FINANCE AND COMMERCE

THE CLOSING QUOTATIONS OF MONEY.

Offerings and Sales at the Richmond Tobacco Exchange—Internal Revenue Collections—Foreign Advices.

NEW YORK, July 30.—Speculation at the Stock Exchange was less active to-day, but all things considered, the undertone to the market continues firm. The industrials were more prominent in the dealings, especially in the early trading, when Sugar and Chicago Gas both sold at considerably higher figures, the former having touched 116⅝ and the latter 56⅜. The railway list was rather neglected in the initial trading, but later on Louisville and Nashville, Missouri Pacific, Chicago and Eastern Illinois developed activity as well as strength. Louisville and Nashville moved up to 62⅝ on reports that the directors were contemplating a deal whereby a big block of branch lines, said to amount to about $20,000,000, would be placed at the disposal of the company. The advance in the stock, however, brought out offerings for foreign account, and a recession to 62⅛ ensued. Another southern property, which attracted more attention to-day, was Tennessee Coal, which rose from 35⅝ to 36⅝. A firm identified with the former bull pool in the stock were the heaviest buyers. Chicago and Eastern Illinois was unusually active, but moved within a narrow range. Manhattan, on efforts to cover, rose from 113 to 114½. The Grangers were a shade easier. It can be stated, on good authority, that one of the pools in Burlington and Quincy has sold fully 7,000 shares of the stock during the past few days. The criticisms passed on the new method of speculating and the action of the law committee of the Stock Exchange may or may not have had something to do with the selling. The fact remains that the stock has been thrown overboard and a menace to the market removed. In the late afternoon trading speculation was quiet, with the professionals in full control. The closing was quiet and steady. Net changes in the active railway shares show declines of ¼ to ½ per cent. Louisville and Nashville gained ⅝ per cent. There was very little news afloat. Sterling exchange was put up ⅛ cent to 490 and 491, but it had no influence, and the anthracite coal sales agents met and adjourned after a short session without fixing a day for their next conference. Crop advices continue to be of the most favorable character, but just at the moment the leaders are apparently willing to let the market drift along naturally, with a view of taking hold later on if the promise of an enormous harvest of corn is fulfilled. Bonds were strong.

The sales footed up $2,184,000. The sales of listed stocks aggregated 157,800 shares, and of unlisted stocks, 49,000 shares.

Money on call easy at 1@1½ per cent., last loan at 1 per cent., and closing offered at 1 per cent.; prime mercantile paper offered at 4@4½ per cent. Mexican dollars, 54¼. Sterling exchange strong, with actual business in bankers' bills at 489¾@489⅞ for sixty days and 490@490¼ for demand; posted rates, 490@491; commercial bills, 488⅞@488⅝. Government bonds steady. State bonds lower. Railroad bonds firm. Silver at the board was neglected.

Treasury balances: Coin, $100,071,397; currency, $93,703,009.

STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Closing Bids.
American Cotton Oil	27
American Cotton Oil preferred	74½
American Sugar	116⅝
American Sugar Refineries pref'd	101
American Tobacco	110¼
American Tobacco preferred	111½
Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe	15¼
Baltimore and Ohio	64½
Canada Pacific	53
Chesapeake and Ohio	22¼
Chicago and Alton	156
Chicago, Burlington and Quincy	91¼
Chicago Gas Trust	56¼
Delaware, Lack. and Western	161½
Distillers	20½
Erie	10¼
Erie preferred	24
General Electric	35⅝
Illinois Central	100¼
Lake Erie and Western	27¼
Lake Erie and Western preferred	86
Lake Shore	150
Louisville and Nashville	62¼
Louisville, New Albany & Chicago	8¼
Manhattan Consolidated	113
Memphis and Charleston	15
Michigan Central	100½
Missouri Pacific	36⅞
Mobile and Ohio	24
Nash., Chattanooga and St. Louis	68
United States Cordage	7½
United States Cordage preferred	9¼
New Jersey Central	105
New York Central	102¼
New York and New England	55¼
Norfolk and Western preferred	5
Northern Pacific	5⅞
Northern Pacific preferred	19¼
Northwestern	101½
Northwestern preferred	146
Pacific Mail	29¼
Reading	18⅛
Rock Island	78¼
St. Paul	71¼
St. Paul preferred	126
Silver Certificates	66
Tennessee Coal and Iron	37
Tennessee Coal and Iron preferred	98
Texas Pacific	12½
Union Pacific	13⅜
Wabash	9⅜
Wabash preferred	21
Western Union	91¼
Wheeling and Lake Erie	16¼
Wheeling and Lake Erie preferred	52¼

BONDS.

Alabama (Class A)	107
Alabama (Class B)	107
Alabama (Class C)	97
Louisiana Stamped 4's	100
North Carolina 4's	102
North Carolina 6's	124
Tennessee New Settlement 3's	91¼
Virginia 6's, preferred	8¼
Virginia Trust Receipts, Stamped	5½
Virginia 2-3, 1991	62½
United States 4's, registered	112
United States 4's, coupon	112½
United States 2's, coupon	97
Southern Railway 5's	97⅝
Southern Railway common	14⅜
Southern Railway preferred	42⅜
South Carolina 4½'s	105

LONDON BAR SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, July 30.—Bar silver, 30 1-16d. 5 P. M.—Paris advices quote 3 per cent. rentes at 101 francs and 35 centimes for the account.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

RICHMOND, VA., July 30, 1895.

Government Securities.	Par.	Bid.	Asked.
United States 4's		112½	....
State Securities.			
North Carolina 4's		103½	....
North Carolina 6's		126	....
Virginia 3's (new)		74¼	75
Virginia Century, 2-3		62⅝	63
South Carolina 4½'s		107¾	108¼
City Securities.			
Richmond City 8's		126	....
Richmond City 6's		112½	114
Richmond City 5's, R., 1920		111	....
Richmond City 4's		....	101
Railroad Bonds.			
A. and C. 1st 7's		120	....
A. and C. guar. in. 6's		105	....
C., C. and A. Ext. 5's		100	....
C., C. and A. 2d 7's		115	....
Col. and Green. 1st 6's		110	....
Georgia Pacific 1st 6's		112½	....
Ga. So. and Fla., 1927		105⅝	....
Petersburg, Class A., 5's		109	....
Petersburg, Class B., 6's		114	....
Southern Railway 1st 5's		97⅝	98
W. N. C. 1st 6's, C., 1914		114	116
Railroad Stocks.	**Par.**		
A. and C.	100	93	....
Petersburg	100	....	103
R., F. and P. com.	100	117	125
R., F. and P. div. obli.	100	115	....
R. and P.	100	105	107
S. Railway pref'd 5's	100	42⅝	63½
S. Railway common	100	14¼	14⅜
Bank Stocks.			
Citizens		27	....
City	25	30	32
Merchants National	100	165	180
Metropolitan	25	26¾	28
Planters National	100	250	270
Pet. Sav. and Ins. Co.	20	28¾	29
Security	100	109	110
State Bank of Va.	100	140	145
Union Bank of Rich'd	50	110	114
Virginia Trust Co.	100	110	120
Insurance Companies.			
Virginia State	25	22½	....
Miscellaneous.			
A. T. Co. preferred	100	112	114
A. T. Co. common	50	110½	111½

GRAIN AND COTTON EXCHANGE.

