Richmond Dispatch.

THURSDAY.....JULY 17, 1879.

PETERSBURG.

FELONY CASES IN THE HUSTINGS COURT—THE TROTTING MATCH—CRUISING PARTIES—102° IN THE SHADE—A FALSE ALARM IN CHESTERFIELD.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

JULY 16, 1879.

There are five felony cases to come before the grand jury of the Hustings Court, which meets to-morrow. Among these is that of A. E. Murrell, of Campbell county, charged with stealing a horse and buggy belonging to Mr. George P. Lynch. Murrell was arrested and the stolen property recovered in Richmond. He waived an examination before the Mayor, and the case went directly on to the Hustings Court. Two boys are to be arraigned for felonious cutting. The docket is so light that it will probably be disposed of in a couple of days. The civil docket is also a light one.

The trotting match which was arranged to take place at the Fair-Grounds this afternoon, and which for some time past has excited great interest in sporting circles, was to-day finally and positively withdrawn, one of the horses, it is stated, being too unwell to be put on the track. The forfeit money was paid, and the outside bets, amounting to between $1,000 and $1,500, are, of course, "off."

The city is to pay $950 for removing the sunken dredge from the harbor. The dredge was sunk during the freshet last winter, and has proved quite an obstruction in the harbor.

Some half a dozen young gentlemen of this city left last evening in a small sail-boat for a cruise of a week or ten days to various points on James river. Another party has just returned from a trip in a sail-boat to Old Point and Cobb's Island. They carried their cook, provisions, and tents along with them, and had a good time.

We had a slight shower this afternoon—the first for several weeks—but hardly enough to lay the dust. The people watched the falling drops as though they were witnessing some novel and interesting sight. A good rain would truly be the most pleasing gift that could now be bestowed upon us. The thermometer to-day was 102° in the shade.

A good deal of excitement was caused out in Chesterfield county several days ago by a report, brought in by some negroes, of the discovery of a newly-made grave in the woods. Suspicions of murder and secret burial were aroused, and it was determined to open the grave and examine the body it contained. After digging for some time the corpse was brought to view, and it proved to be that of a large dog. A similar incident occurred nearer the city a few months ago. In searching for a missing person a newly-dug spot of earth was found, and the belief that the party in question had been foully dealt with being strong, it was decided to open the grave. It contained the remains of a large Newfoundland dog.

ROBIN ADAIR.

DANVILLE.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

JULY 16, 1879.

The house and lot of Captain E. M. Pace, now of Lynchburg, have been sold to Mr. James R. Millner, a distinguished tobacconist of this county, for $3,500 cash, and will be occupied by Mr. Millner.

The receipts of internal revenue at the Danville office for the last week amounted to $25,029.24.

Roman Eagle Lodge of Masons has been invited to lay the corner-stone of the Episcopal church, and informed that it will be called upon in a short time for this service if the invitation be accepted. The invitation has been accepted, and the members of Moratic Lodge have been invited to share in the service, and Dove Commandery of Knights Templar to act as escort.

One of the warehouses some time back made arrangements for a premium sale of tobacco. A large number of planters and buyers attended the sale, which came off a day or two ago, and about 500 parcels were offered. The first premium for bright wrappers, $45, was awarded to J. M. Hurdle, of Alamance county, N. C.; quantity, 126 pounds. The second, $30, to J. B. Terrell, of Pea Ridge, N. C.; quantity, 118 pounds. The premium for best mahogany wrappers, $35, was awarded to James Dunn, of Henry county, Va.; quantity, 138 pounds. William Warren, of Caswell county, N. C., on a parcel of 200 pounds, obtained the premium for best smokers, $20. James Dunn, of Henry county, Va., besides the premium on mahogany wrappers, as stated above, obtained on a parcel of 205 pounds the premium for the best fillers, $20. The examining committee consisted of P. W. Ferrell, C. H. Conrad, L. P. Bransford, T. J. Corbin, and W. P. Bethell.

The office of the *News* has been moved into the Yates building, which is up the street from the post-office. During the removal we lost a paper or two.

Mr. J. B. Harrington is having a dwelling-house erected on a lot nearly opposite to the Presbyterian church; Mr. P. L. Rendleman a dwelling-house on Jefferson street.

Mrs. J. G. Miller left last night for Culpeper on a visit to her son, Mr. Charles G. Miller, of Baltimore, who is reported to be very sick at the house of his father-in-law, Major Gray, of Culpeper.

Some of the market-men are receiving large shipments of watermelons and cantaloupes from the South. The melons disappear soon after they are exposed for sale. It would do Mr. Bergh good in his very soul if he could see a factory-hand dispose of a watermelon about 1 P. M. It would be a blessing worth remembering to the Society for the Suppression of Cruelty to Animals. There's a gush about the process—a gush inwards and downwards.

