THE FOREIGN WAR SHIPS

WHAT A TIMES REPORTER SAW WHILE ON BOARD THE VESSELS.

A Description of the Men-o'-War Now Anchored in Hampton Roads—How the Officers Pass Their Time.

The programme for the great naval rendezvous in Hampton Roads has commenced in earnest.

For weeks past hundreds of people in Norfolk, Richmond and other cities have been in a fever of excitement over the celebration, and it looks as though everybody wants to take a look at representatives of the world's big navies at the same time. The natural sequence is Old Point presents a scene of amination and liveliness never surpassed at any time during the history of that delightful resort.

You would be surprised to see the bustle and rush at the Point now. When I stepped off the train Sunday a glance was sufficient to see that an immense throng was already on hand, and each train brings in large numbers of visitors only to disappoint them as to securing comfortable quarters. Naturally enough everybody wants apartments on the beach side of the hotel so as to command good views of the majestic looking men-or-war lying lazily at anchor some distance out. The hotel men, of course, are in a world of trouble, for every available room is occupied, and still they come. Every steamer brings in a new delegation, and now even the question of feeding the hungry throng has assumed a very serious phase. Many visitors are forced to secure quarters in Hampton or Newport News, and in a day or two these hotels will be overcrowded, and Norfolk, and, perhaps, Richmond, will be the centre of gravitation for those seeking lodging.

When I sauntered through the parlors of the Hygeia Sunday the tete-a-tetes, in progress under a number of difficulties, were amusing in the extreme. The tender glances, soft laughter, and irresistible ways of a pretty maid struggling with all the energy of an American girl to surmount the attacks of an Anglo-Russian dialect at once commended itself to my sympathies. Now and then the Russian officer, a prosaic, blunt individual, and totally unacquainted with the general "get up" of a typical American damsel, would resume the fight with all the patience and discipline characteristic of he Czar's represenative. I left the couple trying hard to understand each other. Whether they succeeded in getting up a romance is more than doubtful; but it was no fault of the girl and she was evidently a candidate, with very unsatisfactory prospects for a cruise to the domains of the Czar.

A boat was soon secured, and a party of five lost no time in riding the waves en route to the Philadelphia, the big flagship lying peacefully just in front of the Hygeia. Passing this the Chicago, another flagship similar to the Philadelphia, though not so shapely, lies next to the right. She carries 14 guns, and with the exception of the Baltimore, is the largest American boat in the fleet. Some three hundred yards further the Yorktown, somewhat smaller, though a veritable terror of the sea, floats peacefully on the bosom of the water with a dignity born of self-reliance.

A short distance and our craft sped by the Concord, a graceful cruiser of 1,700 tons, carrying six guns; then around the flying Vesuvius, the dynamite gun-boat with only 930 tons capacity. Her hull sets close to the water, and she is much smaller than the cruisers, but a formidable terror to the foe, owing to her remarkable rapidity in action. The Charleston, a protected cruiser, of 4,040, carrying eight guns, is perhaps the most shapely craft in the fleet. Captain F. H. Picking, a model seaman, commands her. The ship and commander are admirably adapted one to another.

The Italian cruiser Bausan, shaped somewhat like the Charleston, lies off to the right, and beyond this the Dmitri Donskoi, a Russian armored cruiser, lying just in front of the General Admiral, a large, partially protected cruiser of the Czar's navy. The Russian ships have an out-of-date appearance, and are evidently not planned after the latest naval architecture.

The French protected cruiser Jean-Bart arrived early Sunday morning. She is one of the largest men-of-war afloat, carrying ten broadside guns, with fore and aft guns, together with many Hotchkiss and Gatling guns in her immense military towers. She is painted black, and one look at the immense ship is enough to discourage the foe.

When our party boarded the Jean-Bart everything on board was hard at work. Sailors rushed to and fro, the gangways had a bee-hive appearance, ropes, windlasses, chains and anchors made a deafening noise, and a hundred sailors were busily engaged in cleaning up the ship for the review.

