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## WEATHER REPORT.

INDICATIONS FOR TO-DAY.—For the Middle Atlantic States, cloudy or partly cloudy weather, with occasional rains, southwest to northwest winds, lower temperature and higher barometer.

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY was clear and warmer.

THERMOMETER YESTERDAY: 6 A. M., 72; 9 A. M., 89; noon, 92; 3 P. M., 91; 6 P. M., 88; midnight, 78.

Mean temperature, 85.

## LOCAL MATTERS.

DEATH OF A VENERABLE CITIZEN.—Mr. Henry H. Fitch died at his residence, in this city, Sunday morning, in the seventy-sixth year of his age. The deceased was an ex-soldier of the Seminole, Mexican, and Confederate wars, and had resided in Richmond for over forty years. For more than six years he had been a helpless invalid, and for over five years bed-ridden. His painful sufferings were borne with becoming fortitude, and he died in the blissful hope of a better life.

The funeral took place yesterday evening. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Edwards. The reverend gentleman's remarks were touchingly appropriate. He alluded to the fact of the deceased having been converted under his ministry thirty-two years ago in old Trinity church, on Franklin street (now the colored Odd-Fellows' Hall), paid a just tribute to his patience under affliction, and to other traits of character which made him deservedly popular with a large circle of friends. The interment took place at Hollywood.

DEATH OF MR. J. CURTIS TAYLOR.—Mr. J. Curtis Taylor, a well-known and highly-esteemed citizen of Church Hill, died at his residence, on Twenty-fifth street near Leigh, last night between 10 and 11 o'clock. Deceased was a member of the Royal Arcanum and Knights of Honor, and was also a prominent Odd-Fellow and leader of the choir at Union-Station church. He leaves a wife and two children.

FUNERAL OF MR. JOHN A. BELVIN.—The funeral of the late John A. Belvin took place Sunday evening at 4 o'clock from the First Baptist church. The church was crowded to its utmost capacity, and the procession was one of the largest ever seen in the city. The Masons and Odd-Fellows were out with full ranks, and the entire services testified to the high estimation in which the lamented deceased was held. Rev. Dr. Hawthorne officiated, preaching an impressive sermon, and the choir rendered some beautifully appropriate music. The following gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: Colonel J. L. Carrington, Messrs. Charles Whitlock, John B. Davis, John Bowers, R. H. Bosher, Charles Purcell, J. G. Spotts, John K. Childrey, George Watt, N. M. Wilson, Samuel Harwood, Coleman Wortham. From the Masons: Messrs. M. W. Yarrington, T. C. Epps, Jr. From the Odd-Fellows: W. A. O. Cole, W. F. Fletcher.

THE GARRISON LYCEUM.—Inquiry was made a few days since in our local columns as to the locality of the hall of the Garrison Lyceum. As a matter of information, and in behalf of a deserving organization, we take pleasure in stating that the institution is composed of respectable young men of color employed in the various workshops and factories in this city, who have associated themselves together "to improve and instruct themselves, and in that way become better men and better citizens." Their reading- and lecture-room is located on Second between Duval and Jackson streets, where they have collected the basis of a library of solid usefulness, and to which they respectfully solicit additions from the generously disposed. Many volumes which, after being read and thoughtlessly cast aside by their possessors, might be happily employed if here bestowed. The present officers of the Garrison Lyceum are: D. Webster Davis, president; W. L. Vandervall, vice-president; George B. Washington, secretary; and H. Clay Robinson, treasurer, whose address is Post-Office Box 307.

The Garrison Lyceum is an institution calculated to promote a desirable result and one for the mutual good of our citizens, white and colored.

INTERESTING SERVICES.—Sunday morning Rev. Julius Pohl, who was lately ordained by Bishop Keane, celebrated his first mass at St. Mary's German Catholic church. Before services all the societies connected with the church assembled before the residence of the clergy. Rev. Father Benno Hegele, Father Baungartner, and Father Pohl passed through the societies, who were in open ranks, into the church. The societies then entered and took the seats assigned for them. The mass was celebrated by Fathers Hegele and Pohl, and an eloquent sermon was preached by Father Hegele. The sacred edifice was thronged with worshippers, the music was good, and the services in every way interesting.

