STRIKE TO BE PROLONGED

Contractors and Bosses Decline to Recognize Unions.

OLYMPIA IN THE DRY DOCK

Old Dominion Liner Monroe to Have a New Propeller Put on—The Trial of Nagle for the Shooting of Basket.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., May 5.—The general contractors and "boss" painters of the city have decided not to recognize the unions, and it now seems that the strike of the painters and carpenters will be prolonged indefinitely. The contractors and painters held a lengthy meeting last night, and after discussing the strike situation for some time adopted the following resolution:

"Resolved, That we will not recognize the unions in the employment of men, and that unless they return to work by May 11th we will proceed to fill their places."

The carpenters and painters held meetings last night and to-day. Both unions are firm in their stand, and the strikers declare that they will not return to work until their demands are recognized.

The painters yesterday received a communication from the headquarters of the international union endorsing the action in ordering the strike.

The cruiser Olympia will go to the shipyard to-morrow afternoon, and Thursday morning she will be placed in the dry dock to have her bottom scraped and painted. The vessel will probably go South again after she leaves the yard.

The new Old Dominion liner Monroe, which arrived at the shipyard yesterday, will remain there the rest of this week and possibly longer. She will have a new propeller put on and other work will be done. One of the original screws did not work satisfactorily, although the vessel had no trouble in making her contract speed.

Charges have been preferred against Policemen N. T. Mallory and Z. T. Jones. The former is charged with intoxication and insubordination, and the latter with conduct unbecoming an officer, in that he used violent and abusive language toward Dr. Louis Loeb. The officers will be tried by the Board of Police Commissioners Thursday night.

The amateurs who recently made such a hit in Augustus Thomas' Alabama at the Academy of Music repeated the play at the Academy last night. The audience was as large and as enthusiastic as the first.

The case of W. M. Nagle, charged with felonious shooting, will be taken up in the Police Court Thursday morning. D. L. Basket, who was shot by Nagle, is still lingering at the hospital, but his chances for life are said to be very slim. Tremp, who was shot in the hand, and who was to have been one of the most important witnesses, is still missing, and no one knows whether or not he will show up to testify Thursday. The rumor that there will be some sensational developments in the trial will probably bring a big crowd to the court-room.

IN CHESTERFIELD

Judge James M. Gregory Appointed Commonwealth's Attorney.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHESTERFIELD, VA., May 5.—Hon. James M. Gregory, a resident of Manchester District, Chesterfield county, has been appointed by Judge William I. Clopton to succeed Mr. Ernest H. Wells as Commonwealth's Attorney for Chesterfield county, and has accepted the office and been duly sworn in. It has been understood that Judge Gregory would be a candidate for the office of Commonwealth's Attorney at the next election, as it was known that Mr. Wells would not be in the race for re-election, and as Judge Gregory's name was generally mentioned with favor as a future candidate for his appointment upon the resignation of Mr. Wells seems to meet the approval of the majority of the voters of the county. Judge Gregory is well known throughout the whole county, having been for years a practitioner at the bar here, and having at one time been judge of the County Court. He is an old Confederate soldier, and is still thoroughly loyal to the lost cause.

The applications for liquor license will be considered by Judge Clopton on next Monday, when the May term of court will begin. A large crowd and much argument for and against the issuing of many of the applications seem to be in store for the courthouse on that day.

LADY RUN OVER

Mrs. C. C. Taliaferro Dies from Injuries Received on Saturday.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ROANOKE, VA., May 5.—Mrs. Nannie Terry Taliaferro, wife of Major C. C. Taliaferro, died at her residence, No. 207 Mountain Avenue, to-day. Mrs. Taliaferro was run over by the negro bicyclist last Saturday. It was thought at first that she was merely shocked. Sunday it was announced that her condition was critical. She was a native of Prince Edward county, a daughter of the late Dr. Ben. Terry, a practicing physician of Hampden-Sidney.

The negro bicyclist who ran over Mrs. C. C. Taliaferro has left the city. His name is Mack Durphey, and a warrant has been sworn out for his arrest. The accident occurred on Salem Avenue, opposite Barnes' drug store, and it is said that the lady was at that time on an errand of charity.

HAIRSTON JAILED

Alonzo Bishop, Convicted of Bigamy, Has a Third Wife in Page.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHRISTIANSBURG, VA., May 5.—Alex Hairston, the negro who shot a young white man on a passenger train near here yesterday, was brought here from Radford and lodged in jail to-day.

Bird Wade, the notorious desperado, was tried to-day for attempting to shoot Sheriff Price a few days ago, and was given two years in the penitentiary.

Alonzo Bishop, alias Grant Merchant, was given three years for bigamy, and stands indicted in Page county, where he has a third wife.

