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paid on or before that date. I am now ready to
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the first of November, any one wishing to be served
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address to Richmond post-office, and I will call on
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I AM CURED ENTIRELY, for which please accept
my heartfelt thanks and most profound gratitude.
I know your medicine saved my life, so you see I
cannot speak too highly in its favor. I have
recommended it to several of my friends who are
suffering as I was.
Yours very respectfully,
MRS. W. E. STEBBINS.

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OUR HOME TALENT TELLS.

Companies B, A, and C, of the First Regiment, Three Highest.

ALEXANDRIA COMPANY THE FOURTH.

Howitzers, Stuart Horse-Guards, and Two Infantry Companies to Drill To-Day.

The rain of Wednesday night was in the nick of time. Without it the Fair might have been a financial failure instead of what it is—a great success. The dust was so bad, and was getting so much worse as the roads were ground and ground by the wheels of vehicles, that there was a quiet determination on the part of a large part of the public to look at the military parade in the city and to forego the Fair. The rain altered all that. It terminated a drought that had possessed the land for months, and came on just at dark, and continued at intervals through the night. The rainfall was not heavy—nothing like the country needs—but as a beginning was not only acceptable, but was a perfect blessing. It brightened the face of nature, for it washed the dust from the foliage, and it gladdened the heart of man, as was shown in happier countenances, in brisker movements, and in the spirit and liveliness that it seemed to infuse into trade. Yesterday dawned upon the city and the Fair with as sweet a smile as could have been wished. The sky was the blue of the early autumn, now and then veiled by light clouds, the air was crisp and fresh, suited to new winter clothes and not demanding heavy wrappers or overcoats, while the roadways were free alike from dust and mud. If there was anything at all to spoil the perfectness of the day it was in the "weather indications," which suggested "local rains," and therefore umbrellas, and most people went to the Fair-Grounds so provided, but there was no occasion to use them for other purpose than sun-shades.

THE MILITARY PARADE.

The feature of yesterday was the military parade. The soldiers draw the people always; not "the ladies and the young folks" only, but men and women of all ages and degrees, and it was a pretty sight these had to look upon yesterday.

The home and visiting companies were formed on Broad street in two battalions—the First regiment, under Colonel Anderson, forming the first; the Blues, Washington Light Infantry, Farmville Guards, and Alexandria Light Infantry forming the second—and were under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel Spotswood, of the First; the Stuart Horse bringing up the rear in gallant style.

MUSIC.

For music, there was the Soldier's Home band from Old Point, First Regiment band, and a fife-and-drum corps brought on here with the Alexandria company, of which company Mr. G. A. Mushback, well-known here in legislative circles, is captain.

HOW THEY LOOKED.

The Washington company were conspicuous in their white coats and black shocoos, but not for that only; they looked and marched like true soldiers and gentlemen.

All Virginians here felt proud of the excellent bearing of the Farmville and Alexandria companies.

As for Richmond's soldiers, it is a high compliment to say that they looked better than usual.

The turnout, as a whole, was very nice. So the people said who lined the streets and feasted their eyes upon the parade, and thousands of these folks followed "the nodding plumes" and "rattling drums" to the Fair-Grounds.

VALUE OF SOLDIERS.

General Wickham, president, and Mr. George W. Mayo, secretary, have all along during their incumbency of Society offices recognized the fact that nothing so adds to gate-receipts as a military display.

Once upon a time there was a grave discussion in the Executive Committee of the Society as to whether the military should be admitted without paying the gate-fee! The question was decided affirmatively; but in the light of recent experience it could not possibly be raised.

The Fair would be an annual failure without the military.

The street parade over yesterday, the First regiment, the Blues, and the visitors embarked on the cars for the Fair, while the Stuart Horse Guards pranced out there on their own mettlesome chargers.

THE PEOPLE.

The attendance at the Fair was very large. It was certainly one of the Society's very largest crowds. When President Hayes and Cabinet were here at the Fair there was an unprecedented crowd present. Estimates afterwards, made upon the basis of gate-receipts, showed that it numbered about 26,000. There were hardly as many present yesterday, but the falling off could not have been very large.

