GEN. BATTLE EXPLAINS

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A COURT-MARTIAL AND AN INQUIRY.

It Has Never Been Said That Generals Longstreet and Stuart Had Been Tried and Convicted.

PETERSBURG, VA., Feb. 6.—Special.—In my interview with General Battle, published in this correspondence on last Tuesday, some errors occurred. Among them the word court-martial appeared for court of inquiry. General Battle, in requesting the correction to be made, says:

Nothing was said about a court-martial. We were talking about a court of inquiry held at Culpeper Courthouse in the fall of 1863. There is a great difference between a court of inquiry and a court-martial.

A court of inquiry is a court appointed to inquire into and report on some military matter, as the conduct of an officer, and usually precedes a court-martial. A court-martial is a court consisting of military officers for the trial of one belonging to the army. It is often the case that courts of inquiry are more or less secret, and sometimes publicity would defeat the purpose for which they are ordered. Their reports are not for the public, but for the eye of the general ordering them only. A court-martial is always an open court, in which the accused has a trial, with every possible opportunity for his defence. Charges and specifications are preferred, which must be proven. It has never been said that Generals Stuart and Longstreet were tried and convicted.

It is simply stated that a court inquiring concerning the battle of Gettysburg censured Generals Stuart and Longstreet. When I incidentally made the statement in an address before A. P. Hill Camp, of Petersburg, I did not know that there was a man living beside myself who knew the fact. There was no record of the case, the papers having been lost.

The task I assumed in trying to prove my statement was a difficult one, but I knew I was right. It was at once denied that there was ever such a court ordered. It has been proven by a general who was a witness before the court that it was held, as stated, at Culpeper Courthouse in the fall of 1863, and it could not have been held unless it had been ordered by General Lee.

As soon as I realized that I would be expected to sustain my statement I wrote two letters. One of these was addressed to Captain A. H. Pickett, adjutant-general of Battle's Brigade, and the other to E. A. Wimberly, the courier by whom I sent the report to army headquarters. I have not yet heard from Captain Pickett.

Mr. Wimberly's letter was published in The Times to-day.

THE LATE PROF. BANDER.

The National Bank of Manassas Soon to Open.

MANASSAS, VA., Feb. 6.—The remains of Professor E. Bander, who died at the residence of his son-in-law, J. B. T. Thornton, were buried at Brentsville to-day beside the grave of his wife. Professor Bander was a highly-cultured gentleman and was well known in this portion of Virginia. He was seventy-two years old at he time of his death. When a young man he married a Miss Garnett, of Essex county, Va. Two daughters—Mrs. Judge C. E. Nicol and Mrs. J. B. T. Thornton—highly-accomplished ladies, both residing here, survive him. For some time past Professor Bander had been in bad health, but not until a few days ago was he confined to his bed, and it was not thought by his near relatives and friends that the end was so near at hand.

He said several hours before death that he felt so much better, he did not understand it, and then remarked: "Yes, I do, it is a transition from death unto life." To within a few minutes of the time that the spirit left its earthly tabernacle he was conscious, and death came with but little suffering.

His funeral services were conducted at the Episcopal church, of which he was a member.

A certificate from the Treasury Department has been issued authorizing the National Bank of Manassas to begin business, but the bank will not be ready to receive deposits or make loans until about the 15th instant, owing to the fact that the bank building is not yet in readiness.

Captain Westwood Hutchison, county treasurer and cashier of the National Bank of Manassas, is confined to his room with the grippe.

The Times is constantly growing in favor with the people here, especially because it gives the news, and is independent about it.

A FARMER'S ACCIDENT.

A Young Couple Step Off to Washington With Matrimonial Intent.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., Feb. 6.—Special.—Mr. Edgar Gentry, a prosperous young farmer, who lives about five miles from the city, while engaged in butchering a beef, met with a painful accident, which resulted in the breaking of his left leg in two places above the ankle. It seems that the animal was very wild, and after being shot with a rifle and wounded, Mr. Gentry and several of the farm hands attempted to cut the animal's throat, and in the struggle Mr. Gentry was thrown to the ground, receiving the above-named injuries.

Mr. Sextus A. Eddins, a popular clerk in the boot and shoe establishment of Messrs. Thomas & Waddill, Main street, and Miss Bessie Webb, daughter of Mr. W. C. Webb, of this city, slipped off to Washington on vestibule train No. 2, which passes here at 3:25 o'clock, on matrimony bent. A telegram was received at 11:30 that Mr. and Mrs. Eddins, after a short visit of "sight-seeing" in the capital city, would return to Charlottesville, where they will take up their future abode.

TOWN OF FRANKLIN DELUGED.

Streets Flooded and Trains Running Through Water.

