CARLOADS OF BERRIES

Big Shipments Made from Norfolk to the North.

TRIAL OF MICHELSOHN

Exercises of Confederate Memorial Yesterday—S. S. Lambert, Jr., Says He Will Not Run for the Legislature With Whitehead.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., May 7.—The shipment of strawberries North in carload lots has begun. Four cars left yesterday and three this morning, and heavy shipments are expected to-night. The Fruit Growers' Express now has on the tracks here between fifteen and twenty cars already iced for loading. The daily shipments are expected to increase soon to twelve or fifteen cars a day. The berries are all going North. The cars are marked yesterday as follows: Boston, two cars; Troy, N. Y., one car; Worcester, Mass, one car. This morning one car each was sent to Boston, Worcester and Providence. The loading to-day is for New York and Pittsburg. These first shipments aggregate 1,120 crates, or 67,200 quarts. The estimate for the entire crop is 112,000 crates, or 6,720,000 quarts. More than one-half of these berries will go North by water, but all of them are the products of the immediate vicinity of Norfolk. The crop this year is large and the quality of the berries is excellent. The crop will bring about $700,000 here.

The trial of Adolph Michelsohn, on the charge of grand larceny, preferred by W. Lindsay Bibb, was begun in the Corporation Court this morning before Judge Hanckel and the jury. The complainant was the witness for the prosecution, and he stated that he made the charge of grand larceny because the defendant had obtained $2,765 from him in checks by giving other checks which were worthless. The witnesses for the defense were B. Miller, who went into bankruptcy at the same time; A. W. Goldsmith, a merchant who loaned the defendant a check, and the defendant. After the testimony was heard, Judge D. Tucker Brooke, attorney for the defense, made a motion for dismissal, on the ground that the checks on which the charge is based were worthless and therefore that no grand larceny has been committed. The checks which Michelsohn took from Bibb were returned marked "payment stopped" and "no funds." The court adjourned without considering the question to allow the members of the jury to attend the memorial services for the Confederate dead.

The courts were all adjourned after a morning session, and nearly all business was suspended during the afternoon for the Confederate memorial ceremonies. The procession, consisting of the old soldiers in uniform, the sons of soldiers, the Seventy-first Regiment, Light Artillery Blues, citizens in carriages, school children, the fire department and visiting camps of veterans from Portsmouth and Berkley, marched through the streets to the music of many bands. The streets were filled with citizens and strangers to witness the parade.

S. S. Lambert, Jr., one of the Dey candidates for the Legislature eighteen months ago, commenting on the statement from Richmond that the Dey and Trehy factions in this city had agreed that he and Hon. John Whitehead were to be the Democratic legislative candidates this fall, said that he knew nothing whatever concerning any such combination, and that the report is news to him. Mr. Lambert, when asked if he would be a candidate for the Legislature, this fall, said he was making no statements at this time, but that he wished to be quoted as saying that under no consideration would he enter into any combination with Mr. Whitehead or anybody. On this point, Mr. Lambert expressed himself freely.

S. B. Cotton, employed at the naval magazine on Julian's Creek, broke his leg yesterday. A hand car used in transferring shells and other ordnance struck Mr. Cotton, knocking him down, thus breaking his leg.

NIGHT OFFICES CLOSED

An Old Landmark in Dog Town Has Passed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

IRWIN, VA., May 7.—The Chesapeake and Ohio closed seven-night offices in Rivanna district last Tuesday, and as many operators were thrown out of employment. The offices closed were Vinita, Lee, Irwin, Elk Hill, Boswell, Manteo, and Wingina, and the position of second operator at Gladstone was also abolished.

Since the death of Mr. William C. Kean last March the firm of Brooking & Kean has been dissolved, and the senior partner, Mr. W. B. W. Brooking, is now conducting the business under his own name. The firm of Brooking & Kean began business at Dog Town in 1875, and continued to do business there for twenty-eight consecutive years.

Mr. Arthur Morris, of West Virginia, has been spending this week at Dog Town, being in this section to secure men to migrate to the coal mines. He is meeting with only moderate success, as nearly all of the negroes left in the community are too wise to give up a sure thing for an uncertainty.

One of the most prominent landmarks of Dog Town, second in interest only to the store, was demolished recently. The old wooden pump, which has adorned the front yard of Mr. W. B. W. Brooking for the past twenty-four years, was replaced by an iron concern, which, while not nearly so picturesque as the wooden one, is far more serviceable. Even this quiet valley is pervaded with the spirit of commercialism. The wooden pump, so poetic and quaint, has given place to a more modern one of iron, and the old Dog Town store, famous for its dinginess—a relic of old times—has been given several coats of paint, sufficient, in fact, to thoroughly modernize it.

