

ALOW TAX LEVY IN WILLIAMSBURG

Reduced From One Dollar to Eighty-five Cents.

IMPROVEMENTS TO BE MADE.

An Example of What Can Be Done on James City Leads—Success in Trucking Brings About Schemes for Several New Railroads.

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More than thirty members were present at this Council meeting, deferred from time to time on account of the Mayor's illness, as it was to be the first casting up of accounts since the local option election, the result of the latter being about a considerable subtraction from the city revenues. The "drys" are jubilant because of the fine showing made on the face of the city budget in spite of the loss of revenue from liquor, and the "wets" are equally well pleased because they can speak of the still better showing that would have been made if the revenue had not been cut down.

The transfer to-day by Mr. A. G. Harwood of his farm near Mr. May's to the West tells a story of thrift and industry well worth emulating. Mr. Harwood bought this farm in 1883 from the then owner of King's mill for \$100,000, \$60,000 of it in cash. In 1889 Mr. Harwood cleared the property, having paid off his mortgage solely by the profits of his farm. Since the place has been much improved, both as to state of land and number and character of buildings, and sold to-day for \$10,000.

Besides paying for and bringing up the value of his property, Mr. Harwood has accumulated enough money, every cent made from farming and invested mostly in Newport News, to enable him to retire from active business altogether, if he wanted to, although he is as yet not much more than a middle-aged man. The farm in question is situated immediately at Grove Station, on the Chesapeake and Ohio.

N. W. RAILROADS.

Owing, probably, to the great success of the tractors of late years, an effort is being made to extend the area of such transportation of farm produce to other parts of the country. The Chesapeake and Ohio, for example, has been chartered to run from Pocono in James City to Plum Point in New Kent and beyond, from Jamestown to Yorktown, via Williamsburg, and from Yorktown to Hampton via Poquoson, all of which are being investigated by the company, surveys having been made in some instances, and work is now being done on right of way as to one of them.

CITY HALL NOTES.

Items of General Interest Gathered from the Courts and Offices.

The Board of Aldermen will meet on Tuesday night next, at which time the city company charter ordinance as it passed by the Council last Tuesday night will be considered and passed on to the Mayor for his signature. This measure provides for transfer of the city water works to the Chesapeake and Ohio Power Company.

Clerk of the School Board, W. J. Welford reports that all the school children on next Monday will be ready to serve in the army of school children, some eleven thousand strong, who will knock for admission to the city, and will be cleaned and put in readiness. The principals and teachers are returning to the city. It is believed that the opening of the school will be somewhat in excess of that of last year.

The Law and Equity Court convenes on next Monday, at 10 o'clock on that date the docket will be called and the cases set for trial. There are a large number of damage suits for fire and ten thousand dollars against railroads, street railways, &c.

Deputy city sergeants received the lists of grand and petit jurors yesterday for the summer term of the Hustings Court, that will commence Friday, two weeks, and at once started out on the work. The lists were drawn from the box containing five hundred names. There are a number of prominent business men on the list, and it is believed that only one or two of the men in the party carried before they can be excused.

Superintendent Cohn, of the Street Cleaning Department, reports that the new method of washing certain streets with a hose is working admirably. Mr. Cohn has effected a closer system of cooperation with the police in the furtherance of successful street cleaning.

TRUE REFORMERS.

Grand Secretary's Report Shows Prosperous Condition of the Order.

The report of the grand secretary of the National Association of Municipal Electricians, a body of about four hundred members from Europe and America, has accepted Richmond's invitation and would meet here next year. Grand Rapids, Detroit and Atlantic City were rivals. Mr. Thompson was made Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Association.

MISS HOPEWELL HAS NARROW ESCAPE.

An Atlantic City special of Wednesday night, Miss Sarah Hopewell, of Richmond, Va., and George Comstock, a wealthy young man of Detroit, who are spending the summer here, met recently at one of the hops on the Steel Pier. This morning they were in bathing together near Heine's pier, and the deadly undertow caught both of them in its grip.

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The Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia will meet in Petersburg, October 23d. This will be the first meeting of the camp in this city. The citizens are co-operating with the members of the Grand Camp in this city, and the meeting will be a success as far as Petersburg can make it such. A. P. Hill Camp is working hard for the convention.

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Mr. E. Davis, secretary and treasurer of Blue Ridge cotton mills, says his mills will not shut down. On the contrary, the company now has in contemplation the organization of a night force in order to supply the demand.

Thirteen Norfolk and Western cars carried an excursion from this city to Norfolk to-day. A deed from Richard E. Inskip, transferring a lot on Old Street to the Richmond and Petersburg Electric Railway Company, was recorded to-day.

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Postmaster J. W. Waddy had a partial stroke of paralysis in his right hand Monday last, while returning from Richmond on an excursion, which rendered that hand almost helpless.

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Struck by a Train.

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