A SURRY COUNTY BRIDE.

MR. JESSIE D. LAWRENCE WEDS MISS K. A. TERRILL.

Mr. W. H. Farmer Marries Miss May Fuqua—Report of the Treasurer for the Year—Other Manchester News.

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

Mr. Jessie D. Lawrence, of Manchester was married to Miss Katharine A. Ferrell, of Claremont, Surry county, yesterday morning at half past 10 o'clock.

Miss Ferrell is one of Surry's most attractive daughters.

The groom is an engineer on the Atlantic Coast Line railroad and is very popular in this city.

The newly wedded couple will make an extended tour of the northern cities and will be at home in Manchester after February 20th.

Quite a number of Manchester people went out to Beulah church last night to witness the marriage of Mr. W. H. Farmer to Miss Mary, the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wash Fuqua, of Chesterfield county.

Immediately after the ceremony, a reception was held and an evening of unalloyed pleasure spent.

TO REDUCE THE TAX RATE.

There was an important meeting of the Finance Committee held in the Treasurer's office Tuesday night, having reference to the treasurer's report for the fiscal year ending January 31, 1896.

The resolutions of the City Council to the Finance Committee, relative to issuing city bonds to an amount sufficient to cover the expense of paving Hull street was referred to a special meeting to be held at an early date.

Mr. Charles Walke, the City Collector, was instructed to ascertain upon what terms a clerk as his assistant, could be engaged to collect personal bills. The collector's returns for city taxes for 1895 were $28,820 more than was turned in for the year 1894.

The Finance Committee recommended that the city tax rate be reduced to $1.35, 20 cents on the $100 school tax, 20 cents on the $100 on the sewer tax. This will reduce the tax on city property 5 per cent.

The excess of the receipts over disbursements for the year past is $3,350.62.

The most important matter before the committee however was the report of the City Treasurer, which was approved and referred to the auditor.

The report shows the good condition in which Manchester's Finances are found at the close of the year, and is as follows:

RECEIPTS.

On account water-works	$ 4,622 84
Discount and interest	63 37
Contingents	183 06
Fines	342 40
Goat tax	10 00
Delinquent tax	4,158 54
Lights	341 00
Wagon tax	859 20
Sale of hogs, &c	3 00
Licenses	1,438 28
Licenses on electric-poles	1,192 00
Taxes, real and personal	41,305 39
City scales	38 20
Dog tax	341 00
Maury Cemetery	1,142 39
Balance in Treasury on general account February 1, 1896	1,971 61
Actual current revenue for year	$60,061 38
On account of sewer taxes	3,941 49
Delinquent paving tax	24 25
Balance in sewer and floating debt, bond account, February 1, 1896	12,308 48
Balance in funding bond account February 1, 1896	3,498 00
Balance in paving-tax account February 1, 1896	625 09
Total	$81,065 29

DISBURSEMENTS.

On account:	
Annexation appropriation	$ 20 00
Grass appropriation	300 00
Dog fund	190 55
Police	2,880 00
Special police fund	22 50
City jail	341 14
Almshouse	3,267 89
Station-house	124 40
Interest on bonded debt	24,096 50
Contingents	1,222 40
Garbage	628 14
Elections	442 50
School-houses	778 03
Condemnation of streets	14 50
Water rent (fire hydrants)	3,530 00
Judge's salary	1,191 70
Hustings Court	2,091 00
Streets, generally	4,065 04
Officers' salaries	3,426 15
Board of Health	12 50
Lights	2,455 48
Outside poor	156 41
Free bridge	300 00
Fire Department	1,212 50
Short-date bond	500 00
Maury Cemetery	2,008 45
Actual current disbursements for year	$57,201 74
Sewer construction	8,284 59
Maintenance of sewers and interest on sewer bonds	2,434 96
Paving sidewalks	509 18
Total disbursements for yr.	$68,411 22
Balance in Sewer and floating debt bond account February 1st	4,024 13
Sewer tax acc't February 1st	1,552 54
Paving tax, acc't Feb. 1st	349 88
Funding bond, acc't Feb. 1st	3,498 00
General account February 1st	3,269 62
	$81,065 29

DEBT STATEMENT, FEB. 1ST.