ALPHA.

ROCKBRIDGE COUNTY.

LEXINGTON, VA., July 14, 1879.

Editors Dispatch: Quiet once more reigns. Lexington is herself again. In my last I spoke of the proceedings of the Sunday-School Convention—its delegates, proceedings, &c., up to a certain time. It still continued the even tenor of its way, transacting such business as was beneficial to the Sunday-school cause in all sections and amongst all denominations, not sectional, but opened wide the door where the most good could be done. I am well satisfied that much good was done in our town by the bringing together of the different denominations of our churches. All ministers of other churches and Sunday-school superintendents of other schools were invited to seats as corresponding members, and entitled to all the privileges except voting. Large and enthusiastic meetings were held every night in the Presbyterian church. Many interesting addresses were delivered by different denominations upon the subject of relation of pastor, superintendent, teacher, and scholar to the Sunday school. Many of the faces of our professors, teachers, and other prominent citizens could always be seen within the bar of the Convention listening to the words of eloquence of Mrs. Cunningham, Young, Wilson, Cox, Mullalley, Rev. Mr. Carroll, General Smith, Colonel Preston, and many others who took part in the discussions. The reports from the different Sunday schools were encouraging. Many schools reported a large number of conversions in their schools since the last annual convention. The closing exercise took place on Friday morning, which was very impressive and interesting. The welcome address was delivered by the Hon. J. Randolph Tucker in one of his happy, pleasant, and agreeable speeches, followed by Colonel Preston, who made the entertained and entertainer all feel happy. Responded to by Dr. Cox, D. D., of Baltimore, on the part of the visitors, who said while it was pleasant to think of returning to dear ones at home, it was sad to part with such friends in Lexington.

With some few exceptions all of the old officers were elected, and the Thirteenth Annual Convention of the Sunday Schools of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, Baltimore Conference, adjourned to meet at Trinity church, Baltimore, on the call of the Executive Committee. Most of the delegates left on the Friday-evening stages for Goshen; some few remained over to visit the springs, and some to the District Conference held at Fairfield, in this county, which is still in session.

The weather is very warm and dry; thermometer 97° on Friday; terrific windstorm on Friday night, but not much damage done. Judge Wingfield has just closed a special term for Judge McLaughlin. Old case (lost note) of twenty years' standing—Sayell *vs.* Gould—was examined and the case referred back. Several professors are making arrangements to leave to visit old homes and acquaintances.

PHILIA.

BUFFALO LITHIA SPRINGS.

JULY 15, 1879.

Editors Dispatch: At the time of writing my note this morning I had not heard the origin of the fire which destroyed one of the servants' houses last night. It has been ascertained that it was purely accidental. One of the inmates had set a lighted candle on a table, on which there were some newspapers, and gone to sleep. The candle burned down to the papers, or fell over and set fire to them, and communicated it to the house. It had made such headway before it was discovered that it was impossible to extinguish it before the house had burned down. Nearly all the visitors were out to see it; but its great distance from any other building and the impossibility of its being communicated, precluded all idea of danger.

Mrs. Stonewall Jackson and her daughter, Miss Julia, were among the arrivals this afternoon.

The piazza, lawn, and ball-room present a gay appearance to-night.

FLUVANNA COUNTY.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

FORK UNION, July 13, 1879.

The insurance on the fine dwelling of Rev. Dr. G. H. Snead, which was accidentally burned last night about midnight, was as follows: In the Virginia Fire and Marine Insurance Company, $1,000; in the Granite Company, $2,500. Very little was saved, and some members of the family narrowly escaped with their lives. The property was valued at $4,000.

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AMERICAN PHILOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION.—*Newport, R. I.*, July 15.—The American Philological Association met to-day. President Jotham B. Sewell, of the Thayer Academy of Braintree, Mass., introduced Governor Vanzandt, who made an address welcoming the Society in the name of his State and extending to the members an invitation to his house. President Sewell made a brief reply, and continuing his address alluded in touching terms to the death of Thomas C. Murray, of the Johns-Hopkins University, secretary of the Association during the year. Professor Charles R. Lanman was appointed to serve in his stead. The treasurer's report was read, showing the Society to be in a very flourishing condition.

The first paper was by E. G. Sihler, of the Johns-Hopkins University, "Critical and Rhetorical Labors of Dionysius of Halicarnassus." It was read by Professor Lanman, secretary, and was listened to with great interest. The second paper was by Stephen Pearl Andrews, of New York, on "Ideological Etymology as a Distinct Method in Philology." The President made an able address on "Our Mother Tongue and Our Duty to It." This was followed by Professor Merriam on "Some Passages of the Odyssey." The meeting then adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

NEW ORLEANS REPUDIATION MEETING.—*New Orleans*, July 15.—The so-called mass-meeting, extensively advertised and promoted by tax-resisters and repudiators, was held to-night in Lafayette Square. About one thousand people were present, doubtless mostly attracted by the firing of cannon and rockets. Speeches were made and resolutions adopted advising repudiation of the bonds, as recommended by the majority report of the convention debt committee, and the limitation of State tax to five mills, and parish and municipal taxes to ten mills.

