NEW PASTOR WELCOMED

Plan for Securing Road Improvement in Essex Adopted

TAX ON DOGS TO BE USED

Judge R. H. L. Chichester, While Riding Into the City on Horseback, Had a Narrow Escape from a Very Serious Accident.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., April 24.—The Methodists of this city last night welcomed their new pastor, Rev. J. S. Hutchison, and Mrs. Hutchison, and Rev. S. B. Dolly and his wife. Mr. Dolly is a superannuated minister who recently came here to reside. The reception was held in the Sunday-school room of the church and was largely attended, not only by members of the Methodist denomination but by many others. The exercises were held under the auspices of the Epworth League, Mr. Everett Compton presiding. Rev. Dr. J. S. Dill, pastor of the Baptist Church, participated in the programme. Addresses were delivered in behalf of the church by Messrs. P. V. D. Conway and W. L. Brannan, and responses made by Rev. Mr. Hutchison and Mr. Dolly. The musical programme was participated in by Misses Alice Gammon, Mamie Beale, Louise Sommerville and Professor F. A. Franklin, and it was a very enjoyable feature. At the conclusion of the programme refreshments were served, and the large crowd lingered in social intercourse.

At the meeting in favor of good roads in Essex county, held at Tappahannock this week, the plan submitted by Sheriff J. M. Terrill was adopted, the features of which are that the circuit judge shall appoint for each district three road commissioners, they to divide out the roads and let them out to contractors, the contractors to own land along the road, and no one contractor to have more than five miles of road. The county is to furnish a road machine for each district. The road commissioners are to charge for looking after the roads in their respective districts, and they will receive a small compensation. The tax from dogs is to be used for road improvements.

R. N. Curtis, a youth of Stafford county, who was here yesterday, though only fifteen years old, measures six feet three and a half inches tall, weighs 165 pounds, wears No. 11 shoes and measures forty-two inches around the chest.

The steamer Caroline, of the Weems Line, plying between this city and Urbanna, which has met with a number of mishaps and delays, has been overhauled and her machinery put in order, and she is now running on regular schedule on the river route.

Judge R. H. L. Chichester, while riding into the city on horseback, met with a singular accident. His horse was going at a brisk trot when he struck a stone, which turned and threw him. The horse fell on his head and entirely reversed himself in the fall. Judge Chichester, who is very active, sprang sideways from the horse while he was going over, and fell on his hands without being injured. The horse was badly scarred from the effects of his remarkable somersault.

Mrs. Charles Beazley, of Caroline county, fell over a pile of lumber in one of the out-houses at her home and broke one of her ribs.

George Tyler, colored, who died in lower Fauquier county this week, was said to have reached the age of 110 years.

Superintendent of Public School B. P. Willis, of this city, is in Richmond attending the sessions of the Conference of Education.

Mr. C. M. Chichester, of Stafford, has been appointed to a good business position in Roanoke, and has gone there to assume his duties.

RAINBOW TROUT

Real Estate Sales in Rockbridge—Walnut Lumber Awaiting Shipment.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LEXINGTON, VA., April 24.—The United States Fish Commission has sent H. P. Sheltman, of Riverside, six cans of rainbow trout, which he has placed in Irish Creek, a mountain stream near Riverside, where other trout abound in plenty. The cans contained three gallons each, and it is thought that the fish will propogate in this stream, and prove sport for the followers of Isaac Walton.

The farm near Fairfield, Rockbridge county, belonging to the heirs of Mrs. M. E. Donald, has been sold at public auction by the commissioner, Judge W. P. Houston, to S. G. Donald, for $2,900. It contains 155 acres.

G. Taylor Alphin, of Lower Kerr's Creek, Rockbridge county, has sold his farm, near the mouth of the creek, to Frank Brown, of Lexington, for $2,500. The farm contains about eighty acres. Mr. Alphin has purchased a farm ten miles below Roanoke city, containing 249 acres, for which he paid $3,500, and will move his family there.

There is now at the Lexington depot a fine lot of walnut lumber, awaiting shipment, the destination of which is Glasgow, Scotland, and other foreign markets. It was purchased by A. McRae, who has been busy buying in other localities for foreign markets. Walnut lumber is now very scarce and commands a good price and as high as $45 has been paid for a single tree on the stump.

DON'T WANT CHARTER

Tax-Payers of Berkley Not in Favor of Incorporation.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BERKLEY, VA., April 24.—From what can be gathered from various sources, the tax-payers of Berkley are oposed to the proposed city charter for Berkley at this time. Many of them say that they would favor incorporating Berkley into a city under favorable circumstances, but to add the additional expense of a city government to the already bonded indebtedness of the town at its present taxable income would be suicidal to the bright prospects that Berkley has before it.

