DRAWING TO A CLOSE

RICHMONDERS SPEND SATURDAY BY THE SEASHORE.

The Westmoreland and Commonwealth Party Numbered 800—Incidents of the Trip—Personal Mention.

Richmond people were as much at home at Old Point yesterday as they ever were in this old city by the pleasant James. This was due to the fact that about 4,000 of them had congregated at this popular seaside resort for the purpose of seeing the great battle-ships at anchor in Hampton Roads.

Although the day opened rather threatenirgly and it was feared that much of the anticipated enjoyment would be spoiled, the merry frolickers were not daunted, but flocked to the seashore in great numbers. By noon the few clouds that had caused apprehension to many hearts had drifted away and the skies were of that clear blue of which the poets write.

WESTMORELAND AND COMMONWEALTH.

As early as 9 o'clock those who expected to go on the special train with the Westmoreland and Commonwealth clubs began to assemble at the Chesapeake and Ohio Depot, and precisely at 10:05 A. M. the first section of this train, consisting of six heavily-loaded cars, pulled out for Old Point. Its departure was marked by vociferous cheering on the part of both the passengers and those at the station. The engine drawing this train was beautifully draped and decorated with bunting, national flags, &c., the drivers, six in number, being entwined with the colors of the two organizations. On one side of the tender was the word "Commonwealth" in big letters, while the other side bore "Westmoreland" as its insignia. The locomotive was a very large and powerful one, built by the Richmond Locomotive-Works for the Chesapeake and Ohio.

This train was unable to accommodate the immense party of the clubs and another section followed closely behind it.

The cars constituting these trains were of the new vestibule order and run as smoothly as though they were gliding over a glass floor. They were comfortably filled but not crowded, thereby making the trip the more pleasant.

ON BOARD THE LOUISE.

The ride to Newport News was devoid of any special feature or incident. Only the music of merry maidens' voices and the laughter and chatter of gay parties of gentlemen broke the monotonous humming of the cars. At Newport News the club folk took the steamer Louise and went to the Point by water, taking a jaunt through the men-of-war and landing at the wharf in front of the Hygeia at 2:30 o'clock. The party was cheered by the crews of many of the battle-ships, and these salutations were received with tremendous enthusiasm and handkerchief-waving.

The lunch on board the Louise was a feature of the trip. Almost every one carried a small basket or satchel filled with good things to eat, and these were enjoyed in a right informal way upon the forward- and quarter-decks of the boat.

After the arrival at Old Point Mr. John D. Potts, division passenger agent of the Chesapeake and Ohio, obtained permission for the clubs and their friends to go through the Hygeia, which privilege had been denied the ordinary visitors, owing to the enormous crowds that have been attending the rendezvous.

A FASHIONABLE DELEGATION.

A great many of the clubs' party returned to Richmond on the 4 and 7 o'clock trains, but the larger part remained until 10:20 P. M. and came back on the first section, which reached here this morning at 12:45 o'clock. As the Westmoreland and Commonwealth only carried their lady and gentlemen friends their delegation consisted of the *elite* of Richmond.

There were fully as many members of the fair sex along as there were men, and if anything, the gentle creatures enjoyed the day more than the men.

SOME OF THOSE WHO WENT.