CUTICURA.

CUTICURA REMEDIES.

The success attending the use of these great remedies in the treatment of affections of the Skin and Scalp with Loss of Hair is astonishing. From every part of the country come the most grateful acknowledgments of what might be called miraculous cures. Messrs. WEEKS & POTTER extend their thanks to all who have spoken a good word for CUTICURA, CUTICURA SOAP, and CUTICURA RESOLVENT, and will thankfully receive reports of new cases wherever they occur.

SALT RHEUM ON BODY AND LIMBS.

OBLIGED TO GO ABOUT ON CRUTCHES.

A WONDERFUL CURE.

Messrs. Weeks & Potter: Gentlemen.—In justice to those who may suffer as I have suffered, and as a grateful acknowledgment of the cure I have received from the use of the CUTICURA REMEDIES, I voluntarily make the following statement:

I have had Salt Rheum on my body and on one leg in a very aggravated form for eight years. No kind of treatment, or medicine, or doctors, during this time did me any permanent good. My friends in Malden and elsewhere know that I have been a great sufferer, and that my condition at times has been such as to make me despair of ever being able to find a cure, or even a relief. In fact, when I began the use of CUTICURA my limb was so raw and tender that I could not bear my weight on it without the skin cracking and bleeding, and was obliged to go about on crutches. I commenced to use the CUTICURA in April, and at once realized its beneficial effects. It gradually drew the inflammation and humor to the surface, and as fast as it appeared healed it. At times large quantities would come to the surface, causing burning heat, inflammation, swelling, and itching, which, under the constant use of CUTICURA, would rapidly subside and heal. Each time these outbreaks grew less and less severe, and finally disappeared, leaving me perfectly cured. I used the CUTICURA five months, and took the RESOLVENT most of the time, which were the only remedies I used. I think the RESOLVENT a very strengthening and purifying medicine to take in such extreme cases as mine, because the disease is so weakening to the system.

Very gratefully yours,

MRS. ASA R. BROWN.

MALDEN, MASS., October 18, 1878.

ECZEMA OF THE HANDS CURED.

INTERESTING LETTER FROM A WELL-KNOWN ATTORNEY.

Editor New Orleans Picayune: Sir,—Since the fall of 1867 up to the last three weeks I have been troubled with an eruption of the skin which the doctors call by various names, but which is generally known by the name of Eczema or Salt Rheum. The principal place of attack was my hands, which at times, especially during the winter-time, were very sore.

At times the disease threatened to spread from my hands and envelop my whole body. Doctors have been consulted in Philadelphia, Washington, and in this city, with no more success than a temporary relief. After considerable expense and much pain and suffering I had come to the conclusion that I would, as the saying goes, have to grin and bear it.

About four weeks ago I read in the *Picayune* the advertisement of CUTICURA, for sale by our well-known druggist, Mr. Lyons, and resolved to try it. I purchased a fifty-cent box, and before it was half used the disease had completely disappeared, and I feel certain that mine is a permanent cure.

My object in sending you this letter is to make known to other sufferers the value of CUTICURA, and thus benefit, if ever so little, suffering humanity.

Yours truly,

P. P. CARROLL,

Attorney and Counsellor at Law,

38 Camp street.

NEW ORLEANS, December 25, 1878.

The CUTICURA REMEDIES are prepared by WEEKS & POTTER, Chemists and Druggists, Boston, and sold by all druggists. Price of CUTICURA: Small boxes, 50 cents; large boxes, containing two and one half times the quantity of small, $1. RESOLVENT, $1 per bottle. CUTICURA SOAP, 25 cents per cake; by mail, 30 cents; three cakes, 75 cents.

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THE LATEST NEWS.

BY TELEGRAPH FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

EFFECT OF THE HEAT AND DROUGHT IN GEORGIA; THE DRY WEATHER ELSEWHERE—NO MORE YELLOW-FEVER IN MEMPHIS, AND NO DEATHS SINCE LAST REPORT; THE RESTRICTIONS AGAINST MEMPHIS—DESTRUCTIVE FIRE AT BUFFALO—THE PENNSYLVANIA COAL-MINE FIRE—A MILLIONAIRE AT MORRISSANIA KILLED BY A RAILROAD TRAIN—EVIDENCE IN THE BUFORD TRIAL CLOSED FOR THE DEFENCE—THE MYSTERY CONCERNING THE DEATH OF JENNIE P. CLARKE, OF BOSTON, SOLVED—TWO MEN KILLED BY LIGHTNING IN CONNECTICUT—DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION OF PENNSYLVANIA—SUPREME CONCLAVE OF THE SEVEN WISE MEN—THE LAKE-GEORGE REGATTA; RETURN OF THE PORTSMOUTH CREW FROM SARATOGA—CHASTAIN COX'S TRIAL—TRADE DEPRESSION IN ENGLAND—JULES FERRY'S EDUCATIONAL BILL IN THE FRENCH SENATE.

