REFUSED TO BAIL PARKER.

The Case Was Heard Before Judge Mullen in Petersburg.

OLD NORRIS ON THE WITNESS STAND.

Evidence Showing That the Gold Brick Man Has Jumped His Bail Before—Efforts Being Made to Prevent Withers From Prosecuting.

Parker, the gold brick man, was refused bail in Petersburg yesterday, and will now remain in Henrico county jail until the 15th instant, when his case will come up for trial. No look of sorrow or disappointment rested on his handsome face as he crossed the platform at the Union Depot last evening to a hack in waiting to return him to jail. Indeed, he seemed least excited of any of the returning party, and smoked a cigar with an entirely careless air, as he accompanied Jailer Lew Fussell to the vehicle, attached to that officer's arm by a handcuff, and Sheriff Simon Solomon following near.

WENT TO PETERSBURG.

Quite a large party went over from Richmond to Petersburg on the 2-o'clock train, among whom, besides the counsel and witnesses in the case were: W. P. DeSaussure, Major Poe, chief of police; Detectives Tomlinson, Hall and Schleif; Allen Stokes, A. W. Withers, the victim of the gold brick swindle; Sport Emery, who has been so solicitous of Parker's welfare; Louis Betts, and other sporting men.

On arrival at Petersburg, the prisoner was driven to the Hustings Court in a hack, and at 4 o'clock was brought before Judge J. M. Mullen on a writ of habeas corpus for bail.

Such was the desire on the part of the public to see the notorious criminal and hear the evidence in the case, that the court-room was crowded to overflowing, and the bar was filled so closely that the counsel were hedged in, and scarcely able to find room to stand when they spoke.

Mr. Louis Wendenburg and Mr. Hill Carter, of Richmond, and Mr. Alex. Hamilton, and Mr. Richard B. Davis, of Petersburg, represented the prisoner, and Commonwealth's Attorney H. M. Smith, Jr., of this city, and Mr. E. B Thomason, who is assisting Mr. Conway R. Sands, Commonwealth's Attorney of Henrico, in this case, appeared for the Commonwealth.

MR. SANDS SICK.

Mr. Sands is confined to his home by sickness, and Mr. Smith informed the court that he had Dr. McGuire's certificate testifying to his inability to be present on this account, and asked for a continuance for a few days.

Mr. Carter opposed the continuance asked for by Mr. Smith, and said he thought Mr. Smith and Mr. Thomason were intelligent lawyers and sufficiently able to conduct their case in the absence of Mr. Sands. Mr. Smith contended that the continuance he had asked for was simply a courtesy that was due to an officer of the court. Judge Mullen said he would not go into the case unless the Commonwealth should be fully and ably represented, and that he did not know what the grounds for bail would be.

In reply to what had been stated by Judge Mullen, Mr. Smith said that the Commonwealth would be prejudiced by going into a trial of the case in the absence of Mr. Sands. After some further argument on this line, the Court declined to grant a continuance, and the examination of witnesses was proceeded with.

The charge against the prisoner was that of obtaining $5,000 under false pretences. The first witness called to the stand was Mr. Stanford, of Cincinnati, who testified that he was Superintendent of the Identification Bureau of Cincinnati, which office he had held for the past sixteen or seventeen years, and that he had been connected with the police department. He had known Frank L. Smith, the prisoner at the bar, for the past ten years. He went by the alias of B. F. Chase. About the middle of September, 1889, witness saw the prisoner in jail at Laport, Ind., where he was being held for the authorities of Illinois. He told witness that his name was Frank L. Smith, and that he was wanted in Ottawa, Illinois. He did not tell witness what he was wanted for. On cross-examination, witness said he had a passing acquaintance with the prisoner. In answer to a question by Mr. Wendenburg, Crawford said he was sent for by Mr. Sands to testify in this case.

Mr. E. R. Chesterman, private secretary to the Governor, testified that he had in his possession four requisitions for the person of Frank L. Smith, which he produced in court.

Mr. Alexander Hamilton said the defence had no objection to the Court considering these requisitions, but they did not see what conection they had with this case.

NORRIS ON THE STAND.

Detective John T. Norris was the next witness examined. He testified that he was a private detective strictly for the money that was in it. He produced several requisitions he had for the prisoner from various States in the Union. Judge Mullen said he could not consider the requisitions of Norris, for they were not properly authenticated.

On cross-examination Norris was put through a searching examination by Mr. Wendenberg, who found him to be a very wily customer, and his most penetrating questions glanced off the point of the detective's repartee like wooden arrows from steel armor. He made a very amusing witness, and the sallies between the lawyer and the detective were very much enjoyed.

The witness said he had done everything possible to secure the conviction of the prisoner at the bar and should continue so to do. He had nothing to do with the man giving bail. "If Mr. Withers gets his money," said Norris, "I will get fifty per cent. of the amount out of which he has been swindled." In reply to a question by Mr. Wendenburg, Norris said that some years ago in the State of Ohio, he was sent to the penitentiary for getting goods under false pretences, but was there only three months and eleven days when his case was taken to the Supreme Court, where it was decided that he had been illegally convicted.

