

HIGHWAY FOR HANOVER

THE COMMITTEE WILL REPORT DR. WINSTON'S BILL FAVORABLY.

Considerable Opposition to the Measure Manifested by Citizens of Henrico, Capt. O'Bannon Sustained.

The House Committee on Counties, Cities, and Towns held a session yesterday afternoon, which lasted nearly four hours, and during which it considered a bill introduced by Dr. Winston, of Hanover, which gives the Board of Supervisors of each county the right to expend the sum of \$1,000 for the construction of a public road in Henrico county. Up to the present time the residents of Henrico county have been unable to reach the city of Richmond by any of the highways. Recently a remedy was looked for, and commissions were appointed from the two counties to consider the question as to how to construct a public highway that would connect the two counties.

The commissioners of Henrico county declined to recommend the expenditure of any money for the construction of a road which would only benefit the residents of another county. The commissioners of Hanover county, on the other hand, were in favor of the improvement, and the Board of Supervisors of Hanover county not only decided to build the road to the city of Richmond, but also to contribute to the expenditure of the sum of \$1,000 for the construction of the road through Henrico county, for the reason that the road would be the right of way and had obtained the necessary deed. As soon as the action of the Board of Supervisors of Hanover county was known, the Board of Supervisors of Henrico county were secured by several property owners, and the work, of course, was stopped.

TO REPORT IT FAVORABLY.

The bill of Dr. Winston simply seeks to give the Board of Supervisors of Hanover county the legal right to construct the road, if they deem it advisable, at an expenditure of \$1,000. It is not a bill for the construction of the road, but for the right to construct it, which they hold the Henrico county, for which they hold the deed.

At the meeting of the committee yesterday afternoon there were about forty gentlemen present who were interested on either side. The bill, of course, bitterly fought by those who represented the interests of Henrico county, and the bill was not reported until after a long and hot debate. The bill was finally reported to the committee, and the committee will report it favorably.

CAPTAIN O'BANNON SUSTAINED.
The joint committee on Printing and Stationery, which was organized to consider the appeal of Taylor & Taylor, printers, from the decision of the Superior Court of the City of Richmond, in the case of Taylor & Taylor, v. the Commonwealth, and the committee finally decided to sustain the decision of the court, and the bill will be reported to the committee, and the committee will report it favorably.

MR. KOEHLER WITHDRAWS.
Mr. George Koehler, of Augusta, who has been elected to the seat of Mr. C. W. Simms (Rep.) in the House of Representatives, in the city yesterday to submit some amendments to the committee on Privileges and Elections, before which he had been summoned, but he withdrew, and the committee will report the bill favorably.

REV. MR. NUGENT'S REPORT.
A Resume of His Work Since September 22, 1895.
At a recent meeting of the Richmond Protestant Episcopal Missionary Society the following report from Rev. P. R. Nugent, City Missionary, was submitted:

Beeside nightly mission meetings—about 22 of 25—number 1 report the following from September 22, 1895:
General visits, 82;
Open-air mission, conducted or assisted, 27; attendance (estimated), 1,820; special interest shown by 23; professions of conversion, 7.

Penitential—Number of meetings, 4; attendance, 1,500; professions of conversion, 46; professions of conversion, 7; conversions, 3; personal interviews, 45; reading-matter distributed, 25,000 pages.

City Jail—Meetings, 11; attendance, 502; interest, 3; professions, 11; reading-matter, 700 pages.

County Jail—Meetings, 3; reading-matter, 400 pages; 7; interest, 4; reading-matter, 400 pages.

Shops—Meetings, 4; attendance, 201; interest, 4.

Home—Personal visits, 111; reading-matter, 63 pages; short prayer services, 4.

Soldiers' Home—Personal visits, 45; reading-matter, 421 pages.

Church Home—Home service, 1; St. Luke's Chapel—Number services, 24; attendance, 329 and conducted two funerals.

Total: Services and meetings, 35; attendance, 5,228; reading-matter, 25,000; professions, 22; reading-matter, pages, 25,000.

LIBRARY BOOK SALE.

A Committee to Investigate—Mr. Lawless Submits His Memorial Report.

The joint Library Committee of the General Assembly met yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock for the first time during the present session of the Legislature, with Senator H. L. Maynard in the chair.

Secretary of the Commonwealth Lawless submitted his memorial report, with a detailed statement of the library fund. The chair appointed Colonel R. E. Boykin, of the Senate, and Messrs. Booker and Radford, of the House, a subcommittee to examine the books and the condition of the library fund, and to report to the full committee.

The subcommittee is also empowered to look into the advisability of the sale of the books which were sold at auction by the secretary, under direction of the chairman of the joint committee, and to report to the full committee.

NOTHING FROM LUNENBURG.
Not Yet Known When the Prisoners Will be Taken Away.

It was reported at the jail yesterday that no news had been received from Lunenburg in regard to the Lunenburg prisoners. The condition of the prisoners is said to be improving steadily. Dr. W. S. Gordon, the jail physician, said last evening that while the woman was getting along well, he did not consider it prudent for her to travel under a month, and he did not think it probable that the Lunenburg authorities would permit her removal to that county before February, though he had heard nothing from them since his letter to Judge O'Connell informing him of Mary Abernathy's illness.

