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RICHMOND IN 1901.

A twelvemonth passed in like a journey travelled, and New-Year's Day is a resting place upon an eminence, whence we may look back and get a better view of the road than we had when we sauntered along its smooth places, or toiled up its stony steep.

In the local review of 1901 three "landmarks" are noticeable above all others. One is the loss by fire of the greater part of the Jefferson Hotel; the other is the building of the viaduct and the Main-Street Passenger Station; and the third is the disastrous flood in James river—accompanied with loss of life outside the city, and with destruction of some property here.

It is noteworthy that there was prodigious activity in the building trades here in 1901. Not since the years immediately succeeding the close of "the civil war," and the leveling fire of evacuation-day, has there been so great a clamor for dwellings, and factories, and business houses. Then the problem was to supply the places of buildings burned.

Richmond has a street-car system un-qualified by that of any other city of our class. When we compare what it is to-day—its miles of fine track, its handsome cars, its transfer arrangements—

Richmond is always placed at a disadvantage in the United States Census of population, because we have filled up most of the building lots within our corporate lines, and our increase has overflowed into the suburbs.

a desire for corporate extension on the part of our own people. Then we shall be able to convince the Legislature that we are entitled to annex some slices of Henrico county. And then Richmond will appear before the world in proper style and becoming dignity.

Looking backward, over 1901, as a community, we have cause for much rejoicing. We had a mingling of good and bad luck; but the good far outweighed the bad. Richmond prospered in many directions, and foundations were laid for new enterprises which will blossom out beautifully this year.

Our city is on the high road to greatness. All we need is a more just appreciation of our own capabilities and advantages, a fuller development of public spirit among all classes, and an unconquerable purpose to build fast, but to build well and wisely.

May the new year bring with it happiness for us all. The Dispatch, hale and hearty, though past fifty, has many plans for developing its usefulness and increasing the favor in which it is held by the public; but more of that anon.

This is an off day in business, an occasion for greetings of old friends, and a fitting opportunity for the making of new ones. Wherefore, we say to one and all, a happy new year, and many joyful returns. May you live long and prosper!

Those good resolutions are "all right," even though most of them are fated to be broken. Better good resolutions that will sooner or later be forgotten than no good resolutions at all.

Good morning! Did you have to use a tallo dip?
THE NEW COURT SYSTEM.
The Constitutional Convention has satisfied itself by information received from its delegates and from other sources that it is best to abolish the County Court system and to have no intermediary between the Circuit Court and the Supreme Court of Appeals.

After discussing the matter in all of its phases, and getting expressions of opinion from great numbers of people well qualified to judge, the Committee of the Whole has adopted without material alteration the report of the Committee on the Judiciary, of which the Hon. Eppa Hunton, Jr., is chairman. The vote in favor of the proposition to substitute the single court system in lieu of the one now prevailing was overwhelming.

Upon one of the propositions the ayes were 41, the noes 9. While that vote was not a large one, it is believed to be a truly representative one.
The new article on the judiciary proposes that the Supreme Court shall be constituted and established pretty much as at present, but a provision has been inserted which makes the minimum salary of the judges thereof \$4,000 per annum.

required concessions to be made so as to give cities and towns the Corporation courts, of which mention is made in this article.

There has just died at Pottsville, Pa., in the 78th year of his age, a retired Baptist clergyman, who for more than forty years had subsisted on one meal a day. Early in life he was afflicted with nervous dyspepsia, and his practice of eating only one meal each day, was adopted for the purpose of curing this ailment.

Stuart Robson will be at the Academy on Friday night in an elaborate revival of the Henrietta. Supported by an all-star cast, and with scenic investiture that is profusely elaborate, this attraction is one of the most interesting of the season. Stuart Robson is one of the most popular of the Richmond favorites, and he will be greeted by a large and fashionable audience.

The new Secretary of the Treasury has twelve toes, it appears. Now, what does this presage for our finances?
Thirty-two suits for divorce were filed in Washington Monday. Marriage thus seems to be a failure to a considerable extent, in the Federal capital, at least.

THE CUBAN ELECTION.
The Cuban reconstruction general election took place yesterday—that is, the election under a Constitution made by order of the United States to suit us, rather than the Cubans. The election system that obtained is patterned, save in one particular, after that in vogue in this country.

Much that is strange and interesting can be said in regard to Innes, the great bandmaster, who will have his band here on Monday night at the Academy. He has just closed a remarkably successful concert season in Buffalo, where he played several of his compositions.

Christmas and New-Year Holiday Rates—Season of 1901 and 1902.
The Atlantic Coast Line will sell tickets between all points on its lines at one and one-third first-class limited fare for the round trip.

THE THROUGH AND LOCAL TRAIN SERVICE of the Seaboard Air-Line Railway.
The Seaboard Air-Line Railway will be found most convenient, presenting advantages especially commending it to the traveler whose destination is in the Southland.

THE SEABOARD AIR-LINE RAILWAY will offer your kind patronage. Offers unexcelled service, and has the handsomest and most convenient railroad passenger depot in the city of Richmond.

THE SEABOARD IS THE MOST CONVENIENT ROUTE to and from Petersburg.
The Seaboard Air-Line Railway takes pleasure in announcing the inauguration of their new Cafe-Car Service now in operation between Hamlet, N. C., and Savannah, Ga., and between Hamlet, N. C., and Atlanta, Ga.

various yachts and launches and other appointments were painstakingly drawn from real models.

One of the best musical numbers in "The Telephone Girl," is "When the Bell Goes Ting-a-Ling-Ling." There is more power in the words of the song, too. Arthur Conrad, in the topical song, "I Know Them All," gets off some local hits that catch his audience, and the result is that he has to respond to the cheering.

