'clock.

THE IRISH CATHOLIC CONVENTION

Interesting Proceedings Yesterday.

ARRIVAL OF MORE DELEGATES—ACTION LOOKING TO CONSOLIDATION—ELECTION OF OFFICERS—HON. A. M. KEILEY, OF RICHMOND, AGAIN CHOSEN PRESIDENT—THE BANQUET LAST NIGHT—A HAPPY OCCASION AT CATHEDRAL HALL—SPEECHES, TOASTS, &c.

Second Day's Proceedings.

The Convention met promptly at 9 o'clock yesterday, with President Keiley in the chair.

The first business was the report of the Rev. Thomas Ambrose Butler, president of the National Board of Colonization of the Irish Catholic Benevolent Union, from which the following extracts are taken:

NATIONAL BOARD OF COLONIZATION.

We feel much pleasure in tracing the progress of the great work you entrusted to our care, and we are sure that you share in our joy as you recall to mind the inception of the colonization movement. As members of a great benevolent organization you have good reason to rejoice that you put in motion a mighty power for the working out of countless blessings, spiritual and temporal, for thousands of our Catholic people, and that you cheered on the men to whom you entrusted the cause of colonization by good deeds and hopeful words.

Since our last convention the work has been carried on with unabated zeal and vigor, and public opinion has been aroused to such a great extent with regard to colonization by the untiring energy of some members of our Union that the pages of every Catholic journal in this country have from time to time contained appeals in behalf of the grand object for which the National Board of Colonization was established. We feel an honest pride in the reflection that the Irish Catholic Benevolent Union undertook a great and noble work that had been neglected before the birth of our Association, and that it has now every reason to hope that through its instrumentality thousands of Irish Catholics will be snatched from the jaws of grinding poverty, from the miseries ever to be found in dismal dwelling-places in loathsome lanes and alleys of large cities, from the brink of despair that lies before those who see life one dreadful scene of sorrow and domestic trouble.

PURCHASES OF THE BOARD, &C.

The Colonization Board has purchased and has possession of nearly 30,000 acres of excellent land, which can be taken up by colonists at any moment. Poor men can procure the land without paying any money for a term of four or five years. Means will soon be within our reach by the sale of town-lots in our colonies for rendering some assistance to poor colonists.

The address of Father Butler was very elaborate and full of sound sense.

The address of Father Butler was adopted by the Convention and commended to the delegates.

Secretary Griffin here read a telegram from Edward F. Hart, from the Catholic societies of Indianapolis, Ind., greeting the Convention, and stating that should the Convention select Indianapolis for its next session they will be welcomed most cordially by the Catholics of that city.

Another message was received from Michael Fox, of Piqua, Ohio, greeting the Convention, and wishing it a god-speed.

The Committee on

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

reported through its chairman, Charles McHannan; the discussion of which took up the greater part of the morning.

Mr. Patrick Rielly, of Baltimore, chairman of the Committee on Credentials, reported the arrival of the following additional delegates, and asked that they be admitted as such:

Bernard F. Cook and M. Carpenter, delegates from the Hibernian Benevolent Society, of Milwaukee, Wis.; William O'Mulcahy, from the St. John's Society, of Rochester, Minn., [Mr. O'Mulcahy had travelled a distance of over thirteen hundred miles to attend the Convention]; and W. Howard Hock, from St. Mary's Roman Catholic Benevolent Society, of Lebanon, Pa.

The morning was entirely taken up in the discussion of amendments to the Constitution. Many of the amendments were warmly debated.

Messrs. M. Glennan, of Virginia; M. W. Hogan, of Missouri; M. Wilhere, of Pennsylvania; J. J. Murphy, of Pennsylvania; J. J. Donohue, of Washington, D. C.; J. J. O'Neil, of Missouri; J. Murphy, of Worcester, Mass.; C. Ryan, of Washington; Edward Hughes, of Virginia; John McDonald, of Tennessee; F. J. Reilly, of Virginia; Charles McHannan, of Ohio; Daniel Kelly, of Pennsylvania; and Colonel Peter McCollough, of Delaware, participated in the debate.