Many think that the fusionists have something up their sleeves in advancing the proposition at this time, as there is no one who is more thoroughly impressed with the fact that Berkley is in need of everything but a city charter at this time.

FACTORIES BURNED

Suhling Tobacco Buildings Burned in Lynchburg Last Night.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LYNCHBURG, VA., April 24.—Two large brick factories owned and occupied by Suhling & Company were destroyed by fire here to-night. When the alarm was given, flames were issuing from the tops of both structures, and before the firemen got to work all efforts to save them were hopeless. Many nearby factories were seriously endangered. The Suhling buildings were connected by an archway of wood, and it is supposed that the fire spread through this.

Suhling & Company ship annually millions of pounds of tobacco to Germany. The value of the two buildings is about $30,000, and fixtures $10,000. The stock on hand is variously estimated at from $30,000 to $100,000. The approximate loss may be placed at $75,000.

While Messrs. Suhling would make no statement, it is thought that the loss will be covered by insurance.

Of Interest in Amelia.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

AMELIA COURTHOUSE, VA., April 24.—Yesterday was County Court day here, and the large crowd in attendance was due to the fact that on account of the death of Mr. John H. Haskins, superintendent of the poorhouse, some one was to be appointed to that position. There were twelve or fifteen applicants for the position from various parts of the county. Mr. N. W. de Krafft, Jr., of Leigh District, was appointed by Judge Farrar.

Another matter of interest to the people of this county, and it may be of other sections, was the question of the application for license to sell liquor in this place, but up to this time there has been no application made to the court.

T. P. A.'S GATHER IN DANVILLE

Twelfth Annual Convention Convened There on Yesterday.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DANVILLE, VA., April 24.—The twelfth annual convention of the Travellers' Protective Association of Virginia convened here this morning at 11 o'clock, with State President T. S. Beckwith, of Petersburg, presiding. An address of welcome was delivered by Mayor Harry Wooding, and was responded to on behalf of the association by Colonel Harwood, of Richmond, State secretary. The business sessions are being held in the Elks' Lodge room, which has been kindly donated to the drummers by that order. The delegates were taken in charge by the members of Post "E," of this city, and they are being entertained in regal style.

The event of the meeting was the banquet given at Hotel Burton to-night. Hon. George C. Cabell acted as toastmaster, and responses were made by Hon. Claude A. Swanson, Hon. R. A. James and others. The dining rooms were handsomely decorated in the colors of the association, and the menu was one of the most elaborate ever served here. This afternoon the visitors were treated to a trolley ride over the lines of the Danville street railway system.

IN MARTINSVILLE

Electric Power and Lighting Plant Soon to Be Installed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

MARTINSVILLE, VA., April 24.—The Town Council has just ordered the publication of an advertisement for bids for a franchise to use the streets of the town for poles, wires and other appliances for the transmission of electric power. The party to whom the franchise shall be granted is required, under the conditions set forth in the advertisement, to establish and operate an electric power plant of not less than 650 horse-power capacity for the sale of power within the town, and is further required to establish and operate an electric lighting plant in the town, the price to be paid by the town for each 2,000 candle-power electric arc light being $75 per annum. Another requirement is that the plant shall be in operation within six months from the award of the franchise, which will be done on May 23d. A strong company has been formed and has obtained control of large water power on Smith River, and it is understood that this company is ready to bid on the franchise. Other Smith River power will no doubt be developed in a short time, and there may be several bids for the franchise. The price to be charged for power and for incandescent lights is limited to a reasonable figure. The consummation of this project means much for Martinsville's industrial future.

A STAFFORD SHOOTING

J. T. Ely Seriously Wounds George Harding Near Hartwood.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., April 24.—A report reached here late this evening to the effect that during a difficulty near Hartwood, Stafford county, to-day, J. T. Ely shot and badly wounded George Harding. Both are well known citizens of that section. Harding is said to be in a serious condition. A physician was hurriedly summoned from this city.

"I wrote to Dr. Pierce for advice though I thought surely I would die."

"After my baby came in January, 1900," writes Mrs. Nancy Abner, of St. Paul, Ark., "I suffered severely from all sorts of aches and pains, until the following May, when I read one of your pamphlets, treating on female diseases. I wrote to Dr. Pierce for advice, although I thought surely I would die, as our physician told me I was more liable to die than to get well; your fatherly advice caused my health to be restored. I took five bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, three of 'Golden Medical Discovery' and three vials of 'Pellets,' together with your other remedies, and I am now able to do all my work."

