stood that his name had been used, but that he had given the power of attorney to no one. Mr. Richardson made an examination of the deed and found that it was drawn up in due form, was signed presumably by R. E. Daniel and witnessed on the 19th of August by Barraud, notary public. He compared the signatures to the deed and to the letter he had gotten ,and apparently one is a poor indication of the other. Mr. Atkinson, however, does not think they are at all alike.

Out-and Out Forgery.

Dr. Sills Daniel was seen yesterday afternoon. He declared that the deed was not genuine. His brother knew nothing of the transaction.

Thinking that possibly his brother had needed some money and desired to borrow on the property here, which he says is practically his own, though in the name of his brother, as he has almost finished paying for it, he called him over the long distance 'phone and asked him about the alleged deed of trust. His brother told him that he had never dreamed of getting money on the property; that he did not need any money at present, and if he did he would call on him, as he had been told to do.

Dr. Daniel said he and his brother did not care about the affair. They were not out anything. Some one had forged his brother's name and a loan of $3,000 had been negotiated, but however much they might regret the loss of the person so imposed upon, they could not help it. They intended to take no action at law whatever, as from their standpoint none was needed.

Mr. Atkinson, attorney for Mr. Beck, has the original deed in his possession, it having been loaned to him by the court. He is not willing to show his hand at present, further than to state that he has reason to believe that the deed is a genuine one, whether R. E. Daniel signed it in person or not, as the power of attorney given by another would be binding on him. He said he would assume, and did assume, that the deed was genuine and would act accordingly. When the first interest note became due in February, if it was not paid, he would advertise the property for sale to protect his client. Likely enough the court would be asked to prohibit the sale and the issue would then be made. It is more than probable that Mr. Atkinson's prediction will prove correct, unless Barraud returns in the meantime and the affair is cleared up.

In the effort to clear up every shadow of doubt in regard to the deed, so far as the signature of R. E. Daniel was concerned, The Times-Dispatch sent a telegram to Mr. Daniel, at Pleasant Hill, N. C., late yesterday afternoon, asking if the deed purporting to be signed by him was genuine. The reply was prompt, and is given here verbatim:

"Pleasant Hill, N. C., Sept. 23, 1903.

"Times-Dispatch, Richmond:

"I haven't given any deed. This was forgery.

(Signed) "R. E. DANIEL."

Mr. Beck is quite reticent about the affair, and is much perplexed. He agrees with his attorney that the deed will have to be proven a forgery beyond a doubt. It is understood that he was not acting wholly for himself, but for others as well in making the loan.

Mrs. E. S. Pernell.

The register of New Ford's Hotel of August 17th shows the name of Mrs. E. S. Pernell, Norfolk, Va. It is learned that Mr. Barraud called on a lady stopping at the hotel about this time quite often. She was alone at the hotel, and remained several days. Barraud saw her a number of times, and took one or more meals at the hotel with her. From another source, which is entirely authentic, it is learned that he was frequently seen on the street with Mrs. Pernell about this time, and that she was two years ago his stenographer. Mrs. Pernell was formerly a resident of Nashville, N. C., but after her widowhood came to a business college of this city and took stenography and typewriting. Upon finishing the course she secured employment in Barraud's office. She left Richmond two years ago, and, it is understood, that since she has been living in Norfolk and Washington.

Mrs. Pernell paid her bill at the hotel between August 20th and the 25th, taking an evening train to Norfolk.

Was It Self-Murder?

One of the saddest features of the narrative is based on the opinion of a high city official. It is that the deed of trust was apparently filled in by Mr. St. J. W. Barraud, the brother whose body was found in the dock one evening last week. He had been a clerk in the office of Philip St. George. The opinion is advanced by this official that the death of young Barraud was suicide, a mind heavily laden with grief at the disappearance of his brother having driven him to desperation.

The detectives are looking for the missing lawyer. Whether or not a charge will be placed against him if located, the Commonwealth's attorney is not prepared to say. He has written to Mr. R. E. Daniel, in reply to the latter's letter, asking the direct question if the signature to the deed is forgery, but has not gotten a reply.

