

IN ANNUAL SESSION.

Regular Yearly Meeting of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Ry.

PRESIDENT MYERS' REPORT.

Increase in Both the Gross and Net Revenues of the Company—Reference to the Train-Robbery—Election of Officers and Other Business.

The annual meeting of stockholders of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railway Company was held at the general offices of that corporation, in this city, at noon yesterday.

President—E. T. D. Myers. Board of Directors—B. F. Newcomer, H. Walters, Moncure Robinson, and W. J. Leake, on the part of the private stockholders, and J. Taylor Johnson, on behalf of the State of Virginia.

Examining Committee—J. C. Baylor, Moncure Robinson, Charles Ellis, and E. L. C. Scott.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT.

Here is the report of President Myers in full: RICHMOND, VA., November 7, 1895. To the Stockholders: The operations of the fiscal year 1894-95 were as follows:

Net earnings \$4,064.86 Fixed charges \$8,731.96 Interest 109.65 Less interest received \$9,452.81

There was an increase in gross revenue for the year of \$17,464.41, and of net revenue \$12,537.57, nearly all of which was in through business.

The earnings of the company being sufficient, dividends of \$2.50 per share were paid both January 1st and July 1st of the present year.

By the terms of our "convertible" bonds, the holder is entitled, before their maturity, to convert their principal into common stock.

There are now outstanding \$201,200 of such bonds. On the 1st of January, 1895, 6 per cent sterling bonds to the amount of \$88,800 matured, and were paid off.

At the same time, \$1,400 of sterling "convertible" bonds, due in 1901, and 400 of 7 per cent "convertible" certificates of debt, due in 1899, were presented and converted into stock.

In addition to these, \$9,400 of "convertible" bonds maturing 30th of June, 1895, were converted, an aggregate increase of 109 shares.

The "convertible" bonds maturing July 1, 1895, were not converted, and have, with the exception of \$1,000, not yet presented, been paid.

PROPERTY CAREFULLY MAINTAINED.

The property has been carefully maintained. Nearly all the 16-pound rail in the main track has been replaced with 7-pound rail of the section adopted by the American Society of Civil Engineers.

The cost of this improvement, after disposing of the old rails, was \$84,724, of which \$78,224 was for rails and track appurtenances, and \$6,500 for labor.

IN OUR SISTER CITY.

NEWS HAPPENINGS GLEANED FOR DISPATCH READERS.

Verdict for the Defendant in the Bellwood Case—Mr. Jordan Appointed Justice of the Peace—Personal and Other South-Side Items.

The case of Preston against Bellwood, which has been in progress in the Circuit Court of Chesterfield since Friday, was brought to a close Tuesday night.

The jury bringing in a verdict for the defendant. The case grew out of an accident to Preston, a colored laborer, who was injured while working at an engine machine on Mr. Bellwood's farm, claiming \$10,000 damages for injuries received.

Mr. Henry A. Jordan was yesterday appointed Justice of the Peace of Second Ward, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. James Perdue.

The appointment was made about noon by Judge Ingram, and Mr. Jordan at once took the oath of office.

Mr. Jordan is one of the oldest and best-known citizens of the Second Ward, and his appointment seems to give general satisfaction.

He was the postmaster of this city under Cleveland's first administration. He is a wounded Confederate soldier, and served gallantly through the civil war.

The election of magistrate will be held at the election next May, and the appointment next day was made to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Perdue.

Mr. Mark Levy, the converted Hebrew, preached last evening at 7:30 o'clock at Cowardin-Avenue Christian church. Mr. Levy has been preaching for some time in Richmond, and his evangelistic work has met with much success.

He is a good speaker, and holds the attention of the audience during his entire discourse.

Monday night, the residence of Mr. O. L. Merritt, at the corner of Eighth and Porter streets, was visited by burglars, but the noise they made in attempting to gain entrance into the dwelling aroused the members of the household, and they were frightened away before they did any damage.

The Hastings Court was engaged yesterday in transacting a good deal of civil and chancery matter. Mr. J. R. Perdue qualified as administrator of his father, the late James M. Perdue. The court adjourned at 12 o'clock for the term.

