NO EXTRA SESSION.

THE GOVERNOR REFUSES AN APPEAL FROM MATHEWS COUNTY.

The People of that Section Beg Him to Convene the Legislature So that They May Continue to Gather Oysters.

Governor McKinney yesterday received the report of the proceeding of a mass-meeting of the citizens of Mathews county, held at Mathews Courthouse on February 13th. The report contains the following statement:

Mr. A. H. Williams was elected chairman of the meeting and Mr. J. F. Phillips secretary. The chairman briefly stated the object of the meeting, namely, to petition the Governor of Virginia to call an extra session of the Legislature, and assigning reasons therefor.

On motion of N. L. Fox, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of nine be appointed to prepare a suitable petition to His Excellency, P. W. McKinney, Governor of Virginia, asking him to convene the Legislature in extra session, stating reasons for making this appeal.

The following committee was selected: N. S. Fox, John Acey, C. E. Diggs, G. W. Yeater, William L. Williams, A. H. Williams, John Spriggs, John R. Winder and John R. Smith.

On motion, it was ordered that Senator J. N. Stubbs be requested to act with the above-named committee:

The committee presented the following petition, to Governor McKinney, which was read and unanimously approved by the meeting:

We, the undersigned, in pursuance of the request of the mass-meeting of the citizens of Mathews county, most respectfully, but earnestly, petition Your Excellency to call an extra session of the Legislature, hoping if it is done the Legislature will extend the time for working on the natural oyster rocks from the 1st of April to the 1st of May. We will state some of the reasons why we make this appeal.

It is true, we take it, that this relief asked for can only be granted by the Legislature. The framers and patrons of the last oyster law did not intend that the working season should stop on April 1st; this was a mistake, which we cannot explain; it is, however, true, our tongmen and planters were suddenly deprived of the benefit of working on the rocks during the month of April, 1892, which brought much surprise and disappointment and financial embarrassment to our people. From September, 1892, to December 21, 1892, the laboring class of our community, on account of the weather, did not make one-half of the time, and from December 21, 1892, the date the cold weather commenced, up to this time, the same class has not made a single day's work on the rocks. Since December 21st we have had the severest cold weather experienced since 1857, and believed by many even worse than the period of 1857.

A large proportion of our population live and support their families simply by working on the rocks, and since this cold spell many, many families have actually suffered for the necessaries of life, as they had no money to buy with. Those who are fortunate enough to obtain credit have embarrassed themselves, as they have to rely on their labor on the rocks to pay their bills and live also, and the time for making a living is so short that it is impossible to come out square.

Again, it is not possible that the laborer can have more than one-half of the days to April 1st fit for working, as the month of March is generally windy and boisterous. There are only forty-five days remaining to April 1st, and if the tongmen can work twenty days (a large estimate) it is the very best they can do.

We hope Your Excellency may consider this petition favorably. If granted, it will be of the greatest benefit to thousands and thousands, and no harm can or will result to the oyster industry. It is true an extra session will entail an expense on the State, yet, our petition, which is just and right, as we believe, is our reason for an extra session, and, all taken together, will prompt a call to be made by Your Excellency.

We have not nor can we state too strongly the great interest manifested by our people in this move for the relief of so many of our people. Suffering people can and will appreciate the favorable course should you take it in this matter. We hope we do not make this appeal in vain to the Governor of Virginia.

The petition is signed by all the members of that committee.

Governor McKinney yesterday sent the following reply to the committee:

"Your favor informing me of the action of a public meeting held at Mathews Courthouse February 13, 1893, was received by mail this morning. On examination the proceedings of the meeting I find its object was to petition the Governor to call an extra session of the Legislature to repeal certain portions of the present oyster law, and to extend the time for working on the oyster rocks from April 1st to May 1st, and assigning reasons for asking the change.

"I have considered the facts presented, and do not feel that I would be justified at this time in calling an extra session of the Legislature. In looking to the journals of the General Assembly, I find that the vote on the bill in the Senate was 30 for it and 5 against; in the House the vote stood 69 for it and 15 against it. This shows that the vote in favor of it was too overwhelming to believe that the same Legislature would in so short a time repeal it. Besides, they might make other amendments far more distasteful to you than that to which you refer. Let the law be enforced, and you can better show by experience that it is injurious to your interests than you could possibly do without having suffered the injury which you anticipate.

