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THE NEWS SUMMARY.

The forecast for to-day for Virginia and North Carolina is for light snow, colder weather.

The General Assembly was in session yesterday. In the Senate resolutions were adopted giving the pages and sergeant-at-arms extra pay; a resolution extending the session not more than five days was adopted; three Judges were elected by the joint vote of the two Houses. In the House the Senate resolution regarding the State debt was adopted; the Senate resolution extending the session was referred; the Senate bill increasing the salary of the Railroad Commissioner was adopted; the appropriation bill was considered and ordered to be engrossed.—A musical festival will be held in May, and the Boston Symphony Orchestra has been engaged for the affair.—The Literary Society of the Y. M. C. A. will debate with the Mozart Literary Society next Friday night.—The stockholders of the Merchants and Mechanics Bank of Manchester elected officers.—The consolidation of the Manchester street-car lines went into effect.—The Democratic City Central Committee of Manchester will meet next Thursday night.—In the Police Court last month $862.95 in fines were collected.—A slight fire occurred on west Cary street.—A Council of the Legion of the Red Cross was organized.—Society life in Richmond during Lent may be characterized as substitution rather than change.—The old mill near Oakwood was burned.

VIRGINIA.

A delightful sketch of life at the Greenbrier White Sulphur Springs in the fifties is published on the second page.—Lynchburg's Democratic primaries will be held about the 27th.—The Rev. Dr. Felix will be installed as pastor of the First Baptist Church at Lynchburg to-day.—W. H. Bunting and wife have sued the city of Danville for $5,000.—In Danville during February were sold 2,888,801 pounds of leaf tobacco.—Bishop Randolph will confirm in the Church of the Epiphany, Danville, to-day.—Jeremiah Arrall, of Halifax, was run over and injured by his team.—A number of railroad improvements are contemplated for Norfolk and Portsmouth.—A Democrat will be appointed Mayor of Norfolk.—Eight hundred men are at work at the Norfolk navy yard.—Baptist ministers at Petersburg will hear the statements of the parties to the trouble in the Harrison-street Colored Church.—Silas Jackson, colored, was run over and killed by a switch engine at Alexandria.—Miss Sadie Barksdale died at Ashland.—The wife of Dr. McKinney died at Longdale.—Rockingham county has caught

NORTH CAROLINA.

Salisbury Presbyterians will build a church costing $8,000.—Talk is of building a cotton factory at Davidson College.—A Winston company will develop the Town Fork coal deposits.—Jim Bivins, trying to separate two combatants in Clay county, was stabbed in the leg.—William H. Smith, of Reidsville, was robbed of $100 while on his way to Arizona.—William Ray, colored, accidentally shot himself near Rutherfordton, and died.—The State Musical Festival will be held at Charlotte in June.—Opposition to the confirmation of Postmaster Shafer's appointment is still being pushed.—Three women and two men were whipped by White Caps near Rockingham.—A stone wall of the Roberdell factory was blown away and two hundred operatives thrown out of employment.—Alby Houston was drowned near Fulton.

WASHINGTON.

The Senate has had all the cracks in the walls surrounding the doors of the Senate galleries to prevent executive session secrets from leaking out.—Secretary Proctor has executed a license to give the Treasury Department the use of Bedloe's Island for an indefinite period.—Speaker Reed yesterday published what he considered a witty letter, declining an invitation to the Blue Grass Club before it had been formally tendered him.—Congressmen are very bitter against newspaper men since the Taulbee shooting.—The Virginia public buildings will probably receive favorable consideration.—Mayor Banks, as collector of customs at Norfolk, has been confirmed.—The monthly public debt statement shows a decrease in the debt during the past month of $6,159,486.

NEW YORK.

The State Senate has appointed a committee to investigate the Tammany management of the city.—Mayor Grant has called a meeting of the Executive Committee of the World's Fair for next Tuesday, when it will be determined what New York will do.—The $1,000,000 suit of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company against Mr. John H. Inman has been abandoned.—Kittie, the Central Park chimpanzee, has died of consumption.—New York is arranging for a $10,000,000 Fair after all.—An enormous volume, containing 57,000 names of signers of a ballot reform petition, was carried in a procession headed by a brass band in New York.—Frank McGowan, one of Edison's employes, has mysteriously disappeared.—A general court martial, for the trial of Capt. McCalla, of the United States steamship Enterprise, charged with cruelty, is to be soon ordered.—A cablegram from Rome to the New York Mail reports the serious illness of the Pope, and that he has recommended his successor.

FOREIGN.

L'Egalité newspaper in France is to be prosecuted for advising socialists to kill the Emperor William.—The strike of the Greenock dock laborers has excited the apprehension of Glasgow merchants.—The British steamship Quetta, from Cooktown to London, foundered at sea, and a great many perished.—The London Star says that the suspension of Mr. Labouchere will excite such a protest from the Liberals as will prevent the repetition of such rulings.—Dr. Bamberger, the leader of the German Liberals, accounts for the largeness of the socialist vote on the ground that trades unions believed that the larger the socialist vote the greater the Emperor's concession.—Father Kinsella and the fifteen Clongarry prisoners have been released from jail.—Carpenters employed on the Thames river shipyard have struck for an advance of wages.—Two perished by the sinking of the Quetta.

GENERAL.

