THE VETERANS MEET.

IMPORTANT BUSINESS TRANSACTED BY LEE CAMP.

The Proposed Trip to Houston, Texas. Resolutions on the Death of Mrs. Mayo. The Hoge Anniversary.

The regular meeting of Lee Camp was held last night with unusually full ranks, Colonel James T. Gray commanding.

General Orders Nos. 132 and 133, United Confederate Veterans, in reference to the reunion of Confederate veterans at Houston, Texas, were received.

A very fraternal letter was received from Columbia Post, G. A. R., Chicago, Ill., urging the camp to attend their annual banquet, which will be national in character.

The report of the Appomattox Park committee, heretofore published, was adopted by the Camp.

The camp unanimously adopted a resolution to invite the Richmond Howitzers and the Richmond Light Infantry Blues to escort them to Houston, Tex., on May 22d, 23d, and 24th, the occasion of the annual convention of the United Confederate Veterans.

Announcemnt was made to the camp of the death of Mrs. Caroline E. Atkinson Mayo, widow of the late Dr. Philip Mayo, whose services in behalf of the Confederate soldiers during the war were known throughout the Army of Northern Virginia. After beautiful tributes to the services of this noble Christian Southern woman by Judge Farrar and other comrades, a detail of the following comrades, E. W. Martin, J. E. Laughton, Jr., N. V. Randolph, D. A. Brown, Jr., D. Smith Redford, Alex. W. Archer, Thomas A. Brander and John M. Warren, was appointed to attend the funeral and render such service of respect as may be agreeable to the family of the deceased.

Comrade Jacob S. Allen presented to the camp a History of the North Carolina State Troops, C. S. A.

The camp decided to attend the reception of Rev. Dr. Moses D. Hoge, on February 26th, in a body, and the adjutant was directed to communicate to the committee of arrangements the wishes of Lee Camp in this matter.

MRS. CAROLINE E. MAYO DEAD.

She Was One of Richmond's Oldest and Most Interesting Residents.

Mrs. Caroline Elizabeth Mayo, who was paralyzed a few days ago, died at her home, No. 102 east Broad street, yesterday about 11 o'clock, in the eighty-ninth year of her age.

Mrs. Mayo, though in rather feeble health for some months, was in full mental vigor up to the time of this recent attack, after which she never regained consciousness.

Mrs. Mayo was born at Olive Hill, Chesterfield county, the home of her father, Roger Atkinson, and at the age of sixteen married her first cousin, the late Philip Mayo, who was at one time clerk of the United States Court under Judge Hallyburton. He died in 1863. Sixteen children were born to them, but only one now survives, Miss Martha Tabb Mayo. Dr. Theodore P. Mayo, formerly connected with the Richmond press, and W. A. C. Mayo were among those who died since the war.

Mrs. Mayo was granddaughter of Peter Poythress and Elizabeth Bland, the former having been a member of the House of Burgesses, and a member of the Colonial Convention. She was a first cousin of Bishop Atkinson, and a near relative of Judge Roger A. Pryor, also the Mayos on her maternal side; the Blands, McIlwaines, Mentons, Battes and other well-known Virginia families. Mrs. Mayo lived at her late residence for twenty years, and was a resident of the city for seventy-three years. She was a woman of remarkable originality and strong of mind. She was possessed of a very retentive memory, and could tell, in the most interesting manner, of the experiences of her long life and many reminiscences of the city and its old inhabitants, many of whom are long since dead.

No one had more warm personal friends than she, and because of her lively and interesting conversation was always a welcome visitor.

Until a few months back she was active in both body and mind, and visited her friends all over the city. During the war Mrs. Mayo devoted herself to nursing the wounded Confederates in the City Hospital, and she was a fearless visitor in stricken families during the terrible scourge of small-pox which swept this city many years ago.

Mrs. Mayo was a devout Christian, and for many years an active member in all the affairs of the First Presbyterian church. Her funeral will take place from this church at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

THE SCHOOL BOOK QUESTION.

Governor O'Ferrall and Attorney-General Scott Again Reply to the Pilot.

The Virginia School Book Question is the title of a pamphlet just from the press. It contains the replies of Governor O'Ferrall and Attorney-General Scott to the charges made by the Norfolk Pilot that the public school book list for 1894 was adopted by the Board of Education with "indecent and unseemly haste."

The first reply was made December 27, 1894, and was published in full in The Times at that time. The main object of this paper was to prove that no changes were made in the school book list, because the Superintendents of the various counties and cities of the State were practically unanimous in their reports that the existing list was satisfactory and no changes were desired.

The pamphlet contains, also, a second reply, under the date of February 14, 1895, which gives the result of an examination to ascertain whether the patrons of Virginia schools are paying more for books than the patrons of the schools in other States. They present a schedule of prices in the various States and Territories with which the American Book Company and the University Publishing Company have contracts. This list only shows three books which reach the children at lower prices than in Virginia—two in Maryland and one in West Virginia—and of these they gave a bountiful explanation.