The Convention took recess at 12½ o'clock till 3 P. M., to meet in the basement of the Cathedral.

Afternoon Session.

The Convention met at 3 o'clock, when Mr. Patrick Rielly, of Baltimore, chairman of Committee on Credentials, reported the arrival of John B. Loughlin, of Norfolk, Va., as delegate from the St. Joseph's Beneficial, of that city.

The report of the committee appointed at the last convention to confer with the "German Roman Catholic Central Verein"—to-wit: Rev. J. Kuhn, Hon. Dennis Dwyer, and Charles McHannan—was offered and accepted. The object of this committee was to devise a means by which a union between the I. C. B. U. and the German Roman Catholic Verein could be accomplished. This report was unanimously adopted, and much enthusiasm manifested on the result of the conference.

UNION TIES.

It was suggested that there should be some tie stronger than that which now holds the Union together devised, and the following plan was proposed:

Death Benefits.—There shall be formed in connection with the I. C. B. U. a death benefit department, as follows:

I. Every society in connection with the Union which shall resolve to participate in the death-benefit fund shall, on or before the 1st day of January, 1878, notify the national secretary in writing of its purpose, and at the same time furnish a report of its membership.

II. So soon as societies, aggregating not less than 3,000 members, shall resolve to unite, the national secretary shall issue a circular stating the fact, and calling for an assessment of five cents for each member, which shall within thirty days be forwarded to him.

III. Whenever a death occurs in any society entitled to participation in death benefits, the president and secretary of the said society shall certify whether the deceased was at his death entitled to benefits in his society, and thereupon the national secretary shall transmit by check to the order of the president of the society in which the death occurred, to be used for the immediate family of the deceased if he leave any; and if not, to be delivered to his executor or administrator.

This matter was referred to a committee of seven to report to-day to the Convention.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The treasurer, Rev. James Henry, of Missouri, reported:

Balance on hand at the close of Cleveland Convention	$1,302 85
Received during the year	626 63
Total receipts	$1,929 48
Paid per vouchers	1,215 47
Balance on hand	$ 714 01

THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS

being next in order, the Hon. A. M. Keiley was unanimously elected president. Mr. Keiley having been escorted to the chair, which was occupied by Vice-President McHannan, was introduced as the president of the I. C. B. U. for 1877-'78. He made one of his happy speeches, which was received with long and continued applause.

The election of first vice-president being next in order the following gentlmen were placed in nomination:

Henry S. Buckless, of Maryland; Morris Wilhere, of Pennsylvania; B. F. Cook, of Wisconsin; and Charles McHannan, of Ohio.

The votes being announced it was found that Charles McHannan received the largest number of votes, and was declared elected.

For second vice-president the names of Morris Wilhere, of Pennsylvania; Patrick Monaghan, of Missouri; and C. Ryan, of Washington, D. C., were nominated; and the vote having been taken, Mr. Wilhere, of Pennsylvania, was declared elected.

Mr. M. I. J. Griffin was unanimously elected secretary, and Rev. James Henry treasurer.

Messrs. John L. Murphy, Patrick Monaghan, and B. F. Cook were elected as executive committee.

Father Butler here administered the pledge to the newly-elected officers, and the body adjourned to 10 o'clock to-day.

The Banquet.

The banquet at Cathedral Hall last night was one of the finest affairs of the kind ever gotten up in this city. The large hall was filled with tables, at which were seated the delegates and invited guests, including a number of ladies. The supper was an excellent one in every respect, and reflected credit upon those having the affair in charge.

After full justice had been done the feast the following toasts were read and responded to. Some of the speeches were brief, most of them eloquent, and all appropriate and felicitous:

1. *His Holiness Pius IX:* After a life illustrious in suffering as in service, he waits without impatience as without dread his immortal crown.

Music—"Sweet Spirit, Hear My Prayer." Wallace.

Responded to by Right Rev. Bishop Gibbons.

2. *Our Honored Guests:* Our highest hope is that they may bear from Richmond as happy memories as they will leave behind them.

Music—"Happy Moments." From Maritana.

Responded to by Thomas G. Harkins, of Philadelphia.