My knowledge of French is limited to a theoretical college course, so you can easily imagine what progress I made in the midst of several hundred men, whose English was inferior to my French. Unfortunately for me the higher officers were ashore at the time of my visit, and it was with difficulty I succeeded in fishing up one little Frenchman who knew a few clauses of English. One of the party remarked that we should have brought an interpreter. This would have been a decided advantage, for when surrounded by four hundred foreigners there is only one consolation—when one loses his patience and wishes to express himself in emphatic terms, he can easily exhaust the Anglo-Saxon tongue in his use of abusive epithets, and provided he puts on a pleasant smile the foreigner will not resent his phraseology.

With this idea in view, I approached one of the crew, no one of which was more than five feet seven inches in height, and finally secured the information that the ship sailed from Toulon March 25th, and arrived at the Point early Sunday morning, after encountering a rough voyage. Finally I was taken down in the hull to see the machinery, and a ramble through this department soon convinced me that the Jean-Bart was supplied with all the latest improvements in naval architecture at the time she was completed, about two years ago. She is a source of pride to the members of her crew, who could be often seen peering through the field-glasses and displaying a high degree of interest at the fact that the French cruiser was the most imposing ship in the roads before Her Majesty's representatives arrived.

The Frenchmen, of course, exhibited a high degree of courtesy, and when I left the craft they apologized in graceful terms for not having been better prepared for the reception of visitors. They are quaint looking little men, with their keen, piercing eyes and vandyke beards, which were generally worn among the members of the crew. They informed me that if I would return the next day I would hardly know the ship, after the latter underwent a thorough cleaning.

Another brief voyage, and our boat was alongside the Atlanta, a partially protected crusier, with eight guns, and then the gunboat Bancroft proved a highly interesting representative. The Bancroft has a capacity of only 838 tons, and carries 4 guns. She is a model of grace, and is well-known for her speed.

The cruiser Bennington lies just ahead of the Bancroft, and next to her that staunch protected cruiser, Baltimore, which showed the South Americans a thing or two at Valparaiso. She carries 10 guns and has a capacity of 4,600 tons—the largest American ship in the fleet. Captain G. W. Sumner is in command of the Baltimore. Her build is fully up to date, and the rigging of the vessel is of the most substantial order.

The flagship Newark, with her 12 guns, has an independent air, and for fleet evolutions this ship, under Captain Silas Casey, has made a big reputation.

Late Sunday afternoon everybody was in anxious expectation over the British ships, which were expected the following day. This is where the fluttering graces of the fair ones produce the effect. A jolly, good Englishman is even preferable to Uncle Sam's man. The former takes his ease on reputation already made, while the latter is forced to tell what he's going to do when Chili, Italy or some other pocket-handkerchief nationality tries again to work the grand bluff on Uncle Sam.

John Bull's man is now enjoying all the delicious tete-a-tetes at the Point, and doubtless the question has arisen in his mind, "How long can I stay ashore without incurring disfavor of Vice-Admiral Sir J. C. Hopkins, K. C. B?"

JUSTICE JOHN'S COURT.

A Girl Walks From the National Capital in Boy's Apparel.

The big Monday docket was full of fines, but the collections were very unsatisfactory, as the banker remarked. Business has gotten to such a dull point that the members of the court are always anxious for Monday, the day when both Saturday and Sunday sinners come in together, and all the Sunday drunkards are required to pay something like $5, instead of $2 or $2.50 when the coupe is brought into service.

The weather was too cold to go fishing yesterday, so once more the big crowd gathered at the sanctum like ants around a crumb of bread, each waiting patiently for a morsel of equity, which His Honor so liberally distributes on Mondays.

Whether marriage is a failure is a question long agitated, and no definite conclusion has ever been reached. In the case of Aaron Jones (colored), however, it certainly proved a financial failure yesterday. Aaron, it seems, didn't get along very happily with his spouse, and proceeded to display the brutal side of his nature by beating his wife, Ellen Jones. The Justice has no patience with a man who beats his wife, and His Honor believes firmly that he who strikes a woman is a wretch whom 'twould flatter to call a coward. He consequently touched Aaron for $10, and required $100 security for thirty days. Aaron couldn't face the music of the fine, so went to the jug.

Willie Scott, a white boy about eighteen years of age, was charged with being a vagrant and begging in the street. Scott came from Washington last week with a girl who gave her name as Bessie Jane Devaschneider. He stated that she overtook him when he started from Washington, and asked if she might go with him. They traveled together on foot most of the way, and when they reached this city the girl, who is the daughter of a gipsy, was clad in boys' apparel. She stated to the police that her mother would send her out begging, and beat her severely when she was unsuccessful. She is only about fifteen years of age, and is rather bright.

