SCIENCE OF SURGERY

TWO BUSY SESSIONS OF THE SOUTHERN SOCIETY HELD YESTERDAY.

Dr. Moore's Address of Welcome—Annual Report of the President—Excellent Papers on Special Diseases.

The second day's session of the Southern Surgical and Gynecological Society was called to order promptly at 9:30 o'clock yesterday morning by President McMurty, who afterwards called Vice-President J. McFadden Gaston, of Atlanta, to the chair. The attendance was very large, several other physicians from different parts of the country having arrived in the city during the night. It was also a very noticeable fact that many of Richmond's young doctors listened to the proceedings with great interest.

The discussions were given wide scope and were deeply instructive to the skilful surgeon, and many papers were given from an hour to an hour and a half in consideration.

The session was opened with the address of welcome which was delivered by Dr. Thomas J. Moore, whose remarks were appropriate and eloquent.

Dr. Moore opened by extending to all the delegates and visitors a cordial welcome to the homes and hearts not only of the medical profession, but of the people of Richmond.

He briefly sketched the first settlement of Virginia and the Carolinas with its diversified population, and said that it required the stormy scenes of the first revolution to make us a harmonious and united people. Reference was also made to the late civil war, to which no profession contributed more than the surgeons of the South. He spoke of the monuments that had been erected to perpetuate the memories of the heroes of the war.

Dr. Moore, in the language of a distinguished writer, said: "Show me the monuments erected to the heroic dead of a nation and sing me their national song and I will determine for you the measure of their civilization and their patriotism." Continuing, he paid a high tribute to the memory of Jefferson Davis, and asserted that in point of learning, varied accomplishments, natural endowments, and exalted patriotism the lamented President of the Confederacy stood second to none in the country.

SURGEON-GENERAL MOORE.

Dr. Moore eloquently alluded to the great services of the late Surgeon-General S. P. Moore during the eventful and trying period of the war between the States. His devotion to duty, his self-sacrifice, his eminent talent, and pure patriotism were dwelt upon, and he urged the members of the convention to take some steps towards the erection of a monument to the memory of this devoted and stainless head of the medical corps of the late Southern Confederacy and to such surgeons as lost their lives in the service upon the battle-fields. The orator spoke of the good already accomplished by the Southern Surgical Society since its organization and urged them to continue in their good work. He closed by again extending to all a hearty and sincere welcome.

ABLE PAPERS READ.

The first paper read was by Dr. W. W. Potter, of Buffalo, N. Y. one of the best known surgeons in the North. Dr. Potter's subject was: "A Medico-Legal Aspect to Pelvic Inflammation," and the speaker treated it in a masterly manner.

"The Medico-Legal Aspect of Intestinal Surgery" was ably treated by Dr. J. D. S. Davis, of Birmingham, Ala. This paper evoked much discussion, in which Drs. Morris, Deane, Westmoreland, Price, Davis, Marcy, and others took part.

The essay of Dr. John A. Wyeth, of New York, on "Ether and Anæsthesia" was one of the most interesting papers of the morning session and was very fully discussed and considered.

"Hand Disinfection," by Dr. Howard A. Kelly, of Baltimore, professor of gynecology at the Johns Hopkins University and gynecologist and obstetrician to the hospital of the college, was the source of considerable argument, and the manner in which the distinguished writer treated his subject was greatly admired and enjoyed by the distinguished body.

Dr. Stone, of Washington, read an intensely interesting essay on the "Pedrile in Hysterectomy: How Formed, Its Subsequent Behavior, and Its Final Action." He gave many practical illustrations in the course of his remarks and every point was graphically dealt with.

Dr. Price, of Philadelphia, followed Dr. Stone with very valuable remarks upon this subject and the argument was closed by the Washington physician at 1:30 o'clock.

NEW MEMBERS ELECTED.

The President then announced that the convention would hear the report of the judiciary council. This body reported the names of the following physicians as eligible to membership in the society: Drs. Hugh T. Nelson, Chatham; William Cecil Dabney, Charlottesville; Lewis W. Tiffany, Baltimore; Edward McGuire, George Ross, J. S. Dorsey Cullen, and Lewis Wheat, of Richmond. These names were approved and the gentlemen declared elected. The meeting then took a recess until 2:30.

The Afternoon Session.

The afternoon session was opened by Dr. Gaston, the vice-president, who announced that the first thing on the programme was the annual address of the President of the association.

President McMurty's paper was listened to with greatest interest. It recounted the advances made and beneficent results accomplished in surgery during the past fifteen years. In opening President McMurty said: "My first duty is to express my grateful appreciation of the honor conferred by the fellows of this association in calling me to this responsible place. Following in the footsteps of my distinguished predecessors, I feel keenly my own unworthiness for this eminent position. My earnest desire to promote the interest of this association and to forward the two great branches of our art fostered by this organization constitutes whatever claim I might lay to your generous consideration.