In the club's party were Colonel Charles T. O'Ferrall (who joined the visitors at Newport News), Dr. Edward McGuire, Judge and Mrs. E. C. Minor, Mr. Arthur Seddon and son, Major Jed Hotch kiss of Staunton, Mr. Rufus Yarborough, Miss Lillian Yarborough, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Cameron, Dr. Charles Shields and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Cadot, Miss Lina Mayo, Captain and Mrs. John A. Coke, Mr. Byrd E. Warwick, Mrs. James Blair, Miss Jane Blair, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bohmer, Mrs. Lewis H. Blair and children, Major Otway S. Allen and wife, Otway Warwick, Mr. Clayton Letebre and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. Taylor Ellyson, Mrs. H. Theodore Ellyson, Miss May Ellyson, Miss Bettie Faris, Mr. A. Ruggies Nelson, Mr. J. Randolph Tucker, Jr., Captain Edgerton S. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. George B. McAdams, Mr. L. M. Williams, Mr. John Skelton Williams, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Lightfoot, Mrs. Beverly T. Crump, Miss Annie Crump, Colonel and Mrs. C. O'B. Cowardin, Mrs. Thomas Leary, Mr. and Mrs. James D. Crump, Mr. and Mrs. James T. Gray, Miss Annie Gray, Miss Mary May Howard, Mr. James M. Valentine, Mr. M. L. Akers, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Beveridge, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Beveridge, Miss Edith Beveridge, Mrs. George Stacy, Mrs. Benjamin Stacy, Mr. S. S. P. Patteson, Mr. F. D. Williams, Mr. John R. Olcott, Mr. R. W. Powers, wife, and daughter, Captain Cunningham Hall, Mr. D Harvey Savage, Miss Bessie Pace, Mr. A. Judson Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Catlin, Dr. Joseph A. White, Mr. J. Lud. Hill, Mr. R. C. Morton and wife, Mr. John Pickerell, Mr. Spotswood Crenshaw, Mr. J. H. Barton and wife, Mr. John D. Potts, Mr. Allen Potts, Egbert G. Leigh, Colonel William F. Wickham, Major James W. Allison, Mr. John Allison and wife, Mr. John W. Harris and wife, Mr. L. P. Rout, Mr. W. D. Blair, Mr. S. H. Pulliam and wife, Mr. W. P. De Saussure and wife, Misses Adele and Louise Williams, J. Penn Morris, Mr. E. O. McCabe, Mr. Richard Jeffries, Mr. George Reed, Captain H. F. Wickham, Colonel Meade Haskins, Miss Lulie Lyons, Miss Sallie Talbott, Mr. George Bidgood, Miss Annis Howard, Mr. B. B. Munford, Miss Lizzie Lyons, Miss Lilly Casey, Mr. Tony Thierman, Miss Mary Branch, Miss Lou Adkins, Miss Lizzie Mayo, Miss Carrie Talbott, Mr. William H. Grant, Captain Harry Lee Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Munford, Mr. A. G. Briggs, Mr. John M. Price, Mr. A. Bierne Blair, Mrs. Louise J. Cardoza, Mr. and Mrs. James O. Welch, Mr. Junius B. Mosby, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Smith, Mr. Louis A. Cardozo, Master Randolph Cardoza, Miss Eva De Treville, Mr. Blair Bolling, Mr. John Mallory, Mr. and Mrs. Levin Joynes, Mrs. Hunter McGuire, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. D. Myers, Jr., Mr. T. O. Barbour, Mr. P. H. C. Cabell, Mr. H. L. Cabell, Mr. James R. V. Daniel, Mr. and Mrs. Douglass Wherry, Miss Mary E. Smith, Miss Blanche Smith, Miss Tennant of Petersburg, Mr. John Dunlop, Mr. Clarence Werner, Mr. Archer Anderson, Jr., Mr. Joseph Bryan and children, Miss Norma Stuart, Miss Bertha Randolph, Mr. William R. Trigg, Masters St. George T. Bryan and Robert Madison Scott, Master William Robertson Trigg, Jr., Mr. Robert Stegar, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Potts, Mr. John Armstrong Chanler of New York, Dr. Thomas J. Moore, Dr. Green, Mr. Frank Davenport, Mr. John W. Atkinson, Dr. M. D. Hoge, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Mann S. Quarles, Miss Mary Quarles, Miss Louise Quarles, Miss Marie Louise Quarles, Miss Helen Quarles, Miss Isabel Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Hill, Miss Lelia Hill, Miss Bessie Hill, Miss Wayte of Christiansburg, Mr. E. G. Higginbotham, Miss Jennie Cooke of Taylorsville, Mr. E. Brooke Smith, Mr. P. St. George Cooke, Colonel William E. Tanner, Mr. L. C. Younger and wife, Messrs. Albert, Walter, and Edwin Tanner, Mr. James D. Crump, wife, and son, Mrs. John Tyler, Mrs. Lyle Tyler, Mrs. Thomas M. Hewitt, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick S. Valentine, Mrs. Charles H. Skinker, Mr. Joseph M. Fourqurean and wife, Mr. John S. Ellett and wife, Mr. J. J. Montague and son, Mr. and Mrs H. A. Claiborne, Mr. Fairley Cooke, Mr. H. A. McCreary, Mr. E. C. Mayo, Mr. E. R. Archer, Mr. T. William Pemberton and wife, Mr. Charles H. Read, Jr., Mr. A. J. Bankerd, Mr. John K. Branch and wife, Colonel C. P. E. Burgwyn, Mr. E. F. C. Davis, Captain W. Fred. Pleasants, Dr. Isaiah White, Miss Maude Stokes, Miss Rhea Watkins, Mr. James Stringfellow, Mr. Charles Williams of Petersburg, Miss Myers, Mr. S. W. Tompkins, Miss Nellie Tompkins of Scottsville, Miss Mary Mason Anderson, Miss Kathleen Anderson, Mr. F. T. Anderson, Miss Mary Beverly Armstead, Miss Emma Barksdale, Miss Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Gilliam, Mr. W. W. Archer, Miss Rosalie Pleasants, Mrs. B. L. Purcell, Miss Jennie Pleasants, Mrs. W. G. Waller, Mrs. Nora Leary, Mr. and Mrs. W. Brydon Tennant, Judge Ingram, Miss Mary Yancey, Mr. and Mrs. George Wayne Anderson, Miss Sallie Wellford, Misses Lena and Lily Logan and Miss Fergusson, Mr. P. Cham. Pleasants, Mr. Richard Gwathney, Mr. Preston Noland, Mr. A. Cameron, Jr., Rev. Hartley Carmichael, Dr. Thomas Nelson Page, Mr. C. S. Reinhardt (the well-known artist for *Harper's* and other popular magazines), Mr. W. L. Sheppard, Henry G. Cannon, wife, and party, Mr. Charles E. Wingo and wife, Mr. Edward Y. Cannon and wife, Miss Pearl Gordon, Mr. Jackson Guy, Mr. Preston Cocke, Mr. Wyndham R. Meredith, Mr. John S. Ellett, Dr. Phil. Taylor, Mr. Frank W. Christian, Mr. Louis Frayser, Mr. Robert Archer, Dr. Whitfield, Commander Pigman, of the United States monitors, wife and children, Mr. Charles Watkins, Charles U. Williams, Mr. B. Rand. Wellford, Jr., Mr. J. J. Silvey, Mr. Thomas N. Carter, Mr. Frank T. Crump, Mr. J. V. L. Clapp, Mr. Robert S. Bosher, Mr. H. R. Wayt, Dr. Stuart McGuire, Mr. W. D. Chesterman, Mr. Leonard Noel, Captain Baylor, and many others.