The Victorious Portsmouth Crew.

THEIR RETURN HOME—OVATION—BANQUET.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

PORTSMOUTH, VA., July 16.—The victorious oarsmen of the Elizabeth Club, on their arrival from Saratoga Lake to-day, received an immense popular ovation. Hon. J. T. Baird, Mayor of the city, delivered a congratulatory address on the landing of the crew, and a procession several squares in length, with a band of music, escorted the oarsmen and their race-boats in open carriages through the streets, while salutes were incessantly fired along the river front. A grand complimentary banquet was given to-night by the citizens of Portsmouth in honor of the crew.

Political.

WISCONSIN GREENBACK CONVENTION NOMINATIONS.

MILWAUKEE, July 16.—The *Sentinel's* Watertown special says: "The National Greenback party of Wisconsin held its annual Convention at that place yesterday, and nominated the following ticket: For Governor, Colonel May, of Vernon; Lieutenant-Governor, W. Lutley, of Racine; Secretary of State, G. W. Lee, of Grant; Attorney-General, G. B. Goodwin, of Milwaukee; Superintendent of Public Instruction, W. H. Searles, of Marathon; State Treasurer, P. A. Griffith. No Germans were named on the ticket, although they claimed representation. The Convention was largely attended and enthusiastic. The platform did not differ essentially from that adopted at the Convention two years ago."

PENNSYLVANIA DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

HARRISBURG, PA., July 16.—The Democratic State Convention met and organized here to-day. The Opera-House was about half filled with delegates.

Resolutions were adopted favoring the subordination of the military to the civil authorities in all things; denying the right of the Federal Government to maintain the army to be used for political purposes; demanding a free ballot; asserting the fraudulent nature of President Hayes's election, and denouncing his abuses of the veto power as an insult and menace to the country. The financial plank favors a currency of gold and silver and of paper convertible into coin. The platform also opposes all subsidies and appropriations by the General Government for other purposes than the public service; promises protection and support to labor, and charges the bankrupt condition of the State finances to the mismanagement of the Republican party.

D. O. Barr, of Allegheny, was nominated for State Treasurer by acclamation, and the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

Yellow-Fever.

NO NEW CASES AT MEMPHIS, AND NO DEATHS SINCE LAST REPORT.

MEMPHIS, July 16.—No new cases of yellow-fever are reported to-day, and no deaths have occurred since last report.

THE ALARM SUBSIDED.

MEMPHIS, July 16.—The only restrictions against Memphis freights now enforced are by the Memphis and Little Rock and the Mississippi Central railroads. All other roads have revoked their quarantine orders. Merchants report a rush of business, and a general feeling of hopefulness exists as to the future. Physicians now say that young Ray will recover. No new cases have been reported for a week.

The Hot, Dry Weather.

THE HOTTEST, DRYEST WEATHER SINCE 1839 AT AUGUSTA, GA.

AUGUSTA, GA., July 16.—There has been no rain in this section to do any good to the crops for two months. The corn in many places is literally burnt up, and will not average a fourth of a crop. The cotton is very much behind. The weed is very small, yet it is fruiting well for the size of the stalk. This has been the hottest and dryest weather since 1839.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, July 16.—This is the hottest day of the season, the thermometer reaching 102° in the shade.

Personal.

NEW YORK, July 16.—The Duke of Argyll and daughters sailed for Europe in the Scythian to-day.

HANLAN'S RETURN TO NEW YORK FROM NIAGARA.

TORONTO, ONT., July 16.—Hanlan, accompanied by D. Ward, James H. Easley, and D. E. Spard, arrived from Niagara at 6 o'clock last evening. He was met a short distance out in the lake by a large fleet of steamers and yachts—all of which were crowded with people—and escorted to the city. The wharves along the route were densely packed with spectators, who welcomed him with cheers. In the evening he visited the Horticultural Hall, where a large crowd was present to witness Pinafore. Between acts Hanlan was presented with an address by Mayor Beattie on behalf of the citizens, to which he very briefly replied.

THE WAKE-FOREST-COLLEGE PRESIDENCY.

RALEIGH, N. C., July 16.—Rev. Dr. Pritchard, of the First Baptist church of Raleigh, has accepted the presidency of Wake-Forest College, and will enter upon the duties of his office September 1st.