The case of Scott, whose real name is Willie Gordon, was continued till the 28th, and meanwhile the girl will stay at the almshouse, and if her story is found to be true, she will be kept here. Dr. Parker will probably get her a home.

Charles Allen (colored) assaulted and threatened to cut John Day with a knife. It may have been a mere bluff, for Day is still intact. But His Honor sent Allen to the jug for sixty days in default of $100 security.

It cost Henry Brown exactly $10 for fast and reckless driving on the street.

Another case of matrimonial error was that of James Ray, who got drunk and disorderly, and beat his wife, Nannie Ray, on Sunday. The wife is of a forgiving spirit, and expressed the wish that James be not prosecuted. This didn't "go" with the Justice, who believes that romantic couples ought to take account of all the possible domestic infelicities before tying the knot. He touched the husband for $20.50, and sent the cruel husband to jail for twelve months in default of $300 security.

An army of drunkards were ambling about the streets Saturday. Here is a list of those who were "pulled:" H. D. Bowers, W. Armstrong, R. B. Leght, Ellis Braxton (colored), Daniel Gallegher, Ann Henderson (colored), Joe Harris (colored), Fred Hanniwincle, E. P. Jones, Arthur Morris (colored) and Daniel Goodwin. They enriched the city coffers by a cozy sum.

Those who disregarded the Sabbath, and patronized Bacchus to the tune of something like $5 each, were: William St. John, John Moore, H. Burlinger. They are more or less penitent now, and will probably take warning for the present.

The court adjourned on aces up.

No Money for Jefferson Park.

When the Committee on Grounds and Buildings sent to the Finance Committee its estimate of the current expenses during the present year, the sum of $10,000 was inserted for Jefferson Park. In its report to the City Council this amount was stricken out, and no money has been appropriated for the continuation of the work on that improvement. Last year the sum of $3,000 was appropriated to start the work of establishing the park and later in the year the Committee on Grounds and Buildings transferred the sum of $2,000 from the account of Libby Hill Park to that of Jefferson Park, in order to continue the work.

The appropriation for the present year granted to the committee consists of the sum of $6,675 for the pay-roll for the salaries of the park-keepers, and the sum of $12,000 for the expenses of the department. Out of the amount all the rents and taxes, the maintenance of the public building and the public parks.

Cancelled the Wrong Appropriation.

The ordinance appropriating the amounts necessary for the running of the various departments of the municipal government provides that all unexpended appropriations, as well as all balances in excess of appropriations, standing on the books of the Auditor at the end of the past fiscal year shall be cancelled, with the exception of a few, which are specified in the ordinance.

Among the cancelled amounts is the sum of $1,000 appropriated by a resolution which provides for the procuring of a painting of Mr. William Byrd, the founder of this city, and for the overhauling of the pictures now hanging in the Council Chamber. The work was given in charge of Mr. John M. Shepard, the artist, and is now pretty well under way. In order to pay for the same it will be necessary for the City Council to make a new appropriation of that amount.

Property Transfers.

Richmond—John P. Edwards' and Carroll Taylor's trustee to Henrietta R. Pitts, 30 feet on Broad street, southwest corner Thirty-first, $2,901.

Sarah Purcell's devisees to Rosalie F. Bowman, 29 1-2 feet on north side Main street between Third and Fourth, $4,000.

James Smith to Fritz Sitterding, 26 feet on west side Rocketts street near Ash, $4,000.

Sallie D. Stout's trustee to C. E. Drinard, 25 feet on west side Cherry street, near Linden, subject to two deeds of trust, $5.

Henrico—Josiah Bailey to Benjamin J. Bailey, 24 feet on west side Luke street, $50.

J. Boyce Brady to Samuel T. Pulliam, lots 5 and 6 in block 34, Barton Heights, subject to deed of trust, $300.

Christopher M. Cottrell to Charles R. Johnson, two acres on Three Chopped road, $10.

Edward S. Gentry's trustees to Josiah Bailey, 25 feet on south side Winston street, $74.

Base-Ball.