Bonded debt—		
5 per cent. coupon bonds outstanding	$ 2,500 00	
6 per cent. coupon bonds outstanding	151,000 00	
6 per cent. registered bonds outstanding	18,500 00	
5 per cent. coupon bonds outstanding	321,000 00	
5 per cent. registered bonds outstanding	2,000 00	
		$496,000 00
Less cash in hands to redeem 6 per cent. bonds		2,500 00
		$493,500 00
Floating debt—		
Short-date bonds	$ 3,100 00	
Audited bills unpaid	40 89	
Matured coupons not presented	625 00	
	$3,765 89	
Less amount in float-debt bonds, account, applicable to payment of this date	1,003 80	
		2,762 09
		$496,262 09

WATER COMMISSIONERS MEET.

The Water Commissioners held a meeting in the office of the City Water Works Tuesday night.

There were present Messrs. John O'Brien, C. H. Sims, C. S. Wells, and A. D. Shotwell.

Petitions from various parties for sewer connections were received and agreed upon.

The quarterly statement of the clerk was presented and ordered to be spread upon the minutes.

The annual statement for the past year was presented and accepted.

Bills for sewer connections were presented and ordered to be paid.

DEATH OF A YOUNG MINISTER.

Rev. George M. Kronmeister died at the residence of his parents, Hopkins place, Chesterfield county, just beyond Maury Cemetery on Tuesday.

Mr. Kronmeister had been attending a theological school out West where he was preparing himself for the priesthood, and was taken sick and came to his parents' home, where he died of consumption.

The arrangements for the funeral have not been made, but the interment will be in Maury Cemetery.

THE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

The Epworth League of Central Methodist church will give one of their delightful entertainments at the church next Friday night. The public is invited to attend this entertainment, when the following programme will be rendered:

1. Song—By congregation.
2. Responsive Scripture reading (selected).
3. Prayer.
4. Scripture recitation (1st Psalm) by Junior League.
5. Singing by choir.
6. Grandfathers—By a grandson.
7. Duet—By Misses Annie Pool and Cora Lumpkin.
8. Susanna Wesley—By Mrs. W. W. Lear.
9. Child Life at Epworth—By F. K. Dunford.
10. "I Am Glad I Wasn't a Baby Then"—By Miss Nellie Clayton.
11. Song—By the Junior League.
12. John Wesley Himself—By T. H. Betty.
13. Song and benediction.
14. Handshaking and social chat—By all.

This entertainment will be free to all comers, but desiring to help the poor, we will have a committee at the door to receive contributions either in money, goods, or subscriptions from any who may wish to give, and the amount so collected will be turned over to the city committee for distribution.

THROWN OUT OF HER BUGGY.

While Mrs. Judge B. A. Hancock was driving to the city in her buggy this morning the linch-pin broke, which caused the axles to separate.

This caused Mrs. Hancock to fall out of the buggy on her face, giving her a very severe cut on the forehead.

Fortunately Dr. T. B. Dorsett was near and took her into Mr. Crozier's store and rendered the necessary medical attention. After the buggy was repaired Mrs. Hancock was able to pursue her trip to town.

A PLEASANT AFFAIR.

The friends of Miss Effie McCann gathered at her residence on Eighth and Lee streets last night.

The gathering was quite a surprise to the young hostess, but at the same time the company was made welcome and the guests enjoyed themselves until a late hour.

Those present were Misses Lizzie McCann, Maggie McCann, Nellie Jackson, Hattie Clopton, and Hattie Snead.

Messrs. Harry Jackson, Urral Simmons, Al. Smith, Ben. Biggans, and Thomas Smith.

BEFORE MAYOR MAURICE.

The following cases were disposed of before Mayor Maurice yesterday morning.

Allbright & Mittendorf, for running teams on the streets without a license, was continued until Saturday.

Haywood Wilkinson was arrested by Captain Linscomb on a warrant sworn out by William Davis for trespass.

At the trial yesterday morning Davis made a request to be allowed to withdraw the warrant, which was granted by the Mayor.

TO GO TO WASHINGTON.

The Manchester Grays held a well-attended meeting Tuesday night. The company decided to attend the inauguration if the First Regiment went.

The committee appointed to make arrangements for their ball on February 22d, reported progress.

It was also decided to go in encampment this summer. A fund will soon be started to defray the expenses of the outing.

OYSTER SUPPER.

The Young Ladies' Aid Society of Meade Memorial church will hold an oyster supper on Washington's birthday, the 22d instant, in the vacant store next to the corner of Eleventh and Hull streets.

