

THE DAYS SUMMARY.

THE WEATHER. WASHINGTON, September 8.—Forecast for Tuesday and Wednesday: Virginia—Showers Tuesday; cooler in interior; Wednesday cooler, and generally fair; fresh south winds Tuesday.

Table with 2 columns: Time and Temperature. Includes entries for 6 A.M., 9 A.M., 12 M., 3 P.M., 6 P.M., 9 P.M., and Mean temperature.

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

September 9, 1902. Sun rises... 5:47. High tide... 6:33. Moon sets... 11:06. Evening... 10:12.

RICHMOND.

Captain Lamb and Mr. Wallace in joint debate at Academy to-night; terms agreed on—Suspension of Conductor Selph threatened to file up street railway—Officers Hulcher fined \$150; Pendleton must pay \$10—Old Market Hall put available for City Committee on night of primary—State and Federal Courts clash at Lynchburg; Attorney-General on the surface—Attorney-General constructs new force provision which eliminates floating vote—Messrs. Maupin and Chipley lock horns over telephone franchises and practices—Sub-committee on streets asks car companies for details as to proposed changes in routes and schedules—Goff and Bradford thought to have been murdered and placed on Westhampton track—Dealers declare beef to be selling 2 and 4 cents lower—Actor Walter Hodgson of 1801 Allen Company, married—Increased postal facilities—Exodus from the springs is on in earnest—Opening of the session at Union Theological Seminary; the outlook—MARCHES—TERMINATION OF THE RAILWAY—Monday—No cases for the Chesterfield grand jury—Recommendations by sub-committee of Light Committee—Central Committee ready for primary.

VIRGINIA.

The town of Wakefield enjoined from interfering with the traffic of Norfolk and Western trains passing through the town will endeavor to have the injunction dissolved—The Rockbridge Mutual Insurance Company increases its capital stock from \$100,000 to \$150,000—A young negro assault on a young lady, taken to Westmoreland county to be executed—Mrs. Mary E. Boatwright dies at Charlottesville—The Pacific Mail steamer Selph makes her first trip from Newport News, where she was built—An unknown man forces a river steamer at the point of a revolver to risk his boat for miles, at the eminent risk of his own life—The Commonwealth exonerates a man of the age of 17—George O. Houston, of Roanoke, a bankrupt, with liabilities of \$2,500—Norfolk and Western train derailed near Buena Vista and two trainmen injured, one of them fatally—A. I. Stenge, who appeals to the courts from the decision of the Registration Board, of Fredericksburg, loses his case—Miss Lee dies at her home in Lynchburg—Mrs. Robert Newlove, of Elizabeth City, dies at an advanced age—Gordon Ragland heavily fined in Danville for molesting young ladies on the street—George Riley kills Noah Fox, his father-in-law, as the result of a quarrel over a horse—Dr. R. S. Powell, of Brunswick, markets the first bale of Virginia cotton—Walter Merritt, a prominent Norfolk county farmer, killed by the lever on his farm near New Kent—A. J. Logan, a resident of Point of Forks farm in Fluvanna county sold to General T. M. Logan—John J. Wilkinson, of Newport News, dies suddenly of apoplexy.

GENERAL.

New York stock market persistently strong throughout—Chicago markets enderly strong—Ocean handicap at Sheephead Bay won by Colonel Bill—Second South River Democratic primary election will be held to-day—The 100th Infantry will be sent to Ottawa, Canada, to participate in the maneuvers—Attorney Irwin says extradition proceedings in Gaynor-Greene case are by no means ended—President McKinley's honorary member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen—Summer is ordered to move against the Machin Mores—A fatal fight between striking miners occurs at Maltby, near Wilkesbarre—Ninety-two thousand German troops are in camp preparatory to army maneuvers—The 100th Infantry, under Palmer beats George Dixon in London—Bench warrants for arrest of eighteen members of the local House of Delegates (Common Council) on indictments charging bribery, are issued in St. Louis—Beer generally expected to be sold in this country—Brief is filed in plaintiffs action of J. Aspinwall Hodge, Jr., and others against the United States Corporation, opposing action by corporation's attorneys that suit be dismissed, as a conspiracy—State reports finding blood-red water off Fenwick's Island Lightship—Gold in Federal Reserve, \$575,936,194—Maine goes Republican by about 25,000—W. J. Bryan begins a speech making tour—

GIRLS TERRIFIED BY FIRE AND EXPLOSION.