Tickets for the ball game between the Standard Oil Company nine and Richmond College, which takes place Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock at Island Park for the benefit of the South Carolina table, Memorial Bazaar, can be had at any of the hotels, also at Polk Miller's, Branch Allen's, J. A. Morris', George Schoen's and from the ladies of the South Carolina table, also from members of both clubs. Tickets twenty-five cents. No extra charge for grand-stand.

IF YOUR BACK ACHES,
Or you are all worn out, really good for nothing, it is general debility. Try
BROWN'S IRON BITTERS.
It will cure you, cleanse your liver, and give a good appetite.

IN THE BIG DRILL ROOM

BEAUTY AND GRACE STILL IN POSSESSION OF THE ARMORY.

Another Crowd Present Last Evening at the Memorial Bazaar—Items From the Various Tents.

The Memorial Bazaar had another successful day and was visited by a large number of people. The restaurant was kept busy all afternoon and evening and added quite an amount to its treasury.

In the evening the crowd was entertained by the Blues' band, and in Sanger Hall Mr. E. H. Peple presented a farce entitled "The Train to Mauro" to a large audience. The play, which has been written by Mr. Peple, is very amusing, and greatly pleased the spectators.

The plot is rather simple. Mr. Bright, who was represented by C. A. Peple, is a railroad agent and telegraph operator, who, while performing his duty, is annoyed by a talkative woman, Mrs. Buttermilk (Mr. E. H. Peple), who, with an over-grown son, Johnnie (Mr. J. W. Barksdale), is awaiting the arrival of a train.

To-day is Kentucky day, and in the evening an entertainment will be given in Sanger Hall by Miss Guillaume, when the Howitzers will attend in a body.

Major James H. Capers is furnishing to the ladies of the restaurant, free of charge, all the flour and Hosford's baking powder which they need for their customers. He has also sent a man to bake the bread for them.

Miss Bettie Ellyson, chairman of the restaurant committee, was surprised yesterday by her lady co-workers, who presented her with a handsome rocking-chair.

The ladies of the Alabama tent have on exhibition a doll named "Ruth Cleveland," which will be given to the child who makes the greatest number of words out of the letters of the name. For the privilege to make these guesses the sum of ten cents is charged, and the guesses may be sent in by mail.

Lieutenant Haynes, of the United States Army, who has been detailed as military instructor for Virginia, and Lieutenant Irwin, the military intructor for Alabama, visited the Bazaar last evening. Lieutenant Irwin during the day visited the battle-fields of Petersburg, in company with Governor Jones, of Alabama.

The sale of fancy articles was rather brisk yesterday at the various tents, and especially at the Solid South. It seems that the announcement of the fact that no auction will be held at the close of the Bazaar has brought about this change.

Wednesday will be celebrated as Missouri day at the Bazaar. Many attractions will be offered for the old, as well as the young. Special attention is called to the soap-bubble party for the little folks, commencing at 4 P. M. A beautiful prize will be awarded the successful child.

The committee in charge of the Virginia tent would be glad to dispose of the following useful articles to anyone in need of them at a reasonable price. They will not be auctioned:

The papering of one room by the Booth Wall-Paper Company. Samples of the paper can be seen at the tent.

Four bed springs, which will be delivered and fitted.

One cooking-stove, one gasoline stove.

One hard-wood mantel, with mirror, and with tile face and hearth.

One ladies' handsome oak dresser.

Three sewing-machines—Singer, White and Wheeler & Wilson.

Confederate souvenir spoons, three dollars.

These are a few of the many useful articles at the Virginia tent.

From Newcastle, Craig county, Va., through Mrs. J. W. Marshall and Mrs. T. B. McCartney, $37.35; collected by Miss Ethel Davis, from Lawrenceville, Va., box of fancy work and $23; through the Misses Crenshaw, of Richmond, from the Misses Crenshaw, of Orange county, the sum of $102.71; also a box containing a beautiful collection of artistic needle-work and a box of hams and a barrel of flour.

The money and articles were collected from many homes in Orange, and a goodly number were sent in loving memory of the Crenshaw battery.