In addition to oysters in every style, they will serve the various other good things which go to make up a tempting repast.

ADDRESS TO THE PUBLIC.

To the Citizens of Manchester:

"The writer was appointed at a mass-meeting held last night in our court-house to inform the public that there are many cases of destitution and distress among us, and that we appeal to our citizens to contribute liberally toward their relief. Money, groceries, fuel, and clothing are badly needed. In the name of the Master, we appeal to you to assist in this good work. Committees have been appointed to visit you and solicit help for this worthy cause. I feel sure you will only need to know of the suffering in our community in order to avail yourselves of the opportunity to make glad the hearts of the poor.

"The committees are most respectfully asked to push their canvass for funds and such things as the poor need.

"J. A. SPENCER."

THE YOU KNOW CLUB.

The social club recently organized by a few young ladies in this city has been given a name since its formation. It is the "You Know Club." The appropriate name having originated by the expression, "You know" used by the ladies in discussing plans for the unique little gatherings.

The membership of the club is limited to a very small number and the object is that each member in turn have her friends entertained by the club at socables, card parties, etc.

Miss Minnie Wesiger has invited a few friends to be informally entertained by the "You Know Club," at her home on Friday evening.

MRS. FORBES-CURTIS AT HOME.

Mrs. Forbes-Curtis, better known in Manchester and musical circles as Miss Ida Robinson, arrived in this city yesterday morning, and is now at the home of her parents, 1109 Decatur street.

She resigned her position with the Evans & Hoey Theatrical Company on account of bad health while in Chicago about two months ago.

Since then she has been quite sick in a New York hospital.

Mrs. Curtis will not sign with any other company before the latter part of March, when she will join her husband and return to the North.

The well-known vocalist is quite thin, and looks as if she has been through a severe spell.

BRIEFS AND PERSONALS.

Mr. E. E. Morrisaette, of Selma, is in the city.

Mr. H. B. Owen was taken sick at Charlottesville, where he has been at work on the University building. He came home a few days ago and is at his home on Porter street.

All Royal Arch Masons are requested to attend the meeting to-night, when Deputy Grand Lecturer English will be present.

Mr. Wm. Viar, of Durham, N. C., is in the city to see his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry R. Austin, who have been on the Eastern shore of Virginia, returned home on Tuesday, and are stopping with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Lawton, on McDonough street.

The Young Ladies Aid Society of Meade Memorial church will, at an early date, give "The Singin' Skule," a very interesting entertainment, for the benefit of the church.

Mr. L. B. Taylor, who has been quite sick, is now able to attend to business.

Capt. A. T. Atwell received a telegram yesterday morning announcing the death of his brother-in-law, Mr. George Maccargo, in Charleston, W. Va.

Linwood Lewis, the darkey who was sent to jail on Tuesday for failing to give bond was liberated yesterday. His father came down from Goochland county and went on his bond.

Miss Lou Friend, of Porter street, is visiting friends in Henrico county.

Mr. W. F. Winne, formerly of this city, who recently went to Troy, N. Y., on business, has returned to Old Point.

It is thought Isaiah Tucker, who was shot in Chesterfield, will be able to attend court on Friday, and the investigation will then be gone into.

Mr. Samuel Clarke, of Chesterfield, visited the city on Tuesday.

Miss Christiana Smith, daughter of Mr. W. E. Smith, who was critically ill, is improving.

On the 19th of February, the Senior Ladies' Aid Society of Meade-Memorial church will give a birthday fete at the rectory, on Twelfth street.

The entertainment to be given for the Manchester firemen by the Moore family will come off on February 26th.

The condition of Mrs. S. E. Lovall, the mother of Captain Lovall, who has been very sick, remains the same. She is critically ill and it not expected to live many days.

Mr. Henry Collins was in the city yesterday on legal business.

While Mr. Oliver Savory was at work moving some machinery yesterday, he had a finger cut off by being caught in a machine.

The different churches were well-attended last night.

Messrs. Allright & Mittendorf have resumed work on McDonough street from Seventh to Ninth streets. The bad weather delayed them for several days.

Mr. L. S. Cease was in the city spending the day with his friends yesterday.

Mr. Harvey Simmons, of Greensboro, N. C., returned to his home yesterday after a pleasant visit in this city.

Mrs. H. B. Priddy returned last night from Chase City, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Alfred Bigger.

