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## THE NEWS SUMMARY.

Forecast for Virginia: Colder, fair weather. The Virginia Chess Association began its fifth annual meeting yesterday.——Mrs. Anna R. Fitzgerald, of Manchester, died.——The City School Board met.——The Street, School and Claims Committees met.——Mr. Decatur Axtell, it is said, will be vice-president of the C. and O. R. R. Co.——Forty-eight persons died in Richmond last week.——The Republican Congressional Committee of the Third district has decided that no candidate will be put in the field at the coming election.——Capt. R. H. Styll, harbor master, died.——Mr. Wm. R. Haurand died.——W. M. Maxwell, register of deeds of Mecklenburg county from 1870 to 1884, died suddenly Sunday night.——Mrs. Simon Blendheim and Mr. George W. Harper, of Alexandria, are dead.

VIRGINIA.

The tobacco barn of Mr. Albert Goldman, near Bowling Green, has been burned.——Mr. Robert Carter Mitchell and Miss Genevieve S. Shackelford have been married in Richmond county.——Colonel H. N. Harrison died suddenly at his residence in Monasken, Lancaster county, last week.——Dr. M. McKennie died of heart disease at Charlottesville Monday morning.——George Lashley, colored, was shot right at his door in Danville, by James Lyles, his wife's paramour.——A remarkable storm of wind, hail and rain prevailed in Danville Sunday afternoon.——The Blue Ridge mountains were covered with snow near Lynchburg yesterday.——The condition of young Spencer, who was so badly mangled by a train at Bonsack's, Saturday, is still critical.——The political outlook in the Sixth and Tenth districts is very fine.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The North Carolina Order of Railroad Conductors has been organized in Raleigh.——A new hotel company, with a capital stock of $100,000, has been organized in Raleigh.

WASHINGTON.

Representative Crisp, of Georgia, says the Democrats will gain two Congressmen in Massachusetts, and that Tammany will defeat the bolters in New York.——There is such widespread dissatisfaction with the manner in which Porter manipulated the census returns that a movement is on foot for his investigation by Congress.——It is developed in Washington that Fred Douglass' detention from his post in Hayti is due to the fact that the President and Secretary Blaine both want to be rid of him.

NEW YORK.

Vicar-General Preston denies that the Pope has refused to countenance Dillon and O'Brien in America.——The Germans of New York enthusiastically celebrated Von Moltke's ninetieth birthday.——The New York Democrats gave Governor Hill a welcome on his return from the West.——Sunday, on Lewis avenue, Brooklyn, a man was driving a spirited bay horse at a dangerous rate and on being stopped it was found he was dead.——The total registration in New York city amounts to 245,164; in Brooklyn 136,900. In both cities the registration is far above the average.——American voters are being turned out in New York at the rate of about 500 per day.

FOREIGN.

Vienna is very anxious over the strange disappearance of the Arch Duke Johann Salvador.——Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Stanley have started for America.——A benefit is being arranged in London for Slavin and McAuliffe.——The Freake-Gibson assault case has been compromised.——The Emperor of Germany is reported as suffering with a grave ear disease, which it is feared may penetrate to the brain.——A clue has been found to the mysterious South Hampstead murder.——The London Globe says that Stanley must satisfactorily meet the charges which have been brought against him concerning his treatment of Bartellot.——Field Marshal Von Moltke stood the forty-eight hour celebration of his birthday bravely.

GENERAL.

Miss Gertrude Pittman and Mr. Thomas J. Morris were married in a balloon at Birmingham, and after the ceremony went on a bridal tour among the clouds.——Miss Mary Thomas, employed by the Pittsburg Photo-Engraving Company, was caught in a pulley and fatally injured.

## NORTH CAROLINA.

**Beneficial Order of Railway Conductors—New Hotel Scheme—Personal.**

RALEIGH, N. C., Oct. 27.—[Special.]—There was a meeting of railroad conductors in this city yesterday of all the lines centering here for the purpose of organizing a North Carolina division of the order of railway conductors. Grand Chief Conductor Wilkins, of Chicago, was present and duly organized the Order. The objects of the Order are to promote unity among the members and to combine their interests as railway conductors; to elevate their standing as conductors and their characters as men; to promote their mutual improvement and advantage socially and otherwise. The Order proposes further to aid and benefit disabled members and the widows and the families of deceased members. The following officers for this division were duly elected: C. R. Guthrie, of the Richmond and Danville, chief conductor; H. M. Faucette, of the Raleigh and Gaston, assistant chief; P. J. Brown, senior conductor; T. H. Fowler, junior conductor; J. T. Busbee, secretary and treasurer; T. F. Kirkland, sentinel inside; E. P. Stone, sentinel outside.

Ex-Governor Jarvis, who has been speaking regularly in the campaign, delivered a powerful address to-night in the courthouse to a Democratic mass-meeting.