Adolph Joseph, a shop-keeper, has fallen heir to a fortune of nearly $600,000.—A terrible storm has passed over the neighborhood of Talladega, Ala., spreading death and destruction in its course.—A tornado partially destroyed the town of Carthage, Miss.—The dead bodies of a man named Holmes, his wife and two children were found near Shawnee, Oklahoma. It is thought they were killed by outlaws.—Great damage has been done by the rapid rise in the lower Cumberland, and much distress has been caused on account of it.—Mr. James Lawrenson, who has been in the postal service of the United States seventy-one years, is dying of pneumonia in Baltimore.—The Chicago Board of Trade decides to discontinue its market reports after March 31st.—Toledo, Ohio, laboring men held a mass meeting in the interest of the eight-hour labor law.—A bank robbery occurred at Valley Falls, Kansas, in which two masked men held up the cashier and robbed the bank.—Ulysses W. Ungar, of St. Louis, has brought suit against S. G. Johnson for hypnotizing his wife. Damages are laid at $10,000.—Jack Dempsey, to the surprise of his friends, refused to make terms with La Blanche, the marine.

Cable Notes.

PARIS, March 1.—The resignation of M. Constans, as Minister of the Interior, is announced.

DUBLIN, Mar. 1.—Father Kinsella, and the fifteen Clongarry prisoners have been released from jail. There is a great rejoicing in Kilkenny.

Ship-Carpenters' Strike.

LONDON, Mar. 1.—The carpenters employed in nine of the ship-yards on the Thames river have struck for an advance of six pence per day in their wages.

ITEMS IN VIRGINIA.

A DEMOCRAT TO BE THE MAYOR OF NORFOLK.

Large Force at Work in the Navy Yard—A Negro's Horrible Death at Alexandria—News Gathered From Many Parts of the State.

ASHLAND, VA., Mar. 1—[Special.]—One of the saddest deaths which has occurred in Ashland for a number of years is that of Miss Sadie Barksdale, who died this morning at the residence of her mother, Mrs. Emma M. Barksdale, of typho-malarial fever. Miss Sadie had been very ill for several weeks, but seemed to be improving up to a few hours previous to her death. She was just nineteen years of age, was very popular and lovable. Her untimely death is a source of much regret to the hosts of friends of herself and family. Funeral services will be conducted at the house to-morrow morning and the remains will be conveyed to Richmond on the 2 o'clock train and interred in Hollywood. Mrs. Barksdale is the widow of the late Robt. J. Barksdale of Richmond and has many friends and relatives in the city who will be deeply grieved to hear of the loss of one of her daughters.

PETERSBURG POINTS

The Colored Baptist Church Troubles—Examinations for West Point.

PETERSBURG, VA., Mar. 1.—[Special.]—The discord existing in the congregation of the Harrison-street Baptist Church (colored), Rev. C. B. W. Gordon pastor, is the subject of much gossip among the colored people here.

The Baptist ministers of the city are to be invited to hold a public meeting at the Harrison-street Church on next Tuesday and hear both sides of the controversy, and decide who is at fault in the unpleasantness.

The regular monthly meeting of the Common Council will be held on Monday afternoon for the transaction of routine business.

Mr. W. F. Bowden, of this place, has been appointed agent of the Petersburg and Norfolk Steamboat Line in this city to succeed Mr. Richard Gilliam, who has been promoted from agent to auditor and superintendent.

During the past week nineteen deeds were admitted to record in the office of the clerk of the court of this city.

The regular monthly meeting of the Baptist Sunday-school Union Association of this city, and Ettrick, Chesterfield county, will be held at the Ettrick church to-morrow afternoon.

The weather here to-day has been disagreeable to the extreme. Rain fell continuously from early in the morning until 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon, when a heavy snow storm set in, and when this correspondence closed, the flakes were still coming down thick and fast with no indications of abatement.

The fall of snow at Crewe on the Norfolk and Western Railroad is reported to be much heavier than it is here.

General Stith Bolling, Dr. D. M. Brown, and Messrs. Bernard Mann and W. P. McRae held a competitive examination at the High School building to-day, at the request of Hon. E. C. Venable, member of Congress from the Fourth Congressional district, to determine upon a candidate for appointment to the West Point Military Academy. The candidates were Messrs. Samuel G. Willson, Harrison Waite, Jr., Alston Hamilton, Dennis Rahily, N. M. Martin, and William Pitcher, of Petersburg, and Henry Weiss, of Greensville county, and Maury Cralle, of Nottoway county. The candidates were given a physical examination by Dr. Hugh Stockdell. The successful candidate will be announced as soon as the committee have had an opportunity to examine the papers, which will be early next week.

FROM LYNCHBURG.

Democratic Primaries—New Pastor of the First Baptist Church.

LYNCHBURG, VA., Mar. 1.—[Special.]—The Democratic primary will be held this month, perhaps the 27th. There are six offices to be filled, and the number of candidates in the field for each are numerous. Up to the present time the list stands: Mayor, J. T. Edwards, Robert Yancey, John Whitehead, A. Maupin, W. D. Branch and Thomas S. Preston. Commonwealth's Attorney, F. P. Christian, R. R. Long, W. C. Welles and Thomas N. Williams. Commissioner of the Revenue, E. N. Eubank, W. O. Smith, C. C. Price, A. Forsberg and W. H. Snead. City Sergeant, Matt. J. Day and Samuel H. Johnson.