FRANKLIN, VA., Feb. 6.—Special.—When the people arose this morning they found the town deluged, the streets converted into roaring creeks, and water standing everywhere. Very little damage has been reported, though a few bridges have been washed away and the pavement washed up in several places. The south-bound mail on the Seaboard road came in on time, though the track was through a sea of water from Portsmouth to Weldon. The telegraph line was blown down at Margarettesville, but by prompt action of the employes no train was delayed by the poles which were thrown across the track.

The celebrated "Kildee" base-ball team has been reorganized for the coming season, and dates with Wake Forest College and Norfolk league team arranged.

The Methodist Episcopal church has been handsomely roofted. Evangelist Schoolfield will hold a series of meetings in the above church next month.

THE STORM AT NORFOLK.

The Wind Fifty-Five Miles an Hour and Heavy Rain.

NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 6.—Special.—The wind began rising here about 11:30 o'clock this morning, and by 12:15 in the afternoon had reached a velocity of fifty-five miles an hour.

Insecure blinds, awnings, and signs, were wrenched off all over the city.

Several stacks in lumber yards were blown down in Atlantic City.

All the shipping was made fast in the harbor, a number of vessels casting double anchors.

The storm lasted but little more than an hour. There was a down-pour of rain all last night, and a severe rain storm about ½ o'clock this afternoon.

Marriage in Orange.

GORDONSVILLE, VA., Feb. 6.—Special.—Mr. R. de Seroux and Miss Maud Burruss were quietly married yesterday evening at the home of the bride's parents, about a mile from this city. The couple left on the evening train for a short bridal trip.

Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Smithers, of this place, gave a birthday party to their son, Master Dennis, at their hospitable home, and it is needless to say the young as well as the few silvered heads that were present enjoyed the occasion as one of the brightest spots in their lives, and did ample justice to the delicacies that were spread before them.

THE ELINA B. CAPSIZED.

Capt. Dean and Hersey W. Barnes, of Norfolk, Supposed to Have Drowned.

NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 6.—A special to-night to the Virginian from Suffolk, Va., says:

Captain Swift, of the Old Dominion Steamer Enlo, which plies between Suffolk and Norfolk, reports to-night that his crew saw the schooner Elina B. overturned and drifting in the Nansemond river near Pig Point Light House.

Captain George W. Dean and Hersey W. Barnes, of this city, are supposed to have been aboard, and it is feared that they were drowned unless rescued by some passing vessel, as they would have had a poor chance of reaching shore in the severe storm which prevailed to-day.

Mangled to Death.

DANVILLE, VA., Feb. 6.—Special.—Ellis W. Rangely, a youth, twenty years of age, was run over and killed here to-night by a shifting engine on the Southern railway.

The young man was with a companion crossing the track. They passed on the track and engaged in conversation, when the shifting engine came along. The companion stepped off the track, but Rangely paused too long, and was struck by the engine, knocked down, and run over.

One leg and one arm were cut off; the body mangled, and the skull crushed. Rangely was a son of J. E. Rangely, a well-known commission merchant.

The Cape Henry Wreck.

CAPE HENRY, VA., Feb. 6.—The unknown schooner reported ashore last night is the two-masted schooner Allie B. Cathrall, with cargo of lumber, from Newberne, N. C., for Bridgeport, Conn.

The vessel lies one and a half miles south of False Cape Life-Saving Station, well up on the beach. Her crew of six men were saved. The vessel and cargo will probably be a total loss.

IRON TRADE REVIEW.

The Past Week in Most Markets Marked by Inactivity.

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 6.—The Iron Trade Review to-day says:

The advances in Bessemer pig and steel billets after demonstrating how little buying is needed, under present conditions to start an upward movement have been followed by lower prices.

The past week has been in most markets one of inactivity and inquiries as well as sales have fallen off. Yet it appears that buyers are not as skeptical as most of them were in the early part of 1895 as to the ultimate effect of the higher prices for raw materials which has been so often referred to in the market reviews of the past six weeks.

The iron market has borne its full share of the embargo laid on trading by withdrawing from commercial lines several times the $100,000,000 involved in the bond sale.

In pig iron the largest buying of the week was by pipe interest, one southern concern taking close upon 20,000 tons.

The total purchases by pipe foundries since the opening of the year have reached a very respectable aggregate.

The decline in Bessemer pig is about 50 cents a ton.

Further deliveries on certain iron sold to middle men are maturing, and to place this iron a price of $12 valley has been made, and some Pittsburg business has been at $12.25. Furnace men, however, seem to adhere to the $13 valley quotation.

THE CONVOCATION CLOSED.

Its Interesting and Instructive Session Brought to an End Last Night.

The last day's session of the James River Convocation opened yesterday morning in St. Mark's Episcopal church at 11 o'clock. The service was conducted by Mr. Everett Meade, evangelist of the Diocese of Virginia and secretary of the council.

Rev. Mr. Carmick, of Westover, preached the sermon. He took for his text St. John ix., 4—"I must work the work of Him that sent me while it is day; the night cometh, when no man can work."