ROCKBRIDGE FARMS SOLD

P. I. Huffman Sells a Steer Weighing 1,455 Pounds.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LEXINGTON, VA., May 7.—Mr. J. Bruce Tutwiler has sold privately his farm of 228 acres, situated several miles northeast of Lexington, to Mr. William M. Showalter, for $8,000. The farm is in a high state of cultivation and has good buildings.

The Misses Estill, of Waynesboro, Va., have sold to Mrs. B. C. Wash their house and lot on Nelson Street, near the Union depot. The price paid was $1,200 cash. This property was once the residence of the late Professor Harry Estill. It was also owned by Rev. John J. Lafferty, editor of the Christian Advocate of Richmond, when a resident of Lexington, immediately following the Civil War, while he was editor of the Lexington Gazette.

Mr. P. I. Huffman, of Alphin, Rockbridge county, has sold a steer that weighed 1,455 pounds. The price received was $63. This is the largest steer sold in that section for some time.

The Fifth Sunday meeting of the South District Augusta Baptist Association will be held at the Natural Bridge Baptist Church for two days, beginning Friday, May 29th. Among the speakers will be ministers of the Baptist denomination of Rockbridge, as follows: Rev. John H. Harris, of Natural Bridge; Rev. Willis L. Wayts, of Buena Vista; Rev. J. P. Cowherd, of Buffalo; Rev. R. J. Dogan, of Buchanan; Rev. H. D. Ragland, of Natural Bridge; Rev. Charles Manly, of Lexington; Rev. P. Swann, of Goshen; and Mr. W. D. Gresham, of Lexington.

SUFFOLK POLITICS

A. S. Ely Conducting Campaign for the Mayorality from Sickbed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

SUFFOLK, VA., May 7.—From present prospects Suffolk's legislative and executive branches of government will almost entirely be in new hands. In the primaries which will come off May 15th Mayor Brewer, who has been at the head of the town for eleven years, is not a candidate. The only two aspirants are A. S. Eley, a justice of the peace, and Robert W. Withers, a young lawyer.

One thing about the campaign that's a little unique is the fact that Mr. Eley is conducting his canvass from a sick bed. He has been confined to his home for more than five weeks, as the result of a surgical operation, and though he is improving, the chances are he will not be on the streets by primary day, and it is doubtful that he will be able to get to the polls to vote himself.

Of the nine Councilmen of Suffolk, all but two have declared their purpose of not standing for re-election. They get no pay, and it is regarded as a sacrifice for a business man to give so much time and to get only abuse and criticism as a reward. There likely will be plenty of new candidates before the primary, however. The primary vote necessarily will be very small. Not only is the interest not strong, but more than one-third of Suffolk's voters are not on the books.

THE NEEDY RELIEVED

West Point Has Received Assistance Sufficient for Immediate Wants.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WEST POINT, VA., May 7.—Mr. Herbert J. Lewis, chairman of the relief committee, issued the following to-day:

"I am instructed by the Relief Committee of West Point, Va., to state to the public that the liberal responses from the sympathizers for the needy and destitute from the fire has been sufficient to relieve the immediate wants of those who were in need. With the excursion to be given by the Southern Railway on Saturday next, and the Bostock Animal Show benefit on Monday, May 11th, we will be fully able to relieve those who are rendered homeless or almost destitute by reason of the fire here last Friday morning."

WEBB ESCAPED

Charged With Working Ex-Slave Pension Swindle on Negroes.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., May 7.—S. B. Webb, alias Harrison Webb, the alleged negro ex-slave pension defrauder, while being brought from Richmond to Norfolk for trial in the Federal Court to-day, escaped from Deputy United States Marshal Bland, who had him in custody. It is believed that he is either in hiding in Norfolk, or somewhere on the suburbs and the authorities hope to get him by to-morrow. Webb is charged with defrauding old negroes by collecting advance money upon the representation that he could secure for them life pensions, "because the government had decided to pension all ex-slaves."

THROAT WAS CUT

Negro's Body Drifted Ashore at Plum Point Yesterday.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PLUM POINT, VA., May 7.—The body of Emmet Coleman, the negro man who was drowned in the York River about three weeks ago, drifted ashore at Plum Point yesterday. His throat had been cut from ear to ear with some sharp instrument and it looked as if he had been foully dealt with, but the coroner's jury had no evidence.

LICENSES GRANTED

South Norfolk Cases Turned on the Word "Contiguous."

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., May 7.—Judge W. N. Portlock, of the Norfolk County Court, has rendered a decision in the South Norfolk liquor cases and adhered to his former action in granting licenses to seven places in Liberty Street. The question at issue was whether South Norfolk was contiguous to the city of Norfolk. Judge Portlock in rendering his decision, quoted many decisions from the highest State courts defining the word "contiguous."

