A SUPERINTENDENT DEAD.

MR. J. F. GIBSON, OF THE SOUTHERN EXPRESS COMPANY.

The Sudden Demise a Great Shock—Brief Illness—The Office Draped in Mourning—Arrangements for the Funeral at Monumental Church.

Mr. Joseph Frank Gibson, who for thirty years has been the faithful superintendent of the Southern Express Company, died Sunday night, about 10 o'clock, in his room, in the Express Company building, 819 east Main street. Death resulted from peri.

Mr. Gibson was a peculiarly robust and healthy-looking man. He was very tall, very temperate in eating and drinking, and persons who saw him on the street Friday were shocked to hear of his death Sunday.

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When he first came to Richmond, some thirty years ago, he secured a position as messenger of the Southern Express Company, and was soon after made superintendent and agent. Mr. Gibson was born fifty-eight years ago, near Fisherville, in Augusta county. His parents are dead. He leaves two sisters, Mrs. W. P. Young, who lives at the old homestead, and Miss Delia Gibson, of Alderson, West Virginia. Both arrived here yesterday, and also his son, J. B. Gibson, a youth of seventeen, who has been attending school at Alderson. Mr. Gibson's wife (he married Miss Mitchell, of Richmond county) preceded him to the grave about twelve years ago.

THE FUNERAL.

The funeral will take place to-day at 3 o'clock from Monumental church, and will be largely attended. The pall-bearers will be:

Active: Messrs. David A. Ainslie, John F. Mayer, Henry T. Miller, H. G. Benson, all of Richmond; and W. J. Crosswell, superintendent Southern Express Company, Wilmington, N. C.; O. M. Sadler, superintendent, Charlotte, N. C.; M. J. O'Brien, general manager Southern Express Company, New York; David Herring, general agent Adams Express Company, Baltimore.

Honorary: Messrs. R. B. Snead, F. D. Hallston, J. P. Alvey, W. D. Paxton, all of Richmond; and J. H. Alexander, of the Adams Express Company, Charlottesville; W. C. Graham, Southern Express Company, Richmond; Walter Buckner, Southern Express Company, Weldon, N. C.; R. T. Leath, Southern Express Company, Richmond.

The interment will take place in Hollywood, where the wife is buried.

HIS CHARACTER.

Mr. Gibson was generally regarded by those who knew him intimately as a thoroughly modest, good man. His manner was retiring, and if he ever did a favor, either in the way of charity or otherwise, he never wanted it known. If he ever had occasion to reprimand he always did it in the gentlest manner possible. He was loved and respected by the men under him, and he will be remembered by Richmond people as an efficient superintendent.

The building yesterday was draped in mourning.

Mr. Andrew Welsh will act as superintendent for the present.

THE TAXES THEY PAY.

Figures of the City Railway, Electric Lights, and Telephones.

The announcement of an increase of considerably more than $6,000,000 in the values of the city of Richmond, as ascertained by the hard labor of the men who were appointed to assess lots and buildings in the city, has put the citizens to thinking, and talking as well, about the source from which the revenues have been made to jump up.

It became a matter of some interest to know what revenue the city railways, the telephone company, and the electric light, all of which use miles of the city streets, contributed.

By virtue of an ordinance adopted by the City Council when it granted the franchises to the Richmond City Railway Company to do business, that company pays the city of Richmond 2 per cent. on its gross earnings. According to this agreement, the company paid from July 1, 1889, to January 1, 1890, $898.40, and from January 1, 1890, to July 1, 1890, $859.12. The Manchester Railway Company paid from January 1, 1890, to July 1, 1890, $29.20. The Richmond Union Passenger Railway Company and the Richmond City Railway Company are operated by the same management, but the Union Passenger Company pays $630 also.

The Electric Light Company has a direct tax of $1.40 on the thousand dollars worth of assessed values, and the Telephone Company pays nothing but a direct license tax of $800 per annum. By virtue of chartered rights, the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac pays nothing, and the amount assessed the other railroads in coming into and leaving the city is the rate alluded to as having been fixed by law, $1.40 on the thousand dollars worth of property.

Police Court.

John Welsh, a well-dressed youth, sixteen years of age, was before court yesterday morning charged with two thefts. The accused is from New York, but of late has been residing in Richmond, and roomed with Mr. Charles Chapman. Thursday night last Welsh stole a gold watch, the property of Miss Mary Gardner, who lived in the building, and the following Friday he robbed his roommate, Mr. Chapman, of one suit of clothing and a lot of underwear, and left the city. The matter was placed in the hands of Officer John T. Hall, who succeeded in having the fugitive captured in Newport News. The stolen articles were found in his possession. When the case was called this morning the Commonwealth was not ready to proceed, and it was continued until to-day.

