THE BLUEBIRDS WON

They Took the Game from the Norfolks Yesterday.

BRILLIANT CHANCES CRUSHED.

Leach Pitched Winning Ball—Alas, Poor Umpire, He Gets a Rap—Stocksdale Wild—The Other League Contests.

Richmond, 9; Norfolk, 8;
Petersburg, 9; Lynchburg, 8;
Roanoke, 9; Portsmouth, 5.

	Lynchburg.	Richmond.	Norfolk.	Portsmouth.	Roanoke.	Petersburg.	Old Petersburg.	Won.	Per Cent.
Lynchburg	...	3	3	3	3	2	0	14	.667
Richmond	1	...	3	2	2	2	1	11	.550
Norfolk	0	3	...	4	1	2	0	10	.455
Portsmouth	0	1	1	...	1	3	0	6	.316
Roanoke	2	1	4	4	...	0	4	15	.682
Petersburg	4	0	1	0	0	...	0	5	.357
Old Petersburg	0	1	0	0	0	0	...	1	.167
Lost	7	9	12	13	7	9	5	...	...

NORFOLK, VA., July 29.—(Special.)—While Mace was not entirely the cause of Norfolk's losing to Richmond to-day, yet he figured conspicuously in the result. Bases on balls in the first inning, coupled with errors of Brodie and Davis later in the game, aided materially in presenting the Bluebirds with a game which they did not win by any particular merits of their own. It was not until the sixth inning that the local rooters entertained any idea of defeat, but just as their hopes of winning three straight games were at the highest the local players became beneficent, and by errors gave away their brilliant chances and crushed the hearts of the spectators. It is possible that a crowd of Richmond rooters, ladies and gentlemen, had a wholesome effect on Jake Wells's men, for they played better than on the previous days. They were encouraged in every possible manner, until even the conservatism of the home rooters was swept aside, and in its place there appeared an intense desire to win. Thus it was that the game was made decidedly interesting and exciting. It was close, and it should have been won by Norfolk, but it wasn't; and that ends it.

Leach, who won the first game, was sent in against the Bluebirds again, and it was no fault of his that he did not repeat his performance. Save in the first inning, when he was wild, he pitched winning ball. Stocksdale, who was his opponent, was never wilder, and was hit harder, but he won. Score:

NORFOLK.

	A.B.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Cleve, r. f.	5	1	1	2	0	0
C. McFarlan, c. f.	5	0	3	1	0	0
Fields, c.	3	1	2	2	2	0
Armstrong, 1b.	3	1	2	9	0	0
Davis, 2b.	5	1	3	5	3	1
A. McFarlan, l. f.	5	1	2	1	0	0
Brodie, s. s.	4	2	0	4	2	2
Ramp, 3b.	5	1	2	2	4	1
Leach, p.	3	0	0	0	4	0
Gilroy, p.	1	0	1	0	1	0
Totals	39	8	16	*26	16	4

RICHMOND.

	A.B.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Sholta, 2b.	3	1	2	2	3	1
Foster, 1b.	4	2	1	1	1	0
Tannehill, r. f.	4	1	1	1	0	0
Pender, 1b.	5	2	0	14	1	0
Sanford, l. f.	4	1	2	1	0	0
Roland, c.	4	0	1	3	1	0
Barte, s. s.	4	1	2	3	3	0
Kain, c. f.	4	1	0	2	0	0
Stocksdale, p.	4	0	1	0	7	1
Totals	36	9	10	27	16	2

*Two out when winning run made.

SCORE BY INNINGS.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Norfolk	2	0	0	4	0	0	1	1	— 8
Richmond	4	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	1 — 9

Summary: Earned runs—Norfolk, 5; Richmond, 2. Two-base hits—Armstrong, C. McFarlan, Davis, Gilroy, Sanford, Barte. Wild pitch—Stocksdale. Bases on balls—Off Leach, 5; off Stocksdale, 9. Struck out—By Leach, 1; by Stocksdale, 3. Left on bases—Norfolk, 9; Richmond, 8. Double plays—Pender, unassisted; Roland, Sholta, Pender, and Foster; Stocksdale, Barte, and Pender. Sacrifice hits—Sholta and Sanford. Time—2 hours and 30 minutes. Umpire—Mr. Mace.

MADE IT THREE STRAIGHTS.

Roanoke Takes the Game from Portsmouth.