In closing, the reply says: "We have made to you a full and complete statement, withholding nothing. The facts demonstrate that it is not true that 'Virginia has been outrageously defrauded,' and that her contracts for school books are 'so iniquitous, and the discrimination against her so obvious and outrageous as to bear upon their faces the badges of fraud and corruption,' as has been charged. In our investigation we have found no discrimination against Virginia.

"The patrons of our public schools would have just cause of complaint had the Board of Education listened to the clamor of rival publishing companies, whose paid agents thronged the city of Richmond last spring, and discarded the books which their children had used for many years—books which have stood the test of the school-room and proved satisfactory to superintendents and teachers—to introduce others at heavy cost."

NO SITE SELECTED.

The Committee Return Thanks and Express Willingness to Try it Again.

The committee having in charge the selection of a site for the proposed removal of the Union Theological Seminary from Hampden-Sidney to Richmond, after examining all the sites offered, held a meeting at the First Presbyterian church yesterday, and after a careful consideration summed up the situation in the following resolutions, which they passed and then adjourned:

"Whereas the Committee of the Board of Directors has been called to meet in this city by its chairman, at the request of the committee of the Ministers' Association of Richmond, for the purpose of viewing sites and taking into consideration propositions that have been made by varous parties who desire to have the seminary located in or near the city of Richmond; and, whereas the committee, after viewing the several sites, is favorably impressed with a number of them, and desires time and opportunity for fuller inspection and consideration of the same under more suitable conditions; therefore, be it

"Resolved, first, That the committee expresses its thanks to the companies and individuals who have made the offers in question, and also to the committee of the Ministers' Association.

"Resolved, second, That the committee expresses its readiness to meet again in Richmond for the purpose stated on the call of the chairman."

Foot-Prints of George Washington.

The seventh Star Course Entertainment at the Young Men's Christian Association will take place on Tuesday evening, February 19th. The patrons of the course will have another opportunity of hearing the celebrated lecturer and traveller, Mr. H. H. Ragan, whom so many enjoyed last year in his well-known lecture, "Paris, the Magnificent." He will deliver this season his popular lecture entitled "Footprints of George Washington," illustrated by magnificent stereopticon views. This will be especially interesting to the people of Richmond, as Mr. Ragan visited this section last summer, photographing many interesting points in and about this city, scenes which will be thrown on the canvass and notes given as to their association with the "Father of Our Country."

Seats may be reserved, beginning this morning, at 8 o'clock. No single admissions will be sold. The entertainment committee have kindly offered the remaining four entertainments, including the one by Mr. Ragan, for sale for the price of $2, including two seats. Those wishing to take advantage of this offer should secure their tickets at once.

Daughters of the Revolution.

A full meeting of the Old Dominion Chapter of Daughters of the Revolution met yesterday in the rooms of the Virginia Historical Society. After the routine business Mrs. James Lyons, who is a member of the National Advisory Board, announced that she had asked for the honor of seconding the nomination of Mrs. Nathaniel B. Hogg, of Allegheny, Pa., for the position of president general of the Daughters of the American Revolution before the congress of 1895. The Old Dominion Chapter expressed their unanimous approval of this nomination by a resolution to that effect.

The chapter was greatly entertained and interested in a paper on "Parliamentary Rulings" read by Mrs. Stephen Putney.

Among the members who will attend the congress at Washington on the 19th are the State Regent, Mrs. William Wirt Henry; Mrs. James Lyons, and Delegates Mrs. B. L. Purcell, Mrs. Reginald Gilham, and Mrs. Decatur Axtell.

Moments at the Monitor.

Notwithstanding the fact that there was quite a thaw yesterday, a great many ladies and gentlemen from the city availed themselves of the excellent skating near the monitor fleet.

Owing to the fact that the steam launch cannot navigate the river persons from the fleet who wish to visit the city walk up and down the river on the ice.

Mr. Benjamin Holdsworth, who in walking in the fleet several days ago fell and broke his collar-bone, is improving very fast under the care of Surgeon Kite.

Mr. Oscar Myers will lead to the altar a well-known Richmond lady in March.

Mr. John C. Page, who had a narrow escape from drowning a few evenings since in walking down the river and breaking through, has entirely recovered from the effects of his undesirable bath.

Approved by the Mayor.

Mayor R. M. Taylor has approved the following resolutions passed by both branches of the City Council:

A resolution providing for the payment of the $1,500 judgment against Charles E. Bolling, Superintendent of the Water Works, in favor of T. M. Landers.

A resolution appropriating $250 for the establishing of a fire-alarm box on Belle Isle.

Resolutions appropriating $1,000 for the City Mission to purchase coal for the white poor and $500 to purchase coal for the colored poor.

The Mayor also approved an ordinance authorizing the Committee on Cemeteries to sell a section in River-View cemetery to the Masonic order for $150.