PASTOR CALLED

Rev. James Arthur, D. D., Will Take Churches at Chatham and S'g Garden.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHATHAM, VA., May 5.—The Presbyterian Church Sunday morning extended a call to Rev. James Arthur, D. D., now in Campbell county. He will have charge of the churches here and at Spring Garden.

Lee Giles, while carelessly handling a pistol Sunday, shot himself in the left ankle, inflicting a very painful wound.

Eight bricklayers began work on the new hotel Monday, which is being rapidly pushed and is watched with much interest.

Accidentally Shot Himself.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

VIRGILINA, VA., May 5.—Mr. Will Morong, who superintends the work at the Mitchell Tuck copper mine, near Red Bank, Va., accidentally shot himself yesterday. While stooping down, a pistol slipped out of his inside coat pocket and exploded. The ball struck him in the breast, lodging near the back of the shoulder.

Judge Barksdale declined to grant license to two applicants from this place, and therefore Virgilina is dry once more to all appearances.

HOME FOR VETERANS

De Lagnel Mansion Purchased by R. E. Lee Camp, of Alexandria.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ALEXANDRIA, VA., May 5.—Colonel William A. Smoot, acting as trustee for R. E. Lee Camp, Confederate Veterans, to-day purchased the De Lagnel mansion on Prince Street from Colonel J. A. De Lagnel for a permanent home for the veterans. The price paid was $5,750. The building will be handsomely fitted up, and will be used jointly by the veterans, the auxiliary southern societies and the Alexandria library.

Anniversary Observed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WILLIAMSBURG, VA., May 5.—Exercises commemorative of the battle of Williamsburg, May 5, 1863, were held in Bruton churchyard this afternoon at 5 o'clock, under the auspices of the Daughters of the Confederacy, Magruder-Ewell Camp, Confederate Veterans, and Sons of Veterans, attended as organizations.

Hon. Don P. Halsey, of Lynchburg, was the orator of the occasion, delivering an eloquent and patriotic address. The floral decorations were beautiful and in the greatest profusion.

Quiet Election in Raleigh.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

RALEIGH, N. C., May 5.—The city election to-day was slow and uninteresting. Regular nominees of Democratic primaries were all elected. Only 600 votes were cast, out of a total registration of 1,261. Powell's majority for Mayor was 540, Wynne, Independent, having received only 73 votes.

The Knights of Pythias carnival is in full blast to-night. The out-of-town attendance is as large as was expected this early in the week. There is general satisfaction at the character of attractions and general success being attained.

Reunion Sponsor Selected.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

STAUNTON, VA., May 5.—Stonewall Jackson Camp, Confederate Veterans, to-night appointed Miss Nannie Scott sponsor to the Confederate Reunion this month at New Orleans, with power to appoint her maid of honor. The following comrades were elected delegates, with privilege to appoint their alternates: Rev. George W. Finley, Elliott G. Fishburne, John Leonard, J. A. Hupman, J. B. Rodon, George W. Fitch, Captain James Bumgardner and J. F. Pancake.

Lutherans and Red Men.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WINCHESTER, VA., May 5.—The Potomac Conference of the Lutheran Church Synod of Virginia convened to-night in Bethel Church, at Albin, this county, and will remain in session until Thursday night.

A. M. Tennis, of Hampton, Great Sachem of the Virginia Red Men, arrived here to-day on an official visit to Shawnee Tribe, No. 2, and was enthusiastically received by the tribe at its wigwam to-night.

A Bride of "Sweet Sixteen."

(Selected for The Times-Dispatch.)

HEATHSVILLE, VA., May 5.—The Baptist parsonage here was the scene of a very pretty marriage at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon, when Miss Lillian McNeale a pretty young lady of sixteen summers, became the bride of Mr. John W. Gough. Rev. G. W. Beale officiated. Both of the young people are popular and well known in Northumberland county, and will make their home in Fairfields District.

Election in Henderson.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

HENDERSON, N. C., May 5.—The election of Mayor and Aldermen for the town of Henderson passed off quietly, with light vote, with no excitement or disturbance, resulting in electing the following officers: R. J. Southerland, Mayor; First Ward, M. J. Stone, John Gill; Second, Walter Burrell, L. W. Barnes; Third, M. Dorsey, C. J. Smith; Fourth, W. W. Rowland, W. A. Hunt.

Cumberland County Dry.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FARMVILLE, VA., May 5.—Official returns from the Cumberland county local option election are that the county went "dry" by a large majority.