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BANKRUPT ARRESTED

Michaelsohn Charged With False Pretenses.

CHECKS WERE PROTESTED

Sam Watters Hanged for the Murder of the Unidentified Stranger, Charles R. Hunter—Governor Declined to Interfere in His Behalf.

(Selected for The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., April 24.—Adolph Michaelsohn was arested at noon to-day. He was placed under arerst by Officers Snowden and Connors on a warrant sworn to by W. Lindsay Bibb, alleging that Michaelsohn made statements which are false and passed various checks, six in number, on which he obtained the cash by false pretenses. The checks aggregate $2,065. They are drawn on the Marine Bank of Norfolk, as follows: $395, $390, $220, and on the Citizens' Bank for $400, and the City National Bank for $265. These checks were all returned from the banks unpaid, and they were all dated on April 16th. The warrant alleges that they were drawn and passed with the intent of obtaining money by false pretenses, and asks that Adolph Michaelsohn be arrested and held for trial as to the charges.

Michaelsohn was taken to the police station, where Judge D. Tucker Brooke was summoned as an attorney, and Frank Jacobs as a bondsman. The bond was made before Judge Hanckel of the Corporation Court, and the prisoner was released. Michaelsohn was cool and assisted the sergeant of the police at the desk to read the warrant, while he betrayed so little emotion as to cause the inference that he was expecting the arrest and had prepared both an attorney and a bondsman.

Samuel Watters was hanged till dead in the jail yard this morning. The scaffold has been ready for several days, and the message from Governor Montague to Sheriff Lawler yesterday said that no further respite would be allowed. Hence all of the preparations for the hanging were finished last night and the ominous sign of death was there before the eyes and all of the inmates of the jail this morning. The condemned man arose early, but did not eat breakfast this morning. He was allowed a suit of new clothes and all of the liberties that the law permits the condemned, but he was informed that he must be ready for execution at 9:30 o'clock. At that time the prisoner came out of the jail, accompanied by the officers, Sheriff Lawler and Rev. Dr. Reynolds, the colored minister. The minister oered a short prayer. The condemned man declined to say anything and walked with a firm step to the noose of a slender rope on the trap of the scaffold. The trap was sprung after the noose was adjusted by Sheriff Lawler, and at 9:33 the neck of the murderer was broken. He was unconscious at once, and at 9:47 Dr. Baker, the jail physician, pronounced him dead. The hanging was orderly. There were about 100 persons, chiefly officials, physicians and newspaper men, to witness the execution, and they all complimented the sheriff on the orderly manner in which the judgment of the court was carried out. The man was hanged for the murder of a stranger, Charles R. Hunter.

The State revenue law recently adopted by the Legislature will be costly to the banks, but will bring a good deal of money into the State and city treasuries. Under the new law all banks must pay State and city taxes on their capital, surplus and undivided profits. Of the banks of Portsmouth, the Merchants' and Farmers' Bank, with its total of $170,500, at $2.15 State and city tax, will pay $3,665.75. The Bank of Portsmouth, with $140,000, will pay $3,010. The People's Bank, with $100,500, will pay $2,160.75. The Dime Savings Bank, with $25,000, will pay $537.50, making a total of $9,374. Of this amount the State will receive $1,744, and the city $7,630, which amount is more than double that now paid by the banks.

Judge Crocker and a jury in the Hustings Court, Portsmouth, heard a case, in which Harry A. Brinkley, a young attorney-at-law, is defendant, and Charles B. Jones is plaintiff. The action grows out of a debt of $124.40 owed by W. R. Farange to Jones for rent of a house. Mr. Brinkley represented Farange in the house rent dispute, and in offering a settlement used the word "we," and the suit was brought on that word, Mr. Jones contended that he accepted the offer made by Mr. Farange through Mr. Brinkley, only because he considered Mr. Brinkley as surety for the debt. Mr. Brinkley asserted first that he was not a surety, and used the word "we" only in a representative capacity, and second, that he received no notice that Mr. Jones had accepted the offer. The jury declined to hold the attorney responsible for the rent because of the use of the plural.

Mayor Riddick this morning approved the ordinance appropriating $21,407.25 for the purpose of purchasing what is known as the Bull property, on Smith's Creek, which is to be used for park purposes.

John Whitehead has handed in his resignation as secretary of the District Democratic Committee. The letter will be acted upon at the next meeting of the board.