VIRGINIA HOSPITALITY TENDERED DR TANNER.—The following is a copy of a letter expressive of Virginia hospitality which was sent on yesterday to Dr. Tanner, who is now treating himself to a feast of fasting in New York, and thereby making himself famous:

BON AIR, VA., August 1, 1880.

*Dr. Tanner:* Dear Sir,—After you have finished your forty-days' fasting I would like to have the pleasure of giving you one square meal, and will board you two months free of charge.— Yours truly,

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CASE CONTINUED.—John H. Knight (colored) was before the Police Court yesterday morning charged with unlawfully and feloniously assaulting and wounding Policeman Charles H. Sweeney with a rock with intent to maim, disfigure, and kill said Sweeney while in the discharge of his duty as policeman. Owing to the condition of Officer Sweeney he was unable to be at court, and the case was continued until Thursday and Knight allowed bail in the sum of $500.

SENT ON FOR FORGERY.—In the Police Court yesterday morning Henry Jones (colored) was up charged with unlawfully and feloniously forging, uttering, and attempting to employ as true a certain paper purporting to be an order drawn by William H. Clare & Co. on A. L. Shepherd in favor of Henry Jones for the payment of $21.80, purporting to be dated July 30, 1880, he knowing the said order to be a forgery. The accused was sent on to the grand jury and committed to jail.

CONVICTS RECEIVED.—W. A. Rogers, deputy sheriff of Halifax county, delivered the following convicts yesterday morning at the penitentiary: Lee Harris (colored), housebreaking and larceny, two years; William Jackson housebreaking and larceny, two indictments, two years and six years respectively; Napoleon Chappel (colored), rape, ten years; Phil. Hubbard (colored), housebreaking and stealing tobacco, four years.

## COMMON COUNCIL.

REPORT FROM THE STREET COMMITTEE—THE RICHMOND AND ALLEGHANY RAILROAD AND THEIR REQUEST TO BE ALLOWED TO GO THROUGH THE CITY—RELIEF OF THE POOR—MATTERS OF FINANCE—THE BANKS AND RATE OF INTEREST—LIGHT—A NEW ENGINE TO BE BOUGHT FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT—OTHER FIRE MATTERS—REPORTS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES—NEW BUSINESS, &c.

The Common Council met yesterday afternoon—President Clarke in the chair. Present: Messrs. Campbell, Clarke, Cole, Curtis, C. T. Davis of Madison Ward, T. Wiley Davis of Marshall Ward, Ellyson, Fergusson, Forrester, Foster, J. F. Gunn of Marshall Ward, W. S. Gunn of Clay Ward, Hargrove, Hayes, Higgins, Hooper, King, Lubbock, Phillips, Pizzini, Robinson, Taylor, Tinsley, Warren, and Weisiger.

STREET COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Mr. Curtis presented a resolution from the Committee on Streets appropriating $1,525 19 from the street fund to pave with granite spalls Franklin street from Exchange Hotel to Governor street in lieu of the Council order for grading, repaving, &c., on Twelfth street between Main and Franklin streets, the committee deeming it inexpedient at this time to proceed with the work. Agreed to.

ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE RICHMOND AND ALLEGHANY RAILROAD.

Mr. Curtis, from the same committee, also summitted an ordinance providing for the construction and operation by the Richmond and Alleghany Railroad Company of a railroad track within the city of Richmond, as follows:

*Be it ordained by the Council of the city of Richmond*, 1. That permission is hereby given the Richmond and Alleghany Railroad Company to construct and operate with all necessary engines, cars, machinery, and appliances, a railroad track of the gauge required by said company, within the city of Richmond, upon the property of the said company and upon the streets of said city as follows: Proceeding down the line of the James River and Kanawha canal on the south side thereof from the western limits of the city to a point at or about the southern end of the foot-bridge now crossing the canal in the continuation of Fifth street, and crossing the canal diagonally east of said foot-bridge, thence proceeding along the north bank of the canal on the property of the said Richmond and Alleghany Railroad Company to the intersection of Byrd and Sixth streets, crossing the said street in a line parallel or nearly parallel with the line of the canal, and proceeding down the north bank of the canal to the bridge at the intersection of Canal and Seventh streets, crossing under the said bridge and proceeding eastwardly down the canal and on the property of the Richmond and Alleghany Railroad Company to the gauge-dock, down the northern margin of Canal street and from the eastern side thereof to a point at or near but not further east than the eastern wall of the Gallego Mills, as now constructed.