Under Civil Service Rules.

It is understood that President Cleveland will issue an order before his term of office expires placing deputy collectors of customs and deputy civil service rules. The deputies themselves are naturally desirous of having this done as soon as possible, and one of the deputies in San Francisco has taken charge of the matter and is obtaining signatures to a petition addressed to Mr. Cleveland praying that he will issue such an order.

Sensational Comedy-Drama.
"The Land of the Midnight Sun," a dramatic production full of scenic effects, thrilling dialogues, and exciting situations, will be given every evening at the heart of that class of theatre-goers who delight in plays after the heart-

disease order, probably described a better audience than that which assembled at the Academy last night. There are scenes laid in North Carolina, and the music and pyrotechnics in Ireland, a plot deep and sensational, and some attractive stage accessories. The audience was small, but there was no lack of enthusiasm from the elevated part of the house.

Mr. Wilton Taylor as Jason, Mr. Paul Menefee as Sunlocks, and several of the ladies helped Mr. Edwin Harbour, whose comedy lightened up matters considerably to unravel the plot by degrees.

The bill will be a machine to-day, and the engagement will close to-night.

"Abbo Roman," which was billed for the Theatre last night, was not given, and the night's engagement having been cancelled.

A REMARKABLE ACCIDENT.

A Painter Falls Thirty-Five Feet and Is Only Slightly Hurt.

A remarkable accident occurred at the Old Dominion Iron and Nail Works on Belle Isle yesterday afternoon, about 6 o'clock, and it seemed as if it were a miracle that Joseph Dixon was not killed. At the time of the accident Dixon, who is a painter, was doing some work on a smoke-stack at an elevation about thirty-five feet. In some way he lost his footing and fell. Strange to say, he landed on his feet. It was at first supposed he was either fatally or dangerously hurt.

The ambulance was summoned, and the man's injuries were examined by Dr. Parker, the physician in charge. It was ascertained that Dixon was only painfully hurt, and not very seriously hurt. His ankles were sprained and his back was slightly hurt, but he was otherwise uninjured.

Dixon was taken to his home, near the foot of Ninth street, where he was doing very well at a late hour last night. He will soon recover.

NEARLY SUFFOCATED.

Narrow Escape of a Lady From Asphyxiation.

A lady residing on West Grace street had a narrow escape from death by suffocation Monday night, owing to the fact that the gas pipes in the house became disarranged and the light was dim, so much so that the lady in lying down for the night, and while she was in the room a plumber began to work on the pipes, and during his operations cut off the gas. The light in the lady's room was of course extinguished, and when the gas was turned on later the burner in her room was wide open and the room was soon filled with the subtle poison.

Strange to say, she soon awoke, with the sensation, she says, of being smothered. She immediately got up and lost no time in stopping the flow of gas and in throwing open the window. She then retired, and next day had no evidence of her narrow escape, save a disagreeable sensation in her throat.

Those Who Are Sick.

The condition of Mr. Frank R. Hill was reported yesterday by Dr. J. S. Wellford. He is not in any immediate danger. Mr. Hill was reported last night by Dr. E. Stratton as somewhat better. His mind is now clearer, and there are hopes of permanent improvement.

A Medal for Mr. Johnston.

Mr. A. Langstaff Johnston, chief engineer of the Richmond Traction Company, has been highly honored by the Franklin Institute, which has awarded him a medal for his invention of the electric trolley. This invention is very valuable for electric trolley lines, and will be of great service to the Richmond Traction Company on their new line.

Policeman Saunders Sick.

Policeman Luther A. Saunders, of the First district, is very sick with a complication of disorders at his home, corner of Twenty-third and Clay streets. He has been attended by Dr. J. S. Wellford, and has been on the verge of death for a number of years, and is a faithful and efficient officer.

Rushing the Work.

Mr. Charles T. Child, engineer of the Standard Telephone Company, said last evening that there was nothing new in the affairs of his company, but that he was putting up the new poles. Wires and other appointments are expected shortly.

Mr. Gill Still Missing.

Nothing has been heard from Mr. Joseph N. Gill, who disappeared from his home on Pine street, New Year's night. His son, Mr. W. S. Gill, has investigated the matter, and took pains to find out if his father had been seen, but without success. The police have heard nothing from the missing man.

Woman's Foreign Mission Board.

The third quarterly meeting of the Woman's Foreign Mission Union will be held in the lecture-room of the First Presbyterian church at 4:30 o'clock to-day.

Had No Quorum.

The Council Committee on Ordinances was to have met last evening at 7 o'clock in room No. 12 of the City Hall, but as no quorum was present no business could be transacted.

BOLD BANK ROBBERS.

How Open the Safe and Secured Between \$8,000 and \$15,000—No Clue.

PAYETTE, O., Jan. 8.—One of the boldest as well as one of the most successful robberies that has ever occurred in this country took place here yesterday last night, when the Bank of Fayette, a private financial institution, of which E. L. Barber, president of the Keokuk National Bank, was the cashier, was entered and every cent of the cash in the safe and the valuable papers were stolen.