MUSIC BY THE GREAT WESTERN.

The Great Western Band, of Baltimore, under the leadership of Professor Sauerwald, furnished music during the ride on the Louise from Newport News to Old Point.

Many Richmond people were to be observed in the office of the Hygeia. Among them were Colonel Tazwell Ellett, Major John Poe, Mr. Charles Bolling, and Mr. R. H. Boykin.

WILL ACCOMPANY THE FLEET TO NEW YORK.

The following Richmond young gentlemen arrived in Norfolk yesterday: Joseph Stumpf, Robert W. Thon, Richard Stevenson, James Lichtenstein, Cliff Hughes, Charles Thomas, Shelton Collins, William Eastwood, Lee Henry, John M. Taylor, Thomas Wesley, Marion Nelson, and William Collins.

These gentlemen, with some Norfolk friends, have chartered the steam yacht Oleanda and will sail with the rendezvous fleet for New York Monday morning, where they go to witness the naval review in New York harbor.

RECEIVERS FOR CONQUEST & CO.

Special Partners File a Bill Alleging the Concern to Be Insolvent.

Messrs. Beverly T. Crump and James A. Moncure were yesterday appointed receivers for the firm of P. L. Conquest & Co., dealers in railroad ties.

This action was taken by Judge Lamb, of the Chancery Court, upon the petitition of Messrs. James W. Allison and E. R. Addison, whose bill set forth the fact that the concern was insolvent and prayed that receivers be appointed to take an inventory and settle up the affairs of the concern.

Messrs. Allison and Addison are special partners in the firm of Conquest & Co., whose general partners are Messrs. H. A. Tabb, P. L. Conquest, and O. H. Perry. This partnership was formed in January, 1889, with a capital of $35,000, of which the special partners put in $25,000. The firm has done an immense business and now has large quantities of ties and timber-land at different points throughout this and other States. While no examination of the accounts has been made it is believed that the liabilities will aggregate about $150,000, and that the assets, if disposed of advantageously, will realize an amount in excess of the indebtedness.

There was no opposition to the appointment of the receivers, who will commence at once to make their inventory.

Messrs. Cardwell & Cardwell are counsel for the plaintiffs.

NEED FOR SALE OF BONDS.

The Grain and Cotton Exchange Postpones Action—The Situation.

The petition of the bankers and business-men of Richmond to President Cleveland for a sale of bonds in order to the restoration of confidence in the government's ability to maintain gold payments and the Tobacco Trade's endorsement of the petition, which was published exclusively in the DISPATCH yesterday morning, were much talked of during the day.

The Board of Directors of the Grain and Cotton Exchange, according to the DISPATCH's announcement, held a meeting to consider the subject, the president, Mr. N. R. Savage, in the chair. Mr. Savage stated the objects of the meeting and the secretary, Captain B. A. Jacobs, read the resolution passed by the Tobacco Trade. On motion of Mr. Simpson, however, the whole subject was referred to a general meeting of the exchange, which is called for April 24th at 11:30 A. M.

A prominent banker said yesterday that the DISPATCH had presented the situation exactly. The question was simply one of confidence. The government could take care of itself, and the way to do it was to sell bonds. He also called attention to the fact that eight years ago a Republican Administration put the incoming Democratic Administration into a hole similar to the present one, and the banks came to the rescue by lending the government $20,000,000 in gold.

The University Alumni Banquet.