"If my memory serves me rightly the time fixed by our law for oysters was the same as that fixed by the Maryland law, the Legislature being of the opinion that it was best that it should be the same than that there should be such inducements for lawless persons from other States to make inroads upon our oyster bottoms, it being unlawful for them to work their rocks at home.

"The reason which you assign for the repeal is that the severe cold had prevented your working. This is an act of God which man cannot foresee and Legislatures cannot prevent, and we must bear it without murmuring in the hope that in the end it will be for our own good.

"You are so much better off than the other sections of the State, where droughts have burnt up the crops, and on the water courses, where they have been swept by desolating floods; but with you it is different. The oysters which you have failed to take this season will remain until the next, when you will gather them fat and full grown, which will be equivalent to a large interest for the outlay.

"I feel a deep interest in the oyster industry. I am doing all I can to preserve and protect it, and I hope to see the time when it will be in a more prosperous condition than it is now, and that the Legislature may be enabled to enact a law based upon the experience which you are now passing through, and that it may give entire satisfaction to all classes of your people; that the effect of it may be seen in the increased value of your lands and in the improved condition of your entire section; that there may be a great revival of trade and the various industries all through Tidewater Virginia. This is what I am striving to accomplish with all my energy of mind and body.

"If unfortunate years do come to you it is but the fate of all people and in all sections. We must bear them with resignation. Since the days of Joseph and Pharoah the lean and the fat years have been succeeding each other. I wish I knew of some way to relieve you of your troubles, but I cannot devise any at this moment. Your suggestions if carried into effect might prove delusive and bring about other troubles than the one of which you now complain."

THE GOVERNOR WILL GO.

Virginia's Chief Magistrate Will Attend the Presidential Inauguration.

Governor McKinney has decided to attend the inauguration of President Cleveland in Washington on March 4th next. Mr. McLeod, his private secretary, yesterday sent the following letter to each member of the staff:

"I am requested by Colonel W. M. Cary, chief of staff, to inform you that the Governor has decided to attend the inaugurial ceremonies at the city of Washington on the 4th of March, and say that he will be glad to have each member of his staff accompany him. Arrangements have been made to reserve three rooms at the Ebbitt House at a cost of $12 to each person, whether he remains in Washington one day or three days.

"Please signify promptly and positively your purpose in the premises, as the rooms have to be paid for as stated. The staff are requested to assemble in the city of Richmond in time to leave here on the 12 M. train March 3, 1893, in fatigue uniform with side arms, carrying their full dress uniform with them.

"The staff will not be expected to join in the procession, but will review the parade from the reviewing-stand."

The staff of Governor McKinney consists of the following officers: Colonel W. Miles Cary, chief, and Colonel Meade Haskins, judge-advocate general, of Richmond; Colonel L. T. W. Marye, of Ashland; Colonel Fenton Day, of Isle of Wight; Colonel C. M. Walke, of Farmville; Colonel W. T. Atkins, of Mecklenburg, and Colonel Robert Catlett, of Lexington.

SHE MAY BE HERE.

The Girl Who Disappeared From New York May Be in Richmond.

A rumor was on the streets of this city yesterday to the effect that Sallie Moore, the girl who recently disappeared so mysteriously in New York, was in Richmond.

The sudden and altogether unaccountable disappearance of Miss Moore caused considerable comment in the New York newspapers, and all efforts by the police to trace her were of no avail.

It was stated by a traveling salesman in Philadelphia that he had seen the girl in Richmond, and that she was registered at the Hotel Dodson. I called at the Dodson yesterday morning and found there a representative of one of the New York dailies. He had traced the girl to Philadelphia, and had strong reasons to believe that she had made her way to Richmond. Her photograph was produced, however, and the clerk at the Dodson stated that so far as he knew no such person had recently registered there.

The newspaper man communicated, through Major Poe, with a number of places public and private in this city, but nothing could be learned in reference to her.

It will be remembered that Sallie Moore was the daughter of a once wealthy Kentucky clergyman, and a number of theories have been advanced in regard to her strange disappearance. Several black-mail letters connected with the affair have been published, but so far the detectives have been baffled in their attempts to trace the missing woman.

Barton Heights Notes.

Mr. W. K. Bache is back from Omaha and Chicago.

Mr. T. A. Lamb has returned from Cleveland, O.

Mr. George P. Collyer has returned from Orange Courthouse.

Mrs. J. R. Durrett is spending a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. J. W. Williams.