RICHMOND, VA., July 30, 1895.

Offerings—Wheat, 878 bushels; corn (mixed), 600 bushels; oats, 4,000 bushels.

Sales—Wheat, 878 bushels; corn (mixed), 600 bushels; oats, 1,200 bushels.

Quotations: Wheat—Longberry, 67c. to 73c.; mixed, 67c. to 73c.; shortberry, 66c. to 73c.; No. 2 red, 72c. to 73c.

Corn—White, Virginia, 50c. to 51c.; No. 2 white, 50c. to 51c.; No. 2 mixed, 49c. to 50c.

Oats—No. 2 mixed, 28½c. to 29c.; No. 3 mixed, 27½c. to 28c.; winter seed, 33c. to 37c.

Rye—50c. to 53c.

COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK, July 30.—Cotton futures quiet; middling gulf, 7⅛; middling, 7; gross receipts, 477 bales; exports to Great Britain, 1,091 bales; Continent, 24 bales; forwarded, 643 bales; sales, 2,896 bales, all spinners; stock, 176,794 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts, 78 bales; exports to Great Britain, 1,436 bales; Continent, 24 bales; stock, 348,066 bales.

Total so far this week—Net receipts, 1,082 bales; exports to Great Britain, 1,630 bales; France, 338 bales; Continent, 2,068 bales.

Total since September 1st—Net receipts, 7,908,160 bales; exports to Great Britain, 3,618,903 bales; France, 772,838 bales; Continent, 2,415,548 bales.

Cotton futures closed quiet; July, 6.75; August, 6.75; September, 6.78; October, 6.83; November, 6.88; December, 6.92; January, 6.92; February, 7.03; sales, 32,200 bales.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., July 30.—Cotton futures dull but steady; sales, 10,600 bales; July, 6.49; August, 6.48; September, 6.51; October, 6.55; November, 6.59; December, 6.64; January, 6.69; February, 6.75; March, 6.80; April, 6.85.

LIVERPOOL, July 30.—Cotton dull and prices favor buyers; American middling, 3 31-32; sales, 7,000 bales; American, 6,500 bales; speculation and export, 500 bales; receipts, 700 bales; American, 380 bales. Futures opened steady at the decline; August and September, 3 40-64; September and October, 3 41-64; October and November, 3 42-64; November and December, 3 43-64; December and January, 3 44-64; January and February, 3 46-64. Futures dull.

4 P. M.—American middling, low middling clause, July, July and August, and August and September, 3 40-64, sellers; September and October, 3 41-64, sellers; October and November, 3 42-64@3 43-64, buyers; November and December, 3 43-64@3 44-64, buyers; December and January, 3 45-64, buyers; January and February, 3 46-64; February and March, 3 47-64@3 48-64, sellers; March and April, 3 48-64@3 49-64, buyers; April and May, 3 50-64, buyers. Futures closed steady.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

NEW YORK, July 30.—Flour dull and neglected; winter wheat, low grades, $2.50@3.10; do. fair to fancy, $3.30@3.50; do. patent, $4.00@4.50; Minnesota clear, $2.90@3.20; patent, $3.30@4.00; low extras, $2.50@3.10; city mills, $4.00@4.25. Southern flour dull and easy; common to extra, $2.30@3.00; good to choice, do., $3.00@3.80.

Wheat dull and lower, with options, closing fair; No. 2 red, store and elevator, 75c.; afloat, 76@76¼c. Options were dull and irregular, declining 1¼c., rallying ⅝c., declining ⅝c., and closing weak at 1@1¼c. under yesterday; No. 2 red, July and August, 75c.; September, 75¼c.

Corn dull and firm; No. 2, 48¾@48 c., elevator; 49@49¼c. afloat. Options declined ⅝c., rallied ⅝c., closing steady, with light trade; July and August, 48⅛c.; September, 48⅛c.

Oats dull and unchanged. Options firm; July, 28⅛c.; August, 27¼c.; September, 29½c. Spot prices: No. 2, 28⅝c.; No. 2 white, 32c.; mixed western, 30½c.

Hay quiet and firm; shipping, 75c.; good to choice, 95c.@$1.05.

Wool in moderate demand and firm; domestic fleece, 16@22c.; pulled, 15@34c.

Beef dull and unchanged; beef hams strong at $18.00; tierced beef quiet and steady; city extra, India mess, $16.50@17.00; cut meats firm; pickled bellies, $7.50; shoulders, $6.00; hams, $9.25@10.00.

Lard quiet and weak; western steam, $6.35; September, $6.60, nominal. Refined easy and dull; Continent, $7.00; South American, $7.50; compound, $4.75@5.25.

Pork quiet and weak; mess, $12.00@12.75.

Butter less active and steady; State dairy, 11@17c.; do., creamery, 17½@18c.; western dairy, 10@13c.; Elgins, 18c.

Tallow active and easy; city, $4.00@4.02½; country, $4.37½@4.75.

Cotton seed oil firm and in fair demand; crude, 24@25c.; yellow prime, 29c.; do. good off grade, 27½@28c.

Petroleum nominal.

Rosin quiet and steady; strained, common to good, $1.55@1.57½.

Turpentine dull and easy at 27¾@28c.

Rice and Molasses firm and unchanged.

Peanuts firm.

Coffee steady and unchanged to 5 points up; August, $15.25@15.40; October, $15.45; November, $15.35@15.40. Spot Rio dull and firm; No. 7, $16.00@16.25.

Sugar—Raw dull and firm; fair refining, 2⅞c. Refined firm and unchanged.

Freights to Liverpool quiet and nominal.

Southern Fresh Fruits and Vegetables: Apples in moderate receipt, with choice firm and selling better; pears quiet; peaches plentiful of fair quality, but fairly steady for fine; grapes and huckleberries quiet and weak; watermelons in large supply and weaker; muskmelons slow, unless choice; potatoes firmer; egg plant and onions weak; tomatoes in better demand.

Huckleberries—Quart, 4@7c.

Apples—Crate, 25@50c.

Pears—Leconte, barrel, 75c.@$1.50; do. Bartlett, crate, 50@60c.

Grapes—Georgia, basket, 20@30c.; do. South Carolina, barrel, 60@75c.; do. case, $1.25@1.50; do. North Carolina, $1.00@1.50.

Peaches—Carrier, 75c.@$1.75; do. basket, 75c.@$1.00; do. crate, 75c.@$1.00.

Watermelons—Hundred, $10.00@16.00; carloads, $50.00@150.00.

Muskmelons—Barrel, $1.50@1.75; do. basket, 75c.@$1.25.

Plums—Delaware, bought in basket, 20@25c.