"The fourth annual meeting of our association confirms the wisdom of its founders as to the necessity of such an organization. At our second annual meeting, our distinguished fellow, Dr. Hunter McGuire, then our president, depicted in eloquent words the peculiar conditions and influences of our southern civilization. Our gifted colleague described the pursuits and characteristics of our people; the conditions surrounding the labors of our professional brethren; and the peculiar necessity for special medical societies. * * *

NEW METHODS.

"Within fifteen years the entire practice of surgery has been revolutionized. New methods have been introduced and new regions invaded. Comparatively recent teachings have become obselete in practice and modern treatises recast. The science and art of gynecology, which a few years since was limited to a small and narrow field, has grown into a great branch of medical science and practice. To promote the study of these two great and growing branches of medical science, to quicken research, and diffuse knowledge among the profession in the southern States, is the special mission of this association assembled in this historic capital of the Old Dominion, so intimately associated with the grand old Colonial times and with the later severe ordeals of our internecine troubles. We have reason for congratulation upon the success which crowned our efforts to establish the first and only special society in the South."

Then throwing out a few suggestions to the society and dealing with the relative influences of surgery the President continued:

PROGRESSIVE SURGERY.

"I wish to make a plea for progressive surgery. Webster defines the word 'conservative' as follows: 'Having power to preserve in a safe or entire state or from loss, waste, or injury.' All will concede at once that in time of peril to health or life this word embodies the purpose uppermost in the surgeon's endeavors and the object of all his labors. This term is a conspicuous one in surgery, and has been used to indicate and classify certain surgical procedures known as 'conservative surgery.' But of late this term has been given a very wide and altogether arbitrary significance, and is often in antithesis to progressive surgery. We should enter a protest against the perversion of the word conservative when that word is used to oppose and retard progress in surgery. Not many years have elapsed since it was the established usage of surgeons to defer operation in cases of ovarian cystoes until the patient's general health was impaired and she was reduced by emaciation. This was pronounced conservative. When under the leadership of Bantock it was urged that the time of ovariatomy was as soon as the tumor was discovered—before complications arose and before the health was impaired—it was regarded as an expression of the common craze for operative interference."

President McMurty illustrated the conditions of various cases and continued:

"There are conditions wherein safely lies only in surgical interference. It is claimed that surgical aid should be invoked only after prolonged treatment by palliative measures, when the medical attendant has been convinced that he is leading a forlorn hope, and that relief will come, provided it comes at all, from operative treatment. This course, whereby operations are performed upon dying patients, is erroneously called conservatism.

"One of the great advances of modern times is in the knowledge we have acquired of the inflammatory disease from uterine appendages." The various relations of these two great branches of medical science were ably portrayed by the President, who closed his address as follows:

BELIEVE IN SURGERY.

"One of the most convincing arguments as to the efficiency of surgery is that surgeons believe in it. That they do so believe is attested by the promptness with which it is invoked in behalf of their own lives and that of members of their own families. Those members of our profession who are not familiar with operative work, or who do surgery as a last resort or under protest, are disposed to oppose surgical treatment. They look upon surgery as dangerous, only to be resorted to as a last desperate chance, and they are right to this extent only. It is dangerous when utilized as a last resort, not otherwise. What the whole profession realizes is that surgery is at all times conservative. When major operations are performed by those who believe in surgery and have by apprenticeship acquired surgical skill, then will progress of this great science and art be unobstructed by misunderstanding and misrepresentation."

The address of Dr. McMurty was very generously received, and when he had concluded its delivery and the applause had subsided he was tendered a vote of thanks for his able effort, and on motion it was decided that copies of the speech should be printed and distributed among the members of the society.

DR. EMMET'S PAPER.

The President, after bowing his appreciation to the body, announced that Dr. Thomas Addis Emmet, one of the ablest surgeons of New York, and a man who has won great fame in the treatment of female diseases, would present a paper on "Injuries to the Pelvic Floor, and the Methods of Repairing the Same." Dr. Emmet spoke for an hour upon his chosen topic, and in the course of his remarks gave concise and comprehensible blackboard illustrations. The paper was a very long one, and was full of instruction and interest. It was discussed by Dr. Joseph Price, of Philadelphia, who stated that he had several times had the pleasure of seeing Dr. Emmet operate while in New York. Others entering the argument were Dr. Marcy, of St. Louis, and Dr. Kelly, of Baltimore.

GROWTH OF FIBROID TUMORS.

Dr. Taber Johnston, of Washington, then read a splendid paper on "The Growth of Fibroid Tumors of the Uterus After the Menopause." It was brief but complete in its fulness and elicited argument by Drs. I. S. Stone, of Washington, Dr. Price, and Dr. Ingram.

The paper of Dr. C. A. L. Reed, of Cincinnati, was the result of a long experience and careful study. His subject, "The Surgical Treatment of Anterior Displacement of the Uterus," was very ably treated, and the body listened to his reading with eager attention. Like the others, this paper was given liberal consideration, in which Drs. Price, Marcy, Johnston, and others took part.