The rain and the military did it.

A visitor was heard to remark to a high officer of the Society, "That rain last night was worth a $1,000 to you."

With a face expressive both of earnestness and thankfulness, the officer answered, "It was worth $5,000 to us."

Certain it is that if the dustiness of Wednesday had continued yesterday's crowd would not have been what it was.

SOME LITTLE DUST.

As it was, the rain had soaked the earth so little that, under the influence of the brisk breeze that was blowing nearly all day and the tread of thousands of feet of men and beasts, the dust, about 1 or 2 o'clock, began to rise and was considerably complained of towards evening.

DRILLING.

A square of ground between the president's office and the brick row was marked off, sentinels posted to keep the crowd back, lots drawn for the order of drilling, and the contest began. Each company had half an hour, and the programme called for about fifty movements. The spectators congregated about the drilling by thousands, and were liberal in their applause when good "hits" were made. The favors of this sort were pretty equally divided between home and visiting companies.

The three judges (lieutenants of the United States army stationed at Fortress Monroe, selected by General Tidball,) stood on the drill-ground close to the company and watched every movement with the eyes of experts, and marked errors with the importiality of men whose sole desire is to do right.

WALKER LIGHT GUARD AND GRAYS FIRST AND SECOND.

The prize drill resulted as follows:
1. B (Walker Light Guard), $1,000.
2. A (Grays), $300.
3. C (Guard of the Commonwealth), $100.
4. Alexandria Light Infantry.
5. Washington Light Infantry.

The last-named company excited the admiration of the crowd by the great beauty of their drill, and there were showers of compliments for them; but they lost time in mere ornamentations, and didn't get through the requisite number of movements as laid down in the schedule printed and provided. There were some errors marked against them, too, but the movements they made were generally superb. The Walker Light Guard particularly excelled in quickness. They were not only tactically accurate, but made good time, and executed more evolutions than any of the others. The verdict of the judges speaks their praise. The Grays did mighty well. The ground (covered with dead grass) upon which they drilled was so slick that it was no wonder that one of their best men slipped and fell. Captain Bessieux became unwell in the midst of the drilling and found it necessary to relinquish command to Lieutenant Spence. Company C and the Alexandria company did well, but they had to contend with two of the best companies in the South.

Company B (Walker Light Guard) stood the highest in the competitive drill here last year.

One of the army officers who saw the Grays stack arms before the contest began yesterday raised his hat to them, and said it was the prettiest work he ever saw done.

MORE MILITARY TO-DAY.

To-day there are prizes offered for the best-drilled companies coming from cities or towns of less than 20,000 inhabitants. This purposely excludes Richmond and Washington companies, and leaves the field to the two from Alexandria and Farmville.

There are prizes offered, too, for the best-drilled artillery and cavalry companies. The rules as at first laid down required two of each to contest, but the Howitzers and Stuart Horse Guard have no competitors entered. Rather than the entertainment shall fall through, General Wickham has arranged that if the Howitzers drill up to a certain standard for artillerymen they shall take the first prize; if below that and up to a certain other standard, then they shall take the second prize.

In the cavalry drill the Stuart Horse Guards will have the benefit of the same rule.

Therefore there will be a good military display at the Fair-Grounds again to-day, and there will be the unusual sight of drilling of infantry, of cavalry, of artillery—the three branches of the army service.

The Stuarts and the Howitzers have a great community of friends here, and no doubt many representatives thereof will be present to see their performances.

PLOUGHING.

Next to yesterday's military display, which was a fair in itself, the most notable attraction was the steam-ploughing. It was a new thing to most of our people, for owing to the broken or unclean character of Virginia lands generally, they have not had much of a sale in Virginia.

There were two of these ploughs, both from Waynesboro', Pa.; one the Peerless, exhibited by H. M. Smith & Co., the other the Eclipse, by Ashton Starke. One was rigged for ploughing six furrows; the other for four. The ground broken was very hard naturally, and also from the long drought, but these powerful machines went through it easy enough.