WOULD NOT TRUST HIMSELF.

Being further questioned by Mr. Wendenburg, witness said he would not convict any man in a court of justice upon the uncorroborated testimony of any detective under the blue-arched heavens, whose only object was to get a reward. The witness included himself. Mr. Wendenburg said to the witness that after his frank admission he would drop him. Mr. Norris replied: "I thank you, sir."

In answer to a question by the court, Norris said he knew the hand-writing of the prisoner. He had letters written by Frank L. Smith to his (Smith's) wife. He had a photograph of the letter written by him to his wife last January. The examination of Norris concluded the testimony for the prosecution.

In addition to the verbal testimony the prosecution submitted a record of the Court of Ottawa, Illinois, bearing the seal of the court and of the State of Illinois, showing that B. F. Chase had forfeited his bail bond for $16,000 to that court in 1889, being $4,000 in each of four indictments. It will be observed that B. F. Chase was identified by Crawford as Frank L. Smith. A copy of a western newspaper, giving a derogatory account of Norris, was offered as testimony against the character of the detective as a witness, but it was overruled by the court. Certain letters by Norris to one Mr. Pugg were admitted as testimony, but they had little bearing on the case.

Dr. Buck, of New York, was the first and only witness called for the defence. He testified that he resided in New York and had been a practicing physician there for the past twenty years. He said he was the attending physician of the prisoner's family. The witness then went on to tell of the illness of the prisoner's mother. He said the condition in which her son is placed had worried on her so that any shock might bring on a fatal attack of heart trouble.

Counsel for the prosecution and defence submitted the case to the court without argument.

Judge Mullen, in rendering his decision in reference to granting the prisoner bail, said that as he understood the object of bail was not to fill the coffers of the State treasury, but to secure the attendance of the prisoner. The Court ought to be very cautious in admitting a prisoner charged with felony to bail. If the Court is satisfied that the prisoner is the same person who forfeited his bail bond of $16,000 in Illinois, then the Court ought not to grant him bail.

Here are four requisitions held by the Governor for Frank L. Smith. All the Court wants to be satisfied on that line, is is the prisoner the man for whom these requisitions have been issued. They may say that this witness Norris is of a disreputable character. From what Norris says it is to his interest for the prisoner to be admitted to bail; that he had never demanded or been denied a speedy trial, and that his trial would come off at a very early date.

BAIL REFUSED.

In conclusion, Judge Mullen said that on account of these facts, and from all the suspicious circumstances that cluster around the case, he could not grant the prisoner bail.

The court then adjourned, and the sheriff with his prisoner, the lawyers, and the balance of the Richmond contingent, arrived at the depot in time to take the 7:30 P. M. train home.

INDICTED IN THE UNITED STATES COURT.

Frank L. Smith alias Parker was in hard luck yesterday, and though unlimited money seems to be at his disposal through his friends, the meshes of the law are gradually but surely drawing around him, and his failure to secure bail yesterday brings a prison for life very close to his eyes.

The grand jury of the United States Circuit Court yesterday brought in an indictment against him for impersonating a United States assayer.

TRYING TO WORK WITHERS.

Perhaps the most interested spectator in the court-room at Petersburg was Mr. A. W. Withers, of Gloucester, who was Parker's victim here in the gold-brick swindle. Mr. Withers, while on the train returning to Richmond last evening, gave a full account of the many efforts made by the friends of Parker to bribe him to withdraw the prosecution. He has been frequently accosted on the street in Richmond by pals of the gold-brick man, and requested to accept a sum of money in excess of his loss in the gold-brick transaction, and to withdraw from the case. Mr. Withers says he knows the names of the parties, but he does not care to give them at this time.

Mr. Withers says he has refused in every case to accept any overtures from them, or to discuss the question, except in the presence of witnesses.

CALLED AT HIS HOME.

About six weeks ago a man called at his home, in Gloucester, and introduced himself as Mr. Sandamay, a lawyer of New York, and made an attempt to buy him off. He made a plea in behalf of Parker's alleged dying mother, who he said had mortgaged her property in order to make restitution for the deed done by he unfortunate son, and offered him the amount he had lost through the gold-brick swindle, with a bonus added. When Mr. Withers asked him how he could prevent the prosecution, the man gave him to understand that they would look after that, if he would only get deathly sick about the time the trial came off. The Commonwealth's Attorney of the county happened to be in the house at the time, and was a witness to the attempt to buy off Withers.

Mr. Withers has been approached time and again by strangers, and offered the return of his money, if he would obey instructions in regard to the coming trial.