At this point the meeting adjourned until 9:30 o'clock this morning.

PAN-AMERICAN CONGRESS.

Dr. Charles A. Reed, of Cincinnati, who delivered a paper yesterday, is the originator of the idea to hold in this country in 1892 the Pan-American Medical Congress. Dr. William Pepper, of Philadelphia, has been selected by the Executive Committee as the president of the congress. Dr. Reed will be the secretary-general. The congress will be held in Washington in October. The proceedings will be in English, Spanish, and Portuguese and will be attended by the most eminent physicians from the South American countries and the United States. This congress will be second in scientific importance only to the International Medical Congress which assembled last year in Berlin.

THE SURGICAL SOCIETY

was founded for the promotion of the knowledge of surgery and gynecology in the southern States. Notwithstanding the distinguished surgeons from the northern States and Canada attend the meetings and contribute to the discussions, the society holds its meetings altogether in the southern States.

THE EXHIBITS.

The exhibition-room is just across the hall from the room in which the sessions are held, and the physicians have access to the display of medical appliances and surgical instruments all during the day. The exhibitors and exhibits are: Polk Miller & Co., surgical instruments and doctors' supplies; the Harvard Company of Canton, O., surgical chair and surgical instrument cabinet; William H. Armstrong & Co., Indianapolis, surgical instruments; Bartlett Gaevers & Co., Richmond, surgical instruments; Wayte & Bartlett Manufacturing Company, New York, electro-medical and electro-surgical instruments; Preston Belvin, the Nedofik adjustable surgical sofa; E. M. Hersler, Cleveland, O., surgical instruments; Connable & Harper, manufacturers, Xenia, O., electrical illuminating apparatus; Virginia Pharmacal Company, Richmond, all pharmaceutical preparations now demanded by progressive physicians; Thompson's bromine arsenic spring water, Ashe county, N. C.; Dollikin Goodale Company, display of Mellin's Food; Electric Couch Company of Richmond, electric couch.

CONVENTION NOTES.

Dr. Thomas Addis Emmet, of New York, was the honored guest of the association yesterday and made an extensive illustrated demonstration of the operation known all over the world by his name. Dr. Emmet and Dr. Joseph Price, of Philadelphia, are both natives of Virginia.

Dr. John A. Wyeth, of New York, the author of the most authoritative modern work on surgery, is taking great interest in the proceedings. Dr. Wyeth is accompanied to Richmond by his wife, who is the daughter of the eminent surgeon, the late Dr. J. Marion Sims.

Dr. George Ben Johnston gives the surgeons dinner to-day, and Dr. George Ross and Mr. Thomas Nelson Page will also give entertainments to a number of the delegates.

Officers will be elected at the last session this afternoon.

A majority of the delegates are young men, but few elderly physicians being in attendance.

A number of the delegates have driven over the city and vicinity and all seem pleased with the natural beauty of our situation and with the progress Richmond has made in the last decade.

The place of the next meeting of the society will be fixed this afternoon. There will be two sessions to-day, beginning at 9:30 and 2:30 o'clock.

Funeral Services of Mrs. Elizabeth Williams.

Yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock the procession of mourning children, grandchildren and other relatives and friends of Mrs. Elizabeth Williams followed her remains up the aisle of Trinity church, preceded by Rev. Dr. Peterson, the present pastor of this church, and Rev. Mr. Whitley, the former pastor, who came over from Petersburg yesterday to attend the funeral. The services were commenced by the choir singing Asleep in Jesus, and the two pastors spoke of the glorious immortality upon which this Christian lady had awakened. She had been a consistent member of the church for sixty-three years, and attended prayer-meeting one night last week. Most feelingly did Mr. Whitley speak of the sad message which flashed over the wire to him from one of her sons, saying: "Mother is dead."

As the bright sun was shedding its last beam o'er the hills of beautiful Hollywood they laid her to rest amid the fragrance of the lovely flowers that covered the new-made mound. A long journey on earth is ended, a haven of eternal rest is reached.

To Receive the Grand Secretary.

The reception committee of Sir Walter Raleigh Lodge, Sons of St. George, has perfected arrangements for the visit of J. H. Y. Williams, Esq., worshipful grand secretary of Pennsylvania, who is expected here about the 15th of the month. There will be two open meetings during next week, when he will address all Englishmen and others of British nationality, respecting the great advantages of the order, its aims and objects. Being also editor of the *British-American*, he is expected to expound the reasons for his countrymen to become naturalized. Mr Williams is expected to remain for several days, as he comes to have a good time with his gun.

Buried in Georgia.

The funeral of Mr. Timothy A. Reardon took place on Monday, November 9th, in Stone Mountain, Ga., his late home. He died from injuries received from a derrick breaking and falling on him in a stone-quarry at Stockbridge, Ga., on Friday, November 6th.

