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MUSICAL CLUB REORGANIZED.

The Current Events Club Holds a Business Meeting—Wedding Cards of a Popular Young Lady—Soldier at Home on Sick Leave.

ASHLAND, VA., Oct. 8.—Special.—A donation of \$200 was recently made to the Randolph-Macon College by Rev. James Cannon, of Blacksburg, as a memorial to his father-in-law, Dr. W. W. Bennett, former president of the college. The proceeds from the gift will be expended in a prize each year for the best historical essay, and in the establishment of a history library.

Invitations have been received here to the marriage of Miss Natalie Gregory to Mr. George Johnson, on Wednesday, October 13th, at 11 o'clock, at St. Peter's church, New Kent county. Miss Gregory is well-known here.

MUSICAL CLUB.
The Musical Club was reorganized this week with a full attendance at the residence of Mrs. H. G. Buchanan.

The Current Events Club met this afternoon at the residence of Mrs. James Scott. Much routine business was transacted.

Polk Miller will appear here Thursday evening, October 13th, under the auspices of the Ashland Musical Club, for the benefit of the proposed town hall.

Mrs. C. A. Taylor and daughter, Miss Isabel Taylor, are spending a week in Baltimore.

Pauline Byrd Winston has returned from Delaware.

STEWART ELECTED.

Mr. L. E. W. Meyberg was recently made a steward of Duncan-Memorial Methodist church, in place of the late Mr. N. N. Vandy.

Surgeon Henry Carter, of Chickamauga, is at home sick with fever.

Mr. Harvey Symonds will return to Richmond Monday next, much to the regret of his many friends here.

Miss Mamie Chandler, of Richmond, is a guest of Mrs. C. S. Luck, near Ashland.

Miss Mary Ratcliffe left to-day for Botetourt county, where she will teach this season.

SMYTH COUNTY VETERANS.

Gibson-McGrady Camp Has a Great Outing—Rhea and Walker.

MARION, VA., Oct. 7.—Special.—The Gibson-McGrady Camp of Confederate Veterans held their annual meeting at Long Hollow, Smyth county, yesterday. They had dinner on the grounds and over one thousand people were in attendance, all of whom had a fine day.

Rev. Thomas Newberry, pastor of the Baptist church, held a protracted meeting at the Baptist church. The rainy weather has interfered with attendance, but congregations are now good and some interest manifested.

As a result of the last week's session of the County Court, this county will add five to the population of the penitentiary.

Cattle are now changing hands, as nearly all sales made for delivery between the 1st and 20th of October. Prices are good for all grades of young cattle, good two year olds having been sold at four and a quarter cents per pound.

Fazewell Republican says General Walker is running on the "twenty dollar bull calf platform" and the bull calf is worth now twenty dollars if he is a good one.

John Rhea has been in this county this week and seems in high spirits over the outlook for his election. He is making a fine canvass and has shown undoubted ability to take care of himself on the stump.

The Republican Congressional Committee for the Ninth District met here last Saturday night at the home of Mr. C. C. Lincoln, chairman. Gen. Walker was in attendance. He has been working hard and expects to be elected.

The people have recently taken out little interest in politics, having been too busy attending to crops, which are unusually good. A large crop of wheat will be sown and large quantities of fertilizer used. The depot agents say about seventy-five cars of fertilizer have been unloaded here this fall. Much of this went to Grayson, but most of it will be sown around Marion.

FIRE AT LEESBURG.

The Most Destructive Since the War Losses Heavy.

LEESBURG, VA., Oct. 7.—The most destructive fire which this town has known since the civil war occurred here last night, when the large grain warehouse, elevator and flouring mill of W. S. Jenkins & Co., and the extensive freight depot of the Southern Railway were totally destroyed by fire.

