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ja 13-eod1t GEORGE R. BAGBY.

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Our price is $6.87 for the $9 size;
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Our price is $2.97 for the $4 size;
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STILL GOES ON.

All are Surprised.

"We have seen goods sold cheap, but never to compare with this," is remarked by hundreds daily.

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Fortunately for us, the people of Richmond appreciated our efforts; they recognized that we were selling cheap; they took advantage of our bargains, and now daily they remark:

"Mr. Lit, you have done more to disseminate knowledge, by distributing so many thousands of good books, in the last two months than any other one person has done in a lifetime."

Thank goodness (or rather the people of Richmond and vicinity), our New York house writes us: "Stock is at last low, and we will soon be able to dispense with the Richmond outlet."

Now, then, we extend this invitation to all to come and see, or write, and you will be able to convince yourself that we are selling low, very low—in fact, at about the cost of binding.

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Books sent out of the city without any extra charge for packing.

SAMUEL D. LIT,

MANAGER FOR PUBLISHERS.

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MORE TIME WANTED.

WILLIE CLUVERIUS PETITIONS THE EXECUTIVE FOR A FURTHER REPRIEVE.

Sixty Days Asked For—No Intimation Given of What the Governor Will Do.

Cluverius looked pale and haggard when he arose yesterday morning, and he looked as if he had lost sleep. After dressing himself he read his Bible for awhile.

The weather having moderated considerably, the condemned man thought his parents would come; but they did not arrive yesterday.

Yesterday morning Mr. Walker, of Walkerton, in King and Queen county, called on the Governor at the request, he said, of the prisoner, and asked his Excellency to reprieve Cluverius until the Legislature met in order to give that body an opportunity to pass a law something like the following:

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia, That in all cases of felony, the punishment of which is death, the verdict and judgment may be set aside by the court and a new trial granted at any time before the final execution of the sentence, upon motion to the court showing cause, &c., &c.

INTERVIEW WITH THE PRISONER'S BROTHER.

A reporter of the *Dispatch* held the following interview with Willie Cluverius yesterday:

Reporter: "I see that some of the papers mention that a report is in circulation to the effect that your brother has made a confession. Is it true?"

"No, sir; it is not. I read in some of the papers that a report was in circulation in relation to a confession on the part of my brother, and that he had left a blank chapter in his book, which will be ready for publication in a day or two. Also, that he had given to an intimate friend a sealed envelope which contained some written matter to be inserted in the book after his death in the blank chapter, and that the cause of its being withheld from the public is that the book may find a readier sale. I wish you would say that I most positively deny that he has left any blank chapter in his book, or that he has delivered to any one a sealed envelope, or that he has ever thought of such a thing. I think it hard that such a report should be circulated."

"Won't your brother make a confession?"

"My dear sir, he has none other to make than what he has publicly stated heretofore."

"Have your parents arrived?"

"No."

"When do you expect them?"

"I do not see how they can get here. The health of both of them is too bad, and they are too feeble to venture out in such weather. I am afraid that if they were to come over that it would endanger their lives."

"How is your brother to-day?"

"The same, I thank you."

"Have any friends called to see him to-day?"

"Yes, sir; Dr. Hatcher was with him an hour or more during the morning. Rev. Mr. Clopton also called. This afternoon Mr. Frank Cunningham and several friends came. They sung several hymns for my brother. Rev. Mr. King, of the Friends' denomination, was present and prayed."

A RESPITE ASKED.

Late yesterday evening Mr. Beverley T. Crump called on Governor Lee and presented the following petition for a further respite:

To His Excellency Governor Fitzhugh Lee:

I venture to address your Excellency in order to make an appeal for a further respite for my brother, T. J. Cluverius, whose case has already received attention from the Executive. This application is based partly upon facts that have become known since the case was last before the Executive, and as you have patiently examined the matter already, I will do no more than state these additional facts, trusting that proper weight will be given them.

It is made known by Mr. John S. Dodson, proprietor of the American Hotel, that the deceased girl was out of the hotel after dinner on the 13th of March, and the period of this absence from the hotel was some two hours or more, she returning after 5 o'clock. It is conceded that during this time my brother could not have been seen by her. Who was she with? She must have been with persons with whom she came to some understanding as to where she would stay, because, after her return to the hotel, she went out again about 6, taking with her everything she had, thus evincing her intention not to return. Did she return? In this connection attention is called to the statement of Mr. Chiles, who explains the hitherto mysterious testimony about "the old man," upon which her return to the hotel at 8 o'clock was founded. It is certain that Mr. Chiles conducted a young woman to the American Hotel on the night of the 12th. May it not be said that it is equally established that the negroes testifying about the "old man" confounded the occurrence of the night of the 12th with the 13th?

