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WEATHER REPORT.

INDICATIONS FOR TO-DAY.—For the Middle States and Lower Lake region, northerly to westerly winds, rising barometer, stationary or slightly-falling temperature, and clear or fair weather, except in the northern portions light snows.

For the South Atlantic States, slightly colder, northeast to northwest winds, rising barometer, and clear or fair weather.

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY was clear, raw, and windy during the day. At night it was quite cold.

THERMOMETER YESTERDAY: 6 A. M., 34; 9 A. M., 41; noon, 47; 3 P. M., 48; 6 P. M., 41; midnight, 30.

Mean temperature, 40 1-6.

LOCAL MATTERS.

CHURCH NOTES.—At the Monumental church on Sunday morning five candidates were baptized. The pastor read the service and administered the Holy Communion in the morning, but there was no sermon. He preached in the afternoon to a very large congregation.

At Leigh-Street Baptist church the pastor preached morning and night and baptized four persons. The Lord's Supper was administered, and the right-hand of fellowship given to six new members.

At the Second Baptist church the pastor preached in the morning and at night. At night the sermon was to young men. A very large and interested congregation was present. The series of sermons to young men will be continued next Sunday night.

At the Pine-Street Baptist church Rev. J. H. Barnes, of New Kent, preached morning and night. The house was crowded at night. Mr. Barnes will preach every night this week, services commencing at 7½ o'clock.

At the First Baptist church Rev. F. B. Beale preached morning and night.

At the Grace-Street Baptist church in the morning Rev. G. B. Taylor, D. D., occupied the pulpit and delivered an address on the Italian mission, and a good collection was taken for that mission. Dr. Taylor alluded most impressively to the fact that he was baptized in the baptistry of that church by his father, Rev. J. B. Taylor, years ago. Two of his sisters were baptized at the same time, both of whom have now passed from earth to their reward.

At Venable-Street Baptist church in the morning the pastor preached his sixth anniversary sermon. He stated that six years ago there was no church there, but in the following April the Venable-Street Baptist church was organized with forty-seven members, from which they have increased to a resident membership now numbering one hundred and seventy-five. He mentioned some of the difficulties through which they had come, and, in conclusion, he made an effort to get the church to undertake its own support, in which he was heartily seconded by the members present. The church will now make a faithful effort to meet its expenses. The meeting was one of unity and enthusiasm. At night Rev. Mr. Reamy, of Richmond College, preached an excellent sermon. The house could not hold the people who came. Several rose for prayers, and so much interest was felt that it was decided to continue the meeting at least one night more.

Rev. F. B. Beale, pastor of the Centennial Baptist church, of Tappahannock, Essex county, appeared before the meeting of Richmond pastors (Baptists) and asked help for the work there. The Baptists of that town are endeavoring to repair the historic old court-house building, which has been purchased for a church, and deserve the aid of Richmond Baptists. The pastors cordially commended Mr. Beale and his enterprise to their people.

A GENEROUS OFFER.—The Second Baptist church of St. Louis, Mo., to be dedicated next Thursday, has been rebuilt at a cost of $180,000. The pastor, Rev. Dr. Boyd, and one of his deacons, Hon. Nathan Cole (member of Congress), seeing an appeal for funds with which to pay off the debt on the new Baptist church at Bowling Green, Caroline county, Va., wrote as follows to Rev. A. E. Dickinson, of this city: "If you will come here and make a short address at the dedication of our church we will pay all your expenses; and as we shall have no need to take any collection for ourselves on that day, having already raised our money, we will take a collection for the Bowling Green church on that occasion and do the handsome thing." Yesterday afternoon Dr. J. B. Jeter and Dr. George B. Taylor left for St. Louis to take part in the dedication of the splendid new church.

THE THOMAS STATUE.—The following may interest some of our readers:

HEADQUARTERS LOCAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,
SOCIETY OF ARMY OF THE CUMBERLAND,
1221 H STREET, N. W.,
WASHINGTON D. C., October 31, 1879.

To the Adjutant-General, State of Virginia:

SIR,—The Society of the Army of the Cumberland will hold its eleventh reunion in this city on the 19th and 20th November proximo, when Ward's equestrian statue of General George H. Thomas will be unveiled with imposing ceremonies. On behalf of the Society we cordially invite you, and through you the several military organizations of your State, to be present and participate in the ceremonies of the occasion.

Be pleased to transmit this invitation at your earliest convenience, requesting a prompt acceptance.

We hope to be able to announce a material reduction of railroad rates within a few days.