Mr. Thomas Essex and Miss Carrie Essex, of Lebanon, Ill., are visiting Mrs. James H. Barton.

Examinations at the graded school have been going on during the week. Mr. Fussell says this is one of the banner schools.

Mr. George A. Minor has returned from Norfolk, where he spent several days attending the annual meeting of the Hume-Minor Company.

The name of St. John's street has been changed to Virginia avenue.

Captain J. H. O'Bannon has been added to the committee on police.

The annual calico ball of the Pleasure Club was a success. Notwithstanding the disagreeable weather a very enjoyable evening was spent by the dancers.

The Doll Drill, which was announced for last Tuesday night, has been indefinitely postponed.

The friends of Mrs. E. D. Redd will be gratified to learn that she is improving. She was taken with pneumonia while on a visit to her mother, in Chesterfield county, and has been critically ill.

Miss Narcissa Barton gave a dinner on St. Valentine's day in honor of Miss Carrie Essex, of Lebanon, Ill., at which twenty-two persons were seated. The favors were original valentines and the decorations were palms, pink roses and carnations.

Henrico County Court.

Judge Minor, who has been sick for some time, was well enough to attend the Henrico County Court yesterday.

Charles Fleet, the negro who assaulted Mr. William Brauer on last election day, and who, at the last term of the court, was sentenced to six months in jail, was brought before the court and his sentence was commuted to sixty days in jail.

The negro Moses Harkins, who has for several weeks been ill, was released on his own recognizance to appear at the next term of the court. He is charged with committing an assault upon a negro girl.

Henry Dodson, charged with a misdemeanor, was required to give bail for six months.

The cases of John A. Housemann and John Lloyd, charged with criminal assault, and Philip Norman Nicholas, charged with murder, were continued until the next term of the court.

The court adjourned over until the March term.

Washington's Birthday.

Next Wednesday is George Washington's birthday.

There will be no military ceremonies bearing on the chieftain's nativity in this city.

Colonel Jones, of the First Virginia regiment, informed me that so far as he knew there would be no parade. The postoffice, however, will have no mail delivered during the day, and the office will be open only from 4 to 5 P. M. The banks will observe holiday.

The veterans of Lee Camp Soldiers' Home will give an entertainment at the Home at 8 P. M. in celebration of Washington's birthday. The order of exercises will be as follows: Prayer. Oration by Captain George Wayne Anderson. Promenade concert in Mess Hall. Howitzer Band.

Brewing Company Officers.

The annual meeting of the Peter Stumpf Brewing Company was held at the company's office Friday and the following officers re-elected:

Peter Stumpf, president; John D. Doyle, vice-president; Joseph Stumpf, secretary and treasurer, and Ernest Meyer, master brewer.

The following board of directors was also elected: John D. Doyle, G. C. Guvernator, E. Meyer, John Pope, F. Sitterding, Peter Stumpf and Joseph Stumpf.

Pharmacy Board.

Governor McKinney yesterday appointed the following members of the State Board of Pharmacy for the full end and term of five years from the date of their appointment: Mr. Robert Bryden, of Danville, in place of Mr. J. W. Pierce, of Richmond, and Mr. P. Ashley Miller.

C. and O. to Lynchburg.

Special tickets sold Richmond to Lynchburg via Chesapeake and Ohio at $2.50; round trip, $4.00. Trains leave Richmond at 9:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M., James River Division station. Seats in parlor cars, twenty-five cents.

NOTE-BEARER ARRESTED

JUNIUS ALLEN BEFORE HIS HONOR FOR STEALING SHOES.

In Religious Circles—Hustings Court—His Muleship—Talk of Annexation. Personal Mention.

MANCHESTER BUREAU RICHMOND TIMES, 1121 HULL STREET, BEATTIE BLOCK.

Junius Allen, who acted as messenger for the unknown white man who swindled Mr. Landon P. Jones out of five pairs of shoes, has been arrested on a warrant sworn out by Mr. Jones, charging him with obtaining the shoes under false pretences.

He was taken before the Mayor yesterday morning, but the case was continued until next Thursday at the request of Mr. Ernest H. Wells, who has been engaged to prosecute the matter.

It is believed that the man who swindled Mr. Jones, and the fellow who treated Jacob May & Son., of Richmond, in a similar manner, are one and the same.