Levy & Davis' Accounts.

Mr. Charles Strauss, trustee for the late firm of Levy & Davis, has written to The Times saying that the statement that Julius Meyer & Sons had purchased the bills and accounts of Levy & Davis was an error.

Mr. E. A. Ezekiel, formerly manager for Levy & Davis, has accepted a position at Meyer's, and he is authorized to collect the debts of Levy & Davis.

Contracts Awarded.

The State Library Board of Building Commissioners met yesterday in the Executive chamber, and awarded the contract for the furnishing of shelving for the law library and file and document cases for the clerk's office of the Court of Appeals in the new Library building to the Robert Mitchell Furniture Company, of Cincinnati, for $2,350.

Hollywood Memorial.

There was a meeting of the Hollywood Memorial Association yesterday evening at No. 104 north Fifth street.

A letter was read from the Daughters of the Confederacy, of Nashville, Tenn., proposing a union of the two associations, which was laid over for further consideration until the next meeting. There was a good attendance present, and much interest evinced in the proceedings.

Hurt While Coasting.

Richard, the ten-year-old son of High Constable E. C. Garrison, while coasting with some boys on Thursday was run into by a sled and painfully, but not seriously, hurt. He received some severe cuts and bruises, but was doing nicely yesterday.

A Joint Session.

The joint committees of the Richmond and Manchester City Councils will meet in this city in room No. 5 of the City Hall on next Monday evening and consider the question of uniting the two cities under one government.

Property Transfers.

Henrico: M. C. and J. M. Fourqurean to J. W. Elliott, lots 18, 19 and 20, in square 12, Chestnut Hill, to correct error, $1,200; Charles K. Willis and wife to F. C. Ramkey, Jr., 42 feet on north side Blair street, $1,250.

Office of the Old Dominion Steamship Co.,
February 13, 1895.

The steamship Guyandottee will leave West Point next Saturday evening, arriving in New York Sunday evening. Freight will be received at the Southern Railway Company's depot until 2 o'clock Saturday.

GEORGE W. ALLEN & CO.,
Agents.

The Event

of the year: special sale of Furniture. Must close out about $5,000 worth of choice, fresh stock to make room. Look out for notice in next Sunday's issue.

SYDNOR & HUNDLEY,
Leaders in Furniture.

An Opportunity.

WAIT FOR IT. YOU WILL SAVE MONEY.

Our elegant stock of choice Furniture; must close out about $5,000 worth to make room for rolling goods. Notice of sale in next Sunday's issue.

SYDNOR & HUNDLEY,
Leaders in Furniture.

No Ice.

I want every man and woman in the United States interested in the Opium and Whisky Habits to have one of my books on these diseases. Address B. M. WOOLLEY, Atlanta, Ga., Box 350, and one will be sent free.

HAS HIS COMMISSION.

ALONZO L. PHILLIPS IS NOW BRIGADIER-GENERAL DE FACTO.

He Passed His Examination Yesterday Afternoon and Was Serenaded Last Night. Will Colonel Jones Resign?

The military cauldron continues to boil over, and those interested in the various organizations are vainly striving at present to penetrate the chaos that is reigning supreme all over the city, but the result so far has been anything but encouraging. The uncertainty as to the outcome of the court of inquiry has not yet been lifted, the Governor still having the matter under consideration. He is closely scrutinizing the voluminous testimony, and his decision is eagerly looked for by all concerned.

Although Colonel Jones has declared recently in the most positive terms that he did not intend to resign the command of the First Regiment, it is well known that he has not always held this positive position, for he has even gone so far as to admit that on last Saturday, while attending the meeting of the field officers at the Exchange Hotel, he had made the remark that he thought he would have to resign his position. Since then, however, several days have elapsed and various things have happened in the military arena, so that at this moment it cannot be surmised with any degree of certainty whether he still adheres to this idea. One thing, however, seems to be reasonable to suppose—that whatever the decision of Colonel Jones may be, it will be followed by Major J. H. Derbyshire, who has been very closely affiliated with him for more than twenty years.

Nothing new could be ascertained yesterday as to the rumor that the first regiment would be soon disbanded, so that it might be reorganized and reinforced by the two companies that at present form the Blues' Battalion. Governor O'Ferrall remarked yesterday that he had no knowledge of any authority for disbanding the two organizations, other than that to be exercised by himself, under certain conditions prescribed by the laws of the State.

RECEIVED HIS COMMISSION.

Whatever some people may say in regard to the election of brigadier-general, the fact remains that General Alonzo Phillips has taken possession of that office. Yesterday afternoon he called at the office of the Adjutant-General, passed his examination and received his commission. He has offered positions on his staff to several prominent citizens of Richmond, who now have the matter under consideration. As soon as all the appointments have been accepted, they will be made known to the public.