We have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servants,

THOMAS L. YOUNG,
A. McD. McCOOK,
for Local Executive Committee.

PERSONALS AND BRIEFS.—Judge John M. Gregory, Jr., lately elected one of the superior judges of Solano county, California, has just come in on a visit to his parents in Charles City county, and passed through the city on his way home last Thursday. The judge was a gallant soldier in the "Lost Cause," and we are pleased that he is appreciated in his adopted State. He has been for some years probate judge, and in the late elections was raised to his present office. We congratulate the Governor on having his son back again, and know his many friends will be glad to meet the Judge on his return to the city at an early day.

Revenue collections last week, $34,634.

The Governor has removed the political disabilities of Edward W. Ammens, of Lee county.

This is election-day here, as elsewhere in the State. The printed poll-tax lists will be at the polls, as usual.

DEATH OF MONS. PARDIGON.—Captain C. P. Pardigon, a native of France and a well-known teacher of French, during the war a member of General Wise's staff, died Sunday and was buried from Grace Episcopal church yesterday afternoon. The deceased was a gentleman of scholarly attainments, with experience as a writer, and was known and highly esteemed by a great number of our best citizens. He was about fifty years of age.

THE COMMON COUNCIL.

FINANCE MATTERS—CITY RAILWAY—WATER-WORKS—NEW FRAMED HOUSES—RESIGNATION OF CHIEF AINSLIE ACCEPTED—ORDINANCES—THE SUNDAY LIQUOR LAW: ORDINANCE CONFORMING TO THE STATE LAW ADOPTED—NEW BUSINESS—A WORK-HOUSE PROPOSED—RESOLUTIONS REFERRED—JAMES-RIVER IMPROVEMENT, &c., &c.

A meeting of the Common Council was held yesterday afternoon in the Council Chamber—President Manson in the chair. Present at roll-call: Messrs. Adams, Baker, Christian, Crenshaw, Curtis, Davis of Madison, Davis of Marshall, Ellett, Ellyson, Gentry, Goddin, Gunn, Hargrove, Hayes, Higgins, Irvin, McDowell, Oliver, Pierce, Phillips, Pollock, Rankin, and Taylor.

Mr. Taylor stated that Mr. Skinker was detained from his seat by very important business.

Mr. Higgins stated that Mr. Wood was detained from his seat by sickness.

Mr. Christian said that Mr. Edwards was absent from the city.

FINANCE MATTERS.

Mr. Christian, from the Committee on Finance, presented a joint resolution for the consolidation of the various accounts under the control of the Committee on Streets into one account—that of streets generally; also, directing the Auditor to pay the pay-rolls of the hands and carts and roller and crusher from the consolidated account, and that pay-roll account shall have priority over all other demands on the consolidated fund.

The committee also presented a joint resolution consolidating the funds controlled by the Water Committee into one account.

The resolutions were agreed to.

NEW PUMP-WORKS.

Mr. Davis, from the Committee on Water, presented a resolution that the selection from designs furnished for water-power pump be referred to a special committee, consisting of three from the Board of Aldermen, five from the City Council, the City Engineer, and the Superintendent of the Water-Works, in conjunction with the Committee on Water. Agreed to.

RESIGNATION OF CHIEF AINSLIE—BUILDING PERMITS.

Mr. Taylor, from the Committee on the Fire Department, presented the resignation of the Chief of the Fire Department, as follows, and a resolution for a joint session to elect his successor on Monday next:

RICHMOND, October 31, 1879.

To the Council of the City of Richmond:

Gentlemen,—Please accept my resignation as Chief Engineer of this department, to take effect upon the qualification of my successor. GEORGE A. AINSLIE,
Chief Engineer Richmond Fire Department.