Chastain Cox's Trial.

NEW YORK, July 16.—The trial of Chastain Cox was opened this morning by Mr. Rollins for the prosecution, in the presence of a crowded court-room. The prisoner occasionally smiled at the speaker's remarks, and seemed very much at ease.

At the conclusion of Mr. Rollins's address the prisoner's counsel moved to quash all the counts of the indictments charging murder, but the motion was denied.

The District Attorney expects to close the case for the prosecution to-night. Counsel for the prisoner made strenuous efforts to prevent Cox's confession from being admitted as evidence, but his objections were overruled. He also asserted that one part of the defence was that Mrs. Hull was not dead until after the *post-mortem* examination, and that there was no proof of death at the prisoner's hands.

The Buford Murder-Trial.

OWENTON, KY., July 16.—Among the witnesses introduced to-day for the defence in the Buford trial was Mrs. Annie Wallace, a lady to whom Buford addressed a letter just before the murder. The lady strongly sustained the theory of the prisoner's insanity. After a few other witnesses had given their evidence the defence closed with the privilege of introducing other witnesses who are expected to arrive to-morrow.

This afternoon the prosecution introduced rebutting testimony, some eighteen or twenty witnesses being examined to prove Buford to be of sound mind.

The arguments will begin to-morrow, and the case probably given to the jury Friday.

Fire Record.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE IN BUFFALO, N. Y.

BUFFALO, July 16.—Another disastrous fire broke out here to-day, and resulted in the total destruction of the extensive works Pitt's Agricultural Manufacturing Company, established in 1851, and employing 200 men. The total insurance is $106,000. No estimate of the loss can be obtained.

THE COLLIERY FIRE IN PENNSYLVANIA.

CENTRALIA, PA., July 16.—The vein of coal at Prevost's colliery is still burning fiercely, together with the dirt and rock-banks. The mine is being flooded now, but with a poor prospect of overcoming the flames, which gained considerable headway during the night, and now endanger the workings of the Continental and Hazel Dell mines, which are only divided from the burning vein by a pillar of coal thirty feet thick. Should these workings take fire this town would be ruined. Several valuable pumping-engines have been destroyed, together with the "breaker," office, and all the buildings except the stables. The losses are estimated this morning at $200,000.

Mississippi-Valley Regatta.

INTERESTING CONTEST AT KEOKUK.

KEOKUK, Iowa, July 16.—The regatta of the Mississippi-Valley Rowing Association began yesterday, with a large attendance and fair weather. The junior single sculls had sixteen entries. George Q. Muchmore, of the Farragut Club, Chicago, won the first heat; Ramos P. Gill, of Madison, Wis., second; W. S. Getty, of St. Paul, third; C. M. Scheneck, of Burlington, fourth. Time, 15:15¼.

In the second heat Beastley of Peoria easily beat Beeker of St. Paul, Eddy of Chicago, and Billings of Riverdale. Time, 14 minutes and 34 seconds.

The third heat was won by Rhodes of St. Paul. Time, 15 minutes and 20 seconds; beating Tillingbost of Moline and Bassett of Minneapolis.

Muchmore, Beastley, and Rhodes will row the deciding heat to-day.

The senior four-oared shell-race was contested by the Modoc Club of St. Louis, Dixon (Illinois) Club, Sylvan Club of Moline, and Farragut Club of Chicago. The Farraguts won in 11 minutes 13¼ seconds.

The first trial-heat in the junior four-oared shell-race brought out the Peorias, Modocs, Farraguts, and Davenports. Peoria won easily in 13 minutes and 54 seconds.

The second heat was rowed by Sylvan, of the Dixons, and Burlingtons. The latter won in 13 minutes and 23 seconds.

Rowing Regatta at Lake George.

LAKE GEORGE, July 16.—The Lake George regatta was opened to-day with a large attendance. A strong south wind prevailed, and the water was rough. Ackerman won the first heat, one and a half miles, for junior singles, in 14:09½. The second heat was won by Seaport, of Reading, Pa., in 12:14.

In the pair-oared race between the German brothers of the Olympic Club, of Albany, and the Croy brothers, of the Zephyr Club, of Detroit, the former won easily in 11:25½.

The four-oared race was postponed until to-morrow on account of the high wind.

Considerable interest is manifested in the college race to-morrow between the Cornell, Columbian, and Wesleyan four-oared crews.

Terrific Storm in Boston.

BOSTON, July 16.—A terrific storm burst over this city about 4 o'clock this afternoon, doing great damage to life and property. The schooner Myrtle, of Charleston, having on board six persons—four women, a man, and a boy—capsized off Byrd Island, and all except the man were drowned. A boy was also drowned by the capsizing of a boat off the Hull, and a man was buried in the ruins of a building which was struck by lightning. The damage throughout the city will amount to many thousand dollars.