Egg Plant—Barrel, $1.00@1.75.

Onions—Virginia, potato, barrel, $1.00@1.50; do. basket, 25@40c.

Potatoes—Rose, $1.00@1.50; do. sweets, $3.50@4.00.

Tomatoes—Maryland, carrier, 40@65c.; do. Norfolk, do., 30@60c.

CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, ILL., July 30.—For some time past the wheat bulls have been pointing to the steadiness of Liverpool when our prices were declining. This morning circumstances were reversed, yesterday's advance in American markets meeting with a negative response from across the water. Holders were further discouraged by a slight improvement in the winter wheat movement to-day. Prices had, therefore, to contend with adverse conditions at the opening, about 1c. being taken from yesterday's closing quotations at the beginning of the session and offerings being heavy enough to force a further decline within a very short time, without any decided reaction. September wheat opened from 71¼c. to 71½c., sold to 71⅛c., closing at 71@71⅛c., 1⅛@1¼c. lower than yesterday. Cash wheat fairly steady, sales averaging from ¼c. lower to unchanged, with the nominal close easy.

Corn—The corn market closed fairly steady, for no particular reason other than the desire of a few shorts to take profits. Wheat certainly communicated no strength, nor did the crop prospect. September corn opened at 43c., sold down to 42⅝c., rallied and closed at 43c., ⅛c. under yesterday. Cash corn was steady to ⅛c. per bushel lower.

Oats—The notable change for better or worse occurred in oats. The business was devoid of interest and no new feature was developed. The tone and feeling of corn guided the movement throughout the session. At the close September oats were a shade under yesterday, a recovery from inside quotations having taken place. Cash oats were weak early and steady later.

Provisions—Pork, lard, and ribs were all lower to-day. This was due to the decline in wheat and to the cheaper prices at which hogs were selling. George Phillips estimated the stocks of provisions in Chicago as follows: Pork, 13,000 barrels; lard, 100,000 tierces; ribs, 40,000,000 pounds. These figures did not help prices any. At the close September pork was 42½c. lower than yesterday, September lard 10c., and September ribs 12½@15c. lower.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
July	70⅜	70¾	69⅛	70¼
Sept	71¼	71½	70⅜	71
Dec	73⅜	73½	72⅞	73⅛
Corn—				
July	44⅛	43¾	42½	43¼
Sept	44	43	42⅝	43
May	35½	35⅝	35⅜	35⅝
Oats—				
July	23½	24	23½	23⅝
Sept	22½	23	22½	22⅝
May	25¼	26¼	25⅞	26
Mess Pork—				
Sept	$10.70	$10.70	$10.40	$10.40
Jan	10.70	10.70	10.50	10.50
Lard—				
Sept	6.35	6.35	6.25	6.27½
Oct	6.35	6.35	6.32½	6.32½
Jan	6.35	6.35	6.30	6.32½
Short Ribs—				
Sept	6.17½	6.17½	6.05	6.07½
Oct	6.07½	6.12½	6.05	6.05
Jan	5.65	5.65	5.55	5.55

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour quiet; the feeling was steady and prices unchanged; No. 2 spring wheat, 70⅛@70⅝c.; No. 2 red, 70⅛@70½c.; No. 2 corn, 48⅛c.; No. 2 oats, 30⅛c.; pork, $10.50; lard, $6.22½@6.25; ribs, $6.00@6.05; dry salted shoulders, $5.62½@5.75; whisky, $1.22.

BALTIMORE.

BALTIMORE, MD., July 30.—Flour firmer; western superfine, $2.00@2.85; do. extra, $2.90@3.30; do. family, $3.45@3.15; winter patent, $3.85@4.00; spring do., $3.85@4.10; do. straight, $3.90@3.70.

Wheat dull and lower; No. 2 red spot, July, and August, 71¼@71⅜c.; September, 72½@72⅝c.; December, 74@74⅛c.; steamer No. 2 red, 68⅛@68½c.; southern, by sample, 72@73c.; do., on grade, 68½@72½c.

Corn steady; mixed spot and July, 49c. bid; August, 47⅝c. bid; September, 47½c. bid; year, 40¼c. bid; southern, 51@52c.

Oats quiet; No. 2 white, western, 31½@32c.; No. 2 mixed, western, 29½@30c.

Rye inactive; No. 2, 50c.

Hay firm; choice timothy, $17.50@18.00.

Grain freights quiet.

Coffee firm; No. 7, $16.25@16.50.

Other articles unchanged.

Bonds—Virginia Century, 62⅜@63; Baltimore and Ohio, 64⅛@65; Northern Central, 68½; Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern firsts, 111 bid; Consolidated Gas stock, 62⅝@63; do. bonds, 6's, 117 bid; do. 5's, 108@109.

CINCINNATI.

CINCINNATI, O., July 30.—Flour more active and receipts small; winter patent, $4.75@3.65; fancy, $3.40@3.60; family, $3.05@3.25.

Wheat steady; No. 2 red, sample, 68@69c.; rejected, 56½c.

Corn more active; No. 2 mixed, track, 43@43½c.

Oats firm and active; No. 2 mixed, old, track, 29½c.

Pork more active but steady; mess, $11.25.

Lard steady; steam leaf, $6.75; kettle, $6.75.

Bacon steady; loose shoulders, $5.75; short ribs, $6.75; short clear, $7.00; boxed meats ½c. more.

Dry salted meats steady and quiet; loose shoulders, $5.37½; short ribs, $6.37½; short clear, $6.50; boxed meats ½c. more.

Whisky easy and quiet.

ST. LOUIS.

ST. LOUIS, MO., July 30.—Flour dull and unchanged.

Wheat lower; July, 70⅝c.; August, 70c.; September, 70⅝c.

Corn lower; July, 40c.; September, 40⅝c.; December, 30⅝c.

Oats lower; July, 23c.; September, 21⅝c.; May, 25⅝c.

Pork—Standard mess, $10.87½.

Lard—Prime steam, $6.00; choice, $6.10.

Bacon—Shoulders, $6.37½; longs, $6.75; clear ribs, $6.87½; short clear, $7.00.

Dry Salted Meats—Shoulders, $5.87½; longs, $6.37½; clear ribs, $6.50; short clear, $6.75.

High wines lower and steady at $1.22.

NAVAL STORES.

WILMINGTON, N. C., July 30.—Rosin firm; strained, $1.20; good strained, $1.25.

Spirits of turpentine steady; machine, 25c.; irregular, 24½c.

Tar firm at $1.30.

Crude turpentine steady; hard, $1.20; soft, $1.70; virgin, $2.20.

CHARLESTON, S. C., July 30.—Turpentine firm at 26½c.; receipts, 59 casks.

Rosin—Good strained firm at $1.15@1.25; receipts, 389 barrels.

SAVANNAH, GA., July 30.—Spirits of turpentine firm at 25c.; good demand for all offerings; receipts, 1,425 casks.