The sermon was a masterly effort. Rev. Mr. Carmick showed how valuable opportunities are neglected, and how, before they come again, the night of death overtook those to whom they were presented. In conclusion, he said:

"To-day is your lifetime; this is your opportunity. If men would only do God's work while it is day, when death comes it will be a victory. Opportunities neglected do not return. Therefore, let us accept the opportunities for doing good now."

After the service the convention went into a short executive session, and a general discussion of church work occurred. A plan for co-operation of city and country work was considered, as well as the changing the name from James River Convocation to Richmond Convocation. Nothing of importance was done or definite action taken.

The convocation closed last night with a meeting of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

Able addresses were made by Judge Lamb and Mr. Stewart Woodward upon the Brotherhood work. The evening service was conducted by Revs. John K. Mason, J. J. Gravatt, Martin Johnson, and George C. Abbitt.

James River Swollen.

The rains of the past few days have caused a rise in James river of about three feet at this point. As yet the swollen condition of the stream has occasioned no inconvenience or damage at the wharves. The following report as to the condition of the river was received at the Chesapeake and Ohio offices here at noon yesterday:

Eagle's Nest, 6 feet 10 inches above high water, cloudy; Balcony Falls, 3 1-2-10 feet below, raining; Buchanan, 4-10 feet above, standing, light rain; Clifton Forge, 4 inches above, standing, cloudy; Columbia, 9 4-10 feet above, rising and cloudy.

Royal Arcanumites.

McCarthy Council, No. 468, held its first meeting last night in the new hall of Lee Camp. Several candidates were initiated.

Virginia Council has tendered the Grand Council the use of their rooms for the annual meeting. Committees are being appointed to receive the supreme officers at this meeting, and preparations are being made to have a public meeting, as the Supreme Regent, Supreme Secretary, and Sentry have responded favorably to invitations to be present.

Henrico County News.

Garfield Poindexter, a white boy, and Trent Gill, a colored lad, were before Justice Lewis yesterday at the Henrico County Court on counter warrants of assault. The case was continued until to-day.

A fast trotting horse, known as Whiteloe, was sold yesterday afternoon by Sheriff Solomon at the county court-house to satisfy a debt in favor of W. J. Todd vs. Fletcher & Berry. He was purchased by George McD. Blake for $74.

The horse was brought here recently from New York, and has a splendid record.

A Cutting Affray.

About 10 o'clock last night two negroes engaged in a fight over a game of cards, on Cary street, near Seventeenth, and one of them, William Johnson by name, was quite severely cut by the other, whose name is not known. The ambulance was summoned, and the wounded man taken to the almshouse. The police are looking for his assailant.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Rebecca Pollard Aylett.

Mrs. Rebecca Pollard Aylett, mother of Mr. Lewis D. Aylett, died at her son's residence, in this city, yesterday evening quite suddenly. She was a daughter of the late William Chamberlayne Winston, of "Courtland," Hanover county. She married Dr. Philip A. Aylett, who occupied the position of professor of medicine in the University of the city of New York until the beginning of the war, when he resigned to come South.

Colonel W. M. Cocke.

NASHVILLE, TENN., Feb. 6.—Colonel W. M. Cocke, who represented the First Tennessee district in Congress, died at an advanced age this morning. While a member of Congress he caught John Quincy Adams in his arms, when Adams fell in the corridor of the Capitol, and shortly afterwards died.

THE BAND TO PLAY ON.

BY ANY OTHER NAME MUSIC WILL BE JUST AS SWEET.

The Erstwhile Howitzer Band Will Not Disband—Pass Resolutions About Those Old Clothes.

The second indignation meeting of the Howitzer Band was held last night at the Henrico court-house, President W. A. Dickenson presiding, and seventeen members present.

President Dickenson stated to the members that in view of the fact of the trouble between the band and the Howitzer battery, and as an order had been issued by Captain Hutcheson, of the Howitzers, asking for a return of the uniform furnished to the band by the Howitzers, he thought it best to return at the earliest possible moment such equipment. This was unanimously agreed to.

ANY OTHER NAME.

The question of a new name for the band in lieu of the present name, "Howitzers Band," came up, and after some discussion it was decided to appoint a committee consisting of Messrs. Bell, Page, and Voegler, with the president, ex-officio, a member to select a suitable name and report at the next meeting, to be held on Thursday night of next week.

The assertion of an officer of the Howitzer battery that new uniforms had been given the band, and they had ruined them, which was published in The Times a few days since, was then taken up and discussed, and the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

THOSE OLD CLOTHES.

"Whereas, an officer of the battery has published as a fact that we have been supplied with a new uniform and have ruined the same; therefore be it

"Resolved, That this band do protest against the said statement, as the uniform was furnished when we first joined the battery, nearly five years ago, and a portion was then second-hand and in a very bad condition. What damage has since occurred to the uniform was done in the service of the battery."