A series of meetings will be commenced in Central Methodist church to-day, and will continue for two weeks. Special services will be held every afternoon at 4 o'clock for the children.

Rev. J. R. Griffith will preach in Central church to-night and each succeeding night during the week. He will also preach to the children each afternoon at 4 o'clock. He is considered a fine preacher and will doubtless accomplish much good.

Rev. E. T. Dadmun, of West End church, is attending the State convention of the Young Men's Christian Association, now in session at Norfolk.

In consequence of his absence Rev. J. M. Myers, of Randolph-Macon College, will fill Mr. Dadmun's pulpit at both services.

Rev. R. R. Acree, who has been conducting a series of meetings here for the past two weeks, left for his home, in Roanoke, yesterday morning. Mr. Acree is a great favorite in Manchester, and made many new friends during his visit. Though the weather was decidedly unfavorable, the meetings were largely attended, and resulted in a number of additions to the membership.

Rev. C. E. Moore will preach his farewell sermon at Cowardin-avenue Christian church to-night.

During Mr. Moore's pastorate here he has accomplished much good, and he made a great many friends who will regret his leaving Manchester.

The February term of the hustings court will begin to-morrow.

Several criminal cases are likely to be tried. One is the case against Gus Raines, a notorious young negro thief, who is charged with breaking into a box car and stealing a bicycle and several other things.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Terry, of Philadelphia, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Augustine Royall. Mr. and Mrs. Terry are on their way home from Florida.

The ordinance passed by the city council concerning the width of tires on vehicles hauling heavy loads on the gravelled streets will go into effect next week.

Members of Friendship Lodge, No. 20, Knights of Pythias, will meet at their hall this afternoon at 2 o'clock to go to Richmond to take part in the Pythian parade.

On account of the bad weather work is being delayed on the new iron bridge to be built across the Appomattox river between Chesterfield and Amelia.

A mule attached to a cart on Hull street in some way got his foot caught in a street car track yesterday afternoon, and made things lively for awhile. With difficulty the animal was extricated, but not before he was considerably injured.

The board of supervisors of Chesterfield will meet to-morrow.

An engine on the James river division of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company, to which was coupled a train of freight cars, broke down on the tracks across Seventh street Friday evening and stopped the Manchester street-cars for nearly an hour.

The damage was not serious.

In reference to the annexation of Manchester to Richmond, a number of citizens on this side have expressed themselves as opposed to such a movement. A prominent citizen yesterday advanced the theory that if such a movement should be carried out, Manchester would be treated as a suburb, which is not always in the most hospitable style so far as street appropriations are concerned. The general idea in this city, so far as I could ascertain, is opposed to the annexation.

Mr. Harding, director of the Manchester Dramatic Club, held a cast rehearsal of the opera, "Little Tycoon," last evening.

The concert next Tuesday night at the Presbyterian church, under the auspices of the church choir, promises to be a very interesting affair.

Misses Cora Brown and Cora Lesseur are the guests of Miss Lelia Ballowe.

The roads in Chesterfield are dreadful. On some of them vehicles can hardly travel.

The Henrico and Chesterfield Sanitary Company has done valuable service in Swansboro.

Chesterfield Circuit Court was in session yesterday.

THE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Grand Lodge to Hold its Annual Session Here Tuesday.

The twenty-fifth annual session of the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, will be held in Odd-Fellows' Hall on Tuesday. The same day the First Virginia regiment of the Uniformed Rank will meet and have a grand parade.

Pythian day will also be celebrated today by a special service at the Second Baptist church at 4 o'clock P. M., and a sermon by Rev. Dr. Landrum.

The lodges of Richmond and Manchester will meet at the headquarters of Syracuse Lodge, Odd-Fellows' Hall, corner of Mayo and Franklin streets, and march in a body to the church.

On Tuesday the headquarters of the regimental officers and staff will be at Odd-Fellows' Hall, while the division will be stationed at the American Hotel.

The Hines Memorial committee, consisting of George W. Lindsay, of Maryland, chairman; D. J. Turner, of Norfolk, secretary; Richard Goodhart, of Washington; Thomas D. Mears, of North Carolina, and C. T. Loehr will be in attendance. They will be quartered at Ford's Hotel. Their business here is to confer with the Grand Lodge of Virginia, and, if possible, arrange so that the Hines Memorial building will be commenced during the coming year.

Corcoran to Make the Oration.