The ladies of the Mississippi tent wish to acknowlege the receipt of a nice box of fancy articles and money from Mississippi, sent by Miss Helen D. Bell; also $10.50 from W. A. Montgomery, through Mrs. E. F. Christley, of Edward, Miss. Messrs. Miller & Miller, of Baltimore, sent through Captain J. E. Stransbury, $15; Mrs. J. W. Carr donated a large front yard flower urn; General S. D. Lee, of Mississippi, $5; General Stewart, of Georgia, $5; Mr. Davis, of the Davis Shoe Company, $10; A. D. Landerkin, Richmond Ice Company, $5; J. C. Smith, $1; A. Church, $1; Hunter, Sims & Co., merchandise; M. Rosenbaum & Co., merchandise; A. F. Craig, picture and easel; Kingan & Co., $10; Standard Oil Company, one barrel oil; J. D. Lindsay, $2; Courtney Supply Company, $1; C. A. Berrian, $1; Mr. Price, of the S. Cottrell Co., $1; George W. Schlieser, $1; William Parrish, $2; Thomas J. Riddell, J. Woodall, W. G. Taylor, O. B. Dyer, Armour & Co., donation of beef; Purcell, Ladd & Co., fancy articles; James W. Martin, chair; H. A. Atkinson, silk rocker; Dalton & Chappell, water cooler; L. Harvey, $1; P. B. Taliaferro, $2; Charles Davenport, $1; R. Kastelburg, $1; Stokes & Co., $2. Also a nice donation in milk every day from Captain Bigger, of the Soldiers' Home; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Thomas, of Pittston, Penn., fancy articles; Miss Nina Peterson, of Pittston, Penn., fancy articles; C. L. Turner, of North Carolina, $1; R. H. Norvell, of Breeden & Talley, fancy articles. Other names will be mentioned hereafter.

Mr. C. von Suetter sent a silver souvenir spoon with a representation of the Confederate ram, Arkansas, in its bowl. The following interesting letter accompanied the donation:

"Since the surrender there hung in the office of the Governor of the State of Mississippi a large oil painting of the Confederate ram Arkansas. By a party I was given an order to make a photographic copy of same. Governor J. M. Stone kindly assisted me in removing the ponderous picture from its hangings and permitted its removal to my gallery. Like all oil paintings, it was difficult to copy, but I succeeded admirably.

"However, the fatality of 'the Lost Cause' and the lost ram clung to my efforts, as the party who ordered the photographs failed to respond.

"In ordering some souvenir spoons from a New England factory we sent, among others, this photograph of the Confederate ram Arkansas, to be there perpetuated in silver.

"Besides three more, this, the last spoon, is the only one in existence, and I am glad this souvenir of the Confederate ram Arkansas has now found a congenial home and resting-place in the great Confederate Bazaar Museum."

General N. H. Harris, commanding the Mississippi brigade, Mahone's division, Hill's corps, Army of Northern Virginia, presented to Mrs. J. E. Stansberry, chairman of the Mississippi booth, through Mrs. J. H. Capers, a beautiful gold hat pin. The only survivors of General Harris' brigade in Richmond are: Messrs. Charles Weil, A. Eichel, E. P. Murphy and J. H. Capers.

In looking over the register, which is kept on a stand adjoining Mrs. E. D. Hotchkiss' office, it can be seen that a great many distinguished people have already visited the Bazaar, for among the registered names can be found those of all the Southern Governors who visited here this week. At the close of the Bazaar this register will be deposited in the Confederate Museum, and all those who are desirous of having their names in that manner handed down to posterity should not fail to deposit the small amount of ten cents with the lady in charge of the book and enter their names. The following names have been entered since the last report has been published in The Times:

Mary Lyons Mayo, Annie Wise Mayo, Joseph Bryan, John A. Smith, M. V. Smith, George F. Tibbitts, D. S. Bennet, Minnie M. Alexander, Fort Springs, W. Va.; H. L. Harwood, Fannie Michaux, Winter, Powhatan county; Mrs. Kate Seymour Winn, Henry Douglas Winn, Margaret Bruce Winn, Helen Seymour Winn, George H. Ray, Mrs. Ella Adams, Cleveland; Lillian C. Wilder, Boston, Mass.; Mrs. R. A. Dutcher, Boston; Dr. R. C. Flower, Boston; Robert Gates, Memphis, Tenn.; Ro. N. Northern, Miss Addie Noyes, Brooklyn; Mrs. Tom Owens, Tom Ewers, R. H. White, Hampton, Va.; Edwin L. Willson, Buffalo, N. Y.; William M. English, Buffalo, N. Y.; Miss E. Vernon Bowe, E. M. Pilcher, John R. H. Amos, Danville; H. D. W. Cary, Richard T. Alvey, George H. Keesee, John J. Faulkner, W. T. Thornton, Governor of New Mexico; T. M. South, Charleston, W. Va.; W. J. Gardner, Thomas Byrne, and Thomas P. Pollard.