This morning in Police Court, Jannie Johnson, a white woman, was fined $5 for the violation of the city ordinance prohibiting women from entering places where liquor is sold. The woman was arrested last night by Officer Shannon at the request of Harry Caplan, proprietor of a Crawford Street saloon, which the prisoner had entered and refused to leave at the request of Caplan, themselves to be put under arrest. A magistrates' court was held by Justices Heinon Witt and Marion Kirby, and the men acquitted and set free.

CLINGENPEEL ALIVE

Slayers of Sauney Arthur Are Freed by a Magistrate.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BEDFORD CITY, VA., April 24.—Mr. W. T. Clingenpeel, who was so desperately shot and cut Wednesday afternoon by Sauney Arthur, is still alive this morning. He slept last night, and is now resting quietly, so that his physician, Dr. J. A. Pollard, is encouraged to hope for his recovery. That he was not killed is a marvel. His head is almost severed from the body, all the exterior muscles supporting it being cut asunder. By a miracle the jugular vein was not cut, although it might be plainly seen through the gaping wound that ran around the neck from the spine on both sides. The two bullet wounds in the back are most feared by the physician, especially the one in the small of the back to the right of the spine, and it will be four or five days before danger from that source can be said to be over.

A coroner's jury viewed the remains of Sauney Arthur yesterday and rendered a verdict that death resulted from gunshot wounds at the hands of Clifton Franklin, Preston Leftwich and Jerry Leftwich, and they immediately allowed

GERMAN HOSPITALITY

American Officers Cordially Received on Board the Gazelle.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., April 24.—Rear-Admiral Harrington, commandant of the Portsmouth navy-yard, to-day paid his respects to Count Oriola, commandant of the German cruiser Gazelle, at the shipyard here. The American officers were cordially received by the German captain and were hospitably entertained while on board. The Gazelle and the battleship Missouri, which have been in the dry-dock together for some time, were to-day floated out.

The Minister from Siam with a party of five, is stopping at the Sherwood Hotel, Old Point Comfort. He will remain in this section two weeks.

The Lumber steamer Francis H. Leggett sailed to-day for San Francisco. The vessel has just been completed here and is for the Redwood Lumber trade in California.

TRIED TO JUMP FROM CAR WINDOW

A. D. Dabney, Young Attorney of Charlottesville, Injures Himself on a Train.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., April 24.—Mr. Archibald D. Dabney, a young attorney of this city, was badly injured in attempting to jump from a Southern Railway train this morning while in a moment of this city and taken at once to the Unimental aberration. He was brought to versity Hospital, where he is now doing very well.

Mr. Dabney was on his return from a trip to Spartanburg, S. C., where he had gone on legal business. Upon reaching Danville last night he wired the Jefferson National Bank of this city for money, which was remitted at once. He boarded Southern Railway train No. 40, which was over four hours late. After the train pulled out of Oak Ridge Station, Mr. Dabney, it is alleged, was seen to make an effort to jump through a window of the car in which he was riding. Two fellow-passengers made a grab for the young man and succeeded in stopping him, but not before he had badly cut his throat on the pane of glass, which, of course, had been shattered.

An external jugular vein was almost severed, but the flow of blood was stopped by the efforts of Mr. A. S. Taylor, a young medical student of the University of Virginia, who happened to be on the same car at the time of the accident. The edges of the wound were tightly held until Union Station, this city, was reached.

Mr. Dabney is a son of the late Walter D. Dabney, former dean of the law department of the University of Virginia, and at one time assistant Secretary of State under Cleveland's second administration. He is a bright young man, of much promise, and his hosts of friends in the city are hopeful of his early recovery.

EXERCISES END IN ALEXANDRIA

The Celebration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of First Baptist Church.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ALEXANDRIA, VA., April 24.—The final exercises of the one hundredth anniversary celebration of the First Baptist Church took place this evening before a large audience in the auditorium of the church. It was the "Home Evening" of the centennial, and was interdenominational in character. On the platform were ministers of the Presbyterian, Methodist and Protestant Episcopal churches. Rev. P. P. Phillips, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, delivered the first address, and other brief addresses were delivered by the following: Rev. Dr. Frank J. Brooke, of the Second Presbyterian Church; Mayor Geo. L. Simpson, former Mayor K. Kemper, Rev. J. P. Stump, of the M. E. Church, South; Mr. Hubert Snowden, editor of the Alexandria Gazette; Rev. J. H. S. Ewell, of the Methodist Protestant Church; and Rev. William J. Morton, rector of Christ Episcopal Church. Following the exercises in the auditorium the guests assembled around the social banquet board in the lecture-room, which had been prepared for the occasion by the ladies of the church.

