

Alexandria Gazette

MONDAY EVENING, MAY 8, 1905.

Local Matters.

Sun rises tomorrow at 4:52 and sets 7:00. High water at 10:38 a. m. and 11:09 p. m.

Weather Probabilities.—For this section fair, warmer tonight. Tuesday fair and cooler; fresh southwesterly, shifting to northwesterly winds.

Interscholastic Athletic Results.

The interscholastic meet of the Episcopal High School was held on their field, near this city, Saturday afternoon, with 17 schools and colleges represented. The Central High School, of Washington, won first place, having 61 points to its credit; Jacob Tome Institute, of Port Deposit, second, with 40 points; Baltimore City College third, with 30 points, and the Technical High School, of Washington, fourth, with 29 points. The banner given by the alumni of the high school at the University of Virginia to the school scoring the highest number of points was won by Central High School. The Fairfax trophy, a large silver cup presented by Lieutenant Governor Joseph E. Willard, of Virginia, to the man scoring the highest number of points, was equally won by R. A. Gamble and Lowe, both of Jacob Tome Institute, and S. C. Kent, of Central High School, each of whom made 10 points. The tie was drawn and Kent proved the lucky man.

The only consolation that was left to the Episcopal High School was to pull in the relay race, and, although its winning did not count for any points in the awarding of the trophy, as it was the only relay of the day, it was won rather handsily by the Virginia lads. The Georgetown Preparatory, Marston, University and Woodbury Forest School were the competitors.

Among the winners were: 100-Yard Dash—First class winner, R. A. Gamble, Tome; time, 10 1/2 seconds; second class winner, Duke, Baltimore City College, time 10 3/5 seconds.

220-Yard Hurdle—First class winner, R. A. Gamble, Tome; time, 27 seconds. Broad Jump—Second class winner, Duker, Baltimore City College; distance, 18 feet 7 inches.

High Jump—First class winner, Kiley, Baltimore City College; height, 5 feet, 7 1/2 inches.

Pole Vault—First class winner, Gamble, Tome Institute; height, 10 feet. No accident marred the perfect success of the day, nor was there a disagreement or protest of any sort.

After the races were over all of the athletes and their friends went to Liggett Hall, where the prizes were distributed. Mr. John Daniel and Mr. Archie Hoxton made the presentations.

The medals—gold for first and bronze for second and third—were very attractive.

To Mr. Fontaine, of the Episcopal High School, is due to a great extent the success of the meet. The idea originated with him, and was by him carried out to the slightest detail. Mr. Fontaine was too unwell to appear upon the field Saturday, and his place was filled by Mr. Archie Hoxton, a former well known athlete at the University of Virginia, and now a master in the Episcopal High School.

A Distressing Accident.

Lewis, the seven-year old son of Mr. Julian F. Bettis, was the victim of a terrible accident about five o'clock Saturday evening which resulted in his death a short time after its occurrence. The little boy was one of a party of youngsters who had been spending the afternoon on the award at Jones' Point, but who had also been tempting Providence by swinging on freight cars which were being backed from Union street on the new track to the Alexandria Brick Works, south of St. Mary's Cemetery. While no one seemed to have witnessed the accident, it is probable that the following are the facts in the case: The Union street track turns to the southwest when it reaches a point near the intersection of Lee and South streets where an embankment has been constructed across the marsh lying between Lee and Royal street. The track was being backed in an easterly direction when some boys who were on the cowcatcher of the locomotive saw the mangled boy as the engine passed over him. They were horrified and jumped from the cowcatcher, ran ahead and told the engineer that he had run over a boy. The train was stopped and the crew ran back to the child whose life had then nearly ebbed from his terrible injuries. Both hands had been cut off as well as one leg, while he had also received internal injuries of a fatal nature. The boy had evidently been swinging on the car next to the engine, and either jumped or fell, and in doing rolled under the wheels. The earth is several feet above the track on both sides, and doubtless in jumping from the car the little fellow fell and rolled on the rails. Telephone calls were sent for medical aid, but before Dr. Gorman could reach the scene the little boy had expired. Officer Knight was soon at the scene and picked up the remains of the unfortunate child, and later they were removed to the home of his parents on south Lee street. The distressing accident cast a gloom over the southern section of the city where the little fellow was well-known, and his parents have the sincere sympathy of all in the sorrow into which they have been plunged. The funeral of the child took place this afternoon from St. Mary's Church, and was attended by many relatives and friends of the family, including a number of his former school mates. The teachers and scholars of St. Mary's Potholch School attended the funeral in a body.

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