The large freight depot of the Southern Railway adjoined the elevator building on the east, and that, too, fell a victim to the flames. This was the last to burn, however, and prompt action was taken by the railroad men, directed by Mr. C. A. English, agent of the company, saved everything in the freight house. A number of freight cars standing on the tracks alongside the burning buildings were hauled out of the way by a locomotive, which happened to be here.

Jenkins & Co.'s building was the one purchased about a year ago from Col. E. V. White, and had been used as a warehouse and elevator. Recently the new purchases had made an addition to it and put in a complete set of modern flour milling machinery, which had only been in operation since Friday last. All this was destroyed, together with about 700 bushels of wheat, corn, flour, feed etc.; also a carload of new farm wagons and a lot of agricultural machinery, about the only thing saved from the mill being the books.

The loss sustained by Jenkins & Co., cannot fall below \$25,000, and may reach \$50,000, upon which there was an insurance of about \$25,000, distributed among half a dozen companies. The loss of the railroad company is only in their freight track, a small passenger and damaged track, and \$1,000 will amply cover it.

The origin of the fire is a mystery, and there are strong suspicions of incendiaries, though the early hour at which the fire occurred seems against this.

SAVED FROM DISGRACE.

Justice Crutchfield Refuses to Send an Infant to Laurel.

A case of pitiable lack of parental discipline came to light in the Police Court yesterday when little Norval Lee Hickok, the 3-year-old son of Mr. R. B. Hickok, was brought before the court and charged by his father with being beyond his control and that of his mother.

Mr. Hickok said that the boy was unable to do anything with him. The boy, he said, was self-willed and determined in breaking all the ties of love and obedience to his parents; was habitual in his disobedience; was a constant source of trouble; had a tendency to pick up things that did not belong to him, and was criminally mischievous.

The statement of the father of the 3-

Remember THE GREAT New York Horse Show

at Madison Square Garden, New York, November 14th to 19th. The Old Dominion Steamship Company will conduct its fifth annual personally conducted excursion to New York on account of the Horse Show, Party will leave Richmond Saturday, November 12th, at 3:45 P. M. via Chesapeake and Ohio railway or Norfolk and Western railway at 9 A. M., connecting with Old Dominion steamer at Norfolk. Special hotel rates have been secured. Fare for the round trip, including meals and stateroom berth on steamer, only \$11.00. Tickets good for ten days.

As the party is limited, and New York will be crowded with visitors at that time, early application should be made that good steamer and hotel reservation may be secured. For full information apply to

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year-old boy created something of a sensation in the courtroom, and Mr. Crutchfield, who happened to be in the room, was moved to make a few remarks, by consent of Justice Crutchfield, in allowing such a shameful outrage in sending a mere baby to the Reformatory.

Mr. McCarthy's remarks were applauded by the spectators and in reply Justice Crutchfield stated that he had always been blamed for the manner in which he treated the boys.

His sympathies always ran in the direction of the boys, and he was always ready to take their part, and in a dark corner, but when a father came to him and stated that his child was incorrigible and that he could do nothing with him, he felt that it was a question hard to determine.

Commonwealth's Attorney Richardson said that the Reformatory was somewhat of a penal institution and that a certain amount of disgrace hung over it, and that rather than have a boy sent to that place a parent should use the proper mode of discipline.

Mr. Hickok said that he had punished him severely and that even now stripes were visible on his back as the result of blows. He had been tied in his room, kept in bed fastened in a dark closet, fed on bread and water, but nothing seemed to do any good.

Mr. Richardson suggested that kindness might have a different result.

"I have treated him kindly," replied Mr. Hickok, "but it has only a temporary effect. He forgets it in a moment, and starts out on his bad ways again."

Mr. Hickok was sent for and when she came into court her story was along the same line as that of her husband.

"I receive very much to have to come into court in this matter," said Mrs. Hickok, with tears in her eyes, "but we can do nothing with our boy. I love him better than my own life, but I want him sent some place where he can be cured of his waywardness."

"Suppose you take him home again, and give him another trial," suggested Justice Crutchfield.