STAUNTON WILL HAVE A CANNERY

Board of Trade Also Interested in Establishment of Trolley Lines.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

STAUNTON, VA., May 5.—The local Board of Trade held quite an important meeting last night. The meeting was called to order with President C. R. Caldwell in the chair. Mr. Hugh C. Braxton, who had returned from Baltimore, where he had been in the interest of the Board of Trade for the purpose of investigating the canning industry, made his report, and cited figures to show that a first-class canning plant would cost comparatively little to start; that the machinery would cost something like $400, and that the outlay for running expenses, supplies, wages, etc., would be less than four thousand dollars, and that this sum would be fully insured by the production of the canned goods, and that the risk of starting a cannery would be small. Messrs. Hugh C. Braxton, Joseph P. Davis and Michael Kivlighan were appointed a committee, with power to act, for the purpose of establishing a cannery.

The establishment of trolley lines throughout the county, with Staunton as the center, was discussed at length. It was recommended that the Board do everything within its power to encourage either a steam or trolley line, particularly a line connecting Staunton with Stokesville. Such a line has been under discussion a number of times, and it is thought that this time it will be carried through. Captain Thomas D. Ranson, M. Kivlighan and L. G. Strauss were appointed a committee to investigate the matter and report at next meeting.

Dr. Burkhart,

A Friend to the Friendless.

What a revelation the twentieth century revealed when Dr. Burkhart stepped forth with the announcement that he had discovered a cure for disease and could restore the frail bodies to robust health. 1902 was recorded as one of the most marvelous years in the history of medicine. 8,756,000 persons were treated by Dr. Burkhart's Vegetable Compound, 80 per cent. of whom were cured. The sick and suffering of every climate are invited to be healed. If you suffer from Rheumatism, Constipation, Blood, Liver or Kidney Troubles, you can be cured. 25 cents. All druggists. If you have no money to buy this remedy, write for free treatment. His doors are never closed against the sick.

BONDS FOR GOOD ROADS

Spotsylvania Asks Permission to Hold an Election.

NO CLUE TO THE ROBBERY

Two Suspicious Looking Negroes Were Seen Near Bowling Greens and They Have Since Disappeared—Fell Into a Well.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., May 5.—At the good roads meeting held at Spotsylvania Courthouse yesterday, Lewis A. Boggs presiding and S. Graham Howison, secretary, the committee composed of Messrs. Henry Warden, M. B. Rowe, T. P. Payne, M. F. Waite and W. G. Dillard, appointed at a previous meeting to recommend a plan for improving the highways, advised the issuing of bonds to the amount of $100,000; $10,000 to be used in purchasing a construction outfit and $90,000 to be used in making the roads under the supervision of a road commission. This was the majority report, signed by four members of the committee. Mr. Dillard, the remaining member was opposed to a bond issue. The majority report was adopted and the Legislature will be asked to pass a bill authorizing the voters of the county to hold an election on the proposed issue of $100,000 in bonds.

Mr. Henry Payne, of Spotsylvania county, had his arm badly torn by the bursting of a gun when he was shooting at a crow. He was brought here for medical attention.

There is no clue to the robbers who broke into the vault of the clerk's office at Bowling Green early Saturday morning. Two suspicious looking men had been about the town two days before the robbery, one about five feet eight inches tall, with red hair, weighing about 150 pounds and wore a blue suit. The other man was younger and smaller. These men disappeared the night of the robbery and have not been seen or heard of since.

Mr. James Croxton was badly injured while cleaning out a well in Westmoreland county. The well rope broke and a large tub with which he was drawing up mud fell a distance of thirty feet, striking him on the head. It was thought he had been killed but he was rescued from the well and it is thought now he may recover.

Mr. O. J. Doggett, a former merchant of this city, now of Chicago, is here with his bride, visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. William Johnson, a prominent farmer of Orange county, who underwent an operation at the Mary Washington Hospital here for appendicitis, is improving.

Esther Clarkson Meredith, the young daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Elliott B. Meredith, died a few days ago at Elko, Nev. Mrs. Meredith was formerly Miss Esther Montague, of this city. Mr. Meredith formerly resided in Stafford county.

ELECTION IN WELDON

Passed Off Quietly, Only One Ticket Being in the Field.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WELDON, N. C., May 5.—The election here to-day was a quiet affair. Only one ticket was in the field, and all the old officers were re-elected for another two years.

At Halifax last evening Mr. T. C. Harrison appeared before the county commissioners and presented a petition signed by leading business men of Weldon, asking the county of Halifax to appropriate $3,000 towards a bridge over Roanoke River at this place. Weldon proposes to furnish the balance of the $12,000 required to construct the bridge on the old piers formerly used by the Petersburg and Weldon Railroad, one mile below town.

Dr. John T. Bellamy has leased his factory on Fishing Creek, near Enfield, to a company organized for the purpose of equipping the mill with new and up-to-date machinery. Knit goods and yarns will be manufactured.