2. The said Richmond and Alleghany Railroad Company shall at its own charge construct, maintain, and keep in order a sufficient draw-bridge at Seventh street where the said street crosses the line of the proposed track, of suitable strength, materials, and construction (to be approved by the City Engineer of Richmond) for the safe and convenient passage of individuals and vehicles, and shall provide and constantly maintain suitable and competent watchmen and attendants thereat for the convenient, proper, and safe operation of said draw-bridge.

3. If at any time hereafter required by the Council of the city of Richmond, by an ordinance passed in the usual form, the said railroad company shall, in lieu of the said draw-bridge, construct and perpetually keep in good order and repair suitable viaducts of length, height, width, grade, materials, workmanship, and plan, to be approved by the Committee on Streets and the City Engineer of the city of Richmond, and carrying Seventh and Canal streets over the line of said railroad at the point of the intersection of said streets with the said railroad line.

4. So much of Canal street as may under the ordinance be appropriated by the said Richmond and Alleghany Railroad Company for the use of the track hereby authorized shall be taken from the northern margin of said street, and shall not occupy more space from the canal than may be required for the location of a single track.

5. All work and construction authorized or permitted by this ordinance shall, where the same cross, cover, or touch any street of the city of Richmond, unless otherwise provided herein, be so planned and executed as to be satisfactory to and approved by the City Engineer of Richmond.

6. The privileges and permission herein granted to the said company shall continue until revoked by the vote of two successively-elected Councils, and for six months after notice of the vote of said Councils shall be given to said company.

On motion of Mr. Curtis, the ordinance was recommitted.

The Chair laid before the Council a communication from the vice-president, asking that the company be permitted to be represented by counsel, &c.

These papers were also committed to the Committee on Streets.

RELIEF OF THE POOR.

Mr. Pizzini, from the Committee on Relief of the Poor, presented a resolution that all moneys received by the city of Richmond for the support of inmates of the city almshouse from the county of Henrico be placed to the credit of the Committee on Relief of the Poor, subject to the control of said committee. Referred to Committee on Finance, on motion of Mr. Higgins.

FINANCE MATTERS.

Mr. Ellyson, from the Committee on Finance, presented a lengthy report in a series of resolutions refunding taxes to a number of persons erroneously assessed. Agreed to.

The committee also presented a resolution directing the Committee on Finance to issue a bond having thirty-four years to run, payable to the School Board on account of an appropriation of $10,000 on account of culverts, for the sum of $3,000, which sum was paid into the city treasury on the 1st day of August, 1879, to the credit of the Michael-Reese fund, &c. Adopted.

A favorable report was also made on bonds of various city officers, and they were approved and directed to be forwarded to the Board of Aldermen.

THE BANKS AND THE RATE OF INTEREST.

Mr. Ellyson, from the Committee on Finance, presented the following:

*Resolved by the Council of the city of Richmond*, That the Committee on Finance be, and they are hereby, empowered and directed to confer with one or more of the banks of the city as to the rate of interest they may be willing to grant accommodations to the city in the way of temporary loans, and to make such negotiations in this respect as in their judgment may be most beneficial to the interests of the city, and that said committee be, and they are hereby, further empowered and directed to select such of the banks of the city as depositories (in addition to the present depositories of the city funds) as in their judgment may be deemed best, and to report their action in these respects to the City Council.

Agreed to.

LIGHT.

Mr. Curtis, from the Committee on Light, presented a resolution transferring $2,500 to the credit of construction of gas-works from the coal account. Referred to the Finance Committee.

THE NEW TRUCK COMPANY—BUILDING PERMITS.

Mr. King, from the Committee on Fire Department, presented the following report:

RICHMOND, July 10, 1880.

*To the Honorable the Council of the City of Richmond:*

Gentlemen,—The Committee on the Fire Department beg leave respectfully to report that they have organized, and from their number selected the undersigned chairman.