The committee also presented a joint resolution giving permission to the following persons to erect framed buildings in the city: William Jenkins, wood- and coal-house on his lot on Cary street between Cherry and Laurel; William Glover, stable at No. 1109 Second street; J. B. Newell, wood- and coal-house at No. 310 Cherry street; Marcellus Clarke, dwelling on Leigh street between Gilmer and Graham streets; J. W. Schwalmeyer, addition to No. 607 Twenty-third street; Julius & Moses Schwartz, butcher-shop at No. 36 Williamsburg avenue; John H. Gill, shed on Pleasant street; P. Bargamin, cooking-room on Second street between Cary and Canal streets; Anderson Brown, dwelling on Second street between Byrd and Arch streets; Joseph A. Sadler, to raise his dwelling No. 608 High street one story; Mrs. E. J. Browning, kitchen corner Belvidere and Albemarle streets; W. J. McDowell, addition to coal-office corner Seventh and Main streets; W. G. Payne, shed corner St. Paul and Coots streets; Grantland Marx, dwelling on Hickory street near Clara's branch; Martha J. Lacy, stable and coal-house at No. 513 Twenty-seventh street; J. M. Payne, stable at No. 210 west Grace street; Wingfield Bowler, shop corner Catharine and Gilmer streets; Goddin & Warren, dwelling on alley between Catharine and Leigh streets and Brook avenue and Henry street; D. S. Redford, shed at No. 4 west Broad street; Mrs. J. Mason, wood- and coal-house corner Twenty-seventh and Marshall streets; Simon Harris, dwelling on Beverly street between Culvert and Cherry streets; William A. Turner, dwelling corner Second and Arch streets; Henry Carter, shed corner Holly and Laurel streets; J. J. Hawkes, dwelling corner Thirty-first and P streets; George Seaton, dwelling on Leigh street between Harrison and Kinney streets; Anderson Harris, three coal-houses corner Clarke and Jackson streets; N. M. Lee, dwelling on Concord street near Chesapeake and Ohio Railway shops; John Hart, kitchen at No. 724 Marshall street; A. Rooney, addition to factory corner Twentieth and Venable streets; Dabney Brothers, shed corner of Second and Broad streets.

Mr. Curtis moved to lay the resignation of the Chief Engineer on the table.

Mr. Higgins favored such a disposition of the resignation.

Mr. Curtis wanted the matter laid over and place the Department in command of the First Assistant Engineer until the next Council is elected.

Mr. Taylor advocated the acceptance of the resignation on the ground that the Fire Department ought to have a head just as the other departments have.

Mr. Gentry said that Chief Ainslie had declined to serve any longer. He wanted to devote more time to his private business.

Several other members spoke, and the discussion was prolonged considerably.

The motion to table was lost.

The resignation was accepted, on motion of Mr. McDowell, and the time for the election of Chief Ainslie's successor was fixed for the first Monday in December instead of next Monday.

The other resolution was agreed to.

ELECTIONS.

Mr. Oliver, from the Committee on Elections, presented a joint resolution to defray expenses of the election for members of the General Assembly. Agreed to.

ORDINANCES.

Mr. Ellyson, from the Committee on Ordinances, made the following report:

1. The resolution requesting the committee to inquire into the expediency of framing an ordinance establishing a purchasing agent at a yearly salary is herewith returned, with the recommendation that the establishment of such an agency is at this time inexpedient.

The committee also recommend that section 48 of chapter 34 be so amended as to allow merchants to occupy with their goods three feet of the sidewalk instead of one third of the sidewalk, as it now reads.

The report and ordinance were adopted.

THE SUNDAY LIQUOR LAW.

Mr. Higgins, from the select committee appointed to consider the disagreeing votes of the two bodies as to the Sunday liquor law, presented an ordinance to make the city ordinance conform to the present State law. The report and ordinance were read. The ordinance proposes that the penalty shall be a fine of not less than $10 nor more than $500, and, at the discretion of the Police Justice, forfeit license.

MINORITY REPORT.

Mr. Ellyson presented the following report, representing the views of a minority of the committee:

To the Honorable Members of the City Council:

A majority of the committee of conference on the Sunday liquor law having agreed to report an amendment to section 13 of chapter 46 of the City Ordinances, by which the exclusive jurisdiction of all cases of violation of the Sunday liquor laws is invested in the Police Court, and believing that the adoption of the proposed amendment would be injurious to the best interests of the city, the undersigned, a minority of the committee, beg leave respectfully to offer the following report:

The question under consideration is simply who shall impose the penalty for a violation of the law. Under our present laws the Hustings and Police Courts claim concurrent jurisdiction. It is proposed to so modify the ordinance as to take the jurisdiction from the Hustings and vest it in the Police Court. In our opinion this would produce most unfortunate results.

The agitation for the removal of jurisdiction was not begun until the judge of the Hustings Court had made his court obnoxious to the violators of the law by the imposition of heavy penalties. It was to shield infractors of the law from punishment and to provide an easy way for its violation that this agitation was begun and has continued. If this be not the object sought to be attained, why should those interested take so much trouble to secure exclusive jurisdiction for the Police Court? If the saloon-keepers of the city are sincere in their expressions of purpose to observe the law, why should the question of who shall impose its penalties be to them a matter of the slightest concern? for if they never violate the law they will never become liable to punishment, and so the question of who shall administer it can have for them no practical interest. The facts warrant the conclusion that the bar-keepers of the city do not stand in fear of the Police Court, and that not until the judge of the Hustings Court took the matter in hand was the Sunday liquor law ever generally respected.