The American and English Encyclopaedia of law defined the word as "adjacent," "touching," "near." In several of the decisions quoted, rivers and wide stretches of water were referred to, and the courts decided that land on the one side was contiguous to the other. This decision grants the licenses on the ground that South Norfolk is a community contiguous to Norfolk.

LICENSES REVOKED

Halifax County People Protest Against Grain Distilleries.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

SOUTH BOSTON, VA., May 7.—Some of the licenses granted to grain distilleries last week by Judge Barksdale have been revoked this week by his honor. When application was made for licenses the people in the vicinity did not know that under the new law they could protest against the issuance of license of distilleries when the Federal government had given permission.

As soon as it became known, strong delegations appeared in court against the granting, hence the revocation. The liquor manufacturers are greatly disgruntled that their occupation is gone. All temperance people are in a very happy mood.

Princess Anne Dry.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., May 7.—Princess Anne county has gone dry with the exception of the Seaboard District in which Virginia Beach is located. Sixteen saloons had already closed because of the new license law. Out of twenty-one saloon-keepers in Princess Anne, only six applied for new licenses. The only applicant who had a petition signed by the voters lost. He had 88 names out of the required 107. Virginia Beach saloons get license on the "hotels by the sea" provision in Mann bill.

To Test Screen Ordinance.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., May 7.—The City Council, at a special meeting last night, decided that the matter of appealing to the Corporation Court from the decision of Police Justice Edward O. McCue, regarding the ordinance ordering the removal of screens from the front of saloons, be referred to the City Attorney and to the Commonwealth's Attorney, with instructions to take an appeal or such steps as may be necessary to test the validity of the ordinance passed by the body.

Clifton Forge Licenses.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CLIFTON FORGE, VA., May 7.—The County Court convened at Covington on Tuesday, with Judge Henry W. Holt in the chair. At this session eleven liquor licenses were granted to the town of Clifton Forge. Twelve were recommended by the Council, but one applicant dropped out, owing to the heavy tax imposed by the recent passage of the Mann bill.

MERGER OF PINE FIRMS

Wiley, Harker and Camp Companies Consolidated.

HALL-JOHNSON WEDDING

The Elks of Petersburg Will Celebater Their Thirteenth Anniversary This Month—Will Send a Big Delegation to Bedford City.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PETERSBURG, VA., May 7.—Wiley, Harker and Company, of New York, with branch offices in Petersburg and Norfolk, and the Camp Manufacturing Company, of Franklin, Va., have consolidated, and the new company is known as the Wiley, Harker and Camp Company. The large concerns manufacturing North Carolina pine have for several years endeavored to consolidate. The successful consummation of the deal between the Camp Company and the Wiley Harker Company means much to the North Carolina pine interests. This company is now the largest factor in the pine interests in that State. Wiley, Harker and Camp Company will handle upwards of two hundred million (200,000,000) feet per annum, with headquarters at New York and branch offices at Boston, Mass., Philadelphia, Pa., Baltimore, Md., Pittsburg, Pa., Norfolk, Va., and Petersburg, Va. This corporation will sell the entire products of Camp Manufacturing Company's mills at Franklin, Va., Arringdale, Va., DeWitt, Va., and Norfolk, Va. Also the entire outputs of Cape Fear Lumber Comber, Angola Lumber Company and Northorp mills at Wilmington, N. C.; the output of McKenney planing mill, McKenney, Va., and Tunis Lumber Company, Norfolk, Va. The timber holdings in Virginia and North Carolina are held in very few hands, not over ten (10) concerns controlling at least 80 to 90 per cent. of the entire output.

The following are the officers of the Wiley, Harker and Camp Company: E. M. Wiley, president; R. J. Camp, vice-president; John Harker, treasurer, and Charles T. Stran, secretary. Mr. A. B. Morgan, of Petersburg, Va., is manager of the Norfolk and Petersburg offices of the company.

Mr. John J. Hall, of Petersburg, and Miss Narcisse Johnson, of Greenville, Miss., will be married at the residence of the bride-elect's uncle, Colonel Matt. F. Johnson, at Natchez, Miss., Monday, June 15th, next. Miss Johnson is the beautiful and accomplished daughter of the late Colonel and Mrs. George Johnson, of Greenville. Colonel Johnson, who died about a year ago, was one of the largest planters in the South. Mr. Hall is a traveling salesman for the T. C. Williams Tobacco Company, of Richmond, and a grandson of Mrs. Robert Gilliam, of this city.