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In Favor of the Arbitration Treaty.

The Ministerial Union of Richmond have taken a deep interest in the arbitration treaty now pending in the Senate of the United States.

In order that the influence of these citizens who favor its ratification, may be felt by the senators of Virginia, the union proposes to have a mass-meeting, first a preparatory meeting for the perfection of arrangements.

The following notice was shown yesterday to many leading citizens, but as many others could not be seen, it is published in order that all who are interested may attend at the time and place mentioned.

Inasmuch as the National Arbitration Committee has sent a circular letter to all the ministers of this city requesting them to bring all possible influence to bear upon their respective congregations, and the public generally that everything possible may be done to secure the approval of the "arbitration treaty" between Great Britain and the United States, now pending in the United States Senate, by that honorable body; we, the undersigned, a committee appointed by the Ministerial Union of Richmond and Manchester, earnestly request you to use all your influence to secure a mass-meeting of citizens to hear addresses, and to take action praying the Senate to approve this treaty.

We also ask your co-operation in securing a suitable place for such a meeting to be held, and in selecting speakers for same; and suggest that a meeting for this purpose be held Thursday afternoon February 11th, at 5:30 o'clock in Y. M. C. A. parlors.

Most respectfully,
LANDON R. MASON,
Chairman;
C. M. CHUMBLEY,
L. M. OMER,
PAUL L. MENZEL,
Committee.

City Hall Courts.

Judge Wellford, in the Circuit Court, granted a charter to "The Starlight Club, No. 1," an organization for literary and social purposes. The capital stock is not to exceed $100, nor the real estate to exceed one-half an acre with improvements thereon. The officers for the first year are: President, John Winston; Vice-President, Henry Mason; Secretary, Wm. Jackson; Treasurer, Joseph Evans, all of Richmond. Directors: John Winston, Joseph Johnson, B. J. Bailey, Henry Dodson, J. Binford, Wm. Jackson and Joseph Evans, all of Richmond.

Judgment was rendered in the case of M. E. Cates against W. H. Mattox and Bettie J. Mattox, for $25.66. Also in the case of Ashton Starke against H. St. John Coulter, trustee, for one windmill, or its value in currency.

In the Law and Equity Court George A. Burnett sues Lucy C. Trent and Fannie P. Burwell for $1,000, the amount of a broken contract for the rent of a farm.

Jackson Nelson sues Matilda Nelson for divorce. This suit comes up as a Chancery Court case.

In the Hustings Court Julius Thompson (colored) was convicted for breaking into a Chesapeake and Ohio car, and stealing a lot of brass, and was given six months in jail, and fined $5.

George Williams, on the charge of highway robbery, was acquitted. Mr. H. M. Smith, Jr., represented the accused.

Clerk Christian issued the following marriage licenses: Clide M. Thomas and Ida E. Fussell (white); Westmore Bolling and Betty Davis, and James Curtis and Mattie Pride (colored).

The Newbern Missionary Society.

NEWBERN, VA., Feb. 10.—Special.—Monday evening the Newbern Missionary Society held a public meeting in the Methodist church. In addition to the regular exercises, presided over by Miss Pollock, the audience were treated to a well-selected and splendidly-executed programme, bearing on the object and progress of this work.

A chorus of children showed careful and patient training, and rendered a number of beautiful hymns.

The exercises were closed by a short address by W. W. Hicks.

Important Change of Schedule.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Commencing Sunday, February 7th, train leaving Richmond heretofore at 12:38 A.M., will leave at 8:56 P. M. Florida Special, arriving Richmond at 6:40 A. M., will arrive 7:20 A. M. Atlanta Special will arrive at Richmond 8:15 A. M., except Sunday; arrives Sunday at 8 A. M.

Rates to Naval Manoeuvres.

The Atlantic Coast-Line will sell round-trip tickets Richmond to Charleston at one fare for the round-trip, February 8th to 18th, account of Naval Manoeuvres in the harbor at Charleston. Florida round-trip winter excursion tickets will be good for stop-over to witness this grand display. For information as to rates, sleeping-car reservations, etc., apply to C. S. Campbell, D. P. A., Union Depot; Ticket Agent, Union Depot; Richmond Transfer Company, 819 east Main street.

Aeolian Recital To-Day.

The public are cordially invited—Walter D. Moses & Co's., warerooms—4:30 sharp.

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THE CITY'S FINANCES.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER FOR YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1896.