Supreme Conclave of Heptasophs.

BALTIMORE, July 16.—The Supreme Conclave of the United States of the Order of Heptasophs met here to-day—Supreme-Archon F. N. Stephens, of Texas, presiding, and E. M. Solomon, of Norfolk, Va., supreme secretary. Twenty-seven delegates were present from Texas, Virginia, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, and Pennsylvania. The conclave will continue its session for a week.

Evangelical Lutheran Synodical Conference.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, July 16.—The Evangelical Lutheran Synodical Conference of North America met here to-day. The body is composed of 1,600 ministers in the United States and Canada. About 150 delegates were present. The conference will be in session about six days.

The Louisiana State Debt.

NEW ORLEANS, July 16.—The State-debt ordinance came up to-day in the Convention for its third and final reading. An amendment was adopted providing that the State-debt ordinance should be voted on by the people separately, and should become a part of the Constitution if a majority of the voters favor it.

A Murder Mystery Solved.

BOSTON, July 16.—The mystery which has long shrouded the death of Jennie P. Clarke, whose body was found in a trunk in Lynn some time since, has been solved by the arrest of Madame Goodrich, a female physician, who performed a criminal operation upon the girl which resulted in her death, and Dr. Kimball, who was an accessory, and packed the body in the trunk.

A Millionaire Killed by a Railroad Train.

NEW YORK, July 16.—Anthony Zabriskie, a millionaire and member of an old, historical, and very eccentric family, residing at Central Morrisiana, was struck by the New Haven express train while crossing the track this morning, thrown a distance of 200 feet, and instantly killed. He leaves property estimated at $10,000,000.

Killed by Lightning.

BRIDGEPORT, CONN., July 16.—During a heavy shower this afternoon four men who were standing on a stoop were struck by lightning. One was instantly killed and one fatally injured. The other two are expected to recover.

A Strike for Eight Hours a Day.

CHICAGO, July 16.—Two hundred cabinet-makers in the employ of Andrews & Co. struck to-day for a reduction of working hours to eight per day.

Best Pacing Time on Record.

COLUMBUS, O., July 16.—In a pacing race here to-day Sleepy Tom, a blind horse, made the best time on record, pacing three heats in 2:14½, 2:19½, and 2:17.

LATEST FOREIGN NEWS.

England.

DEPRESSION IN THE WOOLLEN AND COTTON TRADES.

LONDON, July 16.—In Burnley 5,995 looms are idle out of 33,000, and 307,870 spindles out of 900,000. In Blackburn district 11,300 looms are idle out of 52,000; 84,000 spindles are working on short time, and 48,000 stopped altogether. In Charley district 1,600 looms, owned by two firms, are working on short time. Nearly twenty other firms are running part of their machinery on short time. Several have stopped entirely. In Bury district both the woollen and cotton trades are very depressed. The average time of working in woollen manufactories is only four days out of the week, and 406,000 spindles and 372 looms are working on short time.

In Stockport the prospect, especially in the weaving department, is said to be almost hopeless. It is computed that now only half a million spindles and 300 looms are working against 1,195,000 spindles and 7,900 looms five years ago. In Rochdale it is stated only five mills are working full time. Five hundred houses there are tenantless.

The Manchester *Guardian* gives statistics to show that the condition of trade in the Rossendale district, where the machinery of the factories is adapted for Indian cotton, is even worse. Out of 100 mills only six, and these insignificant, are working full time. Thirty-five are entirely stopped, and the remainder are only running about half time.

Mexico.

CITY OF MEXICO, July 11, *via* HAVANA, July 16.—The investigation into the shooting of the revolters at Vera Cruz on the 25th ultimo has not been concluded. It, however, has been shown that the authorities unnecessarily and with indecent haste executed nine men, all of whom had families. The conspiracy which had existed on the steamer Libertad and in the city of Vera Cruz had ramifications along the entire Gulf coast, the rude blow given it at Vera Cruz preventing a general outbreak. The conspiracy is attributed to commercial circles in the Gulf ports which were discontented with the law suppressing the contraband trade.

The French Educational Bill.

PARIS, July 16.—The opposition of the Senate against Jules Ferry's educational bill is directed against the seventh (or anti-Jesuit) clause. There were thirty senators absent from the bureaux when the committeemen were elected, and these might turn the scale either way in the debate on the bill. The committee will probably elect as reporter Jules Simon, who is one of the opponents of the anti-Jesuit clause. It is thought, however, that the Government may decide to postpone the discussion six months. The Government is very much annoyed at the turns things have taken. It is understood that M. Dufaure is one of the opponents of the anti-Jesuit clause, and it is thought that if he speaks against it its rejection is certain.