Your attention is further called to the statements of the Coroner of Richmond city that he saw no signs of a scuffle on the embankment of the reservoir, and he was the only person who examined with any degree of scrutiny the condition of the footprints on the embankment. The footprints were all those of a person wearing small shoes except one. There were no indications of scuffling between two persons. It is believed that the Coroner will make the further statement that there was no difficulty in the unfortunate girl's getting over the fence at the reservoir. The bearing of these facts are obvious and need not be further pointed out.

Since the action of the courts on my brother's case we have learned that your Excellency has had the watch key claimed to have been found near the reservoir opened by Hermann Joel. I desire to lay before you additional evidence as to the untrustworthiness of the witness Joel. I also call your attention to the fact that before he testified in court he stated to a reliable citizen of this city that he did not know what he would find in the key. Your attention is also called to the fact that the most intimate friend of Miss Madison saw her with a brass or gold key of small size the day before she left Bath county. This friend was Miss Ella Kenney, and it is significant that this small key seen by her has not been found among Miss Madison's effects. What more likely than that, having it before her when about to start upon her journey, she should use it in some manner as an ornament.

My brother's statement, made when his case was last before you, has been since borne out in two particulars—in one by Mr. Harrison, who telegraphed to a friend in this city that he had seen the statement, and its reference to his being with my brother was correct; in another by Mr. Fiegenheimer, who was in March, 1885, money-order clerk in the post-office here. He states that my brother, whom he had known at Richmond College, was in the post-office in the forenoon, certainly before 1 o'clock, and wished to get a money order for Aylett's, which was, however, not a money-order office. I am also reliably informed that during the trial whiskey was sent to the jury with the compliments of the sender, and returned and drank by members of the jury. This occurred on two occasions, once one gallon being sent, and at another time three gallons. This was sent to their room at the Exchange Hotel. Comment on all the above facts is unnecessary, and I leave them to the intelligent appreciation of your Excellency without prolonging this appeal by their consideration. I send herewith numerous letters from members of the General Assembly of Virginia—some addressed to yourself, some addressed to me. These letters are in response to a communication from me requesting them to apply to your Excellency for a reprieve for my brother until the Legislature should convene, in order that the Legislature of the State might have an opportunity to take action in the matter if they desired.

One of the members says: "Feeling fully sustained by the almost unanimous sentiment of my people, *I ask* and *beseech you* to either reprieve him, commute his sentence, or extend his time of execution, that a citizen of this Commonwealth shall not be deprived of his life upon such flimsy evidence so long as you hold the helm of State." Another, a senator, and an able lawyer, says: "I desire deferentially to express my opinion that it would be an act of Executive clemency, in nowise imperilling justice, to reprieve T. J. Cluverius until after the convening of the Legislature of Virginia at its next session. I say this without expressing any opinion as to when that body should meet, or what action should be taken by it in the premises upon its convention. Without discussing the correctness of the judgment pronounced against Cluverius I join in the request he be reprieved, because I do not believe the testimony in the case justified a verdict of guilty; because I have serious and, in my opinion, reasonable doubts as to his guilt of murder in the first degree; because by delay no injustice can be done, and a discovery of his innocence is possible; and because, if legislative interference be proper, he should have opportunity to apply for it. Each branch of the Government should always hear an appeal from its citizens. The case of Cluverius is, within my limited experience, one without precedent, and in the absence of precedent caution never defeats the ends of justice."

Without citations from any other letters, they are all submitted for your consideration.

It is not for me to suggest what the Legislature ought to do. I will only add that among other things, the Legislature would have the power to abolish capital punishment, and it could enact a law providing that in cases of great felonies, or only in cases punishable by death, the court in which the accused was convicted should have the power to grant a new trial upon the ground of after-discovered evidence at any time before the execution of its judgment, as well as at the time during which the judgment was rendered.

