

THE CITY'S JOY

ENTHUSIAST OVER THE LEASE OF THE R. & N. R. BY THE N. A. W. R. R.

Probable Changes, New Schedules, and Connections to Be Made—Four Persons Charged with Murder at Henderson.

(Special telegraph to the Dispatch.)

WINSTON, N. C., February 27.—The news of the lease of the Roanoke and Southern Railway by the Norfolk and Western, which was effected at a stockholders' meeting in Roanoke today, was received here with great joy, and it is understood that the road will be pushed South at an early date. The Roanoke and Southern was virtually owned by Winston-Salem capitalists, and the transfer to such large and wealthy corporations means much for the city and State.

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INHUMAN DREDGERS.

A STORY OF CRUELTY, FOLLOWED BY HEROISM, FROM ACCOMAC.

Deserted and Starving Men Rescued from a Perilous Position by a Brave Companion—Copying Colonial Records.

(Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.)

OSANOCK, February 26.—During the last two months the captains of dredging boats in the Chesapeake Bay, especially those coming from Tangier Island, have been discharging their crews. In some instances the dredgers are put ashore without any money and are thus forced to beg for food and money to pay their way back home. This has been the case with several crews that have been put ashore this season near this place. A case has recently come to light in which the poor dredgers were not only denied their wages but were treated in a most inhuman manner. Some six or seven of these unfortunate men had been forced to work during the winter months in the early part of February till the captain of the boat became ill and had to be carried home. An incident, which was not only denied their wages but were treated in a most inhuman manner. Some six or seven of these unfortunate men had been forced to work during the winter months in the early part of February till the captain of the boat became ill and had to be carried home.

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CRISP AND RUSSELL.

TWO DEMOCRATIC STATESMEN VISIT OLD POINT COMFORT.

An Educational Problem at Fort Monroe—Naval Vessels Detained in the Roads—Social and Personal Notes.

(Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.)

CRISP AND RUSSELL, February 27.—The two Democratic Statesmen, Crisp and Russell, arrived here on Tuesday evening in another indication that the Democratic party made no mistake when they placed this able and conscientious gentleman in the chair. Had he consulted his own wishes or those of his best friends, he would have remained here at least a week or ten days longer, but it seemed to him that his presence longer, required in Washington, and he lost no time in returning to his post of duty. That a sterling young Democrat, Governor William E. Russell, of Massachusetts, arrived here on Tuesday morning, accompanied by Mr. Russell.

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WELCOMED BY A NOR'EASTER.

The President at Virginia Beach Plans a Boating Trip.

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, Va., February 27.—The day at Virginia Beach has been a stormy one, the nor'easter still holding its own. For the most part the President has declined to go on his boating trip, in company with Mrs. Dimmock, but took a dinner break for half an hour. Just before dinner he was visited by President Woodard, Judge Fort and other members of the Island Hunting Club, and with them he made arrangements for a duck-trip, to be made on Monday and Tuesday morning. If the report should be confirmed, the President's boating trip will be postponed until Saturday. While the President is gone, the other members of his party may make a visit to the navy yard at Portsmouth. Tomorrow will be a quiet day at the beach, where Mr. Crittenden has made every arrangement for the perfect, home-like convenience of his guests.

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THE RICHMOND DISPATCH

SCHOONER ASHORE AT GULL SHOALS.

Den and Baby McKee at the Beach—Programme for the Party.

(Special telegram to the Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, Va., February 27.—The three-masted schooner Freddie Henniken, Captain John A. Mills, which has been anchored off Lynnhaven Bay in distress for several days and was blown out to sea last night, went ashore at Gull Shoal Saving Station, and will be a total loss, as the Merritt Wrecking Company was unable to assist on account of the bad weather. Her rudder gear was broken. The captain and crew were saved. The schooner was blown from New York to James river for wood. The schooner Foaming Sea has been towed on the Berkeley Wrecking Company on Willoughby shoals. She is loaded with stone from Washington to Old Point.

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