An Interesting Statement of Richmond's Receipts and Disbursements—The Sinking Fund.

Treasurer Charles H. Phillips laid before the last meeting of the Board of Aldermen his annual report, showing the receipts and disbursements of Richmond during the fiscal year, ending January 31, 1896. It also contains an interesting recapitulation of the status of the city's sinking fund. The report follows:

Bills payable	$ 845,000 00	
Four per cent. bonds	30,620 00	
F. W. Cunningham, C. C.	921,356 45	
John A. Meanley, C. D. T.	42,850 72	
John A. Meanley, C. D. T.	12 05	
T. C. Walford, C. D. T.	18,496 33	
Gas receipts	193,504 91	
Water rents	138,780 78	
First Market	9,441 32	
Second Market	7,692 41	
Third Market	914 21	
Fines and penalties	4,798 85	
Gas Work—sales of coke, &c.	2,968 37	
Gas Works—incasing pipe	65 20	
Oakwood cemetery	2,504 02	
River View cemetery	1,731 71	
Shockoe Hill cemetery	307 50	
Seabrook's Warehouse	1,800 00	
Richmond City Railway Company	2,109 87	
Richmond Union Passenger Railway Company	2,447 97	
Richmond and Manchester Railway Company	495 38	
Richmond Traction Company	960 00	
Manchester Railway and Improvement Company	139 66	
Suit in Chancery Court—Powell vs. Newcomer	3,518 48	
Poor of the city	350 00	
Opening streets	292 15	
Tax on telegraph and telephone poles	1,470 00	
New Reservoir Park	383 21	
Health Department	542 77	
Water Works	996 72	
Hands and carts	27 75	
New City Hall	46 70	
Grounds and buildings	169 35	
Almshouse	172 32	
Fire Department	540 98	
Fire alarm, special	249 00	
James river improvements	982 25	
Fire insurance	19 50	
Contingent fund	1 00	
Roller and crusher	1 00	
O'Donnell's water equalizer	43 00	
M. Reese fund	180 00	
Tax on wagons	13,574 00	
Tax on dogs	2,918 00	
Tax on bitches	546 00	
Tax on hacks	1,260 25	
Tax on buggies	120 11	
Tax on goats	111 00	
Tax on hawkers and peddlers	100 00	
Tax on shows	75 00	
Bills payable	$ 872,000 00	
Sinking fund	382,998 78	
Temporary loan	47 70	
Assessment of taxes	6,490 22	
Collection of taxes	8,211 44	
Assessment of public improvements	1,750 00	
Almshouse expenses	14,781 33	
Almshouse pay-roll	8,122 37	
Poor of the city	9,959 24	
Ladies' City Mission	200 00	
Coal for Ladies' City Mission	256 25	
Coal for Women's City Mission	275 00	
Collection of delinquent taxes	2,924 46	
John A. Meanley	16 64	
City Morgue	100 00	
College Dispensary	1,000 00	
Old Dominion Hospital	250 00	
Eye, Ear and Throat Infirmary	500 00	
Richmond Industrial Home	150 00	
Female Humane Association	375 00	
Foundling Hospital	200 00	
Friends' Colored Orphan Asylum	750 00	
Little Sisters of the Poor	750 00	
Protestant Episcopal Church Home	250 00	
University College of Medicine	500 00	
Richmond Home for Ladies	250 00	
Richmond Male Orphan Asylum	500 00	
Sheltering Arms Hospital	500 00	
Retreat for the Sick	450 00	
Spring Street Home	500 00	
St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum	750 00	
Home for the Incurables	250 00	
Gas Works—		
Coal account	23,736 64	