It is definitely learned to-day that a stock company has been organized to erect a splendid new hotel here on Fayetteville street, nearly opposite the Yarboro House. The capital stock will be $100,000, and half of that amount has already been subscribed. Twenty-five thousand has also been subscribed for the enterprise by Baltimore capitalists.

Governor Fowle leaves the city to-morrow for Weldon, where he will deliver an address at the annual fair.

## CHARLOTTE.

**Sudden Death of W. M. Maxwell—A Republican Trick.**

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Oct. 27.—[Special.]—W. M. Maxwell, aged eighty-one years, who was register of deeds for Mecklenburg county from 1870 to 1884, died suddenly at his home in this city. He leaves two sons and one daughter, Colonel D. G. Maxwell, ex-Mayor W. C. Maxwell and Miss Carrie Maxwell. He will be buried to-morrow from the First Presbyterian church.

Registration here and in this section shows a very light registration of negroes. This is thought to be a Republican trick to use the difference in the registered vote and the census returns as an argument for the passage of the Lodge Force bill in Congress this year.

## FIRE IN MOBILE.

**Heavy Loss Reaching Over Half a Million Dollars.**

MOBILE, Oct. 27.—The fire here yesterday destroyed a shingle mill, three cotton compresses and five cotton warehouses, with 5,600 bales of cotton, the Gulf City Oil Mill, the Mobile Ice Factory, three steamboats, eleven loaded and five empty freight cars, two coal and wood yards, a freight depot with a small amount of freight, and six wharves. The fire was aided by a strong northwest wind, but had it been a point or two nearer north, pretty much all of the town would have gone. The loss is $545,000, with about $325,000 insurance. The fire started at 12:30 o'clock and it was 4 before the flames were under control.

**Property Transfers.**

*Richmond City.*—Henry S. Hutzler to Dandridge Mathews, 15 feet on south side Cabell street, southwest corner Tyler $675.

Susan Reed to Anna W. Pearl and Ruby Bodeker, 35 feet south side Broad street between Twenty-eighth and Twenty-ninth, $350.

*Henrico County.*—Ennis Dickerson, Jr., to Bertha D. Hoppe, 48 feet on Twenty-ninth street, southwest corner T, $480.

Samuel S. Read, to Gardner Bates, 2 lots in Highland Springs, $50.

Same to James Townsend, 1 lot in Highland Springs, $25.

## FROM FOREIGN LANDS.

### MR AND MRS. H. M. STANLEY START FOR UNITED STATES.

**Emperor William Suffering With a Grave Disease of the Ear—Strange Disappearance of an Arch Duke—The Freake-Gibson Case—Beyond the Sea.**

[Special to The Times by Dunlap Cable Co.]

LONDON, Oct. 27.—Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Stanley started at noon to-day for Liverpool, on their way to America. A large party of friends accompanied them to Euston Station in order to bid farewell to the couple, and a crowd also assembled and cheered the illustrious traveler and his wife as they entered the station.

SLAVIN AND M'AULIFFE BENEFIT.

A benefit is being arranged in behalf of Frank Slavin and Joe McAuliffe, which will take place at the Royal Acquarium, Westminster. Mr. Richard K. Fox has cabled to New York for the championship belt, in order that it might be presented to Slavin on the night of the benefit. Mr. Fox denies the statement made in certain American papers that he had left, or had the intention of leaving McAuliffe to stand his trial alone. On the contrary, he has not been away for a single day, and it is his intention to remain here until the matter is settled. He will pay half of the expenses of the trial, and should McAuliffe be convicted, he will provide him with the necessary comforts during his stay in prison.

THE FREAKE-GIBSON CASE COMPROMISED.

The charge of assault brought by W. Edward Cousin-Gibson against Sir Thomas Freake, two other men and a lady, which arose out of the attempt of the defendant to recover certain letters written by the lady to the prosecutor, and which created a great sensation here, has been compromised. No more of it will be heard in the Police Court, and the four actions for assault which were pending have been settled by the payment of £1,200 and £100 costs, and the withdrawing of the imputations made by the two sides against each other.

SERIOUS DISEASE OF THE KAISER.

The Liverpool Courier states that a London physician has received from his brother in Berlin grave accounts of an ear disease from which the Emperor of Germany is suffering. At present the disease has not penetrated beyond the ear, but it is feared that, in spite of all the efforts of the surgeons, it is destined to reach the brain, and in that case there is no need to say what will ensue. It is believed that the restlessness of the Emperor is due partly to the irritation produced by the disease, and partly by the dread of its further development.

GRAVE CHARGES AGAINST STANLEY.

