

COAST LINE'S CONSOLIDATION

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stated that the stockholders had done nothing, and had adjourned sine die.
Property Transferred.
SALMA, ALA., April 18.—Two large railroad deals were held here to-day. The Louisville and Nashville the 75 to the Southern Alabama Railway the railway from Pineapple and from Repton to Flamaton, the consideration being \$388,741. The other deal was from the Southern Alabama Railway Company to the Louisville and Nashville, the consideration being \$1,650,000.

Southern's Improvement.
MOBILE, ALA., April 18.—Prominent Southern officials have spent two days in Mobile inspecting terminals here. The river front of the company's docks will be dredged to thirty feet depth for loading steamers. The company contemplates going in for the banana import business and the shipment of early vegetables from this region. Passenger trains will be inaugurated North and East from Mobile, and tracks to accommodate of the truck growers in loading will be put in. Many thousands of dollars will be expended in these improvements.

N. & W. Earnings.
Statement of estimated gross earnings of the Norfolk and Western Railway are: For second week of April, \$26,250; increase, \$4,011. Total for month to date, \$141,427; increase, \$6,333. July 1, 1899, to latest date, \$10,874,744; increase, \$1,782,245.

Railroad Notes.
There have been heavy shipments of cattle for export over the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway. Eighty-five cars loaded recently passed over the lines from Chicago to Newport News for loading. President Stevens will return to-day. The private car of Mrs. Callaway and party will be handled by the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac and Chesapeake and Ohio lines to-day. Mr. Arthur Lewis, southern agent of the Baltimore and Ohio, is in town. Mr. Lewis has contributed some bright and interesting matter to the current number of the "Book of the Royal Blue."

LEAGUE OPENS TO-DAY

Four Games to Be Played if the Weather Permits.
NEW YORK, April 18.—Weather permitting the National League baseball games of 1900 will open to-morrow with games on the Polo grounds in this city between New York and Brooklyn; between Boston and Philadelphia in Boston; Pittsburg and St. Louis in Cincinnati, and Chicago and Cincinnati in Cincinnati.