Perhaps the most astonishing statement made by Mr. Withers in this connection is that he has had persistent offers from T. C. Campbell, who represents himself as agent of the Snow-Church Company. Campbell offers the return of the $5,000 and interest on it at the remarkable rate of $500 per month. He has evinced a willingness to exceed even this proposal. After several times repeating his propositions, Mr. Campbell left, instructing Mr. Withers that in the event that he should change his mind in the matter, to telegraph him at No. 265 Broadway, New York. He also left a Cincinnati address, to be used after a certain time.

STANDS HIGH.

I asked a lawyer last evening if he knew T. P. Campbell and he replied yes, that he was a lawyer who stood very high in New York city, and he said he was unable to reconcile the statement with Mr. Campbell's past reputation, and that if he had made Withers these offers he had overstepped the bounds of honesty in the profession. Mr. Withers feels very sore of the whole matter, but he intends to fight it through and see that the swindler get his deserts.

He resents the speech of Mr. Wendenburg before Judge Muller in Petersburg last Wednesday, when he was alluded to as a man whose word is below par, and he expressed much disapproval of the manner in which Chief of Police Poe spoke on the witness stand in regard to his truthfulness. Mr. Withers says since Mr. Wendenburg's remarks regarding his veracity were published, he has received numerous letters of sympathy from friends and acquaintances who have known him intimately from his early youth, expressing the utmost confidence of his correspondents in his honor and veracity.

Mr. Withers is greatly pleased with the work done by Sergeant Alex Tomlinson and Detectives Schlief and Johnston in the case. He had offered a reward for the arrest of the swindlers at the time that he reported the affair to the authorities, and after the arrest of Smith alias Parker, paid it according to promise.

Sergeant Tomlinson was unwilling to accept the share Mr. Withers would have given him, because of his being a salaried officer in the employ of the city; so the money was given to the private detectives.

Mr. Withers denies that his dealing with the bogus Indian savored of dishonesty and that he was under the impression at the time that he was buying $23,000 for $5,000, as has been alleged. He declares that he was simply advancing the money as a loan and that he expected to return the gold bricks which he regarded simply as collateral security deposited with him. His object in making the loan was to insure himself a profitable investment in gold-mining stock which he could only obtain by securing the good graces of the red man.

Justice John's Court.

A number of ordinance violations were about the only cases that were brought before Justice Crutchfield yesterday, and about $53 was collected in fines.

The case of Henry Ripon, charged with keeping his bar-room open on last Sunday, was continued until next Thursday.

Walter Woodley (colored) was assessed $2.50 and costs for striking George Kramer with a rock.

John Harman and William Godfrey, white men, were sent to jail for twelve months in default of $100 surety for begging on the street.

The case of Irvin Bridgewater and Leon Bridgewater, charged with beating Richard Meade, was again continued, this time until to-morrow.

Henry Hartken was fined $5 and costs for assaulting and striking Ed. Allison, a dog catcher, while performing his official duty.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Christian Association will be held in the association building, No. 711 east Franklin street, this afternoon at four.

LYNCHBURG'S BIG FIRE.

THE DESTRUCTION OF A PLANING MILL AND BOX FACTORY.

Other Manufacturing Establishments Threatened—Loss, $50,000—Elopement of a Well-Known Society Couple.

LYNCHBURG, VA., April 2.—Special.—An immense fire broke out early this afternoon on the lower basin, where there are located a large number of manufacturing plants. The fire originated in the planing-mill and box-factory of J. H. Adams, Jr. & Bro. The building was filled with dry building material, which, from its combustible nature, burned rapidly and was impossible to extinguish. The flames spread rapidly and were soon communicated to the sash, door and blind factory of B. P. Thornhill and a large drying kiln of John P. Pettijohn, which in turn were also consumed.

The Glamorgan works and pipe foundry were in danger and caught once or twice, but no damage of any importance was sustained. The fire department, although they worked most diligently, were unable to save the buildings. The fire is still burning, but is now under complete control. The total loss is estimated at $50,000, partially covered by insurance.

ELOPEMENT OF YOUNG SOCIETY PEOPLE.

Mr. Robert Dirom and Miss Lizzie Jackson, leading young society people of Lynchburg, left this morning for Washington, accompanied by Mr. Guy Langhorne, where they were married this afternoon. A telegram from Mr. Langhorne announces the fact that the ceremony took place at 5:30 P. M. at the Epiphany church, Rev. Thompson Cole officiating. Objections on the part of the bride's parents, growing out of her youth, were the reasons for the elopement. The young couple are among the most popular of the society folks of the city, and they have the sincerest good wishes of a host of friends.

FATAL ACCIDENT TO A TINNER.

Charlie Brown, a tinner, aged nineteen, met with an accident here to-day, the results of which will prove fatal. He was employed by Thomas H. Dorning & Son to assist in putting a tin roof on the new Traders Bank building, now in course of construction, and while ascending a ladder, lost his footing and fell through three stories on a pile of bricks. His skull was broken in two places, and though he still lives, no hopes are entertained of his recovery.