ROANOKE, VA., July 29.—(Special.)—Roanoke made it three straights from Portsmouth to-day, winning hands down and taking first place in the standing of the clubs, as Petersburg won from Lynchburg. The visitors put Chandler, a local amateur, in the box to pitch, and considering the support given him he did very nicely. Coons was touched for three hits in the first inning, and the visitors earned a run. In the third Boyd was hit by a pitched ball and Katz walked to first. Both men advanced on Warrick's out at first on a grounder to third, and scored on McGann's fumble of an easy one from Burke's bat. Burke attempted to steal second, and nobody covered the base when Williams threw the ball. Fleming threw over third base and Burke scored, making three runs for Portsmouth on errors and wild pitching. After that Coons settled down and the team pulled together. In the seventh Hargrove made a home run and Boyd lined the ball to deep centre for three bases, but two were out and he failed to score.

For Roanoke, three hits and an error netted two in the first, and two hits and an error another in the third. In the fourth Fleming reached first on Warrick's error, stole second and third, and went home on Wrigley's fly to Hargrove. In the seventh a hit by a pitched ball, a stolen base, and a single scored another. In the eighth Chandler was pounced for three singles and two doubles, which, with errors by Hargrove and Katz, netted four runs. Score:

ROANOKE.

	A.B.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Fleming, c. f.	5	3	1	1	0	1
McGann, 2b.	6	2	2	2	3	1
Williams, c.	5	1	2	7	0	1
Tate, 1b.	3	1	2	8	1	0
Wrigley, s. s.	5	1	2	2	3	0
Lynch, 3b.	4	0	1	1	2	0
Hill, r. f.	4	0	1	2	0	0
Eherer, l. f.	5	0	0	3	0	0
Coons, p.	5	1	1	1	1	0
Totals	39	9	12	27	10	3

PORTSMOUTH.

	A.B.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Hargrove, c. f.	5	2	2	4	0	2
Marr, s. s.	5	0	1	3	0	1
Boyd, r. f.	4	1	1	1	0	0
Katz, l. f.	4	1	1	1	0	1
Warrick, 2b.	3	0	1	3	7	2
Burke, 3b.	4	1	0	0	1	0
Ryan, 1b.	3	0	2	13	0	0
Hall, c.	4	0	0	1	0	0
Chandler, p.	4	0	0	1	0	0
Totals	36	5	8	27	8	6

SCORE BY INNINGS.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Roanoke	2	1	0	1	0	1	4	0	— 9
Portsmouth	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	— 5

Summary: Earned runs—Roanoke, 4; Portsmouth, 2. Two-base hits—Tate, Wrigley. Three-base hits—Boyd. Home runs—Hargrove. Stolen bases—Fleming, McGann, Wrigley (2), Lynch (2), Williams (2), Hargrove, Katz, Warrick, Ryan. Double plays—Warrick to Ryan (2). Bases on balls—Off Chandler, 5; off Coons, 2. Hit by pitched balls—Boyd, Ryan, Tate. Struck out—By Coons, 6; by Chandler, 1. Passed balls—Hall, 1. Time of game—2 hours. Umpire—Mr. Cline.

PETERSBURG AND LYNCHBURG.

The Farmers Again Defeat the Hill-Climbers.

LYNCHBURG, VA., July 29.—(Special.)—Petersburg again defeated Lynchburg in a sharply contested game, the score standing 9 to 8 in favor of the Farmers. While the weather was too hot for brilliant playing, both teams did good work, and the spectators enjoyed the contest. Following is the score in detail:

LYNCHBURG.

	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Pickering, c. f.	2	2	2	0	0
Leahy, s. s.	2	3	0	5	0
McGann, 2 b.	0	0	4	2	1
Dolan, 3 b.	0	1	1	4	0
Schabel, c.	0	0	2	0	0
Fear, l. f.	1	1	1	0	1
Little, 1 b.	1	1	16	0	0
Grove, r. f.	0	1	1	0	0
McFarland, p.	1	0	0	0	0
Stultz, p.	1	1	0	2	0
Totals	8	10	27	13	2

PETERSBURG.

