THE RICHMOND DISPATCH.

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We purchased the whole of a manufacturer's stock at a great sacrifice, and we give our customers the benefit of our great bargain.

Our price is $6.87 for the $9 size;
Our price is $4.98 for the $6 size;
Our price is $2.97 for the $4 size;
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At the above low prices for the best goods of the kind that is manufactured we expect to close out the whole lot in a very few days, so advise those who wish to purchase to call easily.

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Great reductions in the prices of BLANKETS. We have an immense stock, but our low prices will make quick sales. We have selected all of the Soiled Blankets out of the stock, and will make great sacrifices in order to close them out. We also offer a large lot subject to slight imperfections, which will be sold very low.

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CHILDREN'S CLOAKS from $1.50 up; Misses' New markets from $3.73 up; Ladies' Jackets and Short Wraps at $1 57 worth $2.50, at $2 39 worth $4, at $3.24 worth $5, at $3.56 worth $6;

NEWMARKETS for ladies at $4.15, $4.69, $5 13, $5 47, $6 37, $6.93, $7.15 worth respectively $6, $7, $8, $9, $10, $11, $13.50;

RUSSIAN CIRCULARS at about half value.

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All DRESS GOODS at cost. Tricots at 25, 45, 69, and 89c.; Satin Berbers at 12c. worth 20c.; double-width Cashmeres at 13c., real value 22c.; Worsted Plaids at 14c. worth 25c., at 21c. worth 30c.; Figured Silk Velvets at 50c., were 75c.; Striped Velvets at 42c. worth 65c. All Velvets in plain, figured, and striped at less than cost price.

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Our entire stock of HEMP, INGRAIN, THREE-PLY, TAPESTRY, BRUSSELS, and VELVET CARPETS at cost;

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Nice assortment of SMYRNA RUGS much below value; TAPESTRY and VELVET at half price.

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PERSONAL.

HAVING QUALIFIED AS EXECUTOR of the estate of JOHN O. STEGER, deceased, all persons having claims against it will present the same to me for payment, and those indebted to it will please come forward and settle.
R. R. STEGER,
ja 12-10t Executor.

HAVING QUALIFIED AS EXECUTRIX to the estate of Mary Jane Fulton, deceased, all creditors are requested to send me their claims duly verified, and all debtors to make payment promptly.
MARY A. FULTON, Executrix,
ja 11-3t 104 north Seventh street.

THE DAUGHTERS OF MR. CHALES LEON LETELLIER, who died in Richmond, Va., in 1861 or 1862, are invited to send their address to the French Consul, Charleston, S. C., and they will receive a communication of interest to them. ja 11 2w*

MR. CHARLES HUTZLER, FOR many years past with Messrs. Thalhimer Brothers, will in future be of the firm of A. HUTZLER'S SONS, and can be found at their NEW DRY-GOODS HOUSE, No. 315 east Broad street, between Third and Fourth streets. ja 6-1w

FINE OIL PORTRAITS.

THE HOLIDAY RUSH BEING over, I am again prepared to receive orders for PORTRAIT PAINTING in Oil, Pastel, and Crayon. Lowest prices consistent with first-class work, which I guarantee and solicit only. Reference to former patrons.
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SWEET CIDER,
SARATOGA CHIPS,
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NEW FRUITS OF ALL KINDS for Cake and Mince-Meat, at
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MY OLDEST CHILD,

now six years of age, when an infant six months old, was attacked with a virulent, malignant skin disease. All ordinary remedies failing, we called our family physician who attempted to cure it; but it spread with almost incredible rapidity, until the lower portion of the little fellow's person, from the middle of his back down to his knees, was one solid rash—ugly, painful, blotched, and malicious. We had no rest at night, no peace by day. The physician did not know them, and does not know now, what it was. Finally we were advised to try CUTICURA REMEDIES. Without the knowledge of our physician, I procured a box of CUTICURA and a cake of CUTICURA SOAP. The effect

WAS SIMPLY MARVELLOUS,

using the two together, first washing him thoroughly with CUTICURA SOAP, then anointing him with CUTICURA. From the first application a change for the better appeared. The doctor said we had no further need of him and ceased his visits. In three or four weeks a complete cure was wrought, leaving the little fellow's person as white and healthy as though he had never been attacked. In my opinion your valuable remedies saved his life, and to-day he is a strong, healthy child, perfectly well, no repetition of the disease having ever occurred. You are welcome to make any use of this you may deem best.
GEORGE B. SMITH,
Attorney at Law and Ex-Prosecuting Attorney, Ashland, O.
Reference: J. G. WEIST, Druggist, Ashland, O.