As announced in last Sunday's issue of the DISPATCH, his brother, Mr. D. J. Reardon, went down with the intention of bringing his remains here for interment, but could not do so.

The deceased was a son of Daniel and Ellen Reardon, and brother of Messrs. D. J. and J. F. Reardon, and of Mrs. Mary Hallahan and Mrs. T. A. Reddin. He leaves a wife and two children, who reside in Stone Mountain, Ga.

Chamber of Commerce.

The monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce will be held this afternoon at 6 o'clock.

ELEGANT BUILDING.

THE COMMONWEALTH CLUB, ITS ORGANIZATION, AND SPLENDID HOME.

Architectural Plan and Materials Used in Construction—Interior Arrangements and Proposed Furnishing.

Some time during the year 1889 a few members of the Richmond and Westmoreland Clubs conceived the idea of starting a new social club in this city and a plan of organization and a prospectus for raising the money, submitted by Mr. R. D. Hudgins, were adopted. Having obtained sufficient membership and the necessary amount of money being subscribed, the club was organized and a board of governors selected as follows: Messrs. Alfred T. Harris, John H. Montague, Joseph Bryan, Joseph R. Anderson, P. H. Mayo, Charles E. Bolling, W. R. Trigg, James W. Allison, E. T. D. Myers, Thomas Atkinson, Byrd Warwick, J. S. Crenshaw, R. D. Hudgins, and James H. Dooley.

At the first meeting of the board Mr. Alfred T. Harris was elected president; Mr. Joseph Bryan, vice-president; R. D. Hudgin, treasurer, and J. S. Crenshaw, secretary.

Messrs. P. H. Mayo, J. W. Allison, and C. E. Bolling were appointed a committee on buildings. Much time was spent in procuring designs for the club-house and the committee finally selected the plan of Messrs. Carson & Hastings, of New York. The club had already secured the magnificent lot on the corner of Franklin and Monroe streets, known as the Palmer lot, which has a front of 127x190 feet deep.

THE ARCHITECTURE.

The architectural style is known as the Virginia Colonial, which the architects concluded to be best suited to the capital of Virginia and especially adapted to a club-house. The building affords all the comfort of commodious rooms, is well ventilated and surrounded with large porches, and is in many respects a reproduction of the old English country house. Every care has been taken in the construction, and nothing has been omitted in the effort to have all things in keeping with the demands of such an institution.

MATERIALS AND INTERIOR.

The basement is of granite, its walls faced with red sandstone. The front entrance is trimmed with the same class of stone, and the balance of the building on all sides is of sand-finished stock-brick, with terra-cotta trimmings. The interior is very complete. To the front in the centre of the basement is a large furnace-room, which heats the entire house by indirect radiation. On the west is a billiard-room 50x21 feet. On the east are two lounging-rooms, one of which is circular. This latter is surrounded by a number of smaller rooms, including clerk's room, bath-room, and barber-shop. In rear of the billiard-room is a large passenger-elevator and two dumb-waiters which run from the basement to the upper story. A large space is given up to lavatories, fitted up with every convenience; and in the rear part of the basement is a spacious *café*, with a commodious wine-room attached.

There are three entrances to the basement—on the front, west, and east sides, respectively. The first and principal floor is entered from Franklin street through a broad and magnificent sloap of red standstone. This leads into a beautiful hall, in the back of which can be seen the grand stairway.

IN QUARTERED OAK.

The main hall is fitted up in quartered oak. On the left and opening into this is a circular conversation-room, surrounded by a piazza, upon which all the windows open. On the right of the main hall is situated the principal parlor (50x24 feet). On this floor are also conveniently located lavatories and the dining-room. The reading-room is in the rear, and has wide porches on the east side and rear, and from it the yard is reached by a flight of steps.

The divisions of the second floor are a large hall trimmed in oak, a dining-room on the front capable of seating 150 to 200 people, a small or private dining-room, a circular reception or lounging-room opening on the balcony, a card-room on the west, a ladies' reception and a ladies' dining-room in rear over the reading-room and opening on balconies, lavatories and a serving-room convenient to the main dining-hall and ladies' dining-room. There is a separate entrance to the ladies' apartments from Monroe street. The arrangement is such that the ladies' rooms can be completely cut off from the balance of the club-house.

THE THIRD FLOOR.

The third story is given up to bed-rooms—seven in number—one large card-room, and a kitchen with dumbwaiters and stacks so constructed that all odors will be borne above the roof.

The plan of the building admits of the whole being thrown into one grand saloon, or, if private parties are desired, the party can be completely isolated.

Every provision for comfort and for bright and well-ventilated rooms has been considered, and the large porch and balcony space is one of the greatest attractions about the building. The materials used are first-class in every respect, and the contractors seemed to vie with one another in striving to do the best work possible. Mr. A. C. Honsten was the contractor, with T. Bailey Davis, Esq., for brick-work, Hutchins & Donald for stone work, James E. Philips for plumbing, West & Brance for heating, Gilman & Son for plastering, and Hetzel & Gaasert for painting.