	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Dundon, s. s.	0	2	2	4	1
Kelly, 1 b.	1	1	9	0	0
Breen, 3 b.	1	0	4	0	0
Bradley, c. f.	1	1	3	0	0
Stephenson, l. f.	0	0	3	1	0
Hallman, r. f.	2	1	4	0	1
Reed, 2 b.	2	1	2	3	1
Vetter, c.	1	0	0	0	0
Kitsen, p.	1	1	0	1	0
Totals	9	7	27	9	3

SCORE BY INNINGS.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Lynchburg	2	3	0	0	1	0	0	2	— 8
Petersburg	0	0	0	0	6	1	0	2	— 9

Summary: Earned runs—Lynchburg, 4; Petersburg, 3. Two-base hit—Pickering. Three-base hit—Kelly. Home-runs—Bradley, Hallman, and Pickering. Double play—Dundon to Reed to Kelly. Bases on balls—Off Stultz, 2; off Kitsen, 2. Umpire—Mr. Nowlin.

NATIONAL LEAGUE BALL.

A Great Battle Between Baltimore and Boston.

BOSTON, MASS., July 29.—Stivetts's muff of Kelly's hit in the sixth gave Baltimore three runs and the game to-day. It was a great battle, full of sensations and brilliant plays. Boston had two on bases, with one out, in the ninth, and good hitters up, but could not tally. Attendance, 2,600.

Score:

		R.	H.	E.
Baltimore	2 1 0 1 0 3 0 0 0	7	13	2
Boston	4 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0	6	10	5

Batteries: Hoffer and Clark; Nichols and Bergen.

QUAKERS BAT HARD.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., July 29.—New York hit Taylor hard, but the Phillies had their batting-clothes on, and won out. In addition, Philadelphia had played a much livelier, all-'round game. Attendance, 2,200.

Score:

		R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	0 2 3 3 2 3 1 0 1	15	19	5
New York	1 3 0 2 1 2 0 0 0	9	13	6

Batteries: Taylor and Grady; Reidy, D. Clark, and Wilson.

WASHINGTON WHITEWASHED.

BROOKLYN, July 29.—It was a great battle for six innings to-day. During that stage of the game both Payne and Mercer were equally effective, but when the time arrived for either side to make a final effort the Washington twirler went down with ease. Attendance, 1,200. Score:

		R.	H.	E.
Washington	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0	9	2
Brooklyn	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 4 *	5	11	0

Batteries: Mercer and McGuire; Payne and Grim.

COLONELS GIVE IT AWAY.

ST. LOUIS, July 29.—By massing their numerous errors to-day the Colonels gave the Browns an unearned victory. Pitcher Hill was in excellent form, and with decent support would have won the game. Hart was injured in the sixth inning, and Breitenstein went into the box. Catcher Murphy sprained his wrist in the third inning, and McFarland succeeded him. Attendance, 1,500. Score.

		R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	1 1 0 0 0 1 1 0 —	5	10	0
Louisville	0 0 0 0 2 0 1 1 0 —	4	11	8

Batteries: Hart, Breitenstein, and Murphy and McFarland; Hill and Dexter.

COLTS PLAY WELL.

CHICAGO, July 29.—The Colts made it three straight from Pittsburg to-day by hammering Hastings hard in the fifth inning, the five runs coming after two men had been retired. Friend was tried again, and while hit hard, was given star support, some of the Colts plays being marvellous. Tang's base-running was a strong feature. Attendance, 3,000

Score:

		R.	H.	E.
Chicago	2 0 0 1 5 0 1 0 *	9	15	1
Pittsburg	1 0 1 2 0 0 1 0 0	5	11	3

Batteries: Friend and Kittredge; Hastings and Mack.

CLEVELAND WINS.

CINCINNATI, July 29.—Cleveland won the last game of the series this afternoon by bunching its hits on Ehret, and through errors by the locals. Umpire Lally was too lame to stand, and Young and Foreman officiated. Miller was hurt in sliding home in yesterday's game, and Holliday took his place in right field. Despite the intense heat, 5,000 persons attended. Score:

		R.	H.	E.
Cincinnati	0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0	1	9	3
Cleveland	0 0 0 0 0 2 0 2 2	6	11	0

Batteries: Ehret and Peitz; Wilson and Zimmer.

THE RECORD.

Clubs.	W.	L.	P.C.
Cincinnati	61	27	.693
Baltimore	54	27	.663
Cleveland	54	30	.643
Chicago	52	38	.578
Boston	43	38	.531
Pittsburg	44	39	.530
Philadelphia	38	44	.463
Brooklyn	38	45	.458
Washington	34	45	.430
New York	33	48	.407
St. Louis	27	57	.321
Louisville	21	60	.259

SCHEDULE FOR TO-DAY.