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Neuralgic, Sciatic, Sudden, Sharp, and Nervous Pains and Strains relieved in one minute by the CUTICURA ANTI-PAIN PLASTER. Warranted. At all druggists, 25 cents; five for $1. Potter Drug and Chemical Company, Boston. ja 12-W(w)&Su

A January Drive.

It is seldom that a more advantageous opportunity presents itself than that which today we offer to our patrons. In explanation we wish to say that during the season now far advanced we have discovered the greatest demand was for our finer qualities of Men's and Boys' Clothing, and, as we cater for the million, our stock of medium grades was necessarily large. As a result of all this, we find ourselves overloaded with just the kinds that ought now to be in demand. We like these goods well, but we prefer seeing them on your persons to seeing them on our counters. Here's the inducement we now offer:

MEN'S SUITS—Every Suit in our house which was selling for $10 (and in point of intrinsic value was the best for the amount to be found in the city) is now awaiting your selection at $8.

MEN'S OVERCOATS.—We have gauged these garments by the same rule precisely. Every $10 Overcoat in our house now marked at $8.

Our stock of Youths' Suits and Overcoats was very much lower, owing to the fact that the young and dressy men of our city have long since discovered that ours is the house where style and tone in young men's clothing reigns serene. But late or early in the season we are always open for a purchase, no matter how large, if the advantage is apparent to us. We have just received the results of such a purchase this morning, and the result is we now offer a line of Youths' Suits and Overcoats at $8 each which would sell well and be excellent values at $12 to $15; but the idea occurred to us to make a general $8 sale of Men's and Youths' Suits and Overcoats. These great bargains are on exhibition in our store—on our counters. Look them over at your convenience. Courteous salesmen will gladly wait on you and never importune you to buy.

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CHRISTMAS GOODS.—Nothing more suitable for a Christmas present than a nice CHAMBER- or PARLOR-SUIT, SIDEBOARD or BOOK-CASE an EASY-CHAIR or CENTRE-TABLE, a nice HAT-RACK or EXTENSION-TABLE, an elegant LOUNGE or a dozen DINING-CHAIRS, and numerous other articles that will make home comfortable and give continuous pleasure and happiness. I would be pleased to have you examine my stock of HOLIDAY GOODS. You can save money by buying from
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GEORGE P. STACY, 1205 AND 1207 MAIN STREET—Steam Elevators.—Full line of CHAMBER and DINING SUITS. PARLOR FURNITURE made up in the most artistic style. Give him a trial. mh 28-eod

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WATCHES THAT GIVE NO TROUBLE.—Newest styles for ladies, with all improvements. New store, 111 east Broad street.
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ja 4-2m 408 and 413 east Broad street.

FIGHTING FOR LIFE.

CLUVERIUS STILL STRIVING AGAINST THE SENTENCE OF THE LAW.

A Point Raised Against Sergeant Smith's Eligibility—Petition to the Governor, &c.

Cluverius is still fighting for dear life. He is a much-saddened, but not a resigned man. He plans and plans, and all day long his brother Willie and Mr. Bev. Crump go from place to place, seeking information, seeing this and that man. Yesterday they raised the point that Sergeant Smith has not qualified according to law.

Mr. Crump went to the Governor and said that to-day they would formally present an application for a further reprieve, for the reason mentioned and because of certain alleged facts about the watch-key and Joel, which they claim that they can show. They will also produce letters from a number of members of the Legislature and others. They will ask for about sixty days longer.

PRISONER CALM.

Cluverius continues calm, but it can no longer be said that he looks undisturbed in mind. He holds up with wonderful courage, but he is a changed man in the past few days. His brother Willie is excited, worried, and torn by anxiety almost to the verge of distraction. Prisoner has said to friends what in substance means that he will die declaring his innocence.