The following is from the Washington Post of yesterday:

A committee from the University of Virginia is in the city to officially invite the Hon. Bourke Cockran, of New York, to deliver the annual oration at that institution at the commencement exercises June next. This honor has been conferred on and accepted by distinguished orators in the past of both the North and the South, among whom were Thomas F. Bayard, Edward Everett, Daniel W. Voorhees, Henry Watterson, Henry W. Grady, W. C. P. Breckinridge, Thomas Nelson Page, and many others. President Cleveland in June, 1888, honored this institution, founded by Thomas Jefferson, with his presence on the occasion of the final celebrations of that year. It is the sincere hope of the Virginians that Mr. Cockran will be able to accept the invitation. The committee is stopping at the Shoreham, and is composed of the following collegians: James H. Gilmore, Jr., J. Emory Hughes, John C. Futrall, David Prewitt, A. C. Carson, and Hampson Gary.

Sixteen University of Virginia men are in the present Congress—four in the Senate and twelve in the House.

A Pardon Granted.

Governor McKinney yesterday pardoned John Everett, who in the Norfolk County Court was sentenced in September, 1878, to eighteen years' imprisonment in the penitentiary for murder in the second degree. In granting the pardon the Governor says:

"This man is pardoned on certificate of the surgeon of the penitentiary and because of his old age and bad health, in order that he may be turned over to his sister, who is able and willing to take care of him."

A Great Revival.

A meeting of unusual interest is in progress in the Grace-street Baptist church. Dr. H. M. Wharton, of Baltimore, has been preaching with his well-known power and eloquence. He was compelled to return to Baltimore on yesterday, and will not be able to get back until Wednesday. He will then come for a ten days' meeting, but in his absence the services will be conducted by the pastor, Dr. Hatcher, who will be assisted by other ministers.

Owing to the overwhelming crowds which have been attending the meetings it has been utterly impossible to get the people into the basement room, which holds over a thousand people. Multitudes have been forced to leave, because they could not get in. To meet the emergency the officers of the church have concluded to put temporary seats and electrical lights in the auditorium, and have it ready for use when Dr. Wharton gets back.

Going to the Inauguration?

The Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac railroad offer splendid inducements in regard to railroad fare for those who will attend the inaugural ceremonies at Washington on March 4th next. The reduced rates are as follows:

From Richmond to Washington and return, $4.85.

From Fredericksburg to Washington and return, $2.60.

For military companies of not less than twenty-five members, in commission, uniformed, armed and equipped, and traveling together in a body on one solid ticket in each direction, $3.50 from Richmond, and $1.60 from Fredericksburg per capita for round trip.

Dr. Tudor in Norfolk.

Dr. Tudor will preach a missionary sermon at Granby-street church in Norfolk, this morning. He accompanied Bishop Wilson to that city to assist him in raising the sum sought by the Foreign Missionary Board to clear off an old debt. The necessary funds have nearly all been raised by contributions in other cities.

Rev. E. L. Pell will fill the pulpit at Broad-street this morning, and Rev. J. N. Latham at night.

City Circuit Court.

T. A. L. Moore against W. H. Gay. Judgment was rendered in favor of plaintiff for $120.41.

J. K. Strasburger against Mrs. W. T. Powell's executor. The jury found for plaintiff and assessed damages at $24.

Suit was instituted by George P. Rowell & Co. against the A. B. C. Chemical Company for $500.

A Good Record.—"I have sold Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for ten years," says Druggist E. B. Legg, of Vail, Ia., "and have always warranted it and never had a bottle returned. During the past 90 days I have sold twelve dozen, and it has given perfect satisfaction in every instance." It does not dry up a cough, but loosens and relieves it. It will cure a severe cold in less time than any other treatment. 50 cent and $1 bottles for sale by Owens & Minor Drug Co., 1007 east Main street.

A Strong Insurance Company.