I earnestly appeal for a further reprieve of my brother's execution for sixty days at least. Well it may be said that his case is without precedent. Thousands of citizens of this Commonwealth shudder with horror that he should be executed upon a verdict pronounced by a jury admitted not to be properly qualified, and upon a case insufficient to warrant his conviction, and so considered by the ablest jurists in the State. I believe my brother innocent of the crime imputed to him, and I am satisfied it will some day so appear. Your Excellency should guard jealously the interest and honor of this great Commonwealth. If it should appear that her officers and her laws had permitted my brother's life to be taken without just cause, in a spirit of mere bloody revenge, it would be too late to remedy the inimitable error. If you doubt for an instant, then let it be said that if you commit an error it was on the side of mercy. New facts are gradually becoming known. By a respite my brother will have the benefit of these—and the Commonwealth also. The ends of justice will not be imperilled, for he will still be behind his prison bars awaiting his fate. Without tiring your Excellency by a prolonged personal appeal on behalf of myself and my aged parents, I submit all to your sober judgment.

W. B. CLUVERIUS.

The Governor took the petition under consideration, but has not yet given any intimation of what course he proposes to pursue.

DECLARES HIS INNOCENCE.

About three weeks ago Cluverius sent a request to Captain Frank W. Cunningham, who is known as Richmond's silver-tongued tenor and its sweetest ballad- and hymn-singer, asking him to come to the jail and sing to the prisoner. Captain Cunningham sang several hymns to the condemned man, and has visited him frequently since then. The prisoner seems always to enjoy the music. Tuesday afternoon he presented Captain Cunningham with an autograph-album with the following written in it:

"Captain Frank W. Cunningham, let me say that no words of mine can properly thank you for the cheer and comfort you have brought me in my lonely hours by your sweet music. Whatever others may say or think, I can say to you I am innocent. May we all meet in Heaven, where sorrow is not. 'We shall sing on that beautiful shore.' THOMAS J. CLUVERIUS.

"January 11, 1887."

A WASHINGTON-COUNTY LEGISLATOR'S VIEWS.

One of the circulars sent out by W. B. Cluverius to members of the Legislature asking their intercession in behalf of his brother was yesterday sent to the Governor with the following endorsement on the back:

General Fitzhugh Lee, Richmond, Va.:

Dear Sir,—I have received the inclosed printed communication from W. B. Cluverius. If it were proper to do so, I do not see how the Legislature could possibly give his brother relief, as in my judgment it cannot control the action of the judiciary or the Executive in this matter, nor can it pardon him nor give him a respite, nor grant or cause to be granted a new trial in his case. Very respectfully yours,

A. FULKERSON.

HANGING GOWN AND CAP.

Sergeant Smith yesterday purchased of Levy & Davis a cloak made of water-proof goods, to be used as a gown on the occasion of the hanging; also, a red-lined silk cap. A curtain or skirt will be attached to the cap to fall over the head to hide the features from view.

Grand Juries at Work.

The grand jury of the Hustings Court (E. A. Saunders, foreman), yesterday brought in true bills of indictment against the following parties: For felony, Charles Kinney, James Lightfoot, Sarah Moss, James Porter (two indictments), Thomas C. Plummer, H. S. Robinson, and Jeff. Thomas; for misdemeanor, James Porter (four indictments), and Jeff. Thomas (five indictments). All the above parties are alleged to be connected with the robbery of H. F. Phillips & Stein's china house. C. J. Watson, feloniously forging a note drawn by P. J. White; C. H. F. Deuring, charged with unlawfully attempting to impede the administration of justice; C. J. Watson, charged with perjury.

The special grand jury (Thomas Potts, foreman) summoned to examine witnesses to ascertain if there had been any violations of the law against barratry, champerty, or maintenance, brought in the following true bills of indictment: James P. Cooper (of London), Hugh McCurdy (two indictments), Richard L. Maury, B. M. Quarles (two indictments), William L. Royall, W. H. Sands (two indictments).

Sending Blankets and Rations to Newport News.

Major Charles P. Bigger, brigadier quartermaster, was busy yesterday shipping blankets and rations to the military at Newport News, and will continue to ship rations daily until further orders. It is probable that he will himself accompany some supplies this morning.

One of Captain Paul's company left Newport News yesterday about 3 P. M., having come for more men belonging to his company. He reported all quiet, but rumors of threatening talk being made by some of the strikers.

Central Building and Loan Company.