John L. Stone was charged with being disorderly on the street. Officers Holdcraft and Curle, who arrested him, testified that the accused was seen on Eighteenth street Sunday night about 8 o'clock, bareheaded, in his sock-feet and doffed coat, with a hatchet in hand, whooping at the top of his voice. He ran up to a colored church on Eighteenth street and began to smash the glass windows with the hatchet. He was fined $5 and costs.

A gang of negroes were charged with gambling Sunday morning. Officers Shinberger, Sutton, Farley, Sweeney, and Talley arrested them in a den on Pink alley Sunday morning about 4 o'clock. The place was owned by Horace Brooks and Samuel King. Each were fined $2.50 and costs.

Charles Wills, drunk and disorderly on the street. Fined $2.50 and costs.

Bradford Robinson (colored), fighting in a street car. Security for $100 for ninety days.

Anna Brown (colored), beating Ella Morehead. Fined $2.50 and costs.

A. J. Andrews, disorderly and shooting a gun on the street. Fined $10 and costs.

Samuel Campbell, trespassing on the premises of and abusing A. P. Wheeler. Security for thirty days.

[illegible] Morris, William Robinson, Gus [illegible]gton, Joseph Hamilton, Nora Watkins, [illegible] Frayser, and Charles H. Harris (all [illegible]) disorderly conduct. Each fined [illegible] costs.

Jack [illegible] (colored) was fined $10 and costs for [illegible] Watkins.

Lee Faudree [illegible] Hustings Court for resisting [illegible] officer.

George Begley, [illegible] disorderly on the street. Fined $[illegible] costs.

COUNCIL COMM[illegible]S.

The Petition of the Hollywood [illegible] Memorial Association Considered.

The joint Committee on Schools and Finance met in the Council chamber yesterday afternoon at 6 o'clock. Colonel Cary in calling the meeting to order alluded to the propriety of the action of the committee in duly deliberating upon the important question that they had been called upon to consider. The ladies of the Hollywood Memorial Association had petitioned the Council for the purpose of establishing a Confederate Memorial Museum in the house in which Jefferson Davis lived during the trying times of the Confederacy.

Colonel Cary, in unflinching terms, said that this scheme met his hearty approval. He knew that the building belonged to the city of Richmond, and was now used for school purposes, at public expense, and he was in sincere sympathy with public school matters. But he believed that the South felt an interest in these matters of history, connected, as they were, with so many sacred memories. It would be for the good of Richmond to consider the request of the ladies, and grant them all that they wanted. The Davis mansion now used as the Central had for years been considered unfit by the School Board for school purposes. Should a fire break out great loss of life might follow by reason of the bad arrangement of the house. He had long since wanted the School Board to ask for a new appropriation in order to improve the condition, so far as safety to pupils was concerned, of the building.

The question was discussed at length, Mr. Crenshaw stating that he knew the house to be unfit, because of the narrow stairway and other defects, for school purposes.

Mr. Thomas was also emphatic in this view, and declared it would be barbarous to put the small children, as was now being done, in the kitchen of the mansion, where light was poor and ventilation bad.

Mr. Christian finally offered the following resolution, which was adopted: "That a committee consisting of two members of the Committee on Schools and two members of the Committee on Finance be appointed to report a site for a school building, in place of the Central school building, the cost of the said site and the cost of the new building, and that this committee confer with the City School Board in this matter."

On motion of Mr. Christian, Colonel Cary was elected chairman of the committee and Mr. Capers, of the Board of Aldermen, along with Colonel Cary, who acts as a member of the School Committee from the Board, and Messrs. Hargrove and Christian from the Finance Committee, were named as the sub-committee.

On motion of Dr. Steele the sub-committee was increased to five, and Mr. Thomas was placed on it.

Colonel Cary announced that the sub-committee would meet to-morrow at 5 o'clock to consider the question, and the joint committee adjourned to meet at the call of the chairman.

The Committee on Grounds and Buildings met in the office of the City Engineer yesterday and paid the usual weekly bills.

FULTON DEMOCRATS.

Both Factions Meet and Interesting Speeches are Made.

What is known as the "opposition faction" of the Fulton Democratic Club held a meeting last night in Kerse's Hall. It is the same portion of the club that met last Tuesday night, organized and elected officers. Mr. George E. Cogbill, who was elected at that meeting, presided last night, and Mr. W. H. Eacho filled the position of secretary. About ninety men were present, and the heat of the room (which was a small one) tested their loyalty no little.

The first business was the enrolment of members. Sixty of these were enrolled at the meeting last week and the balance last night. There were in all one hundred and thirty-one members.

The executive committee, through its chairman, Mr. John Welsh, reported that they had done their duty as regards arranging for the meeting.