Mr. Ira Mowery, of the firm of Bowman & Mowery, resident manager of the Brooklyn Life Insurance Company of New York, has made a host of friends in this city and State since coming here, and has proven himself to be a thorough gentleman and a first-class insurance man, and his company commends itself to the insuring public. A contemporary has the following to say of it:

What is a good life insurance company? Is it a company whose ratio of net assets to risks in force stands almost at the top of the list; which pays all claims against it with the utmost promptness; whose funds are invested in the choicest securities, whose business is growing in all desirable directions; whose policies are free from all harsh restrictions and limitations—is such a company a good and safe life insurance company? No one, we think, will hesitate in his answer. No one would hesitate to insure his life in a company of this sort. A company unusually strong in resources to meet its liabilities, a liberal insurer and a prompt payer is the Brooklyn Life Insurance Company of New York. The Brooklyn Life, by the way, is seldom spoken of without having added to its name that complimentary phrase, "a policy-holders' company." We are not quite certain who first applied this name to the Brooklyn Life, although, we believe, it came years ago from the New York insurance department. A real policy-holders' company—one that 's managed economically and carefully for the best interests of policy-holders, one that is not drawn into the melee of reckless competition, one in which the sense of responsibility to members and beneficiaries is always present in the minds of its management, is the kind of life insurance company that can never lose the confidence and respect of the public. It may not be as vast in stature as some of its contemporaries, it may not win applause for the swiftness of its pace in getting new business, but it will not, on the other hand, be harassed by the one hundred and one afflictions under which the "rushers" groan. Moreover its policy-holders will never have to endure the expense of effecting cures for managerial mistakes. The twenty-ninth annual statement of the solid, compact and "old reliable" Brooklyn Life Insurance Company shows that in the year 1892 this company made steady progress, increasing its income, its assets and its insurance in force. Any other result would have been unexpected.

Real Estate Notes.

Mr. Edgerton S. Rogers has purchased the Spoots residence, formerly the Coalter place, on the corner of Third and Canal streets. Mr. Rogers expects to erect some handsome residences on this property. The sale was made through Messrs. Jackson Brandt & Co.

Mr. W. J. Anderson and R. G. Reynolds, of the Richmond Stove Company, have purchased of Mr. P. H. Mayo the plat of ground opposite their factory, corner of Twenty-fifth and Main streets. They propose to erect a large warehouse and show rooms, with offices for the Richmond Stove Company. This part of the city is looking up very much. Manufactories are going towards the eastern portion of the city. The sale was made through Messrs. Jackson Brandt & Co.

Fulton property is enhancing in value very much. Last spring Messrs. Jackson Brandt & Co. sold lots in that locality at $4 per foot, and have recently made sales of the same land for building purposes at $10 per foot. This looks as if Fulton property is becoming active.

No Bait.

Nothing offered with "Admiral" except quality. No little picture cards packed with these cigarettes. Merit, not schemes is the factor that has secured to "Admiral" its success.

This cigarette is not made by a trust.

C. and O. Vestibule Limited to Norfolk.

Leaves Richmond via Chesapeake and Ohio at 9:00 A. M. daily; arrives at Norfolk at 12:00, noon, with parlor car attached.

Have You Seen or Heard From Cobb & Wingfield Lately?

If not, do so. They have property to rent and sell in any and all parts of the city, at prices to suit all. They are also prepared to lend money to the public, say from $100 to any amount wanted, on good city real estate.

100 Pairs

Zeigler's Child's Pebble Goat, Spring Heel Boots. B., C., D. and E. wide. Sizes 5 to 8, 50c. J. A. GRIGG, Pace Block.

IT MAKES THE DEAF HEAR.

SUCCESS OF A NOVEL INSTRUMENT

The Mysterious Restoration From Deafness by an Unseen Device—Old Theories Successfully Applied.

During the past few years there have been many rumors of the restoration, in some mysterious way, of the hearing of those who were known to have been deaf for many years. This led to an investigation by those interested, and it has been found that this happy change has been made by the use of a most simple, yet ingenious device, which was invented by a gentleman in Bridgeport, Conn., named H. S. Wales. This device is the same to the ears as are glasses to the eyes, and is simply a soft rubber disc, arranged on a rubber spring, and so shaped that when inserted in the ear it will focus the waves of sound on the natural drum, thus increasing the vibrations of the latter.

The possibilities of a device of this nature have long been known, but the many attempts to use this knowledge have been such utter failures that it was considered beyond our present knowledge of the ear to make a practical instrument of the kind. Consequently when this device was first invented, not much attention was given the same, as it was thought to be merely an old enemy in a new dress; but gradually this slight prejudice was dispelled, until, at the present time, most physicians and aurists look kindly upon the instrument, and seem pleased at the success it is meeting.