Prof. and Mrs. E. S. Sheppe gave an elegant reception last evening, complimentary to their friend, Miss Minnie Chandler, of Richmond.

In the guessing contest Miss Mary Collins won the ladies' prize, and Dr. A. S. Harrison won the gentleman's prize, the "booby" easily going to Mr. Jack Ricks.

Those present were Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Whitaker, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mathews, Misses Bessie Whitaker, Mary Collins, Lena Robertson, Ruby Whitaker, Judge W. T. Clement, Frank Whitaker, Jack Ricks and John Benton.

SHOT IN NEWBERN

Two Mysterious Affairs With No Satisfactory Clues.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEWBERN, N. C., May 5.—Tom Green, a young white man, well known around town, was shot in the stomach last night and seriously wounded. The affair seems to be veiled in mystery, and not much could be found out concerning the shooting. During the evening he had some words with a man in Rodman's saloon, and soon after leaving there the shooting occurred, but some time elapsed before the police were notified, and the person who did the shooting was allowed to escape, and all knowledge of the affair is denied by the people in the vicinity of the saloon.

"Chuck" Fisher, a negro ex-convict, was shot and killed last night on the Atlantic Coast Line train near the "Frog Pond," a suburb of Newbern. Afterwards the train was stopped and his body turned over to some of his colored friends at Five Points, but this affair seems also shrouded in mystery, as nothing could be learned of his assailant.

Newbern was visited by a severe rain and hail storm yesterday afternoon. The hailstones were small, but a heavy fall, drifting in places to the depth of several inches. The sewers in some places not being sufficient to carry off the water, it ran over the sidewalks into the basements of buildings, standing on the floor of M. Sultan's saloon to the depth of several inches.

COAL NEAR LEAKSVILLE

Reidsville Man Buys Mineral Rights and Has Interested Capital.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

REIDSVILLE, N. C., May 5.—Charles Thomas, of Reidsville, has bought an option on the mineral rights of the Wade plantation near Leaksville, and is now trying to dispose of these rights to capitalists. It has been known for years that there is coal in this section of the county. Before the war coal was mined there, and since then considerable quantities have been taken out and used. It is asserted by Mr. Thomas that Hampton, the carriage manufacturer of Leaksville, has for a number of years used in his foundry the coal taken from this property.

The attention of Mr. Thomas was attracted to this property by an analysis sent his father eighteen years ago. At that time Mr. H. E. Thomas was appointed by the State Geologist to collect samples of minerals of all kinds which could be found in the county, and the analysis referred to was sent after an examination of the sample of coal sent from this plantation. Several months ago the analysis fell into Mr. Thomas' hands, and he at once set about to secure an option on the property. The Wade farm is twelve miles from Reidsville, and is just on the outside of the town of Leaksville. Several of the older citizens here remember that before teh war coal was mined there and sent to Danville. There were no railroad facilities in those days, and the work was abandoned when other mines more favorably located were opened up.

DURHAM VERY DRY

Anti-Saloon League, After Hot Fight, Carries the City in a Whirl

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DURHAM, N. C., May 5.—The dry ticket, headed by Captain J. H. Freeland for Mayor, carried the city to-day in a whirl, defeating Mayor McCown, the present incumbent, by an emphatic majority. They are not through with the count, but have gone far enough to justify the above statement. It was the warmest election ever held in Durham. The Anti-Saloon League have been at work for months, and have reaped their harvest.

LEXINGTON ELECTION

Railroad Wreck at Jamestown, but No One Injured.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LEXINGTON, N. C., May 5.—John H. Moyer was re-elected mayor by eight majority after an exciting contest.

Six freight cars and a passenger engine were demolished at Jamestown this morning in a wreck caused by a northbound fast train striking the rear of a freight train. No one was injured.

Anthony Hargrave, an aged negro man, was struck by a train here yesterday and probably fatally injured.

EX-CONVICT KILLED

Negro Resisting Arrest at Newbern Shot to Death by Officers.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEWBERN, N. C., May 5.—George Vann, a negro ex-convict, while resisting arrest last night, was shot twice. Death was almost instantaneous. Vann had shot at a young white man named Thomas Green Officer Lupton, assisted by Special Officers Dixon and Styron, attempted to arrest Vann. Vann resisted and shot Dixon in the thigh and attempted to throw Lupton off the train. A fusilade of shots followed, Vann receiving his share, as indicated.

Killed by Falling Tree.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LEXINGTON, VA., May 5.—James Bradds was killed yesterday at his home, near Fancy Hill, while sawing down trees. One tree, in falling, twisted on the stump and crushed the unfortunate man to death instantly. He was a son of Jacob Bradds and was twenty-three years old.