This company has elected the following officers: President, Hermann Schmidt; Vice-President, Charles G. Jurgens; Treasurer, Hermann C. Boschen; Secretary, Charles T. Loehr; Trustees—F. Sifferding, Peter Stumpf, and H. A. McCurdy; Directors—C. Zehle, Carl Whipperman, W. A. Lyving, J. A. Hirshberg, A. Volkmann, and A. Edelblut; Attorney, B. T. Crump.

New Boarders.

At the penitentiary yesterday were received the following convicts: From Washington county, Rufus Martin (white), two years for forgery; from Nottoway county, John Jones (colored), two years for house-breaking; Ned Jackson (colored), one year for grand larceny; John Davis (colored), one year for grand larceny.

Supreme Court of Appeals, Yesterday.

Majority against Shipman. Two cases. Argued by A. H. Sands, Esq., for appellant and submitted.

Apperson against Dowdy. Argued by Colonel R. T. Hubard for appellant and Thomas S. Martin, Esq., for appellees.

Police Court.

The following cases were disposed of yesterday—Justice D. C. Richardson presiding:

William Morris (colored), assaulting and beating Henry Warner. Fined $5 and costs.

William Morris (colored), assaulting, cursing, and striking Matthew Payne in the bar-room of J. H. Smith. Fined $5 and costs.

William J. Whitlock, Mark Shinault, and George Thatcher, assaulting and beating John Taylor on the street. Continued until Saturday.

Frank Norman (colored), assaulting and threatening to kill Lewis Jones. Paid costs.

George Lewis (white) and John Williams (colored), vagrants. Ordered to leave town in twenty-four hours.

Edo Chappell (colored), selling liquor to minors. Continued until Saturday.

Willis Dabney, stealing $100 worth of men's clothing, the property of Mike Bergins and —— Button. Dismissed.

PAPER-MILL ABLAZE.

FACTORY OF RICHMOND PAPER COMPANY DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Loss Variously Estimated at from $20,000 to $40,000—Probably Fully Insured, &c.

At twenty-seven minutes to 12 o'clock last night fire broke out in the mill of the Richmond Paper Company, which is situated near the river at the south end of Eighth street. An alarm was turned in from Box 14, corner Tenth and Byrd streets, and Steamers 3 and 4 and Hose and Truck Company No. 1 responded promptly and began battle with the flames. The machinery was in full blast at the time, and about forty persons were in the establishment. The building is a large five-story brick one, and was well filled with raw and worked material. The flames spread rapidly, and the smoke was so stifling that no one could remain in the house. Chief Fuqua was on hand in a short time after the alarm, and under his direction his men did effective work.

SECOND ALARM.

The fire grew rapidly, and it was soon discovered that the apparatus at hand was insufficient to combat successfully with the rushing and leaping flames, so a second alarm was turned in, and Engines 2, 5, and 6 were soon added to the force. This left only one in reserve in the event that another fire should break out elsewhere. The engines were stationed where ample supplies of water were accessible and streams shot in the building from all sides.

At this writing—2:30 A. M.—the building is gutted and one or more of the walls have fallen in.

DAMAGE AND INSURANCE.

None of the gentlemen interested in the works were on the spot, and the real amount of damage could not be learned. It was roughly estimated at from $20,000 to $40,000. The former is no doubt nearer correct.

The building is almost, if not quite, an entire loss. Portions of the walls may possibly be used in rebuilding. The stock is totally destroyed. The machinery, it is thought, is not very much damaged. A wall that fell caught a portion of it, and no doubt damaged it to a considerable extent. The rest is not hurt to any great degree.

An insurance agent, who witnessed the fire, stated that the insurance is about $18,000 or $20,000. The bulk of it is with J. H. Montague & Co. and J. B. Moore. Mr. T. L. Alfriend has policies to the amount of $2,500.

NARROW ESCAPE.

As stated above the smoke was very dense. About a dozen of those who were in the factory when the fire began, and who were not convenient to a place of exit, made very narrow escapes. Fortunately, no one has been hurt up to this time. The smoke greatly interfered with the firemen, as they could only stand it for a few minutes without taking fresh air.

When Chief Fuqua arrived he went in at one of the windows, but had soon to beat a hasty retreat.

THE ORIGIN.

There seems some doubt as to how the fire originated. One of the managers, who was on duty, says it was caused by a small belt, which runs one of the elevators, becoming heated by friction. Another party says a lamp, which was used for lighting the building so that persons could see how to pass between the bales of rags, fell and set one of these bales on fire. The fire had gained considerable headway before it was discovered.