At a recent interview, Mr. Wales made the remarkable statement that, to his knowledge, the device which he calls Sound Disc, had never failed where relief was afterward obtained by any medical, surgical or mechanical means, excepting a powerful ear trumpet, which he says is more powerful than his device. It would seem to be an ideal device for the deaf, as it is worn in the ear, out of sight, for months at a time, and, as far as we can learn, is pronounced safe and comfortable for the patient. Many times it has proven itself to be an advancement in the science of acoustics by relieving the most obstinate cases which had defied medical treatment for years.

What may be the ultimate result of the use of this device—whether the results thus far obtained will warrant its use in such a variety of cases that it will stop the progress of deafness in the future to such an extent that it will avoid the use of ear trumpets we cannot say; but the desirability of a device of this nature, as regards its safety, its benefit, and general comfort to the user, none will fail to admit.

It is not generally known that the Life Insurance Company of Virginia, of this city, offers a ten year 10 per cent. investment, secured by bond and mortgage on real estate.

Six per cent. per annum is payable in cash each six months, the balance of 4 per cent. per annum is payable at the end of the term.

There is no life insurance in this, and no medical examination.

Hardman Upright Piano Bargain.

We have an exceptional bargain in a Hardman Upright Piano that is but slightly used and warranted for five years. Call early or you will miss it.

WALTER D. MOSES & CO.,
1005 Main street, opposite postoffice.

Must Be Sold.

Such a desirable array of Second-Hand Square Pianos, all thoroughly repaired, has never been offered in this city before. They must be sold to make room. All the first-class makes represented. Terms made to suit purchasers. Prices from $35 upwards. Don't lose the chance to buy at rock-bottom prices.

WALTER D. MOSES & CO.,
1005 Main street, opposite postoffice.

Give attention to the first symptoms of a Lung Complaint, and check the dreaded disease in its incipiency, by using Dr. D. Jayne's Expectorant, a safe, old fashioned remedy for all Affections of the Lungs and Bronchia.

York River Line.

A tri-weekly schedule goes into effect to-day. Steamers will leave West Point for Baltimore on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 5 P. M. Parties desiring to use this line should leave Richmond by the Richmond and Danville railroad at 3:10 P. M. on days named.

Additional expenses, if any, caused by delays on account of ice, must be borne by passenger.

If There Be

A reader of this that has not used Phenol Mouth Wash for cleansing the mouth, preserving the gums and teeth, and making sweet and pure the breath, let such one begin at once to use it, and the above results will be speedily accomplished. Price, 50 cents. A gold fish and globe given with each bottle at the City Drug Store, Eighth and Main streets.

THE GREAT BREAK IN THE PRICE

of our Good and Fine Tailor-made Clothes has filled the store with sensible and eager buyers.

WE MUST UNLOAD ALL WINTER GOODS. VALUES ARE TAKEN NO ACCOUNT OF. WE ARE BOUND TO OPEN EACH SEASON WITH NEW AND STYLISH GOODS AND THUS EACH SEASON MUST STAND ITS OWN LOSS. We've had BIG TRADE this month. VERY BIG expected rest of the month. How could it be otherwise when we are selling.

Overcoats at $10

that we reduced from $19, $18, $16, $15 and $14.

Suits at $6, Suits at $7, Suits at $10.

UNDERWEAR, NECKWEAR, HATS, Etc., are going equally as cheap.

THE BOSTON.

Fourquean, Price and Co.,

Fourth and Broad streets.

Rich Dress Goods.

Fancy weave Plisse—tan, gray, blue and pink—44 inches wide, 75c; worth $1.

Silk Embroidered Crepons in Nile, pink and cream, 8-yard patterns, $12.50; worth $17.50.

Fancy Crepon in cream ground with silk embroidered figures in colors; very handsome, $1.35 per yard.

44-inch Camel's Hair Stripe in grey and tan ground, with colored stripes, 87 1-2c; worth $1.25.

38-inch All-Wool Cheviots in all the new designs, 50c.

Black Dress Goods.

Our special sale of Black Dress Goods will continue this week. The greatest aggregation of choice values ever shown in this city:
English Rainproof Crananette, 60 inches wide, $1.75 and $2.25.
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Full 10-4 size Sheets, with wide hem at one end and narrow hem at the other, 75c, 85c and $1, according to quality.
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Fine Embroideries, 8 to 11 inches wide, for skirts—beautiful patterns, not a piece in the lot worth less than 35c per yard, and some of them the regular 50c goods. Your choice of any pattern, at 23c per yard.

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