The reorganization of the band was then gone into, and the following officers elected: President, W. A. Dickenson; Secretary and Drum-Major, Fred. D. Gann; Leader, Frank P. Hammel; Treasurer, J. M. Voegler; Assistant Leader, Willie Schmidt; Business Manager, C. H. Page; Librarian, Fred. D. Gann.

The following committee was appointed to arrange a scale of prices: Willie Schmidt, Thomas Bell, Frank Hammel, C. H. Page, and Gus. Ellis.

The band then adjourned until next Thursday night.

OLD EMPLOYES DISMISSED.

Changes Made in the Freight Department of the C. and O.—An Alleged Shortage.

Wednesday morning several changes were made in the clerical force of the freight department of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway, by which Mr. William B. Waldron, who has been freight agent for the company for some nine or ten years, is succeeded by Mr. Thomas E. Swain, who was formerly the travelling auditor of the company. Mr. Frank Walton, the cashier of the office, has also been relieved from duty.

It was erroneously stated in an afternoon paper that Mr. J. H. Ware, an attache of the department, had also been dismissed. Mr. Ware is a faithful and trusted employe, and will remain with the company, the change not affecting his position in the slightest degree.

There are a good many rumors afloat as to the cause of this general shaking-up, it being alleged that there is a shortage in the department, the exact amount of which is not definitely stated. This rumor could not be confirmed last night, however.

When I called upon Major E. D. Hotchkiss, general freight agent of the road, last evening, he admitted that it was true that changes had been made, but said he knew nothing whatever of any shortage. That matter, he said, did not come in his province, and he would have to refer me to Mr. Lawrence F. Sullivan, the auditor of the road, for any information relative to pecuniary matters.

Mr. Sullivan, when seen last night at his home, 311 north Tenth street, and asked whether it was true that there was a shortage in the accounts of the freight department as rumored, positively but politely declined to make any statement for publication. Mr. Stevens, the general manager, he said, was the only man who was authorized to give the desired information.

As Mr. Stevens is out of the city, no official information was obtainable last night about the matter.

The friends of the parties discharged claim that the causes which led to their dismissal are nothing more serious than some alleged slight neglect of duty.

MARK DAVIS, THE CARPENTER.

He is the Man Who Was Arrested Tuesday for Bigamy.

It turns out that the Mark Davis, an account of whose arrest for bigamy, at Weldon, N. C., was published in yesterday's Times, is Marcus R. Davis, a carpenter, whose home is at No. 605 north First street, but who has been working in the employ of W. A. Burton, on a contract job at Roanoke Rapids, eight miles from Weldon, N. C., for some months past. On August 20, 1892, he was married in this city, by Rev. C. R. Kuyk, to a Miss Anderson, who, until last Monday, was still living on First street, and believed herself to be his lawful wife. Davis left here some time ago to go to Roanoke Rapids, where his employer had a contract for erecting a building. A few days ago his wife heard that Davis and a Miss Houseman, the daughter of John Houseman, who was tried for criminal assault in the Henrico County Court two years ago, and acquitted, were living together as man and wife. She went to police headquarters and consulted with the detectives in regard to the matter. Detective Gibson aided her in hunting upon the record of her marriage, and getting a copy of the license and certificate.

With the assistance of the officers, she obtained a railroad pass to Weldon, and set out on the trail of her husband. She found him Tuesday night, boarding at a magistrate's house at Roanoke Rapids, confronted him with proofs of his crime, and caused his arrest. The magistrate, when he learned of the deception that had been practiced on him by Davis, jailed him to await the action of the grand jury, on the charge of bigamy.

PERSONALS AND GENERAL.

Interesting Facts About Richmond's Citizens and Other Matters.

Bishop Wilmer, of Alabama, is in the city, and will preach at Emanuel church, Henrico, Sunday at 11 o'clock.

The meeting of the Junior Auxiliary of the Home for Incurables, which was to have been held to-day, has been postponed on account of other business.

William Henry Wood, a young negro, was caught in the act of stealing a pocket book containing $5 in currency from a room in the house of Mrs. C. J. Mills, No. 108 1-2 south First street yesterday morning. Complaint was lodged with the police, and Officer Gorman arrested the youth and locked him up at the Third police station.

Mrs. Lemmon, of Willimantic, Conn., is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. J. Parrish, of 209 north Eighteenth street.

The clerk of the County Court yesterday issued a marriage license to Joseph E. Tyler and Edna U. Urban.

There will be a "silver tea" given to-night at St. Luke's chapel, corner of Washington and Beverly streets, for the benefit of the building fund.

Miss Bessie Collins, who has been spending the winter with her aunt, Mrs. J. H. Barton, left yesterday for her home in Little Rock, Ark.

There will be a silver tea to-day from 4 to 6 o'clock, at 516 west Franklin street, by the Girls' Society of Holy Trinity church. The public are cordially invited.

The Police Court.