Dr. Hatcher visits him daily, and spends much time in prayer.

THE EXECUTION.

It is now arranged that the scaffold will be erected at the east end of the white ward.

Sergeant Smith has hundreds of applications for permits to see the execution, but he will enforce the law strictly. Newspaper-men, as such, will be admitted. Bogus newspaper-men are appearing by the dozen, but there will be no admission for them.

The parents of the prisoner have not yet arrived. It is not certain that they will come.

AN UNAVAILING POINT.

The question raised as to City-Sergeant Smith was based on section 100 of the city charter, which reads as follows:

"There shall be elected at the first charter election, and every two years thereafter, by the qualified voters of said city, one city sergeant, who shall serve for two years, and until his successor be elected and qualify, unless sooner removed. He shall keep his office in such place as the City Council may provide and appoint, and shall receive such compensation for his services as the City Council shall determine. Before entering upon the duties of his office the said city sergeant shall give bond and security in such amount as the said City Council shall determine; *which bond shall be approved by the said City Council, entered on their records, and filed in the office of the City Clerk.*"

It seems that Mr. Smith had never given any bond to the City Council, but that he had qualified before the Hustings Court and given the bond required by the judge thereof.

Yesterday morning Mr. Beverley T. Crump, who raised the point, examined the records and files in the Council chamber, and, being unable to find anything to show a qualification before the Council by the City Sergeant, he saw Judge Atkins, of the Hustings Court, and laid the subject before him. The Judge sent for City-Attorney Meredith, who looked thoroughly into the question.

It appears that the point raised will be without avail for the reason that the Legislature passed the following act July 11, 1870:

An Act to Prescribe the Duties and Fix the Compensation of Officers in Cities and Towns of Over 5,000 Inhabitants.

The duties, compensations, and liabilities of city sergeants shall be those conferred by the charter of the cities for which they are elected, and in addition thereto they shall be charged with the collection of the State revenue and taxes of the city or town in the same manner as the collectors of the various townships within the counties of this Commonwealth; and they shall be clothed with the same rights and power for the collection of the same as are now or hereafter may be given by law to the sheriffs or other officers charged with the collection of taxes and subject to like pains and penalties (except that in the city of Richmond the sheriff of said city shall be charged with collection of the State revenue in like manner as is herein required of city sergeants). They *shall qualify before the judge of the Hustings Court of their city or town*, either in term time or vacation, by taking the necessary oaths required by law and executing bonds with good security in a penalty not less than double the amount of taxes or revenue which may come into their hands, provided that the minimum of such bond shall be $5,000." * * * * *

The act of July 11, 1870, was passed subsequent to the enactment of the charter—May 24, 1870. It will be seen that it is an act of a general nature, applying to all cities and towns of over five thousand inhabitants, and not an amendment to the city charter, and therefore not to be found in the possession of the City Clerk.

It will also be seen that this act is intended to apply to the city of Richmond as well as all other cities and towns, since, as to one particular, it expressly mentions the city of Richmond.

As this later act requires that the City Sergeant shall qualify before the judge of the Hustings Court, to that extent it is held that it repeals the provision of the charter requiring him to qualify and give bond before the City Council. That being so, Mr. Smith has properly qualified as City Sergeant.

This is the decision of Judge Atkins. If it had been otherwise he would have asked that a special meeting of the two branches of the Council be convened in order to give Mr. Smith an opportunity to qualify and give his bond.

THE FRIENDS, THE PRISONER, AND THE GOVERNOR.

Yesterday Mr. John B. Crenshaw, whose memorial against capital punishment was presented to the Governor day before yesterday and published in the last issue of this paper, was visited by Mr. Rufus B. King, a Friend from Bush Hill, N. C. This gentleman expressed a desire to see Cluverius, so Mr. Crenshaw took him to the jail. While there Mr. King offered a prayer for the salvation of the prisoner, by which Cluverius seemed much affected, and when they left the prisoner thanked them for their visit, and seemed to appreciate their interest in him.

Later, Mr. Crenshaw and his friend called on the Governor. The evening before, when Mr. Crenshaw went to the Governor's to present his memorial, he was there introduced to an old army acquaintance whom he had not seen for years, so when he entered the Governor's office yesterday morning he introduced his friend with "I have brought a Confederate soldier to see thee, Governor; but I can say he has given up the arms of the carnal warfare and taken up the arms of the spiritual."