Rosin quiet and no demand; quotations unchanged.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

UNION STOCK YARDS, ILL., July 30.—Cattle—Receipts, 14,000; market strong for best and steady for others; common to extra steers, $3.40@5.80; stockers and feeders, $2.40@4.10; cows and bulls, $1.75@3.80; Texans, $3.20@4.35; western rangers, $3.50@4.65.

Hogs—Receipts, 8,000; market weak and 10c. lower; heavy packing and shipping lots, $4.85@5.10; common to choice mixed, $4.00@5.00; choice assorted, $5.00@5.25; light, $4.75@5.30; pigs, $3.40@4.80.

Sheep—Receipts, 7,000; market firm and 10c. higher; inferior to choice, $2.00@4.00; lambs, $3.00@5.50.

TOBACCO EXCHANGE.

RICHMOND, VA., July 30, 1895.

Offerings at auction on 'Change to-day by Messrs. Carter & Ryland and George A. Haynes, 36 packages of sun-cured tobaccos. One package sold at $19, one at $15.50, one at $13.50, one at $11.50; one at $10.75, one at $10, one taken in at $7.75, one sold at $7.75, one at $7, two at $6.75, one taken in at $6.50, one sold at $6.25, one taken in at $6, one sold at $6, one taken in at $5.50, one sold at $5.10, one at $5, one at $4.20, two at $4.10, one at $4, one at $3.50, one at $3.60, two at $3.50, three at $3.10, one taken in at $3, three sold at $3, one at $2.80, two at $2.25.

Private sales reported to the secretary of the Richmond Tobacco Trade to-day: Wrappers, 2 hogsheads; fillers, 13; smokers, 26; leaf (dark), 13; lugs (dark), 3. Total, 57 hogsheads.

The tobacco inspector reports to-day: Inspections—Bright, 46 hogsheads; dark, 125 hogsheads and 47 tierces. Reinspections—Bright, 31 hogsheads; dark, 82 hogsheads.

Myers', Shelburne's, Crenshaw's, Neal's, Planters', Old Dominion, Ellison's, Farmers', Shockoe, Seabrook's, and Alleghany tobacco warehouses report to-day: Receipts, 109 packages; deliveries, 92 packages.

United States internal revenue collections on tobaccos for the city of Richmond, Va., to-day: Cigars and cigarettes, $1,743.05; plug tobaccos, $2,448.03. Total, $4,191.08.

Messrs. Carter & Ryland, W. Ben Palmer, and George A. Haynes will offer breaks of sun-cured tobaccos at auction on 'Change to-morrow, Wednesday, July 31, 1895.

The Petersburg Record of Monday, July 29, 1895, says:

The following will show the movement of tobacco during the past week at the various warehouses: Farmers—Inspections, 128; receipts, 139; loose, 25,400. Oaks—Inspections, 66; receipts, 53; loose, 2,500. Centre—Inspections, 35; receipts, 21; loose, 14,275. West Hill—Inspections, 14; receipts, 30; loose, 15,750. Moore's—Inspections, 11; receipts, 22; loose, 8,915. Total—Inspections, 254; receipts, 256; loose, 66,980.

Total inspections from the 1st of October, 1894, to July 27th 3,1180; same time last year, 2,590.

Registered at the Tobacco Exchange to-day: J. E. Wright and R. L. Campbell, Caroline county; M. L. Smith, Goochland county.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF WEST POINT, July 30, 1895.

ARRIVED.

Steamship Alleghany, Nickerson, Providence via Newport News and Norfolk, passengers and general cargo.

Steamship Chatham, Johnson, Baltimore, passengers and general cargo.

Steamship Charlotte, Nickle, Baltimore.

Steamship Elm City, Marshall, Walkerton, passengers and general cargo.

SAILED.

Steamship Alleghany, Nickerson, Baltimore, passengers and general cargo.

Steamship Charlotte, Nickle, Baltimore, passengers and general cargo.

Steamship Chatham, Johnson, Providence via Norfolk, passengers and general cargo.

Steamship Elm City, Marshall, Walkerton, passengers and general cargo.

DEATHS.

LYNEMANN.—Died, at his residence, No. 1901 Pleasant street, JOHN M. LYNEMANN, born April 11, 1827, at Asmabruck, Germany; died July 30, 1895, at 3:15 P. M.

Funeral notice hereafter.

A CABINET MEETING HELD.

The Queen's Speech Read—The Document Merely to Summons Parliament.

LONDON, July 30.—Lord Salisbury presided over a Cabinet meeting held at the Foreign Office at noon to-day. The meeting was short, the business before it being confined to consideration of the Queen's speech, which is understood to be very brief, and contains few if any recommendations. It is stated upon good authority that the document merely summons Parliament to meet and consider the matter of voting supplies, leaving the details of the policy of the new Government to be presented at the next session. The feeling in regard to the choice of the Speaker of the House of Commons for the next Parliament is decidedly in favor of the re-election of Mr. Gully.

A Long Term for a Doctor.

CHARLESTOWN, W. VA., July 30.—In the Circuit Court here yesterday Judge Faulkner overruled Dr. W. E. Perry's motion for a new trial, and sentenced him to the penitentiary for fourteen years. Dr. Perry was convicted on Friday last of chloroforming and outraging Miss Rose J. Johnson, a patient.

Mrs. John T. Rogers has returned to the city very much improved in health.

A PITCHERS' BATTLE.

TANNEHILL AND "SMILING" LLOYD WERE THE OPPOSING TWIRLERS.

Both Pitched in Great Form, and Were Given Excellent Support—The Game Was Fast and Clean.

My friend, the small boy who chalks up the score on the right-field fence, was in a hilarious mood after yesterday's game. He was exultant, and as we came off the field together after the fray was over, he repeated, in his joyous glee, that old, sweet doggerel, about the home club winning. He gave me a copy, which I herewith present:

IN THE PUSH FOR THE PENNANT.

How pleasing is the playing when the
home club wins;
How everybody laughs and chaffs, and
everybody grins;
And the umpire is forgiven for all his
heinous sins,
So pleasing is the playing when the home
club wins.
The boy upon the bleachers is as happy
as a king;
The maiden in the grand-stand is as
happy as anything;
The crank is all in clover, and the
butcher is on top.
He sells a peck of peanuts and half a
gross of pop.
The fellow from the country widens out
his mouth and eyes,
The manager is smiling and a-sighing
happy sighs;
The mascot is a-bounding 'round as if
he were on pins,
So pleasing is the playing when the
Home
Club
Wins!

A PITCHERS' BATTLE.

Again it was a pitchers' battle, and Tannehill had a shade the best of it. Two fumbles in the out-field cost Roanoke one run, and but for the first inning when Lloyd hit a man, gave a base on balls, and was twice touched for sacrifice hits, things might have been different.

Then, too, Tanny was hit safely three times in the first, but after this he settled down, and four small singles were all that the visitors could secure. To sum the game up it was most undoubtedly, a pitchers' battle, and both twirlers threw the sphere in magnificent form. Lloyd pitched a great game, eight hits being the extent to which the Hustlers damaged his delivery. Both men had good control and speed, and especially Tannehill, who, in the eighth, with two men on bases, and one out, only allowed one run to be made. Lloyd's pitching was excellent but he was a trifle wild at times. He gave four men bases on balls, and did not strike out any one.