The Globe, in a leader, referring to the biography of Bartelot, says the book is not only a vindication of a brave soldier and gentleman, who died at the post of duty, but also a formal indictment before the court of public opinion of another Englishman, whom Englishmen hold in honor, an honor which, if the indictment is well founded, must be gravely tarnished and impaired. The question is how far Stanley is answerable for the fate of his second in command, and whether he did or not endeavor to blacken his lieutenant's reputation to save his own. Stanley, according to Bartellot's biography, left his stores at Yambuya under Bartelot, in order to divert the Arab plunderers from impeding his own advance. He included Bartellot into the belief that he expected Tippoo Tib would assist in forwarding them, and left instructions he knew to be impracticable, to virtually abandon his rear-guard, either from indifference or intention. Stanley's written instructions stand to prove that Bartelot was not to stir without all the stores, otherwise he would ruin the whole expedition. Bartelot obeyed, under a strong sense of duty. He was on rear guard duty against his will, haggling with Tippoo, and for thirteen months was left to rot in Yambuya, a martyr, beyond question, to duty and discipline. For this man Stanley has nothing but blame for disobedience to orders, and sneers at his honesty and courage. Stanley has to meet these charges. No action at law can be brought on behalf the dead man. To meet them becomes a debt of honor. Bartelot was a simple-minded, straightforward soldier, sensitive with a soldier's sense of discipline. Stanley must prove, not merely assert, that his written instructions were withdrawn or practicable before he can shift the responsibility. By his silence he must admit the charges which imply cruelty and callousness, if not actually treachery for selfish secret ends, followed by calumny, when the necessity for self-defence came upon him, despite all his precautions. This is the indictment in justice to a brave soldier. It cannot be ignored.

## SOUTH HAMPSTEAD MURDER

**A Clue to the Bloody Tragedy Discovered.**

LONDON, Oct. 27.—Nellie Piercey, the woman arrested on suspicion of having murdered Mrs. Hobbs, whose body was found fearfully mutilated in the remote part of South Hampstead on Friday night last, was brought before the Police Court at South Hampstead this morning for preliminary examination. Hobbs, the husband of the murdered woman, was placed on the stand and admitted the existence of a liaison between the prisoner, Nelly Piercey and himself. It was brought out on testimony that Hobbs possessed a latch key to the woman's house. The witness admitted that his visits to his mistress had been frequent, and that he had no suspicion of his wife's knowledge of his criminal relations with the prisoner. Evidence given by the police and others who visited the residence of the woman Piercey showed that a terrible fight must have taken place in the kitchen between the infuriated women. The windows were smashed, the furniture splashed with blood, and the weapons used in the awful struggle were found with clots of blood and locks of gory hair adhering to them.

## VON MOLTKE'S BIRTHDAY.

**The Field Marshal Stands His Forty-Eight-Hour Siege Bravely.**

[Special to The Times by Dunlap Cable Co.]

BERLIN, Oct. 27.—Field-Marshal Von Moltke stood his forty-eight hours celebration bravely, and looked hale and hearty this afternoon at the dinner given by the officers of his Kolberg regiment and his Seventeenth Hungarian infantry. During the dinner Von Moltke received fourteen proofs of a group of pictures taken by the Emperor's photographer on Sunday during the Imperial call. One picture immortalizes the moment the Emperor presented the marshal's staff to Von Moltke. Bismarck's non-appearance was much commented upon. The evening papers evidently think that Bismarck fell sick from chagrin and mortification at not being officially recognized.

## ANXIETY IN VIENNA.

**Strange Disappearance of the Arch Duke Salvador.**

[Special to The Times by Dunlap Cable Co.]

VIENNA, Oct. 27.—Great anxiety is felt here on account of the strange disappearance of the Arch Duke Johann Salvador, who relinquished his title and position as a noble of the House of Hapsburg to marry a young actress, and afterwards took the name of Johann Orth, and became the master of a merchant ship. He left La Plata on July 11th for Montevideo, at which port he was to join his vessel, the St. Margaret, and to proceed to Valparaiso for a cargo of salpetre to bring to Europe. He has not been heard of for fifteen weeks, and letters addressed to him from Vienna to La Plata and Valparaiso remain unanswered.

**Cable Notes.**

WARSAW, Oct. 27.—The papers print a horrible account of the foundering of a steamer loaded with a thousand Russian emigrants, bound for Brazil, off St. Vincent.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 27.—The frontier guards have been doubled to prevent Russian emigrants from crossing into Prussia.

CHEMNITZ, Oct. 27.—The textile branch of workmen have concluded at their congress to unite into a union comprising all of Saxony.

WILHELSHAVEN, Oct. 27.—A torpedo boat has been dispatched to punish the English traveling fleet which destroyed the nets of the German fishing smacks, doing fifteen thousand marks damage.

### LIBELLOUS PAPERS.

**Ex-Governor Pattison, of Pennsylvania, Brings Action Against Them.**

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Oct. 27.—Ex-Governor Pattison, the Democratic candidate for Governor, appeared before Magistrate O'Brien this morning, and subscribed to affidavits charging the editors and proprietors of the Enquirer and North American, of this city, and the editor of the Harrisburg Call with libel. Warrants were at once issued for the trial of the cases, which will take place in a day or two. The article upon which the suit is based appeared in the Call, Inquirer, and North American last Saturday.