New York at Philadelphia,
Baltimore at Boston,
Washington at Brooklyn,
Pittsburg at Cincinnati,
Cleveland at St. Louis.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

At Mobile:		R.	H.	E.
Mobile	1 3 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 —	5	13	10
Columbus	0 0 0 1 2 2 0 0 1 —	6	12	5

Batteries: Parks and Lochbreck; Lamont and Grim.

At New Orleans:		R.	H.	E.
New Orleans	0 1 0 1 0 0 0 2 0 —	4	11	1
Montgomery	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 —	0	6	2

Batteries: Carol and Gonding; Bailey and Wiley.

THE INDIANA CLOUDBURST.

Stories of Widespread Disaster Continue to Pour In.

NOBLESVILLE, IND., July 29.—Stories of the widespread disaster of yesterday's cloudburst north of this city continue to pour in. People are moving to the uplands; stock is drowned; fields of grain are washed away, and highways and railroads badly damaged. White river, at this point, is the highest since August, 1873. The American strawboard plant is completely submerged.

GOLD DOLLAR REPUDIATED.

Campaign Button a Counterfeit Coin—Seized by Government.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., July 29.—Under the advice of the United States District Attorney of New Jersey, the Secret-Service detectives have stopped the manufacture and distribution of campaign buttons representing a gold dollar. The button, which is technically a counterfeit coin, was manufactured by a Newark (N. J.) firm. The dies, stamps, and stock of buttons on hand will be seized.

Gold-Democrat Representatives.

PHILADELPHIA, July 29.—John C. Bullitt and George F. Baer were to-day appointed a committee of the Philadelphia sound-money Democrats to attend the conference in Indianapolis on August 7th, when the advisability of placing a third ticket in the field will be considered.

It was stated to-day at a meeting of the sound-money Democrats that the gold sentiment has spread strongly throughout Bucks, Berks, and other eastern counties; in fact, Mr. Bullitt says, it far exceeds the most sanguine expectations of the committee.

The Blues' Moonlight.

The Richmond Light-Infantry Blues will run a moonlight excursion to Dutch Gap to-night, and the soldier lads will, as they always do, carry a large crowd of their friends with them. Their "moonlight" is generally the most popular of the season, and all who have been with the boys on former trips down the James know what a good time to expect. The Blues' Band will accompany them. The Pocahontas will leave her wharf at 8 P. M. sharp.

WHERE WATSON IS AT

The "Atlanta Constitution" Tries in Vain to Find Out.

POPULIST - DEMOCRATIC FUSION.

The Newspaper's Effort Is to Learn What the People's Party Nominee's Idea Is as to Apportionment of Electors.

ATLANTA, GA., July 29.—The Atlanta Constitution, desiring to learn just what Hon. Thomas E. Watson, the People's Party vice-presidential nominee, thinks of the present peculiar political situation, telegraphed him to-day as follows:

"In your letter sent out last night from Augusta, you say that if the Democrats are ready for a fair division of electors, so are you; and, if not, then two sets of electors will be put in the field. Please wire the Constitution, upon receipt of this, your idea of a fair division. On the basis of what vote do you think the apportionment of electors in the several States should be made? Kindly define your position on this point, in order that we may give it publicity."

To this Mr. Watson replied as follows:

"Replying to yours, I state that what I have heretofore said was based upon the idea that your party would show some patriotism and retire Mr. Sewall. If he remains on the ticket, and your party declines the St. Louis overtures, there can be no division on electors. There can only be a straight fight. The Democratic managers must not demand that the Populists do all the yielding. You must do some of it yourselves. Sewall can come off the ticket without hurting his party. My withdrawal would kill mine. Our people cannot be led to the support of Bryan and Sewall. Unless Sewall retires, the masses of our party will, in my judgment, demand a straight Populist ticket.

(Signed) "THOMAS E. WATSON."

Upon receipt of this, the Constitution telegraphed Mr. Watson as follows:

"Your telegram does not answer our question. In your statement sent out last night you say that unless Sewall retires you know of but two plans—first, two distinct electoral tickets, and, second, electoral tickets composed partly of Democratic and partly of Populists. On the basis that neither you nor Mr. Sewall will or can retire, how can fusion on electoral tickets be accomplished, and on the basis of what vote should apportionment between Populists and Democrats be made?"