FAST FIELDING.

The fielding was fast and clean on both sides, and not a single error marred the Hustlers' work. It was a kind of one, two, three order game, and not until the last man was out could either side lay claims to the contest.

In the first inning Kain was hit; he stole second, went to third on Smith's hit, and scored on a fumble by Fultz. Smith went to second on the same fumble, and scored on sacrifices by Groves and Houseman. The visitors scored once in their half. Scherer got a hit, but was caught napping at first. Then Fultz made a single, and, by fast running, he scored on Little's two-bagger to the centre-field fence.

A beautiful double play from third to first, and back by Viox, and Little, cut off all hopes of Richmond scoring in the second, while the visitors in their half of the same inning were retired in one, two, three order.

In the third a single by Smith, followed by sacrifices by Groves and Houseman, with a timely single by Bradley, gave the Hustlers one more run.

Both clubs drew blanks up to the sixth, when Bradley again found Lloyd for a single, and made the circuit of the bases on Wells' long drive to deep right. This was the Hustlers' last run. In the eighth the Magicians gave the rooters a nervous shock, and came near winning out.

THINGS LOOKED SHAKY.

Viox got a hit, but died at second on Lloyd's grounder to Tannehill. Then Sherer flew out to Bradley, and Fultz singled, putting Lloyd on third, who scored a moment later on Stahl's hit, Fultz moving up to second. Then up loomed big Padden and every one felt nervous. He found easy fruit, however, and died, Houseman to Wells retiring the side.

The fielding of Fultz, Sherer, Graves, Houseman, and Wells were the features of the game. Behind the bat the work of Welsh and the Duke was perfect. The game was one of the quickest and cleanest ever played here and there was no kicking. Roanoke lost it is true, but they put up a game fight, and played in their usual gentlemanly manner, in fact, the Magicians are hot favorites in Richmond. The following is the score:

RICHMOND.

Players.	AB.	H.	R.	O.	A.	E.
Kain, 3b.	4	0	1	0	1	0
Smith, l. f.	5	3	2	1	0	0
Groves, c. f.	3	0	0	1	0	0
Houseman, 2b.	2	1	0	5	3	0
Bradley, r. f.	2	2	1	2	0	0
Wells, 1b.	3	1	0	7	0	0
Foster, c.	2	0	0	9	1	0
Berte, s. s.	4	0	0	2	2	0
Tannehill, p.	3	1	0	0	7	0
Totals	28	8	4	27	14	0

ROANOKE.

Players.	AB.	H.	R.	O.	A.	E.
Sherer, c. f.	4	1	0	3	0	1
Fultz, l. f.	4	2	1	2	0	1
Stahl, r. f.	4	1	0	1	0	0
Little, 1b.	4	1	0	17	1	0
Padden, 2b.	3	0	0	0	6	0
Cavanaugh, s. s.	4	0	0	1	5	1
Welch, c.	4	1	0	1	1	0
Viox, 3b.	3	1	0	2	2	0
Lloyd, p.	3	0	1	0	2	0
Totals	33	7	2	27	17	2

Score by innings: R.
Richmond .... 2 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 0—4
Roanoke .... 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0—2

Summary: Earned runs—Richmond, 2; Roanoke, 2. Two-base hits—Wells and Little. Stolen bases—Kain (2), Houseman (2), Bradley, Wells. Double plays—Viox and Little. Bases on balls—off Tannehill, 1; off Lloyd, 4. Hit by pitcher—Kain. Struck out—by Tannehill, 5. Time of game—one hour and twenty-five minutes. Umpire, Mitchell. Attendance, 2,600.

GAMES YESTERDAY.

At Richmond:
Roanoke, 2; Richmond, 4.
At Lynchburg:
Petersburg, 5; Lynchburg, 6.
At Norfolk:
Portsmouth, 9; Norfolk, 8.

STANDING OF CLUBS.

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Richmond	82	52	30	.634
Lynchburg	80	48	32	.600
Portsmouth	86	45	41	.523
Petersburg	80	37	43	.462
Roanoke	84	33	51	.393
Norfolk	84	33	51	.393

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

Games won and lost by each club to each other club:

STATE LEAGUE CLUBS' STANDING.	Richmond.	Petersburg.	Portsmouth.	Lynchburg.	Norfolk.	Roanoke.	Games won.
Richmond	....	8	11	9	10	14	52
Petersburg	4	....	6	8	10	9	37
Portsmouth	5	5	....	7	16	12	45
Lynchburg	10	11	12	....	6	6	48
Norfolk	5	9	6	3	....	10	33
Roanoke	6	7	6	5	9	....	33
Games lost	30	43	41	32	51	51	....

GAMES SCHEDULED FOR TO-DAY.

At Richmond:
Roanoke vs. Richmond.
At Norfolk:
Portsmouth vs. Norfolk.
At Lynchburg:
Petersburg vs. Lynchburg.

Behind the Bat.

Pitcher Gillen will certainly pitch against the Magicians to-day. So announced Jake Wells last night.

Dinsmore has been released. He expects to return to his home in the West.

All the games were close yesterday, Portsmouth and Lynchburg winning by one run.

Richmond has won the same number of games from Roanoke that Lynchburg has won from Petersburg.

There was a rumor started yesterday that three members of the Baltimore team had been killed in a railway collision. The rumor proved to be a false one.

The Magicians and Hustlers played the first seven innings yesterday in exactly an hour.

Little made a State-League record yesterday in having seventeen put-outs at first base to his credit.

Boys, we want to-day's game.

LOST THROUGH ERRORS.

Petersburg Defeated by Lynchburg by a Score of 5 to 6.

LYNCHBURG, VA., July 30.—Special.—The game to-day with Petersburg was close and exciting with still another heart's disease finish. Lynchburg won, 'tis true, but by the hardest work.

James, of the Cockade City, who was ever, and is still an enigma, difficult of solution for the Hill Climbers, was no exception to-day, and but for costly errors by himself and Turner, would have taken the game with at least one run to spare. McKenna's work for Lynchburg was very good.

The score:

LYNCHBURG.

Players.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Ferguson, r. f.	1	3	1	1	0
Smith, c. f.	0	0	2	0	0
McIntyre, 2b.	1	1	4	4	0
Berryhill, 3b.	1	0	2	4	1
Thompson, l. f.	0	0	0	0	0
Scabel, c.	0	0	5	0	1
Plock, 1b.	0	0	11	0	0
Leahy, s. s.	1	1	2	2	0
McKenna, p.	2	2	0	5	0
Totals	6	7	27	16	2

PETERSBURG.