The Call's leading head-lines were as follows: "Turn on the light, Robert E. Patterson. Stand up and see what the blaze of the calcium reveals. The South Pennsylvania infamy. True inwardness of the most villainous legislation that ever disgraced the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Perfidy, dishonor, crime. Judge Black's scathing exposure of the veto that never reached the Senate. Thrilling tale of base treachery. Unmasking a self-extalled champion of the good. The true and the beautiful."

**Duel to the Death.**

ATLANTA, GA., Oct. 27.—A desperate duel to the death was fought near Danielsville, Madison county, Saturday afternoon, in which William Sanders, a prominent planter, was killed, and William Martin, his neighbor, was fatally wounded.

Sanders shot at Martin five times, three from a pistol and two from a gun. Three of these took effect. Martin will die. Sanders' son was within fifteen feet of him when he fell. The son had called to the men to stop. Sanders did stop, but Martin kept on until his weapons were emptied.

**Fatally Mangled.**

PITTSBURG, PA., Oct. 27.—At 10 o'clock this morning while Mary Thomas, aged twenty-eight, employed by the Pittsburg Photo-Engraving Company, on Diamond street, was feeding a high speed press her clothing became entangled in a six-inch pulley. The wheel was making about one hundred and seventy-five revolutions per minute, and before the machinery could be stopped Miss Thomas was horribly bruised, receiving fatal injuries. Her head, arms, and shoulders were battered against a box with each revolution of the pulley until the body presented a terrible appearance.

**Shooting Affray Among Negroes.**

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 27.—A desperate and fatal shooting affray among negroes took place on the levee at 8 o'clock this morning. Byron Marshall Scott, captain of the watch of the steamer City of Vicksburg, shot and killed John McClure, a notorious negro tough, and seriously wounded two other negroes, named Abe Thomas and Walter Stevenson. The shooting was the result of a feud between colored roustabouts and captains of the watch on river vessels.

**Mysterious Killing.**

ATLANTA, GA., Oct. 27.—Joseph Gibson, a prominent citizen of Hiawassee, Ga., was found dead yesterday morning, about a mile from town, near the house of a man named M. L. Amous, who is suspected of killing him. Gibson, it seems, saw Amous beating his wife and remonstrated with him, at which the latter became very angry. Amous fled during the night, and lynching parties have been formed to hunt for him.

## CITY SCHOOL BOARD.

**Report of Superintendent Fox—Total Enrolment.**

The regular monthly meeting of the City School Board was held at the High-School building yesterday afternoon. Superintendent Fox submitted his monthly report showing the operations of the schools for the first month of the session of 1890-'91. The superintendent reports total enrolment: White, 6,183; colored, 4,495; total, 10,688. Monthly enrolment, white, 6,088; colored, 4,578; total 10,668. Average daily attendance, white, 5,588; colored, 4,225; total, 9,813; percentage, white, 95 2.10; colored, 92 6.10. He says: "By comparison with the corresponding month last year you will find that our total enrolment has increased 269. Our monthly enrolment increased 2.12, and our percentage of attendance 1 2.10 per cent. The schools opened well and are working satisfactorily. There has been considerable sickness in the schools for the past two or three weeks, and this has interfered a good deal with the attendance.

Mr. Fox further states that the night schools were opened at Elba, Springfield and Nicholson buildings, on Thursday, October 2, 1890. The school at Elba is taught by Mrs. M. V. Michaels and Miss Mabel T. Crowe; the school at Springfield by E. Morrisette (principal), Misses Irene Valentine, Helen Hall, and Mattie Smith, teachers; the school at Nicholson by Mr. S. O. Perkins, principal and teacher.

The superintendent says that, acting under the direction of the committees, the principals were more careful in admitting pupils, and those who had given trouble last session were excluded. "Thus far the indications are for better work than we had last year."

## MR. INGALLS IN TOWN.

**Information About the Chesapeake and Ohio Road.**

The president of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company, Mr. M. E. Ingalls, was in the city yesterday, but left in the afternoon for Cincinnati. It was his first visit here for several months, he having transacted his business during the summer at the White Sulphur Springs.

He stated yesterday that the directors chosen by the stockholders at the meeting last Tuesday had not yet held a meeting, but that they would meet in New York in a few days.

Mr. Decatur Axtell, he stated, will be elected vice-president. At present Mr. Axtell is assistant to the president. He is the only new director, an excellent railroad man, and popular with both railroad men and citizens.

At the last session of the Legislature a charter was granted the Chesapeake and Ohio Company to build a line from some point east of the Blue Ridge to a point on the Potomac, near Washington. When asked yesterday as to when his company intended building the road, Mr. Ingalls replied: "Well, you will have to ask me about that when I come to Richmond again."

In reply to questions, Mr. Ingalls stated that the development along his line in Virginia was remarkable. There is a tremendous lot of capital pouring into the State, and his company can hardly get cars enough to haul the freight nor sufficient coaches to accommodate the passenger traffic.