THE TROLLEY CASE.

The coroner's jury in the case of the killing of Willie Cole by one of the Lynchburg and Riverman Company's trolley cars on yesterday was in session to-day, and after hearing all the evidence in the case, brought in a verdict exonerating the company.

A FATAL DOSE OF LAUDANUM.

William J. Cheatham, a grocery merchant, about thirty-five years of age, took a large dose of laudanum to-night and died from the effects. Financial embarrassment is said to have caused the act.

GATHERING OF RAILROAD MEN.

Meeting of the General Traffic Managers.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., April 2.—Special.—There was a notable gathering of transportation men in this city to-day. Many of them came over from Old Point, where a traffic managers' meeting was held this morning. Among those in the party were M. E. Ingalls, Cincinnati, president of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway; W. P. Walker, Cincinnati, freight traffic manger; G. W. Stevens, general manager; C. E. Doyle, superintendent; E. D. Hotchkiss, general freight agent; L. F. Sullivan, auditor; J. W. Hopkins, Richmond, fuel agent; H. E. Parker, Newport News, terminal superintendent; Oscar G. Murray, Cincinnati, traffic manager Big Four system; F. M. Whitaker, Cincinnati, manager Kanawha Dispatch; A. G. Troup, New York, eastern agent Kanawha Dispatch; W. L. Guillander, New York, traffic manager and vice-president Old Dominion Steamship Company; M. B. Crowell, Norfolk agent same company; J. C. Whitney, Baltimore, traffic manager Merchants' and Miners' Transportation Company; L. C. Saunders, Newport News agent, and R. H. Wright, Norfolk agent same company, and T. M. Emerson, Richmond, traffic agent Atlantic Coast Line.

INSPECTED THE SHIPPING.

The party inspected the shipping facilities of the port, and visited the ship-yard and other places of interest. They were entertained at lunch by the captain of the Chesapeake and Ohio steamship, Greenbrier, which had all her colors flying in honor of the presence of the high officials of the line.

ALLEGED SMUGGLING CASES.

W. Allen Haines, P. J. Mugler and G. T. Uzzle were arrested here to-night by United States Marshal J. H. Perry and Assistant United States Marshal C. C. Crafford on bench warrants issued in Richmond to-day by Judge Hughes, of the United States Court. Their arrest was due to the examination by the United States grand jury at Richmond into the charges against them for alleged smuggling.

HIS TERRIBLE DEATH.

A Colored Boy Caught in the Revolving Shaft—A Big Eagle.

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., April 2.—Special.—Mr. John Hicks and Miss Clara Catlett, of this city, were married this week by the Rev. T. S. Dunaway; also by the same minister, Mr. George Armenian and Miss Virginia Sportman.

Edward Buckner, a colored boy, was instantly killed by being caught on the revolving shaft at the saw-mill of Mr. Whitehouse, in King George county, last Saturday.

A gray eagle that measured six feet five inches from the tip of one wing to the tip of the other was killed at the dam just above this city last Friday by Marion Riley.

Mrs. Laura Baker, a prominent lady of King George, has been stricken with paralysis.

Mrs. Moncure, the widow of the late R. C. L. Moncure, formerly president of the Court of Appeals of this State, is critically ill at her home in Stafford county.

The board of trustees of the Presbyterian Home and School in this city will meet here on Thursday, April 4th, to select the corps of teachers for the collegiate institute for the session of 1895-'6.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Harris, of Culpeper, have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Edna Elizabeth, to Mr. Benjamin P. Willis, an attorney of this city.

The board of directors of the Rappahannock Valley Agricultural and Mechanical Society will hold a meeting here next Friday at 12 o'clock to fix the date for the next fair.

The large granite quarries of Swift & York have opened up work this spring with a force of some forty hands, and are now rushing work ahead to fill the large orders for granite.

DEATH OF MRS. POWELL.

Hon. J. R. Tucker's Mother-in-Law Expires Suddenly—She Was 88.

LEXINGTON, VA., April 2.—Special.—Mrs. A. R. H. Powell, aged eighty-eight, died her to-day suddenly at the residence of her son-in-law, Hon. J. Randolph Tucker. She has been residing here during the past two years with her daughter, Mrs. Tucker, and has been in feeble health, and the cause of death was old age. She is survived by ten children—Mr. R. C. Powell, of Atlanta; Mrs. William Holliday, Easton, Md.; Mrs. George McGruder, Fort Worth, Tex.; Mr. A. S. Powell, State of Washington; Lieutenant P. P. Powell, United States army, New York; Mrs. Senator Charles Gibson, Maryland; Dr. Hunter Powell, Cleveland, O.; Mrs. C. C. McPhail and Mrs. Raleigh Colston, of Richmond, Va.