A Panic in a New York Factory That Came Near Being Fringed With Serious Results. NEW YORK, September 8.—(Special).—Five hundred girls were thrown into a frenzy of fear this afternoon by an explosion and fire, which wrecked the wholesale paint and oil store on the ground floor of an eight-story building on West 10th street.

On all the other floors are shirt and button factories, in each of which many girls and women are employed. Disastrously across the street is public school No. 125. The explosion threw the children into panic, but the fire-drill was used with splendid effect, and the children were marched to the street without accident. When the explosion occurred five hundred girls on the floor were panic-stricken. An immense crowd quickly gathered, and the girls made frantic appeals from the windows for help. The firemen arrived at almost record speed, and at once sent an alarm. Some of the women tried to jump, but the shouts of the crowd and the firemen warned them. The firemen were soon rescued in a thrilling manner, all the women and other occupants, including a crippled old man on crutches. It will remain unknown whether there is any dead in the basement until the ruins cool and the wreck is cleared away.

Died in Maryland.

ROANOKE, Va., September 8.—(Special).—J. H. Ward, a prominent citizen, R. receiver of Roanoke Post, G. A. C. train, and a member of the Board of the resorts are carrying extra passenger and baggage coaches, and the noise of transfer wagons heavily laden with trunks is heard along the streets

CARS MAY BE TIED UP.

STREET RAILWAY MEN'S COMMITTEE REFUSED A HEARING BY OFFICIALS.

INSTRUCTIONS WIRED FOR.

President McMahon Was Also Asked Permission to Strike.

ALL OVER A QUESTION OF CHANGE.

The Dispute Involving a Passenger's Right to Demand the Kind of Change He Wants Assumes a Serious Aspect—The Men Are in Bad Temper—Midnight Meeting May Be Held To-Night.

The committee representing Division 152, of the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employees, were turned down flat yesterday afternoon by Superintendent Flanagan and General Manager Huff. Both representatives of the company refused to receive the committee or discuss a grievance case with them. Unless the company recedes from this position, there may be a strike on the various lines of the company in Richmond and Manchester.

The committee appointed at the meeting Friday night, consisting of A. J. Porter, chairman; H. C. Baker, and President Simmons, was instructed to wait on Superintendent Flanagan and ask him to reinstate Conductor A. E. Selph, who had been laid off for twenty days on account of charges made by William H. McBain, a passenger, concerning change.

The committee saw Mr. Flanagan yesterday afternoon upon his return from Charlottesville. The refusal to hear anything from the committee had to say. He referred them to General Manager Huff, saying that the case was out of his hands. The committee then went to see Mr. Huff, and he, too, it is understood, refused to hear them.

ASKED PERMISSION TO STRIKE.

The committee then held a conference outside of the office and decided to wire the particulars to W. C. Mahon, international president of the organization, and ask him for permission to strike, and further instructions as to what course to pursue. A reply is expected from headquarters to-day, and a midnight meeting will be called as soon as this answer reaches here. The men on all cars of the company are indignant over the treatment accorded their committee.

CAUSE OF TROUBLE.

A. E. Selph, a conductor on the Clay-street line, was reported one day last week by William H. McBain, a dealer in oils, living at No. 1004 Floyd avenue, for giving him the kind of change he wanted from a one-dollar bill. Mr. Flanagan called Mr. Selph to the office and ordered him to take the change to Mr. McBain, and apologize. This Mr. Selph refused to do so, saying that if there was an apology due, Mr. McBain owed it to him. He was laid off for twenty days, and he reported the matter to the meeting of the Division, together with a letter from an eye-witness to the controversy, Mr. D. L. Horner, and a letter from Stephen Putney, testifying to his gentlemanly conduct. The division decided that Mr. Selph was unjustly suspended, and appointed a committee to wait on the officials and ask to have him reinstated. The committee, Saturday afternoon, called on Mr. McBain, and they say that he assured them that Mr. Selp had not been discreditable to him, but had refused to give him such change as he desired, and he would teach him a lesson.