He then told the Governor he had called to second the memorial already presented, and to present his friend.

While there General Wickham came in. Being an old friend of Mr. Crenshaw, he accosted him cheerily, and told him he had read his petition in the paper. "But," he added, "you should have waited until the Legislature met and present it to them if you want to do Cluverius any good."

Mr. Crenshaw replied that he wanted the prisoner reprieved, so that the Legislature could act on the law later.

Before leaving Mr. Crenshaw requested the whole party to kneel in prayer, which they did, Mr. King leading.

A FIRM FRIEND.

Mr. Dunn, the day-watchman in Cluverius's room, thinks it will be a shame to hang the prisoner. He is of opinion that Cluverius is innocent.

Lecture by Dr. Broaddus.

In the regular course of Biblical lectures at Richmond College, Rev. A. Broaddus, D. D., of Caroline, will at 11:30 this morning discuss "The Character of Balaam." Visitors, whether ladies or gentlemen, will be welcome, and will no doubt be fully repaid. Dr. Broaddus is one of the clearest and most vigorous thinkers in the State, and therefore well prepared to grapple with the difficult theme assigned him.

Death of Mrs. Mary Hobbs.

Mrs. Mary E. Hobbs, relict of the late Jeremiah Hobbs, died at the residence of her son-in-law, David P. Walke, 1029 Perry street, at 2:45 A. M. yesterday; aged sixty-seven years. Mrs. Hobbs was a sister of Mrs. C. S. Maurice, who preceded her to the grave by a few months. She had lived in Manchester for more than thirty years, and was a most estimable lady. She had been in ill health for a long while. She was the mother of Mrs. Walke, Mrs. James Archer, and of the late William Hobbs. The funeral will take place from Mr. Walke's residence at 3 P. M. to-day.

A BOWIE-KNIFE DIVORCE.

Scout Harding Hears of His Daughter's Secret Marriage.

The New York *Herald* of Sunday contained the following interesting story:

The prod of a cold bowie-knife has separated Frank Gordon from the sixteen-year-old ballad-singer he married at Melrose just before New-Year's. Young Mr. Gordon is now of the opinion that it does not pay to marry the daughter of a patent-medicine Indian scout.

About forty noble Kickapoo braves were recently led into the little hamlet of Melrose, where there are lots of rocks and goats and small brick houses. Their leader was Dr. E. H. Harding, who never cuts his hair, and is looked up to as a great warrior by the Kickapoos. Dr. Harding was a scout once. By mysterious wigglings of his hand he can pull a man's teeth out with his naked fingers; at least he says so, and all the Kickapoos believe him. Every night the Doctor and his savages give an entertainment in Haffen's Hall, One-Hundred-and-fifty-second street and Courtland avenue. Here stage performances are given and advertisements of the scout's patent medicines are dexterously sandwiched in between the acts.

The most attractive feature of the entertainments has been Mattie Harding, the pretty daughter of the medical scout. She has big, black eyes and soft raven tresses. Her songs were nightly applauded. Mattie was cold to all admirers until Frank Gordon came along and joined the show. Gordon is a pleasant-faced young fellow, who owns a troup of performing dogs. He was never a scout, and he is not a doctor, but he has a way with dogs that is simply irresistible.

SECRETLY MARRIED.

Gordon and his dogs became the sole object of the romantic singer's existence. Even the Kickapoos nudged each other and cocked their heads significantly as the young pair made eyes at each other.

Two nights before New-Year's Gordon declared that he could stand the pressure of affection no longer. It was arranged between them that they should be secretly married that night. Mattie told her father that she was going to an entertainment of the Melrose Bowling Club that night with the wife of ex-Alderman Haffen. As a matter of fact she did go to the entertainment, where she was joined by Gordon and Charles Deanot, the ticket-taker of her father's show. The trio were driven in a carriage to the residence of the Rev. Mr. Lang, of One-hundred-and-fifty-sixth street. Here Gordon was married to Mattie, Mrs. Larg serving as a witness. The wedded pair returned to Haffen's Hall and took part in the patent-medicine symposium of song and sermon.