The banquet of the Richmond Chapter of the Alumni of the University of Virginia, to be held at half-past 7 o'clock Friday evening, the 28th instant, at the Masonic Temple, promises to be a yet more brilliant and enjoyable affair than that of last year. The Commonwealth Club, whose hospitality the society enjoyed last year, would doubtless have again permitted the use of their sumptuous banquetting-hall, but as those in charge expect to have a much larger assembly than when on the 13th of last May some hundred or so gentlemen gathered in the club's dining-room, it was decided to hold this year's banquet at the Temple, on Broad street. Some two hundred and fifty alumni have been invited besides the Board of Visitors of the University, its faculty, and several distinguished speakers. If the committee have failed to reach by invitation any alumnus he can secure his seat at the banquet by calling on Captain George Wayne Anderson, the treasurer, and all those who have not yet subscribed and secured their tickets must do so before next Tuesday morning at 12 o'clock, when the list will be closed.

The Richmond Blue-Book.

The "Richmond Elite Directory," or Blue-Book, has just been issued by the J. L. Hill Publishing Company. It is a handsomely-bound, beautifully-printed volume of 291 pages, and is the first publication of its character ever gotten out in Richmond. The directory contains a list of the addresses of several thousand well-to-do people, the names of the officers and members of the several social, german, and other pleasure clubs, rules of etiquette, reception-days of a number of families, diagrams of the seats in the Mozart and the Theatre, the names of the members of the city press, and other useful information. The space devoted to etiquette is divided into chapters on "Acceptance and Regrets," "Ball-Room," "Bills a Groom Should Pay," "Bride and Groom Dining," "Manners and Usage," "Stationery," "Visits," etc. The publishers in their modest introductory note say that while the book doubtless contains many omissions it has been compiled with great care and is not intended to be a mere society guide.

Property Transfers.

Richmond: James W. Allison, Edmund B. Allison and their wives to Mary M. Duke's trustee, 14 feet on south side Grove avenue near Plum street, $3,740; P. P. Carter to Harriet Sims, 25 feet on Federal street between Lowndes and Balding, $5; Thomas Cox and wife to J. R. Bowen, 26 feet on west side Seventeenth street between Carrington and Jay, $800; B. H. Nash, commissioner to Simeon A. Hazelgrove, 30 feet on east side Seventh street near Baker, $1,800; George Savage and wife to Henry Holms, one half interest in 92 5-6 feet on west side Sixth street, 37½ feet on Tow-path, 57 7-12 feet on same, 102¾ feet on west side Sixth street near Byrd, and in business, stock, fixtures, &c., of concern of Savage & Holms, $16,000; George W. Smoot and wife to Bettie R. Johnson, 6 feet on Fulton street near Lewis, $35.

Henrico: Charles K. Willis and wife to E. C. Rudd's trustee, 90 feet on north side Kensington street, $720.

Mabel Paige's Repertoire Company.

The regular season at the Theatre closed last night with the second presentation of "Puritania" by the Pauline Hall Opera Company. Miss Hall scored a splendid success in her engagement here. Her company is one of the best heard here in many years, and the audiences were large, considering the number of Richmond people out of the city every night attending the rendezvous.

Commencing Monday night the Mabel Paige Comedy Company will play an engagement of one week at popular prices—10, 20, and 30 cents. There will be an entire change of bill each evening. The bill for Monday night is "Little Lord Fauntleroy," and in that character she has made a great success. She is said to be supported by a good company, and a good week's business may be expected.

Civil-Service Examinations.

In answer to a query from a correspondent the DISPATCH would state that there will be no civil-service examination in May. There will be an examination in August of applicants for positions as letter-carriers and clerks in the post-office and later one of applicants for positions in the railway mail service. All these examinations take place at the custom-house.

Sermons on Woman.

Rev. Dr. H. E. Johnson will preach the first of a series of four sermons on woman to-night at Fairmount Methodist church. The following will be his subjects:

April 23d—"Woman and the Home."
April 30th—"Woman and the Church."
May 7th—"Woman and Society."
May 14th—"Woman and Her Foes."

Chancery Court.

Judge Lamb, of the Chancery Court, gave notice to the bar on yesterday that the present term of that court would adjourn on or about Thursday, May 18th, and that no contested cases would be received after Saturday, May 6th. The next term will commence on the first Monday in June, being the 5th day of that month.

A VERY BUSY WEEK.

THE LADIES OF THE BAZAAR HAVE MET WITH GREAT SUCCESS.

The Fair Still Continues to Be Popular—Many Donations Coming In—Other Notes.

The past week has been one of great success with the ladies of the Memorial Bazaar, and the good women engaged in the great enterprise have every reason to feel proud of their work.

The entertainment, "Darkydom," given last night under the direction of Mr. Polk Miller, was attended by a large crowd, who enjoyed the performance immensely. This programme, which consisted of dialect songs, etc., was well rendered by the following gentlemen: Messrs. Polk and Tony Miller, E. D. Hotchkiss, Henry T. Francisco, Eugene Davis, James Miller, Walter A. Watkins, Harry Jeter, Ben Brockenbrough, Clint Burton, and the Ideal Mandolin Club.