Rev. Dr. Felix, wife and daughter, arrived this evening from Kentucky, and the new pastor of the First Baptist Church will be installed to-morrow at 11 o'clock, for which occasion great arrangements have been made.

Mr. Irvine, the new station-master at the Union depot, with his assistant, Mr. Jeffrey, arrived in the city from Washington to-day. Mr. Irvine was for fourteen years station-master of the Pennsylvania road at Washington, and succeeds Captain Fairfax, who, during his long tenure of the position, has made numerous friends among the traveling public.

It has been raining here about half of the day, sometimes in great flakes, but heavy rain soon absorbed all of it.

The people here are much pleased at the passage by the House to-day of Mr. Wickham's Senate bill regarding the public debt; also at the election of D. W. Bolen, judge of the Fifteenth judicial circuit, in place of Judge Brown.

The new and splendid law building just completed on Main street by Mr. Pettyjohn is the finest structure in the State, and is occupied by nearly every law firm in the city, more than twenty-five are already located.

STAUNTON GOSSIP.

Big Sale of Land at Waynesboro—Harrisonburg Hastening.

STAUNTON, VA., March 1.—[Special.]—The second day of the sale of lots of the Baker Spring property, at Waynesboro, was as remarkable as the first. There was no abatement in prices, and the bidding was as spirited as at first. Lots which had sold at from $80 to $100 went up to $115 and $130, and were taken up quickly. The sale of $20,350 worth of lots in two-and-a-half hours was no mean work. Land which had sold sixty days ago for $300 and $100 per acre, was sold at from $500 to $700. Sales for three days aggregate $78,550.

The spirit of development and booming has reached Rockingham.

Options are being taken on all property where it is thought minerals are to be found.

Harrisonburg has the handsomest flouring mill building in this section. The building is frame, is four and a half stories high, 46x62 feet in size, and has a capacity of from 125 to 150 barrels per day. The elevators in the mill are finished at the top in the shape of a neat and attractive ventilator. The cornice is elaborately finished and the windows have handsome caps. The whole is very neatly and tastefully painted, and the visitor to Harrisonburg for the first time enquires what hotel is that? It is located at the depot, and when completed will cost with its improved roller machinery $25,000.

Harrisonburg is supplied with water from an Artesian well 455 feet deep. The machinery is the simplest that can be imagined, but seems to do the work well, pumping 60 gallons per minute, into a reservoir, from which water can be thrown over the highest building in the town.

The Western Union Telegraph Company is enlarging its facilities for doing business. It is reported that the Postal Telegraph Company will soon open an office here.

SUIT AGAINST DANVILLE.

February Sales of Tobacco—Run Over and Injured by His Team.

DANVILLE, VA., Mar. 1.—[Special.]—An interesting suit has been brought against the city of Danville by W. H. Bunting and wife, who claim title to a portion of one side of Main street at the entrance to the new iron bridge which spans the river. They have sued out a writ of ejectment, and also bring suit for damages. The street is already narrow at that point, and if plaintiffs recover, the city will be left in an awkward predicament. Damages are laid at $5,000.

It has been snowing here all day, and snow still falling. The ground was wet when the snowfall began, however, and most of the snow melted as it fell.

Danville sold in February 2,888,801 pounds of leaf tobacco, an increase over February, 1889 of 278,112 pounds. Sales for first five months new tobacco year amounted to 13,883,151 pounds, an increase over same time previous year of 1,443,950 pounds. Shipments of plug tobacco this week were 175,000 pounds.

Bishop Randolph will visit the Church of Epiphany here to-morrow, and will confirm a class of several persons.

Jeremiah Arrall, a well-known citizen of Halifax county, was severely injured a day or two ago while on his way to Danville with a load of tobacco. His horses ran off and threw him under the wagon. The wheels passed over his body, and it is feared his injuries will prove fatal.

Danville's new Loan and Improvement Company is flourishing. Nearly four hundred thousand dollars has been subscribed by all classes of citizens, and the company will do much to build up the industries of the city.

NORFOLK BUDGET.

Railroad Improvements—A Democrat to Succeed Mayor Banks.

NORFOLK, Mar. 1.—[Special.]—Union depots for Norfolk and Portsmouth are now assured. In Norfolk the Norfolk and Western, the Norfolk and Carolina and the Virginia Beach lines will unite in putting up a magnificent building which will cost $100,000. The site selected for the depot is at the end of east Main street, on the Norfolk and Western road's property and very near where the present depot of the Norfolk and Western is located. In Portsmouth the Seaboard and Roanoke and Atlantic and Danville roads will erect a depot to cost $30,000, which will be situated on the site now occupied by the city market. The city gives the railroad company the property, and they in return agree to build a new market-house on a site on the marsh at Gosport Bridge, and turn it over to the city in fee simple. The erection of these depots will be great ornaments to the sections of the two cities in which they will be located, and greatly facilitate business for the railroads.

The Senate yesterday confirmed Mayor Richard G. Banks as collector of customs, and his resignation as Mayor is now ready for the Councils. It will probably be considered at a meeting Tuesday night, when his successor, who will, of course, be a Democrat, will be appointed. There are a half a dozen candidates already in the field for the place, and they are working strenuously for success for the position. The most prominently mentioned are Major A. B. Cooke, Captain W. R. Mayo and Messrs. W. F. Allen, Frank Morris, S. A. Stevens and George W. Johnston. The Democratic Councilmen will probably hold a caucus Monday night to decide the matter.