All interested agree that the centennial was a most gratifying success. Every evening the exercises were attended by large audiences, numbering hundreds of people outside the pale of the Baptist denomination. The sermons and addresses were pronounced to be of a very high order. It is agreed that much of the success of the celebration was due to the tactful and untiring efforts of Rev. Dr. George Langford Hunt, the present pastor. The presence of all the former pastors of the church now living gave the occasion the pleasant feature of a reunion. Members of the congregation are joyful over the auspicious circumstances under which the church enters upon the second century of its existence.

During the services Thursday night, under the auspices of the Fannie Mercer Missionary Society, at which the address was delivered by Rev. Dr. C. H. Ryland, of Richmond, and the sermon by Rev. Dr. I. M. Mercer, also of Richmond, the latter took occasion to compliment The Times-Dispatch from the rostrum for the daily report it contained of the centennial exercises. Dr. Mercer said that although he had been unable to attend throughout the week, he had read with pleasure every morning the account of the exercises the evening before in the Alexandria church. His sermon related to missions, and had the rare merit, as one of his listeners stated, of putting the question in an entirely new light.

The seventy-fourth anniversary of the organization of the local Methodist Protestant Church will be celebrated by the congregation of that church next Sunday. Rev. G. W. Haddaway, of Baltimore, will preach both morning and evening. The church in this city was organized April 24th, 1829.

Jweelry Firm Fails.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BRISTOL, VA., April 24.—The jewelry firm of Glenn Brothers to-day made an assignment for the benefit of their creditors, naming Attorney Walter H. Robertson trustee. Assets and liabilities have not been announced, but it is stated that the former will more than offset the latter.

DAY AGAIN UNDER FIRE

Ten More Warrants Against Amherst Druggist.

CASE WILL BE PUSHED

The Amherst Anti-Saloon League is Moving With Vigor and Energy in the Matter—Cases Against Mrs. Ella Tyree.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

AMHERST, VA., April 24.—Ten more warrants were issued to-day against Druggist S. A. Day, of Amherst, for the illicit sale of whiskey. Druggist Day was a prominent witness in the Campbell case, and a short time ago his drug store was burned to the ground. Warrants of a similar character were issued against Druggist Day and Mrs. Ella Tyree, of Amherst, several days ago.

The cases had been pending in Justice Edgar Whitehead's court here, and were taken up yesterday. When the Justice opened his court yesterday morning neither of the defendants were present. Mr. Thomas Whitehead, of Lynchburg, counsel for the Anti-Saloon League, was also absent, and Mr. T. C. Payne, attorney for Day and Mrs. Tyree, asked that the cases be postponed until to-day, which request was granted.

This morning, when the Justice opened his court, Attorney Payne had Dr. F. F. Voorhees brought into court to prove that his clients were too unwell to attend the trial, so a continuance was granted to the 30th of this month, but Attorney Whitehead was on hand and insisted that the court proceed with a preliminary investigation of these charges against Druggist Day and others. This was agreed to, and a number of witnesses were examined. Upon their testimony ten warrants were issued against Druggist S. A. Day for the illicit sale of whiskey and one against Mrs. Ella Tyree. All of these warrants will be taken up and tried on the day set by the Justice. There will also be a further investigation of charges against Mr. Day, as a number of witnesses have been summoned, who are yet to testify. It is thought that as many more warrants may be issued on the testimony that will be brought out at a further investigation of these cases.

Attorney Thomas Whitehead stated that with one exception each of the ten warrants issued to-day was on the testimony of two or three witnesses, who testified clearly and unequivocally that they had bought whiskey at Day's drug store within the past twelve months. This is the second continuance that has been granted Day and Mrs. Tyree.

THE OYSTER SEASON

It Ends To-Day, and Has Not Been Altogether Successful.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

YORKTOWN, VA., April 24.—The oyster season, which ends to-morrow, has been somewhat of a conundrum, as compared with the past ones. The planters and possibly some very few tongmen may have cleared a little money, but to the majority the season has been a particularly bad one. Some little money was made in the very earliest of the fall, just after the season came in, but bad weather and, worst of all, the almost entire absence of seed oysters have been the chief causes of failure on the part of the men who follow the business for a living. Many old oystermen have determined to give the business up for the present, at least, until seed becomes more plentiful, which is looked upon as something never to be realized. To the majority the death knell of the tongman has sounded; the end of his occupation is near at hand.