To sustain this assertion we need only mention that during the four years beginning with April, 1874, and ending March 31, 1878, the number of persons fined in the Police Court was 71. Of this number 66 were fined $10, and five were fined $20, making an aggregate of $760 for the four years. During the short period of ten months the number of persons convicted in the Hustings Court was only nine, and yet the fines amounted to *nine hundred and seventy dollars.*

As we have just stated, during the four years mentioned it was the custom of the Police Justice in nearly every instance to impose the smallest penalty allowed by the law. We claim that this did not tend to restrain the bar-keepers from further violations of the law, and in support of this position we need simply mention that one dealer was found guilty by the Police Justice *three times* in a period of less than two years, and each time was fined only the minimum amount of $10. Another was convicted *twice* within *thirty-five days*, and was fined only ten dollars for each offence, although the last was the *fourth* time he had been tried and convicted in this court for selling liquor on Sunday. And still another was arraigned *twice* in less than *three weeks*, and each time was punished with the smallest fine; and so with others who were arraigned and convicted more than once for a violation of the Sunday liquor law.

We do not desire to be understood as impugning the motives of the Police Justice. In the exercise of his authority he had the right to impose the least or the greatest penalty. It was for him to decide as to the gravity of the offence and to affix the penalty; but in support of our claim that the jurisdiction should be allowed to remain in the Hustings Court, we need only to refer you to the above facts to show most conclusively that the law was not respected until the judge of the Hustings Court, by the infliction of heavy penalties, secured for it a proper observance.

In advocacy of the proposed amendment, it is urged that the money realized from fines now paid to the State would then go into the city treasury, and so become a source of revenue.

The total amount of fines imposed by the Police Justice in four years aggregated only $760, or an average of $190 a year. We are unwilling to believe that in discussing a question that so seriously affects the highest interests of the community any citizen, for so pitiful a sum as $190 a year, would be willing to jeopardize the peace and good order of the city; but, lest this argument should have some weight, we hazard nothing in saying that it is capable of demonstration that the expense incurred by the city for the arrest and conviction of violators of the Sunday liquor law, and especially for the arrest and detention of persons made disorderly and dangerous by reason of liquor purchased on Sunday, would more than equal the revenue likely to be derived from that source.

Another reason for the change upon which great stress is laid is that under the present laws, which give jurisdiction to both the Hustings and Police Courts, any person may be fined twice for the same offence. As the petitioners asking for this amendment declare their purpose of faithfully observing the law, and as the liquor-dealers, through their Association, and many individually, have assured members of the Council that it is the intention of all bar-keepers to hereafter respect the law, we do not see that this objection can have any weight, for if no one violates the law no one will be punished; and if any dealer should at any time be found guilty, the other dealers, having pledged themselves to the support of the law, would be interested in having such dealer punished to the fullest extent of the law.

The third reason why the law should be modified, and which is the last we shall notice, is the one that relates to the summoning of citizens to testify before the grand jury as to their knowledge of violations of the Sunday liquor law. It is declared "to be due to many of our citizens, as respectable as any others, that they shall not be liable to be summoned as involuntary informers against themselves and others before the grand jury or the Hustings Court," and also that the adoption of this amendment "would relieve the State of the burthen of incurring large expenses in summoning witnesses before the grand and petit juries and the trial of such cases, and the citizens of the unpleasant duty and annoyance of attending court and neglecting their own business."

To this we would reply that the right to summon citizens before the grand jury or the Hustings Court is not confined to cases affecting the Sunday liquor law, but as well to all other violations of law, and would not be affected by any modification the City Council might make in this or any other ordinance. Besides, no good citizen ought ever to object to lending his aid to the suppression of crime or to the exposure of guilty parties.

The Police Justice has also the right to summon witnesses to testify against accused parties, and does daily exercise that right, as all know who have any knowledge of the practice of that court.

We have endeavored to show that during the four years when the Police Justice exercised special jurisdiction the Sunday liquor law was frequently violated, and repeatedly by the same individuals, but that since the judge of the Hustings Court has taken cognizance of these cases the number of violations has steadily decreased, until he has at last secured the general observance of the law in every part of the city. Would it be wise in the face of this experience to transfer the jurisdiction from a court that has successfully enforced the law to one that has confessedly failed to secure its proper observance? We think not; and we trust that it may be the pleasure of your honorable body to sustain the views expressed in this report, and to oppose any modification of the present ordinance.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. ELLYSON,
WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS.