Mr. M. B. Jones, a tobacco buyer at Chase City, Va., has entered suit in this city for $5,000 against Messrs. Craddock and Jones, lessees of the Virginia Warehouse in Petersburg. The plaintiff maintains that Craddock and Jones agreed to pay such drafts as he might draw on them for the purchase of tobacco, and that their failure to pay a draft drawn by him for tobacco purchased damaged his credit. Craddock and Jones maintains that they did not enter into such agreement.

The large shipments of lumber from Petersburg has caused a considerable advance in prices. Manufacturers are buying all the standing timber they can find.

Mr. Robert Gilliam, clerk of the courts in this city, has received the honor of being appointed commissioner of affidavits in Petersburg for North Carolina.

The Elks of Petersburg will celebrate their thirteenth anniversary the latter part of this month with a picnic at "Ellersile," in Chesterfield county, near this city. The lodge will send a delegation to Bedford City on the occasion of the dedication of the Elks' National Home in that city.

Mr. Charles A. Clarke, who is more widely known by the traveling public than any man in Petersburg, has been made manager in Petersburg for the "Trilby" excursions.

Sheriff Prince, of Sussex county, to-day carried to that county for trial John Bailey, the negro charged with attempted criminal assault on Mrs. Croker. Bailey has been in jail here since his arrest several weeks ago.

IN CHESTER

Effort is Made to Organize a Lodge of Odd-Fellows.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHESTER, VA., May 7.—Mr. G. W. Jones, deputy of the "Independent Order of Odd-Fellows," lectured here last night at the public schoolhouse in the interest of that order, and desires to organize a lodge here. There were not a sufficient number of applicants received, and no lodge was organized, but it is probable that sufficient interest may be excited later on to establish one. Many are speaking favorably of the scheme.

A called meeting of the Wooldridge Confederate Camp has been ordered by Commander John F. Bransford, of Bon Air, to be held at Chesterfield Courthouse next Monday. A meetings also of the Pension Board will take place at the same time. The unveiling of the Chesterfield monument will be considered then, and a day set for the unveiling.

APPOMATTOX ROADS

Scheme of Commissioners and Work by Contract is Proposed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WEST APPOMATTOX, VA., May 7.—At a meeting of the citizens of Appomattox at the courthouse to-day resolutions were passed requesting the representatives in both branches of the General Assembly to secure the enactment of a road law for the county. The law is to provide for the working of the roads by contract.

A road commissioner for each district shall be provided for, to be elected by the people. These commissioners shall divide the roads of their several districts into sections, and shall prepare specifications for working them, and shall then let the working of the roads to the lowest responsible bidder. It was recommended that the commissioners shall receive for their services a per diem of $2.

Heard in Boykins.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BOYKINS, VA., May 7.—Rev. W. C. Blair, of Greenville, Va., who has accepted the call to the Baptist Church of this town, is now at work in his new field.

Mr. John N. Sebrell, Sr., of Courtland, Va., was in Boykins a few days ago in the interest of his candidacy as clerk of Southampton county.

Soon to be Married.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LEESBURG, VA., May 7.—The wedding of Mr. Walter Gregg Leith and Miss Carrie Lee Rolfine, both of this county, is announced to take place on the 21st at the bride's residence

ANNAPOLIS CADETSHIP

W. T. Smith, of Fredericksburg, Successful Applicant.

TO VISIT BATTLE-FIELDS

Pennsylvania Veterans to Come to Fredericksburg on May 12th—The Steamer Tourist Soon to Give a Trade Excursion.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., May 7.—The competitive examination for the appointment of a cadet to Annapolis from this district was announced this afternoon as follows: W. Taylor Smith, Fredericksburg, principal; H. E. Parson, Accomac, first alternate; G. C. Scarborough, Onancock, second; H. M. Brent, Heathsville, third.

A reunion of the One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers will be held here next Tuesday, May 12th. The committee of arrangements has notified Mayor M. G. Willis that a party numbering about fifty will reach here on an early morning train of that day, and Mayor Willis has responded, assuring the committee of a warm welcome by our citizens. All of the battlefields in this vicinity will be visited during the stay of the veterans.

The Board of Pension Commissioners of Spotsylvania county, at a meeting this week, approved seventeen applications for pensions and declined twelve others.

The steamer Tourist, of the People's line, will give a trade excursion on Tuesday, May 12th, from Urbanna and all intervening wharves on the Rappahannock River to this city, reaching here in the afternoon and leaving the following day at 11 o'clock.

Mr. E. Leslie Spence, Division Commander of the Sons of Confederate Veterans of Virginia, was the guest to-day of Mr. Fleming G. Bailey at his historic Chatham, and to-night addressed R. S. Chew Camp, Sons of Confederate Veterans, of this city.