Up to midnight to-night Mr. Watson had not replied to this last telegram.

THE MIDSUMMER TURF.

Goodwood Meeting—Performances of Ramapo—Reiff Suspended.

LONDON, July 29.—This was the second day of the Goodwood meeting. There was the usual crowd present, including the Prince of Wales and a large number of the nobility.

The Goodwood Stakes (handicap), of 20 sovereigns, with 300 sovereigns added, two miles and a half (twenty-six subscribers) was won by Mr. Hamar Bass's 4-year-old chestnut colt Carlton Grange; Mr. M. R. Lebaudy's 6-year-old roan mare Quilon second, Lord Hindlip's 4-year-old bay colt Powick third.

It seems to be the opinion of many experts who witnessed the performance of the American horse Ramapo in the race for the Goodwood Cup yesterday that he would have had an excellent chance of winning if it had not been for his swerving in the latter part of the race, when he interfered badly with Kilcock. Reiff, the jockey who rode Ramapo, was cautioned for his riding at the recent Hurst Park meeting. Kilcock was running a splendid race when he was interfered with, and Sporting Life, in commenting on the matter, says that the American horse bumped him out of the race.

Captain Greer, the owner of Kilcock, and the jockey who rode that horse in yesterday's race, complained to the stewards of the Jockey Club against the riding of Reiff on Ramapo. The stewards held a meeting this afternoon and suspended Reiff for two weeks.

NEWPORT NEXT TUESDAY.

LATONIA, KY., July 29.—The talent got there good and strong to-day, as favorites won a majority of the events. It was given out here this afternoon that Newport would open Tuesday. Track fast.

First race—six and a half furlongs—Prytania (97, Sherer, 8 to 5) won, Elskett second, Chagrin third. Time, 1:22 3-4.

Second race—six furlongs—Lady Keith (110, R. Williams, 8 to 5) won, Gidlaw second, J. Walter third. Time, 1:16.

Third race—one mile—Seabrooke (98, Sherin, 7 to 5) won, Parson second, Lebanjo third. Time, 1:42 1-2.

Fourth race—six furlongs—Ben Brown (107, A. Isom, 7 to 2) won, Mellie second, Boanerges third. Time, 1:15 3-4.

Fifth race—five and a half furlongs—Serrano (115, Fowler, 3 to 1) won, Giveaway second, Three Bars third. Time, 1:09 3-4.

LORRAINE QUEEN OF PACERS.

CLEVELAND, O., July 29.—Lottie Lorraine won the title of queen of all the pacers at the Grand Circuit races to-day, taking the three fastest heats ever paced by a mare, and lowering her record from 2:10 1-4 to 2:07 3-4. This daughter of Gambetta Wilkes started with a field of twelve other horses in the 2:09 pacing event, and won the greatest race of the day. After taking the first two heats, she lost the third to Bert Oliver, who beat her out at the wire. She won the fourth heat in a hard drive from Bert Oliver, who was called upon at the last moment, but was unequal to the task. The little mare was a favorite in the betting, selling in the auction pool at $35 to $100, and in the book at 2 to 5.

While the bookmakers were hard hit in the 2:09 pace and the 2:25 trot, they were saved somewhat by the winning of the 2:14 pace by Frank Bogash, who went begging in the betting. Josie B., the favorite in the 2:14 event, was never in the race, while Maxim and Red Fox, heavily played second and third choices, were distanced in the first heat. Emma Offutt took her race in straight, easy heats.

2:14 class, pacing, six heats—purse $2,000—Frank Bogash, by Atlantic King, dam by Almont Pilot (Bogash), 2, 3, 7, 1, 1, 1; LL.D., 6, 1, 1, 2, 9, 3; Nail Cloud, 1, 2, 12, 12, 10 2, Josie E., Hubert, Wilkes, Bessie B., Bacillus, Sibilla, Warren C., Mabel P., May Murphy, Seaboard, Alice M., Red Fox, Maxim, Nine T., Chief Justice, and Glenwood also ran. Time, 2:12 1-2, 2:10 1-4, 2:12 3-4, 2:13 3-4, 2:16, 2:13 1-4.