Atlantic City ward, in which is comprised all the property recently annexed to the city, nominated a local board of improvement, justices of the peace, school trustees and other officers at a meeting held last night. The councilmen from the ward are to place the names before the Norfolk City Councils Tuesday night, and they will formally endorse them by making appointments.

Judge Brooke, of the Corporation Court, has as yet made no appointment of meat inspectors, and in hope of having the measure repealed, has announced that he will delay action until Monday. There are about thirty applicants for the position, but it is pretty generally understood that Messrs. J. A. Dalby and H. L. Smith will receive the appointments.

The electoral board met last night and nominated judges of election, as required by law. Mr. R. B. Cook, one of the members of the board, was not at the meeting, and has not as yet qualified.

Work is rapidly progressing on the branch road from the Atlantic and Danville line to Buffalo Lithia Springs.

The Western Union telegraph company are erecting a telegraph line from Danville to Portsmouth and are completing six miles a day. The distance is 220 miles.

The United States steamship Alliance dropped down to Hampton Roads this morning, where she will be inspected before leaving for China.

The United States steamship Baltimore is still at the yard waiting for her guns. She will take on 900 tons of Pocahontas coal.

There are at present about eight hundred men at work in the navy yard, and as the Spring elections are coming around, the force will be considerably increased within the next ninety days.

Orders have been received at the yard to commence work on the monitor Amphitrite as soon as possible.

The gunboat Petrel is in the Simpson dry dock, having her bottom painted by a large force of men.

March was ushered in by a strong wind storm this morning, which has been followed all day by a dreary and drizzling rain.

ALEXANDRIA AFFAIRS.

Negro Killed by a Switch Engine—Jottings About Persons.

ALEXANDRIA, Mar. 1.—[Special.]—Silas Jackson, a colored laborer, met a horrible death at the Midland yards this afternoon by being run over by a shifting engine. Jackson was engaged with the gang cutting down the bank on the lot south of the yards, which the railroad company recently purchased for laying out some extra tracks to accommodate dead cars and the like, and was coming back to work, when the casualty occurred. It is said that he was intoxicated and in attempting to get on the engine, then in motion, lost his hold and fell beneath the wheels. The left side of his head was crushed in, and his right leg torn off at the knee. He screamed once or twice most excruciatingly. The body was taken in on a stretcher to Demennes undertaking establishment where an inquest will be held most likely. He was a man of about forty years of age, liked by all who knew him. He leaves a wife and eight children—nearly all under fifteen years of age.

Ten marriage licenses were granted here during February and forty-seven deeds put on record.

Miss Salina Dilger, eldest daughter of the late Thomas Dilger, the silversmith, died this afternoon at the home of her brother-in-law, after several weeks illness of pneumonia, resulting from la grippe.

James F. Peyton, Jr., is laid up with the mumps.

Mrs. E. Janney, of Occoquan, is reported extremely ill. Her second son, John, has just recovered from a severe attack of pneumonia.

Mrs. James Barron Hope has returned to Norfolk.

Miss Minnie Eldridge, formerly of this city, but now of Philadelphia, is visiting relatives here.

Miss Bessie Ott, of Baltimore, is visiting the Misses Houck.

Miss Minnie Martin, of Fauquier, is visiting Mrs. J. Sidney Douglass, on Cameron street.

Shiloh Colored Baptist Church is again in hot water. It is the largest colored congregation here. The trouble is all about a new pastor; a split was the result, the seceding members returning and renewing the row.

The fish wharf privilege was auctioned off to-day, and brought $503, something less than last year. The benches sold at about the same as last year.

It's reported here that last night over in Maryland a negro assaulted a white woman near Fort Foote, and is being hounded.

Methodists will occupy nearly every pulpit here to-morrow.

ROUND ABOUT RADFORD.

Land Sales and Industries—A Mountain Marriage Described.

RADFORD, VA., Mar. 1.—[Special.]—The Radford Land Improvement Company have recently purchased a large tract of land on the north side of New river, and directly opposite West Radford. They propose cutting it up into lots and placing them on the market. This new town has been christened Brooklyn.

What is known as the "Heath and Cassel Sale" has at last been made. It was made to a northern syndicate of which Governor Campbell of Ohio is said to be president. This will bring about a new era for East Radford which will be the centre of a large city.

The brick factory is turning out fifty pressed bricks per minute. They now have more orders than they fill in twelve months.

A valuable slate mine has been found, not more than five miles from Radford, on the farm of Mr. Hugh Gibson.

The N. & W. R. R. Co. are going to work in earnest on the double track between Radford and Roanoke.

While the rain was pouring down one of our ministers was hailed on the street Thursday and asked if he was a "parson." He answered "yes." The gentleman who hailed him then said, "I want you to come over this evenin' at 4 o'clock and marry me." The minister told him that he would have to hire a conveyance, and that it would be expensive. "Make's no difference," said he, "you come. I'll fix yer up." "All right," said the preacher. At 2 P. M. the preacher mounted his steed, and over the river, climbing the hills, descending to the valleys, he wended his way. He arrived at the appointed place at 4, but the groom had failed to put in his appearance.