Your committee would respectfully represent that at a recent meeting of the Council an order was passed for the purchase and equipment of an additional hook-and-ladder truck. This order has been carried out, and it now becomes necessary for the Council to confer upon the committee authority to organize a company to operate this truck, and to carry out this suggestion the following resolution is presented:

*Resolved* (the Board of Aldermen concurring), That the Committee on the Fire Department be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to organize an additional Hook-and-Ladder-Truck Company, to be known on the rolls of the Fire Department as Hook-and-Ladder-Truck Company No. 2, and to be located as the committee may direct.

*Resolved* (the Board of Aldermen concurring), That permission be, and is hereby, granted the following persons to erect framed buildings in the city, in accordance with their respective petitions: John Wallace, dwelling on Seventh street north of Preston street; James L. Talisferro, rebuild stable on alley between Broad and Grace and Twenty-ninth streets—also, addition to wing of dwelling Nos. 2903 and 2905, on Broad street between Twenty-ninth and Thirtieth streets; Albert Ross, addition to house near corner St. James and Coutts streets; D. W. Green, dwelling on rear of his lot on Eighteenth street between Venable and Clay streets; Joseph Tyree, to pull down and rebuild house on St. Peter street between Baker and Duval streets; Mrs. D. Francisco, to repair and raise her house, corner Seventeenth and Grace streets; Eli Saunders, dwelling and out-buildings on Twenty-eighth street between M and Leigh streets; J. R. Michell, shed at 508 west Clay street; G. Wigger, addition of one story to his house, No. 400, corner Broad and Monroe streets; F. Sitterding, coal- and wood-house on First street between Leigh and Jackson streets; Peter H. H. Jones, dwelling on Lot No. 1 Chaffin street, Sidney; Rev. Alexander W. Weddell, "robing-room" in rear of St. John's church; Beverly P. Wooldridge, dwelling, &c., at No. 3 Chaffin street; Nathaniel J. Young, dwelling corner Baker and Tyler streets; Daniel Daly, dwelling on Loundes street between Seventeenth and Eighteenth streets; William K. Jennings, shed for six cows on Clay street nearly opposite Richmond College; William L. Griffin, wood- and coal house at No. 202 east Marshall street; J. H. Ware, building at No. 409 north Twenty-seventh street; John A. Heislers, kitchen and stable at No. 1009 Twenty-fifth street, between P and Venable streets; S. Johnson, for Nannie T. Holmes, dwelling at No. 512 Monroe street, corner of Catherine; Ann McKinley, addition to stable in rear of lot corner of Eighteenth and Marshall streets; C. M. Bolton, manager, two sheds and to make an addition to blacksmith-shop, 12 by 18, on lot between Adams street and Brook avenue and Leigh and Fulliam streets; John O'Keefe, stable on alley between Jackson and Leigh streets; James Fulton, open shed corner Broad and Gilmer streets; C. H. Thompson, porch two stories high, to be enclosed, &c., situated in rear of C. C. Baughman's, on Second street between Main and Franklin streets; Puller Brothers, kitchen at No. 1012 Seventeenth street; H. B. Whitlock, shed in rear of premises on Marshall street between Fifth and Sixth streets; Robert Jones, addition to his house, No. 6 Canal street, between First and Foushee streets; John J. King, dwelling on Cherry street near Hollywood; Angelia Lohman, addition to house No. 739 Fourth street.

The resolution to organize the proposed new truck company was laid on the table, and the resolution for building permits was agreed to.

A NEW STEAMER FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. King, from the Committee on the Fire Department, also presented the following:

HEADQ'RS RICHMOND FIRE DEPARTMENT, RICHMOND, July 27, 1880.

*To the President and Members of the Council:*

Gentlemen,—The Committee on the Fire Department are reluctantly constrained to invoke your kindly aid in necessary additions to the apparatus of the department and repairs to some of the machinery already in service for more than twenty years. The proper officers of the department reported to this committee three months ago that Steamer No. 3 must have a set of new wheels at once, or it would be absolutely necessary to put the engine out of service. These wheels cost at the factory not less than two hundred dollars.