Oil account	41,539 92	
Investigation	859 04	
Extension	12,126 45	
Expenses	4,426 77	
Lamp lighting	1,606 98	
Pay-roll	27,652 98	
Refund of bills	66 74	
Sales of Coke, &c.	324 23	
Health Department—		
Expenses	9,452 45	
Pay-roll	39,218 68	
Crematory	2,965 45	
James river improvements	10,812 72	
James river bridge	1,250 00	
First Market expenses	2,719 47	
Second Market expenses	2,099 45	
Third Market expenses	493 21	
Third Market construction	80 64	
Mechanics' Institute fund	5,999 65	
First Va. Reg.	1,600 00	
First Batt. Va. Inf.	75 00	
R. L. I. Blues	1,000 00	
Pay of judges	5,899 [illegible]	
Salaries	28,322 36	
Stationery and printing	3,445 97	
Va. Agri. and Me. So. auditorium	12,000 00	
Streets—		
Eng. Dep. pay-roll	14,109 31	
Generally	58,244 65	
Hands and Carts—		
Expenses	5,324 51	
Pay-roll	28,710 58	
Roller and Crusher—		
Expenses	423 88	
Pay-roll	1,158 00	
Paving sidewalks	5,124 14	
Paving alleys for owners	643 42	
Opening streets	5,310 50	
Opening Lee Dis.	3,215 34	
Lee Mon. grounds	819 34	
Sewer connections	161 25	
Secret service fund	74 00	
Taxes refunded	661 46	
Frank Leslie's Publishing house	350 00	
Annexation of Manchester	22 25	
St. Paul's Church Home	375 00	
St. Paul's Church Home for Aged Women	125 00	
R. E. Lee Camp, C. V.	1,000 00	
Va. Agri. and Me. So. of Va.	1,500 00	
Women's Christian Asso. Kinderg'n	350 00	
Free Dispensary and Emergency Hospital	150 00	
Pickett Camp, C.V.	200 00	
Entertainment of Confederate veterans	8,749 00	
Oakwood Cemetery—		
Grounds	900 00	
Expenses	1,196 32	
Pay-roll	2,504 02	
Confed. graves	178 25	
River View Cem.—		
Improvement	749 42	
Pay-roll	1,731 71	
Shockoe Hill Cem.—		
Expenses	60 00	
Pay-roll	1,080 00	
St. John's Burying-Ground—		
Expenses	162 21	
Pay-roll	654 86	
Courts and juries	7,161 65	
Coroner's inquests	2,376 15	
City School Board—		
Expenses	12,998 24	
Pay-roll	100,041 25	
Construction	9,531 10	
City Police—		
Contingent fund	1,175 24	
Pay-roll	55,961 40	
Patrol wagon	2,132 11	
Contingent fund	14,389 26	
City jail—guarding, &c.	[illegible]	[illegible]
Culverts	16,606 28	
Discount and interest	21,821 42	
Elections	4,538 66	
Electric light	30,441 92	
Fire Department—		
Expenses	15,920 29	
Pay-roll	67,251 29	
Fire Alarm—		
Expenses	1,992 93	
Pay-roll	3,660 60	
Construction	2,489 92	
Special	249 00	
Fire insurance	298 58	
Grounds and Buildings—		
Expenses	12,999 25	
Pay-roll	19,291 67	
Armory Stuart Horse Guard	180 00	
Revision and codification of the ordinances	625 00	
Collection of special taxes	1,295 77	
M. Reese fund	180 00	
Water Works—		
Expenses	746 10	
Construction	15,482 52	
Pump-houses	22,612 29	
Pay-roll	9,344 66	
Marshall Reserv'r	1,492 44	
New Reservoir	2,086 28	
Bills refunded	501 86	
O'Donnell's water equalizer	18 85	
	$2,274,746 73	$2,233,303 56
To balance from Jan. 31, 1896		17,436 03
By balance in First Nation Bank Jan. 1, 1897, $5.39; Merchants National Bank, $8,983.80; City Bank, $9,963.67	15,952 86	
	$2,270,699 59	$2,250,739 59