This building has burned once or twice before. Woodward's lumber-yard is near by, and there are several buildings in close proximity, none of which took fire.

STILL WORKING AT 3 A. M.

At 3 o'clock this morning the fire was entirely under control, but the engines were still at work subduing the flames.

BAPTISTS' UNION MEETING.

Large Attendance and Interesting Services Last Night.

The congregation last night was the largest yet assembled in these meetings, the spacious audience-room of the Second Baptist church being well-filled with a deeply-interested congregation.

Dr. Hatcher led the meeting in his happiest vein, and announced as the topic of the evening, "Christ in our Closet."

The exercises were opened with several very sweet gospel hymns, and fervent and appropriate prayers led by Messrs. J. J. Hopkins and R. W. Powers.

Rev. Dr. S. A. Goodwin read from the first chapter of Mark, which, he said, brought out the fact that prayer fits us for work and work for prayer, and suggested the topic, "Jesus in the Closet."

He earnestly insisted that there can be no real piety without meeting Christ in the closet—going to Him for grace and strength to help in every time of need. He brought out the readiness of Jesus to meet us in our closets, to forgive our sins, and to help us in every hour of need. He clearly brought out and eloquently illustrated and enforced the point that there can be no real strength, no real power, no real success in our work, without meeting Jesus in the closet and agonizing for His blessing. The revival we need is one that begins in the closet. It may be with some humble woman who has been wrestling with "the angel of the covenant" and has secured heart-power.

Dr. Cooper spoke earnestly and effectively of the power of prayer and the necessity of using it.

Prayer by Dr. A. G. Brown.

Dr. J. William Jones urged that the real source of power is Christ in the closet; that while large meetings and these public services were very desirable, what we need most of all is to have men and women meeting Christ in the closet and wrestling with Him for His blessing on these meetings, and on the churches, homes, and hearts of Richmond.

Rev. Dr. C. H. Corey made a very effective talk on the point that while it is desirable to have when possible a suitable place for secret prayer, yet every place may be converted into a "closet"—that the counting-room, the office, the shop, the marts of trade, the busy, bustling streets, the crowd may be made "closets" where we may meet with Christ and receive His rich blessing.

Mr. Jack Turpin led in fervent prayer.

Dr. Landrum spoke of secret prayer as an evidence of real conversion. He did not mean "saying prayers" but real prayer, and insisted that one who does not meet Christ in the closet has no right to call himself a Christian. He earnestly and very effectively enforced his point.

Mr. Jack Turpin told of a large congregation of young men who met at Leigh-Street Baptist church last Sunday afternoon as the result of these meetings, and spoke earnestly and hopefully of the power and prospects of these meetings. Rev. J. B. Hutson led in appropriate prayer.

Dr. Hatcher made a very appropriate and effective closing talk, in which he illustrated and enforced the point that we need real closets and need to carry our closets to our daily toil.

Rev. S. C. Clopton made the closing prayer.

The congregation was the largest yet assembled and the meeting one of great power.

The topic to-night for the meeting at the same place—Second Baptist church—will be "How to Reach and Save the Unconverted."

MARRIAGE OF COUSINS.

Nuptials of Mr. W. A. Powers and Miss Powers Yesterday.

At half-past 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon Mr. William A. Powers and Miss Mary B. Powers were married in the presence of a large company of invited guests at Monumental church.

Promptly at the appointed hour the bridal party entered the holy edifice, while Mendelssohn's "Wedding March" was played. The ushers came first, followed by the bride and groom.

Rev. Dr. Newton, rector of the church, and Rev. Pike Powers, of St. Andrew's church, officiated, and the marriage vows were administered in an impressive manner.

After the ceremony Mr Powers and his wife left for the North on a ten-days' tour.

The bride was dressed in a becoming travelling suit of dahlia cloth, with hat to match, and carried a bouquet of Marechal Niel buds. She is the daughter of Mr. William H. Powers of Powers, Blair & Co., and is a fascinating and accomplished young lady.

The groom is a son of Mr. P. H. Powers, of Albemarle county—his former home—and is a member of the firm of Martin & Powers, of this city. Mr. Powers is a man of sterling business qualities, and has a host of friends who wish him well.

The chancel of the church was prettily decorated by the teachers of the Sunday school out of compliment to the bride's father, one of the oldest vestrymen of the church.