In Winston and Salem.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., May 5.—Little interest was manifested in the Winston and Salem municipal elections to-day. In Winston there was only one ticket. Mayor Eaton and the candidates for aldermen chosen in the primary last week were elected. S. E. Butner was elected mayor of Salem. For amusement nine tickets were put out. The commissioners chosen include Henry E. Fries, G. H. Rights, H. F. Shaffner, L. B. Brickenstein, Sid Lawrence, E. P. Mendenhall, H. A. Siddall. The three last named are new men, the others having been on the board for two years.

Election in Reidsville.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

REIDSVILLE, N. C., May 5.—In the municipal election to-day Mayor Watt was re-elected without opposition. For commissioners, three out of five of the commissioners for a wet town were elected. Over 450 votes were cast.

BATTLE ROYAL OVER MINERAL LANDS

nvolved Title Litigation Over Valuable Craig County Iron Ore Property.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEWCASTLE, VA., May 5.—Very interesting ejectment proceedings have been instituted by the heirs of W. M. Wood, late of the State of Missouri, to recover possession of a very valuable tract of land containing 1,040 acres, commonly known as "Peters' Hill," and now claimed by John Q. Dickenson and others. In 1835 John Wood obtained a patent that covered this land. As the land contained fine deposits of iron ore, he erected an iron furnace on Johns Creek, in what was then Botetourt county, and there manufactured iron from ore taken from this land two or three years, but the enterprise proved the financial ruin of its promoter.

John Wood conveyed this propetry to Christian Paynter and moved to Missouri. The deed of John Wood and wife to Christian Paynter was admitted to record in the clerk's office in Botetourt, now Craig county, and soon thereafter Christian Paynter and family moved to Missouri. The evidence now tends to show that Paynter and his wife conveyed these lands back to Hugh P. and W. M. Wood, heirs of John Wood, but if the deed was admitted to record in Craig county it was in deed book "A," which was destroyed during the Civil War by the Federal troops under General Averill. The original deed from Paynter and wife to Hugh P. and W. M. Wood is lost, and what purports to be a copy of that deed is now in evidence in the suit, and is relied on by the plaintiffs as an important link in their chain of title.

In 1858, while standing on the commissioner's books in the name of Christian Paynter and wife, the 1,040 acres of land were sold for taxes and purchased by one Z. F. Nutter, and his tax deed was also destroyed, as well as its recordation, during the Civil War; but after the close of the war, by some irregular proceedings, this lost deed was supplied by one made by the deputy clerk of Craig county. Nutter in 1882 conveyed this land to the Carters and Colonel J. C. McDonald, who at once had a small cabin built upon it, and placed in possession a tenant, who remained on the property fourteen years and was then sent to the county poorhouse for a few months, and was then returned to the little cabin on these lands. During this time Carter and McDonald conveyed the land to Dickenson and others, who are now defendants in the suit.

The two interesting features of the case seem to be the setting up of a lost deed by the plaintiffs to establish their chain of title, and an effort on the part of the defendants to show good title by uninterrupted possession for a term of fifteen years, the statutory period, and by showing a better outstanding title. The property in controversy is looked upon as being the finest iron ore property in this section of the State, and when this cloud is removed from the title great developments are expected. There are ten lawyers, representing the bars of four States, engaged in the controversy, and it has been a battle royal from the beginning, and will doubtless be until it is ended in the higher State and Federal courts, as the property is very valuable.

RICHMOND WOOD WARD VIRGINIA WOODWARD & SON LUMBER ROUGH AND DRESSED

BODY FOUND IN THE RIVER

A. R. Hamilton, of Berkley, Thought to Be in N. C.

TRIAL OF AGED BURGLAR

Evidence Against Martin Regarded in Norfolk as Conclusive—St. Paul's Church Asks Compensation for War Occupancy.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., May 5.—The body of Alexander R. Hamilton, Berkley, was found floating in the river near the Norfolk and Western Railroad Depot yesterday. Just how long the body had been in the water no one knows, as no one knew that he was dead previous to the finding of his body. Mr. Hamilton had been in bad health for some time, and left home on the 28th for Panacea Springs, N. C., where he expected to remain for a few weeks in an effort to regain his health. Friends who accompanied him as far as Norfolk saw him safely aboard the passengers barge of the Southern Railway. His friends bade him good-bye as the barge left her pier, and since that time his friends and family had received no tidings from him, but were assured that he was spending his time quietly at the health resort in North Carolina, and they were horror-stricken when they heard the news. The deceased was a native of Chester, Pa., but had been a resident of Berkley for a number of years. He was forty-seven years of age. A widow and three children survive.