MAHON MAY COME HERE.

A midnight meeting was not held last night because the committee wants to hear from headquarters before taking any further steps. Should Mr. Mahon, their international president, be at headquarters, the committee say that he will, probably, come here and conduct the strike in person. He should have confidence in the ability of George T. Simmons, the president of the organization here.

President Simmons left last night for Petersburg to attend a midnight meeting of the Petersburg employees, who are members of Division No. 152. A. A. of S. R. E. All the men on the Petersburg line, here and conduct the strike in person. Simmons, were obligated last night, thus completing the organization of that line.

SECOND PRIMARY TO BE HELD TO-DAY.

South Carolina Democrats Will Choose a Senator to Succeed Mc Laurin, and a Governor.

COLUMBIA, S. C., September 8.—The second primary election, to be held to-morrow, will decide who will be the United States Senator to succeed Mc Laurin, and the next Governor. John Gary Evans and A. C. Latimer, who make the final contest for the Senate, have had not done the tremendous amount of work in the last two weeks and it is generally conceded the vote will be close. A good many voters will scratch both candidates.

EXODUS FROM SPRINGS HAS BEGUN IN EARNEST.

Railroads Put on Extra Coaches to Bring Back Those Who Flew From the City.

The exodus from the springs has begun, and the railroads have their hands- or cars, rather—full, transporting the crowds who fled from the heat of the summer months in the city to the coolness of the mountain fastnesses. All trains running in and out of Richmond from the resorts are carrying extra passenger and baggage coaches, and the noise of transfer wagons heavily laden with trunks is heard along the streets

FINAL JOINT DEBATE.

CRUCIAL POINT OF LAMB-WALLACE CAMPAIGN AT ACADEMY TO-NIGHT.

TERMS MUTUALLY AGREED ON.

Wallace Opens, Lamb Follows, and the Former Closes.

FORTY, FIFTY, TEN MINUTES.

Captain Lamb Spoke Last Night in Fulon, and His Adherents in That Section Were Out in Full Force—He Replies to Mr. Folkes—Speaks at Locomotive-Works To-Day—Exchange of Letters.

TRIBUTE TO DR. CURRY FROM MR. ROOSEVELT.

The President Says He Was the Special Ambassador the U. S. could Expect to Have.

CHATTAHOOGA, TENN., September 8.—(Special).—President Roosevelt paid a high compliment to Rev. J. L. M. Curry to-day. Mr. Curry went as American representative to the coronation of King Alfonso, of Spain.

Mr. Roosevelt to-day met Captain Curry, postmaster United States army, shook hands with a pleasure and a respect. I know your father very well. He was the best special ambassador the United States could ever expect to have. He is one of the most diplomatic men we have.

AN INFANT GIRL ABANDONED.

Left by a Mysterious, Well Dressed Woman in Roanoke Depot.

ROANOKE, VA., September 8.—(Special).—To-night, when the Roanoke and Southern train arrived, a well-dressed woman alighted with a package which she deposited in the waiting-room. She boarded an out-going train, leaving the bundle, which proved to be an infant child with a large supply of fine clothing wrapped in a copy of the Lynchburg News. Everything indicated that the infant, which was a female, had been well cared for. Miss Lily Garland, a trained nurse, was present, and she adopted the foundling. There is no clue to the woman's identity.

HULCHER FINED \$150.

But Police Commissioners Assess Only Ten Dollars Against Pendleton.

The hearing of the charges preferred against Officers L. H. Hulcher and V. Pendleton, of the First District, by the Board of Police Commissioners yesterday evening resulted in reprimands for the officers and a fine of \$150 for Mr. Hulcher and \$10 for Mr. Pendleton.