The following gentlemen acted as ushers: Messrs. W. M. Wade, of Albemarle county; Thomas Fox, of Richmond; R. J. Martin, of Richmond; J. S. Davis, of Albemarle; G. C. Powers, of Richmond; R. C. Taylor, of Richmond; M. G. Davis, of Fluvanna; and P. S. Powers, of Richmond.

COUNTY AND CITY NEWS.

Items of Interest from Chesterfield and Manchester.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary E. Hobbs, whose death was announced in the *Dispatch* of yesterday, took place from the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. David P. Walke, 1029 Perry street, at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. William H. Christian, of the Central Methodist church. The funeral was largely attended.

The Chesterfield County Court has adjourned for the term. The case of Mrs. Ann Farmer, charged with felonious assault, was continued until the March term of the court.

A regular meeting of the City Council will be held at 7:30 o'clock to-morrow night. There are a number of important matters to be considered at this meeting, and a full attendance is desired.

Friendship Lodge of Odd-Fellows will install its newly-elected officers to-night. A collation will be partaken of after the installation, and a number of invited guests from Richmond are expected to be present.

The newly-elected officers of Ruth Council, No. 6, Order of Chosen Friends, were installed last night.

Assignment of John J. Sinnot.

Yesterday John J. Sinnot, who conducts a general furniture store at 213 east Broad street, made an assignment to J. R. V. Daniel. E. J. Levy, $150 for rent; Joseph Sinnot, $600 borrowed money, and Indiana Furnishing Manufacturing Company for $184.64, are the first-class creditors. The second-class creditors next follow, after which the balance to be paid ratably. Assets stated at between $3,000 and $4,000; liabilities about $4,000.

"Nobody's Claim."

This exciting sensational drama was repeated before two large audiences at the Academy yesterday. The play was thoroughly enjoyed and applauded. It will be repeated this afternoon. To-night "Never Say Die" will be given, and for the first time in Richmond the "vanishing-lady trick" will be done.

Chamber of Commerce.

At 6 P. M. to-day the Chamber of Commerce will hold its regular quarterly meeting for the transaction of important business. A number of constitutional amendments are to be acted upon.

Personals and Briefs.

Mr. W. M. Poindexter arrived in the city from Washington yesterday.

Captain Leroy E. Brown has sufficiently recovered to be on the streets again.

The concert and banquet of Elba Council of Chosen Friends Tuesday night at Pizzini's up-town store was an enjoyable affair.

The Washington *Post* of yesterday announces that Miss Neeson, of this city, and Miss Herndon, of Fredericksburg, will assist Miss Daisy Hampton, daughter of Senator Hampton, in her first reception, to be held at the Metropolitan Hotel, Washington, from 2 to 6 P. M. to-day.

Ice Notice.

There being now no doubt whatever of a fine crop of ice being secured on the Kennebec this season, we, the Richmond Ice Company, hereby advertise the following schedule of prices to take effect from this date: Families, offices, &c., ½ cent per pound; large consumers, 30 cents per 100 pounds. We shall in the future, as in the past, confine ourselves to the use of Kennebec Ice exclusively, and the best at that, and our customers can rely on the same prompt attention that they have always received. Our facilities are as good as can be had, and our prices will always be as low as any for a first-class article.

RICHMOND ICE COMPANY,
A. D. LAUDEKEN,
Secretary and Superintendent.

$2.750.

Before going to market for spring goods we will close out all our job lots and odds and ends at about one half their real value. These are not old stock goods, but bought this fall from the manufacturers for cash. We offer great bargains to the trade rather than carry them over to next season. Misses' Spring-Heel Goat Button, 11's to 2's, for $1; Ladies' Goat Button at $1 25; Ladies' Goat Button reduced from $3 to $2; Ladies' Kid Button from $4 to $2.50; other reductions, same proportions.

SPENCE, TYREE & CO.,
815 east Broad street.

A Handsome Improvement.

Mr. W. M. Poindexter, the architect, arrived in the city last night from Washington, and completed a contract to erect a handsome residence for Mr. E. B. Addison on the corner of Second and Grace streets. The building will cost $20,000, and the work will be done by Bell & Bowles.

The first No. of the *Phonographic Magazine*, from the Phonographic Institute, Cincinnati, has been received. It is filled with interesting information for stenographers.

SUDDEN CHANGES OF WEATHER are productive of Throat-Diseases, Coughs, Colds, etc. There is no more effectual relief in these diseases to be found than in the use of BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES. Price 25 cents.