Steamer No. 5, which was bought second-hand by the city about seven years ago in Philadelphia, had then been in service nearly sixteen years. Its condition now is such that it is positively hazardous to life to work it at a fire, and, at almost every fire, very soon after being put to work, such is the condition of its boiler and flues that the fire in the fire-box is put out by escaping steam or water and the engine rendered useless. This occurred twice in May. We have repeatedly paid for minor repairs to this steamer until it has become a wasteful expenditure of money. Before reaching this conclusion, however, we wrote a letter to Messrs. McFarland, Wade, and O'Brien, master machinists of the Chesapeake and Ohio, Richmond and Danville, and Richmond and Petersburg railroads, and requested them to select a time, and, as a personal favor to this committee, to examine the engine and report in writing its true condition, and their opinion as to whether it would be more economical to rebuild the steamer or buy a new one. These gentlemen cheerfully carried out the wish of the committee, and, with the engineman, thoroughly examined the apparatus. They have sent to the committee their report, giving figures showing that it would be more economical to purchase a new and lighter engine, and put such necessary repairs upon the old one as will make it fit for service a few years longer. If this be done we could keep the repaired engine in reserve, without a complement of men, to be used only when necessary at serious fires as an extra engine. A new engine, such as is suggested, will cost about $3,500 at the factory. We respectfully lay the subject before your honorable body, with the recommendation that the necessary funds be provided to carry out the views herein expressed.

We beg to call the attention of the Council to the result of their appropriation last year for new hose, and to point you to the fact that without your aid then we would never have been able to meet successfully, as we have done, the serious fires that have been visited upon us during the past eight months.

We would add, in conclusion, that we greatly need two thousand feet additional of hose, which will cost about $2,000. The additional truck which we asked for has been purchased.

Very respectfully,

JOHN J. KING, Chairman.

Mr. Taylor presented a resolution placing $3,500 to the credit of the committee for the purchase of a new steamer, as asked for. Agreed to under a suspension of the rules—ayes, 24; noes, 2—Messrs. Curtis and Warren.

OTHER REPORTS.

Mr. Higgins, from the Committee on Fire-Alarm and Police Telegraph, presented a resolution authorizing the Superintendent of the Fire-Alarm and Police Telegraph to trim all the trees on the line, so as to prevent the branches thereof from coming in contact with the wires. Agreed to.

Mr. Higgins, from the Committee on Police, presented a report and resolution asking for $1,000 to be transferred to the police contingent fund to meet deficiencies. Agreed to under a suspension of the rules.

A number of committees reported the names of the chairmen elected, &c.; which we have already published.

Mr. Campbell, from the Committee on Grounds and Buildings, reported an ordinance in reference to the employment of persons by the city who have not resided in the city twelve months. Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

The same committee also presented a resolution authorizing the committee to employ on time the convict-labor for work on the public grounds of the city until the end of the present fiscal year, and the expense so incurred to be paid from the appropriations for such purposes of the coming fiscal year. The rules were suspended and the resolution adopted.

Dr. Manson, from the Committee on Health, submitted a report containing the following resolutions:

First. For water-pipes along Twenty-third street. Discussed at length and referred to Committee on Water.

Second. Relieving J. F. Wolf from culvert tax. Agreed to.

Third. Relieving B. Brauer's property from culvert tax. Agreed to.

Fourth. Relieving A. L. Crouch from certain culvert assessment. Agreed to.

Fifth. Relieving J. V. Ramos from certain culvert tax. Agreed to.

Mr. Phillips, from the Committee on First Market, presented a resolution for gas-lights in the First Market instead of the oil-torches now used. Referred to the Committee on Light.

Mr. Curtis, from the Committee on James-River Improvement, submitted the usual monthly report. Received and filed.

NEW BUSINESS.

Mr. Warren presented a resolution appointing Messrs. E. O. Nolting, Franklin Stearns, and Joseph R. Anderson members of the Board of Public Interest. Agreed to.

By Mr. Phillips: A resolution in relation to the Italian fruit-stands. Agreed to.

By Mr. Phillips: A resolution in relation to blockading streets, &c., in case of sickness. Referred to Committee on Ordinances.

By Mr. Curtis: A resolution for recess until October. Agreed to.

Mr. Higgins presented a preamble and resolution requesting the Committee on Streets to equalize the amount of work done by the hands and carts in the several wards so that each (and especially Jefferson Ward) may receive its proper quota of such work. Referred to Committee on Streets.