E. M. Martin, the aged burglar, was brought up for trial on the Montague case of burglary in the Corporation Court this morning before Judge Hanckel and a jury. The evidence is so conclusive that no lawyer would undertake to defend the case except by appointment of court. Judge Hanckel appointed Attorney Elliott for that purpose, and the case went on with little interest from the accused. He really made no effort at defense. It is stated on the authority of Detective Tomlinson, now here from Richmond, that Martin is not the name of the prisoner, but that it was Hammond, and that he belongs to a respectable family of Richmond, though he has been in the penitentiary three times. In addition to this case on which the prisoner, who seems to be sixty years of age, must stand trial are eight other cases, all of them for burglary.

The United States Government is asked to pay St. Paul's Church, the Norfolk Academy and the Seamen's Bethel, of this city, for the use of the buildings by the Union army during the three years of the Civil War.

The Hon. John Goode represents the church and the academy, and Ralph Ridderberger represents the Seamen's Bethel, which was burned by the Federals during the war. St. Paul's Church and the Norfolk Academy each claim $1,800 a year for three years, while the Bethel claims $4,000.

The Rev. W. R. Haight, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Scottsville, has resigned, to take effect August 1st. This action was taken at a mass meeting held in the church after services Sunday morning, and the resignation was accepted. Mr. Haight, who occupies a clerical position in the navy yard, accepted the temporary pastorate of the church two years ago, when the congregation was not able to support a preacher regularly.

The battleship Illinois is at the navy yard. The powerful fighter had no difficulty on account of lack of water in the channel, and as it was demonstrated that there was abundance of water, it is hoped that other battleships will be ordered here for repairs.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hill, of Adams Avenue and North Street, Scottsville, lost a second child by death from smallpox on Sunday afternoon, when their six-year-old daughter, Goldie May, died. Mr. and Mrs. Hill are both recovering from smallpox, but a third child is ill with it. Their nine-year-old son, Joseph, died last week from the disease.

The steamer Pocahontas, of the Virginia Navigation Company Line, which has been undergoing repairs, has again been placed on the line between this city and Richmond, taking the place of the chartered steamer Old Point Comfort, of the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railroad Company.

BASE-BALL TEAM IN PETERSBURG

Three Physicians and Other Officials at Central State Hospital Elected in June.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PETERSBURG, VA., May 5.—The report comes again that Petersburg will have a base-ball team in the field this season. Messrs. John R. Jones and J. G. Quarles, of this city, will be the managers. Mr. Jones attended the base-ball meeting yesterday, when it was definitely determined what cities would be members of the league. Mr. Quarles has signed several players and expects to have a first-class team to represent the Cockade City.

Dr. D. L. Hume, one of the assistant physicians at the Central State Hospital, tendered his resignation yesterday in order to accept a position as physician with a mining company in West Virginia.

Dr. Sellers, the pathologist at the hospital, tendered his resignation some time ago, to take effect April 30th. Dr. Sellers resigned to resume the practice of his profession in Rockingham county. Three physicians, steward, engineer and clerk will be elected at the July meeting of the hospital.

Probably four thousand people attended the carnival shows on the opening night. There were about 1,800 paid admissions last evening. The Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias, will share in the receipts.

Fifty members of A. P. Hill Camp are expected to go to the reunion in New Orleans, and will travel in special sleepers by way of the Norfolk and Western Railway.

A very delightful evening was spent by many young people at the entertainment given at Washington-Street Church last evening.

Much interest is being manifested by society folks in the entertainment to-morrow night at the parish house of St. Paul's Church. Gibson's latest pictures will be impersonated.

NEW ORLEANS TRIP

The Richmond Howitzers Are Preparing for the Journey.

The Richmond Howitzers are preparing for their trip to New Orleans on the occasion of the Confederate reunion in the Crescent City. The battery will leave this city on the evening of the 16th of this month, and the indications now are that this famous command will be represented by full ranks on the trip.

The battery held its regular weekly drill and a called business meeting at the armory last night. Captain William M. Myers presided at the business meeting, and Lieutenant Fred W. Minson was secretary. A report was made as to the forthcoming publication, "The Richmond Howitzers and Their Historic Home." This publication will be finished by next Tuesday. It is being printed by the J. L. Hill Printing Company, and promises to be a handsome piece of work. The historical sketch will be illustrated with pictures of the officers and members of the battery. The work promises to have wide circulation, at home and abroad.

Attractive badges have been ordered for the New Orleans trip, and are expected to arrive next week. These will be worn both by the members of the command and their friends. They will be sold to members of the battery at a small price.

An order is issued and printed elsewhere requiring the battery to report at the armory next Saturday, May 9th at 3 P. M. sharp, to attend Oakwood Memorial service. Fatigue uniform, service hats and sidearms will be worn. Chiefs of sections are directed to notify the men in their sections.