The preacher rode up, tied his horse, and alighted. He stood for one hour and talked before he was invited in the log mansion. Then he entered and took a seat by the old hickory fire. Time passed on. The table was spread, and then the turkey, potatoes, pork, pickle, apple-butter, preserves, cakes, &c., &c., began to pour in, nobody could tell from where, but they came. Then the "serenading party" began to come. The fiddler and banjo-man appeared. The "old 'oman" was ready, the "old man" was, too; the "young ones" looked anxious, irrisistible fumes were "breathed on the air," and all things seemed ready, but the groom had not come. It was now quarter to six. The bride seemed calm and confident. Party after party came. The bab (bride's youngest sis') fell down the steps. Oh my, what a squall! The old "'oman" called for "Nick" to "put some fire on."

There the dignified person sat. Meanwhile the river flowed gracefully by, the limestone grinned from the overarching mountains, the clouds blackened, a "possum" crept from under the cupboard, and pole-cat hides hung at the back of the house. Suddenly the cry, "The feller's a comin' at last," assured all that the groom was in sight. He was held up by two companions; it would have been hard to tell who was the best man. The minister had gotten out in the yard by this time. A gentleman walked up to him and said, "You're the parson, I reckon?" "Yes, sir," said the preacher. "Wall here's the papers; what's yer fee." "Wall, I was (bowing and scraping) instructed (hic) to give you two dollars and a half." "Look at dem papers an' see if they's alright." "Very well," said the preacher, "I am ready to perform the ceremony." The groom had been helped to the lower room and upstairs, where she awaited his majesty. The people crowded in. "That's the preacher," whispered a half-dozen or more. Then the couple came down—groom first. "Where's the parson?" he yelled. "Thar he stands," said her father. They marched out in front of him, and the work was soon over. The girl was twenty; the groom thirty-nine, and was now united to his third wife in as many years.

The minister took up his hat to leave, but the groom, bride, old man, old 'oman and several more caught him and said, "You shan't leave until after supper." And he didn't, either.

After a sumptuous feast the "parson" left them "alone in their glory," and reached home just as the church bell was calling the parishoners to prayer-meeting.

Death of Dr. Kinney's Wife.

MILBORO, VA., Mar. 1.—[Special.]—Dr. Kinney's wife, of Longdale, died very suddenly last night, at her home at Longdale Furnace. Her remains will be taken to Staunton on the 11 o'clock train Saturday night. The funeral will take place Sunday morning.

NEW YORK NEWS.

A $1,000,000 Suit Discontinued—Interesting Metropolitan Items.

NEW YORK, Mar. 1.—There was filed to-day in the office of the clerk of the United States Circuit Court a notice of the discontinuation of the suit of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company [illegible] H. Inman, in which over $1,000,000 was involved. The case is discontinued without costs to either party as against the other.

AN UNIQUE PROCESSION.

A procession shortly after noon attracted attention, as much from its popular character as from its unusual features. It consisted of a huge bound volume, loaded on a four-horse truck, preceded by a military band and followed by a large number of citizens. The volume was the signatures to the petition for ballot reform about to be presented to the Legislature by the New York Ballot Reform League, bound in heavy boards. It was five feet thick and nearly as high, and contained over 57,000 names. So far as known this is the largest bound volume ever made. The procession started from Cortlandt street, where the work of binding the volume had been done, and went down Broadway to Exchange place to Broad street, up Broadway to Fifth avenue, where the colossal volume was placed on exhibition.

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE.

One of the most mysterious disappearances ever reported to the police, is that of Frank McGowan, who was last seen on January 15, when he boarded a Christopher street-car on his way to his home, in Orange, N. J. For ten years McGowan had been in the employ of Thomas A. Edison. He was the hero of the remarkable series of adventures that befell the expedition, sent to South America by Edison in search of a peculiar species of bamboo, to be used in his electric light system. So far not a trace of him has been discovered.

SERIOUS ILLNESS OF THE POPE.

A special Rome cable to the Mail says that the Pope is seriously ill, and occurrences of late point to the belief among those who are well-informed, that his death is not far off. The recent conclave received from the Pope an intimation that his death seemed near, and that he desired to recommend Cardinal Vanutelli as his successor. His increasing debility under the repeated epileptic attacks has caused the Pope to make a nomination, a step which is never taken unless the end is believed to be near. He will be eighty years old to-morrow.

The Republican State Senate has appointed a committee to come down to the city from Albany and investigate the Tammany management of the city. They came to town to-day and at once began operations. Tammany does not seem very much alarmed over the outlook. The raid is one of Boss Platt's methods of getting even with Tammany. If he could have elected enough members of the Legislature to combine with the County Democracy for a two-third's majority he would have introduced a new city charter that would have thrown all the Tammany officials out of office. That scheme failed, so he tries the investigators. There is not much special party politics about New York jobs and corruption. The usual run of such investigations has been that both sides are found to be participators in iniquity. The police board, for instance, has been one of the most rotten bureaus in this or any other State. Until very recently it was nominally non-partisan—two Republicans and two Democrats forming the commission. Now they are all Democrats. The investigators will not touch this board. They know better. People would not like to see in print why the notorious Johnny O'Brien was so long kept at the head of the election bureau; nor the amount of hush money collected from the dives, the groggeries, the gamblers, and all the shady resorts the police wink at. People might be curious to know how police captains on a salary of $2,200 a year can keep yachts, fast horses, buy city brownstone fronts, country seats, and live like nabobs generally. So the police will be let alone and a big noise made over other minor culprits. The investigation will be a big humbug, and everybody knows it. But the Senators will have a good time, living in the city at the State's expense. Of course, the tax-payer pays for all the junket.