It is stated that some of the Deputies of the Left who voted for the anti-Jesuit clause in the educational bill intend to ask the Government to abandon the clause, and in lieu thereof to put into force certain laws relating to Jesuits which have fallen into abeyance.

The Chamber of Deputies to-day voted the war estimates.

Resignation of the Roumanian Ministry.

LONDON, July 16.—A Bucharest dispatch says the ministers resigned to-day and the Chamber of Deputies at once assembled to consider the situation. The question on which the ministry went out was the emancipation of the Jews, which is demanded by the Powers as a condition precedent to the recognition of Roumanian independence. The bill for Jewish emancipation the ministry could not carry through.

The King of Belgium Again Threatened.

BRUSSELS, July 16.—Another placard threatening the King's life was found to-day posted on the walls of a church in this city.

Cable Notes.

LONDON, July 16.—A Berlin dispatch to the *Times* says cholera has made its appearance in the government of Smolensk.

A terrible epidemic of diphtheria continues its ravages in Bessarabia, where an rescript of the Governor is published ordering universal fumigation of the dwellings and clothing of the peasantry. The rescript states that the epidemic has now been raging seven years, carrying to the grave in some districts almost all of the rising generation.

FINANCIAL.

RICHMOND STOCK EXCHANGE.

WEDNESDAY, July 16, 1879.

SALES.—100 Virginia consols sold at 57; 200 shares of Granite Insurance Company stock sold at 75, and 100 sold at 75.

Government Securities.—United States 4's, 101⅛ bid, 102¼ asked.

State Securities.—Virginia 10-40's, 49⅝ bid, 49¾ asked; Virginia consols, 56⅝ bid, 57 asked; Virginia consols, new, 32 bid, 32½ asked; Virginia fundable, 30 bid; Virginia deferred, 6¼ bid, 6¾ asked; Virginia interest certificates, 15 bid, 15½ asked; Virginia tax-receivable coupons, 78⅝ bid, 79⅛ asked. North Carolina bonds, 25 bid, 26 asked; North Carolina 4's, 63 bid, 65 asked.

City Securities.—Richmond city 8's, J. and J., 120⅝ bid, 122 asked; Richmond city 6's, J. and J., 105 bid; Petersburg city 6's, F. and A., 105 asked; Petersburg city 8's, 105 bid; Petersburg city 8's, special tax, J. and J., 105 bid; Fredericksburg city 7's, M. and N., 104 bid, 106 asked.

Railroad Bonds.—Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad 6's, gold, 1908, M. and N., 50 asked; Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad 7's, gold, 1918, J. and J., 30 asked; Virginia Central Railroad third mortgage 6's, J. and J., 96½ bid, 100 asked; southside Railroad first mortgage preferred 8's, J. and J., 112 asked; Southside Railroad third mortgage preferred 6's, J. and J., 82 bid; Atlantic, Mississippi and Ohio Railroad certificate, 99 bid; Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad mortgage 8's, J. and J., 108 bid; Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad mortgage 7's, J. and J., 99 bid; Richmond and Danville Railroad consolidated 6's, M. and N., 94 bid, 97 asked; Piedmont Railroad first mortgage 8's, A. and O., 108 bid; C. C. and A. Railroad, 1st, 96 bid, 99 asked; C. C. and A. Railroad, 2d, 74¾ bid, 75½ asked.

Railroad Stocks.—Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, 100 par, 6 bid, 8 asked; Richmond and Petersburg Railroad, 100 par, 42½ bid, 50 asked; Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad common, 100 par, 40 bid; Connection Railroad stock, 70 par, 69 bid; Richmond and Danville Railroad, 100 par, 16 bid, 19¾ asked.

Bank Stocks.—National Bank of Virginia, 100 par, 87 bid, 92½ asked; Merchants and Planters Savings, 25 par, 17 bid.

Insurance Companies.—Virginia Fire and Marine, 25 par, 34¾ bid, 35¾ asked; Virginia State, 25 par, 27 bid; Virginia Home, 100 par, 104¾ asked; Merchants and Mechanics, 100 par, 83 bid, 90 asked; Granite, 100 par, 74 bid, 75 asked.

Miscellaneous.—Old Dominion Steamship Company, 100 par, 22½ bid.

By Telegraph.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, July 16.—*Noon.*—Stocks buoyant. Money on call, 2½@3 per cent. Exchange—Long, 485½; short, 487½. State bonds dull. Governments firm.

Evening.—Money easy at 2½@3 per cent. Exchange active and weak at 485½@485¾. Governments strong; new 5's, 104; 4½ per cents, 105⅝; 4 per cents, 101⅞. States dull.

BALTIMORE.

BALTIMORE, July 16.—Virginia 6's deferred, 6½; consols, 56½; second series, 32; Virginia 10-40's, 49¾; past-due coupons, 78¾. Bid to-day.

COMMERCIAL.