No family in the State stands higher than the Barrauds. They are of Huguenot descent, and the men of the family have been known far and wide for their intellect and manliness, the women for their grace and beauty.

The aged father, one brother and several sisters are in the city at present. The mother, overcome with grief, has been taken to the country. The wife of Philip St. George Barraud, now reported ill, has gone to her father at Scotland Neck, N. C., where her babe is buried.

DISTRIBUTIVE PROBLEMS

Farmers' National Congress Discusses These at Length.

(By Associated Press.)

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Sept. 23.—The Farmers' National Congress to-day considered several questions affecting the distributive side of agriculture. Most of the time of the Congress will be given to the ditributive problem, as the farmers consider that they have solved nearly all the productive questions, and that national assistance should now be invoked to aid American farmers in finding a market, rather than helping them grow products.

Aaron Jones, master of th eNational Grange, addressed the congress on the "Extension of the Facilities of Our Mail System." He favored the immediate expanion of rural free delivery, and the readjustment of the parcel post system. Mr. Jones also advocated a government telegraph and telephone service.

The Committee on Resolutions killed in committees all resolutions of local nature.

FIRE AT NAPHTHA WORKS DOES GREAT DAMAGE.

(By Associated Press.)

ST. PETERSBURG, September 23.—A fire has broken out at the Billebat Naphtha Fountains, belonging to the firm of Nobel at Baku, and has already caused damage estimated at $2,500,000. The works have been completely destroyed, and the fire is still spreading.

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HOLLY STAKES GO TO PULSUS IN DRIVE

Makes Great Burst of Speed in Stretch, Beating Divination to the Wire.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—The Holly Stakes, the feature of the card at Gravesend to-day, was won by Pulsus, carrying 126 pounds, and quoted at the good price of 16 to 5. Divination jumped away first and led to well in the stretch, where O'Neil, who was laying about fourth place with Pulsus, closed with a great burst of speed and won driving by three-quarters of a length. Only one favorite won. Summaries:

First race—about six furlongs—Salvatella (6 to 1) first, Outcome (10 to 1) second, Mammon (10 to 1) third. Time, 1:10 2-5.

Second race—selling steeplechase, about two miles—Amur (8 to 5) first, Manilian (9 to 5) second, Gortnagallon (20 to 1) third. Time, 4:08 3-5.

Third race—the Holly Stakes, about six furlongs—Pulsus (16 to 5) first, Divination (5 to 1) second, Sweet Gretchen (5 to 1) third. Time, 1:09 4-5.

Fourth race—handicap, one mile and a half—Lord Turco (7 to 1) first, Janeway (13 to 5) second, Surmise (2 to 1) third. Time, 2:35.

Fifth race—selling, about six furlongs—Hello (5 to 1) first, Moredella (3 to 1) second, Monet (6 to 1) third. Time, 1:11.

Sixth race—selling, one mile and a sixteenth—Hoodwink (16 to 5) first, McMeeking (8 to 5) second, Our Nugget (20 to 1) third. Time, 1:47 1-5.

HORNPIPE WON

Excellent Racing at the Rappahannock Valley Fair.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., September 23.—The crowd at the fair to-day numbered probably seven thousand. In the jumping contest C. H. Hurkamp's Hornpipe won, Amaret second.

Scrub race, one mile—Frank Moncure's Split Rock first, Robert Brown's Prince Clamutt second.

The regular races were excellent and resulted as follows:

One-half mile—Hurkamp and Boulware's Madge Wildfire first, J. P. Simpson's Gold Dust second, Duff Green's Mattie G. third.

Novelty race, one mile—A. B. Slye's Nannie Ordway first, Hurkamp and Boulware's Lida Woodland second, J. R. Wells' Thad third.

Three-quarters of a mile dash—J. R. Wells' Gwynne first, Butterback's Willard, Jr., second.