3. *The Irish Catholic Benevolent Union:* May it spread and prosper until its name shall be a stranger in no State or Territory of our land.

Music—"St. Patrick's Day."

Responded to by Hon. A. M. Keiley.

4. *The City of Richmond:* We hope our friends have found neither difficulty nor danger in their "On to Richmond."

Music—"Dixie."

Responded to by Hon. John A. Meredith.

5. *Ireland:* Home of faith, as of benevolence, she holds in the title of our beloved Union the right of the line.

Music—"Wearing of the Green."

Responded to by P. J. Donahue, of Washington, D. C.

6. *Our Sister Unions:* We witness their prosperity with unmingled pleasure, and have for all of them a sincere "God-speed."

Music—"Danube Waltz."

Responded to by Juan A. Pizzini, of Virginia.

7. *Religious Freedom:* The first law passed in its defence and the last blood shed from its denial in the Union were Catholic.

Music—"I Dreamed that I Dwelt in Marble Halls."

Responded to by Hon. James H. Dooley.

8. *The Catholic Church.*

Music—"Catholic Hymn."

Responded to by Rev. James Henry, of Missouri.

9. *Virginia:* Leader in so many fields, she never uplifted a nobler banner than that on which was written: "No Proscription for race or creed."

Music—"Old Virginia."

10. *The United States.*

Music—"The Star-Spangled Banner."

Responded to by J. V. Reddy.

11. *Colonization:* The foundation of the power and the prosperity of our country, and of the independence and comfort of the immigrant.

Music—"Irish Medley Quickstep."

Responded to by Rev. Ambrose Butler.

12. *The Press:* The herald which proclaims right and denounces wrong—the teacher and censor of time.

Music—"The Harp That Once."

Responded to by Hon. M. W. Hogan.

13. *The Ladies:* Our fastest friends by nature—Benevolent, and, by instinct, unionists.

Music—"Schubert's Serenade."

Responded to by M. Glennan.

A TRIBUTE TO RICHMOND.

The following poem by Daniel Kelley, of Pennsylvania, was delivered at the banquet:

Richmond, this day shall ever be
A pleasure to the hearts
Partaking now the social cheer
Thy kindly soul imparts.
A day of glad reality,
Of fervent Christian grace,
Which neither time nor earthly cares
Nor distance can efface.
We came, a modest Union host,
With humble, earnest zeal,
To stencil on our Union's flag
Thy bright, untarnished seal.
'Twas not as conquerors we came,
With bitter party line;
'Twas not as men in welfare bound
By secret oath or sign.
Our flag waves open to the breeze
For every eye to scan,
And wears a record never closed
Before the gaze of man.
Its only thought, its one desire,
To love and duty aims;
And nobly thou hast answered it
To-day beside the James.

II.

Richmond, thy peerless beauty lives
A pleasure to the eye;
Thy slender spires, thy noble domes
Still pierce Virginia's sky.
And on the fertile soil around
A plentiful increase
Of Nature's bounty clearly shows
The fruits of sunny peace.
Thy proud old buildings yet defy
The ruthless flow of years,
And sparkling smiles of sweet content
Upon thy face appears.
While history stamps in letters deep
Upon the path of time,
Thy home the home of chivalry,
In this gay southern clime,
'Tis surely earthly happiness
To live upon thy breast,
Where naught but grace and purity
Can ever find a rest.
'Tis icy cold the heart must be
That cannot feel the fire
Of patriot fervor at the thoughts
Thy happy home inspire.

III.

Disastrous war once tossed thy breast;
'Tis gone forever now;
Its traces sad, its shadows deep,
Have fled thy peaceful brow.
And every dire calamity
Embodied in its wake
Could not retard thy destiny
Nor thy great spirit break.
'Tis thus when dark adversity
Shall o'er our future glide,
They only tend to purify
The soul in sorrow's tide;
And when kind Heaven smiles again,
The minds bereft and sore
Feel brighter, fairer, nobler then,
Than e'er they felt before.
Our cause united to thee here
By Love's fair rivets fast,
Shall ne'er conflict these halcyon hours
With memories of the past;
And in the homes where loved ones wait,
And o'er our country wide
This glorious day shall be recalled
With gratitude and pride.