Mr. William N. Pollard, of Columbia, S. C., returned home yesterday morning, after a visit to friends and relatives in this city. Mr. Pollard is an old Manchester boy, and is now connected with the Southern railway, holding the position of division store-keeper at that point.

The Junior German Club gave a German last night at the residence of Mrs. M. G. Turpin, on Porter street. The affair was an enjoyable one, and was participated in by a large number of young people.

There was preaching at Ashby chapel last night by the pastor, W. A. Lashlow. Union-Station Mission Epworth League will visit Ashby League, in Manchester, on Friday night.

The post-office to-day will be open from 8 to 10:30 A. M. Miss Mary B. Cox has returned to the city, after a visit to friends at Howardsville.

The ladies of Meade-Memorial church will serve Thanksgiving-dinner at the rectory, on Twelfth street, to-day.

Mrs. A. A. Porter left Tuesday to visit her parents in Georgia. Mrs. M. E. Parker left yesterday for Roanoke, to visit her brother, Paymaster Lacy.

Miss M. Clyde Gregory, who has been quite sick, is convalescing. The school board will meet at the school building to-night to transact routine business. There is a rumor to the effect that a fire-drill is to be instituted.

On Friday night, December 6th, the "Strivers" of Meade-Memorial church, will give a tableaux and living pictures at Leder Hall, for the benefit of the new Episcopal church.

The Manchester Grays had a full attendance at their drill in their new armory Tuesday night. Indications point to a very bright future for this organization.

Carlton Lipscomb reports that since the adoption of the ordinance requiring the street-car company to better conform to their schedule, he has noticed a great improvement in the running of the cars.

"Thanksgiving music" at Clifton-Street church will be rendered Sunday. Property Transfers: Richmond: Emma Lindsay to T. A. Branch, 23 feet on north side Ashland street, near Rappahannock.

Charles H. Smith and wife to Fannie Curtis, 40 feet on south side Louisiana street, over the corner.

I. N. Williams's heirs to D. P. and T. E. Gill, 19 feet on south side Canal street, between First and Second.

Henry E. A. Branch and wife to Emma Lindsay, lot 10 and part of lot 11, in block 2, North avenue sub-division, E. 29.

J. M. Fourqurean and wife to T. A. Branch, part of lot 11, in block 2, North avenue sub-division, E. 29.

PHI GAMMA DELTA CONVENTION.

Members from Maryland, Virginia, and North Carolina to Assemble.

The fourth annual convention of Section 4, Phi Gamma Delta, will meet at Murphy's Hotel, beginning to-day.

Among the members attending the convention are Messrs. Arthur D. Foster, Carl Foster, and P. P. Sizoo, of Baltimore; J. S. Egan, G. G. Goetz, Jr., and Watson Goetz, of Hampden-Sydney College; G. P. Meyer, and J. H. Faulkner, of Washington University; T. G. Altizer, of Roanoke College; W. H. Woodson, of University of North Carolina; J. C. Taylor, M. P. Taylor, and a large party from the University of Virginia.

There will be a business session of the convention, commencing at 11 o'clock, and to-night at 8:30. This afternoon the members will attend the foot-ball game in a party, and to-night there will be several dinner parties.

The banquet will take place to-morrow night at Murphy's, and will be attended by a large crowd of alumni from all over the State. The last session of the convention will be on Friday.

Mr. Danford Spottswood, of Petersburg, passed through Richmond yesterday, en route to Raton, Pa., where he will represent the Virginia chapters of the general convention of the fraternity.

DR. TAYLOR VISITS THE COLLEGE.

He Makes a Touching Address in Leaving His Alma Mater.

Rev. George B. Taylor, D. D., a missionary of the Southern Baptist Convention in Italy, made an interesting address before the professors and students of Richmond College yesterday.

He began his speech by alluding to the gift of beautiful roses sent to his sick room by Dr. Ryland on behalf of the college, and dwelt upon his grateful return to his Alma Mater. The address was general in its nature, but contained stimulating and impressive thoughts for the fine young men and women.

Dr. Taylor drew the distinction between instruction and education, and said it was the latter that involved the soul, and made the gentleman. Dr. Taylor bade an affectionate farewell to the college, which he might never see again, and urged all to high ideals, high purposes, and untiring striving for usefulness.