The next night was New-Year's eve. When the Kickapoos had retired to rest in their hairs Dr. Harding proposed that the rest of his company should sit up and see the old year out. They at once adjourned to Mr. Haffen's bar-room. Gordon was particularly jolly, and drank many bumpers. His cheeks became flushed, and his manner demonstrative. It struck the young man that a better opportunity to announce his marriage to his long-haired father-in-law would never present itself.

A STARTLING RECEPTION.

So, with swelling chest and unsteady steps the dog-trainer arose and walked up to the scout. He fixed his eyes as steadily as he could upon his unsuspecting relative, and slapping him familiarly on the shoulder, cried:

"Congratulate me, old man. I'm your son-in-law. Shake!"

"What?"

"It's true. I had the honor to marry your daughter last night."

"Go away; I don't want any nonsense."

"Upon my honor it's so. I'm your son-in-law. Shake!"

Dr. Harding did shake. It was with rage.

"You are my son-in-law, are you?" he shouted fiercely. "Well, you won't remain so long."

Reaching back under his coat-tails the Doctor drew a flashing bowie-knife from his belt and made a slash across the table. The keen blade just grazed Gordon's breast and cut his coat. Dr. Harding leaped at the young man, and the bright steel performed lightning circles in the air. Two or three men of the company threw themselves upon the excited father and held his arms. While the struggle went on Gordon left the room without mentioning where he was going. Dr. Harding then hurried up-stairs and questioned his daughter. The girl at first denied the marriage, but finally acknowledged it.

WHERE IS GORDON?

Young Gordon has not since claimed his wife. A friend of his called upon Dr. Harding and took away the trained dogs, but declined to say where Gordon was. The Kickapoos have held several councils over the affair, and have wagged their heads mysteriously. In the mean time the young ballad-singer continues to ravish the echoes of Melrose with her voice until her husband returns.

Another medicine-scout whose Indians ravage the borders of Moserole avenue, Brooklyn, has written to Dr. Harding that there is a woman in that city who claims to be Gordon's wife. If Gordon returns to Melrose he will probably meet with an interesting reception.

Dr. Harding, with his band of Kickapoo Indians, was recently in Richmond, and and held forth at the Skating-Rink, on Broad street, for several weeks.

BANK OFFICERS ELECTED.

Those Chosen by the Four National Banks here and the City Bank.

The regular annual meetings of the stockholders of the four national banks of Richmond and of the City Bank were held in their respective banking-houses at 12 o'clock M. yesterday, and elections of directors for the year were held, with the following results:

FIRST NATIONAL.

I. Davenport, Jr., Franklin Stearns, G. W. Allen, G. B. Davenport, Byrd Warwick, T. M. Rutherfoord, G. A. Davenport, W. T. Yarbrough, H. B. Whitcomb, R. L. Brown, A. L. Boulware, Leopold Levy, and John B. Purcell (new one).

Mr. I. Davanport, Jr., was reëlected president by the Board.

NATIONAL BANK OF VIRGINIA.

E. O. Nölting, Thomas W. McCance, J. W. Allison, James T. Gray, H. A. Claiborne, L. B. Tatum, George L. Christian, George N. Woodbridge, and George W. Palmer.

Mr. Nölting was reëlected president.

PLANTERS NATIONAL.

Old Board of Directors reëlected. They are: J. B. Pace, J. J. Montague, W. J. Westwood, Charles H. Talbott, and M. Rosenbaum.

Mr. Pace was reëlected president.

MERCHANTS NATIONAL.

Directors: John P. Branch, Frederick R. Scott, Thomas Potts, R. C. Morton, Andrew Pizzini, Jr., Dr. R. G. Cabell, Jr., Colonel A. S. Buford, and C. S. Stringfellow.

Mr. Branch was reëlected president.

CITY BANK.

George W. Anderson, E. B. Addison, J. W. Beveridge, R. E. Blankenship, I. D. Cardozo, Edward Cohen, James T. Gray, S. H. Hawes, William Josiah Leake, Moses Millhiser, N. W. Nelson, William H. Palmer, R. C. Wortham.

At a meeting of the directors Mr. Edward Cohen was reëlected president and Colonel William H. Palmer vice-president.