2:25 class, trotting—purse $2,500—Emma Offutt, by Gambatta Wilkes, dam Delta (Rea), 1, 1, 1; Porter, 8, 2, 5; Exploit, 2, 9, 7, Barnet, Valence, Newburger, Dick Wills, San Mateo, Peter, and Kodras also ran. Time 2:16 3-4, 2:13 3-4, 2:14 3-4.

2:09 class, pacing—purse $2,000—Lottie Lorraine, by Gambetta Wilkes, dam Lady Yeiser (Rea), 1, 1, 2, 1; Bert Oliver 10, 11, 1, 2; Colbert, 2, 4, 3, 3, Choral, Spinetta, Starplex, Afrite, Gazette, Miss Rita, Heir-at-Law, Earimont, Captain Crouch, and Lucy Pan also ran. Time, 2:08 1-2, 2:08 3-4, 2:08 3-4, 2:07 3-4.

2:19 class, trotting—purse $2,500 (unfinished)—Derby Princess, by Charles Derby, dam Princess (Wagner), 1, 1; Edmonia, 2, 2; Bessie Wilkes, 3, 4. Atlantis Quality, Gelides, Carillon, and Riley also ran. Time, 2:13 1-4, 2:15 1-2.

BAD FOR FAVORITES.

BRIGHTON BEACH RACE-TRACK, July 29.—This was another bad day for favorites, and a number of them went down before long shots. All the events were well contested, and although there were stake-races on the card the regulars enjoyed a good day's sport.

First race—one mile—Valley (109, Clayton, 5 to 2) won, Article second, Defender third. Time, 1:42 3-4.

Second race—five furlongs—Swampangie (107, J. Hill, 8 to 5) won, Chic second, Valerous third. Time, 1:02 3-4.

Third race—six furlongs—Harrington (111, Doggett, 6 to 1) won, The Swain second, Brandy Wine third. Time, 1:15.

Fourth race—five furlongs—Pearl V. (107, T. Sloane, 3 to 1) won, Ingarra second, Bonnie Eloise third. Time, 1:01.

Fifth race—five furlongs—Rotterdam (118, Taral, 4 to 1) won, Burlesque second, Passover third. Time, 1:03.

Sixth race—handicap; hurdles; mile and a half—Flushing (152, Mara, 5 to 2) won, Southerner second, Red Pat third. Time, 2:53.

CHAIRMAN BUTLER'S PLANS.

Populist Headquarters—Fusion with Democrats—Political Sensation.

RALEIGH, N. C., July 29.—Senator Butler was here to-day. He says he has not yet selected national Populist headquarters, and it will be several days before he decides. He says he has invited several prominent Populists to go to Alabama and enter the campaign, now nearly closed in that State, and that he will bring others to North Carolina during the campaign. He spoke of the proposed fusion on presidential electors in North Carolina between Populists and Democrats, and said that the matter would be settled August 13th at the Populist State Convention here.

James H. Young, a member of the Republican State Committee, has created a sensation by announcing in his paper his support of Bryan and Watson, and calling on the Republican committee, which meets here August 11th, to take down the McKinley electoral ticket, as otherwise the people will take it down. He says 40,000 negroes in North Carolina will vote for Bryan and Watson, and that the McKinley ticket cannot get 40,000 votes.

THE SIMONTON INJUNCTION.

Railroad-Man Thinks It a Good Thing—Sugar Company Action.

NEW YORK, July 29.—J. F. Goddard, commissioner of the Trunk-Line Association, who is acting as commissioner of the Joint Traffic Association, in the absence in Europe of George R. Blanchard, said to-day of the action of Judge Simonton, in granting a temporary injunction prohibiting the adoption of cut-rates by southern railroads: "It is an entirely new departure by the courts, and one that is destined to prove a great power for good. The railroads are public property, and the courts have the same right to interfere in the public interest when a ruinous step is taken as they have to interfere in any other public matter. From the railroad standpoint, the action was right and proper, and is likely to establish an exceedingly valuable precedent."

In consequence of Judge Simonton's injunction, the American Sugar Refining Company posted the following notice:

"All southern rates have been withdrawn until August 1st."

GERMAN WARSHIP LOST.

Seventy-Five Men Perish in the Disaster.

SHANGHAI, July 29.—A dispatch from Chee-Foo states that the Iltis was lost in a typhoon July 23d, at a point ten miles north of the Southeast promontory, which is a low, reef-girted island, lying about thirty miles southeast of the Shantung promontory. Only ten of those belonging to the warship were saved. All the others, including the officers, perished.