One mile, dash—Hurkamp and Boulware's Lida Woodland first, Butterback's Hurry-Up second.

Trotting race—R. B. Eubank's Bedworth first, William Bernard's Miss Toodles second, J. E. Blakemore's Prince Edward third.

RESULTS OF RACES AT HAWTHORNE TRACK

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, ILL., Sept. 23.—Results at Hawthorne:

First race—four and a half furlongs—Rian (20 to 1) first, Annora J. (25 to 1) second, Santemo (15 to 1) third. Time, :50 2-5.

Second race—steeplechase, short course—Itacatiara (11 to 5) first, Oliver Mack (6 to 1) second, Snow Drift (9 to 1) third. Time, 3:01 2-5.

Third race—six furlongs—Auditor (6 to 5) first, Reedan (16 to 5) second, Rockaway (2 to 1) third. Time, 1:15.

Fourth race—seven furlongs—Bay Wonder (6 to 5) first, First Chip (12 to 1) second, Duchesse Hanna (15 to 1) third. Time, 1:28 2-5.

Fifth race—mile and a quarter—Our Bessie (7 to 5) first, Haviland (4 to 5) second, Air Light (7 to 2) third. Time, 2:07 1-5.

Sixth race—Rabunta (20 to 1) first, Federal (5 to 1) second, Planudes (9 to 5) third. Time, 1:42 1-5.

GRAND CIRCUIT RACES AT COLUMBUS PARK

(By Associated Press.)

COLUMBUS, O., September 23.—Ten thousand people witnessed the Grand Circuit races at the Columbus Driving Park to-day. The special attraction was Dan Patch's race against time to beat his record of 1:59. The track was fast and weather conditions were almost perfect, but the best the pacer could do was 1:59 1-2. Summaries:

2:11 trot, purse $2,000—McKinley won second, third and fourth heats and race; Hawthorne first heat, second; Dr. Strong, third. Best time, 2:07 1-4.

2:08 pace, purse $2,000, unfinished—Nervolo won first and fifth heats; Winfield Stratton, second and fourth heats; New Richmond, third. Best time, 2:06 1-2.

2:21 trot, purse $800—Bessie Brown, first and third; Bermuda Maid, second heat, second; Allen W., third. Best time, 2:13 1-4.

2:17 pace, purse $800—Black Pet won in two straight heats; Tess, second; Have Care, third. Best time, 2:08 1-4.

Therapeutic Association.

(By Associated Press.)

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., September 23. The American Electric Therapeutic Association of the United States elected Dr. D. D. Rockwell, of New York, president, and Dr. Richard J. Nunn, of Savannah, Ga., treasurer.

THE DAY ON THE DIAMOND

Records of the National and American Leagues.

CHAMPIONS BEAT GIANTS

This the Only National League Game Played—Philadelphia Wins from Chicago—Boston and Detroit Split Even—Senators Win.

Scores Yesterday.

Pittsburg 15, New York 7.

Schedule for To-Day.

New York at Pittsburg.
Philadelphia at St. Louis.
Brooklyn at Cincinnati.
Boston at Chicago.

Standing of the Clubs.

Clubs.	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Pittsburg	91	47	.660
New York	82	55	.599
Chicago	80	55	.593
Cincinnati	72	63	.533
Brooklyn	68	61	.525
Boston	57	78	.422
Philadelphia	47	85	.356
St. Louis	42	92	.313

NATIONAL LEAGUE GAMES YESTERDAY

At Pittsburg: There was nothing much but hitting and run getting on Pittsburg's side after the first inning. Their 22 hits netted thirty-eight bases.

Score: R. H. E.
Pittsburg .....05230420x—15 22 3
New York .....10000210 0—7 11 2
Batteries: Phillippe and Phelps; Taylor and Warner. Time, 1:45. Umpires, Emslie and Johnstone. Attendance, 3,649.

AMERICAN LEAGUE GAMES YESTERDAY

Scores Yesterday.