GIRLS WERE BEATEN

Female Champions Not Able to Defeat the Richmond Team.

While 1,500 men and 500 women looked on, the Chicago Stars, commonly called the champion female exponents of the national game, yesterday afternoon went down in defeat before the Richmond State League aggregation. Score, 6 to 5.

Fresh from their series of victories over the South, including their experiences at Cartersville, Ga., and Meridian, Miss., the women reached Richmond yesterday morning confident of adding another scalp to their long string. They are said to be remarkably good hair-pullers, having, it is alleged, retained this one feminine trait.

Despite that, the contest was not well advertised, there was a veritable mob at Broad Street Park at 4 o'clock, the hour set for undertaking the game. But all were accommodated, and nearly every available seat was occupied when the umpire called "play."

'Squire Donati showed Mr. Hulcher, the South paw, and the Stars introduced Miss Maude Nelson, the female phenomenon. Both were in fine fettle, but the local twirler used his left whip to more effect and with better result than did the phenomenoness with her right arm.

Score by innings:

Richmond	0 1 1 1 1 0 2 0 0—6
Chicago Stars	0 0 0 0 8 0 0 2 0—6

The two teams play again this afternoon.

BLACKSBURG WINNER

Virginia Military Institute Defeated a Lexington.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LEXINGTON, VA., May 5.—The Virginia Military Institute went down this afternoon in defeat on the diamond before their old athletic rivals of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute by the close score of 6 to 4. The game was well played by both teams and was uncertain until the last man was retired. Both pitchers did fine work and receved good support. The Polytechnic scored four runs in the sixth by bunching four of their six hits and good base running. The cadets bunched four hits out of their six in the fifth, but could only send two runners across the home plate. Some fifty young ladies of the Southern Seminary at Buena Vista drove up and cheered for the Techs, while Washington and Lee rooted hard for their local rivals, the cadets, to win out. Attendance 700.

Score:		R.	H.	E.
Polytechnic	0 0 0 2 0 4 0 0 0—	6	8	3
Cadets	1 0 0 1 2 0 0 0 0—	4	6	1

Batteries: Techs—Tinsley and Walsh; Cadets—Carneal and Goodlie. Two-base hits—Johnson, Cadets. Struck out—By Tinsley, 12; by Carneal, 11. Base on balls—Off Tinsley, 3; off Carneal, 2. Left on bases—Techs, 7; Cadets, 6. Stolen bases—Techs, 3; Cadets, 8. Hit by pitcher—By Carneal, 3. Umpire, Captain Peyton, Virginia Military Institute.

Accepts Call to Fairfax.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WINCHESTER, VA., May 5.—The Rev. H. B. Lee, Jr., of Winchester, has accepted a call to the Episcopal Church at Fairfax Courthouse. He has been assistant rector of Christ Church, Winchester, for the past year. His father, the Rev. Harry B. Lee, of Charlottesville, is rector of Christ Church in that city.

AN INCENDIARY AT WEST POINT

Tall Negro Man Found in Act of Setting Fire to Small Frame Cottage.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WEST POINT, VA., May 5.—The finding last night of an incendiary in the act of starting another fire in West Point threw the town into the greatest state of commotion and alarm. Men of West Point were assembled about 9 o'clock at and around the Mayor's office to attend various meetings. The Council, the firemen and the various orders were having called meetings. A servant from Hotel O'Connor was returning from an errand. A few feet from the street in an alley, a man was caught in the act of setting fire to one of the cottages belonging to Mr. James O'Connor. He used oil and paper and the flames were crawling up the sides of the cottage. The incendiary ran. All that is known to identify him is that he was a tall man and wore a cap. The alarm given, the town was thoroughly aroused, meetings given up and the town was scoured to find the offender but with no success. The town was closely guarded last night, and the guard will be continued. A reward of $500 is offered for the arrest of the man.

The relief committee has received through The Times-Dispatch, $294.25; Judge Owen Gwathmey, $25; Fred. Smith, $20; Captain R. E. Lee and wife, $20; Misses Loeb, of Norfolk, $10; Urbanna, Middlesex county, $137.95; R. O. Garrett, $5; B. C. Garrett, $10; Baptist Church, $26.17; Methodist, $25.50; Dr. W. K. Gatewood, $25; Frances Bagby Y. W. C. T. U., $13; Excursion from Norfolk, $63. Newcomb & Bowden, of Gloucester, gave a sewing machine; Mr. B. C. Garrett and J. C. Cook, of upper King William, sent a contribution of provisions.

Mr. B. W. Spencer is quite ill in Richmond, at the Virginia Hospital.

Postmaster Anderson is to build at once a handsome brick building on the site of Levinson's clothing house.

At the Jefferson.