"We have tried him so often," she replied, "that we feel discouraged, and have given up all hope."

"Don't say that," said the Justice, "a parent should never give up hope."

The railroad men said that the boy was turned over to his parents, and Justice Crutchfield accepted the suggestion, whereupon the boy went home with his father and mother, with the promise to do better, and the large crowd of spectators nodded their heads in the course taken by Justice Crutchfield.

TO VISIT PHILADELPHIA.

The Governor Going to Peace Jubilee with His Staff.

Governor Tyler has accepted for himself and staff the invitation to attend the Peace Jubilee in Philadelphia the latter part of this month. The date will be fixed later so as to meet the convenience of the President. The Governor will accompany the President to the War Department to take one of the Virginia Regiments with him.

The Jubilee will bring together many of the Governors and there will be a great military and naval display. President McKinley's cabinet will be present.

District Committee Meets.

The Third District Congressional Committee held a short session in the office of the chairman in the State Library building yesterday morning, and transacted routine business. The members present were Messrs. E. L. C. Scott (chairman), C. W. Saunders, H. L. Carter, and Simon Solomon.

Mr. Jefferson Wallace, chairman of the City Democratic Committee, was also in attendance.

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BRIDGE EXPERTS WILL MEET HERE.

The National Association of Superintendents.

TO CONVEGE ON OCTOBER 18TH.

A Large Number of Members, Representing Most of the Biggest Railroads in the Country Will Attend—Programme Arranged.

The eighth annual convention of the National Association of Railway Superintendents of Bridges and Buildings will be held in this city October 18th to 20th. The headquarters and convention hall will be at Murphy's Hotel.

Arrangements have already been made for the accommodation of a large number of members and visitors, and during their stay in the city they will be given a cordial reception, and there will be a number of pleasant social features in connection with the convention. The members of the Association represent nearly all the large trunk lines in the country, and are men of intelligence and judgment. Many of them have very extensive experience with the railroad companies with which they are connected. Nearly all sections of the country will be represented at the meeting.

Mr. Joseph M. Staten, inspector of bridges for the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company, is the Committee on arrangements here to look after the reception and entertainment of the members. He has mapped out an interesting programme to be carried out, and there is every reason to believe the visitors will be much pleased with their stay and treatment in this city.

THE PROGRAMME.

The following programme has been arranged for the convention:

Tuesday, October 18—Morning session. The convention will be called to order by the President at 10 A. M. Prayer by J. H. Cummins. Calling the roll. Reading of minutes of last meeting. Report of Committee on Resolutions. Treasurer's Report. Admission of new members. President's address. Annual Reports of Executive Committee, Secretary, Treasurer, Committee on Resolutions, and Special Committee on Relief. Payment of annual dues. Appointment of Auditing Committee. "Constitutional" Session.

Wednesday, October 19—Morning session. Selection of Subjects for Report and Discussion. Committee on Resolutions, and Ordinary Committee.

Afternoon session—called to order at 2 P. M. Committee reports. Reading of reports of Committees on Investigation. Unfinished business. Discussion of reports presented at last convention. New business.

Wednesday, October 19—Morning session.

Called to order at 10 A. M. Discussion of reports of Committees on Investigation.

Afternoon session—called to order at 2 P. M. Continuation of discussion of reports. Reading and discussion of questions propounded by members.

Thursday, October 20—Morning session. Called to order at 10 A. M. Miscellaneous business. Election of officers. Adjournment.

Afternoon—Excursion by trolley cars to the battlefield of Seven Pines and to other places of interest, which the Committee on Arrangements, Mr. Joseph M. Staten, has arranged.