Officers of the Bricklayers' Union.

The Bricklayers' Union of Richmond has elected and installed the following officers: J. R. Green, president; B. S. Ragland, vice-president; John N. Kimbrough, recording secretary; Ally Moore, corresponding secretary; Alfred Walker, financial secretary; William Hooker, deputy, and James Cox, alternate; L. B. F. Enos, John N. Kimbrough, Osborn Holmes, and E. W. Teagle, trustees. J. R. Green and B. S. Ragland were elected delegates to the International Bricklayers' Union.

Henrico County Court.

In this court yesterday the case of Mitchell *vs.* The Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company was heard, and damages were placed at $100. The defence demurred to the evidence, and the court took the question into consideration to render its decision Friday. Mitchell had a horse killed by an engine on this road and brought suit for $100 damages.

Several unimportant cases were postponed until the next term, and the court adjourned over until Friday.

MILITARY MOVING.

RICHMOND COMPANIES ORDERED TO NEWPORT NEWS LAST NIGHT.

Strikers Take Possession of a Pier—More Trouble Feared—Orders of the Governor, &c.

About a week or two ago the Old Dominion Steamship Company got into trouble with the longshoremen at New York, the outgrowth of which was that the men at that port struck, followed by similar strikes at Newport News and Norfolk. Last night General W. C. Wickham, second vice-president of the Chesapeake and Ohio Company, received the following telegram from Mr. L. Bremond, traffic agent of the Chesapeake and Ohio road at Newport News:

8:57 P. M.

General W. C. Wickham, Second Vice-President:

Pier No. 2 has been taken possession of by the strikers by breaking in through the door. They have set fire to the bath-house of the Old Dominion Land Company. We need an armed force at once for the protection of the company's property and to make arrests of the offenders.

L. BREMOND.

TROOPS CALLED FOR.

General Wickham at once put himself in communication with the Governor, who at the time was in the midst of a brilliant reception at the mansion, and a few minutes later the following telegram was received:

HAMPTON, January 11th—8:23 P. M.

His Excellency Governor Fitzhugh Lee, Care of General W. C. Wickham:

There is a serious combination at Newport News so powerful as to obstruct the due execution of the laws of this Commonwealth. The civil authorities are powerless to avert a most imminent outbreak and preserve the peace.

Now, therefore, I, G. M. Peek, judge of the County Court of Warwick, do hereby call upon your Excellency to send as soon as possible a sufficient force from the military of the State to preserve the peace and for the protection of property. I would respectfully request that you send two companies, one of colored and one of white, and that you give orders to a third company to hold itself in readiness for orders.

G. M. PEEK,
County Judge of Warwick.

GETTING UP TROOPS.

Governor Lee at once issued an order directing Brigadier-General Anderson to have three companies in readiness and to be at the Chesapeake and Ohio depôt with them at midnight, when a train would be in waiting to convey them immediately to the scene of the trouble.

General Anderson, acting under this order, had the members of Companies A (Captain Spence), B (Captain Jones), and the State Guards (colored), Captain Paul, at the Armory and making preparations for the trip by 11 o'clock.

TWO HAMPTON COMPANIES.

Major Phil. Haxall, who was in attendance at the Governor's reception, and Adjutant-General McDonald immediately after the receipt of the above telegram offered the Governor their assistance, and at 11:15 P. M. Major Haxall sent the following telegram over the Governor's signature:

Major Baker P. Lee, Hampton, Va.:

Please have the following order delivered to the captains of the white and colored companies:

The Peninsula Guard and the Libbey Guard will proceed at daylight, or as soon thereafter as railroad transportation arrives, with arms and ammunition to Newport News, where they will report to Brigadier-General Anderson to aid in preserving the peace.

FITZHUGH LEE,
Governor of Virginia.

THE MILITARY OFF.

The three companies, numbering about 100 men, under General Anderson and Major J. V. Bidgood, marched from the Armory to the depôt at midnight, headed by a detachment of the Regimental Drum-Corps. The special train moved off from the depôt at 12:35 A. M.

General Wickham accompanied the military in his private car.

EVERYTHING QUIET.

Before leaving General Wickham received a telegram saying that everything was quiet.