There has been during the year 435 alarms responded to by the department, as against 330 during 1900; this shows an increase of over 25 per cent. in alarms. The general alarm on 8-6-5, has been recorded nine times during the year; this alarm brings out the entire department, and one reserve company is placed in the central part of the city, which is expected to protect the entire city.

THE PRINCIPAL FIRES.
The following are the principal fires for the year, excepting the Warner Moore fire of yesterday:
February 19, 5:33 A. M., R. H. Boshers' Sons, loss \$ 9,073 25

Total loss \$369,931.13.
The total insurance and loss for 1901, as compared with 1900, is as follows:
1901 \$2,342,455 \$1,011,758 02

It will be noticed that, with the exception of about \$40,000, the entire loss for the past year was caused by the aforementioned fires.
The department is maintained on the same amount for expenses as it was in 1888, when the Fire Commissioners took charge.

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This department is sadly in need of additional apparatus, and the board have repeatedly recommended and asked that the Council enlarge their department, and that the entire department be maintained, as it now is, part of the force is stationed in the various houses and part engaged in other business, and when an alarm is sounded they have to run to the fire.

DEATHS FROM FIRE.
There were four deaths from fires in the city—R. E. Slaughter, in the Meyer store; Carrie Slivey (colored), in a house on East Franklin street; Joseph Dabney (colored), in the Hablston building; and Willard W. Wakefield, at the Gas-Works. In addition to this, there was the death of Mortimer Hogan from an explosion at the Gas-Works early in the present year.

RECORD BY MONTH.
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Radway's Ready Relief Cures and prevents Croup, Whooping Cough, Influenza, Bronchitis, Pneumonia, Swelling of the Joints, Lumbago, Inflammations, Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Headache, Toothache, Asthma, Difficult Breathing, Radway's Ready Relief is a Sure Cure for Every Pain, Sprain, Bruises, Pains in the Back, Chest, or Limbs. It was the first and is the only Pain Remedy that instantly stops the most excruciating pains, always inflammation, and cures coughs, croup, whether of the lungs, stomach, bowels, or other glands or organs, by one application.

ALL RECORDS BROKEN.

AN UNPRECEDENTED YEAR WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.
TOTAL LOSS EXCEEDS A MILLION.
Ten Fires Account for the Whole of This Large Sum, With the Exception of About Forty Thousand Dollars—the Monthly Record of Fires—Statement of Insurance—More Equipment Daily Needed.

The past year in the Fire Department has been phenomenal; all previous records have been broken. The fires which the department had to contend with have been of the most serious kind, yet with the exception of cases where walls have fallen in on adjoining property, no fire has extended beyond its place of origin; and, considering the conditions, this is quite remarkable.

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Reduced Underwear FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

A clearance sale—you might say a sort of round-up of odd lots from here and there—priced to a piece, for sudden exit.
A THIRD TO HALF UNDER VALUE FOR GOOD UNDERWEAR ought to induce you to pick a little bit for the kind you want—most likely you'll find it if you look.

- Infants' White Wrappers, from 90c. 60c
Women's Plain Vests or Pants, \$1 75c
Women's Natural Wool Vests, 60 and 75c. to 48c
Boys' Shirts or Pants, few sizes, from 85c. to 48c
Children's Combination Suits, from 50c. to 25c
Women's Light-Weight Underwear, nice lot, at HALF PRICE.

A Sale of Waists

ABOUT A THIRD LESS THAN USUAL, in popular fabrics and good, sensible styles, that represent your full money's worth of good value. They are our standard kinds, all bought this season—that tells it—all save the changed prices that follow:

- Velveteen Waists, silk embroidered, \$5, now \$3.75
Flannel Waists, solid colors, \$2.90, now \$2.19
French Flannel Waists, solid colors, \$3.45, now \$2.85
French Flannel Waists, embroidered, \$7.50, now \$3.90
Silk Waists, tucked and trimmed, \$7.75, now \$5.95
Silk Waists, tastefully made, \$8.00, now \$6.95
Silk Waists, elaborate tuckings, \$10, now \$7.50
Wool Jerseys, Black and colors, HALF PRICE.

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AMUSEMENTS.
BIJOU.
"The Telephone Girl," ANOTHER BIJOU HIT.
SECURE SEATS NOW!
MONS. DE VILLIERS, THE FRENCH ILLUSIONIST AND MAGICIAN, at Y. M. C. A. HALL on JANUARY 1st, 3:30 and 8:15 P. M.

IN NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.
John Timbo Badly Hurt in a Quarrel—Heathsville Personal.
HEATHSVILLE, VA., December 30.—(Special)—The weather has been very warm for this season of the year, and the rains fearfully heavy. Our roads are flooded with water, and travel is very much interfered with.

ACADEMY, NEW YEAR'S DAY.
Matinee and Night.
SAG HARBOR.
ACADEMY, FRIDAY, January 3d.
ONE NIGHT ONLY, STUART ROBSON, Supported by an All-Star Cast, in THE HENRIETTA.

ACADEMY, SATURDAY, JANUARY 4th, MATINEE AND NIGHT.
JAMES O'NEIL
In Liebler & Co.'s Production of Monte Cristo, Direct from New York and Boston.

The Confederate Museum
TWELFTH AND CLAY STREETS.
Open daily from 9 A. M. to 6 P. M. Admission, 25 cents. Free on Saturdays, 6-15-ly

THE VALENTINE MUSEUM
ELEVENTH AND CLAY STREETS.
Open daily from 10 A. M. to 5 P. M. Admission, 25 cents. Free on Saturdays, 6-15-ly

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