COULD NOT GET THE BOOK.

The committee that was appointed last Tuesday night to demand the secretary's books made a report through Mr. James Welsh. He stated that he had seen Mr. Sorg, the secretary of the other faction, and that he had refused to give up the books. Mr. Welsh thereupon bought a book and made it a present to the club.

There being no other business, Mr. Philip O'Neil stated that there would be beer and sandwiches at the hall in a short time, and that during the wait he hoped some men would make speeches.

SPEECHES MADE.

Mr. Adam Diacont was called upon, and, after thanking the club for the honor conferred, detailed in an excellent manner the issues of the canvass.

Captain Sullivan was called upon, and stated that, though he was sorry to see a split, he was still glad that it was a family split. That two clubs would be the means of making every one vote, and concluded by cordially inviting those interested to attend the meetings of the Union Democratic Club.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Mr. Myer Angle, just before the close of the meeting, offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That the Club endorse Hon. George D. Wise, and protest with indignation at the attempt to pass the Force bill."

Mr. George Mills concluded the meeting by making an excellent speech. He detailed the watchfulness of the Republicans in a masterly manner, and was liberally applauded.

At the close of the meeting the beer was tapped and sandwiches passed around, and a royal good time was spent.

THE OTHERS.

The portion of the Fulton Democratic Club presided over by the original president assembled in Donahoe's Hall last night with about one hundred and fifty persons present.

President James Hartley presided, with Secretary Joseph E. Sorg at his desk.

By the formation of the new club the office of second-vice president, two places on the executive committee, and the position of sergeant-at-arms were made vacant by the withdrawal of the incumbents. These places were filled last night as follows: Second Vice-President, James P. Hackett; Executive Committee, James P. Sharp and F. J. Parater; Sergeant-at-Arms, James E. Grady.

HE WOULD NOT CALL.

The President read a communication, sent him on September 5th and signed by Messrs. Myer Angle, Philip O'Neil, Daniel Duke, William Bitterly, Gidwell Jordan, Charles L. Britton, Nat. Whitlow, R. Rock, W. H. Eacho, Jr., William Rock, and James B. Auley, asking him to call the club together, on september 9th, for reorganization. He said he told the bearer of the communication that the club would meet on the 15th, and he saw no necessity for an earlier meeting, and he declined to issue the call. The club unanimously endorsed the action of the president.

It was when President Hartley declined to call the meeting that those who signed the communication addressed to him issued a call for a meeting and the new club was formed.

LOOKING TO RECONCILIATION.

Mr. James Hayes called attention to the fact that the campaign was now opened, and moved the appointment of a committee to wait upon the City Democratic Committee to inform them that the Fulton Club is organized and ready for work.

Mr. M. S. Burch moved an amendment that the same committee confer with the officers of the new club, and inform them that they will be received back into the old organization and no questions asked if the new organization is dissolved. This was agreed to, and the resolution was adopted.

The committee was named as follows: Messrs. Burch, Sharp, Hayes, Lawder, Nichols, and Sorg.

MR POLLARD SPEAKS.

After the business of the club had been transacted Hon. H. R. Pollard was introduced, and for about twenty minutes discussed in an able manner the issues of the canvass. He mentioned as the sins of omission of the Republican party, the failure to pass an Educational bill, to repeal the tax on tobacco, to pass a bill prohibiting the convict labor system, to pass measures to break up monopolies, and many other things which they declared in their platform of 1888 they would do. Their sins of commission, he declared, were too numerous to mention. He discussed with fine effect, and in a very clear way, how the Republicans have squandered the surplus in the treasury by pensioning persons who never saw the smoke of battle, of how they are buying up government bonds eighteen months before they become due, are paying the interest in advance, and in this way squandering $25,000,000. He spoke of the creation of new States by that party for no other reason than to keep in control of the Senate, and the turning out of Democratic members of the House to get a majority in that branch, and, finally, he discussed the Force bill briefly. His talk had a fine effect, and was heartily applauded.

OTHER SPEECHES.

Mr. R. L. Montague was the next speaker, but talked only a few minutes. He paid a very eloquent tribute to the character of Hon. George D. Wise, and explained very clearly the provisions of the Force bill. The Democrats were urged to work to defeat the party whose chief object and aim is to vilify and abuse the South.

Mr. Montague is a very effective speaker, and was listened to with close attention.

Messrs. Adam Diacont and F. J. Parater also spoke briefly.

THE STREET CARS.

After the club had adjourned the members met in a citizen's meeting and adopted resolutions protesting against the bad street car service in that section of the city. Messrs. James A. Black, James H. Nuchols, T. J. Enright, J. H. Lawder, and John Shardt were appointed to present a memorial to the Council setting forth the grievances of the people of Fulton on this subject, and asking for redress.