She was an aunt of Senator Charles J. Faulkner, of West Virginia. Mrs. Powell was a remarkable old lady, and possessed many lovable traits of character. She was a lady of decided literary ability. The funeral takes place in Winchester, Va., Thursday night, and the interment will be at Middleburg, Loudoun county, Friday morning.

THE SANCTIFIED BAND.

The Writ of Error to be Heard by the Circuit Court

ACCOMACK C. H., VA., April 2.—Special.—Public indignation in these parts is universal at the Pilot's publication of the Quinby-Reamy matter last Saturday. It is denounced on the streets, in the churches, by the fireside, and at Onancock, the home of the parties, in a public meeting held Saturday night. The whole town of Onancock asserts that it does not have any foundation, or semblance of truth.

Rev. W. A. Campbell, D. D., of Richmond, Va., a Presbyterian minister, and State agent for Virginia of the Bible Society, held a union meeting in the interest of the society in the Episcopal church here last night. He had quite a large congregation, and the collection taken up was very good. Rev. W. F. Hayes, of the Southern Methodist church, and Rev. Henry L. Derby, of the Episcopal church, were in the chancel with Mr. Campbell, and assisted him in the religious exercises. Rev. J. Manning Dunaway, of the Baptist Church, and Rev. Byron Clark, of the Presbyterian Church, were unavoidably absent.

THE SANCTIFIED BAND.

The regular spring term of our Circuit Court commences to-morrow, when the writ of error to the judgment of the County Court, granted the Sanctified Band of Chincoteague Island, recently convicted of nuisance, will be ready for the argument and decision of the court during the term.

The candidates for the county offices are making earnest efforts for the nomination by the Democratic party, and joint public discussion of their respective claims is now a weekly thing between James H. Fletcher, Jr., and Benj. T. Gunter, Jr., candidates for Commonwealth's Attorney.

Rev. Mr. Thacker, of Oxford, N. C., is assisting Rev. Byron Clark, of the Presbyterian Church, in a very interesting meeting at Clark's chapel, about two miles distant from here. About twelve persons have professed conversion.

COUNTY DETECTIVES.

The matter of a detective for each county to ferret out violations of the criminal laws is discussed by some of our thinking ones as a step in the interest of justice and public economy. Several murders have been committed in this county in late years, which could have been unearthed if the means had been at hand. Some think, instead of a detective for each county, a public fund be set aside by the State for such uses whenever such crimes are committed.

NORFOLK CITY MATTERS.

Organization of the Boat Club and Election of Officers.

NORFOLK, VA., April 2.—Special.—The Norfolk City Boat Club has organized for the season, with the following officers: Edmund S. Ruffin, president; H. S. Herman, vice-president; H. G. Whitehead, treasurer; H. N. Murray, secretary; F. W. McCullough, captain; Taylor Gwathmey, first lieutenant; John B. Jenkins, second lieutenant. The above will constitute the board of governors. The club will enlarge their house by extending it thirty feet further out in the harbor. The property is located at the head of Freemason street, in the West End, the most fashionable part of the city. The building cost about $2,500, and is a very attractive structure. The membership numbers about one hundred and twenty-five, and so successfully has the club been conducted that the president advocates a reduction of dues.

The Rev. Dr. Howerton, recently called to the First Presbyterian church in this city, is making a very favorable impression. He is thirty-four years of age, and a very bright young man of commanding appearance, and is possessed of a graceful manner and easy delivery.

Judge Hanckel has chartered the Lambert's Point Co-operative Labor Union, with a capital of not more than $50,000. The purposes are for the mutual protection and benefit of its members, and to provide a fund with which to conduct business enterprises. William Gale is president.

TO OPEN UP MARKETS WITH THE WEST.

The truckers of Norfolk county are making efforts to open up markets with the West. They hope to be able to sell early spring vegetables to Cincinnati, Cleveland, Detroit, Indianapolis and Chicago. The growers of this section are seeking a market which heretofore has been largely buyers of Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York, where the Norfolk product has been repacked for that territory. They hope to be able to place their goods in the West in original packages, and can make money for the producer and save it for the consumer.

The South Norfolk Machinery Company's works have been destroyed by fire. Loss, about $5,000. The company began operations on the 15th of last December, and has been running steadily ever since, employing about twenty hands.

NORFOLK COUNTY DEMOCRATS.

The Democrats of Norfolk county will nominate a full ticket, and there will be no fusion with the Republicans. The latter have decided to put up a full ticket, and will make an effort to control this county, which has in a measure been under their control for the past twenty-five years.

A SERIOUS FAMILY QUARREL.

During a family row in Norfolk county Sunday, near the corporation line of Portsmouth, John F. Clark and his son-in-law, Samuel W. Hodges, had a fight, with very serious results. Hodges called at the residence of his father-in-law to get a nurse for his wife, who was sick. He had words with his mother-in-law. His father-in-law and brother-in-law resented what he said. A fight followed, in which Clark was beat severely with a stick, and old man Hodges was cut in several places with a pocket-knife. None of the wounds are dangerous.