William Foster was before Police Justice Crutchfield yesterday morning, charged with assaulting and breaking the arm of Mr. P. Perkins. Both men were inmates of the almshouse and some difficulty has existed between them for several months. A month or so ago, Foster, who is a paralytic, assaulted Perkins and was arrested. His case was tried in the Police Court and the charge dismissed, as he was believed to be a lunatic. The commissioners, however, decided that he was of sound mind and Foster returned to the almshouse.

Bad blood continued to exist between the two men, and the upshot of the affair was that Perkins swore out a warrant for Foster. The case was dismissed by Judge Crutchfield.

George Armstead (colored) was put under $100 security for thirty days for trespassing on the premises of the Union depot.

Edward Braxton and Nat Thompson, two colored boys, were held on the charge of stealing barrels from the sidewalk. They were whipped in court by their parents.

The case of Edward Lewis, charged with being drunk and assaulting and beating J. H. Bugg, was continued until the 7th instant.

James Dabney was fined $2 for allowing a horse to roam at large.

LECTURE ON ARMENIA.

A Native of That Country Gives an Interesting Discourse.

Quite an interesting lecture was given last night at the First Baptist church by Rev. K. H. Basmajian. In view of the Armenian question, the lecture is of special interest, as dealing with the customs and religion of Mohammedan countries. With stereoptican views of scenes in these countries, a more vivid idea of Oriental life was given.

The Turkish army of one million men keeps in subjection the Armenians, who are comparatively without arms of defence. Though the navy of Europe is anchored, it is stated that the murders and persecution in the interior have been greatest, and though the Berlin treaty of 1861 is guaranteed to give protection to life and property, through jealousy and fear of each other, no enforcement is made. While it is claimed that the Government is aiming to blot out Christianity, many bands of troops enter and fight solely for the property and plunder which may be seized from those slain or cast out.

The Sultan is said to be the richest man in the world, and the churches among the most magnificent, notwithstanding the poverty of the masses, one house of worship shown having a seating capacity of 55,000, and requiring not only architectural, but also engineering ability, on account of size, and requiring high art in sculpture.

The style of architecture closely resembles our capitol at Washington in many of the buildings at Constantinople.

The custom of wearing veils by ladies to hide the face, while strictly enforced by the Turks, has gradually been dispensed with by the Armenians, and although the Turkish husband still makes the showing of his wife's face a cause of divorce, the veil is worn perceptibly thinner year by year, until the features may be discerned at present, and if continued, it will doubtless disappear at some future day.

On the management of school boys little quarter is shown, but the offender is tied heels and head to a rail and a rod applied to him.

On account of the fear of offence to the American nation, the citizens of this country are said not to be imposed upon as the Turkish disposition is inclined to.

Towards the raising of a fund to return as a missionary to Armenia Mr. Basmajian is engaged, and expects to return as an American citizen.

His book on Social and Religious Life in the Orient, with illustrations and comparisons of passages from the Bible and Koran, received a number of subscriptions, and is calculated to throw light on the customs and religious faith of the Mohammedan countries.

GEN. ROSSER IN MANCHESTER.

He Delivers His Fine Lecture to an Appreciative Audience.

General Thomas L. Rosser delivered his illustrated lecture on the great generals and notable battles of the late war at Leader Hall, Manchester, for the benefit of Joseph R. Johnston Camp, Confederate Veterans. The speaker portrayed with his well-known eloquence the stirring events of the bloody struggle, and was listened with rapt attention.

His subject was made clear and comprehensive by delineations thrown on canvas by a powerful stereoptican of a number of battles, maps of the battle-fields, and the features of the great leaders as those who fought for the "Lost Cause"—Lee, Jackson, Stuart, A. P. Hill, Pickett, and others. General Rosser was well received, and his fine lecture heartily complimented. Lee Camp, Sons of Veterans, of Richmond, attended in a body.

At Leader Hall to-morrow night will be given one of the most enjoyable entertainments of the season, for the benefit of Meade-Memorial church, by the Blues' Battalion Band. Les "Statuaire Vivants Concerte" Club. The concert part of the programme will consist of selections by the Blues' Band, soprano solo by Miss Florence Franklin, whose sweet voice is well known; recitations by Miss Sallie Bright, the accomplished elocutionist; numerous songs and imitations, by Mr. G. W. B. Crawford, the king of fun-makers; violin solo by Mr. Julius Snyder, whose dexterity in the manipulation of the bow is well-nigh perfect; cornet solo by Messrs. Ritchie and Mountcastle, the well-known cornetists. In the second part of the programme is embraced scenes from Henry VI. and Richard III., introducing the duel between Edward and Gloucester; charges in position made in full view of the audience; mythological studies, and groupings of the most exquisite designs, all in costume and under calcium-light effect. This part of the entertainment will prove especially attractive, and needs only to be seen to be appreciated.