Washington 7, Cleveland 5.
Philadelphia 2, Chicago 1.
Boston 4-2, Detroit 2-3.
New York 4-4, St. Louis 7-1.

Schedule for To-Day.

St. Louis at New York.
Chicago at Philadelphia.
Detroit at Boston.
Cleveland at Washington.

Standing of the Clubs.

Clubs:	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Boston	88	45	.662
Cleveland	74	61	.548
Philadelphia	70	59	.542
New York	66	61	.520
St. Louis	64	68	.485
Detroit	63	68	.481
Chicago	57	74	.435
Washington	43	89	.326

At Philadelphia: A wild pitch by White in the tenth inning gave the locals the winning run to-day:

Score: R. H. E.
Chicago .....00000100 00—1 7 2
Philadelphia .....00010000 01—2 8 0
Batteries: White and Sullivan; Bender and Power. Time, 1:30. Umpire Adams. Attendance, 3,105.

At New York: New York and St. Louis divided the honors of to-day's double-header. Good hitting beat the locals in the opening game and the good work of Howell did much to win the second.

First game—
Score: R. H. E.
St. Louis.....20010103 0—7 10 3
New York.....01000120 0—4 6 3
Batteries: Sievers and Kahoe; Wolfe and Beville. Time, 1:45. Umpire, Sheridan.

Second game.
Score: R. H. E.
New York.....00000004 *—4 8 0
St. Louis.....10000000—1 6 3
Batteries: Howell and Beville; Powell, Sugden and Kahoe. Time, 1:35. Umpire, Sheridan. Attendance, 6,000.

At Washington: Lajoie's batting enabled Cleveland to overcome a long lead Washington gained in first inning, but a poor throw by Gochnauer in the eighth gave the locals the winning runs.

Score: R. H. E.
Washington .....40100002 *—7 7 0
Cleveland .....00302000 0—5 10 1
Batteries: Townsend, Lee and Drill; Killian and Abbott. Time, 1:40. Umpire, Connolly. Attendance, 1,134.

At Boston: Detroit took both games of a double-header from Boston to-day. The second game was called at the end of the eighth on account of darkness.

First game—
R. H. E.
Detroit .....00310100 0—5 9 4
Boston .....00010201 0—4 10 2
Batteries: Donovan and Buelow; Dineen and Stahl. Time, 1:40.

Second game—
Score: R. H. E.
Detroit .....00300401—8 10 1
Boston .....10000001—2 6 4
Batteries: Mullin and McGuire; Winters and Criger. Time, 1:45. Umpire, O'Loughlin. Attendance, 5,216.

Southern League Games.

Memphis 8, Little Rock 13.

Deadlock Broken.

(By Associated Press.)

KANSAS CITY, KAN., September 23.—After being in session behind closed doors since early this morning, the convention of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers at 10 o'clock to-night voted in favor of seating Sam Parks and the other delegates from Local Union No. 2, of New York. There were but three votes cast against Parks and his friends.

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KENNEDY MAY BE MAN

Probable Action of the State Library Board.

TERM WILL BE ONE YEAR

After Which Time a Virginian Will Be Selected—Board Anxious to Secure One for the Place, if Possible.

The Board of Directors of the State Library, it is understood, have practically determined to secure the services of some thoroughly competent, and, if possible, experienced man to come to this city for one year and classify and arrange the books and direct the cataloguing of the library. A subcommittee has been named to confer with certain candidates for the position of librarian with a view to securing such a man for one year from October 1st. It is understood that a Virginian will be given preference if he meets the conditions. There are said to be two gentlemen suggested as admirably equipped for the work desired by the Board, and that either of these gentlemen can be had.

One of these, and the one who would seem to be the most likely selection is Mr. John Pendleton Kennedy, a native of Winchester, who for five years past has been employed in the congressional library at Washington. He is a distinguished bibliographer, and has recently prepared a Virginia bibliography containing more than 14,000 titles of books and pamphlets. The name of the other gentleman referred to as eminently qualified for the special work is not disclosed.