Mr. William Swift, of Spotsylvania county, lost a few days ago a large number of railroad ties in a forest fire.

NEGRO GIRL KILLED

Run Over by a Train at Danville Yesterday Afternoon.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DANVILLE, VA., May 7.—Blanch Carter, a colored girl, was run over and instantly killed by a shifting train in the yard of the Southern Railroad here this afternoon at 5 o'clock. The Carter girl, in company with another woman named Hatty Brown, was walking on the track toward the station, when the shifting engine on the main line caused them to cross over on another track to avoid it. The Danville and Western train was being backed into the station at the time.

The women's backs were towards this train, and the noise made by the shifting engine so deafened them that they were unaware of its approach. The Carter girl was knocked down and horribly mangled, the trucks of the first car passing over her breast. She died in two minutes. Hatty Brown made an attempt to drag her from under the car, but was forced to release her to preserve her own life. A coroner's jury was summoned, and, after viewing the body, they adjourned until to-morrow morning, at which time the accident will be investigated.

Died From His Injuries.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BLUEFIELD, W. VA., May 7.—Ben Mills, who was caught under a moving freight train, near Ingleside, and had his right arm crushed off and severely bruised, died last night at a late hour. He was a prosperous farmer and well thought of.

CAMERON RUN HUNT CLUB'S FIRST SHOW

Arrangements for Exhibition on Saturday on Grounds Near Alexandria.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ALEXANDRIA, VA., May 7.—The Cameron Run Hunt Club is completing arrangements for its first annual Horse Show, which is to take place Saturday next on the grounds of the club, near this city. It is expected that a large number will be in attendance. The Committee on Arrangements is composed of Messrs. D. N. Rust, Jr., Alvin O. Portner, Courtland H. Smith, Paul V. Portner and Charles R. Hooff, Jr. Mr. Rust, as secretary, has charge of the stabling and the carriage spaces about the ring. In order to be eligible for this show, horses must be owned by the club, or by other recognized hunt clubs, or by residents of Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia. The show will inaugurate the season with the Virginia Horse Show Association, and the performances will begin at 10 o'clock in the morning.

The following will be the classes:

Farmer class—Best pair heavy draft horses shown in harness, to be owned by bona fide farmers who reside in Alexandria or Fairfax counties.

Horse and runabout—Horse to count seventy-five per cent.; runabout and appointments to count twenty-five per cent.

Pair of horses—Over fifteen hands, to be shown to an appropriate vehicle.

Tandem—The wheeler to be fifteen three or over.

Four-in-hand—Wheelers to be fifteen three or over.

Combination—Shown first in harness and then under saddle by driver.

Hacks—Fifteen hands or over, to be shown at a walk, trot and canter, each to count twenty per cent.; conformation, thirty per cent.; manners, ten per cent.

Roadsters—Best gentlemen's roadster, speed and manners, fifty per cent.; conformation and manners, fifty per cent.

Heavy-weight hunters—Performance, fifty per cent.; conformation, fifty per cent.

Middle-weight hunters—Performance, fifty per cent.; conformation, fifty per cent.

Light-weight hunters—Performance, fifty per cent.; conformation, fifty per cent.

Green hunters—For hunters that have never won a blue ribbon in a jumping contest. Performance, forty per cent.; conformation and manners, sixty per cent.

Ladies' hunters—Performance to count seventy-five per cent.; manners and quality, twenty-five per cent.

Thoroughbred hunters—Must be registered; performance, fifty per cent.; conformation, fifty per cent.

Corinthian class—Open to all hunters; to be ridden in "hunt colors" by members of recognized hunt clubs. Performance, seventy-five per cent.; appointments, twenty-five per cent.

Championship—For hunters, heavy, middle and light-weight, having won first at this or Chevy Chase Show, 1902 and 1903.

PAINTERS FIGHTING

Two Leading Boss Painters Join the Contractors.

CARPENTERS ON STRIKE

The Contractors Say that if the Men Do Not Return to Work on Monday They Will Fill Their Place—The Men Confident of Winning.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., May 7.—The painters employed by L. J. Neal, one of the prominent painters and paper hangers of the city, quit work this morning because Neal notified them that he could no longer grant them an eight hour day at the same pay they formerly received for nine hours. Up to this time only the painters employed by J. T. Ballentine, about seventeen in number, have been out. All of the other boss painters granted the demands made by the union. It was thought yesterday that all of the trouble would be settled last night, but the fact that the boss painters are making the fight with the contractors, no agreement could be reached, and this morning Neal went in with Ballentine and the contractors. The contractors have given the carpenters until Monday, and if they do not return to work by that time they say they will proceed to fill their places.