What the people of that section want is for Main-street cars to run through from Twenty-eighth street.

The Public Schools.

The public schools of the city were formally opened yesterday. The scholars came in and were registered, staying long enough to do this work, which did not consume more than an hour's time, and then leaving.

Mr. C. P. Rady, the secretary of the School Board, will take the reports and classify them, and perhaps will be able to-day to reach the exact number of school children that have been registered in the city, and this work will be tedious, because the prefatory work done by the takers of the school census already shows a large increase, numerically speaking. It is generally two or three days before the work of registration and organization concludes.

The "Sunday Times."

THE SUNDAY TIMES is served every Sunday morning by reliable carriers, and orders left at THE TIMES office will receive prompt attention.

MARY'S LETTER TO SULLY.

PECULIAR COMMUNICATION IN THE SHERIFF'S HANDS.

Mr. Southward Thinks He Knows Who Wrote It—Probable Prosecution for Sending Obscene Matter Through the Mails.

A letter was received by Sheriff J. W. Southward on September 8th. From the address it was believed that some new kink in the murder mystery skein was about to be unraveled, and when the contents were read the supposition grew into a probability. The letter, however, had a tinge of unnaturalness about it, and doubts were expressed as to a woman writing the letter.

On September 7th these doubts were confirmed, as a postal card was received apparently bearing what has since been stated to be by experts the same handwriting. Inquiries were made, and after considerable work, Sheriff Southward soon traced the writings as to a certain man in this city, with whom he at one time corresponded, and as soon as he settled in his mind who wrote the letter and postal the motive was plain to him.

PROVE WHO WROTE IT.

Sheriff Southward, in speaking of the letter, says: "I will prove who wrote the letter, having letters in my possession written by the same party, and as many as three experts will testify to the fact that it is the same handwriting. Some of the letters were written some months ago. As to the object in writing the letter I have nothing to say at present, but will prove it at the proper time."

The envelope was postmarked Richmond, September 4th, 2 P. M., and it has been found out since that the letter was mailed at Second and Broad streets. The address on the envelope is as follows:

Tomas Sully

Jail house in this Richmond dont no body read dis here but he and is waitin hear how is times send me some word is gying county dis evenin from your gal mary sen letter to sister Sarah house.

WENT TOO FAR.

In the address of the envelope the "certain man" makes a slip. If he had not put so much writing on it, it is very probable that the letter would have never been noticed. The latter, however, demonstrates considerable ingenuity, and shows a decided rival of Dr. Page's stories in point of dialect. The stars in portions of the letter, are places in which language was used decidedly unfit for publication. If nothing else is done with the writer, he can certainly be arrested under the United States laws for sending obscene matter through the mails. The letter as far as can be given is as follows:

Tom lob you set my self down to writ to you how is times is is been scard and botherd that dam white man dide after all I had the baby and I killed it like you fiksed the jew man I wanted to ask you, bout how it cam out the money you gave me I got some things I ned and is bin to country sine you kill the jew man at tidle the how you kill him with I dig a hole and put dit enough to cover you up with you don like I told you not wid the how if you took the ask or rasor and finished him you bother levie I was scard coming home when you an I got back I was fraid say much to you you was all sound

the how I put it in a hole an dug it out and cut the baby bed in fore peces an is put it in baco box and I killed it at twelve oclock in the day the time you kill the jew, only you kill him in the night the bloody clothes you give me to wash I did burn them in fireplace I neber told no body bout it and don't you forget your promis you did mak me that night when you left my hous I is stoid you a good ever cost gying to die If you put the thing on the whit folks and get strait out you smart no say the wite folks don it I is gying to sister Sarah to tell you go all out but dont get fraid and tell you took me dar and kill him with the bow tell the wite folks done it I cant hear no mor about you if you git cauch write all the news bob I wish I could kis your rosy lips the baby was loby like you but I could not keep it and you told me best kill it so bob I don what you told and I is gying to kunger that devil for you if I can get her by her self I will kill her she done you fifty darlying

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when all ober come to the country sister but dont tel sister nothin for she tel all if you want mony send word or write soon how tim is I gying away this evening on the train I is bin in survis on first street if I stay dar I kill dat gal she altime says he must not leb her she is hateful * * * gim my lob to all tel them I am gon away the survis place aint tru thar but two weaks toda caus I had the boy and i neber was sick much til it got sick all bout you sen me word how you get on I is fraid of the jail or I com to see you keep tin dont tel nothin put it on the wite folks I hope you come to me soon did you get a chance to kill fidle and bun him up I hope you might cause he is got mony a white dogs you kill yourself up work for white trash and dont get nothing much woth talkin bout they got ple ty kill all set fir come to me and will help you my best lob to you from your gal mary * * *

In the above "how" is presumed to be meant for "hoe;" "fedle" is meant for "Feitig;" "lob" is intended for "love."