The witnesses before the board were Captain Angle, Sergeants Mathews and Kerse and Officers Robinson, Crump, Brown, the accused and Dr. C. W. P. Brock, Jr. The evidence was the same as that brought out before the police court on Saturday, and there was no conflict in it. This was as to the manner in which the assault came about. Mr. Hulcher testified that he approached Mr. Pendleton in a friendly way to settle the differences between them. Mr. Pendleton testified that he saw the altercation, and it was the conflict of testimony that saved Officer Hulcher from being discharged from the force. Several members of the board so stated.

There is no doubt that Mr. Hulcher will be enabled to effect an arrangement with Major Howard, whereby he will be permitted to pay his fine in installments. The fine amounts to just two months' salary for the officer, and it would seem harsh for the board to demand that all of this be taken away from his family. In the past, heavy fines have been paid by policemen in this manner, and it is believed that the board will "square" himself in this way. He did not return to work last night on account of a little soreness in his wound, which will, probably, keep him from duty for several days.

The fine of the board was that Mr. Hulcher had been guilty of an assault on Mr. Pendleton, and that Mr. Pendleton was guilty of profane language while on duty. The board decided that Mr. Pendleton was not guilty of shooting Mr. Hulcher, and that he did the shooting in self-defense.

CANNOT GET THE HALL.

City Democratic Committee Failed to Secure Permission of City Fathers.

Unless the Council Committee on Markets holds another meeting to-night or to-morrow night, the City Central Committee cannot meet in Old Market Hall on Thursday night to receive the returns from the congressional primary, as has been announced. The committee evidently thought that there would be no trouble about the matter, and nothing was said to the committee about it.

DREADFUL DEATH AT ROANOKE LAST NIGHT.

Walter Carter, of Thaxton, Has His Brains Dashed out at a Drill Table.

ROANOKE, VA., September 8.—(Special).—Walter D. Carter, aged 19 years, died horribly to-night at the Virginia Bridge and Iron Company Works. He was operating a large drill table, and his clothing was caught. He was hurled round and round, and his brains were dashed out against an iron post. Many bones were broken, and he was terribly mangled. He came here six months ago from Thaxton.

BEEF NOT SO HIGH.

Dealers Say Prices Range Two to Four Cents Lower.

ST. LOUIS SENSATION.

BENCH WARRANTS FOR ARREST OF EIGHTEEN CITY COUNCILMEN.

ONE BOODLER CONFESSES.

He Will Be Granted Immunity for Doing So.

HELD KEY TO BRIBE MONEY BOX.

Funds Were Paid to Members of Combine in Council for Their Votes in Matter of Street Railway Legislation—Combine Also Sold Its Votes on Lighting Bills—Three of the Warrants Served.

ST. LOUIS, MO., September 8.—

A sensation was caused to-day by the issuance of bench warrants for the arrest of eighteen members and former members of the House of Delegates, on the confession of Delegate J. K. Murrell, who fled to Mexico last spring, after being indicted for bribery by the December grand jury, in connection with the alleged boodling operations of the Municipal Assembly in relation to the granting of street-railroad franchises, and who unexpectedly returned to the city through the efforts of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, and surrendered.

Murrell is now in the custody of Circuit Attorney Folk, and will, it is stated, be granted immunity from punishment for turning State's evidence. Following are the names of alleged combine members for whom bench warrants, charging bribery and perjury in connection with suburban street railway and other legislation, have been issued: Ed. E. Murrell, John N. Schnettler, Charles F. Kelley, T. E. Albright, George F. Robertson, Louis Decker, John Helms, Charles A. Gutke, Adolph Madera, H. A. Faulkner, James Lehman, Edmund B. Bercel, O. S. Summers, John A. Sheridan, Charles J. Denny, William Tamblin, J. J. Hannigan, and Emil Hartman.

NINE WARRANTS SERVED.

Warrants were served on E. E. Murrell, Schnettler, Albright, Robertson, Helms, Gutke, Faulkner, Schumacher, and Bercel. The others arrested were allowed to go.

SHE MADE THE FLAG.