At the meeting of the Library board on Monday night regulations were adopted governing the Library and its management, some of which are regarded as excellent. After adopting these the board transacted some routine business, such as the auditing of bills, etc.

ENDORSEMENTS CONSIDERED.

An executive session was then held, at which all the applications for librarian, together with their endorsements and commendations, were read and considered. This occupied the entire time of the Monday evening meeting. The consideration of applications and endorsements was resumed and concluded on Tuesday, after which the board adopted a resolution, which embodies the action taken in connection with the temporary librarian and the classification and cataloguing. This resolution creates a subcommittee of three, Messrs. Gordon, Patteson and Chandler, who are instructed to interview certain candidates for librarian with reference to securing a librarian or acting librarian for one year, and who are to report the result of their interviews to the full Board of Directors at an adjourned meeting, to be held in this city October 3d. The purpose of the resolution seems to be sure to get a librarian absolutely qualified to classify and arrange the books and direct the cataloguing of the library.

This resolution was adopted and the board adpourned until October 1st to await the report of this special committee. Meanwhile Mr. W. W. Scott, the present librarian, will hold over until October 1st, when his resignation becomes effective, and he will become law librarian instead. Mr. Scott has consented to render any service desired for the three days' interim between the first and third of October. Besides, Mr. Thomas Nimmo, the assistant librarian, will be in charge of the library, and he is throroughly competent to direct it. Mr. John Snyder, the doorkeeper, will also be on hand to serve visitors during this time and at all times.

MR. NIMMO'S FINE WORK.

In this connection it may be stated that Mr. Nimmo has been at work in the library for a year or more, copying and looking to the preservation of certain legislative and executive documents of the State of inestimable historical value. Some of these old records and archives, it is understood, throw more light upon the history of the struggle for civil and religious liberty in this county than has ever before been had. Indeed, it is said that gentlemen who have undertaken to write the history of the struggle for religious liberty in this State and country have either been wholly unaware of these old records or have in some way entirely omitted to examine them.

Mr. Kennedy, it is said, is a graduate of the Albany Library School, at Albany, N. Y., where a two-years' course is required as a condition of a diploma.

It is understood that when the board originally met two of the five members were for Mr. F. P. Brent unalterably; two others were for Mr. J. G. Hankins, and one favored a man of even more experience as temporary librarian for a year, it being understood that such a man could be had for that period if desired. Two of the others, it is said, were not so wedded to their favorites of the candidates applying that they were not unwilling to accept the proposition postponing the election of librarian until certain candidates could be interviewed, and the consequent postponement for a few days of the election. The impression seems to prevail that if a man who does not reside in the State be chosen at all, it will be merely for one year, and for the purpose of having the preliminary work done, after which a Virginian will be selected to take charge of the library.

FIRST DAY'S WORK OF 'VARSITY TEAM

Head Coach Poe and Two Brothers Give the Men a Hard Afternoon's Work.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., Sept. 23.—Gresham Poe, head coach of the University of Virginia foot-ball team, reached that institution, having arrived from his home, in Baltimore, and this afternoon took charge of the forty-odd candidates for the 'Varsity eleven. The men, who have been under the care of Neilson Poe for the past week, were given their first taste of real foot-ball, for, in addition to the two Poes above named, a third—Johnnie—had come down from the Warm Springs to assist in the coaching, and the trio of famous Princeton stars saw to it that there was no loafing among the applicants. The men were divided up into squads to practice punting, running the ball back and tackling, and later two elevens were lined up for two short halves of ten minutes each.

The 'Varsity line-up was as follows: Brant, left end; Johnson (captain), left tackle; Elmer, left guard; Janvier, center; Spates, right guard; Council, right tackle; Bass, right end; Pollard, quarter back; Heald and Randolph, left half back; Carter and McColl, right half back; Watkins, full back.