THE POSTAL.

The postal card was addressed in ink to "Mr. J. W. Southworth, Sheriff Henrico county, Va.," and is as follows. It is very much like the writing in the letter, both of which was done with pencil:

Mr Sheriff Southward.—You might find out something in the Henrico murder case by going to the ill Repute House on sixteen st between franklin & grace st when the murder was Last winter also on 27t st near nine mile road at Mrs C Coles house.

Several days after the receipt of the postal Mr. Southward received another letter. He is very reticent about it, however, but stated yesterday to a reporter that it was the writing that gave him a clue as to the person who did it. Whether the last epistle is addressed to Sully or not has not been made known by the sheriff, he stating that he is waiting to put the matter in court.

As evidence, the letters and postal do not amount to anything in the Rossdeitcher case, but Mr. Southward seems determined to make a complete exposure of the whole matter; and, even if he is not prosecuted, a "certain person" will be made to feel very badly.

IN THE CHURCHES.

Sunday-School Associations—Jewish New Year.

The Baptist Sunday-School Association of Richmond and Manchester held its regular monthly meeting Sunday evening with the Grove-Avenue Baptist church. Mr. T. H. Ellett presided, and Mr. W. B. Daniel acted as secretary. In spite of the unfavorable afternoon a large assembly was present to greet the Association meeting for the first time in their new building of the Grove-Avenue church. A more commodious and beautiful edifice does not exist in the city, if in the South. Within one year this band of industrious workers, laboring under numerous and trying difficulties, has erected and occupied their spacious and elegant building.

Mr. Phillips, the superintendent of the Grove-Avenue Sunday school, delivered an address of welcome to the Association, which, by request, was fittingly responded to by Mr. Josiah Ryland, Jr., of the Venable-Street church. The monthly reports of the various schools were next listened to with much interest; after the reading of which the meeting was addressed by Rev. Dr. R. H. Pitt, G. E. F. Williams, Douglas Clarke of Maryland, and Mr. Henry R. Pollard. The musical programme, arranged by Messrs. Morris and Reinhart, was splendidly rendered.

SCHOOLS.	Av'ge O&T	At. Sc'r's	Collections. For	For School	Asso.
Leigh street	60	379	$26 34		.....
Pine street	43	359	39 98	$3.00	
Grace street	47	347	37 03		.....
Venable street	36	278	24 33	2.50	
Bainbridge street	22	237	12 04	1.75	
Fulton Church	17	221	16 52	3.50	
Grove Avenue	33	216	21 51	2.15	
Second Church	25	172	145 93		.....
Clay street	27	151	15.38	2.00	
East End Church	20	141	9.32	1.51	
Clopton street	11	121	7.55	1.00	
Fourth street	23	101	16.80	1.00	
Seventh Street Mis.	10	49	2.75	1.00	
Beechenbrook Mis.	11	45	4.81	1.16	
West View Church	10	38	8.09	1.00	
First Church			.....		.....
Howard's Grove			.....		.....
Total	395	2,855	$388 38	21.57	

One baptism and two deaths are reported for the month.

The Association adjourned to meet with the Fourth-Street Baptist church the second Sunday in October.

THE METHODISTS.

The regular monthly meeting of the Methodist Sunday-School Society, of Richmond and Manchester, was held Sunday evening at the Washington-Street Methodist church. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, there was a large crowd in attendance. The meeting was called to order by the president, Robert E. Richardson; prayer by Rev. J. Wyley Bledsoe, pastor of Park Place church; Mr. A. J. Gary acted as secretary. The singing was led by Mr. Robert Jones, with M. J. Willis at the organ, assisted by Mr. F. R. Stover, of Broad-Street church, on the cornet.

The following programme was well rendered: "Sabbath Breaking," by Willie Lambeth and Walker Ford; "I Love," by Nellie Lambeth; solo, "If I Were a Voice," by Miss Virgie Walter; "Chatterbox," by Bertha Wagener; "Lucy and Aleg," by Kate Anderson and Susie Dillard; "Love One Another," by Mary Scott; "Peacemakers," by Marian Lambeth and Nannie Miller; "Christian Soldier," by Mary Scott, Susie Anderson, Marian Lambeth, Walker Ford, Lawson Hardy, and Willie Lambeth; "Come Up Here and Try It," by Edgar Lambeth; solo, "Let Him In," by Maggie Fink; "Good Sabbath," by Rosalie Anderson; "Room in Heaven," by Susie Anderson.