Mrs. Padgett's Death Recalls the Killing of Ellsworth and Jackson.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., September 8.—(Special).—Mrs. Libbey Padgett, who made the Confederate flag which waved over the Marshall house here in 1861, causing the death of Colonel Ellsworth and James Jackson, the proprietor, died at her home here last night. She was 77 years old.

The death of Mrs. Padgett recalls one of the first tragedies of the war between the States. A New York regiment, including the Ellsworth Zouaves, had just reached Alexandria on their way to the front when the flag incident and the death of both Ellsworth and Jackson occurred. The scene of the tragedy was the Marshall House, a hotel at the corner of King and Pitt streets, kept by Jackson. He was an ardent secessionist and Confederate, and promptly upon the accession of Virginia hoisted upon the top of the Marshall House the stars and bars of the young Confederacy. It is said that in his arduous he registered a solemn vow that he would protect that flag with his life and would kill any man who attempted to haul it down.

Early in the movement of troops Southward Ellsworth and his New York Zouaves entered Alexandria on the day following morning in April, 1861. Seeing the Confederate flag floating defiantly from the summit of the Marshall House, Ellsworth, fired with martial zeal, determined to bring it down. He and his company were asleep at the time, but as the Zouaves descended the noise awakened Mrs. Jackson, who hurriedly aroused her husband. Seeing Ellsworth descending with the flag, Jackson immediately carried out his vow and shot Ellsworth dead. The sergeant who was with the officer thereupon shot Jackson. The tragedy created great excitement, and the city was immediately placed under martial law. This was, perhaps, the first officer killed in the war.

I reply to your letter at once, and, as you insist on what you term your right to a "public answer," I shall furnish copies of my reply to you in the afternoon enclosed in postpaid envelopes. Not one of them in this way. He did not return to work last night on account of a little soreness in his wound, which will, probably, keep him from duty for several days.

WAS FINED HEAVILY FOR INSULTING GIRLS.

Gordon Ragland, While Drinking Made Advances to Danville Young Ladies.

DANVILLE, VA., September 8.—(Special).—Gordon Ragland, a youth of rather prepossessing appearance, was heavily fined in the Mayor's Court this morning. He was charged with making advances to two pretty girls upon the street. The witnesses said that Ragland was drinking rather heavily. After behaving badly in several places and having been called down by the proprietors, he accosted two young girls who were passing at the time. He crossed over and spoke to them and attempted to catch hold of the arm of the one nearest him. The girls became frightened and ran. Ragland did not pursue them. The witnesses were not close enough to hear what was said.

FIRST BALE OF COTTON.

Dr. R. S. Powell, of Brunswick, Sent the First Virginia Product.

PETERSBURG, VA., September 8.—Dr. R. S. Powell, of Brunswick county, claims the honor of having raised the first bale of Virginia cotton. A letter received by Martin & Sons this evening, to whom he shipped a bale of cotton on the 3d of September, requests that upon his authority this correction be made.

DEALERS SAY PRICES RANGE TWO TO FOUR CENTS LOWER.

Some of the managers of the packing-offices here are incredulous as to the report that all the packing firms of the West are to be consolidated. They say the deal will probably not go through, certainly not for the present. It is also said by the dealers that beef here has become cheaper lately, and is now selling at from two to four cents a pound less than a few weeks ago.

BODIES BROUGHT IN.

BULLET-TORN REMAINS OF TWO VIRGINIA DESPERADOES.

HAULED IN CART TO GATE CITY.

Old Jim Wright's Long and Bloody Career Ended.

HUNTED DOWN BY A POSSE.

Waylaid in the Mountains by Men Whose Lives They Had Threatened—Jim Wright and Templeton Were Shot—The Gang Broken Up—Part Captured and Part Shot to Death.

GATE CITY, September 8.—(Special).—

Mangled and bloody, and lying side by side in a common farm-wagon, the dead bodies of Jim Wright and John Templeton, the desperadoes and outlaws of Hancock county, were viewed by hundreds of people here this afternoon. It was court day and many people were in town. The wagon containing the bodies was driven into a narrow alley between the court-house and jail, and the people permitted to pass on by, on either side, and view the senseless forms that have so long held in terror a large community.

