

OFFICERS CHOSEN FOR THE YEAR

Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Meets.

WORK OF TWELVE MONTHS.

Reports of the President and Secretary Enthusiastically Received.

Those Who Will Direct the Work.

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Richmond Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was held at the society's office, No. 80 East Main Street, last evening.

The secretary's report for the year was listened to with great interest, and the report of the president was enthusiastically received, after which the Board went into the election of officers.

The Board elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

President, Miss Pearl Bodeker; First Vice-President, Dr. J. B. Wood, Capt. John Cussens, Messrs. Joseph Bryan, P. H. Mayo and Virginia Newton; Treasurer, W. Ben. Palmer; Secretary, Mrs. N. R. Robbins; Counselor, Capt. A. B. Gullison; Assistant Counselor, Dr. J. B. Wood; Board of Directors, John Chamblin, Virginia Newton, H. G. Carter, Robert S. Basher, Capt. Cyrus Bessieux, and Mrs. W. Ben. Palmer and Mrs. Virgie Pleasant.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

We have met here this evening, on our eighth anniversary, to attest our vigilance in asserting the rights and rebuking the wrongs of the weak and the defenseless. We have warrant enough for the work we are doing, in the laws of our State, in the testimony of our deepest consciences and in the word of God, and now throughout all Christendom, with the exception of Spain and some of her colonies. We are raising the law of kindness to teaching children the law of kindness to animals, and I believe that an unused field of our work is in the Sunday-schools and day-schools of our city.

It is the object of our society not only to see that these laws are respected, but also to cultivate in the hearts of our boys and girls the sentiment which these laws are the expression, and for this purpose we are adding a special feature to our working in dealing with the bands of mercy. We are raising the law of kindness to teaching children the law of kindness to animals, and I believe that an unused field of our work is in the Sunday-schools and day-schools of our city.

TO THE SCHOOLS.

This appeal is directed more especially to kindergartens and to those having schools under their charge.

The Church Hill Branch has proven a very great adjunct to the society, and through the instrumentality of two of its members, Miss Virginia Newton and Mrs. William Murray, nine bands of mercy have been formed, including upwards of four hundred children. In June of this year Rev. E. N. Calish organized a band of mercy, embracing his entire Sunday-school. That our work is having its good effects is recognized in the fact that there is a decrease in the number of cases of flagrant cruelty, cruelty that merits the attention of the law, and we are gratified to find that interest in the work has extended itself to different parts of the State. We are constantly in receipt of letters from parties seeking information on the subject with a view of either organizing a society in their midst or becoming agents to suppress the cruelty among them.

THE YEAR'S WORK.

The total number of cases attended to during the year were 2,376, classified as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Case type and number. Includes Admissions (203), Cases suffering (202), Animals left for work and sent to stable to be cared for (25), Overloaded teams (23), Drivers reported (101), Driving, whipping, etc. (101), Cases cared for by the Society (99), Animals suffering from want of shoes sent to shoe shop (123), Street-car mules cruelly treated (13), Horses carrying United States mail unfit for service (2), Goats cruelly treated (2), Cases where owners were advised to get veterinary help (19), Animals left unnecessarily exposed in bad weather (16), Horses and mules humanely destroyed (115), Dogs and cats humanely destroyed (9).

Of the above 816 cases were attended to by the Church Hill Branch, under the direction of Miss Pearl Bodeker, who resigned to become president of the society, since which the Church Hill Branch has turned its attention to organizing Bands of Mercy. Under the able management of Miss Virginia Newton and Mrs. Virgie Pleasant the following bands have been formed: Male Orphan Asylum Band, Ma-

AMUSEMENTS.

A new roll of films for the Vitagraph was received at the Bijou yesterday, and the pictures were presented last night, to the delight of the audience. The views are all new and decidedly interesting. There are moving picture scenes of the great Paris Exposition, the Galveston disaster and many other prominent events. The assortment of comedy views is good. The Rossow Midgets are wonderful entertainers and pleasing in their act. The little men are advanced in years, but are smaller than the average child in the primer class at school. They are good acrobats and interesting boxers. Charlie Rossow's impersonation of Sousa is "great." Usual performances are being given.

"Self and Lady," the new farce presented by Charles Frohman's comedians at the Academy of Music last evening, was well received by the audience. The farce has rather absurdly underlying it, but as a vehicle to show off the merits of Mr. Frohman's comedians it is a success.