TO SUE THE PILOT.

Your correspondent is assured this morning that both Mr. Teackel Quinby and Rev. A. J. Reamy will bring suit against the Pilot for damages growing out of the publication of the letter from Bay View. The Pilot makes a full retraction this morning, and the Rev. Mr. Lindsey, of the Presbyterian church at Bay View, who wrote the article, comes out in a letter to the public, and says he reported current rumor, and that he is amazed at himself for doing so. Mr. Quinby is still here, but the Rev. Mr. Reamy has gone home.

KILLED AT A DANCE.

Peter Good, a Bad Staunton Negro, Kills Tabb Perkins.

STAUNTON, VA., April 2.—Special.—There seems to be an epidemic of murderous shooting hereabouts. Two or three parties are in jail charged with felonious shooting. One is on trial to-day, and now comes the news that one Peter Good by name, but of a very bad nature, last night shot and wounded mortally Tabb Perkins. Both are Staunton darkies, who were attending a dance outside the city limits. Good has not been captured, but is on "Betsy Bell," a mountain near by, defying the officers of the law, armed with a Winchester rifle.

W. S. Russell and F. H. Britton, doing a small novelty business, to-day assigned to John A. Alexander as trustee. Figures given place the liabilities at $250; assets not given.

HE WAS NOT DRUGGED.

An Old Man Found at Roanoke Unconscious—Election of Officers.

ROANOKE, VA., April 2.—Special.—At the annual meeting last night the Roanoke Light Infantry elected the following officers: Captain, B. P. Hatcher; First Lieutenant, J. C. Cook; Second Lieutenant, G. H. Bentley; Chaplain, Rev. H. C. Garrison; Treasurer, C. M. Speece; Recording Secretary, T. R. F. Peyton; Financial Secretary, R. C. Jones.

H. J. Williams, an aged citizen of Winston, N. C., was found unconscious in a vacant building, with $55 in cash and a certificate of deposit for $500 on his person. The police thought that he had been drugged for the purpose of robbery, but it developed later that he had been drinking too much.

Judge of Probate a Defaulter.

FOXCROFT, ME., April 2.—Elias J. Hale, judge of probate for many years, who shot himself on Thursday, is a defaulter as treasurer of the town of Foxcroft to the amount of about $100,000. He He had been town treasurer for thirty years, and without a bond until last year. He had hired money as treasurer, and made his reports to the town of but a small portion of the money hired. The town officials supposed that an assessment of about $5,000, which the town had voted this spring, would pay the debt in full. It is not known what Hale did with the money, except that he had lived well all these years, and people supposed him wealthy. He had but little visible property. He was buried to-day. An investigation is now being made.

Nominations in Cumberland.

POWHATAN COURTHOUSE, VA., April 2.—Special.—The following were nominated for county officers in Cumberland county at the meeting held at Cumberland Courthouse: Blanton for treasurer, Adams for sheriff, Armstead and Brown for commissioners, and Reynolds for Commonwealth's attorney.

WAR ON PRIZE FIGHTS.

GOVERNOR MITCHELL URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO ACT.

In His Message to the Florida Legislature He Refers to the Mitchell-Corbett Fight and Advocates Action.

TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 2.—The Florida Legislature convened at 12 o'clock to-day for its biennial session of sixty days. The Legislature is overwhelmingly Democratic in both branches.

Governor Mitchell's message was brief, and related almost entirely to matters of only local interest. Under the head of "Prize Fights," the Governor said:

"During the last year a most disgraceful and brutal fight of this character took place in the city of Jacksonville, and parties who resort to this laudable occupation as a means of making a living without honest labor, are boasting that there is no law in this State to prevent such disgraceful contests, and openly boast that another one will be 'pulled off' at Jacksonville next September; but, gentlemen, you have it in your power to prevent this by proper legislation.

"I recommend that these prize fights, or glove contests, be made felonies by statute, with such penalties attached as will cause these thugs to respect the law and to respect the law-abiding, God-fearing people of the State, in the pursuit of their rights as citizens.

"The law should authorize sheriffs and those acting as their aides and assistants, when they have cause to believe that a prize fight or glove contest is about to take place, to enter any house or enclosure, or any other place wherein they may have reason to believe such contest is to take place, for the purpose of arresting those engaged, or about to engage, therein.

"Also that all persons who may be present at such contest, in any wise aiding or abetting the same, by betting thereon, or by being present thereat, shall be deemed guilty of a felony, and upon conviction be punished the same as the principals."

Relative to lotteries, the Governor says:

"There has been much said in the newspapers as to a lottery located at Fort Tampa, as to the truth of which I have no knowledge, but respectfully recommend that the law against lotteries be so amended as to clear that institution out of the State, if here, and to prevent others being located in the State."

EVENTS OF THE TURF.