The progress of the Missouri tent is very encouraging; beautiful boxes of fancy work are daily arriving from their friends at a distance. Owing to the untiring and patriotic zeal of Mr. Owens, of the firm of Owens & Minor, assisted by the ladies of the Missouri tent, they have been able to secure a handsome soda fountain, where cooling drinks will be dispensed at reasonable city prices.

Among the donations just received are a gentleman's smoking jacket, from Mr. A. Saks; $10 from Battle & Co., St. Louis, Mo.; photograph of General Lee, with autograph, sent by the son of ex-Governor Pinckney Whyte, of Maryland; a beautiful box of dainty needle work has been received from Mexico, Mo.; an artistic water color by a Boston artist.

During the coming week attractions for children will be a special feature every afternoon.

Mrs. Clement Carrington McPhail, chairman of Texas booth, Memorial Bazaar, has received the following donations, through Mrs. James Dooley: From Mrs. Colonel Thomas Carter, $50; Miss Phrony Pyan, $2; Mrs. Junius Morris, $10, from Mr. Hagan, of New York; Mrs. M. L. Branch, $5, from Mrs. Dr. W. M. Patterson, of New York; Mrs. James Dooley, $5, from Colonel Thomas Carter; one box of fancy articles from Mrs. E. A. Cochman, Austin, Texas; one box from Mrs. Ragland, Paris, Texas; handsome contribution from Mrs. J. B. Smith and $10.97 in money; box of oranges from Mrs. Theodore Ellyson and some beautiful fancy work; box of pretty and useful articles, made and donated by Miss Pattie Leeker, at McAdams' establishment; one handsome Dresden China lamp from Miss Phronnie Pegram; Mrs. N. M. Wilson, donation of money for fancy ball fund; one barrel of fine cidar from D. J. Gregory, Esq., of Price & Lucas, given to Miss Ella Munford, for Texas table; box of useful tools from W. S. Robertson, Esq., of Watkins & Cottrell; beautiful fancy articles donated by Master Willie Robertson; handsome contribution from Mr. Alexander Cameron; handsome donation from Mr. Schoen; lovely gilt chair from Mr. Waller Scott; Dr. William Thomas, handsome donation; box lemons from Mrs. Randolph Norris; box lemons from Mrs. Dr. William Oppenhimer; generous donation of sugar from Davenport & Morris; beautiful Dresden China sugar and cream pot from Cohen Company, through Mrs. Edward Mayo; also one hundred and five dollars from Mrs. Edward Mayo, proceeds of "Fancy Ball;" box of fancy articles, through Mrs. Jas. Dooley, from Mrs. Wilson, of Staunton; Messrs. Levy & Davis kindly gave the services of their experienced and artistic decorator, and he made the Texas booth a perfect gem, displaying exquisite taste throughout, and the chairman wishes to extend her cordial thanks to the firm.