THE TERRIBLE NEWS CONFIRMED.

BERLIN, July 29.—The officials at the Imperial Admiralty confirm the report of the loss of the Iltis. Dispatches received at the Admiralty show that seventy-five officers and men lost their lives in the disaster.

SOCIALIST TRADES CONGRESS.

Another Uproar Over Anarchists, Precipitated by an American.

LONDON, July 29.—The International Socialist Trades Congress resumed its session to-day. Up to the present time the congress has done nothing but examine the credentials of delegates, and of those examined thus far only two thirds have been passed upon as entitling their holders to take part in the deliberations of the congress.

Hamony prevailed during the early part of to-day's sitting, but was broken by the reintroduction of the question of the admission of the Anarchist delegates, who, though nominally excluded from taking part in the proceedings, are actually attending the sittings and voting as trades-unionists. The whole affair is considered a hopeless muddle.

The French Socialist delegates to-day expressed a desire to be separated from the French Anarchists, and this gave rise to an exciting debate, which culminated in the spokesman of the American delegations crying out, "America favors the separation of the Socialists from the Anarchists." Immediately scores of opponents of the separation idea rose to their feet, bellowing and shrieking in fury. Chairman Hindman rang his bell and called for order, amid wild cries. The chairman then peremptorily adjourned the sitting, and the delegates separated amid the greatest uproar.

Gotham Democrats and Chicago.

NEW YORK, July 29.—A special meeting of the Democratic Club was held to-night. The meeting had been called by ex-Governor Flower, president of the club, over the signatures of twenty-five members, to see what action the club would take with reference to the Democratic platform and ticket adopted at Chicago. After an hour's discussion the meeting adopted a resolution that practically shelved the matter until after the State Convention.

First New South Carolina Cotton.

CHARLESTON, S. C., July 29.—The first two bales of the South Carolina cotton crop were received to-day. One was consigned to F. W. Wagener & Co. It was classed as good middling, weighed 476 pounds, and was sold to Hamilton & Co. at 8 1-2c. per pound. This cotton was raised in Bamberg, S. C.

Telegraphic Briefs.

Boston.—W. B. Clarke & Co., booksellers, have assigned. Assets and liabilities, unknown.

Augusta, Ga.—At a meeting of the Populists of Richmond county Bryan and Watson were unanimously endorsed.

London.—The Irish land bill passed its third reading in the House of Commons, and now goes to the House of Lords.

Augusta, Ga.—Augusta received her first bale of cotton for this season. It was raised in the adjoining county of Burke.

Boston.—The Boston Daily Publishing Company, publishers of the late Standard, has gone into the hands of a receiver.

Lemars, Ia.—A mass convention of the Eleventh District, held by Silverites here, nominated Judge A. Van Wagener for Congress.

Denison, O.—The Denison Safe-Deposit Bank closed its doors. No statement is made, but the liabilities are thought to be heavy.

Birmingham, Ala.—A Bryan club of a thousand business- and professional men, with Hon. John W. Tomlinson as president, was organized.

Indianapolis, Ind.—The wrangle in the Populist convention ended at 1 o'clock by the adoption of Johnson's motion referring the matter of electors to the Committee of Thirteen, with power to act.

Washington.—The petition from Florida requesting intervention in behalf of Ona Melton, one of the Competitor prisoners, reached the State Department, but action cannot be taken on it for a day or two, when it will probably be brought to the attention of Consul-General Lee.

Washington.—The Minneapolis has arrived at Leith, Scotland; the Marblehead at Catina, Italy; the Monadnock at Port Angeles, Washington, and the Bancroft at Bridgeport, Conn. The Essex has left Funchal for Gardiner's Bay, and the Marion has left Panama for Callao.

Washington.—Secretary Herbert disapproved, with the qualification that "he must not do it any more," the sentence of the court-martial held at Mare Island, Cal., in the case of Assistant-Paymaster Webster, United States navy, who was found guilty of conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman, involving a failure to return money which he had received from his clerk, W. J. Tobin, as a bond.

BRIEF BUT FURIOUS.

THE STORM IN PETERSBURG TUESDAY NIGHT.

Torrent of Rain and a Fierce Wind—A Very Sudden Visitation—The Damage to Property—A Citizen Hurt.