**College Boys' Yell.**

The Richmond College boys have changed their yell, and the campus now resounds with their two new yells:—"Rah! 'Rah! 'Rah! 'Rah! 'Rah! 'Rah! 'Rah! Richmond!

Hullabaluck ko-ak, ko-ak!
Hullabaluck ko-ak, ko-ak!
Woo-up! Woo-up!
Diabalou! Richmond!

The colors will also be changed this week, and the boys will go to Randolph-Macon for the inter-collegiate foot-ball contest with new war paint and whoop.

**Invited to the Mardi Gras.**

The Richmond Howitzers have been invited by the Washington Artillery, of New Orleans, to attend the Mardi Gras in that city and be their guests. The Howitzers have not acted upon the invitation. The Washington Artillery, it will be remembered, visited Richmond during the Lee unveiling, and were the guests of the Howitzers. They have an excellent personnel and would give the Richmond men an enjoyable time.

**Y. M. C. A. Entertainment.**

Next Thursday night the second entertainment in the Young Men's Christian Association course will be given. Mr. L. R. Hamberlin, the talented professor of elocution at Richmond College, will be the main attraction. The programme will be varied, with some choice music, which will be rendered by Miss Mary Preston Moore, Mrs. Durrett, and Messrs. Watkins, Sullivan, and Webb. This promises to be one of the most pleasant entertainments of the course.

## THROUGHOUT VIRGINIA.

### MOUNTAINS COVERED WITH SNOW NEAR LYNCHBURG.

**Critical Condition of Young Spencer—A Man Murdered at His Doorsteps—Remarkable Storm at Danville—Latest Reports From All Over the State.**

LYNCHBURG, VA., Oct. 27.—[Special.] The Blue Ridge mountains were covered with snow this morning, and indicated very clearly the cold snap promised us to-morrow by the weather reporter. This is the first snow of the season.

The condition of young Spencer, who was so badly mangled by a train at Bonsack's Saturday morning, is still critical. Both legs have been amputated, one at the knee and the other at the hip joint. Notwithstanding these painful and dangerous operations he is doing well, and Dr. Dillard, his physician, states that today the prospects of his ultimate recovery are brighter than usual in such cases.

The political outlook in this and the surrounding counties is good, and promises a good result on November 4th in the Sixth and Tenth districts. At Bedford and Nelson county to-day a fine Democratic feeling prevailed, and no doubt is entertained of the election of Edmunds and Tucker by increased majorities.

## DANVILLE.

**A Man Murdered on His Threshold—Rev. John B. Newton—Remarkable Storm.**

DANVILLE, VA., Oct. 27.—[Special.]—Between 2 and 3 o'clock yesterday morning, George Lashly, a colored man, was murdered within ten feet of the door of his house, supposedly by James Lyles, the paramour of his wife. Lyles and Margaret Lashly had been to a frolic. On their return, after 2 o'clock, there were some words between Lashley and his wife, and they walked out in the yard together, when a pistol was fired. Lashly turned and ran in the house, and falling across a chair, died in a few moments, his last words being "Jim Lyles has killed me." Before the coroner, who held an inquest Sunday, Margaret, the wife of the murdered man, and Mary Darkins testified that Lashly killed him accidently, but before the magistrates this afternoon Mary Larkins testified that when she, Margaret Lashly, and Jim Lyles returned Saturday night between 2 and 3 o'clock, Margaret called her husband out of the house and Lyles shot him. There was other testimony to show that the woman Lashly and Lyles had deliberately concocted a plan to get Lashly out of the way. Lyles was sent on to the grand jury for indictment for murder, and Margaret Lashly was sent on as an accessory before and after the fact. Mary Larkins was jailed as an important witness.

Rev. John B. Newton, of Richmond, preached two sermons yesterday in the Church of the Epiphany to a large and appreciate congregation.

A most remarkable storm passed over the city between 2 and 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. From the heavy, dark clouds torrents of rain and hail fell, peal after peal of thunder was heard, and vivid flashes of lightning illuminated the heavens. Since the storm it has been windy, cool and clear.

## CHARLOTTESVILLE.

**Death of Dr. M. McKenney—Sketch of His Life.**

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., Oct. 27.—[Special.]—Dr. M. McKenney died at 4 o'clock yesterday morning of heart disease. The community in which he has spent nearly all of the years of his life, and in which he was very highly esteemed, was greatly shocked and grieved at the unexpected event. His friends have been aware for two years of a very gradual decline of health, but no one suspected that the end was so near. The Doctor himself was not unaware of his condition, and had set his affairs in shape. A month ago he told his son, J. C. McKennie, that it was useless to attempt to disguise the unpleasant fact that he had but a short time to live. Still he was on the streets until nearly dark yesterday, and said to his friends that he was feeling much better.