The ploughing match, in which the "horny-handed son of toil" displayed his acquirements, also drew a crowd. It was interesting, but not exciting; not as exciting, at any rate, as a horse-race.

INVENTION.

In Machinery Hall there is a minute engine in operation and attracting great attention. It is the work of Anderson D. Cosby, a very young and promising mechanic, who has in it a valuable invention in the way of a "cut-off," which enables him to reverse the motion almost instantaneously.

The Races.

There was some misunderstanding as to time of starting the races. The papers announced 2 o'clock, and the Society had determined upon 1 o'clock as the hour. As it was,

The First Race, though called at ten minutes past 1, did not commence until a quarter of 2. The grand-stand was filled with spectators, and the attendance was unusually large. The judges for the running races were Colonel R. Snowden Andrews, Captain William R. Johnson, Winfield Scott, Esq., and Captain E. D. Starke. Duke of Westmoreland, Edith Brown, and Abd-el-Kadir responded to the sound of the bugle, having their positions in the order named. They were to contend in a running race, best two in three.

At the word "Go" Abd-el-Kadir got off badly, Duke of Westmoreland taking the lead. Edith Brown shot ahead of the Duke, and maintained that position throughout, winning the first heat, followed by the Duke about three lengths behind, with Abd-el-Kadir a good third. Time, 1:52½.

The second heat ended the race in a beautiful contest. Edith took the lead and maintained it throughout, winning the heat and race. There was a spirited contest between the Duke and Abd-el-Kadir, these two being lapped at the half-mile and on the three-quarter. As they reached the third quarter the Duke took the second place, when Abd-el-Kadir stumbled and fell to the ground, throwing his rider headlong, and apparently rolling over him. This mishap caused some excitement, but it was soon ascertained that the boy had received bruises, but was not badly hurt. Time, 1:52.

Second Race: This was trotting to harness, mile heats, three in five; four to enter, three to start. Free to all horses that have not made a record under 2:30. First horse, $200; second horse, $70; third horse, $30.

The judges for the trotting races were: Dr. D. S. Watson, C. P. Stokes, Esq., Captain E. D. Starke. There were nine entries for this race, of which number five responded to the call.

A protest was entered against Tempest and Alice Addison, in that the former had not been entered on October 7th, the day announced for closing the entries, and the latter had not paid all of her entrance fee at the proper time. The protests to Alice Addison was waived, and the race proceeded. The following positions were given: Kingston first, Frank Stanley Hope second, Alice Addison third, George B. fourth, and Tempest fifth.

When a good start was made Frank Stanley Hope was fouled by George B. on the first quarter. Kingston was slightly leading. Tempest took the lead on the second quarter and maintained it throughout in a hard fight with Alice Addison, and won the heat; Alice second, George B. third, Kingston fourth, and Frank Stanley distanced. George B. was distanced on account of foul driving. Time, 2:35.

The contest was now narrowed down to three. At the word "Go" all got off well. Tempest at the pole took the lead throughout, winning the heat; Alice broke on each quarter, but was promptly pulled down each time, and came in second. Kingston was distanced. Time, 1:34.

The third heat was between Tempest and Alice Addison. It was a beautiful tug between these two grays. Alice broke two or three times, but always came down promptly to work. Tempest won the heat and race. Time, 2:33.

Third Race—Running, mile dash. For this race there were five entries. A protest was entered that two of the horses—Cigarette and Jesse James—were barred the race, they not being habitually used as saddle-horses. The former was ruled out. As to the latter, the protest was not sustained. The following horses came to the call in the order named: Experiment first, Jesse James second, Jesse third, and Joe Gibson fourth. It was a pretty and well-contested race from the word "Go" to the finish. Joe Gibson got off badly, but won the race, coming up beautifully at the half-mile. His rider, Mr. Muscoe Garnett, broke his stirrup as he neared the string.

It was a close run for second place between Jesse and Experiment. Jesse, however, came in second, with Experiment third, and Jesse James fourth. Time, 1:53.