Treasurer's report of receipts and disbursements of the sinking fund for the year ending January 31, 1897:

1896.		
March 21—Commutation of culvert tax	$ 52.50	
June 30—City of Richmond—Call Loan	70,000.00	
June 30—City of Richmond—Interest on call loan	1,166.67	
July 3—City of Richmond—On account July quota	50,000.00	
July 8—City of Richmond—On account July quota	30,000.00	
July 15—City of Richmond—On account July quota	20,000.00	
July 22—City of Richmond—On account July quota	10,000.00	
September 21—City of Richmond—On 4 per cent. bonds	25,000.00	
September 25—City of Richmond—On account July quota	16,199.39	
December 16—Commutation of culvert tax	131.63	
December 31—City of Richmond Balance July quota	100,000.00	
1897.		
January 11—City of Richmond—On account January quota	60,000.00	
January 23—City of Richmond—On account January quota	66,199.39	
January 26—City of Richmond—On account January quota	30,000.00	
January 26—City of Richmond—Interest on 7 per cent. investment	35.00	
January 26—City of Richmond—Interest on 6 per cent. investment	13.20	
January 28—City of Richmond—Interest on deferred payments July quota	2,207.07	
Balance from January 31, 1896	17,104.65	
February — Interest, $2,166.10; redemption, $5,500	$ 7,666.10	
March — Interest	1,465.00	
April — Interest, $1,624.75; redemption, $1,000	2,624.75	
May—Interest, $136.08; redemption, $1,100	1,236.08	
June—Interest, $732; redemption, $100	832.00	
July—Interest	181,245.32	
August—Interest, $3,256.25; redemption, $700	3,956.25	
September — Interest, $2,123.50; redemption, $25,000	27,123.50	
October — Interest, $807.50; redemption, $200	1,007.50	
November—Interest	711.00	
December—Interest	102.50	
1897.		
January 20—Investment in 8 per cent. bonds	5,500.00	
January 20—Discount and premium on bonds	1,249.02	
January 21—Investment in bonds	1,000.00	
January 21—Discount and premium on bonds	237.50	
January 21—Interest	184.66	
Balance to January 30, 1897—In First Natio'l Bank, $29.08; in Merchants Bank, $77,062.26; in City Bank, $3.14	77,094.48	
		$498,109.50

Recapitulation of receipts and disbursements of the Sinking Fund:

Commutation of culvert tax	$ 184.13
City of Richmond—Call loan	70,000.00
City of Richmond—Interest on call loan	1,166.67
City of Richmond—On account July quota	226,199.39
City of Richmond—On account 4 per cent. bonds	25,000.00
City of Richmond—On account January quota	156,199.39
City of Richmond—Interest on 7 per cent. investment	35.00
City of Richmond—Interest on 6 per cent. investment	13.20
City of Richmond—Interest on deferred payments July quota	2,207.07
Balance from January 31, 1896	17,104.65
Interest on bonds	$378,567.80
Redemption of bonds	33,000.00
Investment in 8 per cent. bonds	6,500.00
Discount and premium on bonds	1,507.13
Balance to January 30, 1897, in First National Bank, $29.08; in Merchants National Bank, $77,062.26; in City Bank, $3.14	77,094.48
	$498,109.50

Supreme Court of Appeals.

Bolton &c. vs. Vellines. Argued by Thomas W. Shelton, Esq., and Judge T. S. Garnett for plaintiff in error, and John Neeley for defendant in error, and submitted.

The next case to be called is Jamison vs. Rixey, No. 62.

The court will hear three more cases at this term, beginning with Jamison vs. Rixey, No. 62, and then following the docket in regular order. Counsel are here in No. 63, and it is thought they will be in No. 64. If any case have to be passed, the next in order on the docket will be called.

To-day, being opinion day, it is hardly probable that the three cases can be heard this week.

When the court adjourns for the term it will reconvene on the 9th proximo for the March term. The term begins regularly on the 5th, but that falling on Friday, it has been determined to begin on Tuesday, the 9th.

They Will Celebrate.

Pickett Camp of Confederate Veterans will celebrate the birthday of George Washington in a most appropriate manner.

It has been the custom in years past to have concerts, balls, and the like, but the battle-scarred soldiers who followed General Pickett will be treated to some gems of oratory.

The committee that has charge of the affair has invited General Battle, Captain Lamb and Rev. E. N. Calisch to address the camp. The subjects will be on the life and character of the revolution day of the chieftain.

Sergeant Whitlock, chairman of the entertainment committee, wishes to invite the ladies and gentlemen who have always been ready to entertain the veterans to be present.

The Builders' Exchange.

The Builders' Exchange of the city of Richmond met at 4 o'clock last Tuesday afternoon in the hall of the Chamber of Commerce. A Board of Directors was elected, consisting of these well-known citizens of Richmond; J. R. Williams (president), W. J. Westwood, vice-president), W. A. Chesterman, W. J. Whitehurst, A. W. Hargrove, William Gilman, A. Bargamin, W. R. Mason, J. H. Scott, H. S. Binswanger, Reuben Burton, G. Harvey Clarke, and W. J. Ready.

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AT WORK FOR THE HOSPITAL.

The Grand Bazaar to Be an Interesting Affair.

An important meeting of the Associated Hospitals Committees was held at the Retreat for the Sick yesterday morning at 11 o'clock.