ALL SORTS.

"Kittie," the chipmanzee at the Central Park menagerie, died this morning of consumption. She was brought to New York in June 1887, then two years old, and was a companion of the celebrated Crowley till he died.

There may be a fair here after all. Wm. C. Whitney, Comptroller Myers, Chas. A. Moore, Walter Storm, E. I. Horsman and Cornelius N. Bliss, favor the proposition made by Chauncey M. Depew that New York should go ahead and spend the ten millions authorized by the Legislature on permanent exhibition buildings. The plan will be discussed at Tuesday meeting of the fair committee.

Comparative statement of the Norfolk and Western Railroad Company for the month of January: Gross earnings, 1890, $517,095; 1889, $398,064; increase, $119,030. Operating expenses and taxes, 1890, $324,717; 1889, $287,385; increase, $37,332. Net earnings, 1890, $192,377; 1889, $110,678; increase, $81,-198.

NORTH CAROLINA.

A PEACE-MAKER BADLY STABBED IN THE LEG.

The State Musical Festival to be Held in Charlotte in June—Accidental Shooting in Rutherfordton—The Raleigh Postmaster—Other News.

RALEIGH, N. C. Mar. 1.—[Special.]—William Ray, colored, accidentally shot himself yesterday near Rutherfordton, and died from the effects of the wound. He was carelessly trying to take a pistol from another man, when the load was discharged, inflicting a fatal wound.

Governor Fowle to-day pardoned James Stone, who was sentenced in Wilkes county last year, to twenty years in the penitentiary for manslaughter.

It has been decided to hold the State musical festival in Charlotte, next June.

A letter received here to-day from Washington states that the friends of the parties opposed to the confirmation of Postmaster Shafer here are still at work. Efforts are being made to induce Hon. Pat Collins to confer with the President and induce him to withdraw Shafer's appointment. It is understood here that the Senate Committee will make a report on the matter on Monday.

The is much talk in the Fifth Congressional district, known as the Pivotal district, as to who will be the next Democratic nominee for Congress. It is learned that Captain Q. H. A. Williams, of Granville county, will be a candidate, and that J. C. Buxton, of Winston, will also be in the race. Ex-Governor Scales and ex-Judge Gilmer are mentioned in the same connection, and it is understood in Rockingham that Colonel Dave Settle is a candidate for the place.

GATHERED AT GREENSBORO.

Granville Farmers and Doctors—A Big Mortgage—Bureau of Engraving.

GREENSBORO, N. C., March 1.—[Special.]—The Presbyterians of Salisbury are moving in the matter of building a new church, which is to cost $8,000. The same denomination in this city have most of the funds in hand to build a $15,000 church. They are now receiving proposals for the contract. Dr. J. Henry Smith has been pastor of the congregation for more than thirty years.

A movement is on foot to build a cotton factory at Davidson College. A committee of citizens has been appointed to solicit subscriptions to the undertaking.

The farmers of two townships of Granville county recently held a meeting and passed a resolution antagonizing the rules recently established by the Granville County Medical Society. The farmers' meeting decided to employ a physician at $1,200 or $1,500 a year, the money to be raised by subscription.

Henderson county comes up with probably the largest mortgage ever recorded in the State. It is for one and a half million dollars, given by the French Broad Valley Railroad to the Central Trust Company of New York and covers twenty-four pages of a large record book.

An old man past the middle of life by the name of W. C. Hammer, while repairing a telephone line at Worthville, a few days ago, lost his footing and fell sixteen feet. With remarkable vitality he rallied and is in a fair way to recover.

Charlotte has a Massachusetts man, H. H. Manning, who has opened a bureau of engraving in wood and copper. He will make the engraving of factory stamps a specialty.

A new company has been organized in [illegible] posits, which are said to be immense. The outcroppings occupy a belt of country between Walnut Cove and Leaksville—thirty miles long and five in width. The depth of the coal is from eight to twelve feet. The quality and possibilities are not yet thoroughly tested, but said to be suitable for engines and all ordinary domestic purposes. Owing to the small amount of sulphur in combination the combustion gives out intense heat.

Mrs. Joseph Cochram, of Ashe county, while in a fit of insanity last week, cut the throat of her infant child with a drawing knife.

Last week at a justice's court in Clay county, two men by the names of Baker and Zimmerman got into a fight while a case was being tried, and when Jim Bivins stepped in and tried to separate them, he he got a serious stab in the leg. Everybody was at a loss to know how it was done or who inflicted the wound, as none of them had a knife.

A little son of Perdu Edmunds, of Columbus county, accidentally stuck a nail through his thumb while at play a few days ago, and died soon after with lockjaw.

The Henderson grand jury was at a discount at the last session of the District Court. It was composed of twelve white men and six blacks. Our informant says that some of them could not, if they were going to be hung, have told whether the judge in his charge was talking in Greek or Hebrew, though the language was plain enough.

Over seven hundred criminal cases have been tried in the State during the last year, making a little over eighty to the county.

A curious case of mule irrepressibility is reported this week from the country. A young man by the name of Jeff. Adkins bought a mule on Monday, and after many vicissitudes got him home, but he kicked the stable to pieces during the night. Seeing that it would take all his time to keep his purchase in bounds he concluded to return him and get another. He started back to town, but on the road they had a tussle—the mule got Jeff out into the woods, where he succeeded in belaying his muleship to a tree, but he continued to fight and paw at owner in such a determined manner that Jeff put an end to the scuffle by cutting his throat.