The Doctor was born in 1824, at the University of Virginia, and has lived within the sound of its bell nearly every year since. His father, in 1825, established the first book-store at that institution, and upon his death his son succeeded to the business, which he conducted until some ten years ago, when Mr. George W. Oliver succeeded him. He was educated at the University of Virginia and at the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. He was an assistant surgeon in the Confederate States service and is known to most Masons as a devotee son of that order.

A thorough-going Virginian, with all a Virginian's respect for the traditions and customs of our people, the minds of few men were better stored than his with creditable family histories and reminiscences. As a result his conversation was instructive to the young in search of the unwritten history of the community and county and delightful to his contemporaries. Known as a somewhat brusque man this quality of his character was supplemented by a sincere nature and a gentle and sympathetic heart. The brusqueness was only apparent, while his engaging virtues were real. Few men leave the stage of life more sincerely regretted.

He leaves a wife and four children: J. C. McKennie, of this city; George M. McKennie, of St. Louis, Mo.; and Misses Annie and Hettie R. McKennie, of Washington, D. C.

## CAROLINE COUNTY

**Tobacco Barn Burned—Matrimonial—Abundance of Game.**

BOWLING GREEN, VA., Oct. 27.—[Special.]—The tobacco barn of Mr. Albert Gouldman, who lives near this place, was destroyed by fire on last Saturday morning about 4 o'clock. The loss was a heavy one, as everything within the building was burned. It contained a crop of tobacco, farming implements, buggy, harness, and considerable provender. With great effort Mr. Gouldman saved some cows that were housed in the barn. Whether the burning was the work of an incendiary or accidental is unknown. It is reported that Mr. Gouldman recently shot and killed a dog belonging to a negro neighbor, who had manifested and expressed some bitterness of feeling against him.

Mr. Clyde Anderson, who was married last week to Miss Rosa Lofland, of Charlottesville, spent several days here with relatives. They left this morning for the groom's home in Florida.

A party of Bowling Green sportsmen bagged one hundred birds last Saturday.

THE TIMES correspondent asked Major R. O. Peatross, a prominent Democratic leader here, about the political outlook. The Major replied that nothing of interest was stirring. "Our people are all right."

## PETERSBURG.

**The Appomattox on a Rise—The New Arrowfield Church.**

PETERSBURG, VA., Oct. 27.—[Special.]—It is understood that a large quantity of valuable land in Chesterfield county, across the river from Petersburg, has been purchased by a wealthy Northern syndicate for about $40,000.

The eighty-third grand annual convention of the Grand Chapter of Virginia will be held at Roanoke to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock, John T. Parham, of this city, grand high priest, presiding.

The representatives from Petersburg to the annual assembly of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Virginia, to be held at Roanoke on Thursday next, are: R. E., James B. Blanks; E., Sir George M. Bozell, Generalissimo; and E. Sir W. R. Nichols, captain general. E. Sir John T. Parham, of this city, is the grand standard bearer.

The Appomattox river at this point is on quite a "swell," and the water is over and beyond the wharves. The rains have extended as far south as Weldon, N. C., and the Roanoke river at that place is said to be very high, and the low grounds are completely inundated.

Professor Reiss, who went North some days ago to purchase musical instruments for the military band to be organized here, returned home this morning.

The County Court of Surry will open to-morrow. A special grand jury has been summoned to act upon the case of the Commonwealth against Oliver Briggs, charged with the murder of David Walker. Should the grand jury return a true bill the case will be tried at once.

With a view of aiding young men of good character to obtain employment, the Young Men's Christian Association of this city have introduced a new feature in their work. It is an employment department.

The corner-stone of the new Arrowfield church, in Chesterfield county, will be laid to-morrow with appropriate Masonic ceremonies. In 1831 a party of young men from Tabb-Street Presbyterian church, in Petersburg, established and conducted a Sunday school in a vacant house near where Arrowfield church now stands. They met with so much success that the church appointed a preacher who preached there or elsewhere monthly. His congregations were so large and encouraging that the pastor, Rev. Robert Burwell, determined to build a church, and in 1833 the home long known as Arrowfield, was dedicated by Rev. Dr. W. L. Plummer. The land was given by Dr. Shippen, and in honor of him the church was called Arrowfield, that being the name of his farm. This first pastor, though now eighty-nine years of age, lives in Raleigh, N. C. Rev. Dr. Bledsoe, of Richmond, will deliver a lecture in the new church.

Captain J. E. Crichton, freight conductor on the Norfolk and Western railroad, was to have left here this morning at 6 o'clock with his train, but not putting in an appearance, a messenger was sent to his residence to learn the cause of his absence, when it was ascertained that he left his home at 5 o'clock this morning on his way to the depot. A train hand is said to have seen him on Halifax street at an early hour this morning, since which time nothing has been heard of him. His sudden disappearance causes much anxiety among his friends.