Mr. Taylor and Mr. Ellyson both stated that they were willing to submit the question without argument. The report was read.

The vote was then taken, and the majority report and ordinance was adopted by the following vote:

AYES.—Messrs. Adams, Baker, Crenshaw, Curtis, Gentry, Goddin, Gunn, Hargrove, Hayes, Higgins, Irvin, McDowell, Pierce, Phillips, Pollock, Rankin, Straus, Taylor, and Manson—19.

NOES.—Messrs. Christian, Davis of Madison, Davis of Marshall, Ellett, Ellyson, and Oliver—6.

FROM THE BOARD.

Various resolutions from the Board of Aldermen were concurred in.

NEW BUSINESS.

By Mr. Adams: A resolution appropriating $1,500 for the relief of the poor outside of the almshouse for November and December. Referred.

By same: A resolution for storage-room at First Market. Agreed to.

By Mr. Baker: A resolution to repair Venable street from Eighteenth to Twenty-fifth street.

By same: A resolution to repair Twenty-third street from Venable street to Broad. Referred.

By Mr. Curtis: A joint resolution for the consolidation of the Gas-Works accounts. Agreed to under a suspension of the rules.

By Mr. Gentry: A resolution looking to the improvement of certain sections in the Shockoe-Hill Cemetery, forbidding fires in the cemetery, and providing for the use of boxes to hold earth taken from graves. Referred.

By Mr. Pollock: Resolutions for the improvement of Brown street; Fifth street from Duval to Hospital street and three squares north; also, improvement of Baker street, and grading of Fourth street, and for the extension of culvert on Fourth street. Referred.

Mr. Ellyson presented a resolution and a memorial from the Board of Managers of the Male Orphan Society looking to the establishment of a work-house; which was referred to a special committee of three from this body and two from the Board of Aldermen.

By Mr. Curtis: A resolution looking to the expenditure of $1,000 to care for the James-River Improvement property in case of a freshet. Referred.

DELINQUENCY OF THE CITY RAILWAY COMPANY.

The Chair laid before the Council a communication from the City Auditor concerning the accounts of the Richmond Railway Company, from which it appears that the net earnings of the railway company have been insufficient to pay any part of the percentage to the city required by the city ordinance (chapter 35, section 7), and as this percentage was provided in lieu of all taxes and other charges against the company, it is suggested that the taxes paid by them annually should be remitted.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

FREE BRIDGE.

A lengthy communication was received from the Manchester Council in reference to certain improvements to the James-River bridge and approaches. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Adjourned.

COLORED INDEPENDENT ORDER OF GOOD TEMPLARS.—The Grand Lodge met in this city yesterday, at Shiloh Baptist church—Robert McNaughton, Grand Worthy Chief Templar, presiding; Rev. W. H. L. Combs, Grand Worthy Secretary. The Grand Lodge was opened in due form; prayer by Rev. Benjamin Persons, Grand Chaplain. The Grand Worthy Chief Templar made his annual report. The report was unanimously adopted. The report of the Grand Worthy Secretary shows the organization of ten new lodges during the past year. The present membership in the State is about 1,200 members—a gain of 200 members. The Grand Worthy Conductor (Rev. J. W. Gaines) and the Grand Worthy Vice-Templar made reports, showing the present number of lodges scattered through the State at thirty-five.

The Grand Worthy Chief Templar appointed the following Committee on Condolence: P. H. Fleming, J. H. Richardson, J. A. Johnson, J. W. Gaines, Melvina Quarles. The committee reported suitable resolutions of condolence regarding the death of Richard A. Combs. On motion the report was adopted by a rising vote.

The following grand officers were elected and installed by Grand Worthy Secretary: Robert McNaughton, grand worthy chief templar; Rev. J. W. Gaines, grand worthy counsellor; William C. Jackson (Danville), grand S. J. templar; Lewis Dickerson, grand worthy vice-templar; W. H. L. Combs, grand worthy secretary; Rev. Benjamin Persons, grand worthy treasurer; Rev. Philip Peyton, grand worthy chaplain (King and Queen Courthouse); P. H. Fleming, grand marshal; J. A. Johnson, grand guard; E. H. Gray, grand sentinel (Chester); Joseph H. Richardson, assistant grand sentinel; Eliza Henderson, district grand master; Maria Robinson, grand worthy messenger; Bruce Thornton (Henrico), past grand worthy chief templar; Oliver Lee, district grand worthy chief templar; Benjamin Persons, grand lecturer.