By same: A resolution for the opening of Twenty-first street from Franklin to Marshall street, the work to be done by hands and carts. Referred.

By same: A resolution to open Twentieth street from Broad to Marshall street, the work to be done by hands and carts. Referred.

By Mr. T. Wiley Davis: A resolution for gutters on Twenty-seventh between N and O streets, O between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth streets; for gas on Twenty-fourth between N and O streets. Referred.

By same: Petition for payment of balance due W. L. Smith as Keeper of Oakwood Cemetery.

The Chair laid before the Council a communication from the president of the School Board asking that sewer and water connections be made with the new school buildings now being erected. Referred.

Adjourned at 9 P. M.

POLICE COURT.—The following cases were disposed of at the Police Court yesterday morning by Police-Justice D. C. Richardson:

Lewis Mitchell (colored), charged with assaulting and beating Frances Mitchell, was fined $5.

Emanuel Sickendorf, charged with using profane language on the street, was fined $2.

Moses Smith (colored), charged with vagrancy, was committed to jail.

Rosa Black and Flossie Garnett, charged with keeping an ill-governed house, were discharged.

Thomas Martin (colored), charged with threatening to kill Samuel Weithrick, was committed to jail and a commission of lunacy was ordered to be held concerning him.

James Frayser (colored), charged with being drunk and disorderly, was fined $2.

David Anderson (colored), charged with being drunk, was fined $1.

Jeff. Mays and Sylvia Lucas (both colored), charged with being drunk and disorderly. The former was fined $2 and the latter $2 50.

Willie Chearham, charged with being a common vagrant, was committed to jail.

Mary Turner (colored), charged with cursing and abusing Sivia Lucas, was fined $2.50.

Andrew Tinsley (colored), charged with being drunk and throwing rocks at Taylor Fitzhugh on the street, was fined $5.

Delia Lusby and Charlotte Jones, charged on cross-warrants with kicking and beating each other, were discharged.

Lewis King and John Collins, charged with being drunk, were fined $1 each.

Mary Butler (colored), charged with being disorderly and cursing Mrs. Maccubbin, was fined $2.

George Marshall, charged with assaulting and beating Mary Marshall. Dismissed.

Moses Smith (colored), charged with having a grate in his possession supposed to have been stolen, was committed to jail for thirty days in default of security.

CONTINUED CASES.—The following cases were called in the Police Court yesterday morning and continued until to-day:

John Williams (colored), charged with cursing and threatening to shoot Robert Smith.

Lewis Lee and Martha Vaughan (both colored), charged with misdemeanor.

Arthur Furgusson (colored), charged with assaulting and beating Joseph T. Martin.

Jack George (colored), charged with feloniously biting and wounding Charles Thompson.

Elizabeth Kelly (colored), charged with threatening to cut Sterling Phelps with a razor.

Henry Brown and Walter Johnson (both colored), charged with feloniously breaking and entering in the daytime the dwelling-house of Miss N. Whittle and stealing sundry articles valued at $10.

Lizzie Mitchell (colored), charged with stealing a baby-carriage valued at $12 from W. W. Deane.

Most of the prisoners were bailed for their appearance at court this morning.

THE ITALIAN FRUIT-STANDS.—In the Council yesterday Captain J. E. Phillips, of Jefferson Ward, with an eye to the interest of a large number of his constituents, offered a resolution of inquiry as to the right of the police force to interfere with licensed fruit-stands. Section 22 of chapter 13 of the ordinances reads: "Fruit- or candy-stands located on the sidewalks shall pay a license of $20 a year." The Committee on Police, chairman of the Finance Committee, and City Attorney will look into the matter.

THE NEW CITY LOAN.—The Committee on Finance of the City Council met yesterday, and opened the bids for the $350,000 5 per cent. loan. The committee disposed of a part of the loan at satisfactory prices, the bids ranging as high as 108½, with accrued interest.

COMMITTEE ON FIRST MARKET.—This committee meets at the Old Market this morning at 11 o'clock. The committee has gone to work in earnest, and will meet regularly once a month.

PERSONAL.—BRIEF ITEMS.—General John Echols is in the city.