On the 21st of February Mrs. George A. Carr will give a George Washington tea for the benefit of the Christian Band of Central Methodist church, at her residence in Manchester.

Election of Officers.

The third annual meeting of the stockholders of the Commercial Building and Loan Association, held at its office, 803 east Main street, at noon yesterday, showed the company to be in a flourishing condition, not only in this city, but in all its local branches. A large amount of stock was present in person. The following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year:

A. Oppenhimer, president; John H. Montague, vice-president; E. M. Crutchfield, secretary and treasurer; W. A. Loving, assistant secretary and treasurer; L. P. Routt, general manager; W. P. DeSaussure, general counsel.

Board of Directors—Colonel A. S. Buford, S. G. Wallace, John H. Montague, H. L. Denoon, and A. Oppenhimer.

A Brass Thief.

Lewis Harrison, a colored man, was arrested last night in Manchester as a suspicious character. In his possession was found a bag full of brasses, which he is supposed to have stolen from the Southern railway shops. There were two other men with him when he was arrested, but they made their escape. The police know them, however, and say they will soon have them.

In Honor of Judge Baker P. Lee.

A complimentary reception in honor of Judge Baker P. Lee, of Warwick and Elizabeth City counties has been tendered to the members of the General Assembly by Colonel John S. Harwood. The entertainment will take place at Colonel Harwood's residence, 1009 Floyd avenue, next Tuesday evening from 8:30 to 11:30 P. M.

Colonel Ellett Dangerously Ill.

Congressman Tazewell Ellett, who has been sick with pneumonia since last Saturday at the Westmoreland Club, was reported by his attending physician, Dr. Lewis Wheat, to be dangerously ill at a late hour last night. The gravest doubts are entertained as to his recovery.

Vanderbilt to Pass Through.

W. K. Vanderbilt and party will pass through Richmond this morning en route to Port Royal, S. C. The party will arrive at Byrd-Street station over the Atlantic Coast Line at 8:40, and leave at 9:45 o'clock.

The Living Chess.

There will be a rehearsal of the living chess in the basement of the Academy Saturday evening at 8 o'clock sharp. A large attendance is earnestly requested. The cast and the heralds are especially requested to be on hand promptly.

PRIZE-FIGHTING A FELONY.

Senate Passes the House Bill Without Division, Debate or Amendment.

PENALTY OF FROM ONE TO FIVE YEARS.

Mr. Morgan Proposes to Allow a Discount of Ten Per Cent. on Goods Imported on United States Vessels—Bond Bill Goes Over to Monday.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—The matter of the greatest concern in connection with the Senate to-day was the disposition to be made of the resolution offered by Mr. Quay Tuesday to recommit the House tariff bill, with the free coinage substitute, to the Finance Committee with instructions to report them back as separate propositions. The resolution came up after the routine morning business, and was modified by Mr. Quay by striking out the paragraph as to instructions and inserting in lieu of it the words, "For further consideration."

Mr. Quay also, in order to accommodate senators who desired to proceed with other business, proposed that the resolution lie over till Monday next after the morning business.

Mr. Sherman could not see the necessity of delay, and proposed immediate action upon it, but an objection was interposed by Mr. Hill, and Mr. Quay's proposition was agreed to, the resolution going over until Monday next.

Later on in the day Mr. Morgan gave notice of an amendment to the resolution, the point of which is that countries which will, by law, make United States silver full legal-tender money in payment of customs and of goods imported into this country shall have a reduction of 10 per cent. allowed in United States customs dues on such goods, if imported in United States vessels or in vessels belonging to that country.

PRIZE-FIGHTING.

The Senate passed without division, debate, or amendment the bill passed by the House to prevent prize-fighting in the Territories. The text follows:

"Be it enacted, etc., That any person who in any of the Territories or the District of Columbia shall voluntarily engage in a pugilistic encounter between man and man, or a fight between a man and a bull or any other animal, for money or for other thing of value, or for any championship, or upon the result of which any money or anything of value is bet or wagered, or to see which any admission fee is charged, either directly or indirectly, shall be deemed guilty of a felony, and upon conviction shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary not less than one nor more than five years.

"It is meant by the terms 'pugilistic encounter,' any voluntary fight by blows by means of fists or otherwise, whether with or without gloves, between two or more men, for money or for a prize of any character or for any other thing of value, or for any championship, or upon the result of which any money or anything of value is bet or wagered, or to see which any admission fee is charged, either directly or indirectly."

Resolutions of inquiry were introduced in relation to the bond bids opened yesterday, and in relation to discrimination to American cattle meat and other agricultural products by the governments of Germany, France, Belgium, and Denmark. A speech was made by Mr. Turple in favor of a constitutional amendment to have United States senators elected directly by the people of the several States. The remainder of the day's session was given to the consideration of the resolution offered by Mr. Dubois for the distribution of the general appropriation bills.

The matter went over without final action, and the Senate, at 5 P. M., adjourned until to-morrow.