Friday, October 21—Mr. Joseph M. Staten has arranged for a trip to Newport News, Old Point Comfort, Fort Monroe, and a call on Chesapeake Bay to Newport News Navy Yard and the Cape, leaving Richmond at 9 A. M. and returning at 11 P. M., where C. & O. steamer will be waiting to take party to the Newport News Navy Yard and Old Point Comfort. Breakfast at the Hotel. Dinner at the Hotel. Members wishing to return to Richmond will have time after luncheon to visit Fort Monroe, and return to Richmond at 6 P. M. and C. & O. R. R. at 7 P. M., reaching Richmond at 8:30 P. M.

TO THE CITY.

Members desiring to stay over night at Old Point Comfort or to go to Washington, will leave Richmond at 10 P. M. for Old Point Comfort and Cape Henry, the C. & O. R. R. having kindly offered their steamer for the purpose. The return trip will be made in time for dinner at 8 P. M. at the Hotel.

Members can either remain at the Hotel or take the night train for Old Point Comfort, leaving Old Point Comfort at 7:30 P. M. and reaching Washington, D. C., next morning at 6:30.

Through the courtesy of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, members and their families will be given free transportation on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway to and from Richmond, Old Point Comfort and return, and also for the rail on the day to the navy yard and the Cape.

Members will have approval of the convention to visit the many historic points of interest in Richmond, such as the Capitol, Governor's Mansion, Stonewall Jackson Monument, Jefferson Davis Monument, Memorial to the Unknown Soldier, Henry Clay Monument, General Lee's Monument, Hollywood Cemetery with Confederate Soldiers' Monument and the graves of ex-President Monroe, ex-President Tyler, and of Jefferson Davis; Belle Leason, Libby Prison, site of the National Cemetery, Old St. John's Church, where Patrick Henry made his famous speech, Washington's Headquarters, Jefferson Davis Mansion and Confederate Museum, and many other points of interest.

The Committee on Arrangements has arranged for a special trip through Williams' tobacco factory, where work is done by hand, and through Mayo's tobacco factory where the same work is done by machinery.

ORIGIN AND OBJECTS.

The association was organized September 23rd, 1891, in St. Louis, Mo., with sixty members. Since that time it has held an annual convention each in the following cities: Cincinnati, Philadelphia, Kansas City, Mo., New Orleans, La., Chicago and Indianapolis. The membership has increased from sixty to about 145.

The object of the Association is the mutual advancement of its members, by the acquisition of more perfect knowledge in the construction, maintenance, and repair of bridges, and buildings as well as all other matters entrusted to the care of superintendents of bridges and buildings, by common discussion, interchange of ideas, reports, and investigations of its members.

THE OFFICERS.

The officers of the organization for 1897 are:

Walter G. Berg, President, Lehigh Valley Railway, Jersey City, N. J.; Joseph H. Cummins, First Vice President, Long Island City, N. Y.; Aaron S. Markley, Second Vice President, Chicago & Eastern Illinois Railway, Danville, Ill.; G. W. Hiltman, Third Vice President, Louisville & Nashville Railway, Louisville, Ky.; C. C. Mallard, Fourth Vice President, Southern Pacific Railway, Alameda, La.; S. F. Patterson, Secretary, Boston and Maine Railway, Concord, N. H.; N. W. Thompson, Treasurer, Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago Railway, Port Wayne, Ind.

Besides these there are six executive members as follows: George J. Bishop, Topeka, Kan.; Chicago & Rock Island & Pacific Railway; C. P. Austin, Medford, Mass.; Boston & Maine Railway; M. Riney, Barraboo, Wis.; Chicago & North Western Railway; Wm. S. Dana, Peru, Ind.; Wabash Railway; J. H. Markley, Ind.; Toledo, Peoria & Western Railway; W. O. Engleston, Huntington, Ind.; Chicago & Erie Railroad.

THE COMMITTEES.

The following subjects for report and discussion for 1897 and 1898 were selected:

1. File rings and method of protecting files in driving.

2. Cost and manner of putting in pipe culverts.

3. Best floors for shops and round-houses.

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10-4.....\$1.50

12-4.....\$1.75

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