Wright was a small man, with sallow, sunken cheeks; a heavy moustache, slightly tinged with gray; deep-set eyes, overhung by shaggy brows. He was past 50 years old. Templeton was a muscular young man, evidently about 25 years old, though said to be only 20. At the feet of the dead men lay two of the immense guns which they carried.

COLONEL W. H. FRY DEAD AT COYNER'S SPRINGS.

Venerable Man, Formerly a Citizen of Richmond, Passes Away, in His 82d Year.

A telegram reached here early this morning announcing the death of Colonel W. H. Fry, which occurred at 9:15 o'clock last night at his home, Coynes Springs, Va. Colonel Fry was in his 82d year, having been born in Fredericksburg, Va., on October 15, 1819.

He moved to Richmond in his early youth, where he lived until 1856, in which year he moved to Coynes Springs, where he has since resided. He commanded the Richmond Light Infantry Blues, about four years after which he was made major of the First Virginia Regiment. He was afterward made lieutenant-colonel, with which rank he entered the Confederate service, with his regiment and fought in many battles, including those of Bull Run and First Manassas. After the latter battle he was detached and placed in command of Lee Camp, where he was kept until the end of the war.

Colonel Fry was a man of undoubted valor, and the confinement of the camp was a great trial to him, as he longed to be in more active service. He made frequent requests—indeed, as many as fifteen—to be sent back to his regiment, and each time received the reply that he was needed more at home. He was a member of the firm of Hugh W. Fry & Sons, wholesale grocers, of this city. He was married to Miss Jane M. Watson, daughter of Colonel Richard Watson, of Albemarle county. From their union were born six children, all of whom are living, and two of whom—Messrs. H. W. Fry and P. M. Fry—are well known in Richmond, being connected with the Virginia Hotel. Mrs. Fry died eight years ago.

The funeral will take place Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, and details as to the service can be learned.

SUIT OF HODGE AND OTHERS AGAINST STEEL COMPANY.

Brief Filed, Opposing Motion by Company's Attorneys That Suit Be Dismissed, as a Conspiracy.

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Damaging Evidence Against a Bristol Husband.

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BRYAN ON THE STUMP.

He Addresses Grand Army Men at Their Nebraska Reunion.

SCHEME OF PLUNDER.

"There must of the schemes to get money for votes were concocted. When the Suburban matter came up before the combine I was selected to negotiate with Philip Stock, the representative of the Suburban Railway Company. I thought we could get for our votes upon the passage of the bill. I reported the various negotiations to the combine meetings, and was instructed from time to time what to do. The price was agreed upon, and I designated me as the person to hold the key to the box containing the \$55,000, which we were to get when the bill was passed and signed by the Mayor.

PROPOSE TO SELL LEGISLATION.

"The purpose of the combine was to control legislation and sell legislation for the benefit of the combine. Shortly before the Suburban bill the combine sold their votes on the lighting bills for \$47,500. This money was handled by Kelly, and was paid to the members of the combine in the form of a check. I saw the check of Julius Lehmann's house. Each member of the combine received \$2,500.

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Affidavits by Mr. Hodge as to his good faith in the suit, and by John H. Lancaster, denying alleged admissions made by him to a clerk of Mr. Guthrie, of counsel for the defendant corporation, also were filed to-day.

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The woman, who was well known, was found dead in her home in West Bristol at noon to-day with a bullet in her head. Her husband claims she committed suicide, but he was at once arrested on suspicion of having murdered the woman.

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LINCOLN, NEB., September 8.—W. J. Bryan began to-day a speech-making tour which will continue with little interruption until the November election. This evening he made the opening address to the Grand Army at their State reunion near Hastings. The youth crossed over the campaign for the Democrats of Missouri at Joplin. He will make other political speeches during this month in Nebraska. Practically all of October will be spent in the State to ship to the Fusion, State, and Congressional tickets.