DEBATE IN THE HOUSE.

To-day's session of the House was devoted exclusively to the further consideration of the bond bill and the Senate's free-coinage substitute thereto.

The features of the day's proceedings were the arguments by Mr. Johnson (Rep.), North Dakota, against free coinage, and by Mr. Johnson (Rep.), California, in favor of it.

Entirely unlike in manner, both held the undivided attention of the House for an hour on each side of the question of free coinage of silver. In the course of the California member's speech there was a manifestation of the feelings between the factions of the party, he remarking with much emphasis that if there was to be war, speaking for one of them, the silver Republicans were ready at any time.

The debate in favor of the Senate substitute was opened by Mr. Wheeler, of Alabama, a member of the Committee on Ways and Means, who replied to Mr. Dingley's speech of yesterday. He asserted that every allegation of Mr. Dingley's upon which he based his argument for the gold standard was fallacious and unsupported by facts. He took each statement of Mr. Dingley's in detail, and made a plausible argument in favor of silver coinage.

Other speakers were C. W. Stone (Rep.), of Pennsylvania; Settle (Rep.), of North Carolina, and Brewster (Rep.), of New York, against free coinage, and McRae (Dem.), of Arkansas, in favor of it.

At 5 o'clock the House took a recess until 7:30 P. M. and will meet again at 10:30 to-morrow morning in continuation of to-day's legislative session, to continue the debate on the bill.

It was looking when the House separated this afternoon that general debate would continue throughout the rest of the week, and next Monday, and that the five-minute rule should prevail.

THE NIGHT SESSION.

The session of the House to-night dragged along slowly and without interest. Although the session was to last until 10:30, the list of speakers gave out at 10 o'clock, and the chairman, Mr. Henburn (Rep.), of Iowa, was forced to declare the House in recess until 10:30 to-morrow.

Hardly a score of members were present, and several times during the evening there were long pauses awaiting the appearance of persons who desired to speak. Those who addressed the House were Messrs. Arnold (Rep.) of Pennsylvania; Allen (Rep.), of Utah; Danforth (Rep.), of Ohio; Turner (Dem.), of Virginia; Kirkpatrick (Rep.), of Kansas; De Witt (Rep.), of Ohio, and Neal (Dem.), of Arkansas.

FUSION IN NORTH CAROLINA.

A Box of Silver Found Under the Roots of a Tree in Capitol Square.

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 6.—Special.—Mr. G. W. Cobb, of Elizabeth City, says that the First congressional district is solid for fusion between the Populists and Republicans. He says that when Butler wakes up from his manifesto for principle he will find himself very much alone. It is not thought that many Populists will vote strictly on principles, that is only a bluff. It is firmly believed that all will fall into line on fusion when the time comes. Even the Winston Republican will "fuse," although that has always opposed it.

Judge Russell declares for a late Republican State Convention and campaign, but Chairman Holton favors an early one. Holton says that there will be three tickets in the field—the Democratic, Republican and free-silver tickets—and that in five months the latter will really be the Populist ticket. Chairman Holton reached the city this morning.

In digging up a large oak in the Capitol Square yesterday, two negro men found a decayed wooden box, and in that was a tin box containing eighty-five pieces of silver coin. They quickly carried it off, and only gave the number of pieces, not the value of any. It caused quite a stir among the negroes in the city.

The Vance monument fund is increasing very slowly, as is also the fund for the cruiser Raleigh testimonial. Fifty dollars was sent in for the Vance memorial this week.

The Republicans here decline to endorse Satterfield for any office, saying they could not afford to endorse a convicted man for any office.

The second annual session of the Emancipation Convention met here to-day. The object of the convention is to unite the colored race in all things looking to their benefit and progress, and especially to establish a home for the aged and disabled and a house of correction for youthful offenders.

To-day the North Carolina Negro Press Association was organized. This State has more papers published in the interest of the colored race than any State in the Union. In the negro department at the Atlanta Exposition there were specimens of nineteen papers from this State. There were about twenty representatives here to organize this association.

Cards are out for the marriage of Mr. Vitruvius Royster and Miss Maggie Reese, the ceremony to take place at the Methodist church on the 19th.

The annual meeting of the Y. M. C. A. will be held next Tuesday, when officers for the year will be elected. There are several vacancies on the Board of Directors, and these will be filled. The fencing class which has been formed among the members will meet for the first time to-night. An expert swordsman here has agreed to instruct the class.

Colored People's Day at Raleigh.

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 6.—Last night the Southern Negro Woman's Congress met here. Sixty delegates were present, and there was an audience of several hundred.

Mrs. G. F. King presided and made an address. Several papers were read. The object of the congress is to improve the condition of women and to elevate the race generally.

This morning the North Carolina Colored Press Association met here. Twenty papers were represented, the greatest number in the State.

The State Emancipation Convention was also held here to-day. R. H. W. Leake presided. Its purpose is the development of the negro and the advancement of the race in all directions.