In the afternoon the cantata "A Trip to Europe" was rendered before a large audience.

The following are the Howitzers who assisted the ladies of the South Carolina table last night: Corporal W. M. Myers; Sergeant Benjamin Brockenbrough; Privates H. P. Page, A. L. Richardson, G. B. Sharp, A. G. Wortham, J. B. Poindexter, and J. E. Etchison.

THE DIXIE GLEE CLUB TO PERFORM MONDAY.

The Dixie Glee Club will give a musical performance to-morrow night, and the following is the programme for the occasion: Mandolins—First, Miss Julia Lee; first, Miss Bessie Catlin; second, Miss Nina Randolph. Guitars—Misses Adelaide Watkins and Mamie Gilliam. Banjo—Miss Elizabeth Watkins. Vocal Sextette—Messrs. Harrison, Brockenbrough, Poindexter, Jeter, Parsons, and Meade.

1. Waltzes, Dixie Glee Club.
2. "Blacksmith on the Anvil," vocal sextette.
3. "Cricket on the Hearth," "My Sweetheart's the Man in the Moon," and Stella waltz.
4. Selected, vocal sextette.
5. Glee-Club Medley, Dixie Club.

The performers who have heretofore taken part in the entertainments at the bazaar have been greatly annoyed by the boys who attend the shows, and it is specially requested that this difficulty be avoided when the Glee Club make its appearance.

The Virginia Committee has received many generous contributions from every section of Virginia, as well as from other States. It would give it great pleasure to acknowledge them separately, but the donations are so numerous that it would be impossible to do so. It therefore expresses its thanks to all others who have not been heretofore mentioned for their kindness in aiding in this great work.

Mrs. R. W. Powers, of the Virginia tent, has received through Miss Lucy Day, of Smithfield, the sum of $15 and a box of fancy articles, while Mrs. H. C. Wilkins has obtained through Miss Nina Wilcox, of Charles City county, $33.25 and a box of fancy work.

Mrs. Eugene Peyton, of Staunton, sent $2 and a package of fancy articles in memory of William Woodward, who was killed at the first battle of Manassas.

MANY USEFUL ARTICLES FOR SALE.

Among the articles for sale at the Virginia tent are a lot of pottery made in the shape of money-boxes, hanging-baskets and jardinieres manufactured from the clay of the Chesterfield battlefields, lamps, tables, centre-pieces, and infants' sacks and dresses.

There is a lively contest at this booth for the handsome silk flag, which several of the military organizations are endeavoring to procure.

Rev. John Johnson, of Charleston, has donated to the South Carolina tent three copies of his incomparable history of "The Defence of Charleston Harbor." These are $4 each. Colonel H. D. Capers has also sent a handsome copy of his work, "Life and Times of Memminger." At this tent, also, is a collection of beautiful poems entitled "Memorial Flowers," compiled expressly for this occasion by Mr. James G. Holmes, the successful Charleston chairman of the General Committee for the South Carolina tent. A box has come to the ladies from a friend in Germany, and one more from Chester, S. C., sent by Mrs. Stringfellow and Mrs. Jones, of that place.

FORT SUMTER.

The *News and Courier*, of Charleston, in a recent issue publishes the following:

The public spirit and facile pen of Mrs. Elise Rhett Lewis have enriched the South Carolina table of the bazaar with an artistic brochure entitled "Fort Sumter, the Key of Charleston Harbor: In Memory of Its Heroes." It is a pamphlet of sixteen pages, with the Confederate flag in colors on the cover, and with excellent lithographs of General Beauregard, and of "Fort Sumter, 1863; After First Great Bombardment." The subdivisions are: "Fort Sumter Before and During the War"; "Battle of the 7th April, 1863"; "Sumter Supports Morris Island"; "The First Great Bombardment"; "The Second Great Bombardment"; "The Third Great Bombardment"; "A *Resume*," and "After the War."

The style is spirited and elegant, as might have been expected, and the summary of historical facts and of personal reminiscence cannot fail to attract many purchasers. It is to be sold at 25 cents a copy.

The "Palmetto State" tent is still crowded with beautiful articles, and among the things for sale in the stock are many handsome and interesting books.

The Kentucky committee has received a number of valuable donations, which were sent from Middleboro', Ky., by Mrs. Mat. Walton. Among the gifts are a beautiful silver-mounted stalactite, an imported Japanese screen, and a fine slumber robe that will be voted away. The delicious oil mango pickle put up in 1862 is among the choicest of the articles of this booth.

The large cow at the South Carolina table was won by Mr. Julian Anderson, who guessed its age as 35 years.

GOSSIP AT THE FAIR.

The handsome Dresden vase at the Arkansas tent will be guessed off this week at 10 cents a line. A box received from Fayetteville, Ark., yesterday contained many beautiful contributions, which are now on sale.