## WILLIAMSBURG.

**Report of the Superintendent of the Eastern Asylum.**

WILLIAMSBURG, VA., Oct. 27.—[Special.] At the recent meeting of the Eastern Lunatic Asylum Board, the superintendent, Dr. J. D. Moncure, submitted his annual report, which will soon be printed. This shows that the number of inmates at the beginning of the year ending September 30, 1890, was 397; males, 218; females, 181. Admitted during the year, 78; males, 65; females, 13; whole number treated, 475. There were discharged, recovered, 39; improved, 1; unimproved, 2; total, 42; died during the year, 31; males, 24; females, 7; remaining at the end of this year, 402; males, 221; females, 181. Average number treated during the year, 400.

Owing to the already crowded condition of the female department of the institute only thirteen of the seventy-three female applications could be received. He claims that the recoveries are above the average as compared with the number of recent admissions, for the report shows thirty-nine recoveries and seventy-eight admissions, which is fifty per cent., which is largely in excess of the usual average, which is generally about thirty per cent. Of the thirty-one deaths reported, the report shows that eleven, over one-third, being between the ages of sixty and eighty years, who under ordinary circumstances could not be expected to survive much longer.

Typhoid fever being entirely unknown, and for the last six years there has been but one case of pneumonia and but very few cases of consumption.

The superintendent asks for $8,000 with which to construct a building which will contain a kitchen, general dining-room, and store-room.

Regrets are expressed that nothing had been done to protect the asylum from the risk of fire, as the amount appropriated by the Legislature is entirely too small to make any adequate provision to that end, as experts declare that at least $16,000 will be required, and only about $10,000 being available for that purpose.

The buildings are reported to be in good condition, and many of the wards have been painted throughout during the year. Accompanying the report is the financial statement of the steward, which shows the funds of the institution to be in a very gratifying condition. He reports having collected on account of the pay-patient fund during the year $4,244.19, which is less by $1,500 than that collected last year. The superintendent closes his report by lavishing praise upon all the employes and officers of the asylum.

He specialy mentions Mr. C. P. Armistead, steward; John L. Mercer, clerk, and W. H. Topham, chief engineer, and thanks them for the fidelity which has characterized the administration of the respective offices and says that they are entirely worthy of the trust reposed in them. Thanks are extended to the directors for the cordial and earnest support extended to him by that body.

## RICHMOND COUNTY.

**Wedding Bells Still Ringing—Democratic Prospects—Sudden Death.**

WARSAW, VA., Oct. 27.—[Special.]—Miss Genevieve S. Shackleford and Mr. Robert Carter Mitchell, both of this county, were married in St. John's Episcopal church, at this place, Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, Rev. R. R. Castleman officiating. The wedding march was played by Mrs. Samuel Barrow. The church was tastefully decorated. Immediately after the ceremony the newly married couple started on an extended marriage tour.

Hon. Charles T. O'Ferrall and other speakers are advertised to speak at Emmerton on the 31st inst., and the Democrats are making preparations for a big barbecue there then. The Democrats are hopeful of carrying this county. Both parties, however, claim a small majority.

Colonel H. N. Harrison died suddenly at his residence at Monaskon, Lancaster county, last night. He retired apparently in good health, but in half an hour afterwards his wife found him dead in bed.

## A YOUNG HERO.

**A Boy of Eleven Years Saves a Companion from Drowning.**

CEDAR KEY, FLA., Oct. 27.—[Special.]—Intelligence has just been received of the narrow escape from drowning of little Richie, youngest son of Dr. R. T. Walker, now of this place, but formerly of Virginia.

The little fellow fell overboard in the gulf and sank, but Eddie Dozier, a brave lad, of only eleven years, immediately dived in after him, and succeeded in bringing him to the surface before it was too late. This was a heroic act for so young a boy.

## ROANOKE.

**Two Boys Are Struck by a Train and Killed.**

ROANOKE, VA., Oct. 27.—[Special.]—On yesterday afternoon John Francis, son of Councilman John A. Francis, and Bertram Agmer, son of J. A. Agmer, of Salem, were struck by a west-bound passenger train in West Salem and their skulls crushed, from the effects of which they died in a few hours. The boys, each about twelve years old, were walking between the tracks, and in attempting to get out of the way of a freight train stepped in front of the passenger engine, which they did not see.

## ALEXANDRIA.

**Death of Two Well Known Citizens—Registration Lists.**

ALEXANDRIA, VA., Oct. 27.—[Special.]—Mrs. Simon Blondheim was stricken with paralysis this morning and died this evening at the age of fifty.

Mr. George W. Harper died this morning, aged fifty-five.

Saturday 276 names were added to the registration list, of which but thirty-eight are colored.

**Another Lot Sale.**

BASIC CITY, Oct. 27.—[Special.]—On the 23d and 24th instant at Elkton, a new town recently laid out and situated on the Shenandoah Valley railway about thirty miles north of this place, there was sold three hundred thousand dollars' worth of lots. A large amount of the capital invested came from Lynchburg, Va.