Virginia has lost six of last year's team: Dorsey Waters (captain), center; Houston, left guard; Daniel, left end; Bronston, right end; Prichard, right half back; Harris, full back. Four line men, besides the best half back and full back, is a considerable loss, but there are many good new men in college, who ought to strengthen the team. Of the new men appearing in the above line-up, Brant was end of the second eleven last session; Elmer was tackle on the University of Mississippi eleven; Janvier played center at Tulane University, New Orleans; Bass was substitute and last year; McColl hails from Furman University; Carter was a member of last year's scrub, and Randolph received his first lessons in football at the Episcopal High School.

Millinery Opening, Second Day.

The fall reception of Fine Millinery continues to-day, and many are the additions to the already sumptuous feast of Hat art, which received commendations on all sides as being the finest display of Beauty Millinery ever set before the people here.

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POLITICS IN LOUISA

Mr. Robt. A. Crawford an Independent Candidate.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LOUISA, VA., September 23.—The political aspect in Louisa county at present is rather a peculiar one. The people in mass-meeting assembled at September Court, did away with the primary, in so far as the county offices are concerned, appointed a new committee with W. E. Bibb as chairman, and will hold a primary election October the 10th, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the House of Delegates.

The candidates seeking the nomination are Captain William Overton, W. J. Irby and Robert A. Crawford. It will be remembered that Mr. Crawford was the regularly nominated candidate for the House in 1901, but resigned in order to preserve harmony in the party ranks, and F. T. West was the compromise candidate elected to the House by a good majority over his Republican opponent.

Mr. Crawford recently bought out the Louisa County News, dropping that name and launched the Louisa Enterprise, in its stead. Now, at the earnest solicitation of friends, he has announced himself a candidate for the House of Delegates.

In view of his graceful resignation in 1901, rather than see his party suffer a possible defeat, it is thought that he has a splendid chance to secure the much coveted plum.

REGISTRATION IN HANOVER

Many Names on the New List, and Much Interest Shown.

ELLERSON, VA., Sept. 23.—The books for registration of voters under the new Constitution who failed to register last year in Henry District, Hanover county, closed last night.

At Cold Harbor precinct ninety-eight white, and three colored were added to the list, and at Rural Point one hundred and seven white and eleven colored were enrolled. Many colored people failed on the understanding clause.

Much interest is being taken in local politics and the primary for the selection of the Democratic candidates will be held on the 30th of this month.

POLITICS IN GLOUCESTER

Contest of Regular Democratic Nominees Against Independents

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

GLOUCESTER C. H., VA., Sept. 23.—The Democratic County Committee decided to hold a primary for the nomination of candidates for the House of Delegates, county and district offices and also to elect a county committee. August 19th was the day fixed for the primary; August 1st was the day fixed for all applicants to have in their applications, for various officers, to be voted for at the primary. August 3d, the County Committee met and found only one applicant for each office. Under the plan of primaries, adopted by the State Democratic Committee, being only one applicant for each office, the County Committee was authorized to declare this one as the Democratic nominee for the office. So on the 3d of August the committee declared J. N. Stubbs candidate for the House of Delegates; John N. Tabb candidate for Commissioner of the Revenue; Wm. C. Jones candidate for Commonwealth's attorney; R. P. Gray candidate for county treasurer; Geo. B. Field candidate for sheriff; and also nominations were made for some of the district offices and for the County Committee. These are the Democratic nominees. On the other hand, some who were candidates for some of the county offices declined to submit their claims to a Democratic primary and they have announced their candidacy, viz: James L. Tallaferro, candidate for Commonwealth's attorney; Wm. K. Peun, candidate for county treasurer; George R. Hayes, candidate for Commissioner of the Revenue. The last three are the incumbents. The fight, therefore, in the county, is the regular nominees of the Democratic party against the Independents. The fight is centered on the election of Commonwealth's attorney, commissioner of the revenue and treasurer. J. N. Stubbs is opposed by R. H. Hogg, a Republican.

Registration in the county is not over as yet and cannot with accuracy tell the number of whites and colored registered this year. Registration for 1902 in the county was: whites 984, colored 214. It may be that after this registration closes, it will be: whites 1,200, colored 250.