Judges Nathan Goff and B. F. Keller, of West Virginia; C. H. Simonton, of South Carolina and Thomas J. Morris, of Baltimore, of the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals, are all stopping at the Jefferson while in the city. Miss Elizabeth McCracken of New York, representing the Outlook, a well-known magazine; Senator and Mrs. Thomas S. Martin, of Scottsville, and Mrs. C. Fenton Day, of Smithfield, were at the hotel yesterday, en route to Scottsville.

Election in Bluefield.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BLUEFIELD, W. VA., May 5.—The regular election for City Council was held here to-day. The Republicans carried three wards out of four. This makes six Republicans and two Democrats on the Council. The Mayor is also Republican.

Attorney-General Edgar P. Rucker, of West Virginia, and the leading politician, is very ill at his home at Welch.

CLEVELAND ONCE AGAIN

Thought He Will Be Induced to Stand for Nomination.

A CHANGE OF SENTIMENT

German Stock Was High Until Princetonian Came to the Front—Virginians Wed in Washington—Mr. Rixey to Have Opposition.

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Those who know ex-President Cleveland best here in Washington express the belief that he will be brought around to that frame of mind which will lead him to accept, if not indeed seek, the nomination for the Presidency at the hands of the Democratic party for the fourth time. They say that his refusal to say whether he could be considered a candidate for the nomination is an indication that he will be in the race, since he is the sort of man who might be expected to put his foot on any rumor connecting him with the nomination, if he were positive that he would not be a candidate. There seems to be a tide setting his way if one may draw his conclusion from interviews gathered from the hotel lobbies of the National Capital.

CHANGE IN SNTIMENT.

When the available men for 1904 first began to be seriously discussed here in Washington, it was Parker, of New York, and Olney, of Massachusetts, who seemed to have a lead in public estimation. At that time the present Times-Dispatch correspondent took occasion to feel the congressional pulse as to who the man should be. About two out of five were cut and out Parker men, among those interviewed. Another two out of the five were non-committal, while about two out of ten of those who would commit themselves were for Olney. A little later sentiment began to undergo a change. The drift turned decidedly toward Senator Gorman, of Maryland. About the time the Maryland statesman came into the limelight again on taking his seat as United States Senator Gorman's stock was quoted high and has been high from that time until the Sage of Princeton come out of his retirement to talk about the race question and to make the big speech of the St. Louis Exposition dedication. This was the beginning of the downward tendency of Gorman stock and since then Cleveland has been the much-discussed man of the hour. Whether it is just a fad soon to die out like the others or not is a question upon which no one of pablic note here will venture an opinion.

FINANCIAL CONERENCE.

Senator Platt, of Connecticut, passed through Washington yesterday, en route to the Virginia Hot Springs, where with Senators Allison and Spooner they will confer with Senator Aldrich, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, over a financial bill to be introduced in the next Congress at an early date after its meeting. The bill is expected to be formulated along the general lines of the land deposit bill, which failed to carry at the last session.

The conference will probably last some ten days or two weeks. The conferees are all Republican members of the Finance Committee and the lights on the Republican side of the Senate Chamber. The meeting will not be an official one, but simply a meeting of party leaders to draft a bill to carry the support of the Republican majority in the Senate.

DELAYED MAIL.

In keeping with a statement made in this correspondence last week as to how the western mail for North Carolina is delayed, Mr. C. B. Crenshaw, of Raleigh, writes to a local paper complaining of the delays set forth in the article referred to. The mail comes into Washington over the C. & O. and never leaves here before 11 o'clock after arriving here before 6. If it were put off at Basic or Gordonsville, it would be in North Carolina before it leaves Washington under the present system. The trouble lies in the fact that the force between Hinton, W. Va., and Washington in the railway postoffice is too small to get the mail ready for transfer either at Basic or Gordonsville.

LIPSCOMB ENDORSED.

The American Anti-Trust League of this city has endorsed the candidacy of Mr. A. A. Lipscomb, of Alexandria county, as a candidate for Congress in the Eighth Congressional District. Mr. Lipscomb has definitely told his friends that he is in the race to succeed Mr. Rixey.

Mr. Lipscomb was the founder of the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Association and is widely known as a lawyer and public speaker.

MARRIED IN WASHINGTON.

Cupid had his hands full to-day in Washington. Besides the dozens of beaux and belles in Washington to ask the court to allow them to get married, three couples, in which one or both parties were Virginians, were married here.

Rev. Henry M. Ferguson sent on their way rejoicing C. E. Turner, of Petersburg, aged thirty-one and Miss Mary Lucinda Weble, of this city, aged sixteen. The mother of the bride secured the document.

Rev. F. M. Bristol performed the ceremony which made Fritz Holstern, widower, aged thirty, of