Fourth Race: This was a mile-dash for gentlemen riders. There were six entries, of which three came to the start. Their positions were: Harry Scratch first, Dan second, and Joe Gibson third. From the start Dan took the lead, pressed closely by Harry. At the half-mile Dan and Harry were together, with Joe closing on them. At the third quarter Joe Gibson was leading, with Dan second. These positions were maintained to the finish, Gibson winning the race. Time, 2:02.

Mr. Garnett rode Gibson in each of the two races run by this horse.

Programme for Trials of Speed To-Day.

Third Day—Friday, October 24, 1884.—First trial: Running—premium $300. Mile and one quarter heats, two in three; three or more to enter, three to start; maidens allowed seven pounds. First horse, $200; second horse, $70; third horse, $30. Entrance fee, $15.

The following are the entries: Brook Hill, by J. W. Bradshaw, of Lynchburg; Ascoli, by Richard Shea, of New York; Lost Cause, by C. H. Moore, of Liberty Mills; Robert Brewster, by J. W. Thayer, of Brooklyn.

Second Trial: Trotting to harness—premium $150. Free only to stallions that have stood the past season in Virginia; four to enter, three to start. First horse, $100; second horse, $35; third horse, $15. Entrance fee, $15.

The following are the entries: Signet, by B. T. Scott; Woodburn, by A. E. Sprague; Henry Ward Beecher, by W. W. Rives; Allfus Ardallah, by James Fletcher.

Third trial: Running—premium $150. One and one quarter mile dash; gentlemen riders; three or more to enter, three to start. Free only to horses used habitually as saddle horses. First horse, $100; second horse, $35; third horse, $15. Entrance fee, $7.50.

The following are the entries: Experiment, by T. B. Doswell; Harry C, by H. Flippin, of Cumberland; Jesse James, by George Easton, of Charlottesville; Cigarette, by F. Trenthaw, of Amelia; Jessie, by Dr. J. G. Beattie.

Fourth Trial: Trotting to harness—premium $500. Mile heats, three in five; four to enter, three to start. Free to all horses that have not made a record under 2:25 minutes. First horse, $350, second horse, $100; third horse, $50. Entrance fee, $50.

The following are the entries: Bay Frank, by James Fletcher; Henry Ward Beecher, by W. W. Rives; Mollie Mack, by J. H. Phillips; Alice Addison, by S. R. Clarke, Jr.; Edwin A., by C. H. Beall; Tempest, by H. Agmur.

The races will commence promptly at 1 o'clock.

THE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Annual Meeting—Adoption of a Memorial to the General Assembly.

The annual meeting of the Virginia State Agricultural Society was held last night in the Senate chamber—General Williams C. Wickham presiding; George W. Mayo, secretary.

The first business announced by the Chair was the election of officers of the society for the ensuing year.

Mr. S. Welford Corbin placed in nomination for president of the Society Colonel Robert Beverly, of Fauquier, who was elected by acclamation.

Burr P. Nowland, of Loudoun, was elected first vice-president; James Wilmer, of Culpeper, second vice-president, and F. T. Glasgow, of Richmond, third vice-president.

Messrs. R. E. Blankenship, Norman Randolph, of Richmond; Hugh C. Preston, of Montgomery, and R. V. Gaines, of Charlotte, were elected members of the Executive Committee.

Colonel A. S. Buford, of the committee appointed by the Executive Committee to prepare a petition to be presented to the meeting of the life-members, asking the Legislature to make such appropriations as will put the Society on a permanent footing so as to enable them to extend their usefulness, made a report, which was adopted, and the meeting adjourned.

SIR MOSES MONTEFIORE.

Celebration of His One-Hundredth Anniversary Sunday.

To-day the venerable philanthropist, Sir Moses Montefiore, now living in Ramsgate, Eng., surrounded by his immediate family, and receiving the congratulations of millions of his fellow-men, celebrates his one-hundredth birthday. Patricians and plebeians alike honor the man whose life has been devoted to acts of charity and piety. In every city arrangements are being made to celebrate the day. The Congregation "Beth Ahaba," of this city, worshipping on Eleventh street, have sent the following cablegram:

"RICHMOND, VA., October 24, 1884.