There was a terrible mad dog excitement in the neighborhood of Mount Pleasant, Stanley county, last Saturday. A large, strange hound of a gray color passed through the community exhibiting unmistakable signs of hydrophobia. After a race of several miles, in which several dogs, but no persons, were bitten, the dog was killed.

A remarkable fact in regard to the growth of the average North Carolina towns is the unusual demand for dwellings. Although the building activity is unprecedented, the supply is reported as generally inadequate.

Two coaches jumped the track at the Nantahala bridge last Saturday, and were wrecked, injuring two passengers, and would have gone into the river but for some stumps that broke their momentum.

A new United States flag was run up on the staff above the postoffice building to-day, bearing forty-two stars. Some of the observing public were unprepared for the exhibition of that number, in view of the controversy pending the constitutionality of the measure.

RIGHT AT REIDSVILLE.

Robbed While Seeking His Fortune—Caught After Many Years.

REIDSVILLE, N. C., Mar. 1.—[Special.]—William H. Smith, lately of Smith & Smith, started several days ago to Prescott, Arizona, prospecting. He left his money, with the exception of about $100, in bank here, subject to his draft, and it is well that he did, as he was relieved of the $100 before he reached his destination.

Marshal Searcy, colored, who killed another man years ago, and who escaped, was recognized by Mr. C. F. Lewis, of the Reidsville Times, while attending the Fish, Game and Oyster Fair, at Newberne. The latter telegraphed the sheriff, who wired back to have him arrested.

Chief of Police, Louis B. Hall, of this place, has had an offer from the Southern Secret Service Bureau. They wish to station him at Roanoke. He will very likely accept. Mr. J. N. Gibbons will probably be appointed in his place.

The damage to the Bank of Reidsville by the storm is worse than was at first suspected.

Mrs. S. E. Parish & Co., the large dry goods house which assigned here last week, it is thought will pay 100 cents on the dollar. Mrs. Parish has gone to Winston to take charge of a dry goods house there on a good salary. It is rumored that her niece, Mrs. Cora May Morris, will accompany her.

Mr. James W. Peay has just returned from Kentucky, where he has been buying stock. He brought back several "thoroughbreds," among them one pretty $3,500 stallion.

It has been damp and raining off and on for nearly a week, keeping leaf tobacco in very high order, nevertheless. The offerings are not falling off, as prices still hold their own.

Will. Hunter and Pinkney Smith, colored school boys, stole some books from Walter Loveloer, a white student, and in trying to sell them were caught. Mayor Watt found them both guilty and told a police officer to see them well whipped by their parents.

CHARLOTTE CHIPS.

Three Women Whipped and Two Men Flogged—Dam Gave Way.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Mar. 1.—[Special.]—A special from Rockingham, sixty miles east of here, to the Chronicle says that Thursday night a crowd of "white caps" visited a bawdy house, two miles from Rockingham, and severely whipped three women—two colored and one white. A white and a colored man were also flogged. The same dispatch says: Friday night a stone wall of Roberdell factory was blown out from bank to bank by a swollen stream from two days' rain. Damage five thousand dollars. Two hundred operatives will be thrown out of work, pending repairs, which will require about a month.

As John H. Hanes and Alby Houston were shoving drift from the newly-laid milldam of Fulton mills on Thursday, the dam gave way, drowning Houston in the creek. Hanes had a narrow escape.

REED'S RUDENESS

Deliberately Insults Kentuckians—Capital News and Gossip.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 1.—[Special.]—An incident that has some connection with the tragedy at the Capitol yesterday has just developed. Soon after the shooting of Taulbee, Representative Stewart, of Vermont, entered Speaker Reed's room, just in rear of the hall of representatives. Mr. Reed after condemning the shooting, remarked: "Here is a letter I had just written when the shooting occurred."

The letter explains itself. It was in response to an invitation to be a guest of the Blue Grass Club, in Kentucky. Speaker Reed's letter was as follows:

"OFFICE SERGEANT AT ARMS,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
WASHINGTON, Feb. 28, 1890.

"Dear Mr. Caruth,—I shall not accept the invitation tendered me by the Blue Grass Club. The reason is very simple. I notice that Jay F. Durham is president. Now, Jay F. Durham assured me during the late disturbances, that if they had me in Kentucky they would kill me. Knowing the said Durham to be a journalist his declarations to me impart absolute verity. I do not wish to be killed, especially in Kentucky, where such an event is too common to attract attention. For a good man to die anywhere is of course gain, but I think I can make more by dying later and elsewhere.

"Very truly, T. B. REED."

MR. CARUTH INDIGNANT.

Representative Caruth, of Louisville, is very indignant because of Speaker Reed's letter, and he said to-night to THE TIMES' correspondent: "The letter might have been intended as a joke, and had it been reserved until the banquet and then read it would have been so accepted. But to have it given out to the press so far in advance looks like a premeditated insult to the State of Kentucky. I have not received that letter nor have I received any other from Speaker Reed concerning the invitation. He has not yet received any formal invitation. The Blue Grass Club includes many of the most prominent citizens of Louisville. Republicans as well as Democrats. Jay Durham is the president. The club will give a banquet on the 20th instant, and it was the universal [illegible] tisan. I was requested to invite Speaker Reed. I informed him of the request, and extended an informal invitation, telling him that the formal request for his company would follow. I have heard nothing from him, but have been shown by a newspaper correspondent a copy of what purports to be Mr. Reed's declination. If it shall appear that this letter was designed for the press, then it is an insult to Kentucky and the Republicans there will resent it as indignantly as the Democrats."