The trial of W. M. Nagle, charged with felonious shooting, was set for trial in the Police Court this morning, but upon the request of the Commonwealth's attorney, who said that he did not want the case taken up until Basket, who was shot by Nagle, either dies or begins to improve, the case was again continued. Nagle is still in jail, no effort to secure bail for him having been made.

There will be a meeting of the property owners of Newport district, Warwick county, at the Hotel Warwick Monday, for the purpose of discussing the advisability of holding an election to decide whether or not bonds for $35,000 shall be issued to improve the roads in the district. The Legislature recently authorized the supervisors to issue the bonds, and the property owners have asked the supervisors to meet with them Monday.

The police still have no clue to the identity of the man who struck Hurrey, the sailor belonging to the Olympia, who was found in a pool of his own blood in an alley between two unoccupied houses beneath the Twenty-eighth Street bridge. Hurrey is rapidly recovering now, and, although twelve stitches had to be taken in the back of his head, the wound is nothing like so serious as it was first thought it was.

IN CLIFTON FORGE

Interested in the Municipal Election to Be Held in June.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CLIFTON FORGE, VA., May 7.—There is quite a stir in political circles in Clifton Forge, and much interest is being manifested over the coming municipal election in June. There are three candidates for Mayor. W. F. Tinsley, formerly of Richmond, who has been Mayor for the past several years, has decided to be a candidate for county treasurer, and will not enter the race for the mayoralty. George W. Warren, former editor of the "Clifton Forge Review;" J. L. Milliner and Joseph Lipop are the candidates for Mayor, and as it will be a three-cornered fight the majority will be small. All are prominent in the business circles of the town, and at this juncture it is difficult to tell who will be elected. The former Mayor, Mr. Tinsley, who has announced his intentions to enter the race for county treasurer, has been chairman of the County Democratic Committee for a number of years, and his prospects for election are exceedingly bright. He was for a number of years connected with the treasurer's office in Richmond.

Ex-Congressman Hon. Harry St. George Tucker, of Lexington, spoke in the Baptist Church here Tuesday night in the interest of education. A large crowd was present to hear the eloquent speaker.

The work of finishing the laying of the new granolithic sidewalks has been resumed, and rapid progress is now being made by the contractor, A. W. McClay, of Richmond, who has a large force of hands at work.

The commencement exercises of the Clifton Forge Seminary will be held on Thursday and Friday, the 14th and 15th of this month. An interesting programme has been arranged by the faculty, and the event is looked forward to with much pleasure by the young people of the town.

WARRENTON AMATEURS

Soon to Present "The Fascinator," Composed by Mr. Samuel Appleton.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WARRENTON, VA., May 7.—Through the efforts of Mr. Samuel Appleton, this community will shortly be presented with a charming light opera, entitled "The Fascinator." Mr. Appleton himself has composed the music, which is light and catchy. The first rehearsal was held at the residence of Mr. Thaddeus Fletcher, on Tuesday evening, and all who attnded were satisfied that the affair will be a success. The entire cast will perhaps be given an opportunity to show its histrionic ability at the next rehearsal. The promoters of the scheme are making every effort to stage the opera inside of a month's time.

The Southern Railway is making extensive improvements to the station at the head of Green Street. The town has changed greatly during the past six or eight months. New buildings are going up and old ones are being repaired everywhere.

FIERCE PRIMARY FIGHT

Liquor Men in Charlottesville Want to Control the Council.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., May 7.—One of the fiercest primary elections ever held in the city will occur to-morrow, the result of the recent local option election and the stringent ordinances regulating the conduct of saloons having caused the whiskey men to make a special effort to secure a Council friendly to their interests. As far as it can be done, the fight will be drawn on the lines of "wet" or "dry," or the advocacy of or opposition to the restrictive ordinances. From present indications there will be a few changes in the personnel of the present Council, but it is not probable that the whiskey interests will control. This is the first time that there has been any open fight on the part of the liquor men to control the City Council, and its result will be watched with great interest.

CHINAMEN ALARMED

Several in Norfolk Have No Certificates of Immigration.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., May 7.—Charley Kee, of the government service, came here to-day from Boston and rounded up eleven Chinamen suspected of not having certificates of immigration. On examination it was determined by the United States Court here that five of the Chinamen should be deported. Five were allowed bail for further investigation and one was discharged. The Chinamen were all arrested here. The arrests caused a great sensation, and many Chinamen are hiding.

A. C. GORDON ENDORSED

Staunton Alumni Want Him as the University's First President.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

STAUNTON, VA., May 7.—The local Alumni Association of the University of Virginia held a meeting yesterday in the city clerk's office, Vice-President Thos. D. Ranson in the chair, and Dr. Hampton Wayt secretary. The matter of selecting a president for the University was discussed at length. A resolution endorsing Hon. A. C. Gordon, of Staunton, for the position of president was adopted, and the secretary was directed to forward a copy of the resolutions to the Board of Visitors of the University for their consideration. The association will meet again on Saturday.