We had a pleasant chat yesterday with Mr. Elam, of the Suffolk *Herald*, who is in the city.

Josiah Ryland, Esq., and family leave this morning for the Sweet Springs.

Mr. George Greenhow (son of S. C. Greenhow, city treasurer), formerly of this city, now of Macon, Ga., is on a visit to his friends here.

Sergeant John Hall, of the Second police district, left the city last night for Culpeper Courthouse. He goes to arrest George Brown (colored), who is charged with horse-stealing, and who is confined in jail there.

Officer Sweeney, who was wounded by a prisoner Saturday night while attempting to take him to the station-house, is unable to be at his post of duty on account of his injury. He suffers very much from the wound, and his face is greatly swollen.

R. Woader, a prisoner at the Police Court, attempted to escape yesterday by jumping over the railing around the prisoners' box. He was prevented, however, by a member of the bar, who seized Woader by the feet as he was about to get over the railing. Woader was charged with attempting to desert the brig Goldhardt. He was committed to jail until the vessel sails.

The Dutch brig Proycion, DeBaer master, entered at the custom-house yesterday from New York in ballast.

Franklin street between Fourteenth and Fifteenth is being improved.

The fines collected at the Police Court yesterday amounted to $25.20.

The *Southern Intelligencer* will in future appear on Saturday.

The steps in Lumpkin's old alley, leading into Franklin street at Fifteenth, are reported in a dangerous condition.

Several parties who have paid licenses as street salesmen have been stopped from selling. Should not the license-tax be refunded?

The cellar occupied by Kemp Williams, on Third and Broad streets, was entered late Saturday night and several articles stolen.

CANVASSERS APPOINTED BY THE STATE CONSERVATIVE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—L. D. Starke, of Norfolk city, canvasser for State at large.

County Canvassers—Campbell: E. D. Galleon, Frank Nelson, Robert B. Perre, W. M. Murrell, J. Singleton Diggs, William G. Wilson, Jr., and Colonel J. Resique Hutter.

King George: James E. Rogers.

VIRGINIANS ABROAD.—At a late meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of Tennessee, at Knoxville, Professor James Dinwiddie, of Clarksville, was elected to the new chair of Pure Mathematics. Professor Edward S. Joynes, was, by acclamation, chosen to the consolidated chair of English and Modern Languages. A deserved compliment to two accomplished scholars.

TWINS.—Mr. Martin Oeters, proprietor of the Westham House, corner of Cary and Laurel streets, sent us on yesterday twin canteloupes. They were sweet, large, and healthy, and were joined together by a ligament of melon, which united them firmly in a remarkable manner. They might be termed vegetable Siamese twins.

EXCURSION TO BON AIR.—There will be a special excursion to Bon Air this evening. The train leaves at 5½ P. M., and will return about 9. This will in no way interfere with the regular excursion which takes place next Friday evening, as usual.

SENT ON.—Henry Moore (colored) was yesterday before United States Commissioner Atkins on the charge of selling a lot of tobacco upon which the tax had never been paid. He was sent on to the grand jury of the United States Court.

RICHMOND, VA., August 2, 1880.

*Editors Dispatch:* Gentlemen,—Please be kind enough to call attention to the awful condition of both Eighteenth and Venable streets from Broad street leading outwards the county. We of the county think that the cost of repairing these streets as they have been for some years back would in a few years pave them nicely, and leave money in the city treasury to be expended somewhere else.

All of our county roads, save some of the turnpikes, are far superior to these two streets, over which the bulk of your market supply comes. Most respectfully,

GEORGE WATT, Jr.

## MANCHESTER AND VICINITY.

*Brief Items.*—The funeral of Mr. Marcus L. Adams, who died here Friday night, took place from the Methodist church Sunday afternoon, and was largely attended. The remains were interred in Maury Cemetery.

A regular meeting of the City Council will be held next Friday night at 8 o'clock at Council chamber hall.

The Hustings Court was in session yesterday, and was engaged in hearing civil matters. It adjourned in the afternoon for the term.

The annual pic-nic of Stuart Lodge of Odd-Fellows will take place at Wooldridge's farm, on the Petersburg turnpike, to-day.

Rev. B. F. Woodward, of the Methodist church,