The Richmond Grays, Company A, First Regiment, commanded by Captain C. Gray Bossieux, First Lieutenant J. H. Goode and Second Lieutenant T. L. Jeter, and headed by the Blues' band, left the regimental armory last evening at 9:45 o'clock and marched to the residence of General Phillips to express their gratification over his well-deserved promotion by a serenade. They were ushered into the house, where they were greeted by General Phillips with a few feeling remarks, thanking them for the honor and compliment conferred upon him, to which Captain Bossieux briefly replied. The band played a number of appropriate tunes, and the members sang several songs, interspersed with solos, among them one by Captain Bossieux. General Phillips' little daughter also added to the entertainment by playing for the military visitors on the piano and singing a well-known song. An hour was spent in the most pleasant manner, and the host became convinced anew that he still possessed many warm friends among the members of the regiment.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S VIEWS.

I asked Attorney-General Scott yesterday what he thought of the questions raised regarding the cavalry regiment formation and the consequent question of the legality of the vote of the field officers of that regiment in the recent election of brigadier-general. He said he had not followed the controversy close enough to give any opinion, even had he looked into the statute on the subject, which he had not. He said, however, that they were plain, and he saw nothing else for the military to do than to follow them closely.

He further said that he would not be able to give an opinion without a close scrutiny of the law, and that even then he would have to refrain from expressing an opinion, as it was possible that he might be called on by the military to give an opinion officially.

SOL. SMITH RUSSELL.

A Large Audience Delighted at the Academy of Music Last Evening.

Full of recollections of the delightful performances of the role of "Dr. Douglass" in Coleman's comedy, The Heir-at-Law, by John Sleeper Clarke and Joseph Jefferson, a large and representative audience greeted Mr. Sol Smith Russell in that character at the Academy of Music last night. Much was expected of this charming actor, who essayed such an ambitious role, and to judge from the frequent laughter and applause which greeted his every entrance, speech and exit, his listeners were not disappointed. Mr. Russell's conception of the part of the old Doctor, "full of wise saws and modern instances," is most pleasing, and his efforts were ably seconded by a capable company.

In response to a most hearty and cordial call before the curtain, Mr. Russell made a brief but pleasing speech, modestly referring to his desire to revive the old comedies, which are seldom seen nowadays, and telling of his intentions to put on "The Rivals" next season. He also acknowledged his great indebtedness to Mr. Joseph Jefferson for the gift of the costume and wig of the part of "Dr. Douglass," together with the prompt book of the play of "The Heir-at-Law" and the incidental music of the piece.

The mention of the name of Mr. Jefferson brought forth hearty applause. The principals of the cast supporting Mr. Russell, all of whom were faithful in their interpretations, were Mr. Charles Sailley as Lord Duberly, Mr. Charles Mackay as Dick Dawlas, Mr. Alfred Hudson as Zekiel Homespun, Miss Harriet Ford as Cicely Homespun, Miss Kate Ryan as Lady Duberly, and Miss Stella Boniface as Caroline Darmer.

At the matinee to-day Mr. Russell will be seen as "Hosea Howe" in "Peaceful Valley" and at the evening performance as "Noah Vale" in "A Poor Relation." In both these plays he has won great and well-deserved fame and popularity.

OUR WATER GAS PLANT.

It is Badly Planned, Conceived and Constructed.

The regular meeting of the Committee on Light was held last evening in Room No. 12 of the City Hall, with the following members in attendance: Messrs. Grimes (chairman), Davis, Vaughan, Hardwick, Caskie, Branch, Starke, Noble and Wallerstein.

The report of Superintendent Adams showed that during the past month 25,451,142 cubic feet of gas were consumed, costing forty-three cents per 1,000 cubic feet and fifteen cents for distributing, while the consumption of gas during the corresponding month of last year was 21,562,190 cubic feet.

The funds required for next month's pay-roll are estimated at $5,400.

Mr. Arthur Glasgow, a former resident of Richmond, who at present erects water gas plants in Europe, was present, and made a lengthy statement in regard to the manufacture of water gas. He claimed that if Mr. Adams made the very best water gas, and it was not properly distributed and burned, it would not give satisfaction. Even a bad burner would impair the illuminating quality 50 to 75 per cent. Coal gas could not be made to any satisfaction of a higher candle power than twenty, while water gas could safely be made of thirty candle power.

Water gas plants were taking the place of coal gas plants everywhere. Chicago and Baltimore burned water gas altogether, while New York, Philadelphia and other big cities used large proportions of water gas.

Mr. Glasgow said Richmond had the worst water gas plant he had ever seen; it was badly planned, conceived and constructed. The new purifiers, however, were doing excellent work. In his opinion, the city could well operate a separate gas holder in the western part of the city by having a district main running to it, but he did not believe this could be done satisfactorily with the present mains, which were now too small to render an even distribution of the gas.

After the committee had rendered a vote of thanks for his information, Mr. Caskie moved to refer the paper from the Board of Aldermen in reference to the alleged high gas bills rendered during the past month to the Superintendent of the Gas Works and the gas inspectors for a written report to the committee at its next meeting. This was agreed to.