CORN AND FLOUR EXCHANGE.

RICHMOND, July 16, 1879.

OFFERINGS REPORTED TO SECRETARY

WHEAT.—*White*, 1,342 bushels. *Red*, 8,764 bushels.

CORN.—*White*, 400 bushels. *Mixed*, 400 bushels.

OATS.—32 bushels.

MEAL.—100 bushels.

SALES REPORTED TO SECRETARY.

WHEAT.—*White*, 332 bushels very good at $1.17; 200 bushels prime on private terms; 74 bushels common at $1.10; 8 bushels good at $1.15; 370 bushels prime at $1.20; 150 bushels prime at $1.20—total, 1,134 bushels. *Red*, 238 prime Fultz at $1.10; 252 bushels mixed at $1.12; 50 bushels prime Fultz at $1.10; 400 bushels prime Lancaster at $1.19; 250 bushels mixed at $1.12; 324 bushels very good Fultz at $1.09; 106 bushels Fultz at $1.07; 124 bushels Fulrz at $1.06; 28 bushels prime Fultz at $1.10; 18 bushels Fultz at $1; 14 bushels Lancaster at $1.15; 800 bushels bushels very good Fultz at $1.07; 66 bushels very good Lancaster at $1.18; 18 bushels prime Fultz at $1.10; 6 bushels mixed at $1.12; 62 bushels mixed at $1.15; 344 bushels at $1.08; 28 bushels at $1.03; 12 bushel good Fultz at $1.07; 100 bushels very good Fultz on private terms; 300 bushels good Fultz at $1.09; 290 bushels Fultz at $1.09; 94 bushels common Fultz at $1.03; 44 bushels Fultz at $1; 50 bushels common Fultz at $1; 64 bushels good amber at $1.19; 10 bushels prime mixed at $1.15; 100 bushels Lancaster at $1.19; 380 bushels mixed at $1.12; 70 bushels very good Fultz at $1.08; 530 bushels Fultz on private terms; 300 bushels prime Lancaster at $1.19; 350 bushels mixed at $1.12; 230 bushels fair Lancaster at $1.16; 340 bushels very good Lancaster at $1.18; 64 bushels prime Fultz at $1.10; 26 bushels good Lancaster at $1.18; 92 bushels good Fultz at $1.05; 60 bushels very good Fultz at $1.08; 12 bushels good Lancaster at $1.16—total, 6,858 bushels.

Flour.

Fine, $3.50; superfine, $4.25@$4.50; extra, $5.50@$5.75; common family, $5.75@$6; fancy brands, $6@$7.50.

RICHMOND MARKETS.

WEDNESDAY, July 16, 1879.

Country Produce.

Apples: June, 50@75c. ₱ barrel.
Beeswax: 20c. ₱ lb.
Butter: Prime to choice yellow, 12@14c.; fair to good, 8@10c.
Corn Meal: 60c. ₱ bushel for country; 65c. for city mills.
Dried Fruit: Apples, 1½@2c.; peaches, peeled, 3@6c.; unpeeled, 2@3c.; cherries, 9@10c. ₱ lb.; blackberries, 3c.
Eggs: In barrels, 9c.; in crates, 10c.
Feathers: Prime live-goose, 35@40c.; common, 20@30c.
Flaxseed: $1 ₱ bushel.
Hay: Virginia timothy, 60c.; clover and mixed, 55@60c. In demand. New York, 60@65c.
Oats: Baled, 45@55c.
Potatoes: Irish, ₱ barrel, $1.75@$3.50.
Lard: Country, 6@6½c.
Rye: 65@70c. ₱ bushel.
Sumac: Prime, 75c.
Baled Straw: 35@45c.
Tallow: 5@5½c. ₱ lb.
Wool: Washed, 32@35c.; unwashed, 23@26c. Burry wool will bring from ¼ to 5c. ₱ lb less than above rates.

Cement, Lime, Plaster, &c.

Cement: Rosendale, $2.50 ₱ barrel.
Lime: Agricultural, $@10c. ₱ bushel; Rockland, $1.10@$1.25, according to quantity; Jointer (finishing), $1.15; Glenn's Falls, 85@90c.
Plaster: Lump, $3.50; ground, $8; calcined plaster, $2.
Tar: Large size, $3.25@$3.50.

Drugs, Dyestuffs, Oils, &c.

Alum: 4½.
Alcohol: $2.50 ₱ gallon.
Concentrated Lye: $2.75@$4 ₱ case of four dozen.
Copperas: 2½.
Cochineal: 90c. ₱ lb.
Extract of Logwood: 17c.
Indigo: $1@$1.10.
Madder: 12½c.
Oils: Linseed, 70c.; machine, $1@$1.75; sperm, $1.25; whale, 60c.; straits, 40@45c.; Labrador-