The building and interior finishing are nearly completed. The house is supplied with gas and electric lights.

Provision has been made for having the club exquisitely furnished and carpeted in the most luxurious and elegant style. The club will be ready to open certainly by January 1, 1892. The present membership is about 175 resident members and twenty-five non-resident.

KNIGHTS-TEMPLAR DENVER CLUB.

A Virginia Delegation to Attend the Triennial Conclave in August Next.

Virginia will be well represented in the Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templars of the United States, to be held in Denver in August, 1892. Headed by members of the two commanderies of this city, there will be a large delegation of Templars from the Old Dominion.

The Commandery of St. Andrew at its October meeting resolved to form the Denver Club, and a committee of five, consisting of Sirs Louis P. Ecker, Parker T. Conrad, Thomas P. Campbell, George L. Street, and Joseph V. Bidgood, were appointed to make all necessary arrangements for the trip. This committee, having organized by electing Mr. Ecker as president and Mr. Bidgood as secretary-treasurer, has prepared a circular letter a copy of which will be mailed to every Knight Templar in the State. The circular says:

The expense of the round trip was estimated to be one hundred dollars ($100) per member, payable in monthly installments in sums not less than five dollars ($5), and that each Sir Knight will make his payment by the 5th of each month to the Secretary-Treasurer, it being understood that each Sir Knight will pay in full by August 1, 1892.

Resolved, That the money collected be placed in some savings bank, and not to be used except for the necessary expenses of the trip, and then only by the check of the Secretary-Treasurer, countersigned by the President.

If a sufficient number of Knights Templar can be enlisted for the pilgrimage a train of Pullman cars, with dining-car attached, will be engaged and thereby save the trouble and expense of hotel accommodations in Denver. Special cars will be reserved for Sir Knights and their ladies. The train will leave Richmond Saturday, August 6, 1892. The route will be by Cincinnati, St. Louis, and Kansas City and return by Omaha and Chicago, stopping at Omaha, giving those who desire to do so an opportunity to attend the annual session of the Imperial Council of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

The one hundred dollars will include all necessary expenses, such as meals, car fare, and sleeping accommodations. Berths will be assigned by lot.

Sir Knights of other commanderies desiring to participate with us will make application in writing, accompanying their application with five dollars, which will be applied to their credit as part of the fee for this trip.

Should any Sir Knight, after joining the club, find it impossible to go he will have the privilege of selling his membership to any other Sir Knight.

It is understood that the club will be under the direction of the President, and all necessary orders will be issued by him.

Sir Knights desiring to join the club will signify their intention to do so *at once*, as arrangements for chartering the train must be made now.

This is an opportunity which not often comes to the most of us to see the great West. Denver, the capital of Colorado, is considered the most beautiful city in the West; and the assemblage of the Knights Templar will be one of the grandest of all the conclaves of the Grand Encampment of the United States.

It is stated that the Sir Knights and citizens of Denver have raised $600,000 for the entertainment of the visitors that are expected to attend this conclave.

Short trips can be made from Denver to Pike's Peak, Boulder Canyon, and other places of interest.

LIGHT POLICE COURT DOCKET.

There Were Few Cases Before the Justice, and None of Them Important.

The docket in the Police Court yesterday morning was a short one, and none of the cases were of an important character.

George Burton (colored) and Jane Jordan *alias* Morris were charged with disorderly conduct. Jane was represented by Mr. Samuel M. Page, and Giles Jackson was counsel for Stephen Morris. Jane was also charged with keeping and harboring the child of Stephen Morris. After much discussion between counsel the cases were dismissed.

Sally Green was charged with assaulting and beating Anna Wood. The trouble happened over Mundy's barber-shop on Main street. Mundy said he heard cries for help in the hallway up stairs, and when he went to see what was the matter discovered the combatants trying to pull the hair out of each other's head. The case was dismissed.

Joseph Robinson (colored) was charged by his wife, Maria Robinson, with assaulting and beating her. The case was dismissed.

Joseph Phillips, the negro who was let off on Tuesday, as Mr. Karl Wassmer, whom he was charged with assaulting, did not appear against him, was charged on a new warrant with assaulting Wassmer. It appeared that Phillips went into Wassmer's store and had a quarrel with the proprietor about the purchase of some pork. A fight resulted, and Wassmer was knocked over a flour-barrel and badly beaten. Phillips was fined $5, but he did not have the money to keep himself out of jail.

The other cases were even less important than these, and the morning's work consumed but little of the time of the Justice.

THE ACADEMY AND THEATRE.

Cleveland's Minstrels at the Former To-Night and Warde at the Latter.

W. S. Cleveland's Consolidated Minstrels will appear at the Academy this afternoon and to-night. This is said to be one of the best companies that Cleveland has ever had, and the entertainment given is refined and dependent solely upon the ability of those who take part. Onda is with the organization still, and many novelties and new comedians have been added since last season.