"*Sir Moses Montifiore, Ramsgate, Eng.:*

"'With undimmed eye.
"'With natural powers unabated.'

May you reach the age of our law-giver whose name you bear.

"CONGREGATION 'BETH AHABA.'"

This congregation have, through a committee, arranged to have the "centennial" celebration at their synagogue on Sunday the 26th instant at 4½ o'clock P. M., and have extended a cordial invitation to the pastors, and through them to all other congregations of this city, to unite with them. Addresses will be delivered by Rev. A. Harris and Dr. J. L. M. Curry.

Personals and Briefs.

Mr. J. P. Wood, registrar of the Fourth precinct, Madison Ward, can be found at Democratic headquarters to-day between the hours of 9:30 and 12 A. M. and 5 and 7 P. M.

At 8:20 o'clock yesterday morning an alarm of fire was turned in at Station 5, engine-house on Third street near Broad, and was caused by a barrel of tar taking fire accidentally on Second street near Broad. No damage.

Mr. James Hayes worked busily yesterday in introducing the gas at the stand erected for the Democratic speakers to-night in front of Ford's Hotel, on the old City-Hall lot.

Mr. T. F. Moseley has been appointed a supervisor for Monroe Ward to fill a vacancy, and the secretary of the City Democratic Committee has his commission.

The appointees who have not qualified as supervisors may have some difficulty in drawing their pay. Those who have not qualified should do so to-day.

"Our soldier boys" can again make themselves useful by joining the military club which will parade in the torchlight procession to-night.

There will be a fine display of fireworks along the streets to-night.

The Walker Light-Guard members have been saying all along that if they won the $1,000 prize they would take it and have a trip to New Orleans this winter. They have won it. Now about the trip?

Near Elba station last evening a colored man, supposed to be a member of the House of Delegates, was knocked down by the wheel of a hack, and seemed to be badly hurt.

The condition of young Mr. Fitzgerald was thought to be somewhat improved yesterday evening, but his wound is extremely serious. There is partial paralysis of the right side. He is entirely conscious.

James Norton was arrested at the Fair-Grounds yesterday by Officer J. B. Lampkin for an attempt to pick the pocket of Mr. W. H. Westham.

The Clay-Ward Actives will meet at headquarters, No. 617 west Main street, to-night at 7 o'clock, to take part in the grand demonstration. All voters of the ward are invited to join the Club.

Mr. Catlett, in a card elsewhere published, calls upon the Marshall-Ward voters to fall into line to-night.

The Jefferson-Ward Club are urged to meet at their headquarters promptly at 6 o'clock this evening, in order to join in the torchlight procession.

"The Belle Isle protection battery" will be in line to-night, 150 strong, with their own music and float.

Amusements.

Ford's Opera Company attracted a large audience at the Theatre last evening. Planquette's comic opera, "The Orange Girl," was acceptably presented, and seemed to furnish an occasion of much pleasure. Mrs. Seguin, Mr. Denham, and Miss Lula Evans were the favorites. Mr. Appleby made a good impression with his fine tenor voice. To-night Fra Diavolo will be rendered.

The performance begins at 8:45 o'clock to-night, after the procession passes.

THE MOZART.

A delightful programme was presented to a crowded house at the Mozart *musicale* last evening. The Meigs sisters, a remarkable vocal quartette, were the chief attractions. The singing of these ladies for expression and sweet concord of vocal sound was very wonderful. They charmed their audience with each of their efforts. They constitute a rare combination of vocal talent. For the rest the programme was exceedingly well rendered.

Loss and Luck.

Mr. J. M. Johnston, Jr., of Danville, was a passenger on the Richmond and Danville train yesterday, and left in it a pocket-book containing several thousand dollars in money and checks. It was found and returned by a white boy named Richard Munson, of Burkeville.