The robbery was not discovered until time to open this morning. By that hour, of course, the thieves had fled, and the thieves, who left not a single trace of their identity.

The value of the money and paper taken is not definitely known, the officials of the bank observing the greatest reticence. It is believed, however, that at least \$8,000, and probably as high as \$15,000, was obtained.

The robbers, of whom it is thought there were at least three, were seen by a witness, and easily gained entrance to the bank. They then flew off the safe door with some powerful explosive. The rest was easy.

LOUISIANA POPULISTS.

Little Probability of a Fusion With the Sugar Planter Republicans.

ALEXANDRIA, LOUISIANA, Jan. 8.—The Populist convention which met here to-day is not as large a body as it was expected to be. There are about 20 delegates altogether, and they came principally from the territory contiguous to Rapides Parish, which is the centre of the Populist strength in this State.

It is thought the convention will complete its work to-morrow, and unless a marked change take place a full Populist ticket will be put in the field, and the sugar planters' candidates who were seen last week at New Orleans will be ignored. Nearly all the Populist leaders are opposed to a fusion ticket because the sugar planters took the three most important places on the ticket.

A caucus was held by the Populists, beginning at 9 o'clock and lasting until nearly noon, when it was announced that the convention would permanently organize at 2 o'clock.

The delegates are very shy of newsmen, and the proceedings of the caucus cannot be learned. One of the delegates stated that Pugh, the sugar planter's candidate for Governor, would not be endorsed.

The convention organized at 5 o'clock to-night, and after nominating Judge A. A. Gandy, of Monroe, for Governor, and A. E. Booth, of New Orleans, for Lieutenant Governor, adjourned until to-morrow.

A caucus will be held to-night, and a speaker will be made with the regular Republicans, whereby the latter will endorse the Populist ticket. The plan will be developed to-morrow.

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Choice Brussels, Irish Point, Nottingham and Tamboured Curtains very low.

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Fine Silk Tapestry Curtains at very low prices.

RECRUITS NOT WANTED.

THE INSURGENTS ARE IN NEED OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION.

General Campos Reports That His Army is in High Spirits and Havana is Completely Quiet—Burning Plantations.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Thomas Estrada Palma, head of the Cuban Revolutionary Committee in the United States, and envoy Extraordinary of the Cuban Provisional Government to the United States, told a reporter to-night that his committee was doing nothing to encourage recruiting in this country for the Cuban cause.

On the contrary, he said, he and his associates were doing everything to discourage the raising of troops for Cuba, not only for the reason that such recruiting was in violation of the neutrality laws, but because there was already in Cuba more men attached to the insurgent army than could be armed.

There is a general belief, however, that Mr. Jones will relent and act with the Republicans.

The resolutions introduced yesterday by Mr. Quay declaring it to be the sense of the Republicans that the committee should report the tariff bill as it came from the House, passed in the caucus yesterday afternoon, and a half day before the division. Many of the silver Republicans were outspoken in their desire to have the tariff bill pass, and declared that it would be unwise to place a free coinage rider thereon.

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SECRETARY SMITH PRAISES ANDREW JACKSON'S DEMOCRACY.

At a Dinner on the Anniversary of the Battle of New Orleans—Republican and Democratic Records Compared.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 8.—For the sixteenth year the Young Men's Democratic Association of Philadelphia to-night observed the anniversary of the victory of Andrew Jackson over the British at New Orleans by a dinner.

The dinner was held in the banquet hall of the New House building, and was attended by about two hundred members of the association. The principal guests of the evening were Vice-President Stevenson, Secretary of the Interior Fred Smith, D. S. Morcan, Treasurer of the United States, United States Senator Charles J. Frazier, of West Virginia, and John L. Seymour, Commissioner of the Public Credit.

Attorney-General Hammon was expected to be present to respond to the toast, "Sound Money for the United States," but he was detained at Washington.

Secretary Smith rose to the toast "The Public Credit." Mr. Smith's speech was one in advocacy of a gold standard as opposed to the free silver movement. He said that Andrew Jackson was a sound-money Democrat, and reviewed the record of the Democratic administration from March 4, 1809, to March 4, 1829, showing that it paid off \$34,438,000 of bonds, and had left over \$23,000,000 in the Treasury in excess of the gold reserve, while the Republican administration which followed paid off \$23,000,000 of bonds. It found a surplus in the Treasury almost sufficient to make the payments, and left the Treasury with a surplus of \$23,000,000.

He argued that the financial distribution began before the revenues had ceased to be sufficient to meet the expenditures, and that the first deficiency was before the passage of new tariff legislation, there being a deficit of \$2,000,000 in the Treasury of \$2,000,000 during the twelve months immediately preceding the repeal of the McKinley bill, that the passage of the Sherman purchasing act, sold to the Government the right to purchase gold at a price of \$1.00 per ounce, and that the Treasury was left with a deficit of \$2,000,000.

Concluding his speech, the Secretary said: "No one questions the ability of the Government to meet its current obligations. It is the duty of the Government to maintain gold as a standard, and the Young Men's Democratic Association, which has checked business, and lessened the revenues."

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