It is a fair estimate to put the Democratic vote at 1,100 and Republican at 350. The Republicans have no candidates for county offices.

MAY HAVE OPPOSITION

Dr. W. A. Smith May Be a Candidate Against Early.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LURAY, VA., Sept. 23.—The Republican County Committee of Madison and Green counties, after consultation, refused to recommend a candidate for the House of Delegates in opposition to N. B. Early.

He is one of the youngest members of the House, and from present indications he will be elected without opposition. The action of the committees, it is said, however, has not met with the approval of Madison Republicans, and an effort is being made to have Dr. W. A. Smith, a prominent physician and Republican of Haywood, that county, announce himself a candidate for the Legislature.

POLITICAL NOTES

Announcement of Senator Bruce's Retirement—Other Matters.

The announcement that Senator B. P. Bruce would retire from the Senate is not a surprise to his friends in this city, for at the recent session of the General Asembly, he stated to friends that he would do so, but did not care for reasons of party expediency to announce his prospective retirement at that time. Recently it was thought that he was the only man in the district, which is an exceedingly close and doubtful one, who could lead his party to victory. In this view of the matter, efforts were made to prevail upon him to accept a renomination. His reasons for retiring are the pressure of his business upon his time and attention. He has a large legal practice in Wise and adjoining counties and is extensively interested in the ownership and development of valuable coal and other mineral land properties.

Hon. R. Tate Irvine, of Big Stone Gap, whose nomination is now assured, was prominently mentioned in connection with the lieutenant governorship nomination two years ago. He is said to be very strong with the people of the county, and will, it is hoped, be elected.

The Republicans have placed in the field in the Shenandoah, Frederick and Winchester Senatorial District, a formidable candidate, in the person of Mr. Robert J. Walker, of Shenandoah, as an opponent of Judge F. S. Tavenner, the nominee of the Democratic primary, to succeed Senator S. L. Lupton. Mr. Walker was a candidate for Congress some years ago, and is regarded as the most formidable Republican in the district. He has the endorsement of Chairman Park Agnew, of the Republican State Committee, and of the Republicans generally of the district.

The nomination of Judge Tavenner, of Shenandoah, by the Democrats, was at first declared irregular by the State Democratic Committee, but it was stated then at that time it was too late to comply with the instructions of the State Committee and hold a primary under the State plan. The irregularity consisted in having a primary in which voting was by ballot, instead of viva voce. Despite the fact that the State Committee pronounced that primary irregular, numerous others have been held since that declaration, in which voting was by ballot, and no protest has been made. In fact the opponents of the ballot primary held in the Shenandoah-Frederick-Winchester District have made no movement to hold another primary and have thereby practically accepted the result of the outlawed primary. It is expected that the nominees of that primary, Judge Tavenner, for the Senate, and Messrs. B. C. Jordan and C. M. Giles, in Frederick and Shenandoah, respectively, will receive the united support of the Democrats of the district.

The Legislative Revision Committee sat again yesterday with but three of the six members present. They are Messrs. Anderson, Boaz and Caton. Mr. Walker, of Westmoreland, and Senator Mann, of Nottoway, and Delegate Davis, of Petersburg, have not arrived. They are daily expected, however. It will take fully a month yet to put the revised report in the hands of the General Assembly. There will, therefore, be little interval of rest for the committee before the General Assembly convenes here November, 12th.

Engaged?

Cupid has been unfailing in his aim during the past three months—for he has all the summer, at the seashore, in the mountains, been quietly welding hearts, making sweethearts.

Next in order is the engagement ring! Be sure to come here for it—for we have them from the inexpensive to the ones set with diamonds and precious stones.

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MERCHANTS PLAY GAME OF BASE-BALL

Score Was One-Sided, but the Game Was Enjoyable.

About one hundred wholesale and retail merchants saw eighteen other merchants aided and abetted by their clerks, bookkeepers and messenger boys, play a game of ball at Broad-Street Park yesterday afternoon.