A vote of thanks was tendered the Richmond and Virginia State press for courtesies to the body.

A vote of thanks was also tendered the eight lodges in this city for hospitalities.

The visiting delegates were entertained by the lodges in this city.

The Grand Worthy Chief Templar appointed the following committees:

On Finance: O. B. Dickerson, M. V. Quarles, and Berkley Lee.

On Credentials: M. J. Brown, H. Williams, and David Peters.

On Returns: Eliza Henderson, P. H. Fleming, and E. H. Gray.

State of the Order: Revs. T. E. Lipscombe, W. H. L. Combs, J. A. Johnson, J. H. Richardson, and William C. Jackson.

On Constitution: J. W. Gaines, T. Booker, B. D. Z. Hodnett, A. P. Fleet, and Ed. Harris.

On Appeals: Lewis Dickerson, O. B. Dickerson, and J. H. Richardson.

Incorporation Committee: Messrs. McNaughton, Combs, Persons, Gaines, and Fleming.

The Grand Lodge appointed a committee of five to have the Grand Lodge chartered by the State Legislature of Virginia at its next session.

P. H. Fleming offered resolutions in regard to the three other Grand Lodges organized in this State by Dr. Brown, of Boston.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Virginia is the only Grand Lodge legally organized in this State.

The Grand Lodge decided to hold quarterly sessions.

On motion of the Grand Worthy Scribe, Manchester was selected as the next place of meeting, and the first Monday in January at 10 A. M. fixed as the time.

On motion it was ordered that the *Dispatch* be requested to publish these proceedings.

Delegates were elected to attend the next session of the Right Worthy Grand Lodge in 1880.

Applications were received to open new lodges at Lynchburg, Leesburg, Petersburg, Chester, and other places.

After the transaction of other business the Grand Lodge adjourned to meet in Manchester in quarterly session on the first Monday in January, 1880.

At the close of the session speeches were made by Messrs. Gaines, McNaughton, Richardson, Persons, Johnson, and others.

MARSHALL WARD TICKETS.—The poll-tax lists and tickets for use at the polls were delivered last night to the superintendent or judges of each ward, except Marshall. Those for Marshall Ward were left at the counting-room of this paper, where they should be called for early this morning.

BOARD OF PUBLIC INTERESTS.—There will be a meeting of this Board this evening at 5 o'clock at the Council Chamber. It is said that business of much importance will be brought before the meeting.

The New Banner.

INTERESTING CEREMONIES AT MOZART HALL LAST NIGHT—RICHMOND AND ST. ANDREW COMMANDERIES PRESENT AT THE CONSECRATION OF THE LATTER'S BANNER.

At Mozart Hall last night, in the presence of a crowded and brilliant audience, the new banner of St. Andrew Commandery was solemnly consecrated.

At 8 o'clock St. Andrew Commandery, escorted by the Richmond Commandery (headed by Kessnich's band), left St. Alban's Hall for Mozart Hall. Arrived at that place the former occupied seats prepared for them on the stage, while Richmond Commandery occupied the first two rows of orchestra chairs. Dr. Upshur, prelate of St. Andrew; William E. Tanner, eminent commander, and John E. Laughton, captain-general, conducted the ceremonies, which were of a devotional character. A choir, consisting of Miss Swain, Mrs. Knowles, Mr. Redford, and Mr. Grant, sang "All hail the power of Jesus' Name," and after the sentence of consecration by the prelate, "Shout the Glad Tidings"; and after the salute of the banner and the saying of the Apostle's Creed, "Gloria in Excelsis." The prelate in his churchly vestments, the Knights in their full regalia, the rich banners of the two commanderies, the large and eager audience, made up a scene bright and pleasant to look upon, while the ceremonies excited the profoundest interest, and the singing was delightful.

The address of the occasion, in happy keeping with the other portions of the programme, was delivered by Rev. Sir Knight J. G. Armstrong. In beginning he explained the act of consecration, then gave a rapid review of the history of Knight Templary, and in concluding said:

"The spirit of the true knight was always to defend the weak, but the spirit swelled into enthusiastic courage when the weak was an innocent maiden or destitute widow. And though in more recent times the spirit has frequently been much abused, and men who prided themselves on their chivalry have sometimes adopted and been ruled by false and unchristian Codes of Honor, yet no true heart there is that does not do homage to the spirit when it is dominated by the religious idea, or that would not lament at any evidence of its dying out. Far, far distant be the day when the spirit that would cultivate the manhood virtues, and above all, and as embracing all, the virtues of personal honor, shall cease to be taught to and nurtured and cherished by the young men of our land.