As soon as the telegram announcing the trouble was received last night the report gained rapid circulation, but it gave rise to no trouble except uneasiness on the part of those who have friends in Newport News lest there should be a riot. The general belief is that, with five military companies on the field, there will be no further trouble there.

THE SITUATION IN NEW YORK.

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

NEW YORK, January 11.—Appearances at the Old Dominion Steamship Lines on the North-river front indicate that the longshoremen's strike has been unsuccessful. Since Saturday noon three steamships have been loaded and dispatched, and the fourth is nearly ready to sail. The strikers still loiter about the pier, and profess to be confident that their demands will ultimately be acceded to. The Italians employed by the company do not give full satisfaction, but the work is being kept up with, and this is all the officers of the line are seeking at present.

COUPONS AND LICENSE TAXES.

Letter from the Governor Addressed to Mr. Witt.

The Governor yesterday wrote the following letter to the Commonwealth's Attorney of this city:

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE,
RICHMOND, VA., January 11, 1887.

DEAR SIR,—Upon examining the 2d section of chapter XVI. of the Acts of 1877-'78, page 333, I find that "an information" may be filed upon a complaint in writing verified by the oath of a competent witness. I am informed that the Judge of the Hustings Court of this city has instructed the grand juries not to find indictments against parties who have tendered coupons in payment of license taxes.

I would like to inquire whether or not the Commonwealth's attorney may not file an information under the above-recited section against parties doing business without a license? And whether or not, in the event the Judge of the Hustings Court decides against such information, the case may not be taken by the Commonwealth upon a writ of error to the Supreme Court of the State?

If this course can be pursued, why should it not be adopted against all persons violating the license laws?

Very respectfully,
[Signed] FITZHUGH LEE.

Spring-street Extension.

Colonel Cutshaw and Councilman Henry Bodeker, on the part of the city, met the Board of Directors and Superintendent of the Penitentiary yesterday evening by appointment to discuss the question of opening Spring street through the penitentiary grounds to First street.

The idea is for the State to give the ground and the city to do the work.

There is now an unsightly ravine on the proposed line of the street, and considerable filling will have to be done by the city, but a street there would be of great advantage to that portion of the city, and would very much improve the penitentiary property.

Colonel Cutshaw will prepare a plan, and if the lines can be agreed upon by the Council and the Board, it will be submitted to the Governor to be forwarded for suitable legislative action.

The Academy—"Nobody's Claim."

One of the best troupes at the Academy this season began an engagement last night before a packed house in the exciting drama "Nobody's Claim." The piece is replete with startling crises and is interesting throughout. Mr. Dowling is a good actor, and Miss Hasson, who is young and pretty, is vivacious and lively. The support was tolerable. The audience was heartily pleased, if its approbation can be measured by its frequent applause. The piece will be repeated this afternoon and to-night.

Manchester Royal-Arch Chapter.

Manchester Royal-Arch Chapter, No. 48, was reëorganized last night at Masons' Hall, on Fifth street, with the following officers: D. J. Weisiger, high priest; S. C. Dyer, king; S. McG. Fisher, scribe *pro tem.*; W. J. Carter, treasurer *pro tem.*; James D. Craig, secretary *pro tem.*; H. Fitzgerald, captain of the host; W. L. Clopton, P. S.; A. C. Gibbs, R. A. C.; H. B. Owen, master of third vail; William Whitworth, master of second vail; C. A. Nesbitt, master of first vail; A. J. Simmons, janitor. W. J. Carter, G. C. Wilde, T. S. Inge, and S. McG. Fisher, of Lafayette Royal-Arch Chapter, No. 43, were elected to membership. Messrs. John Rice, J. R. Charlton, A. H. Fitzgerald, A. W. Fahr, and W. T. Williamson, Master Masons in Manchester Lodge, No. 14, were elected to receive the degrees and Mark Master's degree conferred on them.

THE WEEK OF PRAYER.

Interesting Meeting at the Second Baptist Church Last Night.

A large congregation assembled at the Second Baptist church last night, representing all of the white Baptists and some of the other churches, and embracing a large proportion of the Christian workers of the city.