The organ which is being voted for the Old Ladies' Home of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches is an elegant instrument and was donated through Mrs. H. G. Hollenberg, of Little Rock, Ark., by the Hollenberg Music Company.

On Wednesday there will be a matinee entertainment for the benefit of the North Carolina table.

Mrs. Kate Newton Christian has received a check for $26, which was sent by Messrs. George B. Sydnor, J. A. Brown, and others in memory of her father, Captain W. B. Newton, the gallant commandant of old Company G (Hanover Troop), who was killed while leading his followers, sword in hand, into the midst of a desperate charge.

The Alabama tent is in receipt of a check for $30 from Eufaula, Ala.

Mrs. A. G. Wortham was the successful guesser on the yellow lamp-shade. The oil-stove and heater are now being competed for. The lists for the doll Ruth Cleveland will be taken in Wednesday, and the beautiful "baby" will go to the child who has made the most words of the letters in its name.

The gold *souvenir* spoon presented by Miss Lucy Lee Hill will be voted to the most popular young lady at the various tents of the bazaar. The following are the contestants for the coveted article: Misses Annis Howard, Alabama; Fanny McGuire, Kentucky; Nellie Rogers, South Carolina; Nina Randolph, Tennessee; Louise Brander, Arkansas; Mabel Vaughan, Missouri; Zoe Stansberry, Mississippi; Lillie Cayce, North Carolina; Mary Cox, Louisiana; Marion Robins, Florida; Adele Richardson, Georgia; Bessie Minor, Virginia; Nene Myers, Texas; Katharin McIntyre, Maryland; Daisy Wilson, solid South, and Annie Ball, restaurant.

The pretty girls who grace the Solid-South booth with their presence have already sold over 700 of the *souvenir* badges which they handle, and what is more they have met with remarkable success in disposing of the other articles at their tent.

Huyler, the famous confectioner, has donated twenty-five boxes of his celebrated candy to the Louisiana committee. The ladies have also received a check for $25 from Messrs. Hawk & Weatherby, proprietors of the Windsor Hotel, New York.

Death of Mr. A. R. Peacock.

Mr. Archer R. Peacock died at his residence, No. 1110 Capitol street, last evening. Deceased was in the 41st year of his age and leaves a wife but no children. The cause of his death was paralysis, with which he was stricken some weeks ago while at work at his desk in the office of Messrs. J. Thompson Brown & Co., by whom he was employed as book-keeper. He was highly regarded by his employers. Mr. Peacock was a native of England and a very quiet, unobtrusive gentleman. The funeral will take place from St. Peter's Cathedral Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Marriage in Hanover.

Mr. Robert Lee Thomasson and Miss Maude L. Bowen were married last Tuesday at Western View, in Hanover county, the home of the bride. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. R. Wilkinson in the presence of a large crowd of friends of the happy young couple. The ushers were Messrs. J. Voss, R. Thomasson, W. Nash, B. Tyler, V. Thomasson, and Higgerson. The bridesmaids were Misses Imogene Smith, Nannie Anos, Florence Trevilian, and Irene Bowen.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Thomasson left for the home of the groom, where an elegant supper was served, and dancing and other amusements were kept up until quite a late hour. Among the invited guests were two of the bride's most intimate friends, Mrs. Charles Luck and Mrs. A. R. Miller, of Richmond. The bride, the accomplished daughter of Mr. James Bowen, was attired in a tan costume trimmed with brown, and wore hat and gloves to match. She is a young lady of great popularity and is possessed of a most lovable disposition. The presents were numerous and beautiful.

CARLYLE HARRIS'S CASE.

Richmond People Petition for Executive Clemency.

A petition has been circulated in Richmond and signed by a number of citizens, praying Governor Flower, of New York, to exercise executive clemency in the case of Carlyle Harris, who was convicted of wife-murder and sentenced to death.

The petitions say that while they have sympathy for Harris's victim and her family, the condemned man was found guilty on circumstantial evidence, and they believe "it is far better that ninety and nine guilty persons should go free than that one who is innocent should die."

From the Armory.

The past week has been quite a "gala" one with the soldier boys of the First Virginia Regiment.

Tuesday night the infantrymen assembled at the Armory and marched out on Broad street, where they had a drill according to the new tactics under command of Colonel Jones.

Thursday morning the regiment again assembled to embark for Old Point to witness the naval rendezvous. Although it rained the 300 lads who took the trip will never regret getting a little wet, for they had one of the most pleasant excursions ever made by the organization.

The men at the Fort gave the Richmonders to understand that nothing was too good for them, and if they didn't see what they wanted to ask for it. Acting Hospital-Stewards Mackie and Schloe were especially active in entertaining the Hospital Corps and gave them many tips which will help the boys not a little this winter when they commence drilling the litter drills again.

Captain Emmett A. Shepherd and Sergeant Hugh L. Cardozo, of the regiment, did not go down on the train with the regiment. They were attending to the financial part of the trip and got left, but followed the party on the next section.