Winners of the Events at Alexander Island, New Orleans and Nashville.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—The following are the results at the Old Dominion race track:

First race.—Rama (4 to 1) first, Ella (4 to 1) second, Mate (4 to 1) third. Time, 1:03 1-2.

Second race—six and one-fourth furlongs.—Northford (4 to 1) first, Bellagio (3 to 1) second, Fritz (3 to 1) third. Time, 1:24 1-4.

Third race.—Trinculo (2 to 5) first, Con Lucy (7 to 1) second, Paragon (30 to 1) third. Time, 1:01 1-2.

Fourth race—one mile and a furlong.—Tenacious (4 to 5) first, Paris (3 to 1) second, Come Home (8 to 1) third. Time, 1:52 3-4.

Fifth race.—Halcyon (6 to 5) first, Clansman (20 to 1) second, Pickaway (20 to 1) third. Time, 1:53.

Sixth race—seven furlongs.—Pronston (2 to 1) first, West (4 to 5) second, Dillon J. (3 1-2 to 1) third. Time, 1:31.

A DAY FOR LONG SHOTS.

NEW ORLEANS, April 2.—Fair weather prevailed to-day, and the attendance was larger than on the opening day of the spring meeting. The track was in good condition, but the talent had a hard time picking the winners. It was a day for long shots, Galenbrown and Twenty-three, at 30 and 40 to 1, being the great surprises to the talent. Summaries:

First race—three-fourths of a mile.—Bar Guard (105, Mayberry, 5 to 1) first, Sir John (13 to 1) second, Maquon (7 to 1) third. Time, 1:17 1-2.

Second race—seven furlongs.—Galenbrown (111, C. Slaughter, 20 to 1) first, Artless (15 to 1) second, Nicaragua (10 to 1) third. Time, 1:32 1-2.

Third race—one mile, selling.—Twenty-three (109, A. Scott, 40 to 1) first, Ten Spring (4 to 5) second, Jim Henry (8 to 1) third. Time, 1:46.

Fourth race—six furlongs, handicap.—Longbrook (99, Midgley, 4 to 5) first, Cass (5 to 1) second, Vanbrunt (10 to 1) third. Time, 1:15 3-4.

Fifth race—five furlongs.—Adah Foy (107, L. Scott, 10 to 1) first, Holloweve (40 to 1) second, Shelby Boston (7 to 2) third. Time, 1:04.

THE WINNERS AT LITTLE ROCK.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., April 2.—Owing to the cold wave the attendance at Clinton Park was very slim. Betting was rather light. The track was fast. Summaries:

First race—four furlongs—Rosalind (99, Clayton, 9 to 1) first, Kowalski second, Abbe third. Time, :51.

Second race—six and one-half furlongs—Joe Ho Sot (99, Matthews, 3 to 1) first, Lucille second, Silva third. Time, 1:26.

Third race—selling, seven furlongs—Joe Murphy (103, Bergen, 3 to 1) first, Ironmaster second, Upman third. Time, 1:31 1-4.

Fourth race—selling, five furlongs—Dick Behan (103, Regan, 3 to 1) first, Little Ed second, Santa Cruz third. Time, 1:00 3-4.

Fifth race—seven furlongs—Pluto (106, Clayton, 1 to 2) first, Booze second, Josephine third. Time, 1:30 1-4.

The Winners at Nashville.

NASHVILLE, TENN., April 2.—The weather was decidedly unpleasant at Cumberland Park to-day, although the track was in good condition. The attendance was not large. The races were won by two favorites, a second choice, and two outsiders. Minnie Cee, the favorite for the first race, got off badly, and was beaten by a neck by Elano. Starter Dwyer virtually gave Billy S. the second race when he was given three lengths the best of the start. The Charter Oak scored a good thing in the fourth race, winning easily with Sumo, a five to one shot. Nine maiden two-year-olds faced the starter in the last race. Merry Nell was the pick of the talent but finished third. Amanda won by a length and a half. Summaries:

First race—selling, six furlongs—Elano (100, Perkins, 4 to 1) first, Minnie Cee second, Tramp third. Time, 1:16.

Second race—selling, six furlongs—Billy S. (106, Garner, 6 to 5) first, Virginite second, Peabody third. Time, 1:17.

Third race—seven furlongs—St. Paxim (11, Thorpe, 1 to 2) first, Pelleas second, Curator third. Time, 1:28.

Fourth race—selling, one mile—Sumo (100, Perkins, 5 to 1) first, Jaja second, Lay-On third. Time, 1:42 1-2.

Fifth race—four furlongs—Amanda (105, Perkins, 3 to 1) first, Millie Shannon second, Merry Nell third. Time, :49 1-2.

RUNNING RACES AT PIMLICO.

A Spring Meeting to Begin June 30 and Last Six Days.