The resolution cancelling delinquent gas bills up to January 1, 1892, was referred to the City Attorney for his opinion.

Mr. Davis moved to cancel the electric light contract and to instruct the superintendent to light the streets by gas after April 1, 1895. The matter was laid upon the table until the next meeting.

The matter concerning the sale of coke from the gas-house by the negro B. Townes was taken up, and, on Mr. Noble's motion, laid over until the next meeting.

The usual number of bills and the payroll of the department were approved, and after the transaction of some unimportant routine business, the committee adjourned.

TO IMPROVE THE STREETS.

The Committee Disposes of the Usual Amount of Routine Business.

The Committee on Streets held its regular semi-monthly meeting in Room No. 5 of the City Hall last evening. There were present Messrs. McDowell (subchairman), Ferriter, Page, Mann, Diacont, King, Branks, and Bloomberg. Mr. Boykin was reported out of town and Mr. Allen was detained elsewhere by business.

Allegations were heard for the grading and paving of the alley between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth and Broad and Marshall streets. The majority of adjacent property owners being opposed to the improvement, the petition was rejected. Permission was given to the Fire Commissioners to fill up the alley with gravel at their own expense.

Allegations were also held for the grading and paving of the alley between Graham and Hancock and Catharine and Clay streets.

On motion of Mr. Blanks, it was decided to have the alley paved from Oak to Hancock street, one square instead of two, as originally intended.

A petition for the extension of the electric car line on Broad street westwardly to the Exposition buildings was, on motion of Mr. Mann, laid on the table.

It was stated on behalf of the City Engineer's department, that the time for the finishing of the contract of Mr. E. R. Goodwin in regard to the paving of streets had expired on February 15th, and that a great deal of the work remained undone.

On motion of Mr. Mann, the time was extended until April 1st.

Colonel Cutshaw stated that the ordinances concerning the street department had been put in shape and were ready to be approved by the full committee. They will be considered at the next meeting.

The resolution in regard to the closing of the alley between Plum and Harvie streets and Floyd and Grove avenues was referred back to the Council, with the recommendation that it be passed over the veto of the Mayor.

The contract for the paving of the alley between Graham and Gilmer and Marshall and Clay streets was awarded to Mr. John C. Winebrunn as the lowest bidder.

Colonel Cutshaw explained that among the maps of the Engineer's department some drawings of the Pamunkey river, Chesterfield, etc., had been found. They were, on motion of Mr. Mann, turned over to the Virginia Historical Society.

On motion of Mr. Mann, the committee decided to recommend to the Council that the sum of $200 be paid to Mrs. Carter for the removal of her house on Meadow street and Park avenue, in Lee District, which had been necessitated by the opening and grading of the streets in that locality.

On motion of Mr. Mann, the City Engineer was instructed to have the hands and carts of the street department remove the snow from Cary street, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets.

THE GOOD TEMPLARS.

District Lodge Number One Holds an Interesting Meeting at Belvidere Hall.

District Lodge, No. 1, I. O. G. T., met in Belvidere Hall yesterday afternoon at 3:15 o'clock, as the guests of Sidney Lodge, for their annual meeting, and was called to order by District Councillor Holland, and all the officers were present except District Chief Templar Bickers.

Eight lodges responded to roll-call, including Surprise Lodge, of Williamsburg, there being thirty delegates, and the same number of alternates.

The reports of the committees were of unusual interest, and especially that of the executive committee.

Banners were awarded as follows:

First—Initiation, to Surprise Lodge, of Williamsburg; second—full delegation, coupled with largest initiation, Sidney Lodge; third—largest per cent. of attendance, to Williamsburg.

The Lodge closed a most pleasant and harmonious session at 10:40, leaving it with the executive committee to designate the place of meeting in May.

Supreme Court of Appeals.

Porterfield vs. Commonwealth. Writ of error and supersedeas awarded to a judgment rendered by the Hustings Court of Radford, on December, 1894.

Williamson against Commonwealth, writ of error and supersedeas awarded to a judgment rendered by the Corporation Court of Danville at the December term, 1894.

Easley vs. Valley Mutual Life Association. Argued by John N. Opie, Esq., for plaintiff in error, and Messrs. Thomas C. Elder and George M. Cochran for defendant in error, and submitted.

On Monday Wilson vs. Carpenter, No. 37 on privileged docket, will be at bar.

Here's How He Got the China.

In the Police Court yesterday morning Keeling Johnson appeared before Justice Crutchfield, charged with having in his possession a lot of chinaware, supposed to be stolen. The case was continued until the 23d, and Johnson was admitted to $500 bail.

The accused was arrested by Sergeant Tomlinson Thursday morning, when he was trying to pawn some of the china. He claimed that the china was given to his wife by a party in Norwich, Conn., and also by a party in New London, Conn. On a number of the articles the names of A. C. Tyler and T. L. Osgood were found. The former is said to live in New London and the latter in Norwich. Both parties have been notified.