The revival of interest in the Jamestown, Yorktown and Old Point Railway Company has spread like wildfire and is the one topic of conversation. A gentleman interested in the now proposed electric line from Richmond down the Peninsula, in speaking on the subject, expressed himself as being tolerably sure now of the construction. These people, it is now learned, expected to buy out the franchise of this line, but Mr. Jackson refuses to consider any proposition looking to the acquirement of his property. The fate of the road is believed to hinge somewhat on the Jamestown Exposition.

IN PITTSYLVANIA

Negro Given Eighteen Years for the Murder of His Wife.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHATHAM, VA., April 24.—In the County Court Tuesday, Stribling Rowles, who was indicted for the murder of Bal Harney, colored, at Franklin Junction, in the month of January, was convicted of assault and battery and fined twenty-five dollars and cost.

Henry Hood, colored, for wife murder, was on Wednesday convicted of second degree murder, and given eighteen years in the penitentiary. The prisoner claimed that his wife struck the first blow and he retaliated by dealing her a blow on the head with a large pistol and kicked her in the stomach, from which she died. This testimony was not broken down, so the Attorney for the Commonwealth asked for a verdict for second degree murder.

Motions for liquor license will be heard by Judge James L. Tredway Friday.

Mr. L. J. Gammon, superintendent of County Almshouse, had his left foot badly bruised and cut in one place by his horse treading on him. Mr. Gammon was holding the horse by the bridle when he reared up, coming down on Mr. Gammon's foot.

Miss Cora Whitmore is a guest at No. 127 1-2 South Cherry Street, Richmond.

Killed a Negro Child.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BOYDTON, VA., April 24.—Between 2 and 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon James Oliver, a colored youth about thirteen years old, living five miles from this place, shot and killed, accidentally, a colored girl named Florence Terry, about the same age. The boy took the gun out into the yard and attempted to cock it, and, in doing so let the hammer slip, and the whole load was discharged into the left side of the girl's face, who was standing at the time at a window. She lived ten hours after being shot.

Dry by a Close Margin.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DANVILLE, VA., April 24.—Tunstall District, the largest in Pittsylvania county, held a local option election yesterday. Six out of eight precincts heard from give the "drys" eighteen majority. The district is probably "dry" by a very close margin. About sixty-five per cent. of the registered voters voted on the question. This district lies next to Danville, and Danville having gone "dry" doubtless helped the dry cause in the district.

In Windsor.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WINDSOR, VA., April 24.—Mr. Lilburn Edwards, from Handsoms, Va., has purchased the "livery stables" from Messrs. Saunders and Delk, and will move his family here to reside.

The recent heavy rains have hindered the farmers in this section to a great extent. Irish potatoes planted early are rotting and will have to be replanted.

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CANNERY WILL BE BUILT AT CHESTER

Arrangements Made for Sufficient Supply from Farmers of Chesterfield.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHESTER, VA., April 24.—A large and enthusiastic meeting was held here last night by the Men's Business Club of Chester at the public school-house. Steps were taken for the establishment of a cannery, and a site obtained, lying adjacent to the Farmville and Powhatan and Seaboard Air Line Railroads, near the Chester Lumber Company. Mr. Allee, of Waverly, Va., the proprietor of the cannery, was present, and made bargains with the farmers to produce twenty-five or thirty acres of tomatoes for a beginning, and will immediately contract for the building of the plant. He will at once furnish Mr. Percy Clark, secretary of the club, with the kind of tomato seed he wishes produced, so that the farmers intending to raise the fruit may be furnished with the seed. The tomato plants may be set at any time before the 15th of June to make the crop.

The Business Club also appointed a committee to see Judge Clopton, of the Chesterfield Court, relative to the street crossings over the railroads, which are constantly being blocked by trains of cars for days at a time and by other obstructions. The club also adopted their constitution and by-laws and elected the following officers: Mr. W. B. Strother, president; Mr. R. C. McQueen, vice-president, and Mr. Percy Clark, secretary. The object of the association is to promote the building of homes, manufactories and all the interests of Chester and vicinity, as well as for the county in general.

Belcher—Graves.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BEACH, VA., April 24.—A pretty home marriage took place last night at 8 o'clock at the home of Mr. Charles O. Graves, when Miss Lottie V. Graves became the bride of Mr. Robert B. Belcher. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Thomas J. Nettles, of the Baptist Church. The attendants were as follows: Mr. R. L. Belcher and Mr. F. L. Jackson, Mr. G. P. Perdue and Mr. E. A. Belcher, Mr. C. B. Graves (brother of the bride) and Mr. S. H. Perdue. The bridesmaids were Miss Carrie G. Graves (sister of the bride) and Miss Nannie Belcher (sister of the groom).