Rev. C. C. Wertenbaker addressed the society on "The Human Heart and the Immortal Soul." Rev. W. H. Atwill also made an address on the subject "The Model Sunday School," both of which were exceedingly interesting and instructive. The singing reflected great credit on the school and was greatly enjoyed.

The following is a summary of the superintendents' reports for August:

CHURCHES.	Roll.	Av'g At.	Per Ct.	Collections.
Centenary church	240	166	.84	$18 49
Broad-street church	305	215	.61	13 61
Trinity church	285	196	.67	21 62
Clay-street church	320	182	.61	37 60
Union Sta'n church	423	284	.67	31 56
Park Place church	246	194	.80	23 79
Laurel-street church	343	290	.85	125 82
Wash.-street church	121	84	.71	10 91

The next meeting will be held at Trinity church the second Sunday in October.

JEWISH NEW YEAR.

The Jewish New Year began Sunday night, and yesterday morning, a very large congregation was present at the synagogue, where the usual forms were observed. Rabbi Harris officiated and preached an appropriate sermon. He said: "Israel's New Year is devoted to solemn thought. It teaches that in the midst of the fluctuation, transitoriness, and uncertainty of all human affairs we must fix our minds on God, in whom there is no fluctuation, no transitoriness, no uncertainty. Its aim is to call forth towards God the profoundest awe, attachment, and trust of which human nature is capable. It demands that He who is supreme in the universe should be supreme in the human soul. It teaches that everything in this world is fleeting and transitory. To use the world and not to abuse it is one of the most important, and, at the same time, one of the most difficult lessons which religion teaches. We are connected with the objects around us by so many desires and passions that our attachment to them is always in danger of becoming excessively sinful. Hence religion seeks to moderate this attachment by instructing us on the proper value we ought to set on worldly things. It more especially seeks to do it on the New Year, which is a day set apart for serious thought. It calls our attention to the fact that all that belongs to our earthly state is continually changing. Nothing in human nature is fixed or stable; all is in motion and fluctuation. Everything is every moment altering its appearance and passing into some new form. Let us meditate a little on the serious view which is here given us of the world in order that we may attend to the improvements which it suggests. The fashion of the world passeth away, as the opinions, ideas, and manners of men are always changing. We look in vain for a fixed standard anywhere. We also are passing away. "We spend our years as a tale that is told." It is not to anything great or lasting that human life is compared, but to a tale which is listened to for a little while, and which, whether it amuses or fatigues, is soon told and soon forgotten. The seeds of change are everywhere sown in our life. Is, then, everything with which we are connected passing and transitory? Is the whole state of man no more than a dream of "fleeting vision"? No; man was not doomed to be so unhappy. There are three fixed and permanent objects. Virtue and goodness never change. God never changes. Heaven and immortality never change. It is this that the New Year desires vividly to bring before our minds.

MASS-MEETING.

On Sunday night next there will be a mass-meeting of the Protestant Episcopal City Missionary Society. Several of the clergy will be present. The meeting will be at St. Mark's church at 8 o'clock.

Harrison's Assistants.

Mr. Carter Harrison, the special chief agent to collect the manufacturing statistics of Richmond, heard from the department at Washington yesterday in reference to the appointment of his assistants. The letter was in reply to a communication of Mr. Harrison's on the 1st of the month, asking that his assistants be appointed at once. The communication received contained the information that the department had the matter under consideration, and would make the appointments as soon as practicable.

These assistants should have been appointed fifteen days ago, and instead, after the elapse of as many days, the consolation comes that the matter is being considered.

Emancipation Celebration.

A mass-meeting was held at Fry's Hotel, on Broad street, last night, in the interest of the celebration of the emancipation proclamation. E. A. Randolph, chairman, in a speech, made known the object of the meeting. Music was furnished by Robinson's band. The speech of George Williams, Jr., general superintendent and originator of the move, was heartily received. W. H. Brooks was then introduced, whose speech showed deep interest in his people.

Mr. John Oliver then made a very instructive address upon this occasion. W. W. Wines, Jr., talked in a way which showed his love and interest for the boys. He notified all to meet him at the Young Mens' Christian Association, corner of Third and Leigh streets, Friday, at 8 o'clock P. M., to be organized into clubs for that grand parade.

Rothschild vs. Hoge.

Judge Hughes, of the United States Court, ordered the final decree to be entered yesterday in the case of V. Henry Rothschild against H. D. Hoge, receiver, Martin & Powers and others.

The sales of the assets of the defunct firm of Martin & Powers amounted nearly to the sum of $40,000, which paid the indebtedness of the firm at the rate of fifty per cent. on the dollar. Checks were issued by Mr. Matthew Pleasants, the commissioner, yesterday to the long list of creditors for their claims.

Judge Hughes did not come to the city, but remained at his home in Abingdon, and the papers were taken there, where he signed and issued them.