Something like two hours was spent in practice, then nearly an hour was consumed in arguing as to the admission of a certain player on the Cary-Street team; then five hot innings were played with Sergeant Kerse as umpire.

The game was a most enjoyable one, both to the players and the spectators, among the latter of whom were members of the team of policemen who will play against Newport News to-day.

Fielders' errors and passed balls were frequent, but excusable, as some of the players had not indulged in the pastime for a long time. But there was some good playing, too, notably that by "Baby" Jones the tiny Reese, little Frank Jennings, Frost, Jack Wise and Cullen. The latter made the star catch of the game, by running away back of third base and landing a fly ball.

The Cary-Street team had the best of it on the start, but the Sixth-Street men, coached on by Herman Nolte, traced up and cinched the victory in the fifth inning by making eleven runs. At the end of this inning Umpire Kerse called the game on account of darkness. The score:

SIXTH STREET.

Players:	A.B.	R.	H.
H. Jennings, 2b	4	1	3
Warren, 1b	4	2	1
Tiller, 3b	2	3	2
F. Jennings, s. s	5	2	2
Eichel, r. f	5	3	2
Fairlamb, p.	4	1	2
Keck, l. f	2	2	0
Jones, c. f	4	1	1
Wise, c.	4	1	2
Totals	34	19	14

CARY STREET.

Players:	A.B.	R.	H.
Crovo, r. f	1	2	0
Wall, 1b	3	1	0
Frost, l. f	1	0	1
Cullen, s. s	2	0	0
E. Reese, c	3	1	2
Gresham p.	3	1	0
Krengle, 2b	3	0	1
M. Reese, 3b	2	0	0
Pearman, c. f	1	0	0
Ashby, c. f	1	0	0
Totals	20	8	4

Score by innings:		R
Sixth Street	0 2 5 1 11—19	
Cary Street	4 3 0 1 0—8	

WILL TRY COCKNEY TIM AND FRED. DAVIS

The two men held for several weeks in the jail of this city, under suspicion of having robbed the postoffice at Columbia, Va., and who were given a hearing here, have been indicted for the crime by the Federal grand jury at Lynchburg and will be tried in the District Court at Danville, November 10th. The two men are known as Cockney Tim Madden and Fred Davis. Before being taken away from this city Tim confessed to the Federal officers here that the stolen stamps were buried near Columbia and described the spot so accurately that Inspector Irving, of the postal service, who made an examination of the locality, found the tools used in cracking the safe and the cover in which the stamps had been, but the stamps had disappeared, having been taken away by some confederate of the prisoners or the perpetrators of the robbery. The case was worked up to a large extent by Mr. U. M. Bland, deputy marshall, attached to the office of Marshal Treat, in this city. It was he who spotted the two men now under indictment, having recognized them from descriptions of the suspects, and placed them under surveillance while they were begging in this city.

WILL VISIT MENELIK

To Establish Friendly Relations With King of Abyssinia.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., September 23.—In case the condition of affairs in Turkey will justify the withdrawal of the cruisers Brooklyn and San Francisco from Beirut and the gunboat Machias from Port Said, where they have been for the past few weeks, it is probable that all three vessels, comprising the present European Squadron, will be sent to Jibuti, a port on the east coast of Africa. The purpose of this cruise is to show the interest taken by the United States in the establishment of intimate commercial relations with the government of Abyssinia.

Mr. Skinner, United States consul-general at Marseilles, who is to make a personal visit to King Menelik at his capital, Adis Abeba, in the mountains of the interior of his extensive domains, to conclude a commercial treaty, is now in this country making arrangements for his expedition and probably will start in about two or three weeks for the Eastern Mediterranean, from which region he will complete his journey to Jibuti on one of the vessels of Admiral Cotton's Squadron. In case it is decided to send the entire squadron to the east coast of Africa on this mission, it will not be necessary for the to leave their present stations for at least a month.