SEAMEN SUFFER.

The Coast Storm Carries Devastation and Death in Its Pathway.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The high wind prevailing here to-day caused a great deal of damage to property.

Shipping men say the Northeast gale which prevailed in bay and rivers this morning was the heaviest ever known here.

The American ship J. B. Walker, Captain Wallace, which arrived at this port on January 29th with a cargo of salt from Liverpool, started from her pier in Brooklyn this morning in tow of the tugs Municipal and F. W. Deve for the Erie Basin, to be dry-docked. As soon as she was clear of the pier the wind took charge of her, and she was blown through the channel, dragging the tugs along with her. She touched on a shoal of Governor's Island, and was then blown across the bay, being entirely beyond the control of the tugs. She struck broadside against the pier of the Liberty Island Steamboat Company, on Liberty Island, where she now lies port side on, high out of the water, and would roll were she not held up by the pier.

At about 10:30 o'clock this morning the clamming sloop Favorite, containing three men, was capsized in the bay off Robin's Reef.

Before a man-of-of-war from the Columbia could reach the wreck one of the men who had been clinging to the wreck let go and sank. The third man was picked up by the man-of-war, and was taken ashore at St. George. The gig narrowly escaped being dashed to pieces on the rocks at St. George while making a landing. The cruiser Columbia kept steam up, fearing her anchors might drag.

Several large schooners and barks have dragged anchors and are ashore in the lower bay, and Staten Island shore is covered with small vessels in various conditions of wreck.

The storm has done immense damage in New Jersey, Eastern Pennsylvania, Long Island, and New England.

Bridges are being swept away, railroads washed out, and a large amount of property destroyed.

The Schuylkill river rose fifteen feet in two hours at Narrostown, Pa., and the river at Bethlehem is also at high water. Many of the iron furnaces on both rivers were drowned out.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 6.—The storm here last night and this morning caused no damage. The highest velocity of the wind was forty-eight miles an hour. There was about an inch and a half of rain.

There have been heavy rains in the interior of the State, and all watercourses are full to overflowing. The Cape Fear river at Fayetteville is rising rapidly. A big freshet is assured, but no damage is likely to ensue.

POPE AND CARDINAL DISAGREE.

This is the Unconfirmed Rumor Published in the Rome Papers.

ROME, Feb. 6.—Several newspapers of this city assert that the pope has had serious differences with Cardinal Rampolla, Papal Secretary of State, and that the latter has been obliged to tender his resignation. This assertion is denied by persons inside the Vatican, who declare that no friction whatever has arisen between his Holiness and his Secretary of State.

Gold Pouring in.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The American Exchange National Bank deposited at the sub-treasury this morning $500,000 gold coin, and the Bank of New York, $200,000. The $1,500,000 gold coin which arrived on the Umbria, consigned to J. P. Morgan & Co., was also deposited today. The steamship Majestic arrived from Europe last night, and brought 210,000 pounds gold coin and bars, consigned "to order," shipped by Pixley & Abell.

Suing the Government.

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 6.—William R. Wood, of Scotland Neck, ex-superintendent of the insane asylum, has brought suit to recover half a million dollars damages from the United States Government for infringing on his patent for electrically lighting buoys. He obtained a patent in 1876, and in 1888 the Government suddenly adopted his system.

The case comes up in the Court of Claims this spring.

Rev. L. G. Broughton Declines a Call.

The congregation of Leigh-Street Baptist church, has received notice from Rev. L. G. Broughton, who was called to the pastorate of the church some time ago, that he is compelled to decline the call, his congregation at Calvary church, Roanoke, Va., not being willing for him to leave.—Baltimore Sun.

The "Widow Bedott."

The "Widow Bedott" comes to the Theatre to-night for an engagement of two nights and a matinee to-morrow. This side-splitting comedy is presented by a good cast, with appropriate accessories.

SILVER TEA, 516 WEST FRANKLIN STREET, FRIDAY, February 7th, from 4 to 8. Benefit Girls' Chapter of the Guild of Holy Trinity church. fe7

BEAUTIFUL "ASSEMBLY."

ANOTHER BRILLIANT ENTERTAINMENT AT THE JEFFERSON.

A Crowning Social Event Attended by Nearly All of the Fashion and Beauty of Richmond—The Guests.

Virginia women, Virginia men, and Virginia hospitality.

This truly describes the second and last of the brilliant entertainments given by the Assembly. Last night at the Jefferson was gathered a southern assemblage of men and women who would reflect credit and honor upon any social assemblage.

The assembly was more than brilliant—it was perfect, and when that is said all is said. The guests, composed of handsomely gowned women and well-dressed men, began to arrive by 10 o'clock, and by 11 o'clock the assembly was in full sway. The First Regiment Band was stationed between the main corridors of the dining saloons, and furnished the music. While those at supper in the Jefferson court were