"Penalty" at the Theatre.

The above melodrama was produced at the Theatre last evening. The leading character was taken by Miss Ella Wilson, who is also the authoress, and it introduces a novelty of a sham execution by electricity in the manner provided by the new law of New York, a dynamo and electric apparatus is used, and the scene is realistic; the different members of the company introduce singing and dancing during the piece. "Penalty" will be repeated to-night.

Are you aware that carpets collect and hold a great deal of impure and unwholesome matter, and that the carpet-cleaning department of Mrs. A. J. Pyle has especial facilities for removing these impurities, as well as all dust, grit, moths, etc.? Her method of scouring carpets is the very best; in fact she has one of the most complete carpet-cleaning establishments to be found anywhere. 315 north Fifth street.

Why not use A. B. C. tonic and alterative and be relieved? Delays are dangerous.

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Trusses fitted by a competent adjuster and satisfaction guaranteed at Owens & Minor Drug Company.

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Chase City Lithia, Wolf Trap Lithia, Bowden Lithia (from Georgia), the celebrated Plummer Bromine-Arsenic water (Ashe county, N. C.), and all other waters, sold in this market, by Owens & Minor Drug Company.

OFFICE OF H. W. MOESTA,
BAKER AND CONFECTIONER,
No. 111 EAST MAIN STREET,
RICHMOND, VA, September 10, 1890.

TO THE PUBLIC:

On and after this date I will sell my CELEBRATED ICE CREAMS AND WATER ICES at the former prices—one dollar and fifty cents per gallon. Liberal reduction to parties buying in larger quantities for Church Fairs, Festivals, Pic-nics, &c. Boarding-houses and Hotels will be supplied at the old prices. Thanking you for your patronage in the past, and soliciting a continuance of same, I am, yours truly,

H. W. MOESTA.

We have a speedy and positive cure for Catarrh, Diphtheria, Canker Mouth and Headache in SHILOH'S CATARRH REMEDY. A Nasal Injector free with each bottle. Use it if you desire health and sweet breath. Price, 50 cents. Sold by Bodeker Brothers and H. M. Shields & Co. corner of 5th and Marshall streets.

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Simply apply "Swayne's Ointment." No internal medicine required. Cures tetter, eczema, itch, all eruptions on the face, hands, nose, &c., leaving the skin clear, white, and healthy. Its great healing and curative powers are possessed by no other remedy. Ask your druggist for Swayne's Ointment.

A Case of Bright's Disease Cured by Chase City Lithia Water.

TESTIMONIALS.

MINERAL HOTEL, CHASE CITY, VA., June 18, 1890.

Messrs. Hardy & Roller, Proprietors Chase City Lithia Water, Chase City, Va.:

Gentlemen.—On my arrival here from my home, Bloomfield, Ky., the 11th of this month, I met my neighbor, Mr. John D. Wakefield, of Spencer county, Ky. Mr. Wakefield has, to my own personal knowledge, been in very bad health for seven or eight years, and during that time treated by some of the most eminent physicians of Kentucky. His nervous system was affected, complicated with Bright's disease of the kidneys, and it appeared at one time that he would lose one of his kidneys entirely. He was as near death as a man possibly could be. He tried some of the celebrated mineral waters of this country and obtained only temporary relief.

He visited this place and has been using the Chase City Lithia Water since 24th of April, 1890, and, so far as I can now discover, he has complete relief. His complexion healthy, action improved, appetite restored, rest tranquil, and spirits revived. His general condition indicates a restored and invigorated man, attributable to the use of the Chase City Lithia Water.

Very respectfully,
JAMES R. HUGHES, M. D.

I fully concur in the above statement of Dr. Hughes, and I am so much assured of the great benefits derived from the use of the Chase City Lithia Water in effecting a CURE, hitherto despaired of, that I have determined to bring my family here from my home in Kentucky to reside for some time. I attribute my restoration to health solely to the use of this water.

JOHN P. WAKEFIELD,
of Wakefield, Ky.

Chase City, Va., June 18, 1890.

STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG, to-wit:

I, T. D. Jeffress, a notary public for the county aforesaid, do certify that Dr. James R. Hughes and John D. Wakefield, whose names are signed to the writing above, personally appeared before me and acknowledged the same.

Given under my hand this 18th of June, 1890.
THOS. D. JEFFRESS,
Notary Public.

YARBROUGH'S "MILD BURLEY TOBACCO DOES NOT MAKE YOU NERVOUS.

Fortify Yourself

Against malarial diseases that are so prevalent at this season by thoroughly cleansing the bowels and arousing the liver to its normal action. Take Dr. David's Vegetable Liver Pills.

ASK FOR "BONSE BOUCHE" TOBACCO. IT IS THE FINEST SUN-CURED.