Sergeant-Major "Dick" Hickok met several old army chums at the Fort and the "wars" were fought again by the genial Richmonder and his former comrades in arms.

The Mozart Musicale.

The *musicale* to-morrow night will be one of unusual interest, owing to the fact that all participants are local amateurs who have not heretofore appeared before a Mozart audience.

The programme consists of vocal and instrumental numbers, comprising solo, quartette, and chorus singing and a sextette of mandolins and guitars. These will be the numbers:

1. Overture, selected.....Instrumental Sextette
2. Chorus, "Who Knows What the Bells Say?".....Gounod
3. Quartette, "Last Night".....Nicolai
4. Sextette, "The Mill in the Forest"...Eilenburg
5. Soprano solo, "Thou Art Mine All"...Bradsky
6. Quartette, "Love's Old Sweet song"....Molloy
7. Sextette, "Mandolin Parrot".....Dellarpert
8. Soprano solo, "Golden Pearls".....Thome
9. Chorus, "Amen".....From Ruth

Among the Oarsmen.

There are three boat clubs in Richmond and they are getting in practice for the summer's work and pleasure. The boys of the Virginia Club are using their new boats almost every day, and while the College Club have not begun practice upon the water they are exercising in the college gymnasium and are in fine condition for active work.

The Young Men's Christian Association club will have its formal spring opening next Tuesday night, when the Ladies' Auxiliary will tender them a reception and Judge Lamb will talk on "The Model Oarsman." The club have their boats in the college-club house and after Tuesday will exercise regularly upon the waters of the James.

Mr. Clowes Improving.

Mr. E. H. Clowes, who was seriously injured near Newport News Friday night by a fall from the platform of a moving train on which he was a passenger, is now greatly improved. His wounds are very painful and he will be confined to his room for some time, but his recovery is certain. Mr. Clowes at the time of the accident was returning from Old Point by the Chesapeake and Ohio railway. Upon his arrival in Richmond after the unfortunate occurrence he was taken to the Retreat for the Sick, and he is still at this institution.

An Adjustment Probable.

It is considered more than probable that Mr. Royall's suit against the British bondholders will be speedily adjusted in Mr. Royall's favor. Mr. Royall, it will be remembered, sued for $250,000, and obtained an injunction from the Chancery Court of this city restraining the Planters' Bank, the Richmond depository of the Olcott Committee, from making delivery of the old securities to the Commonwealth. This injunction was, however, dissolved upon the New York Central Trust Company's giving an indemnifying bond.

Sent to the Reformatory.

Dorsey W. Crowder, a youth of this city, who was recently sent to jail for three months for housebreaking, was yesterday pardoned by the Governor on condition that he be sent to the reformatory at Laurel. He was taken out to the latter institution by Sergeant Tomlinson.

"The Gates Ajar."

The beautiful cantata "The Gates Ajar" will be given by the West-End Stars at Pine-Street Baptist church on Thursday night. The entertainment will be for the benefit of the Sunday school and under the direction of Professors E. Cocker and H. L. Rees, Jr.

Governor McKinney Sick.

Governor McKinney is confined to the house by an attack of mumps. He contracted the disease from his little daughter Frankie.

PENNSYLVANIA STEEL COMPANY.

Its Failure Has Depressed the Iron and Steel Trade Generally.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.]

PHILADELPHIA, PA., April 22.—The failure of the Pennsylvania Steel Company has depressed the iron and steel trade, and it is the belief in financial circles that the embarrassment is but the forerunner of lesserf ailures in the same line. The stock of the Pennsylvania Steel Company, which was yesterday offered at 100, with no bid, was to-day offered at 80, with 50 bid. None, however, was sold. At the offices of the company in this city to-day nothing could be learned beyond the fact that a statement of the assets, liabilities, etc., is being prepared, and will be ready for distribution early next week. Who the heaviest creditors are is as yet unknown, but it is said that New York firms are heavily involved, and that the Philadelphia banks hold large quantities of "iron paper," and the failure has affected many of them. The paper of the Pennsylvania Steel Company has always been regarded as gilt-edged, and the sudden failure of the concern produced a slump from which there has not been, and will not for some days be, a recovery.

BARGE PLYMOUTH FOUNDERS.

The Captain's Wife and Two Men Are Drowned.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.]

NEW YORK, April 22.—The barge Plymouth, Captain Wyman, from Newport News with coal for New York, foundered during the heavy easterly gale Thursday night off Barnegat. The Plymouth was in tow of the iron tug L. Luckenbach, and when it became apparent that the barge could not stand the heavy seas an attempt was made by the tug to rescue the captain and crew. The high sea running made it impossible to get near the barge, and just as she foundered the captain and one of the men jumped into the water, and, being able to swim, managed to keep afloat until picked up by the tug. The captain's wife and two men were drowned.