Players.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Pender, 2b.	0	0	1	4	0
Joanes, l. f.	2	2	4	0	0
Lippert, r. f.	0	2	0	1	0
Turner, 1b.	0	2	10	0	1
Sanford, c. f.	0	0	1	0	0
Smith, s. s.	2	1	0	0	0
Lyon, 3b.	1	0	4	2	0
Keefer, c.	0	1	7	1	0
James, p.	0	1	0	12	1
Totals	5	9	27	20	2

Score by innings:
Lynchburg .... 0 0 0 2 1 0 2 0 1—6
Petersburg .... 1 1 1 0 0 0 0 2 0—5

Summary: Earned runs—Lynchburg, 4; Petersburg, 1. Two-base hits—James, Turner, McKenna, Smith. Three-base hits—McIntyre, Keefer, Turner. Double plays—Berryhill to McIntyre. Struck out—By McKenna, 4; by James, 7. Base on balls—By McKenna, 3; by James, 2. Umpire, Mr. Hoggns.

PORTSMOUTH WINS.

Norfolk Almost Ties the Score But Brandt Saves His Team.

NORFOLK, VA., July 30.—Special.—For seven innings this afternoon big Brandt, of Portsmouth, had the Norfolks at his mercy. Then he let down and Tate's men, by some hard hitting, coupled with loose work on the part of Portsmouth in-fielder, enabled Norfolk to almost tie the score. But Brandt quickly settled to his work in the eighth, and won the game with comparative ease. Knox was put out of the game for foul language.

NORFOLK.

Players.	A.B.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
McGann, 2b.	5	2	4	4	4	3
O'Hagan, 3b.	5	1	3	1	2	0
Corcoran, s. s.	5	1	0	2	6	4
Tate, 1b.	5	0	0	9	1	1
Thornton, c. f.	4	1	1	1	0	1
Geier, r. f.	4	0	1	0	0	0
Kelley, l. f.	4	0	0	0	0	0
Cote, c.	2	2	1	7	2	0
Weeks, p.	1	0	0	0	0	0
Foster, p.	2	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	37	8	10	24	15	5

PORTSMOUTH.

Players.	A.B.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Caville, r. f.	4	2	2	0	0	0
Thurston, s. s.	3	2	1	1	4	0
Knox, l. f.	2	0	0	0	0	0
Hallman, l. f.	3	0	1	2	1	0
Vetter, c.	4	1	2	9	1	0
Mangan, 1b.	2	1	1	9	0	1
Hargrove, c. f.	4	1	1	0	0	0
Fuller, 3b.	4	1	1	2	1	0
Hall, 2b.	4	1	2	3	3	2
Brandt, p.	3	0	1	1	1	0
Totals	33	9	12	27	13	3

Score by innings:
Norfolk .... 0 0 2 0 0 0 6 0 0—8
Portsmouth .... 0 3 0 4 0 2 0 0 x—9

Earned runs—Norfolk, 4; Portsmouth, 2. Two-base hits—McGann, Thornton, Vetter. Double plays—Corcoran and McGann, Corcoran, McGann, and Tate; McGann, Corcoran, and Tate; All and Mangan, Hallman, and Thurston. Bases on balls—Off Weeks, 5; off Foster, 2; off Brandt, 4. Struck out—By Weeks, 2; by Foster, 4; by Brandt, 7. Hit by pitched ball—Foster. Stolen bases—Norfolk, 4; Portsmouth, 5. Left on bases—Norfolk and Portsmouth, 8 each. Passed balls—Vetter, 2. Wild pitcher—Brandt, 2. Time—Two hours. Umpire, Mr. McLaughlin.

FOREMAN'S GREAT GAME.

He Takes a Game From the Colts Giving Them But Eight Hits.

PITTSBURG, PA., July 30.—Foreman, Pittsburg's child wonder, took a game from Chicago to-day, and gave Anson's crowd but eight hits. He pitched a great game. Hutchinson was also effective, but Pittsburg succeeded in bunching their hits in the fifth inning, and earned three runs. Attendance, 2,000.

Score:		R.	H.	E.
Pittsburg	0 0 0 0 3 0 0 0 x	3	9	1
Chicago	0 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0	2	8	2

Batteries—Foreman and Merritt; Hutchinson and Kittridge.

PHILADELPHIA, 10; BROOKLYN, 5.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., July 30.—The Brooklyn club made its first appearance of the season here, and was beaten. Hamilton and Thompson scored home in the fifth inning by sending the ball over the right-field wall. The visitors knocked out a volley of singles in the eighth, four runs being the result. Score:

		R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	0 1 0 0 5 0 0 0 0	10	13	2
Brooklyn	0 0 1 0 0 0 0 4 0	5	12	4

Batteries—Taylor and Clements; Lucid and Grim.

NEW YORK, 17; WASHINGTON, 5.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 30.—The New York team had a walk-over with the home players to-day. Manager Schmelz utilized nearly all his men, but they availed him nothing. Rusie was invincible, while the local pitchers were pounded from the start to the finish of the contest. Score:

		R.	H.	E.
Washington	1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 3	5	9	6
New York	2 4 5 1 2 0 1 1 x	17	23	0

Batteries: Boyd, Mularkey, Cooman, and McGuire; Rusie and Farrell and Wilson.

LOUISVILLE, 18; ST. LOUIS, 2.

LOUISVILLE, KY., July 30.—The Louisvilles put up a remarkable batting game to-day, and were assisted by the St. Louis team's wildness in the field. Staley was knocked out of the box in the fifth inning, and Kissinger was batted all over the field. Attendance, 650. Score:

		R.	H.	E.
Louisville	2 0 0 1 3 1 4 0 2	18	20	2
St. Louis	0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1	2	9	8

Batteries: Inks, McGregory, Warner, and anner; Staley Kissinger and Miller.

At Boston: Boston vs. Baltimore. Game postponed on account of rain.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

CLUBS.	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Cleveland	52	34	.605
Pittsburg	48	32	.600
Baltimore	43	31	.581
Boston	42	32	.568
Cincinnati	45	35	.562
Chicago	47	39	.547
Philadelphia	41	34	.547
Brooklyn	41	36	.532
New York	40	36	.526
Washington	25	46	.352
St. Louis	28	55	.337
Louisville	17	59	.224

GAMES SCHEDULED FOR TO-DAY.

Baltimore at Boston.
Brooklyn at Philadelphia.
New York at Washington.
Chicago at Pittsburg.
St. Louis at Louisville.

Southern League Games.

At Mobile:

Score:		R.	H.	E.
Mobile	1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0	2	3	3
Nashville	1 0 1 1 2 0 0 1 x	6	12	2

Batteries: Ely and Somers; Moran and Sweeney.

At Montgomery:

Score:		R.	H.	E.
Montgomery	1 4 3 2 2 0 0 0 0	12	18	4
Atlanta	1 5 0 0 0 3 0 3 0	12	13	5

Batteries: Sharks and Kehoe; Horner, Callahan, and Wilson. Game called on account of darkness.

At New Orleans:

Score:		R.	H.	E.
New Orleans	3 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0	4	10	4
Evansville	2 0 2 1 0 0 0 0 x	5	9	4

Batteries: D. McFarland and Fields; Sechrist, Smith, and Gonding.