The bride is the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles O. Graves, who reside about three miles from this village, and the groom is a prosperous young farmer and business man and a son of Mr. B. A. Belcher, who resides about two miles from this place, at which place the young couple will make their home.

Lilly—Ramsey.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LEXINGTON, VA., April 24.—Mr. Michael McClung Lilly and Miss Daisy Belle Ramsey, of Fairfield, were married in the county clerk's office by the Rev. Dr. Thornton Whaling Thursday afternoon in the presence of Circuit Clerk Witt and County Clerk Shields and several other interested witnesses. After procuring the license they were asked who was going to mary them, and the reply was any preacher that could be procured. A young lawyer present knowing of the presence of Dr. Whaling in the circuit clerk's office, suggested him, and he performed the ceremony. This is the first marriage to take place in the clerk's office for quite a number of years. The newly wedded couple went on their way rejoicing.

Walker—Lambert.

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BRODNAX, VA., April 24.—There was a pretty marriage in this place this morning at 11:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Laura J. Tett, when her sister, Miss Lena Lambert became the bride of Dr. Waverly Walker, of Drewry's Bluff, Va.

The maid of honor was Miss Susie Lambert, the bride's sister. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Younger, of the Methodist Church.

The bride, a handsome and attractive blonde, is a daughter of the late John W. Lambert, who was a prominent and respected citizen of this county.

The groom is an occulist and has an extensive practice in this and surrounding counties. Among the guests from outside of Brunswick county were: Miss Lizzie Walker, of Drewry's Bluff, Va.; Miss Mary Walker, of Drewry's Bluff, Va., and Mr. Hiram Walker, of Manchester, Va.

Tinsley—Nash.

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HYLAS, VA., April 24.—Berea Baptist Church was a scene off beauty on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. Corbin Tinsley and Miss Inez Nash. The bride was becomingly attired in white silk. The bridesmaids, Miss Daisy Snead and Miss Iola Holman, wore white organdy. Messrs. Ben Johnson and M. Russell Nash were the ushers. Rev. J. W. Reynolds, of Manchester, performed the ceremony.

The church was beautifully decorated in white and green. A large bell was suspended between two floral columns, and festoons of evergreen and spirear. The groom is a son of Mr. Joseph Tinsley. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Mary Nash.

Sterrett—Caldwell.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LEINGTON, VA., April 24.—News has been received here of the marriage of Mr. Joseph B. Sterrett, formerly of Lexington, and Miss Caldwell, of Slater, Mo. Mr. Sterrett is a practicing lawyer in Slater, having removed from this locality several years ago.

Dinwiddie Negro Acquitted.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DINWIDDIE, VA., April 24.—Judge B. J. Epes held court here to-day for the second trial of David Palmer, the negro who had a fight with Field, the foreman of the planing mill at the Camp Manufacturing Company. At the first trial he was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. To-day he was cleared. His health is in a very bad condition.

Wedding Cards.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

HYLAS, VA., April 24.—Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Snead have issued cards for the marriage of their daughter, Miss Lillie Belle Snead, to Mr. Lucian Tinsley, to take place on April 30th.

VISIT FROM EDUCATORS

Well-Known Men Visit and Inspect Normal Institute.

TEACHERS IN SESSION

Fourth Congressional District Meeting in the High School Building Yesterday—Harry St. George Tucker's Speech.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PETERSBURG, VA., April 24.—A distinguished delegation from the Southern Educational Conference, now in session in Richmond, visited the Virginia Normal and Industrial Institute near this city this afternoon. They were taken in charge by Mr. John D. Watkins, the secretary of the board, on their arrival here in a special car over the electric line. After the party had inspected the different departments of the school, they had lunch. In the party were Captain C. E. Vawter, of the Miller School, and president of the Board of Visitors of the Virginia Normal and Industrial Institute; J. W. Southall, Richmond; Everett P. Wheeler, New York city; Horace Bumstead, president of Atlanta University, Georgia; John Hale Larry, president of Lincoln Memorial University, Cumberland Gap, Tenn.; John C. Round, Manassas, Va.; J. L. Ewell, Howard University, Washington, D. C.; W. H. Baldwin, Jr., New York city; A. B. Hunter, St. Augustine School, Raleigh, N. C.; Rev. James Cannon, Jr., Blackstone Female Institute, Virginia; Frank T. West, Huon, Va.; William W. Smith, Randolph-Macon system, Lynchburg, Va.; J. L. Jarman, Farmville, Va.; Rev. James W. Cooper, New York; Joseph D. Eggleston, Jr., Worsham, Va.; C. W. Hare, Tuskegee, Ala.; Wallace Buttrick, secretary General Education Board, New York; Superintendent G. H. Hulvey, Bridgewater, Va.; G. S. Dickerman, New Haven, Conn.; John H. Bader, Staunton, Va.; J. G. Merrill, president Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.; W. S. Gooch, James P. Smith, J. N. Huff, of Richmond, Va.; Dr. W. F. Drewry, Dr. J. M. Pilcher, R. O. Gilliam, Aug. Wright, James M. Gallaher, R. D. McIlwaine, John D. Watkins, of Petersburg, Va.; Mrs. J. L. Jarman, Farmville, Va.; Mrs. Landon C. Berkeley, Farmville, Va.; Mrs. Eugenia H. Osborne, Manassas Institute; Mrs. W. T. Harris, Danville, Va., and Mrs. A. B. Hunter, St. Augustine School, Raleigh, N. C.