WEATHER FORECAST.

FAIR

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 15—Forecast for Virginia and North Carolina: Fair; followed by light local showers in northern Virginia; stationary temperature; southeasterly winds.

RANGE OF THERMOMETER.

9 A. M.	79	9 P. M.	76
12 M.	80	Midnight	75
3 P. M.	81		
6 P. M.	80	Average	78½

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

MINIATURE ALMANAC, SEPT. 16, 1890.

Sun rises.....5.55 | Moon sets...7.43 P. M.
Sun sets.....6.15 | Day's length. 12h 20m

FOR WEEK ENDING SEPT. 20, 1890.
PREDICTED TIME (STANDARD) OF HIGH TIDE AT

DATE.	Money Point.	Norfolk.	Newport News.	City Point.	Richmond.	Fredericksburg.
SEPT.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
14th A. M.	8.29	8.54	8.59	2.16	3.57	3.38
" P. M.	8.50	9.15	9.20	2.29	4.50	4.51
15th A. M.	9.13	9.26	9.31	2.50	5.11	5.12
" P. M.	9.20	9.45	9.50	3.01	5.22	5.53
16th A. M.	9.34	9.59	10.04	3.20	5.41	5.42
" P. M.	9.53	10.18	10.23	3.31	5.55	5.56
17th A. M.	10.09	10.34	10.39	3.53	6.14	6.15
" P. M.	10.29	10.54	10.59	4.09	6.30	6.31
18th A. M.	10.48	11.13	11.18	4.29	6.50	6.51
" P. M.	11.11	11.36	11.41	4.48	7.09	7.10
19th A. M.	11.35	12.00	.....	5.11	7.34	7.33
" P. M.	11.59	.....	12.05	5.35	7.56	7.57
20th A. M.	.....	0.24	0.29	6.00	8.20	8.21
" P. M.	12.29	12.54	12.59	6.29	8.50	8.51

PORT OF WEST POINT, SEPTEMBER 15.

Steamship Baltimore, Billups, Baltimore, general cargo; steamship Richmond Janney, New York, general cargo; steamship Boso, Anderson, Baltimore, to load cotton and cattle for Liverpool.

SAILED.

Steamship Richmond, Janney, for Newport News, general cargo; steamship Baltimore, Billups, Baltimore, general cargo.

PORT OF NEWPORT NEWS, SEPTEMBER 15.

ARRIVED.

Steamship Roanoke, New York, and sailed for New York, merchandise; schooner John Gray, Richmond, to load staves.

SAILED.

Steamship Indian Prince, Rhyal, coaled; schooner Marguerite, Boston, coal.

MARRIAGES.

HAWKS—LUCK.—SOUTHALL—LUCK.—Married, September 10, 1890, Mr. ROBERT H. HAWKS to Miss MARY LIZZIE LUCK; also, Mr. THOMAS I. SOUTHALL to Miss MAGGIE L. LUCK, all of this city, by the Rev. M. D. Hoge, at the residence of Mr. R. F. Luck, father of the two brides.

RAINEY—ROWLAND.—Married, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rowland, on west Clay street, Wednesday evening, August 20, 1890, ELLA BLANCHE, their eldest daughter, to Mr. JOSEPH W. RAINEY, formerly of Petersburg, Va. Rev. W. H. Atwill officiating.

Princeton (N. J.) and Petersburg (Va.) papers please copy.

DEATHS.

BROWN.—Died, Saturday, September 13, 1890, at 3:50 o'clock A. M., FORREST EDWARD, oldest son of J. T. and Corie J. Brown; aged four years and four months.

GIBSON.—Died, September 14th, at 10:30 P. M., J. F. GIBSON, aged fifty-eight years.

Funeral from Monumental church THIS AFTERNOON at 3 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend without further notice.

JORDAN.—Died, September 13th, at 1:25 A. M., at her father's residence, in Henrico county, MARY GOODIN, wife of Winston H. Jordan; aged twenty-two years.

MARTIN.—Died, in Henrico county, September 13th, at 10:15 o'clock, DORA BELL MARTIN, daughter of A. J. and A. W. Martin; aged eighteen months.

MONTAGUE.—Died, in Washington, D. C., September 11, 1890, PHILIP B. MONTAGUE; aged sixty-two years, formerly of Richmond, Va.

AUCTION SALES.

Sale of four frame dwellings on Graham street, near Tompkins, by Fulton, Tuesday, September 16th, at 5 P. M.

Executors' sale of brick dwelling, No. 601 north Thirteenth street, two frame tenements, Nos. 613 and 615 north Thirteenth street, four detached frame houses on Thirteenth between Leigh and M streets, Tuesday, September 16th, at 5 P. M.