ALLEGHANY'S ROADS

Their Improvement Will Help the Business of Covington.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

COVINGTON, VA., May 7.—An unusual amount of work will be done on the roads in Alleghany county this spring and summer. Some of the roads are in good condition, but others, especially those in the northrn and western parts of the county need work. Thursday work will be started on the road from Covington to Hot Springs and after the contemplated improvements have been made there the roads running from Covington through the western part of the county will be improved. Few people from the country visited Covington during the winter on account of the bad roads and so any improvements which may be made will be of value to the business men of Covington as well as to the farmers.

GOULD AND SEABOARD

Railroad Circles Greatly Interested in Reported Alliance.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PORTSMOUTH, VA., May 7.—The liveliest interest is felt in transportation circles hereabouts regarding the publication in the Star of Gould's intentions with regard to the Seaboard. There appears to be a well defined idea that an offensive and defensive alliance will be entered into between the Goulds and the Williams' interest. It was reported from Gloucester last week that agents of John Skelton Williams were buying land near the terminal property of the Wabash.

It is believed by many well informed transportation men that if Mr. Gould found a railway alliance necessary in his fight with the Morgan-Pennsylvania interests, he would in all probability choose the young railway president who has twice defeated Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan in his efforts to get control of the Seaboard.

The recent visits of the Gould yacht to these waters are taken to mean that the railway magnate is investigating the natural advantages of this port.

BRISTOL WEDDINGS

Many Young Virginians Seek Parsons Burroughs and Baird.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BRISTOL, VA., May 7.—Miss Cora Rumbley, of Glade Spring, Va., and Mr. Thomas J. Morris, of Chicago, were married in this city Wednesday last. The ceremony was solemnized at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. C. J. Kesner, on Virginia Street. Mr. Morris is a successful young business man of the Windy City, and his bride is a pretty and accomplished young woman. They have gone to Chicago to reside.

Among the young Virginia couples who have sought happiness and found it here during the past week were Mr. Wm. Howell and Miss Lucy Lawrence, of Radford, married by Parson Burroughs; Mr. Carlos Fletcher and Miss Cora Smallwood, of Brewster, married by Rev. Baird; Mr. Truman Hurst and Miss Mary Tholinson, of Pattonsville, by Parson Burroughs; Mr. Landon C. Haynes and Miss Victoria Collier, of Big Stone Gap, by Rev. Baird.

MACGILL—MACGILL

Beautiful Home Ceremony at Clairmont, in Pulaski Yesterday.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PULASKI, VA., May 7.—Clairmont, the home of General James Macgill, of this place, was the scene of a beautiful wedding to-day, when his daughter, Miss Annie Stuart Macgill became the bride of Mr. Richard G. Macgill, of Baltimore. The wedding was a very quiet one, only the immediate families of the bride and groom being present. The groom is a prominent young business man of Baltimore and the bride is well known in Virginia and Maryland. The bride was given away by her father, her only attendant being her sister, Mrs. W. W. Chaffin. Mr. Charles C. Macgill, brother of the groom, was best man. After the ceremony an elaborate supper was served. Mr. and Mrs. Macgill left on the night train for a tour of the Northern cities.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. A. Brown, rector of the Episcopal Church here.

Lunsford-Young.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LEESBURG, VA., May 7.—Rev. Alexander T. Lunsford, of Round Hill, and Miss Evelyn L. Young, of North Fork, were married by Rev. W. M. Ferguson in Washington. Mr. Lunsford is pastor of Wesley Chapel, Methodist Episcopal Church. The attendants were Mr. H. Chipley and Mrs. V. C. Williams, matron of honor.

Hall—Agnor.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LEXINGTON, VA., May 7.—Mr. Samuel P. Hall and Mrs. Agnes Agnor were married yesterday afternoon at the home of the bride, near Collierstown, Rev. David B. Mays, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, officiating. The newly-wedded couple will reside in that neighborhood.

Adkins—Scruggs.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., May 7.—Mr. William Adkins, of this city, and Miss Willie Scruggs, daughter of Mr. J. T. Scruggs, of the county, were married at the parsonage of the First Baptist Church, the Rev. John B. Turpin, D. D., officiating. The only attendants were Mrs. R. E. Scruggs and Mr. Tilden Brown.

Gleen-Scott.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LLESBURG, VA., May 7.—Mr. Aubrey C. Gleen, of this county, and Miss Annie N. Scott, of Vienna, Fairfax county, were married in Leesburg on Tuesday.

