

THE NEW PUBLIC BUILDING

The Reasons for the Delay in the Construction of the Same. The Money in Hand is Not Sufficient to Erect Such a Building as Would Answer the Requirements of a City of Norfolk's Present and Future Importance.

The meeting of the John S. Barbour Club, to take action in order to push to a beginning the construction of the new public building for the use of the post office and Federal courts, has attracted attention and comment. It was thought when the meeting was called that, by concert of action on the part of our people, the instruction could be given to go ahead with the building. But from the letters received from the Supervising Architect and Hon. D. Gardner Tyler, it was found that if a building was to be started, based upon the amount in hand, that it would be thoroughly inadequate for the service. Under the belief that the work could be pushed and that future appropriations would be made, ex Postmaster Glennan was requested to prepare the resolutions for adoption by the meeting. When, however, he learned that the Government architect's department was restricted to making plans for the erection of a building based upon the sum of money on hand, he urged that the resolution should not be considered save as a basis by means of the facts embraced therein could help in securing additional appropriations for the erection of such a building as would meet Norfolk's wants as a post-office for years to come.

WHEREAS, Congress at various times during the past nine years has recognized the necessity of a new public building to meet the requirements of the greatly increased postal business of this city, as also for the greater convenience and requirements of the Federal Courts, and whereas Congress has made an appropriation of money for the purchase of a site and the construction of a suitable building, and whereas several years ago a site was purchased, but as yet no work on the erection of the building has begun, and whereas this delay in the erection of the proposed building is a detriment to the postal service of a city of the business and commercial importance of Norfolk, and a source of inconvenience to the routine business of the Federal Court, therefore it is that the John S. Barbour Club unite with citizens of Norfolk in the effort to secure a speedy recognition on the part of the Treasury and Postal Departments of the United States to the imperative importance of beginning and pushing to completion the erection of the new public building for the Postal and Federal Court service, for which Congress has appropriated money.

The reports upon which the appropriation was made for the construction of the new Federal building will show how greatly inadequate are the facilities for the proper transaction of the postal business. The postoffice has been located in the basement of the present public building more than forty years. At that time the population of Norfolk was about 15,000. Today it is 50,000, with a surrounding population of nearly 100,000. The office is the distributing office of all the mails for the eastern sections of Virginia and North Carolina, besides being the United States depository of the postal business of all the money order postoffices in these sections and beyond. Postal receipts for the year ending June 30, 1895, were \$43,260.27 at 3 cent postage. For the year ending December, 1891, the receipts reached \$83,306.33 at 2 cent postage. This increase has required and secured large addition to the clerical and letter carrier force, and as a result the present post office, located as it is in a low, damp basement, ill ventilated, crowded and cramped for space, badly lighted, is not only sadly deficient for the handling of the mails, but is seriously detrimental to the health of all who are employed therein, and this is demonstrated in the sick list of employees and also the death rate that the records show.

For these reasons be it therefore resolved by the John S. Barbour Club, that in recognition of the views of the business interests of Norfolk, the city's rapid development in business and population, its bright future, the wretchedly inadequate facilities of the present postoffice for present business, its unhealthiness, its ill ventilation, the act that Congress has appropriated money to erect a new Federal building, and that the site has been purchased, an earnest appeal is made to the Treasury and Postal Departments of the Government, to at once take up the matter of the erection of the new public building, and begin its speedy erection.

Resolved, That our Senators in Congress, Hon. John W. Daniel and Hon. Thomas Martin, and our Representatives in the House, Hon. D. Gardner Tyler, be requested to use all possible influence to secure speedy action. These resolutions were referred to a conference committee to be appointed by the various business organizations of the city, in conjunction with the John S. Barbour and other Democratic clubs. The letters from Supervising Architect Kempe to Collector Shields and of Hon. D. Gardner Tyler are as follows:

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 31, 1895. Hon. L. H. Shields, Collector of Customs, Norfolk, Va. DEAR SIR: I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th instant, relative to commencement of work on the United States Court House and Post Office building in your city, and in reply thereto submit the following facts:

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WEATHER REPORT.