The address was a firm and thoughtful friend in Dr. Taylor. He it was who made the college library the gift of the Rev. John Armstrong, D. D., of Maryland, a large collection of minerals and shells. The Doctor left on the 12 M. train on his return to Rome.

Mrs. Ellen O'Grady's Death.

Mrs. Ellen O'Grady died at her residence, 1000 North 11th street, on Monday afternoon, after a short illness. Deceased was the widow of Mr. Dennis O'Grady, and removed to this city from County Limerick, Ireland, about thirty-three years ago, and was one of the most highly respected and beloved citizens of Pulton. Realizing that her end was near, she called her children to her bedside and blessed them, and then peacefully departed.

She leaves six children to mourn their loss: Mrs. M. E. O'Grady, of this city, and Mrs. Annie McNamara, of Trenton, N. J. The funeral will take place from St. Patrick's church, with requiem mass, Friday morning at 10 o'clock, and will be officiated by Rev. Michael J. O'Grady, pastor of St. Patrick's church.

A Thought for Thanksgiving-Day.

To the Editor of the Dispatch: I saw a statement some time ago of a poor lunatic who stationed himself at the corner of a business street, and arrested passers-by with the query, "Have you thanked God to-day for your reason? I have lost my mind, but you have not."

Reader, if you have a sound mind in a sound body, give God thanks for it to-day. (Written for the Dispatch.) A poor boy stood on the busy street. His clothes were tattered; he'd nothing to eat.

And by him quickly there passed along The sound and joyous throng of men, For 'tis the "Thanksgiving-Day," he'd heard one say. As they gaily hastened to the church away.

"Thanksgiving-Day!" Oh! the memories Of by-gone days; and then he thought Of his loving mother and his stately father. That he had left, far away to roam; And he wondered if on Thanksgiving-Day She thought of her boy so far away.

A beautiful carriage rolled up the street; The horses were prancing, with flying feet. Then tightly the coachman drew the rein. As from the church the sweet refrain, "Give thanks, all ye people; give thanks to the Lord!" Rang out on the air in sweet accord.

The door sprang open, and a lady proud Stepped from the carriage, and glanced I know not over the crowd. With a wistful look and a longing eye, And then turned aside with a smothered sigh.

And then came a cry which pierced the air, "My boy! my boy! my darling Clare!" Never mind the satin; never mind the lace. Never mind the rags; in close embrace Mother and son are united at last. No thought of the errors and sins of the past. And "Give thanks, all ye people; give thanks to the Lord!" Rings out on the air in sweet accord.

Oh, wandering boys, go home to-day. You, wanderers, are waiting; for you they pray. No doubt of the welcome. Oh, have no fear. They've been praying for you for many a year. Let us all, thanks, all ye people; give thanks to the Lord!" Ring out in your homes in sweet accord. M. L. W.



How Longfellow Wrote His Best-Known Poems

BY HEZEKIAH BUTTERWORTH

What led to the writing of "Hiawatha," "Excelsior," "A Psalm of Life," "Evangeline." Told in the Christmas issue of

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Table with columns for train numbers, destinations, and departure times. Includes routes to Petersburg, Norfolk, and other regional points.

YORK-RIVER LINE, FAVORITE ROUTE NORTH. LEAVE RICHMOND. TRAIN NO. 10. LOCAL EXPRESS, daily, except Sunday.

S. A. L. SEABOARD AIR-LINE. SCHEDULE IN EFFECT SUNDAY, MAY 28, 1895.

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CHESAPEAKE SOUTH OHIO RAILWAY. EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 1895. TRAINS LEAVE RICHMOND, BRADY STREET STATION.

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RICHMOND, FREDERICKSBURG AND POTOMAC RAILROAD. SCHEDULE IN EFFECT NOV. 17, 1895.

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LEAVE BYRD-STREET STATION. 7:00 A. M. Daily, for Washington and Norfolk, via New York.

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ARRIVE BYRD-STREET STATION. 8:40 A. M. Daily, from Washington and Norfolk, via New York.

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AMERICAN LINE. NEW YORK—SOUTHAMPTON (London-Paris). TWIN SCREW U. S. MAIL STEAMERS.

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THE TRAIN ROBBERY. On October 12, 1894, north-bound main-train No. 78 was "held-up" on the north bank of Aquia creek by masked robbers.

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