A FAMILY BLESSING.—SIMMONS LIVER-REGULATOR—the favorite home remedy—is entirely vegetable, and is the purest and best family medicine that is compounded. No error to be feared in administering, no injury from exposure after taking, no loss of time. It is the best preventive medicine, and safe to take, no matter what the sickness may prove to be, and in any ordinary disease will effect a speedy cure.

MOTHERS! MOTHERS!!

Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with the excruciating pain of cutting teeth? If so, go at once and get a bottle of MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately—depend upon it; there is no mistake about it. There is not a mother on earth who has ever used it who will not tell you at once that it will regulate the bowels, and give rest to the mother and relief and health to the child, operating like magic. It is perfectly safe to use in all cases, and pleasant to the taste, and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States. Sold everywhere. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

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AUCTION SALES TO-DAY.

E. B. HOWLE 4:30 P. M., trustee's sale of real estate on the north side of Hull street between Seventh and Eighth streets, Manchester.

LEWIS P. WINSTON, 11 A. M., sheriff's sale of groceries, liquors, fixtures, &c., at No. 512 north Seventeenth street.

GEORGE W. MAYO, 10½ A. M., parlor and chamber furniture, &c.

DEATH.

WAYT.—Died, at 1:40 this morning, at the Arlington House, Mrs. JAMES M. WAYT.

Funeral notice later.

JERSEY BUTTER FOR SALE—delivered in half-pound prints twice a week.

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WATCHES, JEWELRY, &c.

WATCHES THAT GIVE NO TROUBLE.—Newest styles for ladies, with all improvements. New store, 111 east Broad street.

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DIAMONDS IN ALL THE NEWEST STYLES. New Jewelry-Store D. BUCHANAN, 111 east Broad street. au 1

BRIDAL, BIRTHDAY, AND COMPLIMENTARY PRESENTS in Solid Gold and Silver.

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WHO GOES THERE?

NEWPORT NEWS IN POSSESSION OF THE RICHMOND MILITARY.

A Night of Excitement—Property Burned—General Wickham Speaks—Peaceful Settlement Probable.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch]

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Jan. 12, 1886.

Things have a military appearance here to-day—sentinels pacing to and fro on their beats, officers sending orderlies around, and a flash of bayonets in all directions near the piers. There was an exciting time during the night. After the 5:45 train left for Hampton the doors of Pier 2 were closed, and the new men of the Old Dominion steamship Guyandotte began unloading freight from that steamer. Just before 8 o'clock there was a knock at the pier door, and admittance demanded. It was refused, and as there were some twenty clerks, &c., in the building, who made their appearance, the strikers retreated, presumably for reinforcements.

SOON RETURNED.

In a short while they returned with clubs, &c., and, breaking open the door, proceeded to where the steamship Guyandotte was discharging her cargo. At their approach all the colored freight-handlers fled to the steamer. The strikers pulled the gang-planks from the steamer, and Captain Kelley, fearing damage to his ship, slipped lines and steamed away to West Point, having discharged very little of the load.

ALARM OF FIRE.

Shortly after this an alarm of fire was sounded from the pump-house, and the hotel bath-houses on the beach, just in front of the Casino, were found to be in flames. They were completely destroyed. It is also reported that an effort was made to burn another house, but without success. After this the strikers circled around, shouting and occasionally firing pistols.

THE MILITARY ARRIVE.

At 4 A. M. to-day the three companies from Richmond arrived, under command of General Anderson, and were at once placed on guard. About this time the train arrived with the men on board to take the strikers' places. About 10 o'clock work was commenced on the different piers by the new men. The State Guard (colored), Captain Paul, guarded the approaches to the coal pier, while Companies A and B, Captains Spence and Jones, guarded the other piers. At 3 P. M. all was quiet.

GENERAL WICKHAM SPEAKS.

General Wickham made a short speech to the group of strikers near the elevator just after the midday train came in with the remaining members of Company B. He told the strikers there would be no advance in pay; that all would be paid what was due them to-night; and that they must leave the premises at once.

The Knights of Labor claim that the fire last night was the work of the railroad officials, so that an excuse could be had for calling for the military.

Judge Peck and Sheriff Curtis, of this county; General Wickham and Mr. Henry Wickham, as well as many other prominent officials, are here to-day.

VERY POSITIVE.

General Wickham in his address to the strikers was very positive. In reply to the statement that they would go to work if three men said so he declared that there were no three men