Mr. Johnston presented the boy with $100 as a reward for his honesty.

Manchester Meeting.

There was a large and enthusiastic meeting held by the Democrats of Manchester last night, at which stirring speeches were made by General Fitzhugh Lee, Hon. George D. Wise, and Colonel William S. Gilman.

State-Press Association.

The annual meeting of the Press Association of Virginia will take place at Cathedral Hall, Marshall street near Ninth, this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

To the Editor of the Dispatch:

As my precinct has been recently divided, I take occasion to say that I will be in my office all day to-day (Friday) until 6 P. M., and prepared to register or transfer all those who may so desire, from or to any voting-place; and at night from 7:30 P. M. at my home until 12, midnight. My office is northwest corner Tenth and Main, and residence 810 west Main street.

J. V. REDDY,
Registrar First Precinct Clay Ward.

Mr. W. A. Jacob will be at his residence, 103 Reservoir, during the same time for the same purpose. J. V. R.

Poultry at the Fair.

The exhibit of fancy poultry at the State Fair this year is by far the largest and best they have ever had, and none were more deserving of mention than those shown by T. B. Dorsey, of Ellicott City, Md., who has several coops of very handsome game bantams and game fowls. These fowls have won many premiums at other shows and carried off a good number this time.

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THE DEMONSTRATION.

DEMOCRATIC DOINGS TO-NIGHT.

Torchlight Procession—Display of Fireworks—Speaking on the City-Hall Lot by Hon. John Goode, Fitz. Lee, and Others.

The following is the programme for to-night:

Mounted citizens of Richmond, Manchester, and Henrico will assemble at the corner of Main and Twentieth streets.

The line, in column of fours, will form on Main street, the right resting on Thirteenth, at 7:30 o'clock P. M. sharp, and move promptly at 8 o'clock P. M., in the following order:

Mounted police.
Carriages containing invited guests.
Music.
Military Club.
Clay-Ward Club.
Monroe-Ward Club.
Madison-Ward Club.
Music.
Jefferson-Ward Club.
Marshall-Ward Club.
Union Club, from Jefferson and Marshall Wards.
Jackson-Ward Club, No. 1.
Jackson-Ward Club, No. 2.
Manchester Club.
Mounted citizens.

The line of march will be from the corner of Main and Thirteenth streets to Fifth; thence to Franklin, Franklin to First, thence to Broad, Broad to Governor, thence to Capitol, Capitol to Ninth, at which point the parade will be dismissed.

The chief marshal will remain at the corner of Main and Seventeenth streets during the formation of the line. Assistant marshals will report to him at that point.

All citizens desiring to participate in the procession mounted are cordially invited to do so, and they are requested to report at the corner of Main and Twentieth streets at 7:30 P. M.

In response to an invitation, the Cherry-Row Club, of Hanover, have sent a letter of regret at being unable to be present.

The speakers will be
Hon. John Goode,
General Fitz. Lee,
Hon. R. C. Marshall,
Hon. George D. Wise.

Judge Staples has been released from his engagement here in order to speak in Petersburg.

This demonstration, it is hoped and believed, will be an eminently large and successful one. The money for it was raised by a committee of citizens, who took upon themselves all the trouble and expense, only asking that the City Democratic Committee select the speakers. All of the clubs of this city and Manchester will participate in the procession. Most of them have provided themselves with uniforms and transparencies, and the Citizens' Committee furnish the music and the torches, also the fireworks and the colored lights, which will be liberally used all along the line of march, and particularly on Broad street. All good Democrats who can mount themselves should give the public the benefit of their presence in the line. All members of military companies can contribute to the success of the occasion by joining the military club under Captain Andrew Pizzini.

The speaker's stand has been erected on the City-Hall lot (opposite Ford's Hotel), and the orators of the evening will be gentlemen of distinguished ability.

Public interest in the demonstration is well illustrated by the fact that nearly every upper window on Broad street has been begged or bargained for to be occupied by ladies and their escorts during the procession, and all the streets along the line of march will be crowded with citizens and their country friends (who are here in great numbers) and other visitors.