FAVORITES WERE WINNERS.

They Win the First Five in Succession at Brighton Beach.

BRIGHTON BEACH, July 30.—Fortunately for the management, there was nothing in the atmosphere to indicate the terrific rainfall which afterwards converted into mud the dust and turf of the track; otherwise the attendance would not have reached half of the actual mark. There were fully 3,000 persons on the grand stand and in the ring when the first event was run off. Backers of favorites had a good day, first choices capturing the first five races in succession. Jack the Jew, the third choice, won the last race from Watchman, the favorite, after a hard drive. Summaries:

First race—one and a sixteenth miles.—Appomattox (109, Doggett, 6 to 5) first, Augusta Belle second, Hurlingham third. Time, 1:51¾.

Second race—five furlongs.—Bessie Browning (115, McCafferty, 3 to 5) first, Hancock second, Prince Felix third. Time, 1:05.

Third race—six furlongs.—Red Top II. (112, Penn, 9 to 5) first, Roundelay second, Sir John third. Time, 1:18¾.

Fourth race—six furlongs.—Tinge (103, Welsh, 2 to 1) first, The Swain second, Second Attempt third. Time, 1:17.

Fifth race—one mile.—George Dixon (108, Keefe, 6 to 5) first, Claurice second, Warlike third. Time, 1:47.

Sixth race—one mile.—Jack the Jew (116, Overton, 4 to 1) first, Watchman second, Harry Alonzo third. Time, 1:47.

ALEXANDER ISLAND RACES.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 30.—Alexander Island results were as follows:

First race—half mile.—Bob Miller (12 to 1) first, Little Ralph second, Elves third. Time, .49 3-4.

Second race—six and a quarter furlongs.—Irine (6 to 5) first, Lady Teacher second, Brogan third. Time, 1:22 1-2.

Third race—five furlongs.—Baccarat (4 to 1) first, Monolithe second, Sir William third. Time, 1:02 1-4.

Fourth race—six and a half furlongs.—Bronston (8 to 5) first, Joe McV. second, Half Breed third. Time, 1:24.

Fifth race—six and a half furlongs.—Con Lucy (7 to 5) first, West Side second, Mohawk third. Time, 1:24.

Sixth race—six and a quarter furlongs.—Frank Harf (4 to 5) first, Billy Boy second, My Gypsy third. Time, 1:21.

AT OAKLEY.

OAKLEY, O., July 30.—The Crystal stakes to-day proved an exciting race, Loki, a 12-to-1 shot, winning by a nose after a hard drive. Attendance large; weather fine; track fast. Summaries:

First race—five furlongs.—Serena (110, Irving, 3 to 1) first, Belle of Fordham second, Brace Girdle third. Time, 1:02 3-4.

Second race—six furlongs.—Fayette Belle (100, Foster, 4 to 1) first, Schnitz second, Nellie Osborn third. Time, 1:16.

Third race—seven furlongs.—Jim Donlen (115, Cassin, 8 to 1) first, Poet Scout second, Eva L. third. Time, 1:29½.

Fourth race, the Crystal stakes, value to winner, $1,500, six furlongs.—Loki (105, Thorpe, 12 to 1) first, The Dragon second, La Salle third. Time, 1:15 1-4.

Fifth race—mile and seventy yards.—Leo Lake (89, Jones, 9 to 10) first, Ace second, Enthusiasm third. Time, 1:44½.

Sixth race—six furlongs.—Brendeo (105, Chorn, 8 to 5) first, Jane second, George B. Morris third. Time, 1:15.

SARATOGA RACES POSTPONED.

SARATOGA, N. Y., July 30.—Owing to a very heavy rain, to-day's races have been postponed until to-morrow, when to-day's card will be run off.

THE GOODWOOD RACES.

LONDON, July 30.—The Goodwood races opened to-day, with a large attendance, and under perfect weather conditions. A large number of aristocratic habitues of the turf were present. The race for the stewards cup, valued at 300 sovereigns, for three-year-olds and upwards, three-quarters of a mile, straight, was won by Sir Tatton Sykes' Wise Virgin. W. Taylor Sharp's Undecided was second, and Baron de Rothchilds' Amandeer was third.

Michael F. Dwyer had Primrose Knight and Harry Read entered for the first race on the card, and the stewards' cup, respectively, but they did not go to the post.

Harry Read was also scratched for the West Dean stakes.

BRIGANDAGE IN MEXICO.

Muleteers Robbed and Beaten—Reported Remedy for Yellow Fever.

CITY OF MEXICO, July 30.—Four muleteers, who had sold eleven donkey loads of corn in Contreras, fourteen miles from this city, were returning to the town of Victoria, when they were met by twenty bandits. The muleteers ran, but were fired on and compelled to stop. The chief bandit ordered them to lie down. They complied, and were beaten with swords and their money taken. The bandits then tied the muleteers with ropes and covered their heads with their ponchos. At this juncture a rescue party arrived. The noise of the firing brought to the scene a detachment of rural guards, who arrested the men supposed to belong to the gang. There have recently been a number of roadside assaults and robberies near this capital and near Puebla, and the authorities will pursue and punish with vigor the highwaymen. There is a sudden outcropping of brigandism, which had been practically extinguished.

The remains of the parties executed during the war for independence were yesterday visited by many people, and last evening were provisionally deposited in large glass urns until the date when they will be finally placed in bronze urns and locked in the chapel of San Jose in the cathedral.

Some interest has been excited in Vera Cruz by the announcement that a woman has discovered a remedy which averts yellow fever, if taken on the appearance of the symptoms.

TRACKED TO EARTH AT LAST.

The Sea Serpent Cornered by Justice Velsor at Cold Spring Harbor.

COLD SPRING HARBOR, L. I., July 30.—A monster snake, said to be ten or twelve feet long and as big around as a water pail, has been seen in the woods hereabouts. It was seen some time ago by Justice Velsor. Recently the monster gave chase to I. W. Valentine, superintendent of the Baptist Sunday school in this place. Mr. Valentine said the reptile has a diamond-shaped head, with a top that looked like a crown, and it has been dubbed the king snake. Dr. Oliver Jones, one of the most prominent and wealthy men in this vicinity, also came across the snake. Frequent attempts have been made to capture or shoot the monster, but without success. It is thought the snake once belonged to Dr. Wood's collection. He was a naturalist, and for a time maintained a regular menagerie at his home. Before his death Dr. Wood released all his pets, and it is thought the king snake is one of them grown up.

It is also surmised that probably this is the sea serpent that has been sighted several times in the sound off this place. An organized effort is to be made to capture the fellow.

THE MAFIA AT WORK.