The public generally are earnestly and cordially invited to visit the Texas booth, where everybody can be suited, as it has been the effort and accomplished object of the ladies of the booth to meet the tastes of every class of buyers. It is a variety tent—there can be found articles of very description, ranging in price from five cents up to twenty-five and fifty dollars; no charge for examining goods. A handsome suit of clothes, made to order, is being voted for at this tent for the most popular railroad official in Virginia; any name can be proposed. Ice lemonade and cider is dispensed at five cents a glass. Below is an accurate list of the ladies who are interested and who have, in a great measure, furnished this booth with their own beautiful fancy work: Mrs. C. C. McPhail (chairman), Mrs. C. McLeod, Mrs. M. L. Branch, Mrs. George Mayo, Mrs. Dr. William D. Thomas, Mrs. James Dooley, Mrs. Junius Morris, Mrs. Isaac Davenport, Mrs. J. B. Smith, Mrs. William Royall, Mrs. Thomas Bolling, Mrs. W. C. Mayo, Mrs. John Enders, Mrs. George McAdams, Mrs. James A. Welch, Mrs. Theodore Ellyson, Mrs John Coke, Mrs. Moncure Perkins, Mrs. Allan Talbott, Mrs. Levin Joynes, Mrs. John Harrison, Mrs. Edward Price, Mrs. Frank Hill, Mrs. Gideon Davenport, Mrs. Harry Frazier, Mrs. James Branch, Jr., Mrs. B. H. Nash, Mrs. Corryda Sutton, Mrs. C. P. Lathrop, Misses Annis Howard, May Handy, Netta Potts, Helen Montague, Nellie Mayo, Virgie Archer, Mary Cameron, Bessie Martin, Nannie Winston, Sallie Marshall, Lurena Mayo, Mary Hays, Judith Carington, Misses Stokes, Mary Lewis, None Myers, Phronnie Pegram, Misses Hill, Miss Lea, Mrs. Lefroy, Louise Mayo, Mrs. George Mayo, Wortley Embry, Etta Munford, Mrs. John D. Potts, Mrs. R. G. Cabell, Grey Skipwith, Madge Ould.

After the display of so much fancy work it is rather a relief to visit the Arkansas tent, and to see the beautiful display of china and porcelain and useful cutlery. The tent has had a good sale since the opening of the Bazaar, and many additional donations, among them $25 from the Knabe Piano Company, of Baltimore, and $50 from Arkansas. The ladies hope that the friends of the Presbyterian and Methodist Home for Old Ladies will not forget to stop at the Arkansas tent and give twenty-five cents towards the purchasing of the elegant organ for the home. It is very amusing to watch the crowd at this tent trying to blow the ball from the magic table. Many guesses are being made at the number which will win the handsome banquet lamp.

The ladies of the Georgia tent have offered the magnificent portieres, costing $150, to the city that will give them the largest purse. These portieres are bordered with satin squares, upon which are painted the coats of arms of the seceding and the divided States. Richmond should keep them. This can be done if everyone will but give the small sum of twenty-five cents towards this object. The citizens should present this to the Confederate Museum, the Virginia Historical Society or to the Executive Mansion. In contributing the visitors are requested to express their choice. One of these portieres can be seen at the Bazaar in the Georgia tent, while the other is on exhibition in the window of Walter D. Moses & Co., on Main street.

A game of base-ball will be played tomorrow afternoon at Island Park for the benefit of the Georgia tent. The game will be between the Richmond College nine and the Virginias. The game will be interesting, and assist the ladies in their endeavor to make money for a worthy cause.

J. S. O'Hern is the name of the Confederate soldier who at the second battle of Cold Harbor exposed himself to the fire of Union soldiers while going to a brook to secure water for his comrades. The ladies of the Bazaar are very anxious to ascertain what regiment he was a member of.

A nine composed of employes of the Standard Oil Company will play on Friday afternoon at Island Park for the benefit of the South Carolina tent. Mr. W. W. Foster, the photographer, has presented the ladies of this tent with a collection of fine photographs. Five large boxes of various articles have recently been received from South Carolina.

The North Carolina tent is one of the most effective in the room, thanks to Messrs. Woodward and Lothrop, who not only gave the material, but furnished two gentlemen of exquisite taste to do the decorating. A valuable box of relics has been received from Newberne, some contributed to the Museum and others loaned. Among the latter is a valuable flag, presented to Governor Ellis by the ladies of St. Mary's. He was then Governor of North Carolina, and dying during his term of office, this flag was draped on his coffin. His wife sends the Museum his picture, and loans valuable papers, telegrams of condolence from President Davis and other officials who have all joined the mighty caravan of death. The ladies acknowledge a donation of money and an exquisite piece of tapestry from Miss Connie Jones, of Charlotte. There is no prettier or daintier article for sale in the room than the tapestry. A box of fancy articles has been sent from Winston; also, from Scotland Neck, through Miss Eunice McDowell, a nice donation sent in memory of General Junius Daniels. Through Mrs. John M. Taylor the following persons contributed: Messrs. Charles Watkins & Co., R. T. Arrington, Jr., J. B. Beasley, J. M. Taylor, Silas Shelburne, J. G. France, T. W. Washington, L. E. Cooper, T. B. Scott, W. T. Yarbrough and Mrs. Beall, of Salisbury.