In the absence of Dr. Hatcher (who had been called to Williamsburg to assist in an ordination), Rev. J. B. Hutson, of the Pine-Street church, led the meeting with his usual good taste and consecrated tact.

Dr. J. William Jones and Mr. J. B. Winston led in prayer for God's blessing on the meeting, and for Jesus to come into and abide in our homes.

Rev. W. J. Shipman read several selections of scriptures, showing that when Jesus was on earth he visited the homes of the people—upon festive occasions as a social visitor, and as a sympathizer in the sufferings and sorrows of the people. He clearly brought out how Jesus graced with his presence and honored with his first miracle the marriage feast in Cana of Gallilee, dined with Zacheus, went to Levi's feast, mingled socially in seasons of joy in the home at Bethany, or went to the house of Jairus or the home at Bethany in the hour of their bitter affliction to convert "the house of mourning" into a house of joy and gladness. He tenderly and earnestly brought out that while Jesus is not now on earth in human form He is still able, ready, and willing to enter and to bless the homes of men. He spoke earnestly and effectively of the blessing of having Jesus in the home, and made a powerful appeal to all to see to it that Jesus is in their homes and that they strive to introduce him in the homes of others.

After singing a verse of "Come to My Heart, Lord Jesus," Rev. Dr. S. A. Goodwin read from the story of Jacob to show that a father may be so eager to make money, and a mother so eager to secure social position for their children as to neglect their soul culture. He spoke pointedly and strongly of the danger of the neglect of home culture, and eloquently insisted that parents should see to the proper government of their homes, the education of their children—the literature of their homes, the spirit of their homes, and the religion of their homes.

Rev. Dr. Landrum told two touching incidents that had come under his observation recently—one of a home of sorrow without Jesus and the other of a dying Christian mother of his church who joyfully left her little children in the arms of Jesus with the full assurance of faith that they were "safe" there. He based upon these incidents a powerful appeal for Christian homes.

Professor Edmund Harrison made a fervent prayer for God's blessing on our homes.

The meeting last night seemed to make a profound impression on the large crowd present; tears flowed freely, and there were earnest and anxious hearts who will carry the matter to family altars and places of secret prayer.

The meeting to-night at the same place—Second Baptist church—will begin at 8 o'clock, the topic being, "Jesus in the Closet."

CAPTAIN HEWETT DISCHARGED.

Yarbrough Fined Thirty Dollars—Other Police-Court Cases.

The continued case of S. S. Hewett, captain of the schooner Wave Crest, who was before the Police Court Saturday morning on the charge of retaining on his vessel $80 worth of the cargo of coal consigned to Charles H. Page, was called yesterday morning. The prosecution was represented by Edgar Allan, Esq., and the defence by Mr. C. V. Meredith.

There were several witnesses who had not been summoned, so the trial of the case, by mutual consent, was postponed until 4:30 P. M. At this hour the case was taken up again and the names of about twenty-five witnesses called.

The court was in session until several hours after nightfall, but no evidence in addition to what has already been published was introduced, and it not being sufficient to sustain the charge, the case was dismissed. Two members of the crew were charged with desertion, and they, too, were discharged.

Tom Briggs (colored), who was arrested on a bench warrant issued yesterday morning, charging him with attempting to bribe witnesses, was also discharged.

YARBROUGH FINED $30.

T. H. Yarbrough was before the court in the morning charged with cruelly beating and torturing his horse and violently resisting Police-Justice Richardson in the discharge of his duty. Justice Ryall heard the case, as Justice Richardson made the arrest and was a witness.

On Friday last Justice Richardson saw Yarbrough driving up Franklin street and seeing that he was beating one of the horses, which was not in good condition for work, spoke to him about it. Yarbrough, who was under the influence of liquor, became irate at the Justice's interference, and not only abused, but struck him, and resisted arrest in the most violent manner. Finally he was taken to the station-house and bailed for his appearance at court next morning. Before going to court Saturday he became beastly intoxicated and tried to get into difficulties with several gentlemen. In court he cursed and abused all of the officers. For this contempt of court an attachment was issued against him.

Justice Ryall, after hearing all the evidence, of which the above is the substance, decided to dismiss the case of contempt of court, as the accused had spent several days in jail, and fined him $10 for cruelty to his horse and $20 for resisting the officer