Epperson—Browder.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LAWRENCEVILLE, VA., May 7.—Mr. H. E. Epperson and Miss Mamie A. R. Browder were married yesterday afternoon at Liberty Church, the Rev. W. G. Boggs officiating.

Hart—Ray.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BOYKINS, VA., May 7.—Mr. R. M. Hart, of this town, and Miss Bessie Ray, of Windsor, N. C., were married last night at the home of the bride. There will be a reception given to-night at Hotel Boykins.

SIX LIVES CRUSHED OUT

Landslide at Mouth of Tunnel in Giles County.

CAUGHT IN DEATH TRAP

The Gang of Laborers, White and Colored, Were Double-Tracking the West-End Tunnel, Near Eggleston Springs, in Giles.

(By Associated Press.)

ROANOKE, VA., May 7.—Details reached here this afternoon of a fearful catastrophe which occurred late yesterday evening in the east end of the West-End Tunnel, known as Tunnel No. 2, at Eggleston Springs, Giles county, on the Norfolk and Western Railway, in which six men were killed and five injured, three of them fatally, while two others were almost miraculously saved.

Railroad contractors were engaged in double-tracking the two tunnels at the point named, and it was due to their operations that the accident happened. It seems that when the tunneling force had removed the earth and stone for the tracks at the point where the calamity occurred, a huge slide of solid stone gave way on the mountain side and came down at an angle of about 45 degrees, striking the gang fairly and literally crushing the life out of six men.

Three bodies have been recovered, and it is believed others will b gottn out before morning. A wrecking car is at work clearing away the debris. The entrance to the tunnel is now clear and safe and no further trouble is anticipatd. The killed and injured are all colored men. Doctors were on the scene within twenty minutes after the accident and rendered all possible aid to the injured men.

This stratum of solid rock was found on examination to be connected only by clay seams, and when the foundation was removed the stratum, some feet long, came with a tremendous force and without warning, catching the men in the death-trap. One man was in a niche of the tunnelway, and was only grazed on the face and head, and escaped with slight injuries. He was removed without great difficulty. A second man, who stood on the outer edge of the slide, was only slightly hurt, but three others were more unfortunate, and were so badly injured that it is feared they will die.

The bodies of the other six men, some of whom are whites, are still under the mountain slide. A wrecking car and derrick were taken out from Radford, but so far have been of no avail. There is no likelihood that the bodies can be recovered soon, as the rock will have to be dynamited and removed bit by bit.

This is considered dangerous, as the length of the stratum cannot be ascertained, and there is imminent danger of a second crash as soon as the base is removed, and a consequent loss of other lives.

So far it has been impossible to secure the names of the victims. They are only known to the contractors, and they can only judge by the missing members of the force. One thing that is known is that it was a mixed gang, composed both of white and colored laborers.

The accident did not materially delay train traffic on the main line. The trains were delayed, however, by another slide in Big Tunnel, at Montgomery, twenty miles east of Eggleston, over four hours.

The latest advices from an official source, so far as the Norfolk and Western Railway is concerned, are to the effect that only seven men were killed outright, but a prominent contractor coming to Roanoke from the scene gave the facts substantially as related above.

To Test Mann Bill.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., May 7.—The first contest in Virginia to determine the scope of the new Mann anti-liquor bill will be made in the courts of Stafford county. Licenses were granted April 15th to several bar-rooms in the county under the provision of the old liquor laws. April 16th the provisions of the Mann bill went into effect, and the temperance people of the county claim that the liquor sellers, in order to continue business, must comply with the provisions of the new law. An order for injunction to prevent the parties who have received licenses from continuing in business under their present licenses has been sued out before the County Court of Stafford, and the issue will be tried May 12th next.

TO UNION SEMINARY

Virginia Theological School Gets Remainder of Washington Estate.

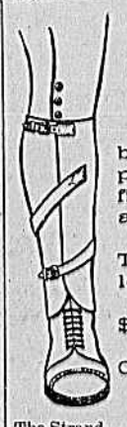
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 7.—The will of Elizabeth Busey, dated March 16, 1897, was filed to-day probate. Bequests as follows are made: To her sister, Ellen Dunlop, $2,000; to her newphew, Henry D. Crampton, $2,000, and to the Union Theological Seminary in Virginia, the remainder of the estate as an endowment, to be known as the William G. Busey fund, the income of which is to be used for the education of poor young men studying for the ministry in the Presbyterian Church.

THE FIELD DAY OF RICHMOND COLLEGE

Richmond College field day will be held to-day, and there is more interest in the work than ever before.

Following the athletic sports, President F. W. Boatwright will tender a reception to the boys.



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