It is hoped that the speaking can begin by 9 o'clock, and that some check will be put upon those entirely too unanimous individuals who mar the pleasure of hearers and the satisfaction of orators by sending off fireworks and beating drums in the midst of the speaking.

It would be gratifying to many people of apprehensive minds if Chief Taylor, of the Fire Department, would have a hose-reel and a few firemen to follow the procession and be ready to dart upon any fire that an unlucky rocket may kindle.

A Correspondence.

RICHMOND, VA., October 23, 1884.

Mr. W. L. Royall:

Dear Sir,—So far as I was authorized to bet on Blaine's election I could have carried it out yesterday as well as to-day. I mentioned to-day at the request of a gentleman who wanted to take as much as he could, but who did not live in the city. He came promptly with his money this morning. In making arrangements this morning to meet you with the money, I am directed to bet that Blaine will be the next President. I find the banks closed and that it is a general holiday, a fact I overlooked yesterday, therefore I am unable to get money to take all of your bets. Tomorrow I will have taken the $1,000 even that Blaine will be the next President if alive, if not, the Republican representative, and another bet of $250 to the same effect. This is a matter of business only and not for publication. I will put up a forfeit of $250 now as regards the carrying out of the above. Yours truly, R. B. KASEY.

RICHMOND, VA., October 23, 1884.

R. B. Kasey, Esq.:

Dear Sir,—Your note of to-day was received at 3 o'clock P. M. So far as its excuses for your not putting up your money are concerned, without intending the slightest discourtesy to you, I must be permitted to say that I have no concern with that. You wished to change my offer—which was, and is, that Grover Cleveland, if alive, will receive a majority of the next Electoral College—into a scheme that you will bet that Blaine will be the next President. You offer to put up a forfeit of $250 on this bet. I accept your proposition and waive the forfeit. My stakes are up, and I expect yours (which you state to be $1,250 instead of $2,500) to be put up by 3 (three) P. M. to-morrow (October 24th).

Very respectfully, &c.,
WILLIAM L. ROYALL.

P. S. As the *Dispatch* goes to press Mr. Kasey's money has not been placed in Mr. Cowardin's hands.

WILLIAM L. ROYALL.

Mr. Henry A. Atkinson will speak at Smither's Store, head of Venable street, in Henrico, on Saturday night, October 25th, and at Short Pump, in same county, at 12 M. Tuesday, October 28th.

Parties in the city visiting the Fair and desiring negotiations in real estate of any character would do well to call on Manning C. Staples & Co., Real Estate Agents and Loan Brokers. Their reference is the Planters' National Bank and all the reliable business-men of Richmond.

The Tanner & Delaney Engine Company's new patent Saw-Mill will be in operation from 9 o'clock until 2 o'clock to-day (Thursday), and also the same hours Friday. All persons interested in something really new and good are requested to come and see it in operation.

Luxuries and Delicacies.

For the largest and finest assortment ever offered in this market go to the old established house, CHRISTIAN & WHITE'S.

Artistic Photography.

Those who wish artistic work in the photographic line should go to Foster, Campbell & Co., 525 Broad street.

Information for Voters.

You can register or get your transfer any time up to sunset of October 25th.

If you live in one of the precincts of Clay, Monroe, or Jackson Wards which has been subdivided recently, better go at once to Ward Club Headquarters and see that your name is now on the right book.

If you have left an order for a transfer at City Headquarters, 1202 Main street, go and get it.

Ward Headquarters are as follows: *Marshall*, Club-House; *Jefferson*, over 1548 east Main; *Madison*, 914 east Broad; *Monroe*, 221 east Main; *Clay*, 617 west Main; *Jackson*, (for First, Second, and Third precincts,) 716 north Second; for Fourth precinct on north Seventeenth street.

If you wish other information, go to City or Ward Headquarters. Ward headquarters have copies of the registration-books.

Before leaving the city be sure to call at R. B. Chaffin & Co's. and talk real estate and get one of their circulars.

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