**Marriage Licenses.**

The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday:

In Richmond:

John T. Howard and Elonora McPherson (colored), Richmond; Robert Francis, Jr., Old Point, and Eliza N. Mull, of Richmond; John Cavanaugh and Mary Shay, Richmond; Anthony Williams, of New York, and Mary Juliet Nicholas, Richmond; Sidney B. Adkins and Gertrude Gales, Richmond; John R. Thomas and Virginia E. Chevelile.

In Henrico county: George A. Deittrich and Miss Willie May Hartley, and Clayton L. Wood and Miss Amy Blankenship.

## PORTER AND HIS CENSUS.

### PROBABLE INVESTIGATION OF HIS PECULIAR METHODS.

**Widespread Dissatisfaction of His Partisan Course—Cause of Fred Douglass' Detention in Washington—Capital News and Notes in General.**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—[Special.]—There is such widespread dissatisfaction with the manner in which the Census Bureau has been administered that a Congressional investigation is threatened. This discontent is not confined to Democrats by any means, nor does it relate only to enumeration and the taking of statistics. Even Republicans are compelled to admit that Porter has proven altogether incompetent. He was appointed not because of any qualifications he had ever shown for the great work in hand, but purely for political reasons. Porter was backed by the protected manufacturers who made up the enormous campaign fund for Harrison. He had earned the support of these interests by proving their ready and willing tool. The protected interests were just preparing to enforce their demands upon Congress for the promised reward pledged them by Wanamaker and others in 1888, when the "fat frying" process was inaugurated. They determined to demand a tariff laid on their own interests, and as an agent or accessory thereto, it was deemed a good thing to have a man at the head of the Census Bureau who would serve them without scruple in collecting and arranging statistics, especially those relating to manufactures.

Porter also had the support of that reckless element of the Republican party which would prostitute the census to partisan uses. When he was nominated several cool and clear-headed Republican Senators expressed positive doubts as to the wisdom of the selection, asserting that Mr. Porter had never, in any manner, shown that he possessed the ability necessary to the huge work of directing the census. But he was confirmed, and now there are clamors of discontent and many ugly charges are being made.

SOME OF THE CHARGES.

It is charged, and numerous evidences to sustain the charge are cited, that the entire management of the Bureau has been loose, careless and extravagant, to put it mildly. Many appointments have been made through personal favoritism, and it is alleged that money have been paid to procure clerkships. The census officials declare that if successful applicants for places have paid commissions, the money has gone to outsiders, and that no person in authority in the Bureau was aware of it. The further charge is made that in renting quarters for the force and in purchasing necessary materials exorbitant prices have been paid to favored persons.

Only a few days ago Secretary Noble, upon complaint of several correspondents, summoned before him the chief of an important division and reprimanded him for partiality in giving out news. The proof was so plain that the chief of division could not deny it, and it was shown that in every instance he had discriminated in favor of Republican newspapers and against those of Democratic politics. This is cited to show the feeling that seems to have pervaded the heads of the Bureau.

PORTER TO BE INVESTIGATED.

It is the avowed purpose of New York Congressmen to demand an investigation of Superintendent Porter at the coming session of Congress, and to this end they are collecting evidence of mismanagement. They are supported and aided by Republicans of St. Paul, and of other localities where dissatisfaction with Porter's work prevails.

FRED. DOUGLASS' DETENTION.

It is now developed that the detention of Fred. Douglass by order of the State Department was inspired by commercial interests, principally of New York. When the selection of a minister to Hayti was pending, leading business men of New York called upon President Harrison and Secretary Blaine, and earnestly pleaded against the appointment of a negro. They stated that a growing trade with Hayti was being developed, and that if this Government were represented by a white man, they were confident that this trade would be thus fostered. Some of the business men who called were familiar with Hayti and its people by reason of personal contact, some of them had branch establishments there, and were in the habit of spending a portion of each year in Hayti. They represented that with the usual negro characteristic the Haytians looked down upon their own race and strongly objected to having a negro sent as minister from this great Government. They further insisted that the appointment of a white man of standing and intelligence would be regarded as a great compliment by Hayti, and would tend to aid in the building up of trade relations.

SECRETARY BLAINE

Certainly, and perhaps the President, sympathized with the request and object of the New York merchants, but they could not see their way clear to getting rid of Fred Douglas, who as the greatest of negro representatives had grown wealthy from office-holding. He wanted back his former place as recorder of deeds of the District of Columbia with its salary of from $15,000 to $20,000 per year, but that had to be denied him as it was promised to Bruce. At this juncture it was intimated to Secretary Blaine that as a matter of compliment Fred. Douglass would like to have an opportunity to decline the Hayti mission; that at his age he would not consent to leave his comfortable home and go to an unhealthy climate for the comparatively small salary of the mission. This intimation was made so plain that the tender was made, and at the State Department information was given to the press that Douglass would decline. But the old fox is not given to decl