Mr. E. N. Holland as Doctor Duplantin, and Mr. Fritz Williams as M. Furet, the noted French doctor, are the stars of the piece, which is a success. The three-act play is well known in this city, and was quite frequently applauded. The three-act dialogue between the Doctor and M. Furet, each of whom had been making a night of it without the knowledge of the other two, was quite exciting and witty, and led up to an interesting denouement and a happy climax.

TOWN TOPICS.

The Academy will be dark to-night and to-morrow evening "Town Topics" will hold the boards for a one night engagement.

Two Ladies Hurt.

Two ladies, whose names were not learned, were thrown from a buggy on Ninth Street, a few yards above Main, yesterday afternoon. In crossing the street-car tracks one of the wheels of the vehicle got into the "groove" of a rail. The buggy was almost overturned. Both of the occupants were thrown to the ground, but neither was badly hurt.

Leg Broken.

C. E. Talmator, an employe at the Richmond Locomotive Works, had his right leg broken just above the knee yesterday afternoon in the city of the foundry. A heavy piece of iron fell on the leg. He was treated by Dr. Gills, of the ambulance, and removed to the City Hospital.

Hand Mangled.

The ambulance was called to the Round-trunk Factory yesterday morning to treat A. O. Goodman, who had his hand badly mangled. He was treated by Dr. Gills and left.

Conference Held.

Governor Tyler, Attorney-General Montague and Mr. Frank P. Brent held a conference yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mr. M. Pope, the veteran trustee of the Miller School Fund.

SAM BENDIT A TERROR.

He has extirpated the Moonshiners from Mecklenburg.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

BOYDTON, Va., October 23.—Captain Charles Gee and Deputy Marshal Sam Bendit were all of last week engaged in hunting moonshine distillers, and quite successful they were, for they captured and destroyed no less than five stills in the western part of Mecklenburg.

They arrested last Friday J. K. Robinson, who is said to be the king of the moonshiners. He is here in jail, and is expected to be brought before State Commissioner Jao. W. Dager, who sent him on to the United States Grand Jury, at Norfolk, to be indicted and tried. The officers say the arrest of Robinson is important, as he is one of the stills and was half owner of one of the others. Two of the distillers made their escape. They were Jarvis Brown and Andrew King.

An unusual incident occurred in the examination of the case before the commissioner. It was that of a wife's testimony against her husband, Mrs. King told that she had tried to persuade her husband to surrender himself and he refused to do so. She testified both against Robinson and her husband. She said Robinson came to her husband's house and proposed to engage in the moonshining business, and that they manufactured whiskey together. The facts are proven by others, which dispel any doubt of the guilt of the parties. There were some 600 gallons of beer found at one still and about 300 at another.

SERIOUS LOSS BY FIRE.

Dwelling and Several Hundred Dollars in Money Burned.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

MANGO HICK, Va., Oct. 23.—The large and beautiful residence of Henry M. Young was burned to the ground Sunday morning, between 2 and 3 o'clock, together with the entire contents, the family barely escaping in their night clothes.

Mr. Young saved a few of his papers from an inner drawer in his desk. He lost all the money he had, and his three sons, Walter had between three and four hundred dollars burned. Douglas and Eddie had a good sum, but don't know how much. Mr. Young lost his wife in May last, and had only one single daughter living with him. She lost every particle of clothing and all her money. No insurance.

To Learn the Game.

To learn the game of golf, the fad is a hat of Alpine wool.

A plaid cravat (the hatband check) A slightly curling brim.

A plique waist and round the neck, Which sports a stock pipe.

Like the hat (the hatband check) Tied your most fetching way.

The skirt what color you propose (Be sure the fit is neat).

Tan Oxford shoes and belt and hose Like tie, the list complete.

And now I think that that is all—Except—oh, yes—clubs and a ball.

—Judge.

A Slight Correction.

Miss Lakeside—Goodness! How tanned you are! You've been in the sun, haven't you?

Miss Pressey (of Boston)—Most assuredly not. There's no means as yet of transporting one's self to that sphere. I have been merely basking in the beams which percolated through the circumambient atmosphere of Atlantic City.—Philadelphia Press.

A Mercantile Temperament.

"Politics is a great sell," remarked the man who is always looking on the dark side of things.

"Well," answered Senator Sorghum, "your impressions on that point depend a great deal on whether you're delivering a speech or hustling after them."—Virginia Post.

My operations politics has struck me as colossal buy."—Washington Star.

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