One of the most important members of the organization is John Meem, who will present for the first time here his latest song and dance, "The idea," executed by skilled terpsichorean artists.

The Cleveland quartette is another new acquisition in the vocal contingent. The costuming of the jewelled first part is promised to be more gorgeous than anything yet attempted by Manager Cleveland.

WARDE AT THE THEATRE.

Mr. Frederick Warde, the eminent tragedian, will open an engagement of three nights and a Saturday matinee at the Theatre to-night.

His manager states that Mr. Warde is carrying a large amount of special scenery and costumes for his plays this season, especially for "The Lion's Mouth," the great romantic play by Henry Guy Carleton, which calls for special Venetian scenery and costumes. This piece has created a sensation wherever produced, not only for its picturesque beauty but for the magnificent acting of Mr. Warde. The part fits him like a glove and his supporting company are most admirably suited for their respective *roles*. Mr. Warde will present "The Lion's Mouth" to-night and at the Saturday matinee. On Friday night he will revive his great success, "The Mountebank," and on Saturday night he will present Shakspeare's great tragedy, Richard III. The sale of seats began Monday morning and a most brilliant engagement is assured.

"ALABAMA."

At the Academy on Friday and Saturday evenings and Saturday matinee Mr. A. M. Palmer's Company will present Mr. Augustus Thomas's great American play, "Alabama."

The scene of the comedy is a picturesque part of the State from which its title is borrowed, and the peculiarities of life and personality in that section are said to be faithfully but delicately and appreciatively reproduced. The tone is quiet, and in many ways the play, which comes well endorsed, is a departure from the conventional methods of play-writing. Simplicity and charm and naturalness are said to be the sustaining elements of Mr. Thomas's play, from which so-called dramatic writing and surprising effect have been excluded. He succeeded, at any rate, in astonishing the critics and fascinating the public by seeming to make no effort to do either.

Tickets will be placed on sale this morning at 9 o'clock.

MME. MINNIE HAUK'S OPERA COMPANY.

The short season of the Minnie Hauk Grand Opera Company will be one of the theatrical events of the year. The company comprises over one hundred artists, among them some of the greatest stars of the operatic firmament since the National Opera Company. The great masterworks of Bitch, Verdi, Moscagni, and Gounod will be rendered. The chorus has over forty members and the company has an orchestra of thirty. The sale of seats begins Saturday, and the box-office will be open with a clean sheet. To avoid speculation each purchaser will be limited to six seats.

REAL ESTATE CHANGES HANDS.

Transcript of Deeds Recorded in the Richmond and Henrico Courts.

In the Clerk's office of the Chancery Court yesterday the following deeds of bargain and sale were recorded:

Lawson Brown's trustees to Dr. John Mahoney, 23 1-5 feet on Thirty-first street northwest corner O, $905.

Same to B. F. Turner, 21 feet on west side Thirty-first street near O, $417.

M. T. Brown's trustees to R. T. Jennings, Jr., 16 feet on west side Pine street near Holly, $330.

Frances C. Ellis's to John T. Allen, 18 feet on west side Ninth street, $390.

J. P. Keller's trustee to Charles Keller, 30 feet on east side Cherry street near Cumberland, $1,650.

Same to William V. Keller, 30 feet on Cherry street southeast corner Cumberland, $2,603.

Peter Martin and wife to John P. Martin, 60 feet on Williamsburg avenue near Louisiana street, $1.

J. P. Martin to Ann Martin, the above property, $1.

R. B. Satterwhite and wife to E. C. Barrett, 35 feet on west side Twenty-third street between N and Burton, $884.66.

Charles T. Sims and wife to A. C. Carneal, 15 feet on north side Moore street near Harrison, $375.

B. F. Turner and wife to Isaiah Christian, 21 feet on west city Thirty-first street between O and P, $650.

William A. Walker and wife to R. E. Brown, 35 feet on east side Lester street near Louisiana, $1,670.

HENRICO COUNTY COURT.

Jackson Brandt and William L. Royall and their wives to E. Salomonsky, 293⅝ feet on Cary street, southeast corner West, $2,349.33.

William J. Cussen to Margaret Gogan, 60 feet on Graham street, southwest corner Union, $250.

William E. Eaton and wife to M. W. Gayle, 30⅝ feet on U street, northeast corner Twenty-eighth, $1,000.

Herbert James's trustee to People's Building, Loan and Trust Company, 30 feet on State street, southeast corner Marshall, $425.

THE BRIDE OF AN EDITOR.

Miss Carrie Wingfield Weds City-Editor A. R. Holderby, Jr., of the Times.

A very pretty wedding was celebrated early yesterday afternoon at the country home of the bride's parents near Barton Heights, in which Mr. A. R. Holderby, Jr., city editor of the Richmond *Times*, and Miss Carrie Wingfield were the contracting parties.