President Potter Sentenced.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.]

BOSTON, MASS., April 22.—In the United States Circuit Court to-day Asa B. Potter, convicted some weeks ago of the false certification of checks drawn upon the failed Maverick National Bank, of which he was president, was sentenced by Judge Putnam to sixty days' imprisonment in Cambridge jail and to pay a fine of $1,000.

Gold for Europe.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.]

NEW YORK, April 22.—Gold went to Europe to-day as follows: Per steamer La Champagne, $2,050,000; steamer Elbe, $1,040,000.

CITY OF MANCHESTER

THE ACTION OF THE SCHOOL BOARD A MATTER OF SURPRISE.

Branch Still in Jail—Judge Ingram on Gambling—Personal and Other News Items.

The action of the Manchester School Board in adopting a resolution, reported exclusively in yesterday's DISPATCH, asking the State Board of Education in appointing a Superintendent for the public schools of this city for the next term not to reappoint the present incumbent, Mr. D. L. Pulliam, created general surprise and has been the subject of a good deal of talk. There were eight members of the board present at this special meeting and all of them, except Mr. D. J. Weisiger, voted for the resolution, which was offered by Mr. Sims. The principal objection to the Superintendent, under whose management the schools are said to have made good progress, seems to be that he has not visited the schools as frequently as those who are against him think he ought to have done.

A friend of Mr. Pulliam's said last night he felt quite sure that if Mr. Pulliam knew that there was any objection to his reappointment he would not, under any consideration, accept the position. The Superintendent is largely endorsed by the representative people of the city, some of the most prominent business- and professional-men having signed his petition. Mr. Pulliam is not in the city, but is expected to return here Monday. It is thought he knows nothing about the action of the School Board.

Mr. Lawrence P. Pool is a candidate for the position and has been endorsed by several members of the School Board.

STILL CONFINED IN JAIL.

Young Branch, who was arrested more than a month ago, charged with the ruin of Miss Harris, is still confined in the city jail, nothing having been heard from the North Carolina authorities. Branch declares his innocence, but, it seems, cannot get an opportunity to prove his assertion.

The Judge of the Hustings Court would bail the prisoner, but he has no friends or relatives here and is compelled to endure his confinement. The case is to come up before the Hustings Court Monday, and if nothing has then been heard from the North Carolina authorities it is probable the man will be liberated, as there is now nothing against him here, the charge having been dismissed on a question of jurisdiction.

Max Nathan Division of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers had a regular meeting in their lodge-room last night and transacted routine business.

Alfred McCorkle, a negro, was arrested and locked up last night charged with stealing an overcoat and a pair of pants from A. L. Powell.

THE GAMBLING CASES.

The men recently indicted by the grand jury for conducting gambling-houses are in great suspense since the result of the Kellar case has become known. The sporting fraternity are said to be feeling uncomfortably warm for this season of the year, and the places that are usually so brightly illuminated were last night as dark as Erebus. The rest of these cases will be heard during the present week.

Judge John H. Ingram in pronouncing sentence upon Mr. Kellar in the Hustings Court Friday night said it always grieved him to perform such a duty, but that in this instance it was particularly disagreeable on account of the personal friendship and kindly feelings he had for the defendant. He was sworn to do his duty, however. The defendant had had a fair trial, and from the evidence adduced there seemed to be no doubt about his guilt. Continuing the Court said that the liquor business was licensed by law, and that he intended that it should be conducted in accordance with the law. It is not fair for those who abide by the statutes in the conduct of their business for others in like vocation to openly violate the law and thereby bring reflection and reproach upon the whole trade.

YOUNG RINALDO'S FUNERAL.

The funeral of Joseph Thomas Rinaldo, son of Mr. C. J. Rinaldo, who was instantly killed Thursday by being run over by a lumber-wagon, took place from his late residence, in Chesterfield between Bon Air and Midlothian, Friday afternoon. The youth's mother and her two new-born babies died the latter part of last year, all three being buried in the same grave. Young Rinaldo lived with his grandmother, Mrs. David Hancock, and was the principal source of support to the old lady and her daughter.

Nothing has been heard of the man giving his name as Randolph since he was seen near Amelia Courthouse last Thursday. Mr. R. Y. Hardin, of Lexington, who is the guest of Mr. H. Clay Chamblin, in conversation with a DISPATCH reporter said he never heard of the man Randolph who claims to be from that city, nor did he know any man by the name of H. G. Stevens. He said D. A. Sayers & Co.'s bank was a well-known institution. It will be remembered that at the magisterial trial of Randolph at Midlothian Wednesday three negotiable notes were found on his person signed by Stevens and made payable at Sayers & Co.'s bank.

The funeral of Miss Rosa E. Horner took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from West-End Methodist church, and the interment was made in Maury.

THE HORSE WAS SICK.

A valuable horse belonging to Mr. W. P. Anderson was taken sick on the Free brid