IV.

Richmond, our Union's heartfelt thanks
For welcome warm and bright,
Are tendered thee with manly faith
In this gay hall to-night.
We thank thee for the many acts
Of kindness thou hast shown
To wanderers whom thy kingly heart
Hath treated as thy own.
We thank thee in the cherished names
Of brothers far away,
Who sent us here to act their parts
And show their love to-day.
And in the fulness of our souls
We trust the time shall be
When we can best return the joys
Received this night from thee.
We leave thee, and we hope that God
Who reigns supreme above
Will guard thee with his mighty power
And shield thee with his love.
We leave thee sadly, gratefully,
And while our bosoms swell,
Sincerely pray God bless thy soil?
Sweet Richmond, fare thee well.

HUSTINGS COURT—MOFFETT REGISTER—INDICTMENTS BY THE GRAND JURY.—Judge Guigon returned to the city on Wednesday, and yesterday the Hustings Court commenced its fall term.

The Grand Jury, of which Major John H. Claiborne was foreman, met at 11 o'clock. The Judge stated that he had purposed saying something to the grand jury on the subject of the Moffett liquor law, but the mass of criminal business which had accumulated during the court's vacation was such that he would defer saying anything until they could give the subject their special attention. This he would say, however, in the outset, that this was a law of Virginia, and it would be executed to the very letter, and if rendered necessary, by evasion or violation, such as this court is informed has been practiced, with a certainty and severity commensurate with its importance to the State, and which will enforce a compliance with its provisions.

The grand jury found true bills for felony in the following cases: James Tyler, for entering the dwelling-house of E. J. warren in the night-time and stealing eleven silver spoons, a silver ladle, silver forks, &c.; John Thomas, for stealing Mrs. M. B. Wilkinson's pocket-book from her person; John Wells, for stealing a gold chain, &c., from T. J. Kelly; Robert Tanner, for breaking into the canal-boat Henry Branning in the night-time; George Washington, for breaking into the canal-boat Iron.

The grand jury also found true bills against one hundred lawyers, doctors, and others, for failing to obtain their licenses according to law.

HENRICO COUNTY COURT—IMPORTANT ROAD CASE DECIDED—AN EX-SHERIFF FINED.—In the Henrico County Court yesterday Judge Minor delivered the judgment of the Court in the case of the Richmond, Williamsburg and Henrico Turnpike Company, declaring its charter forfeited, and throwing the road open to the public. The case was argued at the last term of the court by Colonel John B. Young for the complainants, and Charles U. Williams, Esq., for the defendants.

The grounds taken by those who brought the action are that the turnpike was chartered by act of the Legislature in 1860, the charter stating that it was to be graded and gravelled for ten miles each on the Williamsburg and Central or Darbytown roads. The act did not specify any limit to the time when this improvement should be completed. The company went to work soon after its organization and put into proper condition two and a half miles on each road, and have not gone beyond that point.

The Legislature passed a subsequent act on the 23d of February, 1875, declaring that turnpike companies which had not in two years from that date completed their lines according to the terms of their charters should be thrown open to the public. It was on this act that the complainants brought their action, which was sustained by the Court.

The counsel took exception to the order of the Court, and had suspended the execution of the order for thirty days in order to enable them to apply to the Circuit Court for a writ of error.

Ex-Sheriff C. Wagner, of Henrico, was tried on a presentment for misdemeanor, found guilty, and fined $5 and costs.

POLICE COURT, YESTERDAY—*Police-Justice Joseph J. White presiding.*—John Farmer (colored) was up for deceiving Adelaide Green under promise of marriage. Farmer and Virginia Johnson were to have been married Wednesday night, but Adelaide interrupted and forbade the ceremony. The examination demonstrated that Farmer was guilty morally but not legally, and he was discharged, and is probably by this time married to Virginia Johnson.

Leamon Benedix, for trespassing upon the domain of another citizen, was required to find surety in $500 for good behavior or go to jail. Up to 1 o'clock yesterday he had not found the surety.

TENDER OF A FINE IN COUPONS DECLINED. The counsel of James Swee