The nuptials were conducted by Rev. A. R. Holderby, of Atlanta, father of the groom, and the Episcopal service was followed, the bride being a member of that denomination, though the officiating minister was a Presbyterian.

A small party of friends witnessed the ceremony, Mr. Harvey L. Wilson, of the *Times*, acting as best man and several other newspaper-men being present.

The newly wedded couple were the recipients of many very beautiful presents, and received the earnest congratulations of hosts of admiring friends.

Mr. Holderby and his bride, accompanied by Rev. Mr. Holderby, left the city on the 3 P. M. Richmond and Danville train for Atlanta, where a short season will be spent with the parents of the groom.

They Express Their Gratitude.

The officers of the Colored Young Men's Christian Association write to the DISPATCH:

"The concert given at the True Reformers' Hall November 10th was a grand success for the benefit of the Colored Young Men's Christian Association. The following programme was rendered: Piano solo, Mr. H. L. Rees; vocal duet, Mr. Sullivan and Mr. May; solo, basso, Mr. Willard Sweeny; recitation, Miss Mamie Leahy; solo, soprano, Mrs. Dora Denzler Gilman; solo, tenor, Mr. Moses May; solo, banjo, Mr. J. A. Page; solo, baritone, Mr. Horace F. Smith; solo, soprano, Miss Leahy; solo, baritone, Mr. J. Louis Sullivan; solo, basso, Mr. C. C. Crump; vocal duet, Mr. Smith and Mr. Sullivan.

"We are always encouraged to push on in our work when our friends manifest such kindness. We are very grateful."

A "Hello" Move.

The Telephone Exchange, which has been located in the Hanewinckel building for a number of years, is now being moved across Ninth street into the structure which was but recently purchased by the Messrs. Ebel from the Masonic fraternity.

The exchange occupy all of the upper part except the front office formerly used by Grand-Secretary Isaacs. This will be used by Supreme-Secretary Galeski, of the Progressive Endowment Guild of America. The telephone people expect to be settled by December 1st.

The Hanewinckel building from which they remove it is be renovated at a cost of $15,000, it is said.

Old Dominion Club.

The weekly meeting of the Old Dominion Democratic Club of Jefferson Ward will be held at 8:30 o'clock to-night at their rooms, corner Nineteenth and Main streets.

No one has ever been disappointed in using Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup for a cold.

PYTHIAN REGIMENT.

ALL STATE DIVISIONS TO MEET IN PORTSMOUTH TO ORGANIZE.

Programme Including a Parade, Banquet, and Excursion—Site for a New Jail—Flags at Half-Mast.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

NORFOLK, November 11.—About the middle of December the various uniformed divisions of the Knights of Pythias of Virginia will assemble in Portsmouth for the purpose of forming a regiment. Atlantic Division, of Portsmouth, is the oldest in the State and for that reason the divisions will meet in that city. Preparations for the entertainment of the visiting Knights are on foot and the reunion promises to be very interesting and enjoyable, the programme embracing a grand street parade of the two cities, banquet at night, excursion to Virginia Beach, etc. There are six divisions in Virginia at present.

BANNER COUNCIL.

Ocean Council, Royal Arcanum, of our sister city, is the banner council of the State, being about two years old and on the first meeting-night in December will initiate the two-hundredth member. The event will be duly celebrated with a banquet, at which all the dignitaries will be present.

A fire in the engine-room of the Norfolk Knitting-Mills, in Atlantic-City Ward, damaged that building last night.

DECISION REVERSED.

Judge Bond has reversed the decision of Judge Hughes making the tug Olive Branch liable for $2,800 damages for the loss of two tugs that got adrift in Chesapeake bay.

The City Council of Portsmouth last night ordered the purchase of a $5,000 site for a new jail for the city and county, and appointed a committee to take into consideration and report upon a system of general sewerage for the city.

BELL BUOY.

An experimental bell buoy has been placed abreast of Boush's Bluff in the lower harbor. The buoy is a second-class can painted red.

St. Thomas's church, in Berkley, will be consecrated on St. Thomas's-day next.

In the past two days eleven foreign steamships from southern ports have arrived at Lambert's Point for Pocahontas coal.

WONNYCUTT—DAVIS.

Mr. Frank Kay Wonnycutt, a popular book-keeper in the Norfolk National Bank, and Miss Lillian Davis, youngest daughter of William A. Davis, Esq., of Portsmouth, were wedded at Monumental Methodist Episcopal church last evening by Rev. Dr. W. E. Edwards and left for Toronto, Can.

The colored woman, Maggie Boyd, who was so badly burned in Bull's Court, died of her injuries last night.

Rev. C. L. Jackson, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is here preaching nightly at the Union Christian chapel.

A BRASS BAND.

Berkley is trying to organize a brass band.

The venerable Michael Danahue, storekeeper for the Norfolk and Western railroad and with the line since it was first constructed, is believed to be fatally ill.