BALTIMORE, April 2.—A revival of old times at Pimlico is now assured. The Board of Directors of the Pimlico Driving Club have decided to have a spring and fall running meeting at the historic course, the spring meeting to begin June 30th, and continue six days. The Maryland Jockey Club was compelled to abandon its meetings in 1889, owing to the growth of the minor meetings around New York, which rendered it impossible to get here the horses needed for successful meets. It is hoped now to repeat the success of the days when Parble met Ten Broeck or a "Dixie" or "Breckinridge" was run. The stewards of the running meeting will be Colonel F. M. Hall, Alexander Brown, C. L. Bowie, M. M. Manly and G. M. Hutton.

REGULAR SLUGGING MATCH.

The Quakers Knocked Out the Norfolk Boys Easily.

NORFOLK, VA., April 2.—The Philadelphia league club and the Norfolks crossed bats at League Park this afternoon. The weather was threatening but a good crowd was in attendance. It was a regular slugging match on the part of the boys from the City of Brotherly Love. They batted Lawson and Setley at their will. The local players could do little or nothing with the pitching of Smith and McGill. The game was called at the end of the seventh inning on account of rain.

Score:		R.	H.	E.
Norfolk	0 0 0 1 0 0 0—	1	5	7
Philadelphia	1 1 3 0 8 7 1—	19	17	1

Batteries: Lawson, Setley and Tenley; McGill, Smith, Grady and Clements. Umpires, Norris and Bailey.

The Philadelphias left for Petersburg to-night, where they will play to-morrow.

THE GAME AT PORTSMOUTH.

The Lancasters Cross Bats With the Locals. Rain Stopped the Fun.

PORTSMOUTH, VA., April 2.—The Lancasters, of the Pennsylvania State League, who won from Norfolk on Monday, met the locals at League Park this afternoon, and, although the weather was very threatening, about six hundred people assembled to see the game. In the fifth inning, while Portsmouth had three men on bases and not a man out, the game was brought to a close by a heavy rain. Leach pitched a beautiful game, not giving a man his base on balls. The brilliant fielding of Hargrove, Fiske and Vetter, of the home team, was the feature of the game.

Score:		R.	H.	E.
Portsmouth	0 1 1 4 6—	11	8	4
Lancaster	0 3 2 0 0—	5	8	2

Batteries: Leach and Vetter; Callahan and Graffus. Umpire, Callahan.

Orioles Win From Atlanta.

ATLANTA, GA., April 2.—The Baltimores defeated the Atlantas again in the presence of nearly a thousand spectators. The score:

		R.	H.	E.
Atlanta	0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0—	2	6	4
Baltimore	4 0 0 0 2 0 3 0 0—	9	9	2

Batteries: Green, Callahan and Wilson; Esper, Gleason and Robinson.

Bostons to Play in Danville To-Day.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., April 2.—The Boston-Charlotte game was not played today on account of rain. The Bostons left for Danville to-night.

OBITUARY.

MRS. ROSE BRIGGS WRIGHT.

Mrs. Rose Briggs Wright, wife of Dr. Julian T. Wright, and daughter of I. D. Briggs, died yesterday afternoon at o'clock at the residence of her father, No. 801 east Franklin street. She had been ill for several weeks, though her death was unexpected, and was a great shock to her many friends. Mrs. Wright was in her twenty-ninth year.

She was an earnest member of Broad-Street Methodist church, and took an active interest in religious work.

The funeral announcement will be made later.

MR. WILLIAM F. GRAVES.

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., April 2.—Special.—Mr. William F. Graves, a popular citizen of Stafford county, died at his home in Hartwood district last night. Mr. Graves was well known and deservedly popular.

He was a widower, and leaves seven children.

Mr. R. B. Coombs, commissioner of the revenue for Stafford county, has recently lost two of his children by typhoid-pneumonia.

HUGH BURGESS JONES.

BALTIMORE, April 2.—Hugh Burgess Jones, one of Baltimore's best known and highly respected citizens, died last night, aged seventy-three. Yesterday he completed his fifty-sixth year with the Baltimore Equitable Society, the last few years as its treasurer. He was stricken with apoplexy at his desk. For forty-five years Mr. Jones had been secretary of Warren Lodge, No. 51, S. F. F. A. M. He was treasurer of the Veteran Volunteer Firemen's Association, and was a member of the Maryland Historical Society.

DAVID M. STONE.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., April 2.—David M. Stone, the venerable ex-editor of the New York Journal of Commerce, died at his home in this city to-night.

The Negroes Approve the Plan.

The negroes of this city approve the idea of transferring Taylor, the Kansas member of their race, who is the Recorder of Deeds of this district, to Haiti to fill there the place of United States Minister Smythe, of Virginia, who, they seem to think, would be more acceptable in the position Taylor holds here.—Washington letter in Alexandria Gazette.

NEW ENGLAND MILL MEN.

They Were in Charlotte Yesterday—Where They Visited the Factories.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., April 2.—The party of New England mill men who are touring the cotton manufacturing districts of the South, as spoken of in yesterday's dispatches, arrived here