Last night Sergeant Tomlinson received a telegram from John A. Bowen, chief of police of Norwich, Conn., stating that Osgood's residence had been robbed. A warrant will be sworn out for Johnson, and he will be re-arrested and held here until sent for by the police authorities from Norwich.

Henrico News.

Justice Larus yesterday morning tried Henry Brown for threatening to kill his wife, and in default of security in the sum of $300 sent him to jail for twelve months.

Later in the day application for a writ of habeas corpus was sued out by Mr. Beveridge on the ground that the justice trying the case had no jurisdiction, he being a resident of the city.

Judge Wickham fined Edward Taliaferro $5 in court yesterday for resisting Officer Branch while in the discharge of his duty.

Constable Samuels went to the house of B. F. Johnson on Nicholson street, Fulton, yesterday morning to investigate rumors regarding the destitute condition of the family and found the husband, wife and four children in a suffering condition from poverty and privation. He procured some provisions for the family, and is endeavoring to bring the case to the notice of some charitably disposed persons.

Hustings Court.

In the Hustings Court yesterday the following cases were disposed of:

John Lincoln, alias John Thomas, was sent to the penitentiary for two years for malicious assault, and was also sent to jail for fifteen days on a charge of petit larceny.

Mr. Louis Warrock, of Wilmington, N. C., is visiting friends in this city.

COMPLETES ONE YEAR.

LAUREL LITERARY AND ATHLETIC CLUB ENTERTAINS ITS FRIENDS.

An Elegant Reception Held in the New Club House—Many Prominent People Were Present—Other News.

MANCHESTER BUREAU RICHMOND TIMES,
No. 1121 HULL STREET, BEATTIE BLOCK.

The Laurel Literary and Athletic Club celebrated their first anniversary last night in their new clubhouse, which was formerly the residence of ex-Mayor Tayler, at the corner of Tenth and Porter streets.

The club was organized a year ago at the residence of Mr. J. M. Graves, and at first it secured a room on Hull street. Last August the club moved into its present quarters, which have been fitted up with perfect club appointments. Last night the building was brilliantly lighted and beautifully decorated.

When the guests had assembled they were welcomed in a few well chosen remarks by Mr. F. Merchant, president of the club. The Paragon Mandolin Quartette and Guitar Club rendered some beautiful music.

About 10:30 o'clock a sumptuous supper was served, which was heartily enjoyed. Mayor Maurice responded to the toast of "The Club," Judge Clopton to the toast of "Our Lady Friends," and Mr. Ben Owens to "The Press." The evening socially was a perfect success, and the club is to be congratulated. The following were some of those present:

Ladies—Mrs. Judge J. H. Ingram, Mrs. John O'Brien, Mrs. Pitt, Mrs. Van Houten, Mrs. Clopton, Mrs. J. L. Walker, Mrs. J. M. Graves, Misses Eula Holt, Aleese Taylor, Lizzie Rogers, Jennie Pelouze, Blanche Fuqua, Coley Lovell, Maude Clayton, Florence Evans, Minnie Weisiger, Cora Drawbaugh of Pennsylvania, Lizzie Graves, Bessie Read, Mollie Gregory, Fannie Shotwell, and Alma Owens.

Gentlemen—Judge J. H. Ingram, John O'Brien, Benjamin P. Owen, Judge William L. Clopton, Mayor H. A. Maurice, W. T. Pitt, Rev. C. N. Van Houten, Rev. J. J. Clopton, J. L. Hill, J. Walker, J. M. Graves, F. Merchant, F. Hobson, C. R. Craig, James L. Rogers, R. W. O'Brien, C. R. McRae, Coalter Lamb, W. B. Freeman, H. P. Brandis, R. Pilsen, R. A. Vaden, F. H. DuVal, Benjamin Merchant, R. C. Petzold, B. Smith, A. Williamson, W. H. Owens, H. S. Bradley, and Stewart Blanton.

Yesterday Frank Gilroy, an account of whose being found in a half frozen condition on the farm of Mr. Bradley, not far from Manchester, and who has since been under the care of Dr. Whitfield, was, through the efforts of several gentlemen of Richmond and Manchester, taken to the Hospital of the Medical College of Virginia, in Richmond. Young Gilroy's case is one which has excited the deepest sympathy of citizens on both sides of the river. Late last evening his condition was pronounced to be extremely serious by Dr. Sherwood Tabb, who, in conjunction with Dr. George Ben Johnston, has charge of the hospital. Dr. Tabb stated that while he had not yet been able to make a thorough examination of the case, yet he had sufficiently looked into it to discover that gangrene had set in in his frozen hands and feet, but he was not able at this time to tell what kind of an operation would be necessary. Mr. Gilroy is from Baltimore, where he belongs to a well-known and respectable family, and on Thursday night his brother, Mr. Stephen Gilroy, came down from that city to see about him.