Flags were at half-mast on the Bay Line and Seaboard Air Line offices yesterday on account of the death of Mr. Moncure Robinson, father of Colonel John M. Robinson.

PANTOPS VS. RICHMOND COLLEGE.

The Arkansaw Club and Louisiana Tigers—New Railroad Schedule—Personals.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., November 11.—The Pantops Academy foot-ball team will leave here to-morrow for Richmond, where on Friday at 3 P. M. they expect to match themselves against the Richmond College team. The Pantops fellows line up a strong team, and have been doing some very creditable work since their selection.

The students at the University from Arkansas have organized the "Arkansaw Club." The following officers were elected: President, Ashley Cockrill; Vice-President, T. B. Parks; Secretary, George B. Gill; Corresponding Secretary, F. M. Pendleton; Treasurer, John C. Futrall; Assistant Treasurer, W. J. Echols; Historian, R. S. Terry; Poet, Henry Moore, Jr.; Toastmaster, Edward Wingfield.

The Louisiana men at the same institution have organized as the "Louisiana Tigers." The officers elected were: Gus. A. Breaux, Jr., president; J. H. Sutherlin, vice-president; Stuart-Menteth Beard, secretary and treasurer.

AN ORCHESTRA.

An orchestra has also been organized at the University as follows: Violins, Messrs. Jurgens, Lippincott, and Finley; Clarinet, Mr. Reed; Cornets, Messrs. Dart and Leach; Piano, Mr. Levy. Many of the men are experienced musicians.

ATHLETIC NOTES.

Mr. A. A. Stagg, the celebrated Yale athlete, will address the conference of the College Young Men's Christian Association to be held at the University, commencing on the 13th instant, on "Athletics from the Standpoint of a Christian Student."

Mr. J. B. Robertson has been appointed manager of the base-ball team for the season of 1892.

By the new schedule on the Richmond and Danville railroad, which goes into effect on Sunday next, a train will leave here at 8 A. M. for Washington and the North—a decided improvement on the schedule now in use.

Mr. Frank Scott, vice-president of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, accompanied by a number of persons, passed through here over the Richmond and Danville railroad yesterday, staying twenty minutes.

Superintendent T. O. Troy, of the Virginia Midland division of the Richmond and Danville railroad, and an inspecting party, also passed through this city yesterday.

PERSONAL.

Miss Rosalie Slaughter, of Lynchburg, is expected here this week to visit her sister, Mrs. Judge R. T. W. Duke, Jr.

Markham Marshall, of the University, is in Atlanta, Ga., where he went to attend the annual convention of the Chi Phi Fraternity.

Mr. Thomas L. Rosser, Jr., is here on a short visit.

Miss Maggie Kent, who has been visiting relatives in Georgia, also attending the Exposition, has returned to Charlottesville.

Mr. Hugh H. Young, of Texas, has been elected editor-in-chief of *College Topics*, the University weekly. The first issue of the paper under his management shows a marked improvement.

Dr. Cass, of Hamilton, O., died this morning at 5 o'clock at the residence of Mr. S. Geiger's. The remains will be sent to Hamilton for burial.

Mr. William Carr is visiting at Judge Robertson's.

Miss Mary Bowcock is visiting Miss Lettie Robertson.

Miss Robertson expects to go to Louisville on a visit Monday.

Misses Grace and Lucille Clark went to Richmond to-day.

Misses Ella and Willie Woodson are visiting at Mrs. W. W. Norvell's.

The Rev. J. D. Dillard and family, of Luray, are visiting Mr. Dillard's father, in this county.

Miss Annie Mallory, of Shendun, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Lud. Payne, in this city.

Miss Blanche Faris, of Washington, D. C., after a plessant visit to Mrs. H. C. Chaplin, has returned home.

Mr. Charles B. Harris has returned to his home in this county from a visit in Bedford.

Mr. R. T. Allison is in Spotsylvania, visiting his mother.

Mr. Hamilton Graves, who has been studying law in the office of Messrs. Blakey & Blakey in this city, has hung out his shingle in Roanoke, where his friends predict he will succeed.

The Rev. A. B. Warwick will preach in the Methodist church Sunday in the absence of the pastor at Conference.

The Rev. J. B. Turpin and Mrs. Turpin, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Bailey, and Messrs. J. J. Gleason and Ed. Hoffman are in Norfolk attending the Baptist General Convention.

It is said on the streets that a duel was contemplated by two citizens of this place yesterday, but it will hardly take place.

A Schooner in Distress.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

NORFOLK, VA., November 11.—The two-masted schooner Mary E. Lynch, Captain Merry, from New York to Galveston, with general cargo, is here in distress, having been picked up off the capes with her fore and main topmast and foremast head gone and rudder carried away. She encountered a storm off Body Island yesterday.

Store-House and Granary Burned.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

WARSAW, VA., November 11.—The store-house and granary of S. M. Thomas at Lancaster Courthouse was destroyed by fire at an early hour this morning, with the entire