Mr. Caruth is hardly prepared to believe that Representave Stewart would take the liberty of making public such a letter without the tacit or implied consent of the author, Speaker Reed. Another very significant fact is that what purported to be the original draft of the letter was sent up to the press gallery with full authority to correspondents to use it. None of the newspapermen had even an intimation of Reed's invitation to Kentucky until the letter was laid before them. There is considerable feeling over the matter, and Speaker Reed is placed in a very compromising position. It is openly charged that he wrote the letter, after the shooting scrape at the capitol, and deliberately procured its publication as a reflection upon Kentucky and the South. He was invited to be a guest of the club in good faith and in a spirit of broad and national hospitality. Had he been liberal minded enough to accept, he would have been given hospitality that would have been a revelation to him. He prostituted the occasion to serve his purpose of keeping his name before the public. The flattery of a few Republican organs has inflated Reed's conceit until he considers himself a promising presidential candidate, and he is employing every means to seek notoriety.

This evening some of the most prominent Republicans of the House called upon Reed and deplored the publication of the letter. They informed him of the severe criticisms visited upon him, and he charged the entire responsibility upon Stewart. This may serve Reed's purpose, but it is not sincere, for this afternoon, after the letter had been given the press gallery, several correspondents called upon Reed in the Speaker's room. He did not then express any regret at the publication, but laughed over the letter as if it were a splendid joke or a big political point. He dilated upon what he considered the telling features of the letter, but made no request that it should not be published. To-night, after being apprised by Republicans of the gross impropriety and indelicacy of the thing, he charged it all upon Stewart, saying the latter gave it out upon his own responsibility. It will be a long time before Speaker Reed gets another invitation to the South.

THE VIRGINIA PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

The Virginia Public Building bills which passed the Senate Thursday have been sent to the House, and properly referred. They are as follows: For public buildings at Roanoke, $100,000, for Norfolk, $150,000; for extension of Lynchburg building, $50,000; to enlarge and improve the Petersburg building, $50,000; to erect a public building at Newport News, $100,000; also the bill for the construction of a road from Staunton to the National Cemetery.

The public building bills are in the usual form, requiring that proposals for the sale of land for sites shall be invited by public advertisement; that the Secretary of the Treasury shall send an agent to examine the sites offered, and that the agent shall make a written report. If the Secretary shall deem further investigation necessary he shall appoint a commission of not more than three persons, who shall report within thirty days. The compensation of these commissioners shall not exceed six dollars per day each.

The avowed policy of the House Committee on public buildings and grounds is to deal liberally and these Virginia bills will no doubt receive favorable consideration.

VIRGINIA PENSIONS.

The following Virginia pensions were granted: Robert Wilson, of Norfolk; Edwin B. Simonds, of Herndon.

Postmasters appointed: G. T. Sayers, Bertha, Wythe county; C. O. Newcomb, Westland, Lancaster county; A. P. Christian, Yorktown, York county.

[By United Press.]

HOUSE.

The proceedings of the House were opened to-day by Rev. George Elliott, of the Foundry Church, Washington.

The contested election case of Featherstone against Cate, from the First Arkansas district, was then called up.

Mr. Crisp raised the question of consideration, and the House decided, by a vote of yeas 133, nays 122, to consider the election case.

Representative Haugen, of Wisconsin, made the opening speech in favor of the contestant. At the conclusion of his speech, Mr. Outhwaite, of Ohio, took the floor, but in view of the small attendance of members, moved an adjournment. The motion was agreed to, and the House adjourned.

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Ladies' Bone Handle Pocket and Toilet Knives, 15c., regular price 25c.

Spring Curling Irons, 15c., worth 25c.

Coin Silver Thimbles, 10c; worth 25c.

Cameo Rings, Tiger Eye Rings, five Emerald Sets, five Garnet Sets, Lovers's Knots, and many other styles in all sizes, that sold for $1, are now 25c. each at the Jewelery Counter.

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Button-hole Scissors, 25c pair.

Fine Gilt-handled Steel Scissors 25c. a pair, regular price 25c.

Rubber Dress Shields, 5c. a pair.

The new French Shoe Polish, in wooden bottles, 15c; regular price 25c.

Tracing Wheels, 10c. each.

Best Bright or Dull Jet Shawl Pins, 3c. a dozen.

Best Frilled Garter Webs, 10c. a yard.

Frilled Silk Garter Webs, 20c. a yard.

Bixby Royal Shoe Polish, 10c.

Good Polished Scissors, 5c. a pair.

Larger Size Scissors, 10c. a pair.

Darning Eggs, 5c. each.

English Tortoise Shell Dressing Combs, 10c.

Black Silk Watch Chains, 10c.; worth 25c.

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Hundreds of Styles of Steel and Jet Buckles, 15c. to $1.50.

Silk Tinsel Chenille Cord, 5c. a yard.

Silk Tassels, 25c. a dozen.

Embroidered Felt Baby Carriage Afghans, 75c.

Large size Nottingham Lace Tidies, 10c. each.

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