The management of the Medical College of Virginia, with the most commendable promptness and humanity, agreed to take him there and to treat his case absolutely without compensation, giving him the same care and attention that they would were he a millionaire, and he will lack for nothing that can possibly save his life.

At a late hour last night Gilroy was resting easily.

Mayor Maurice disposed of the following business in his court yesterday:

Emmet Harris (colored), charged with interfering with the business of Mr. W. B. Reams and throwing rocks at him, was fined $2 and costs.

Charles Baugh, Willie Baugh, Willie Harris and Claud Armstead (all colored), charged with the same offence, were fined $1 each and costs, with the exception of Willie Baugh, who was discharged.

The "experience party" given by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church Thursday night was quite a success. The "experiences," as read by the different members, were excellent and highly enjoyed. A neat sum was realized.

Messrs. Thomas J. Latin and William Robinson have left for Gayton, where they expect to engage in business.

Miss Annie Bolone, of Quincy, Fla., who has been visiting Miss Lena Morrissett, on Porter street, has returned home, accompanied by Miss Lena.

The Manchester Junior German Club gave a german last night at the residcene of Mrs. Holland, upper Bainbridge street.

Messrs. J. E. McCallister, Thomas Morris and James Bradshaw are the members from Manchester of the committee of engineers in Washington from the Southern Railway Company.

The funeral of Mrs. R. G. Hatcher took place yesterday from her late home, in Chesterfield county, near Drewry's Bluff.

Harry D., infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Smith, Jr., died at his father's residence Wednesday. His funeral took place Thursday from the residence at 2 o'clock, and services were conducted by Rev. W. R. Haight, and the remains were interred in Maury cemetery.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Interesting Facts About Richmond's Citizens and Other Matters.

Mr. Joseph Heeke is sick with the grip.

Mr. Marion R. Watts, of Staunton, is in the city.

Mr. D. H. Pyle, who has been suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism, is much improved.

Mr. Samuel D. Alston, who has been quite sick at his home on Twenty-second street, is improving.

James Moore, of Aldie, Va., and Jennie Barron, of Fairfax county, were married in Washington Thursday.

Miss Maggie Courtney, who has been visiting for the past six weeks in the North, returned home last Tuesday.

A large number of persons have been reported by the police for failing to clean the snow from in front of their premises.

Howard Swineford & Co. are the agents for the Equitable Life Assurance Society, and not the Mutual Life, as published in The Times of yesterday.

A. C. Cromwell, sheriff of Norfolk county; E. E. Gray, sheriff of Fauquier, and C. S. Bagby, deputy sheriff of Lunenburg, were at the Capitol yesterday.

An address on "The Life, Benefactions and Influence of George Peabody" will be given on Sunday, at 8 P. M., in Belvidere Hall, by Rev. Joseph M. Leaton. All are cordially invited.

Rev. Edward L. Pell will deliver his regular weekly lecture on the Sunday school lesson at the Young Men's Christain Association this afternoon at 5 o'clock. All are invited.

A meeting of the stockholders of the S. Galeski Optical Company was held Thursday night, and the old board of directors were re-elected. The company decided to begin the wholesale and jobbing business.

On Wednesday, while a party of young men were skating on the river below the city, Viraie Hicks, a painter, residing in the eastern end of the city, broke through while in the middle of the river. He was rescued by Messrs. Sidney Burnett and Stonewall Tyler.

Mr. F. Deane Meanley, who for a number of years was assistant freight agent of the Atlantic Coast Line, but recently was appointed commercial freight agent of the Norfolk and Western railroad, was presented by the employes of the Coast Line Thursday with a handsome pair of sleeve-buttons and a set of studs.

Mr. William H. Baldwin, president of the Young Men's Union, Boston, Mass., upon the invitation of the Liberal Church League of this city, delivered an address upon "Our Duty to the Young Men" at Belvidere Hall last night. There was a good crowd present, which expressed their appreciation of the theme by frequent applause.

Mr. Williams' Views.

Mr. John L. Williams, the well-known Richmond banker, who has been so long identified with the financial interests of the South, in a letter to the Manufacturers' Record discussing the financial question, says:

"A popular issue of $500,000,000 of small bonds commends itself to me as wise, patriotic and timely; the bonds to be long-date, payable in gold, and to be purchased with United States notes, the notes to be cancelled as soon as taken in. The bonds would be, in the hands of the people, as good as gold, and would be bought and kept instead of hoarding gold; and every holder of a bond would be personally and pecuniarily interested in the peace and good credit of our country. This fact would be a strong confirmation of the public credit.

"But immediately on this must come a sound banking system under the control of the general government. Ninety-five per cent. of the business of our country is done in exchanges and by entries and transfers on the ledgers of banking institutions. If their responsibility and the safety of their bills is made sure, gold will be with us almost an abstraction, little more tangible than the arc of the great circle on which the metric system is based.