Rain Prevented Game.
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NORFOLKS WARM. LIQUOR MEN STIRRED UP. There Will Be a Very Small Vote Polled To-day. BOYNTON, VA., April 18.—Special.—All the liquor licenses of Mecklenburg will expire on the 1st of May, and the liquor dealers are in a great stir over the new law, which only became known about the early part of April, that makes it necessary before the liquor license is granted that a notice be posted thirty days before the license is granted, stating that the application will be made. The liquor merchants being in ignorance, failed to post notices as was the required, and the consequence is that the demand of the occasion, Judge Homes has consented to change his court, for this term only, from the third Monday in May to the first Monday, and will make an order that that meet at this term, at which time all the cases will come up for a hearing. The vote for Congressman to-morrow to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Hon. S. P. Egan will be the smallest vote ever polled in Mecklenburg in such an election. Mr. Lassiter not having any opposition will cause many to stay at home, but the crowning cause of the small vote will be the failure of the colored vote to turn out. Republican County Chairman Jamieson told me a few days since that none of his party associates would turn out at the polls, indeed, he said he had advised such a course. I suppose as they have no candidate they do not wish the party to become disorganized by voting the Democratic ticket. Stafford Delegates. FREDERICKSBURG, VA., April 18.—Special.—The Democrats of Stafford County, in mass-meeting at the court-house to-day, elected the following delegates to the State Convention: W. J. Jacobs, R. L. Chichester, S. B. Dabney, R. A. Duval, D. M. Lee and E. H. Randall. The constitutional convention was endorsed. To Hold Primaries. FAIRFAX, VA., April 18.—Special.—The Democrats will hold primaries in the several magisterial districts of the county on April 25th to elect delegates to their State and Congressional Conventions. The general sentiment among both Democrats and Republicans in this vicinity seems to be against a Constitutional Convention. HANOVER COUNTY COURT. A Local Option Election in Henry Precinct—Precinct Meetings. ASHLAND, VA., April 18.—Special.—In the Hanover County Court to-day Bert Beazley, indicted for house-burning, was acquitted. Jack Macon (colored) was indicted for criminal assault upon Mary Walker, his twenty-year-old niece. The Hanover Pension Board was in session to-day at Hanover Courthouse, and received sixteen applications for pensions under the new law. A local option election will be held in Henry District of this county, on the 25th instant. Democratic precinct meetings will be held throughout Hanover County on Monday, April 23d, to send delegates to the Norfolk Convention. The county is entitled to eight votes, but ten delegates will be sent. Sickness in Hanover. ROCKVILLE, April 18.—Special.—Measles is prevalent in the southwest corner of Hanover and the lower end of Louisa. Nearly every dwelling-house is a hospital. There are five sick in bed at Mr. J. J. Winkler's, three of whom have measles. M. J. Toler's family are all sick; his wife is said to be in extremis. The Bookkeeper Parker is confined to her bed. Miss M. S. Gray has been confined to her bed several days, and Mr. E. G. Neekels, one of the best citizens, has been prostrated for several weeks with the grip. But little corn has been planted; gardens and pastures bare, and tobacco plants just coming up. Dewey and Donnelly. KANSAS CITY, MO., April 18.—Carl Brown, of Coxey Army Game, was invited to address the morning session of the Mass Convention of Missouri Middle of the Road Populists to-day, and created consternation among the adherents of Wharton Baker, of Pennsylvania, who is the declared National ticket, "Baker" declared Brown, in his characteristic manner, "is up against the Iron Wall of Conditions, and defeat for him is inevitable. The head of the ticket should be Dewey, with Wharton Barker, or Ignatius Donnelly for Vice President." There was a show of stopping the speaker as he uttered these remarks, but Brown went on to continue. "With such a ticket," declared he, "we will stand some show of knocking out both the ticket dominated by the money power, and headed by President McKinley, and that headed by William J. Bryan. Silence marked the close of his address. Telegraphic Briefs. WASHINGTON, April 18.—The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations to-day agreed to a favorable report on the convention, extending for six months the time in which Spanish residents of the United States can elect whether they will remain citizens of Spain or become citizens of the Philippines. BINGEN, April 18.—A boat, on board of which were twenty members of the Catholic Students' Association, while crossing the river Rhine yesterday, from this place to Rueschheim, was capsized and thirteen of the occupants were drowned. CAIRO, April 18.—The bubonic plague is reported to have made its appearance at several ports on the Red Sea. SDILMA, April 18.—The deaths from the plague throughout India during the past week slightly increased in number, but the aggregate is still upwards of 4,000. PARIS, April 18.—Memorial services in honor of the late General DeVillerois Mareuil, killed while fighting against the British in South Africa, were held in Notre Dame Cathedral to-day, the cost being defrayed by public subscription. NEW ORLEANS, April 18.—To-day's returns do not in any respect change the result of yesterday's elections as indicated in last night's dispatches. W. W. Heard, Democratic candidate for Governor, appears to have carried every parish in the State, and the Democrats carried their local tickets throughout nearly every parish in the State. NEW YORK, April 18.—The Bookellers' League had their April dinner in this city to-night. The Rev. W. W. Tilden, of the New York Journal, the principal speaker, discussed "The making of a great daily newspaper." LONDON, April 18.—King Oscar and the Queen of Sweden and Norway have arrived in London. VIENNA, April 18.—Two Russian ad-

WARREN ORDERED HOME

Buller May Be Forced to Resign as Result of Criticism.
LONDON, April 18.—The Morning Post's criticism of Gen. Buller, Gen. Warren and Col. Thorneycroft continues today. The paper comments at length on the strictures of the British commander-in-chief in South Africa, taking the same lines as the morning papers, praising Lord Roberts. The Globe declares that a "more pitiable record of indecision in plan and confusion in execution we have seldom read," and adds that what little reputation General Buller had left has been scattered to the winds.

Losses at Wepener.
MASERU, April 18.—Colonel Dalgetty's casualties since he has been besieged at Wepener have been twenty killed and one hundred wounded. The Boer losses are reported to have been considerably heavier.

British Still Surrounded.
PRETORIA, Tuesday, April 17.—The latest official reports from the Orange Free State are to the effect that General Dewet is still surrounding Brabant's force, though the British are strongly entrenched in Boer fashion, indicating that they are colonials.

May Attack the Governor.
ACCRA, BRITISH GOLD COAST COLONY, April 17.—The relieving force which started recently for Kumassie in consequence of a rising in Ashanti, is probably well on its way toward its destination but it is reported that the Ashantis will attack the Governor before it arrives.

Distribution of Commissions.
OTTAWA, ONT., April 18.—The Imperial government has decided to give twenty-four out of the forty-four commissions to be granted to Canadians in the regular army to officers and non-commissioned officers serving in South Africa.

To Intercept Carrington.
LONDON, April 17.—The Loveno Marques correspondent of the Daily Mail, telegraphing Wednesday, says: "Two hundred and fifty Boers started to-day from Waterfall, marching through the Zoupsburg district to intercept General Carrington's force."

Kumassie is in Dire Need of Hasty Relief.
ACCRA, GOLD COAST COLONY, WEST AFRICA, April 18.—News has been received here that Kumassie is closely invested and that the situation will become exceedingly grave if relief is not forthcoming. The Governor, Sir Frederick Mitchell Hodgson, is asking for all available forces.

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