Forecast for To-day. WASHINGTON, D. C., June 8, 1895. For Virginia: Increasing cloudiness; warmer; easterly winds. For North Carolina: Increasing cloudiness; warmer; easterly winds.

Local Meteorological Data. (FOR 24 HOURS ENDING 8 O'CLOCK LAST NIGHT.) Warmest day of season. U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, Local Office, Dodson Building, Norfolk, Va., June 7, 1895.

NORFOLK COLLEGE.

Closing Exercises of the Preparatory Department. The closing exercises of the preparatory school of Norfolk College for Young Ladies took place yesterday at 1 o'clock. The chapel was very prettily decorated for the occasion. The attendance was large and the affair very pleasant. The following programme was rendered: 1. The Children's Hour. Miss Ruby Rontten. 2. Quotation—Each member of Preparatory Department. 3. Prayer—Longfellow. Miss Fannie Old. 4. Instrumental Solo—The Festival. Misses Alice and Mabel Pettit. 5. Prie Composition—Written by Miss Nannie Sharpe. Read by Miss Christie Gill. 6. The Arrow and the Song. Miss Frances Carr. 7. The Builders. Miss Eva Davis. 8. Instrumental Solo—Heather Rose. Miss Blanche Fleming. 9. Female Composition—Miss Lydia Maccomb. 10. Prie Composition—Miss Olive Hinman. 11. Presentation of certificates of graduation by Miss Miller. 12. Instrumental Solo—Schubert. Miss Christie Gill. 13. The Day is Done. Miss Lottie Arnold.

THE HIGHER GRADES.

The commencement exercises proper of Norfolk College will be held at the Academy of Music to-night, when the attraction will be the exercises of the Literary societies, John DeWitt Miller will deliver the address. Sunday morning Rev. Mr. Howlings will preach the annual sermon and all the pupils are requested to attend. On the evening of June 12th, the annual concert will be given. On the 12th will be held the graduating exercises of the education department. The audience will be entertained by readings and recitations by Miss Minnie Marshall.

POLICE COURT.

The Police Justice yesterday disposed of the following cases: W. A. Coke, assaulting L. Wingfield; fined \$4.75. W. F. Jones, drunk and assaulting Police Officer Sumner; fined \$16, and sent to jail in default. Thomas Harris, colored, horse-breaking; continued five days. Eddie Gunter, alias John Garner, colored, stealing a watch, pair of pants, and bag of fiedo, total value of \$17.75, from William Perry, of Portsmouth; turned over to the Portsmouth authorities.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Norfolk Lodge No. 1, A. F. and A. M. have elected the following officers: W. T. Core, worshipful master; F. C. Chesnell, senior warden; M. P. Grover, junior warden; I. Moritz, treasurer; J. B. Jenkins, secretary; C. R. Fisher, senior deacon; James Edmonds, junior deacon; C. J. Creechman, chaplain; R. W. Pettit, etc.

The First City Extension Society of the Methodist Church have elected the following officers: W. W. Vear, president; E. V. White, first vice-president; J. W. Grandy, second vice-president; George R. Atkinson, treasurer; John W. Gamage, secretary.

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Dr. GALT—In Annapolis, Md., at 1 o'clock Friday morning, April 7th, MARY MEARLES, wife of Lieut. Rogers H. Galt, U. S. N. The funeral will take place from the Baltimore lot upon its arrival THIS (Sunday) MORNING.

GRIFFITH—In Richmond, June 7th, 1895, EUGENIA, wife of John B. Griffith, Esq., formerly of Norfolk. The remains will arrive on Sunday morning at 11:30 by Norfolk and Western train and proceed to Chesapeake Cemetery, where interment will take place. Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend. Kindly omit flowers. Ledger copy.

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