An Attempt to Murder a Man in St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, July 30.—Seven members of the Mafia, who only recently came to this city from New Orleans, atempted to murder Michael Deelo, an Italian interpreter, Sunday night. The naturel cunning of the intended victim, together with the fact that the would-be assassis made several suspicious moves, which put Deelo and his wife on guard, is all that prevented the enactment of a horrible crime. At 10:30 o'clock several Italians came to Deelo's home, in the rear of 908 Franklin avenue, ostensibly to make a friendly call and get acquainted with the family. They conducted themselves in a gentlemanly manner, and all was merry for a short time. Finally they atempted to pick a quarrel with their intended victim, but Deelo, who had noticed them fingering their weapons, managed to get the gang on the back porch, and closed the door between them. Deelo sent for the police, the Mafias who were in the meeting attempting to break down the door, being kept at bay by the beseiged man's revolver. Finally, the police arrived and arrested two of the Italians, who are supposed to be the leaders of the gang. The others escaped.

WEATHER AND THE SOILS

PROF. MASON WHITNEY BEFORE THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

To Transfer the State Weather Service From Lynchburg to Richmond—A Room in the Capitol Wanted.

The State Board of Agriculture met last evening in the rooms of the department in the State library building. President S. Wellford Corbin presided, and the following members were present: Messrs. A. J. McMath, R. L. Henley, R. M. Mallory, John L. Hurt, R. V. Gaines, Absolom Koiner, and Commissioner Whitehead.

The report of the committee in charge of the removal of the mineral exhibit from the old to the new quarters was presented, showing that the transfer had been satisfactorily made, with the assistance of Professor Fontaine, of the University of Virginia, and that five hundred blocks had been reserved for mounting the specimens from future growth of the collection.

Professor Mason Whitney, chief of the bureau of soil tests of the United States Department of Agriculture, was present, and when invited, addressed the board, explaining the results of a large number of experiments that he had been making with soil from many parts of the State.

TOBACCO SOILS.

Mr. Whitney used several maps in illustrating his subject. He said he had made a number of trips through the tobacco region of Virginia, and had taken samples of the soil, and that he would be able to prepare a full report of the experiments now being made, in time to embody them in the report of Commissioner Whitehead to the Legislature in December next.

Mr. Whitney said the department had already reached a point where they could take a sample of soil and tell by analysis whether it came from the bright, the dark shipping, or the burley-growing districts. He showed that the type of tobacco was largely due to the amount of clay in the soil, the clay largely governing the amount of moisture, the condition most favorable to the growth of crops.

The bright tobacco soil, he said, has not more than 10 per cent. of clay; the dark shipping soils, 15 or 20 per cent., and burley tobacco a still higher per cent., while those strong soils adapted to wheat and grass have as high as 60 per cent. of clay.

He also said there was a large area of soil in Virginia that had plenty of clay, but on account of the peculiar structure of the soil, was not adapted to crops raised on them. He cited cases where comparatively worthless soils some years ago had become valuable because crops suitable to them had been adopted for cultivation, and he thought it possible that crops suitable to these heavy but poor clay soils would also be discovered.

The address was very interesting, and the expressions of the members of the board showed that they thought the work of great value, and a vote of thanks was tendered Professor Whitney for his address.

THE WEATHER SERVICE.

Mr. A. E. Evans, the forcaste official of the United States Weather Bureau, now stationed at Lynchburg, was present, and was invited to address the board.

He said the secretary of the Weather Service Bureau had found that Virginia was behind in the benefits of the weather service, and that it was important that the Virginia State Weather Service be moved from Lynchburg to Richmond, because of the better facilities offered here for distribution of the information furnished by the bureau.

He said they desired to send out by every train from Richmond the reports of the weather service, by the use of flags and by telephone and telegraph lines. He said that the only hindrance to their coming to Richmond was the question of quarters, and he asked that the Board of Agriculture recognize the Virginia Weather Service, and procure them quarters needful for their work.

He expressed the opinion that the work of the weather bureau properly organized would do more good to the farmers' interest than any other one thing. He said if quarters could be obtained here he could transfer the State Weather Service to Richmond inside of ten days. In response to questions from the president of the board, Mr. Evans said if quarters were furnished the State Weather Service the national bureau would go to work to make the service as efficient in Virginia as any other State.

Major Hurt held that the board could not properly take action where the interests of the two cities were brought in conflict. Major Gaines, Mr. Corbin, and others took the ground that the United States Government was making a liberal offer, that would accrue to the good of the whole State, and that the board would be recreant to its duty not to meet them half way with open arms.

The question of asking the Governor to grant the State Weather Service a room in the Capitol building was largely discussed. Pending the question the board adjourned at 11:30 P. M. until 10 o'clock this morning.

THE BABCOCK COT.

Dedicated With Appropriate Masonic Ceremonies at "the Retreat."

The Babcock Memorial Cot, in the Masonic department of the Retreat for the Sick, was dedicated yesterday afternoon, under the auspices of the lady managers of the Retreat, and the Masonic Relief Board, with appropriate Masonic ceremonies and an entertaining programme of song.

Captain L. T. Christian, president of the Relief Board, called the meeting to order. The parlors and halls of the institution were filled with a large crowd, consisting in part of prominent Masons and ladies connected with the institution. The dedicatory prayer was offered by Rev. Preston Nash, and interesting addresses were made by Rev. J. J. Gravatt, and Rev. Dr. W. J. Young. The closing prayer and benediction were offered by Rev. J. Calvin Stewart. The singing, by Miss Nellie Rogers, Captain F. W. Cunningham, and Mr. Oscar Lohman, added much to the beauty and interest of the occasion.

At the close of the ceremonies, the visitors inspected the beautifully-furnished Masonic room, where the Babcock Cot has just been established, and then adjourned to the dining-room, where elegant refreshments were served.

The cot is a gem of beauty and comfort, and the accessories, in the way of a feeding-table, a wash-stand, chairs, and dresser, are very neat and pretty. The walls of the room are hung with beautiful pictures, the gifts of Captain L. T. Christian, Sol. Binswanger, and Messrs. Sydnor & Hundley.

The late Captain A. G. Babcock left a bequest of $6,000 to establish this cot, and it will be used for the care of homeless and dependent sick persons, as a part of the charitable work of this splendid institution.

A SHOOTING AFFRAY.

John Jones Shoots George Holmes on East Broad Street.

About 11 o'clock last night John Jones and George Holmes, two young negroes, became engaged in a difficulty on Broad, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets, when suddenly Jones drew a pistol and shot Holmes. The bullet entered his abdomen, and he fell to the ground unconscious.

The ambulance was summoned, and he was carried to the almshouse, where Dr. W. H. Parker operated, and removed the bullet. At a late hour last night Holmes was resting easily, and is expected to recover. It appears that Jones fired two shots at Holmes, but only the first took effect, the second, however, came near striking Officer W. W. Crump. The men had had a quarrel earlier in the day and resumed it last night.

Jones, after he fired the second shot, ran down Sixteenth street, and jumped in Shockoe creek, and escaped. Officer Crump fired at him three times, but none of the shots took affect. The police are on Jones' trail, and expect to capture him soon.

Mrs. J. E. Owens and daughter Alice will leave Thursday morning for Middleton Mills, Fluvana county, Va., to spend the month of August.