There was a large representation present, and plans for the grand bazaar for the benefit of the Associated Hospitals to be opened on February 18th, were discussed, and a number of reports of a highly encouraging nature were submitted.

Mrs. Edgar Taylor presided over the meeting. Mrs. Frazier from the Sheltering Arms Committee reported that there would be an entertainment for the children on Friday evening after the opening of the bazaar.

Mrs. Tatum from the Restaurant Committee reported that the contributions were not so large as she had hoped they would be, and she made an earnest appeal to those interested in that part of the work to make special efforts to increase the contributions.

Mrs. Stephen Putney from the Virginia Hospitals, reported that she was especially pleased with the responses from the German Auxiliary. Letters had been received from various parts of the State promising contributions. Similar promises had also been received from the grocers of the city.

Mrs. Cowardin from the Eye, Ear and Throat Infirmary reported that she was well pleased with the work under her charge. One of the features which she is arranging will be a bicycle riding contest.

In the absence of Miss Temple, of the Old Dominion Hospital, Mrs. W. K. Martin reported that the workers in that committee were active and much encouraged over the outlook.

Mrs. Fitzhugh from the Retreat for the Sick, in the absence of Mrs. Lamb, reported favorably on her work. She is arranging to have an entertainment in the shape of a poverty party on Tuesday night of the bazaar. Rev. John Jasper, of "Sun Do Move" fame, will also deliver a speech.

Miss Temple, who was unavoidably detained from the meeting, was subsequently seen by a Leader representative, she said: "The Old Dominion will have a Japanese House, with a tea garden adjoining and Mother Goose will dispense candies to the little ones, each evening, from her car."

"The Old Dominion Committee," she added, "report plentiful contributions for the restaurant for their hospital."

The Committees on Lighting and Heating and Booths submitted complete and encouraging reports.

Mr. Edgar Taylor made a statement before the committees as to the repairs at the armory, which he said had been completed and paid for by the bazaar.

The publication committee reported that efficient work had been done through the city papers. A letter was read from Sergeant A. H. Hamilton, of Company F, tending his services and that of the company in decorating and keeping the door.

Mrs. Taylor requests that the bunting from all the citizens be sent to the armory on Friday next. Badges for the bazaar and for the restaurant can be had from Miss Boykin, No. 409 east Franklin street.

Considerable routine business was transacted at the meeting, and those who are actively at work for the bazaar are greatly encouraged over the prospects for a profitable and successful affair.

There will be five booths at the bazaar, are to represent each of the hospitals.

The five booths will be presided over as follows:

The Sheltering Arms—Mrs. Harry Frazier, chairman; Miss Sallie Anderson, alternate.

Virginia Hospital—Mrs. Stephen Putney, chairman; Mrs. Todd, alternate.

Old Dominion Hospital—Mrs. James H. Capers, chairman; Miss Temple, alternate.

Eye, Ear, and Throat Infirmary—Mrs. C. O'B. Cowardin, chairman; Mrs. S. Cohen, alternate.

Retreat for the Sick—Mrs. J. C. Lamb, chairman; Mrs. Marcy, alternate.

Mrs. Edgar D. Taylor is the newly elected chairman of the bazaar, and the restaurant will be in charge of Mrs. W. H. Tatum, chairman; Mrs. W. F. Richardson, alternate. Miss Anna Boykin is the treasurer of the bazaar, and Mrs. H. B. Fitzhugh, secretary. The Advertising Committee is composed of Mrs. W. K. Martin (chairman), Mrs. J. J. Montague, Mrs. A. L. Marcy and Mrs. J. Harvie Blair. The Entertainment Committee includes the following ladies: Mrs. J. Allison Hodges, chairman; Mrs. E. W. Anderson, alternate; Mrs. Sam. Cohen, Mrs. Charles G. Boshee, Mrs. John Boswell, and Mrs. W. K. Martin.

The following ladies will serve on the Restaurant Committee: Representing the Virginia Hospital—Mrs. Hugh Taylor Mrs. Anna Carr, Mrs. Willie Damer, Mrs. Waller Scott; representing the Old Dominion—Mrs. John Boswell, Mrs. W. C. Lynham; representing the Sheltering Arms—Mrs. William Tatum, Mrs. D. O. Davis, Mrs. George T. King; representing the Eye and Ear Infirmary—Mrs. George B. Stacy, Mrs. Randolph Norris; representing the Retre