"Now, this spirit of chivalry is embodied in conjunction with that of religion in the order of Knight Templary. In the term *templar* you have the suggestion of the one idea, while in the term *knight* you have it of the other. * * * Already, in this act of consecration, we have done honor to these ideas, as symbolized in this banner. But we must do honor yet more to them if we shall prove ourselves true and loyal knights. We must gather into ourselves these ideas and make them the morally governing forces of our lives. We shall disgrace that banner and reduce it to the scorn of men outside if we do not make these ideas with ourselves and upon ourselves vital realities. But so appropriating and utilizing these ideas, this banner will be to us a thing of beauty, of honor, and of moral power; and in a higher and holier warfare than any that brave Christian knight ever waged with brutal Saracen on fields of Palestine, *In hoc signo vinces.*"

After the address the audience were treated by the band to selections from Pinafore. The benediction was then pronounced, and the line reformed, and the Knights returned to St. Alban's.

FOUND DEAD IN BED.—The City Coroner was called upon yesterday to view the dead body of a young man named George Henry Beine, aged twenty-eight years, who was found dead yesterday morning in his bed at No. 538 Brook avenue. Young Beine was a watchmaker by trade, and on Sunday night retired about 9 o'clock. Yesterday morning his mother tried to rouse him, but being unable to do so sent for a neighbor, Mr. John Whipple, who broke open the door and found Beine as stated lying dead in his bed. He had apparently been dead several hours. He was a single man, and had been suffering from heart-disease for several years—which was probably the cause of his death. No inquest.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE HUSTINGS COURT GRAND JURY YESTERDAY.—The grand jury of the Hustings Court—Mr. E. A. J. Clopton foreman—met yesterday and found true bills for felony in the following cases:

Isabella Allen, for assaulting and stabbing Susan Jackson.

William Graham, for entering the dwelling-house of James A. Green and stealing various articles.

Augustus Norrell, for breaking into Mr. Stephen Hunter's house.

The grand jury also found true bills for misdemeanor in the following cases:

Claiborne Cunningham, for shooting at J. W. Dabney in the street.

W. C. Roane, for practicing law without a license.

N. A. H. Goddin, for transacting business without a license.

Charles Koch, for selling liquor without a license; two cases.

George W. Drewry, for transacting business without a license.

C. R. Reese, same offence.

W. G. Carter, for practicing as a physician without a license.

Henry Crump, for transacting business as a merchant without a license.

J. R. Hockaday, same offence.

Patterson Curde, same offence.

Robert C. & Thomas Redd, same offence.

W. F. G. Garnett, for practicing law without a license.

James Neeson, same offence.

The grand jury was adjourned until the 12th instant.

POLICE COURT, YESTERDAY—*Justice Joseph J. White presiding.*—The following were fined: Eddie Eddleton (colored), disorderly conduct, $2; Peter Stith (colored), disturbance in the street, $1; Henry Prudell and John Schaffer, $2 each for being disorderly and drunk in the street; James Earnest, for being drunk and creating a disturbance, $2.50.

Joseph G. Mettard, charged with assaulting and threatening the life of Henry Jenks. Bound over to keep the peace for three months, with Charlie Herbst as surety.

RICHMOND ATHLETIC CLUB.—Pursuant to notice the annual meeting of the Richmond Athletic Club was held at the gymnasium, No. 207 north Seventh street. The treasurer, Mr. Howard Bayne, submitted his annual report, which showed the financial affairs of the Club to be in a most flourishing condition. After the transaction of other business the Club proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year, and the following gentlemen were elected: President, J. H. Chamberlayne; Vice-President, H. R. Bayne; Treasurer, F. D. Williams; Secretary, J. E. Heath; Superintendent of Apparatus, W. M. Hill; Executive Committee, Messrs. H. W. Hobson, L. L. Dearborn, J. C. Lamb, D. P. Morton, and J. L. Hill.

MANCHESTER AND VICINITY.