PETERSBURG, VA., July 29.—(Special.)—The storm which so suddenly burst over this city last night, following the hottest day of summer, was of very short duration, but, nevertheless, a very notable one. Five minutes before it broke the stars were shining brightly, and not a breath of air was blowing. Twenty minutes later the sky was again clear, and only a gentle breeze was felt. But, mean time, a flood of rain, which swept through the streets in miniature torrents, had fallen, and unroofed houses and prostrated and broken trees told the story of the force of the wind. The fall of rain resembled a cloudburst, and its suddenness was such that people who were sitting on their porches watching the approach of the cloud were in some instances almost drenched before they could get into their houses.

The large three-story brick building on Bank street adjoining the Exchange, the old bonded warehouse, in Blandford; the old storehouse in the yard of the Norfolk and Western depot, were unroofed, and many other buildings of less importance were damaged by the wind. A great many beautiful shade-trees were ruined or badly disfigured.

Mr. Greenway Bain, residing in the rear of Central Park, attempted to lower one of the windows, when the wind blew the shutters together with such force as to shatter the glass. The fragments of glass cut through an artery in Mr. Bain's right wrist and severed the tendons of two of his fingers. At the residence of Mr. R. H. Godsey, on Old street, a student's-lamp, which had been lighted in the parlor, was blown out of the window into an adjoining lot and shattered.

The body of the Italian, J. Bassara, who died last evening of sunstroke, was taken to Baltimore this afternoon by a relative.

Mr. Oscar Hollinsworth and Mr. R. L. Stevens, two well-known young citizens, left this evening for Atlanta, Ga., where they will in future reside. The former is to take charge of the Hotel Marion, in that city.

Mr. W. H. Quarles, the well-known base-ball pitcher, late of the Petersburg team, to-day signed with the Portsmouth club, and will report for duty to-morrow.

TERRIBLE GAS EXPLOSION.

Four Persons Injured on a Boat at Elizabeth City.

NORFOLK, VA., July 29.—(Special.)—At 8:30 o'clock to-night, at Elizabeth City, N. C., the gas on the boat Felina exploded, badly injuring four people—Captain C. D. Lestner had both legs broken and was injured internally; C. D. Lestner, Jr., and William Lestner, sons of the Captain, were terribly mangled, and Mrs. Owens, of Collington, a passenger, received a severe wound on the head and was internally injured. The boat is a complete wreck. The explosion is hard to account for, but is supposed to have been caused by the accumulation of gas in the pipes. The Felina is a sharpie, recently fitted with a gas engine. She was lying at the wharf, making ready for her trip down the sound. The explosion was heard all over the town, and in the immediate neighborhood window-glasses were shattered. Captain Lestner is not expected to live, and the others are in a critical condition.

State Board of Agriculture.

BLUE RIDGE SPRINGS, VA., July 29.—(Special.)—The State Board of Agriculture met in regular session during the morning and the afternoon. The report of Commissioner Whitehead was read and considered; also, the report of the State weather service. After some discussion, these were referred to the Committee on General welfare. The question of farmers' institutes was favorably discussed. The board meets again at 10 A. M. Thursday.

A. J. McMath, member of the board, and Edward A. Evans, assistant weather-station director, arrived this morning, and were present at the meeting of the board.

Charged with Robbing the Mails.

POCAHONTAS, VA., July 29.—(Special.) Inspector Gregory and Detective Irvine, of the United States secret service, arrested S. G. Odell, assistant postmaster at this place, this morning on the charge of robbing the mails. Odell, when arrested, had on his person two decoy letters sent by the detectives, and containing marked money. He had been looked upon as a young man of good habits, and his arrest has been quite a shock to the community. The trial has been set for August 1st.

THE NEW YORK DEMOCRACY.

Convention Postponement—Hotel Accommodations Pre-Engaged.

BUFFALO, N. Y., July 29.—It is a question whether the Democratic State Convention can be held on the date selected, September 16th, owing to the lack of hotel accommodations at that time. Buffalo is entertaining a score or more of conventions this summer, and two of the largest, the National Builders' Association and the American Public Health Association, are programmed for the same date as the Democratic convention. When State-Committeeman Cunneen visited the hotels this morning he was informed that about all the accommodation the city could offer was engaged for September 16th, and he at once began telegraphing the other members of the State Committee to arrange a postponement for one week.

FUSION IN MICHIGAN.

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