"The desire of the South and West to make a silver and gold dollar of equal value is about as fallacious as the effort of the northern people to make a black and white man one and the same—equal as well as free."

Detective Norris to Leave.

Detective John T. Norris will leave at noon to-day for Ohio, but will return at Parker's trial, at the March term of court. I met him at the Ford House last night, when he said that he went away from Richmond with no ill feeling towards any of its citizens for bringing about his late unpleasant relations with the authorities, when he first arrived in the city. He attributes it all to a misunderstanding between himself and the Commonwealth's attorney, coupled with misrepresentations made to Mr. Smith by persons whom he had trusted.

Mr. Norris speaks very flatteringly of the treatment he has received from all with whom he has been thrown in contact while in Richmond.

OBITUARY.

EARNEST REYNOLDS.

Mr. Earnest Reynolds died at an early hour yesterday morning, at the Retreat for the Sick. He was about thirty-five years of age, and engaged in the tobacco trade. He was a brother of Mr. W. H. Reynolds, receiving clerk at the Western Union Telegraph office.

His funeral will take place at 3:30 P. M. Sunday, from his late residence, No. 718 east Clay street.

HON. JAMES HODGES.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 15.—Hon. James Hodges, one of Baltimore's most distinguished citizens, died to-night. He was seventy-two years of age. For fifty years he had been the senior member of the firm of Hodges Brothers, well known to merchants in the Southern States. Mr. Hodges held many positions, public and corporate. In 1885 he was elected Mayor of Baltimore and in 1887 received a considerable vote in the nominating convention for Governor. President Hayes appointed him honorary commissioner to represent Maryland at the International Exposition at Paris in 1878, and President Harrison appointed him a member of the World's Columbian Commission for Maryland.

JUDGE JOHN HANDLEY.

SCRANTON, PA., Feb. 15.—Judge John Handley, late presiding judge of the Forty-fifth Pennsylvania district, died this morning from an attack of grip, sustained a month ago. He was sixty-three years of age. Judge Handley leaves an estate valued at several million dollars, located here and at Winchester, Va. His only relative, so far as known, is a brother in Tennessee.

ALABAMA'S STATE DEBT.

The Bill for Refunding it Passes the House and Will Pass the Senate.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., Feb. 15.—The bill for refunding the State debt came up in the House again to-day. When first introduced it provided for refunding, but the gold clause was stricken out. After reaching the Senate it was amended and provisions made for small bonds and to be receivable for taxes, the gold clause being put back. The House non-concurred, and asked for a conference committee, which was agreed to. The conference report was submitted in the House this morning. The Government is to advertise for the specified period of three months for bidders in the State, and then for general bids. The tax-receiving clause was stricken out.

The report was hotly debated in the House, but was finally adopted by a vote of 42 for to 41 against. The affirmative vote was entirely Democratic. The negative vote stood: Eleven Democrats, three Republicans and twenty-seven Populists. There is no doubt whatever of its passage in the Senate.

Fourteen Troubadours Arrested.

SAVANNAH, GA., Feb. 15.—Fourteen members of Lottie Collins' troubadours were arrested here to-day on warrants charging them with rioting in Macon, after a performance in that city Wednesday night. The company arrived here from Jacksonville this evening, and was arrested on the train by officers from Macon, who had warrants based on indictments by the grand jury. Bond was finally arranged, and the company gave its performance to-night, and will fill its engagements to-morrow, returning to Macon for trial.

The Blockade Broken.

READING, PA., Feb. 15.—A passenger train from Wilmington, Del., over the Wilmington and Northern railroad, came through to-day. This is the fist train to arrive over that road in eight days. The road is now clear and trains are running on schedule time.

A Preacher Appointed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 15.—The President has appointed the Right Rev. Henry B. Whipple, D. D., Bishop of Minnesota, to be a member of the Board of Indian Commissioners, vice Charles C. Painter, deceased.

Sentenced to Eighteen Years.

BALTIMORE, MD., Feb. 15.—William J. Hasson, who was convicted of murder in the second degree for killing his wife, was this morning sentenced to eighteen years in the penitntiary.

PATRIOTIC DAUGHTERS.

EFFORT TO RESCUE FROM OBLIVION COLONIAL RELICS.

A Musical and Tea by the Daughters of the Revolution—The New England Manufacturers.

NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 15.—Special.—The Daughters of the Revolution gave a musical and tea at the Merrimac Club this evening at 8 o'clock, to raise funds to rescue from oblivion the colonial relicts in this section. Some of the old family grave-yards on farms are now being used for hog pens, and the tombstones for door steps. It is proposed to move these slabs to Norfolk and place them in the church-yard at Old St. Paul's.

The order of the Daughters of the Revolution is four years old, and its president is Mrs. Adlai E. Stevenson. The chapter here has been organized since February, 1894, and was chartered last September. The charter members being Mrs. Hugh N. Page, Mrs. Richard Walke, Mrs. Geo. H.