Election. To-Day—Conservatives to the Front.—There is considerable interest manifested in the election which takes place to-day. From present indications there will no doubt be a large vote polled of both white and colored. The candidates for legislative honors from this district are quite numerous. The standard-bearers of the Conservative party are Dr. W. T. Walker, of Goochland, for the Senate; George H. Jewitt and R. L. Jones, of Chesterfield, for the House of Delegates. They were unanimously nominated by the Convention which met at Chesterfield Courthouse in October, and are no doubt the choice of the people. The Republican Readjusters have also prepared a ticket.

The Readjusters being very few in this district, a combination was formed between them and Republicans who are opposed to the payment of the State debt. Their ticket is called the Republican-Readjusters' ticket, and one of the candidates is a negro. All of the candidates upon the so-called Simon-Pure Republican ticket are colored. It seems that the true Republicans were dissatisfied with the ticket prepared by the Readjusters, and have nominated men of their own choice who are in favor of the McCulloch bill and an honorable payment of the State debt.

This split in the Republican party will somewhat better our cause, and will no doubt be a death-blow to the Repudiators throughout this district. If all of the Conservatives vote to-day we will have a big majority. In Chesterfield the white vote is about 1,500, and the colored vote about 700. It has been liberally estimated that the number of white Readjusters in that county will not reach 200 at the utmost. This conclusion was drawn by those well informed upon the subject, and will no doubt prove correct after the election. The majority in Powhatan over the Conservatives at the last election was about 300! But since there are two tickets in the field in opposition to the Conservative party these figures will no doubt be reduced in our favor at this election.

The white vote of Manchester—the largest which has ever been polled—is 675, and colored 390. The Readjusters are so scarce here their vote will be but a small handful. The indications for the success of the Conservative ticket are very favorable. Conservatives should not fail to vote to-day, however. They should turn out in full force and carry their ticket by an overwhelming majority, and annihilate forever in this district the germs of repudiation.

Where to Vote.—The voting-places in this city to-day will be as follows: First-Ward voting-place will be at Jones's store, on the corner of Hull and Fourth streets; Second Ward, at the Market-House; Third Ward, at Owens's store, on Hull between Twelfth and Thirteenth streets; and Fourth Ward, at the corner of Hull and Eleventh streets. The polls will be open from sunrise until sunset.

Police Statistics.—The following are the statistics for the month of October, as presented by the Chief of Police of this city: For felony, 3; misdemeanor, 15; ordinance violation, 2; and 1 lunatic.

Mortuary.—The number of interments at Maury Cemetery during the month of October was 5, all being white children. The number of interments for the month of September was 8—all white.

Mayor's Court.—At the Mayor's Court yesterday several fighting cases were disposed of. The costs collected from these amounted to $2 80. The Magistrates' Court will convene in the Mayor's Court room this morning to try civil cases.

Brief Items.—There were only two fire-alarms here in the month of October. The losses from the fires were trifling.

The City School Board will meet again to-morrow night at 7½ o'clock, if a quorum can be obtained.

Coroner Ingram was not called upon during the month of October to serve in his official capacity.

The City Council will meet again next Friday night at 7½ o'clock. As yet there is nothing of any special importance to come before the body.

There was to be public speaking at Halfway, Chesterfield county, last night. D. L. Pulliam and others were announced to address the colored voters there in favor of the McCulloch settlement. Politics in this district have reached fever-heat, and is the chief topic of conversation upon our streets.

There are only two more Sundays before the Methodist Annual Conference will convene at Norfolk. The congregation at the Methodist church here regret exceedingly that they will have to give up their beloved pastor. Mr. Vanderslice has been stationed here four years, the longest period allowed by the Conference, and has gained the esteem not only of the members of his congregation, but of this community.

The negro W. H. Johnson, who broke jail here some time ago whilst awaiting to be tried for a felony, has not been heard from since he made his escape.

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$3.50 for a Boy's Overcoat.
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$3.50 for a Child's Suit.
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AUCTION SALES THIS DAY.

☞ *On all sales of Real Estate made between the 1st of January and last of June the taxes for the present year have to be paid by the purchaser. On all sales made between the 1st of July and last of the year the taxes have to be paid by the seller.* [This custom was adopted about fifteen years ago by all the real estate agents in Richmond, and applies to Richmond and vicinity.]

POINDEXTER & TUPPER, 4:30 P. M., trustee's sale of small framed dwelling No. 206 west Leigh street.

ROBERT B. LYNE, 4:30 P. M., trustee's sale of large detached brick dwelling No. 121 Mayo street, between Ross and Franklin.

PAINE & NOWLIN, 10 A. M., wholesale stock of notions, fancy goods, &c., of Isaac Hitch, No. 6 Governor street.

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