Mr. James Kinney, of the Kinney branch of the American Tobacco Company, has sent the ladies of this tent a beautiful gold scarf-pin, representing a tobacco leaf, the middle rib of which is formed of a row of five diamonds. The pin will probably be voted to the most popular tobacconist.

The following programme will be executed by the Blues' band in the large hall this evening:

March, "Canton Halifax" (Hall); Schottische, "Minnie" (Litovsky); Waltz, "La Serenata" (Jasone); Selection, "Reilly and the 400" (Braham); Serenade, "Waves of Memory" (Blanchard); Overture, "Murmuring of the Forest" (Bavillon); Gavotte, "Whispered Love" (Alcas); Galop, "The Stage Coach" (Fairhorst).

A Critic Crushed to Death Will Rise Again.

Editor Times:

I crave as many paragraphs to answer the four columns in your Sunday's issue.

First, allow me to thank Mr. Rosewell Page for the assurance that the doctor of letters, who has so freely prescribed for the Southern people, has on hand an adequate supply of literary "antidotes." Let us hope that they are kept in "carboys," and that they may prove effective when uncorked. The Times, speaking editorially of Dr. Page, said: "He has, therefore, done the South an incalculable injury by his stories." If, then, the stories are true, the "injury" is a just retribution. If they are false, the "injury" is an outrage, and the author of the stories is responsible for it.

If The Times will print it, I will next present for the kind offices of the author's friends, a review of "On Newfound River," in which I hope to demonstrate the necessity for a liberal use of the Doctor's most powerful antidotes.

I will have to dispose of "Mrs. A. B." and "A Lover of Justice," who is also a lady, I fear, in one sentence: The only possible hope of an intelligent discussion by these two lies in the willingness of The Times to print Mr. Page's article and my reply in parallel columns, and send these ladies a supply. They are so utterly "mixed," that I cannot undertake to reply until they try again.

There is a sweet innocence about the letter of "G. P. L." which betrays a feminine hand. If a lady wrote this letter, I, of course, have nothing to say; though really from my standpoint, it seems to have been written especially for me. If a man wrote as "G. P. L.," and will give his name to the public, I promise to make it "a source of innocent merriment" to the "peasant class," the "working class," and the "nondescript band of native whites." CARLTON McCARTHY.

Is Our Water Impure.

Editor Times:

For two or three days I have noticed a quantity of dregs in our water—the city water. To-day it occurred to me to examine some of the water under a cheap microscope, which I happen to have in the house. To my surprise I discovered, besides traces of decayed vegetation, several varieties of minute animals. Now, it may be that this is an unusual condition for our water, and that such impurities will soon disappear. Possibly the same condition does not prevail over the entire city. Be that as it may, it seems to me that the condition of the water should be investigated. That which we have been receiving for two or three days certainly cannot be used with safety without first being boiled. In the interests of public health, I am sincerely, A. R. MOORE,

Richmond.

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BLACKSMITH A. S. GOULD.

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This is especially the time of year when a wonderful cure like this should be published far and wide, for now is the time when more people are ailing and complaining of poor blood, nervousness, weak and tired feelings, stomach, kidney and liver complaints, etc., than at any other season. In fact, now is the time that everybody is thinking of taking a spring medicine, and deciding what is best to take.

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C. E. Ballou Assigns.

SOUTH BOSTON, VA., April 17.—C. E. Ballou, at one time doing leaf tobacco business at 215 Loyal street, Danville, but who for some time has been operating the C. E. Ballou flouring mills at this place, has made an assignment for the benefit of his creditors.

The deed, which was recorded at Halifax Courthouse Friday night, conveys to the trustees named one lot, factory and mill building, machinery, fixtures, appliances and stock on hand of that business.

The property conveyed in the deed is represented as worth $20,000, while the debts secured thereunder aggregate $15,000.

The deed provides that the trustees shall operate the milling for two years, paying off the debts as fast as they can, and if not paid off in that time the property to be sold.

The deed further provides that the property may be sold at public sale at an earlier date upon the written request of C. E. Ballou.

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Due from banks and bankers,	18,234 88	Undivided profits,	2,969 14
Current expenses paid,	275 55	Deposits subject to check,	29,314 53
Real estate, furniture and fixtures,	1,456 34	Time certificates of deposit,	11,957 23
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