Captain Vawter, in a brief speech in the chapel this afteronon, praised the work being done at this school through the president, Dr. James H. Johnston, and his efficient corps of teachers. The board has sought and obtained the best teachers, and from this school, he said, will go out the teachers that are to teach the colored schools of Virginia. The first year of effort has surpassed the expectations of those in charge of the work. Captain Vawter said: "Let us make the best we can out of those people who are to live with us, not as enemies, but as friends," and to this end appealed to the people of the State. Captain Vawter expects to see every colored school in Virginia doing industrial work and educating the people of their race to be law-abiding citizens, teaching the race to be loyal to the white race and to respect their own. Mr. W H. Baldwin, Jr., and Dr. James W. Cooper, of New York, each made short speeches, and after the party had watched the students march from the chapel they drove over the city and returned to Richmond about 6 o'clock. There are now about 350 scholars at the schools, 287 of which are in the boarding department, and two-thirds of the number are female.

TEACHERS IN SESSION.

The teachers of the Fourth Congressional District held a very interesting and instructive conference at the High School building in this city to-day, there being about seventy-five teachers, representing Petersburg and the counties of Brunswick, Dinwiddie, Nottoway, Lunenburg, Prince Edward, Prince George and Sussex. Delegates from three other counties of the district are expected later. Prominent among the delegates present were Dr. D. M. Brown, of Petersburg; Dr. Powell, of Dinwiddie; Mr. Benjamin Fenner, of Prince George county; Miss Sallie B. Dickinson, of Farmville, the vice-president of the State Teachers' Association for the fourth district.

The conference was called to order with Superintendent Stearnes, of Roanoke county, president of the State Teachers' Association, presiding. President Stearnes, in his opening remarks, dwelt upon the importance of the teachers' organization and upon the interest being manifested by the teachers in the entire State.

Dr. Frazer, in a short talk, spoke of the work of the Southern Educational Board and of the interest he took as representative of this board. He emphasized the importance of co-operation and organization for the welfare of the teachers and pupils.

The principal address of the morning session was made by Hon. Harry St. George Tucker. He emphasized particularly the needs of rural schools, argued for longer terms, better salaries and better teachers. He commended the Constitutional Convention for the good educational advantages provided, and argued the wisdom as well as the necessity of good and proper educational advantages for both races. His eloquent address was greatly enjoyed by all who heard it. Hon. Alexander Hamilton and Mr. Blick, of Brunswick, made short addresses.

The conference met this afternoon at half-past 3 o'clock, and a plea for music in the schools was made by Miss Andrews, of the State Female Normal School.

To-morrow morning Dr. Richard McIlwaine, of Hampden-Sidney, will speak on "Teachers' Salaries"; Dr. George H. Denny, on "The Country School"; Miss Virginia Reynolds, Farmville, "A Plea for Nature Study," and Dr. E. E. Jones on "The Ideal Teacher."

DAMAGE SUIT.

Mr. M. Levy this afternoon instituted a suit in the Corporation Court for $10,000 damages against Mr. Paul E. Williams, of this city. The suit is the result of an alleged insult offered Mr. Levy by Mr. Williams. Messrs. Hamilton and Mann and Bernard and Townsend are counsel for the plaintiff.

Dr. H. W. Battle, formerly pastor of the First Baptist Church in this city, is in Petersburg, and conducted the funeral of the late Mrs. M. E. Birdsong, whose remains were buried in Blandford Cemetery this morning. Dr. Battle will probably be in the city several days, and will be the guest of Mr. Thomas H. Woody